

UNDEVELOPED ARE BE INSPECTED

Commissioner Claxton Will Look Into These Schools Over Country

THE SPIRIT IS GROWING

More and More, Thinks Educational Head, People of Country Are Realizing That Child Should Be Rightly Taught in The First Years of Its Growth

(By W. E. YELVERTON.) Washington, D. C., August 3.—Careful and thorough investigation of the kindergartens in the United States is promised by Commissioner P. P. Claxton, of the United States Bureau of Education, following the announcement of statistics by the bureau showing a gain of 132 per cent in the number of kindergartens in a single decade in the United States.

Within the decade from 1902 to 1912 the number of kindergartens in the United States increased from 3,244 to 7,557," says Mr. Claxton, "and the number of children enrolled in these reporting to this bureau increased from 293,422 to 333,546, a gain of 14 per cent in the number of kindergartens and of 72 per cent in the number of enrolled children reported. The total number of kindergarten teachers reported in 1912 was 3,244."

Commissioner Claxton finds by comparing the number of children in the kindergartens with the census figures showing the number of children in the United States between the ages of 4 and 6 that there is a surplus of a little more than 5 per cent of the children between 4 and 6 who are receiving kindergarten training in 1912. In 1912 approximately 9 per cent of the children of kindergarten age were in kindergartens.

This sort of computation, however, Commissioner Claxton says, "is akin to standing a little child against the kitchen door and measuring his height, every month, and letting him triumphantly view the new height which shows how he is 'growing.' But no series of ascending scratches can record the development of the little child's mind and power."

Officials of the Bureau of Education see in the numerical development of the kindergartens and particularly in its evolution a force which is just coming into prominence in this country, but one which will be prominently identified with the entire scheme of education in a short time. The kindergartens began as a private institution, regarded as more or less of a luxury for the children of the wealthy people. Then came kindergartens for poor and neglected children, these maintained by charity. Training schools for young women for kindergartens work were the next outgrowth. Finally State Legislatures made it legal to institute public school kindergartens, whereupon local boards of education took over the care and education of little children, and this was followed by the incorporation of kindergartens in training schools, making them into a regularly integrated department.

"Thus the path of progress," according to the Commissioner, "has been from private philanthropy toward a broader sense of social relationships which realizes that the State should be the true, nurturing agency that a country like America, in which the ideals of democracy obtain, should be of all countries, be the best to provide for every stage of education from babyhood up."

Maternal Aspect Stressed. "Thus, too, it will be seen that the nurturing, maternal aspect of education has been stressed in kindergartens, and its flexibility in the direction of teaching after a motherly fashion is evidenced by its adoption into day nurseries, orphanages, schools for physical and mental defectives, and in other words, where a child is so circumstantially that he is living a fraction of a life, the kindergartens tend to supply some of the missing portion. No wonder then that mother-hearted women are always to be found in the kindergartens, and that the best of associations and clubs and boards whose aim it is to extend kindergartens."

There are three large organizations in the United States whose members seek to preserve and extend the maternal spirit of the genuine kindergartens—The International Kindergarten Union, The National Congress of Mothers, and The National Kindergarten Association. The first named has been organized and interested in kindergartens work for twenty years and has devoted most of its attention to interesting an increasingly better type of young women to take kindergartens training in training schools. The organization is now making a careful study of the Montessori system of training in comparison with other systems.

Mothers Ask Kindergartens. The National Congress of Mothers in engaging in a campaign for the establishment of kindergartens, often undertake to support one or more in a city until the board of education is sufficiently convinced of the value of kindergartens training to make it part of the public school system. The National Kindergarten Association, the youngest of the three organizations, has for its main purpose the stimulation of public interest and activity so that they will secure adequate provision for kindergartens training for every little child of the nation.

The National Kindergarten Association is co-operating with Commissioner Claxton in conducting the kindergarten division of the Bureau of Education. Miss Myra M. Winchetter, educational director of the association, is in charge of the office in Washington, and Miss Bessie Locke, corresponding secretary, co-operates from the New York office. Both are special collaborators of the Bureau of Education.

New Jersey leads in the number of children enrolled in kindergartens per thousand of the population according to the figures of 1912. The figures are 278 per thousand, New York and Wisconsin following with 234 each. The District of Columbia has 225 per thousand, the States following in order: Connecticut, Rhode Island, Michigan, Colorado, Massachusetts, Utah, California, Missouri and Nebraska. Thereafter the number falls below 100 for the remainder of the States.

Married in England. Wilmington, Aug. 2.—Mr. A. M. Thompson, a popular young Scotchman of this city, surprised his friends upon his arrival yesterday from England by announcing that he had been married in London July 5th. She was formerly Miss Euphemia Scott. Mr. Thompson left this city in June to visit his mother, who was ill in bed. He is now much improved in health.

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DOCTOR MUST PAY UNUSUAL DAMAGE

Heifer Collided With Automobile—Little Girl Suffers Bad Burns

(Special to The News and Observer.) Kinston, August 2.—Dr. W. B. Murphy, a well known Snow Hill physician, is having to pay for damage to his automobile from an unusual cause. The physician and his driver glimpsed a heifer coming down a road on which they were driving. The animal was evidently in a panic condition, and the chauffeur topped the machine to avoid a collision. The heifer didn't put on brakes at all, though, and ran straight for the automobile, crashing into it head first. The shock rendered her non-combatant and the crazed heifer walked to the roadside and lay down. The lamps of the automobile were broken and the hood bent. Dr. Murphy's automobile, crashing into it head first, was evidently in a panic condition, and the chauffeur topped the machine to avoid a collision.

Little Margaret Ward, about five years of age, is suffering from burns about the neck and upper part of her body when a Japanese lantern which she was lighting became ignited and set fire to her clothing, at the home of her parents, W. B. Ward and wife, on East Blount street here. A portion of the child's clothing was burned off. Her injuries are painful but not regarded as serious.

Beginning Saturday, rural mail carriers from Farmville and Snow Hill are meeting at Lizzie, between the two, to exchange mail, and the fastest schedule between the two towns has ever known is in operation. Hereafter mail from Farmville for the Greene county seat has been carried via one of half a dozen other towns in the neighborhood, and was two days in transit. A similar arrangement has been suggested for the service from Hookerton to Greene county points. Although Hookerton is only six miles from Snow Hill, it now requires from two days to three to send a letter or parcel from one to the other, and Snow Hill people declare their mail service is as quick only as it was several generations ago.

A report from Washington today tells of the resignation of Rev. Edgar A. Lowther as president of the Northern Methodist College there, a new institution of which the noted educator was the first head. Dr. Lowther's wife's health necessitated his removal to another section. He will remain in Washington only a few days longer.

When a young man gets wise to the fact that he has loved and lost, he's his cue to change girls.

KINSTON NEGRO PAPER OBJECTS

Wants a Barber Pole at Fountain To Represent "Jim Crow" Side

(Special to The News and Observer.) Kinston, Aug. 2.—The East Carolina News, Kinston's negro weekly newspaper, in the current issue finds fault with the new "Jim Crow" drinking fountain at Queen and Gordon streets, the first in the country. "One side is painted white and one side red—the white side for 'them' and the red for 'us,' says the News, and then winds up with a shot at the administration which has caused comment on the streets and delighted those who have watched the installation of the fountain with interest. "Since our race is composed of people of many hues, would it not have been more appropriate to have had one side striped like a barber's pole? Then we who are not red would not feel that we have been slighted."

Capt. Hill Will Repeat. Capt. A. C. Hill, who has just returned from a walking trip through several states, says he will repeat the feat next year. He hiked nearly 400 miles through the mountains of North Carolina, Kentucky and Virginia. He averaged more than 25 miles a day when actually walking, although the trip was interrupted at the pedestrian's will. The course he took, Capt. Hill states, was an ideal one. The effect upon health and spirits was gratifying.

Accident Causes Death. Trainers on a logging train at Vine Swamp, a few miles from here, cannot account for the accident which caused the death of George Bell, a negro. They testified before a coroner's jury that Bell fell between cars while the train was running at a speed of only two miles an hour. The negro was a member of the train crew and of long experience. He himself gave the signal to start and as the cars started slowly rolling stopped between two of them, apparently to board one, and was seen to drop beneath the trucks. The train was stopped after he had been run over by only two wheels. Bell lived on hour and a half. The coroner's jury rendered a verdict placing the blame for the accident upon Bell.

It's better to offend some people than to oblige them.

The greatest stand ever made for civilization was the inkstand.

Marrying for wealth is too much like going to the hornet for honey.

CARY DEVELOPMENT CLUB APPRECIATES RALEIGH'S EFFORTS

Secretary of the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce Saturday received from the Cary Development Club, a resolution of appreciation for the cooperation of the Chamber of Commerce, and for its efforts in securing the reopening of the Washington-Atlanta Highway proposition by which Cary secured the route through its corporate limits. The resolution is as follows: "Whereas the Cary Development Club desires to recognize and express its appreciation of the co-operation of our friends and neighbors in the matter of securing the National Highway which we consider of great value to our community; therefore be it Resolved, that we hereby express our acknowledgement and keen appreciation of the assistance rendered us by the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce for assisting in having the question of location re-opened for consideration to the Durham Merchants' Association for resolution officially recommending this route—to the Apex Chamber of Commerce for its active support through the large representation of delegates who appeared at the hearing before the county commissioners."

PROGRESSIVE RAILROAD. The A. and R. Building up the Section Through Which it Runs. Aberdeen, the headquarters of the Aberdeen and Rockfish Railroad, was visited last week by one of our staff who brings back glowing reports of the progress in the section. New buildings are going up in nearly all of the stations on the line, and business is steadily increasing for Fayetteville from this new country opened up by the A. and R.

The Page Memorial church, recently completed and dedicated, is one of the finest in the State. The Page family were the principal contributors to this \$30,000 edifice, and it stands out as one of the most beautiful churches in the South. The homes in Aberdeen are especially pretty. Messrs. John and Will Blue, J. B. and Frank Page and one building for Mrs. Wilder are among the prominent.

With a good schedule on the Aberdeen and Rockfish Fayetteville should reap tremendous benefit from this section. The crops need rain, but they look well, nevertheless, especially cotton and tobacco, the latter being fine, rushing in all lines and politics nothing—Fayetteville Observer.

CUPID GETS BUSY AND NINE LICENSES ISSUED SATURDAY

Cupid started the month of August Saturday with a bang and nine licenses to wed were issued. This is almost a record-breaker for this time of the year, but probably the little blind god was influenced a bit by the blind of European nations and felt called upon to get rid of a few shafts of his own weapon. Those securing licenses yesterday were Mr. James A. Johnson and Miss Lucy Adeline Barrow, Mr. T. Chester Uiter to Miss Bela Rachtig, of Goldsboro; Mr. J. E. Spence to Miss Stella Springs, of Holly Springs; Mr. Willie Moore to Miss Beulah Moore, of Raleigh; Mr. J. A. Pearce to Miss Louisa Weeks, of Youngsville; Mr. Marchel Wood to Miss Ada Wright, of Wake Forest. In addition to these there were three negro licenses issued.

OLIVIA HANNEY LIBRARY. Institution Will Be Closed For One Week During Renovation Period. Beginning with Monday, August 3rd, the Olivia Hanney Library will be closed at least a week, owing to necessary work to be done on the interior—laying of new carpet, painting wood-work, etc. Of course, the borrowers will have every consideration shown them and no fines will be charged for over-due books during the time the library is closed. Due notice will be given as soon as the work is completed and this will be hastened as much as possible.

RALEIGH MAN HAS WILD ADVENTURE

Seriously Wounded In Attempt To Capture Robbers On Ohio Police Force

Black Carpenter, a former Raleigh fireman, is here now recuperating from serious injuries received from service on the police force of Zanesville, Ohio. Carpenter tells an interesting story of an event which resulted in the severe injury of two people—the death of another and prison sentences for several. One night he, together with several police officers of Zanesville, heard cries and shrieks for help coming from the upper rooms of a well known bankers' residence in that city. The owner of the house was away and only the two daughters remained. The officers rushed to the house and Carpenter took the back door for his post. The door was suddenly thrust open and a terrible blow was dealt him on the collar bone, entirely shattering it. Just as he fell another struck him in the head, cutting a deep gash, and as someone ran past him a heading dash, a knife was thrust in his back. From his position on the ground he pulled his pistol and fired. The fleeing figure dropped.

While he was recovering in the hospital from the effects of the wounds Carpenter learned the entire story. During the absence of the banker four negroes had entered the house for the purpose of robbery. They awakened the banker's daughters, who screamed the alarm. The negroes then attacked them and had the most of the clothes of the girls when the arrival of the officers was heard by the robbers. They made a dash for liberty. Carpenter was disabled at the rear door but not until he had shot one negro. The other three were captured by the officers. Carpenter was treated at the hospital and all his expenses were paid by the banker. He was carried to the trial in an ambulance to testify against the men who were captured. All of them received sentences ranging from five to thirty years.

HENDERSON REVIVAL CLOSING.

150 Conversations Under Stirring Ministry of Dr. Thacker. (Special to The News and Observer.) Henderson, Aug. 2.—The great cooperative union meeting, held at the large Plaquemine Warehouse, has closed. Rev. Ernest Thacker, D. D. of Norfolk, Va., evangelist of the Southern Presbyterian Church, preached very fine sermons and the singing was under the charge of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Fisher, of Loudon, Mass. A large chorus of singers was made up of our different church choirs, and then a junior or baby choir. The music was fine.

The congregations were always very large and great good has been the result. Over 1,200 cards were signed, and there were 150 or more confessions, who will join the church of their choice at once. Dr. Thacker left Henderson to visit his family at his home in Norfolk, to rest up in August. In September he will continue his meetings in Mississippi, Missouri and Texas.

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MR. HEWITT TALKS

Temporary Rector of Church of The Good Shepherd a Native Tar Heel

"With me there is a good deal of sentiment connected with the Church of the Good Shepherd here," said Mr. John W. Hewitt, who is now filling the rectorship of that church during the absence of Dr. Pittinger, who is spending a month in Nova Scotia.

The church here is an exact replica of the church I built in Columbus, Ohio, during my ministry there. In some respects the edifice here is handsomer. Mr. Hewitt is a native of this State and though he has spent most of his life in other States he still looks upon the Old North State as home. He went West as his physician thought to die, but he didn't and today he is hale and hearty, and a man of striking personality.

His father began his ministry in this State in 1847, and he was the rector at churches at Wadesboro, Lenoir, Charlotte and other points. He went from this State to Florida, then to Maryland.

Mr. Hewitt is the tenth in succession in the ministry in his family. He began his ministry in Mississippi. During his ministry he has built forty churches and started eleven missions.

He has spent ten years in Nebraska and fourteen years in Ohio. He went West as his physician thought to die, but he didn't and today he is hale and hearty, and a man of striking personality.

When in Nebraska, Mr. Hewitt baptized one of Mr. Bryan's children.

The wise wife increases her hold on her husband by holding her tongue occasionally.

ENJOYABLE FISHING PARTY.

White Boys Sojourn in River, Girls Go Walzing.

(Special to The News and Observer.) Ore Hill, Aug. 2.—The most enjoyable feature of the season's entertainments was a picnic at Alston's bridge, on Rocky river, Friday, given by the young men of Mount Vernon Springs and Ore Hill. The river was sealed for fish which were caught in large quantities. A pleasant time was spent watching the seiners, playing set back and pool. Some of the girls found a delight book and went wading. About three o'clock a sumptuous dinner was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Those present were Misses Kate H. Houston, Davie Houston, Emma Harden, Ethel Johnson, Clara Johnson, Sue Gorrell, Mollie Harden, Mary Hanner, Clara Hanner, Florence White, Stella White, Freda White, Grace White, Annie Vann, Clara and Dell Hanner, Maude Kirkman, Messrs. Joe and Chas. White, Davie White, Robbie Vann, Carl Carpenter, Fred Houston, Bud Houston, Tom and Jim Harden, Broughton Cheek, Claude Bray, John and Luther Wright, Clinton White, Henry Johnson, Glenn Jones, Oran Johnson, and Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Moore.

IMPRESSED IN GERMAN ARMY.

Native German, Naturalized Citizen of Wilmington, is Held.

(Special to The News and Observer.) Wilmington, Aug. 2.—Mr. Paul Case, a naturalized citizen of the United States and a well-to-do Wilmingtonian, who left recently for his first visit to his native country in 25 years, has been impressed for three years' service in the German army according to a letter just received here. Mr. Case left Germany without having served the stipulated time in the army required of all German citizens. Mr. Case is about 35 years old and unmarried. He has many friends here, where he has considerable property, and friends have been much interested in the news that he has been impressed in the German army.

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