

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS ITEMS

A Few of the Happenings of Local Interest—What Folks are Doing.

—Study Enterprise advertisements.

The first issue of The Hickory Record will come out tomorrow—luck to it.

—License has been issued for the marriage of W. W. Price and Miss Coria Bryd.

—There will be an ice cream supper and cake contest at the North Newton Methodist church tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock. Every one is invited.

A child of Mr. A. B. Thronburg was bitten by a copperhead snake this week, while cutting weeds on the premises near Star-town, but prompt medical assistance obviated any of the danger that usually attends a bite of this poisonous snake.

Conover advocates of the 30 and 90 cents tax for a graded school, for which an election is called for October 11, will meet tonight to plan for the campaign. There is said to be strong opposition to the tax on the part of a number of good citizens, but it is hoped by the pro-school people that as the election approaches, much of this will disappear.

—Chattel and land mortgages in unusual numbers for this time of year are being filed for record. Few deeds are coming in. Among those filed yesterday were: F. C. Houck to M. V. Houck for \$1,733.50, lot adjoining Henry Elliott property, Hickory; C. H. Geitner to J. T. Regan for \$625, lot on 11th street, Hickory; Mrs. Belle Hefner to Southern Power Company \$704.40, two tracts on the river.

—A marriage excites a lot of interest, no matter who the victims may be; and yesterday afternoon when a couple of color, Will Flowers and Carrie Fish of Catawba, appeared before Register Sigman and got a "pair" license, and sent for the nearest minister, Rev. M. A. Abernethy, a crowd gathered and witnessed the proceedings in the register's office.

—It will gratify many people to know that Mr. Earl Bost, who has been quite ill with fever, is getting better. There are two other fever cases in that part of town and all are traced to bad well water, which was subjected to analysis. There is no case within the city water limits. Mr. Clarence Wilson, who was badly hurt in falling from a Southern freight near Claremont, is convalescent. Mr. John Carper was carried to the hospital at Statesville Wednesday by Dr. Campbell and is considered in a serious condition.

Board Will Protest To State Commission

The county attorney, A. A. Whitener, Esq., of Hickory, at the instance of the board of commissioners, is drafting a protest to the state tax or corporation commission, against the order raising the assessment of property in Catawba county 15 per cent.

The protest will state that the board believes the increase both unfair and unjust and calls the attention of the commission to the fact that the county assessor and his assistants have already raised the valuation of both real and personal property to a total of \$800,000 more than the valuation of last year. The commission is therefore begged to reconsider its action.

Similar protests are going forward from other counties in which the assessment has been ordered raised varying per cents, from 5 to 30. The action taken by the state officials affects 80 of the 100 counties in the state, and has created a stir throughout the state. Whether or not the commission will hear the plea for withdrawal or modification of its order remains to be seen.

SUNDAY AT THE CHURCHES

The usual services will be held at the Methodist church Sunday—preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m., Sunday school 9:45 a. m. There will be a reception of members at the morning service. The meeting at Middlebrook continues with much interest. There have been more than 100 professions and quite a number have given names to join some church in town.

Services at the Reformed church Sunday morning and night. Preaching by the pastor. It is desired that there be a large attendance of members and friends to give the old and new students of Catawba College a cordial welcome. Sunday school at 9:45 o'clock. Let teachers and pupils be on hand. A cordial welcome to all to attend the services.

—Wholesale as well as retail dealers in undertaking supplies find an unprecedented dearth of business. The country over the same condition exists. The death rate at this season is lower than in many years. It is ascribed to more enlightened treatment of contagions and to sanitary measures which prevent typhoid and other diseases. Better care is taken of infants, whose mortality in the heated season has always been high. The testimony of these dealers is a fine tribute to the effectiveness of the new health propaganda and to the intelligent attitude of the public toward the teachings of the health people.

TO PREACH IN CHARLOTTE

Vance Heavener, the Catawba County 13-Year Old Preacher Will Hold Two Services in Charlotte Next Sunday.

The fame of the Catawba county boy-preacher is extending over the state. He will hold two services in Charlotte next Sunday and a protracted meeting in October or November. The following is taken from Tuesday's morning's Charlotte Observer:

Arrangements have been concluded with Manager R. D. Craver of the Broadway, whereby Vance Heavener, the 13-year-old lad whose preaching has been a sensation in the western portion of the state, will conduct two services at the local theater on next Sunday. The first service will be held at 11 a. m., and the second at 3 p. m. A special musical program will be given under the direction of Rev. D. E. Dorch, an evangelical singer of considerable reputation. Mr. W. B. Blanton of Carolene will officiate at the piano. Mr. Blanton has been pronounced the equal of Mr. Barracough of the Chapman-Alexander meetings, and is one of the most finished pianists in the South.

The lad who will preach in Charlotte on next Sunday is the son of a farmer and was born near Hickory. His entire schooling is said to consist of two days spent at a rural institution in the county of his nativity. Notwithstanding his entire lack of education, those who have heard the sermons of young Heavener pronounce them startling in the wonderful choice of words, the wide scope of his vocabulary, and above all, the ease and marvelously impressive manner of delivery. The lad has been preaching in the section in which he was born for the past two years and has conducted services in a number of the towns and villages adjacent to Hickory. During this time, his reputation has grown until the churches have recently been unable to accommodate the throngs which have assembled to hear the youthful prodigy.

Rev. Mr. Dortch, who completed arrangements for the services of next Sunday, stated yesterday that a meeting would be held by young Heavener in this

REVIEW OF WORLD EVENTS

Wide Survey of General News Given in Paragraphs for Quick Reading.

The biggest shipload of gold of all, was received in New York. It contained \$80,000,000 in gold and American securities.

At Provident, R. I., Sunday night Judge Knowles was shot and killed as he came out of his house by a man hiding in the shrubbery. The assassin is supposed to be a man who had been a litigant in Judge's court.

Wheat exports for July showed a surprising slump. They were only 7,819,600 bushels compared with 25,000,000 bushels in July 1914. Bureau officials explain the slump by saying there was a rush of wheat exports in the Spring months, to clear the way for the bumper crop of this year. Cotton exports showed a large gain.

United States Senator Sherman of Illinois in a speech to his constituents one day last week endorsed in the highest terms the course of President Wilson in his dealing with the warring nations of Europe and denounced Theodore Roosevelt in severe language. He said politics should be laid aside and everybody stand by the President.

One American was lost in the sinking of the Hesperian, the latest ship sunk. His name is Wolf and he was from New Jersey. President Wilson is waiting for all the facts before making any announcement. There is some doubt as to whether a torpedo or a mine did the work.

Newton Business Men In Session Tonight.

Called primarily to consider the bringing of Catawba woolen mills to Newton, there will be a meeting of the business men in the court house tonight to take up the creamery proposition too, and other subjects.

Every citizen interested in securing two new industries for Newton has a cordial invitation to attend. It is distinctly a booster meeting. Talk of getting the woolen mills here has been up for months past. It is a plant operated by Mr. Thos. H. Phillips and others at Plateau and its possibilities have long been recognized by Newton business people.

The creamery idea is a new thing, sprung recently by farmers who are anxious to locate a plant of the strictly co-operative kind. The Enterprise has published a number of articles about it and these have met with the warmest reception by Newton people. Everybody realizes that the subject offers Newton an opportunity that she has never had. A creamery is not a thing to be despised and will be an asset to any community.

Farmers who are interested are expected to be present to night and tell the town exactly what the town is expected to do.

It will be a meeting packed with possibilities that will appeal to town and country.

Every farmer who might be interested and every townsman who wants to swell the town's business resources are cordially invited to be present.

After the above was written, Mr. Miles S. Smyre, who is a creamery enthusiast, called by The Enterprise office and stated that he would be one of five men to furnish \$500 each for a building for the creamery, and then rent it to the dairymen or sell it to them on suitable terms, his idea being to place a building at the disposal of the dairymen and let them go ahead and make the butter and run the place to suit themselves. He knew of one other man who had already agreed to a similar proposition—all of which indicates what Newton wants to do to get the creamery.

city at some time in October or November, provided that adequate quarters may be secured.

REPLY TO "WAY WOMEN DRESS."

A Catawba County Woman Gives The "Lords of Creation" Some Plain Talk.

Look over last Friday's Enterprise and read the item, "Way Woman Dress." I shall give a reply although it wasn't asked for, if our dear editor will permit my mite to be published. I so often read things and want to answer back, as good as is sent. Never before have taken the courage. But I can't say half that is on my mind—and my mind being so over flowing I may get mixed. Many intelligent women of today are slaving to keep up with the foolish Paris styles. But more, a great many more are struggling with hard tasks, that some of the lazy men who have easy jobs or none at all should be doing—there should be a law to take the easy jobs from the high-headed evil-lusting men and give to the hard-working women, that are so ignorant they don't know how to dress, and yet I will venture to say one third and there may be more that haven't got half enough to buy cloth enough to make long sleeves, high neck with big lace collars, or standing collars—that have to be sent to the laundry and cost money every time, or skirts wide enough to go half round the garden if the garden wire have to be used for clothes wire—and many, many things have to be substituted while the men walk or ride along with a big long five or ten cent cigar in their mouth, and a bottle in their pockets and the little short cut pants they have substituted for the big nice long pants they had been wearing and pulling up to their knees every time they sit down to show how their nice thin fancy colored gauze socks were fastened and don't the majority of them wear a very hot coat in the summer, to their own discomfort? Is that what they want the women to do?

The doctors may say they are powerless to abate women's evil. But I say we women (for this is a women talking) are powerless to abate men's evil, and if the doctors know how to tell the truth they will quicker say, "the evil is—too many are going bare-foot, heart-broken, restless and alone. There are so many just looking men making mean expressions about every girl and woman that if the Bible speaks the truth (which of course it does) they will have plenty to answer for in the next world. They won't have time there to look and see which girl angel will have the most decent robe, or just how far up or how far down the robe goes. And to the man who watches these things most, I say besure your wife or sister what ever it may be, has money enough to get the whole dress, with the lace you like to see. Don't send her to get a dress and hat and shoes and gloves and entire wearing apparel, may be groceries, and you a shirt with three or four dollars in her purse, with a "Hurry back now, and don't spend all that money if you can help it," when she has already been wondering which she must leave out to make ends meet, and then finally decides she can just get a few yards, it will not take so much using that short-sleeved low-necked narrow skirted pattern. While the men carry the pocket book which "both" have earned and when he does give her a dollar—hold it so tight the eagle hollows before he turns it loose.

Ridicule then it is? Ridicule I say, ridicule let the undertakers get rich, they get rich on more drunkards and fighting fools (pardon me I should have said sinners) bound for hell and damnation, than they will on women wearing low necked dresses—while a few do go to the extreme, they should not be numbered with the majority. I'm for woman suffrage and war, or almost a man hater. Ridicule will you? Now girls and women who have any feeling towards this,

OPENING WEEK AT COLLEGE

Total of Students Will Be Around Four Score and Ten by Today's Session.

Eighty-six students had enrolled at Catawba College up to yesterday, following the opening Tuesday. Numerous new students are on the campus and the boarding population is very large but there is a falling off of local students as compared with last year. This is explained by tardiness in matriculating and the second week is expected to show up better.

At the opening Rev. John C. Peeler of Conover and Mr. John F. Carpenter of Maiden delivered short talks, supplementing the regular exercises by the faculty. The prospects are considered very good for a large enrollment after the institution gets well underway.

The faculty is all at work and routine recitations have commenced and are progressing nicely. The town bids the old and new students welcome and in view of the strong fight by citizens last spring, is expected to give liberal support during the year. Catawba has done much for Newton and the county and confidently expects local people to swell the enrollment to gratifying proportions by another week.

Married.

Saturday night Mr. Charles L. Miller and Miss Ethel Setzer were married by Rev. M. A. Abernethy.

Fell From Coal Chute And Fatally Injured

Mr. Ed. Sipe, employe at the Southern coal chute in Claremont, fell from the top of the chute Tuesday night to the railroad beneath, 20 feet, and received fatal injuries. One arm was broken all to pieces and his skull fractured. He was taken to Statesville but the doctors say there is no hope for him. He was working with John Q. Setzer on the night shift just as a freight came in to get coal and stumbled over a piece of timber. Setzer ran down and got him clear of the rails before the freight ran over him. Mr. Sipe married a daughter of the late Jesse Gantt and has a family.

President Wilson is to give much personal attention to appropriation bills of the next Congress, in conference with leaders of both houses of Congress, he will urge much economy and a reduction of appropriations except for the army and navy. And in these departments reforms will be instituted so as to make it possible to carry out the plans of improving the means of defense without increasing largely the appropriations.

President Wilson has requested the Democrats of New Jersey to his home state, not to endorse him for another term as he thinks this action might look as he was taking advantage of the international situation to gain personal advantage. The Kentucky Democratic convention has already endorsed the President. But the President will be renominated and reelected whether he seeks the office again or not.

The Thursday Book Club will hold its first meeting Thursday at 3 p. m. at the home of the president, Mrs. C. Feimster, when the year book will be made out and other business attended to.

say what you think on this line. I'm getting this too long and the good editor will not let me in this time, much less come again. I want H. K. Reid, school teacher in Mecklenburg, to see this, please Mr. Editor, manage to get him a copy of this paper, may be he will like it so well he will send you a dollar for another year, if you assure him I will come again more newsy. BUTTIN.

SOCIETY AND PERSONAL NEWS

Mr. M. P. Taylor of Maiden, here yesterday, left \$2 on renewal, and told us of a trip he had just made to Lumberton, to his son-in-law, Mr. B. G. Floyd, head man for Mr. L. H. Caldwell, a man who operates a \$50,000 store and a \$50,000 farm. Mr. Floyd, we are glad to know is doing fine.

Mr. J. L. Thompson of Eufula, Ala., is with Mr. Julius Abernethy this week.

Miss Marguerite Wright leaves today for Greensboro to enter the State Normal.

Mrs. R. I. Allen has returned from a visit to Charlotte.

Mr. W. C. Feimster and children have been sojourning in the mountains around Asheville this week.

Wednesday afternoon Mrs. F. T. Cox entertained 37 young people in honor of her small daughter, Miss Lois. Cake and cream and candy were served on the lawn, Misses Virginia Phillips and Rebecca Boone serving the guests.

Yesterday afternoon Miss Matt Williams entertained the young ladies who will attend her at her approaching wedding to Mr. Marion B. Adderholdt, the young ladies being Misses Louise Little, Margaret Kline, Mattie Reinhardt, Nancy and Willie Rhyne, Frances Wright and Annie Killian.

Mr. A. L. Quickel of Lincoln, secretary to the house judiciary committee under Chairman E. Y. Webb, spent yesterday here on business.

SOME ARE DISAPPOINTED

The Critics Disappointed By the Settlement With Germany.

Most Americans will be greatly delighted with the peaceful termination of our submarine controversy with Germany, which is now promised by the preliminary assurance of Connt von Bernstorff. But unquestionably Germany's surrender will cause great disappointment in some quarters. It takes the political wind completely out of the sails of both Colonel Roosevelt and Colonel Bryan and leaves them becalmed in the doldrums. That arch-politician, Woodrow Wilson, has slipped by them both in the international yacht race, and with all his canvas spread and a spanking breeze behind him is sailing merrily along the main of public confidence and popular favor.

Colonel Roosevelt will probably think that this change of base on Germany's part constitutes a greater outrage than the invasion of Belgium and calls for the sternest reprisals. The tone of his comment reveals the bitterness of his spirit at this last act of German "barbarism." As for Colonel Bryan he may begin to lose faith in human nature and to doubt the existence of such a thing as human gratitude.

The worst part of it is that Germany seems beginning to share the opinion of the American people coming to regard Wilson not as a dreamer or a mollycoddle, but as the real mouth-piece of the United States and a practical and scientific statesman of the first magnitude.

All the critics who have been belittling the President's diplomacy look and feel very foolish in the face of its success. They hoped it would fail either because they wanted him to come a political "cropper," or because they wanted the United States to take a hand in the punishment of Germany. And their disappointment is correspondingly keen over a result that realizes neither of these hopes and leaves them politically empty-handed and discredited.—Baltimore Sun.

Mr. Eulan Shook of the Freeze Drug Company, has been ill this week, and yesterday left for his home at Catawba.

NORTH CAROLINA NEWS EVENTS

Brief Items Showing at a Glance What is Transpiring Throughout the State.

Davidson College has a Freshman class this year of 138. The full enrollment is about 350.

The social feature of the State fair is to be emphasized more than usual this year. Mr. R. O. Everett of Durham will be chief marshal and Mr. John Hall Manning of Kinston ball manager.

Senator Simmons was in Washington Tuesday and went to Philadelphia at night to take his wife to North Carolina. Mrs. Simmons has been in a hospital in Philadelphia several weeks, and has been improved.

Rev. W. G. Mallonee, widely known Methodist minister in the western part of the state, died at Statesville Tuesday night. He spent 34 years in the Methodist ministry.

The class of 1905 of the State University has presented the institution a purse of \$1000 to be used for any purpose the authorities think best. The outlook this week is that the registration will exceed all previous ones.

An election was held in Craven county Tuesday on the stock law. The proposition was voted down 3 to 1. Up this way all counties voted out the free ranging of stock so long ago that it is difficult to conceive of so old fashioned and antiquated system still existing anywhere in North Carolina.

Marion Butler has been spending his time on his farm in Sampson county this week working out a plan by which the negroes can register and vote in North Carolina. His brother George will run for Congress next year in the Goldsboro district against Congressman Hood and give the plan a tryout. This news came from the Washington correspondent of The Greensboro News.

Representative E. Y. Webb is in Washington this week and expects to call on President Wilson and discuss important legislation that will come before the approaching session of Congress. To an interviewer he said the people of North Carolina are prosperous and happy over crop prospects and business and that they are greatly pleased with President Wilson and his peace policies. What they now most wish him to do is to make strong demands on England for freer commerce. He is against extra large appropriations to the army and navy, but is with the President on a conservative, sane national defense programme.

What One Acre Was Made To Produce This Summer

Mr. P. E. Fry has submitted figures for operations on not quite one acre of ground this year—29.30 of an acre, to be exact. He had it in clover first and then in corn. His itemized statement shows the following:

Mr. Fry received 1,300 pounds of seed, which, at 3½ cents the pound, equals \$45.50. The cost of harvesting and threshing was \$5.25, leaving \$40.25.

After the clover Mr. Fry put the land in corn, and while it is not matured, he estimated it by counting the number of rows and ears to the row, finding 170 ears to 35 rows or 5,950 ears; and 114 to 17 rows, being of uneven length, making 1,972 ears, or a total of 7,922 ears. Counting 130 ears to the bushel, though 100 ears is nearer, he figures out not quite 61 bushels. Counting it at 75 cents, he figures \$45.75 worth of corn; and adding this to his clover profits, he has a net return of \$81.75. The cost of the corn he figures at \$4.25 corn amounting to \$41.50 net and clover to \$40.25 net. As a record for an acre this is good enough, made better by the fact that not a pound of fertilizer was used.