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UNIVERSITY SUMMER SCHOOL.

Large Attendance--Northampton well Represented--The Work and Some Benefits.

The recent session of the University of North Carolina Summer School carried with it so much of inspiration for the teaching profession that we believe every teacher who attended from our beloved Northampton county can testify to the uplift received while there.

There were enrolled 500 students, the largest registration in the history of the school. Of these 410 were teachers, 54 were preparing to teach and 24 were preparing to enter college. Of the total number 487 were from North Carolina, representing 83 counties. South Carolina sent 4; Virginia 2; Tennessee 1; Florida 1; Texas 2; Georgia 2; Ohio 1; Russia 1.

The counties in North Carolina sending five or more were: Wake, 30; Orange, 45; Gates, 16; Guilford, 16; Mecklenburg, 16; Robeson, 16; Northampton, 14; Granville, 14; Alamance, 13; Duplin, 12; Durham, 12; Gaston, 12; Person, 12; Johnston, 11; Halifax 9; Scotland, 9; Buncombe, 8; Forsyth, 8; Rowan 8; Wayne, 8; Beaufort, 7; Pitt, 7; Randolph, 7; Lincoln, 7; Cleveland, 7; Franklin, 7; Montgomery, 6; Bertie, 5; Caswell, 5; Harnett, 5; Nash, 5; New Hanover, 5; Warren, 5; Washington 5.

There were thirty instructors giving regular courses, instruction being offered in sixty-one courses. The following general subjects were covered: English, History, Latin, Greek, German, French, Mathematics, Physics, Astronomy, Geography, Chemistry, Library Methods, Education, Drawing, Writing, Music, Agriculture and Nature Study.

In addition to these regular courses there were given, in the afternoons, daily special lectures and round table conferences for the presentation and discussion of vital school problems; and, in the evenings, public lectures by prominent speakers.

A partial list of these special lecturers and their subjects is as follows: Charles De Garmo, Ph. D., Professor of Science and Art of Education in Cornell University, a series of ten lectures on Secondary Education.

Edwin R. Jackson, B. S. Expert in the Forest Service U. S. Department of Agriculture, a number of lectures and conferences on how the study of trees and the forest may be correlated with the regular work of the school. These were supplemented by field trips for study of trees at first hand.

L. C. Brodgen, State Supervisor of Rural Elementary Schools for North Carolina, various lectures and conferences on school management. The basis for these was a series of model lessons conducted in co-operation with the teachers in the Practice School.

Minnie W. Leatherman, Secretary of North Carolina Library Commission, Raleigh, a very helpful address on School Libraries. She stressed the value of the traveling Library, full information concerning which may be obtained by communicating with her.

Collier Cobb, A. M. Professor of Geology in University of North Carolina, an illustrated lecture on Shifting Sands.

George Solomon, Rabbi Congregation Michve Israel, Savannah, Ga., a number of scholarly lectures on the History and Literature of the Jewish people.

A. H. Patterson, Professor of Physics in University of North Carolina, a lecture during which he gave some captivating experiments bearing on the subjects of Liquid Air and X Rays.

Dr. Wm. Perry Reaves, Greensboro, an illustrated lecture on the Physical Disabilities of children.

Dr. E. C. Branson, Professor of Rural Economics, State Normal, Georgia, a soul-stirring address on the Mother State.

Dr. C. W. Stiles, U. S. Public Health Service, two illustrated lectures, in one of which he impressed afresh the alarming results of the prevalence of the house-fly, and in the other he gave startling facts in regard to the evils attending improper sanitation about the school premises.

A new feature this year was the Practice School, conducted throughout the term. It was a two-teacher elementary school in which the student teachers were required to observe the work, prepare assigned lessons and be able to put in practice the principles exhibited in the class room. Many a teachers work the coming year will be brightened by the inspiration received during the hours spent in this school.

An interesting event during the Summer School was the organization of a Story Teller's League with Mary O. Graham, Assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction for Mecklenburg county, as President. The teachers were made anew to feel the power of a story well told as they sat under the historic Davie Popular on the grand campus, and listened to stories efficiently told by some of the Summer School faculty and teachers in attendance.

The benefits derived from attending the Summer School are simply legion and one scarcely knows where to stop in enumerating them. One has access to the splendid library of over 65,000 volumes, affording to the student opportunities to read widely or do any special research work. Model libraries were on exhibition for (a) Teachers, (b) Rural Elementary Schools, (c) High Schools. At various times during the term the Society Halls were open for visitors who were highly entertained and instructed by their chaperon, Dr. Kemp Plummer Battle, who recounted in his lively way incidents connected with the lives of the State's great men whose portraits adorned the walls.

By the way, this same Dr. Battle adds very materially to the enjoyment of the Summer School student. He is always willing to give to the student the richness of his three score and twenty years' experience and during the past term he conducted numerous walking expeditions in the country surrounding Chapel Hill during which words of wit and wisdom poured from his lips. Speaking of his connection with the State University one of his students some years ago said of him: "He has lived to see that institution come into its own, to see it given the support so long deserved, to see it allotted the rank which it has won among the highest State Universities in the country."

H. J. S.
He (bitterly)—I suppose you consider it quite a triumph to make a fool of a man.
She—Oh, dear, no. A triumph is something done that was difficult of achievement.—Boston Transcript.

SEABOARD LOCALS.

Death of Dr. Speight--The High School--Church News--Personal and General News.

Miss Lillie Stephenson left last week for Littleton, where she will make an indefinite visit to her cousin, Mrs. Lillie Gay.

Mrs. Fred Vincent and children and Miss Mary Foster, Portsmouth, have concluded a visit to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Foster, and left Saturday morning for their respective homes.

Miss E. Josie Maddrey, after spending a two week's vacation at her old home here, left for Norfolk last Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Alice Darden and little grand daughter, Alice Harris, left this week for a visit to friends of Whitakers, N. C.

Mr. Lloyd Crocker and family, Wilmington, are making their annual visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. L. Crocker.

Mr. H. C. Maddrey and wife have set up housekeeping in the cozy little cottage home owned and formerly occupied by Mr. Jno. D. Pope.

Messrs. R. D. B. Maddrey and Walter Gay returned Friday from Raleigh where they had spent the week in attendance upon the State Farmers Union. They are enthusiastic in their praise of the quality of work accomplished in this meeting. Such a pity that more of our farmers do not attend these meetings that mean so much for the agricultural future of our beloved state.

Miss Marguerite Maddrey and her guest, Miss Francis Albright, returned Saturday from a pleasant visit to Mr. Grover T. Stephenson's family, Franklin, Va., and left Monday to visit in the home of Mr. Robt. E. Stephenson, Emporia, Va.

Fodder pulling is the order of the day now. Some of our more progressive and energetic farmers have the satisfaction of knowing theirs was all saved during the fine weather last week, while others have decided the cost of pulling too high and are cutting the stalk.

Good rains fell within two miles of here last Sunday, but not enough here to benefit the thirsty crops. Turnip sowing is behind owing to the continued dry weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Grubbs, who motored to Asheville on their car some two weeks ago, are at home and report a most delightful trip. Fortunately they did not have a break down on the entire long journey.

Mr. Grover T. Stephenson, Franklin, Va., spent the time Sunday, between trains, with his sister, Mrs. R. M. Maddrey.

A game of ball was played here Monday (It being Labor Day) between the locals and the Cottage Place team, Portsmouth. The score resulted in 10 to 4 in favor of the visitors. Our team had not practiced since July or else we might render a different report.

Miss Minnie Jones, Reidsville, is visiting her brother, Agent W. W. Jones, at the Railroad House. Miss Jones is almost as popular as her clever and accommodating brother which is saying a great deal for those who know him.

Miss Josephine Barnes and her friend, Miss Knott, Portsmouth, spent the week-end here, esteemed guests of Miss Mary Davis.

Mr. Linwood Ford and family motored from their home, Emporia, Va., Sunday and spent the

day with Mrs. Ford's sister, Mrs. J. H. S. Rogers, and father, Mr. A. J. Jordan.

Mr. John Weaver and bride left Monday for his camp near Vaughan. While we are sorry to lose Mrs. Weaver from among us, yet we hope she may find her life among the pines conducive to health and happiness.

Mrs. Fred Duerson, Staunton, Va., has concluded a visit to her cousin, Mrs. John W. Leake, and is at present with her mother near Gumberry.

Mr. John L. Ivey and family, who have been spending his vacation among relatives and friends in and around here, have returned to his home, Lawrenceville, Va.

Miss Normie Barnes, after spending the week-end with her cousin, Mrs. Sam Kee, left Monday for a visit to her mother and other relatives in the vicinity.

Mrs. Paul Spencer and children have concluded a visit to her sister, Mrs. M. F. Long, and returned to her home, Emporia.

Rev. W. B. North filled his 5th. Sunday appointment with Pleasant Grove M. E. church last Sunday. A large crowd always hears with gladness this scholarly messenger of the Cross.

The Seaboard State High School will open on the morning of September 15, 1913. The faculty for the coming session consists of the following: Prof. W. D. Barbee, Principal, with Miss Ruby Fagge, High School assistant. Miss Laura Allen will have charge of the Intermediate grades. Miss Ellen Kornegay will teach the Primary grades, while Miss Lucy Allen will conduct the music department, so successfully begun last term and also assist in seventh and eighth grade work. The Misses Allen, Amelia, Va., and Miss Fagge, Leaksville, N. C., have been tireless workers in the upbuilding of our school. This is Miss Fagge's third term. Prof. Barbee taught in Jackson last year and comes highly recommended by his patrons. Miss Kornegay, Bowden, N. C., is a specialist in her line. With such a strong team and hearty cooperation on the part of all patrons, there is reason to believe this will be the best session in the history of the school. Parents, guardians and friends are requested to accompany their children on opening day.

News reached here Sunday of the death of Dr. J. A. Speight in St. Vincent's Hospital early that morning. While it grieved his friends, which are legion, yet all had been expecting such sad news for weeks. Everybody knew his was an incurable malady. He had lived long and well. We might say he fell in the harness, for about six weeks ago he came to his Elim church near here and filled his Saturday and Sunday appointments. He was using only one crutch on that occasion and remarked to some of his members when he came again he hoped to be able to discard that one. God has taken him home to rest with him, where no crutches will be needed. He lived to the ripe old age of 73 years. His funeral was held from Sunbeam church, the last church he assisted in building, for which he contributed the site as well as giving his money and time. He needs no eulogy from this pen, his long, useful life his biography better than any survivor can do. The West Chowan will miss him, the Bertie Union will miss him, in fact everybody that knew and loved him will miss him. To his deceased friends and relatives we offer sincerest sympathy.

LASKER NEWS.

Religious News Notes--Music Class--General and Personal News in Brief.

Mr. L. C. Draper, of the Bank of Weldon is spending several days with relatives and friends here.

Mrs. L. L. Lassiter, of Jacksonville, Fla., who has been visiting relatives in Jackson for several weeks, is a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Parker for a few days.

A series of revival services will begin at the Baptist church next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock. The pastor, Rev. D. Cale, will be assisted during the week by Rev. S. F. Bristow, of Elizabeth City. Public cordially invited to attend these meetings.

Miss Emma Deberry of Rehoboth, is visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Q. O. Draper.

Miss Lota Lee and Stanley C. Draper went over to Jackson Friday evening to spend a few hours with Dr. E. N. Hounshell, of Basic City, Va., who was a guest at the hotel.

Quite a large number of our farmers attended the County Farmers Union which convened at Jackson Tuesday.

Miss Ella Drake and brother, Mr. Rufus Drake of Newsoms, Va., are visiting in the home of Mr. J. S. Bryant.

Mrs. L. T. Draper and children are visiting in Halifax county.

A series of revival meetings were held at Roanoke Baptist church last week. Much interest was manifested in each service and the meeting will no doubt be productive of much good.

Mr. Henry Parker of Gates county, spent last week here the guest in the home of his father, Mr. C. C. Parker.

Miss Retha Banks of Winton, has been employed to teach music here during the fall and winter. She comes with the best recommendations as a thoroughly prepared graduate in pianoforte. She will teach in the home of Mr. B. T. Bridgers.

A revival began at the M. E. church last Sunday evening. The pastor, Rev. Wm. B. North, Ph. D., is doing all the preaching. Two services are being held daily.

Mr. H. S. Mansfield, of Alexandria, Va., and sister, Mrs. Florence Arnold of Niagra Falls, who have been spending a few days in Eastern North Carolina, were guests Wednesday in the home of Mr. C. W. Draper.

An Announcement.

The Conway High School will open Monday, Sept. 8, 1913. All patrons and others who may desire to attend will be welcomed at the opening.

We are pleased to announce that we can still offer equal advantages and efficient instruction to all. Misses Jessie Helen Flythe and Eunice Martin, who are well known to all patrons, will be in charge of the Intermediate and Music departments. Miss Mary Hoover of Monroe, N. C., who comes to us highly recommended as a competent teacher, a person of strong personality and high morals, will be in charge of the Primary department.

We insist on all patrons to send their children the first day and try to stimulate within them a desire to attend regularly. We appreciate the manner in which most all patrons helped us last session and hope to merit your assistance for the coming year.

J. A. RUDSELL, Principal.