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SEABOARD LOCALS.

Died in Portsmouth--Best School Opening-- Fine Cotton--Off for College--Personal.

Mrs. C. A. Brantley, who has been spending the past week with the family of Mrs. R. M. Maddrey, will leave this week for her home in the Harris' Shop vicinity.

Miss Annie Nowell, after a pleasant visit to relatives in Lawrenceville, Va., returned in time for the school opening Monday morning.

Mrs. W. H. Buffalo and daughter, Mrs. L. L. Lassiter, Jackson, were welcome guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Maddrey the past Sunday.

Our townsman, Mr. C. P. Stephenson, is in Baltimore, Md., this week. He was accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Mattie M. Gay, who will purchase her season's stock of millinery.

Mr. Charley Beisel, Portsmouth, Va., spent Saturday and Sunday here in the home of Mrs. Anna Long.

The exodus of our boys for the various colleges of the State has been much larger than any previous year. Among our High School graduates we find Spurgeon Clark at Wake Forest and Jethro Harris, Trinity, for second terms; Kindred Long left last Monday for the University of North Carolina, Dean Crocker on Tuesday for Trinity College. Although he has not completed the High School course here, Matt Stephenson leaves this week for Randolph Macon College. While we miss the cheerful presence of these bright young men, we rejoice with them in the opportunity afforded for further pursuit of study and feel confident they will reflect credit on their home town. This awakening for higher education is traceable to the silent influence of the Seaboard High School more than to any other cause.

Mrs. R. M. Maddrey returned Friday morning from Raleigh, where she accompanied the deaf and dumb little boy of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Barnes to meet the teacher of Morganton Asylum. While in Raleigh she attended opening exercises of Meredith College and met again her old preceptor, Dr. R. T. Vann, the cultured President of that great institution.

Sheriff Joyner spent Monday in his home town. While here he informed us he had rented his house, recently vacated, to Mr. Jim Rose, of the Galatia vicinity.

Mrs. Sam Kee returned a few days ago from a pleasant visit to relatives in Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Edward Gay, Portsmouth, is being entertained this week in the home of her son, Mr. D. Garland Grubbs.

Mr. A. Weaver moved his family from here to his lumber camp near Vaughan Monday.

Mrs. R. F. Barnes, Gumberry, who has been ill for several days, is slowly convalescing.

Mesdames Wm. Boone, W. H. Howell and daughter, Miss Claire, and son, Ernest, together with Miss Jones, came over from Severn Sunday in Mr. Howell's new car and spent the day in the home of Dr. M. R. Stephenson.

Rev. M. Y. Self, Garysburg, filled his regular monthly appointments with Seaboard M. E. church Sunday morning and Concord in the afternoon.

After a month's visit to relatives in Portsmouth and Norfolk, Miss Alice Gay returned to her home here last Friday.

Mesdames Sarah B. and H. R. Harris returned Saturday from a visit to Mrs. Robt. Davis, daughter of the former, at Tarboro.

Mrs. Claude Parker and interesting little girls have concluded a visit to her schoolmate, Mrs. Green F. Gay, and left for her home, Franklin, Va., last Friday afternoon.

It gives us pleasure to tell the many friends of Mr. Green Pruden, that he is slowly recovering from an operation for appendicitis at Sarah Leigh Hospital, Norfolk, and expects to be at home in a few days.

Miss Fannie Foster, Portsmouth is spending her vacation here in the pleasant home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Foster.

Mr. Sam Story, Portsmouth, a former Northamptonian and Seaboard resident, paid a short visit here at the close of last week. Mr. Story said it had been eighteen years since he had seen his old home and was struck with the many improvements that had been made in that time.

The scuppernong season is with us and more welcome than ever as all other fruit crops were a failure in this section this year.

Mrs. Allie Tucker and children, after a pleasant visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Foster, left Sunday for her home, Portsmouth, Va.

Mr. R. F. Barnes, Gumberry, one of most progressive farmers, has as fine crop of cotton this year as we have seen anywhere. Not only is it of large growth, but it has the largest bolls and more of them to the stalk than any cotton we have yet seen. He has been experimenting with Cook's Prolific, the Simpkins and King and finds the former best in many respects. Mr. Barnes says the lint is heavier and the yield larger than any kind he has ever planted. He expects to gather 2000 lbs. to the acre this year notwithstanding the drought and the storm of Sept. 3 that flattered much of it to the ground.

Seaboard State High School opened Monday morning, Sept. 15th., with a very large attendance. According to the records of the school, this is the largest opening ever. The writer failed to secure from Prof. Barbee the number enrolled first day. The morning exercises were conducted by the new Principal, Prof. Walter Barbee, after which short addresses were made by a number of the patrons and friends of the school. The complete faculty this year is as follows: Prof. Walter Barbee, Principal, High School Department; Miss Ruby Fagge, assistant in High School; Miss Laura Allen, Intermediate grades; Miss Ella Kornegay, Primary grades. Miss Lucy Allen will have charge of the music department and assist in seventh grade work. Prof. Barbee and Miss Kornegay are our new teachers, both are specialists in their line. They have made most flattering impression on the patrons and we expect great things this session. Miss Fagge begins her third term and the Misses Allen their second term with us. This is sufficient evidence of their worth and our esteem for these cultured young women. The number of patrons and visitors was larger at this opening than ever before. All the old scholars returned and more new ones matriculated than on any previous opening. The entire school board was present and pledged in no uncertain tones their cooperation with the faculty. Supt. Paul J. Long and his able assistant, Miss Kelly, while a little behind time, were

WOODLAND ITEMS.

Young Ladies Leave for College--The Town on a Boom--Personal Items.

Our town seems quiet now, since so many of the girls have left for school. Misses Marguerite Blanchard, Mary Ella Copeland and Pauline Outland left for Guilford College last week. Misses Lillian Carter, Inez Benthall, Sibyl Harrell, Hannah Holloman, Jessie Griffin and Retta Griffin for Chowan College and Miss Margaret Futrell for State Normal.

Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Britton of Winton visited Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Griffin last week.

Messrs. C. H. Griffin, J. B. Griffin, Harry Griffin, E. G. Griffin and R. C. Benthall left for Baltimore the first of the week.

Mr. Saunders of Aulander is spending some time with Dr. Cooke.

Mr. Clyde Whitley was married September 7th. to Miss Summer of Milwaukee. Also Supt. C. F. Sapp and Miss Helen Spivey of Rich Square were married Friday morning in Jackson. They are boarding at the Harrell House at the present.

Miss Eunice Pope left last Monday for Baltimore to purchase fall millinery for Mr. C. J. Vaughan.

Miss Lillian Pope left Sunday for Lasker to begin her work in the Graded School.

Miss Mary Odom, of Anneta visited her sister, Miss Ollie Odom, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Acre Vick spent last week with their mother, Mrs. Bynum.

One has simply to ride through Woodland to realize that it is on a boom, as hammers and brick masons are heard and seen on every side. Several new residences are going up and stores are being enlarged, besides lots of other places being repaired.

Protracted services will begin at the M. E. church next Sunday.

Miss Bashie Sykes of Conway has again resumed her duty as assistant Cashier of the bank here.

Mr. W. B. Odom spent Monday night with his sister, Mrs. William Griffin.

on hand and stimulated and encouraged our teachers in many ways. The number of boarding pupils is by far the largest yet. While several families have all they can accommodate there is still an opening for all who may wish to secure accommodation later. With such an auspicious beginning, we have a right to expect great things this school year, and we do not expect to be disappointed.

News has just been received by friends here that the body of Mrs. Columbus Magee, nee (Magie Barclay) would reach here on No. 11 today and be interred this afternoon (Tuesday) in Seaboard cemetery. Mrs. Magee was reared in the Mt. Carmel vicinity, but has spent the greater part of her married life near Gumberry. Some two years ago her husband moved from Gumberry to Portsmouth and it was at this last home that she breathed her last. She attended Mt. Carmel meeting the past August and seemed to be in as good health as usual, not having been strong for a number of years. She leaves to mourn their loss a loving husband, several children and other relatives and friends to whom we offer sincerest sympathy.

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Jackson Locals.

Miss Ruby Buxton of Newport News, Va., was the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Garland Midyette, last week. She left on Saturday for Georgia where she will teach this winter.

Mrs. L. C. Pruden gave a party Thursday evening in honor of her guests, Miss Barnes of Portsmouth and Miss Sears of Mt. Carmel. It was a most enjoyable affair and every one voted Mrs. Pruden a charming hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Long of Norfolk are visiting Mr. Long's mother, Mrs. H. W. Lewis.

Miss Kate Reid left last Thursday to resume her work as teacher in the primary department of Troutman graded school.

Miss Verjie Vick has returned to Newton, where she will teach again in the graded school there.

Miss Jessie Fleetwood left Friday for Oxford where she will attend school this session.

Mrs. R. A. Weaver and Thos. Jordan and the Misses Jordan returned to their home in Portsmouth on Thursday after a short stay with relatives.

Messrs. Allen Flythe and Vaden Wynne left Monday for Randolph-Macon Academy where they will attend school this year.

Miss Ethel Futrell left Sunday to begin her duties as teacher in the Primary department of the Olney High school.

The enrollment of our school on the first day was 102.

There seems to have been a misunderstanding about the Betterment meeting last Friday so a meeting is called for next Friday, Sept. 19. It will be held at the residence of Mrs. J. T. Flythe at 4 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Picard and Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Hardy have taken a cottage at Virginia Beach for several weeks.

Miss Ellen W. Lewis has returned from a pleasant visit to her uncle in Lawrenceville, Va.

Dr. W. B. North is conducting a revival at the Methodist church this week.

George News.

Mr. C. Lyndon Outland left Monday for Richmond, Va., where he will enter the Richmond Medical College.

Mr. Henry W. Jessup returned home the first of this week from a visit with his friend and schoolmate, Mr. Fred F. Hollowell, near Goldsboro.

Mr. C. W. Harvey of Rich Square and his son, Edward Maris from Chicago University, spent last Wednesday night with B. P. Brown and family.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Outland spent several days in Norfolk the past week on business.

Miss Elizabeth Brown visited in Lasker Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Mary Ann Jessup and Mrs. B. P. Brown are spending this week in Goldsboro visiting friends.

Those on the sick list this week are little Edward, Ella and Margaret Outland.

Cotton in this section is opening very fast and some farmers have begun picking.

The whole neighborhood turned out Monday morning to the opening of Olney High School. The teachers never felt more encouraged over the prospects for a prosperous and successful year.

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DRESS AND DECENCY.

New Styles Must be Forthcoming for the Maintenance of American Decency.

Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Women who will not regard the judgment of a poor journalist in matters of apparel will respect, if they do not approve, the opinions of Edward Bok on decency and dress, as expressed in the current issue of Collier's Weekly, for Mr. Bok, our readers will remember, is an authority on such things, and when he speaks, then the New York modistes give head.

This time Mr. Bok is speaking in a very positive fashion. He is mad, and writes like it. Surveying feminine fashion, he has concluded, as have thousands of us, that some of the modes are indecent, rankly indecent. He has discovered, too, the origin of these radical costumes, and does not hesitate to tell the facts. He says of Parisian fashions:

"Each year the tendency to lower the standards has become more strongly marked. But it must be said to the credit of the French gentlewoman that these 'styles' are neither indorsed nor worn by her. She scorns them with contempt. They are the creations of the disordered minds of French dressmakers, who have lost all sense of art and decency, have become pure commercialists, and who, laughing in their sleeves at the American women, are, as one of the greatest of them recently said, seeing how far they can go 'in making fools of the American women.' No Frenchwoman of the slightest refinement wears these 'styles'; they are hallmark of the women of the French underworld, that frequent the Paris boulevards and the French race courses. As Mme. Sarah Bernhardt said upon her last visit to America, it was a perfect amazement to her to see apparently decent American women dressed like the demimonde of Paris."

This is very plain talk, so plain, in truth, that we would hesitate to print it except as the opinion of an authority; but that it is a true indictment a thousand French visitors will attest. All are of one opinion and are frankly amazed that the splendid womanhood of this country should let itself be hoodwinked to indecency by designing costumers.

Mr. Bok offers as a remedy for the present disgraceful fashions a vogue of American styles designed for American women. Upon this point we do not presume to criticize him. Yet, whether they be of our own creation or not, new styles of women's dress must be forthcoming for the maintenance of American decency and American morals.

An Old Negro's Prayer.

A white minister, after conducting service in a colored church, asked an old deacon to lead the congregation in prayer. The brother in black offered a very fervent appeal for the white brother and said: "O, Lord, give him de eye of an eagle, dat he may spy out sin afar off. Put his hand to gospel plow. Tie his tongue to the line ob truth. Nail his ear to de gospel pole. Bow his head down 'twixt his knees in some lonesome, dark and narrow valley, where prayer is much wanted to be made. 'Noint him wid de kerosene ole of salvation and den sot him on fire!"—Exchange.