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Local and Personal

Miss Clara Bowles spent Sunday at home.

Mr. Tom Henkel is in Salisbury this week.

Judge Council is holding court in Charlotte this week.

Chas. M. Ivey of Concord spent Sunday in Hickory.

Miss Fannie Ingold is expected home from Washington soon.

Atty. E. B. Cline is in Morganton attending court this week.

Hon. W. A. Self went to Richmond Tuesday on legal business.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mott are expected in the city in a short time.

Mrs. Colden accompanied Mrs. Bourbonnias to Washington last week.

G. E. Biddix of Marion was here Tuesday, visiting his brother Dr. Biddix.

Atty. W. A. Self and A. A. Whitener are in Morganton this week attending court.

A. H. Crowell and Albert Gaither of Newton were on the streets here Saturday.

Mr. Albert Huffman has bought the D. H. Witherspoon property on Tenth Ave.

Mr. Harold W. Mehaffey of Newton was registered at the Hotel Marshel last week.

A Masonic Temple and a City Reading Room are among the pressing needs of Hickory.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Mackey of Granite Falls visited G. A. Craig of this place Sunday.

We don't have to beg the people to subscribe for the Democrat for everybody takes it.

J. H. Hatcher of the Hatcher Furniture Co., went to High Point Wednesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Mosteller will spend next Sunday at the home of Dr. Foads R. F. D. 1.

Mrs. Bourbonnias has returned from Washington and gives a glowing description of the inauguration.

Miss Blanche Finger entertained a few friends at her home on 13th avenue Tuesday evening at a pop corn party.

The public school at the Yoder school house will close next Friday. School exercises will take place on Saturday.

The Democrat is taken and read by the people of Hickory, therefore it is the advertising medium of Hickory.

Mrs. J. D. Elliott went to Charlotte Monday where she will join Mr. Elliott on a trip to South Carolina for a few days.

L. Zerden will soon begin house keeping in the cottage on corner of 13th St., and 13th Ave. his wife is expected here in a few days.

District organizer G. F. Wise and Deputy W. T. Clark, are here in the interest of the W. O. W., and are doing some effective work for this noble order.

Miss Nellie Craun of Staunton Va., will have charge of millinery department at Sledge & Pleasants this season. Miss Craun is here and has begun her work.

Saturday was grandma Flanagan's birthday being 76 years of age. She received many presents and of all she enjoyed the nice dinner Mrs. Mary Helderman prepared for her.

Found last Saturday near the railroad on 12th St. a purse containing some money. The owner can get it by calling at this office describing same and paying for this advertisement.

During the progress of an entertainment at Sherrell's School house last Friday night, the pillows of the building gave way causing quite an excitement among the large crowd present.

Rev. J. G. Garth arrived home Monday from Long's Sanatorium where he recently underwent an operation. We are glad to state that he is getting on nicely and will soon be able to enter into his work again.

We are having some complaints from people of their not receiving the Democrat from the post-office here before Monday and some say they get two copies some times, one of which they should have received a week earlier. This should not occur.

The second of the special sermons will be preached at the reformed church next Sunday morning. The subject will be Timothy and will be of special interest to the young. The pastor announced that requests for prayer had been received and that an invitation given for such requests to be received every Sunday.

The death of Mr. Geo. Seaboch occurred at his home in Fair View neighborhood Tuesday about 2: p. m after a lingering illness of several months. He leaves a family of grown children. The funeral took place from the home, services conducted by the pastor of the deceased Rev. Miller. Mr. Seaboch was 80 years old.

Special Course of Sermons.

Next Sunday at the Church of the Ascension the rector, the Rev. Jno. S. Moody, will deliver the second of his sermons in the Course of Christian Unity, at 7:30 in the evening. Subject—"A Study of the Baptist Body—Its Origin and History, with a view to the Unity of Christendom." The members of all religious bodies cordially invited to these services.

In the morning at 11 a. m. the Holy Communion, with an address, subject—"Drawing nigh unto God." Lenten services every Wednesday at 7:30 p. m., every Friday at 4 p. m.

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The most popular song hits of the season in sheet music at Hickory Piano & Organ Co.

Ladies waist goods and dress goods just arrived and opened up Call and see them at Harris & Little.

Expert watch repairing done by S. B. Mace at Morrison Bros. Co.

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See our line of popular sheet music, Hickory Piano and Organ Co.

A big line of ladies' and children's oxfords in all sizes, best qualities at Harris & Little.

All the latest in sheet music at Hickory Piano & Organ Co.

Watch repairing done by an expert watch maker, S. B. Mace at Morrison Bros. Co.

Seed corn and feed stuff and lots of it for sale at Hammond & Johnson.

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A genuine beauty, a pleasant tone, a lasting satisfaction Cable Nelson Piano. Hickory Piano and Organ Co.

Best varieties garden seeds. Seed potatoes, and seed oats. Most & Newton.

Prices and terms right on Cable Nelson pianos at Hickory Piano and Organ Co.

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Get your fresh meats and groceries from Hammond & Johnson.

A big lot of Wood's garden and field seeds in any quantities you desire at Harris & Little.

Lenoir Sophomores Beat Mt. Pleasant.

On Friday night, March 5,—Messrs. R. A. Swaringen and O. B. Robinson of the Sophomore class of Lenoir college represented the Under-Juniors of Lenoir college in an enter-collegiate debate with Mt. Pleasant Collegiate Institute at the latter place. They discussed the Postal Saving Banks question; Lenoir favoring and Mt. Pleasant opposing the system. The battle raged fiercely for an hour and a half, and then the Judges wrestled with the knotty problem before them for another half hour, but finally decided unanimously for the Lenoir college boys. The Judges were Prof. Lentz of the Concord graded schools, Editor Sherrill of the Concord Times, and Rev. W. B. Aull of China Grove.

The victory was a complete surprise to the many friends of the Institute, and even surprised some of the friends of Lenoir college; and it certainly should be an index to many people of what Lenoir boys really can do. And this time they found in the Mt. Pleasant boys opponents well worthy of their steel. These latter excelled in fire and Oratory, but the Affirmative argument advanced was almost ideal in its arrangement, its solidity, and its forcible presentation. Mention should be made of the splendid reception tendered the Lenoir boys throughout their stay at Mt. Pleasant. These debates to be held annually, certainly should prove to be a bond of closer union between the two schools.

An Unusual Accident.

Miss Eugene Ratchford living three miles from Gastonia happened with an unusual and serious accident at her home Sunday morning when she unwittingly swept a pistol cartridge into the fire which exploded, the ball taking effect in her right breast. It is presumed, one of the children had wrapped the cartridge in paper and carelessly dropped it on the floor. Her condition is serious.

Entertainment.

The annual celebration of the Euronian and Philaethian Literary Societies of Lenoir college will take place next Monday the 15th in the college auditorium at 8 p. m. The question for debate is a lively issue. The public is most cordially invited to be present.

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A merciless murderer is Appenidict's with many victims. But Dr. King's New Life Pills kill it by prevention. They gently stimulate stomach, liver and bowels, preventing that clogging that invites appendicitis, curing constipation, biliousness, chills, malaria, headache and indigestion. 25c. at C. K. Shulorp, W. S. Martin and Moser & Lutz.

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A RELIGIOUS AUTHOR'S STATEMENT

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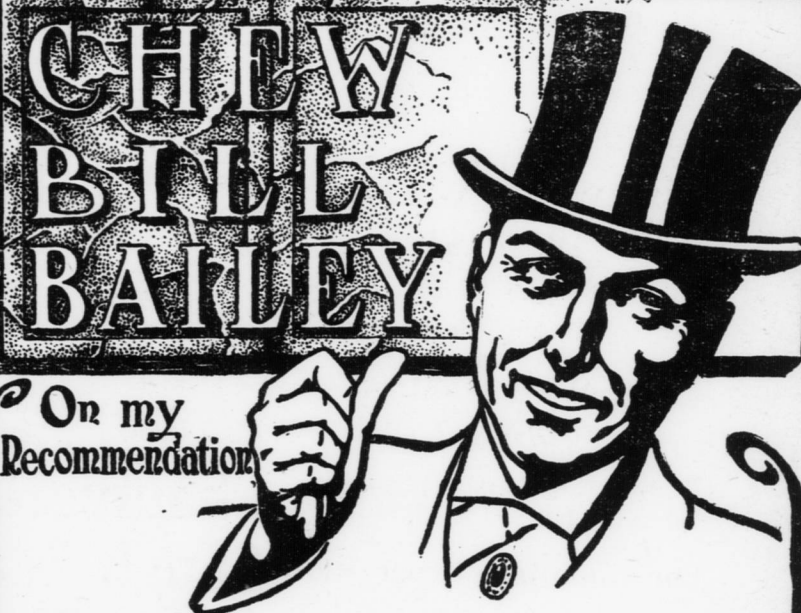
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