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Thursday, May 27, 1909.

Mr. Voter, have you registered for the school tax election? Unless you register this week, you cannot vote in the election Monday May 31.

The Raleigh News and Observer observed its eighty eighth birthday last week. One of the old stand bys of journalism, this paper has always stood for the best of Democracy and for the people. We join with all its readers in wishing it long life and abundance of prosperity.

Do you want the schools of Hickory to be as good as the schools of Lenoir, Morganton, Statesville, and other neighboring towns? If you do, you must register and vote for the additional school tax.

The question on which the people of Hickory will vote next Monday, May 31, is a clear-cut one: Shall the present school tax of twenty cents on the hundred dollars property valuation and sixty cents on the poll be increased to thirty cents on the one hundred dollars and ninety cents on the poll. This increase of ten cents on the hundred dollars and about \$1400 to the school fund and will enable the school Board to provide the additional teachers needed in the school. The law toast master. requires a new registration for this election, and the registration books will be closed Saturday Don't you think this additional was "Zenobia." tax is very much needed? W. books in his office.

Do you think that Hickory is as live and progressive as any other town in this section of the state? If you believe this, then you will want to provide for the needs of the school in order that they may rank as erual with the schools of other towns.

Thomas L. Hisgen of Massachusets, who was the presidential candidate of the Independ League in 1908, announces his intention of contesting the seat of Henry Cabot Lodge in the United States Senate in 1910, as a Democratic candidate. He says that the Independance League has ceased to exist, on account of the withdrawal of William Randolph Hearst's financial support. The defeat of Mr. Ladge would be a benefit, not only to the country at large, but to the Republican party in Massachusetts. He has never represented the people of that state, but has stood for a small clique of wealthy men, whom he has assisted in despoiling the people in every way which could redound to their advantage. He obtained his seat in the senate by methods which were the reverse of creditable, if the stories current at the time are to be believed, and the whole story of his political career is one of which no high minded man could be proud. It is almost too much to hope, however, that his grip on his state can be broken, no matter how good a man may oppose

Do you think that you will have any right to complain about the crowded condition of the school, or to criticise the work of

THE HICKORY DEMOCRAT. can you expect a teacher to do good work when she has eighty or ninety pupils in her room?

> continue to grow and to do the to register and to vote for the Boston. additional school tax?

may have a chance to get a through practical education? If you do, then it is your duty to skill and has spent some months with his brother-in-law, Mr. G. Maehlmann. He has Ave... you do, then it is your duty to children in St. Louis. school facilities.

Lenoir Commencement.

at Lenoir College began last student. large audience.

Greever of Columbia, S. C.

ment in art was awarded to Miss typewriting. Lola Henderson of Mint Hill with

took place Monday evening, with ten contestants. The medal was tzken by W. B. Rudisill of King's Mountain. whose subject was here; then why import them all? "Waterloo." This was said to be the best contest of the kind

ever held at the college. 'The annual literary address was given Tuesday morning by Clarence H. Poe, editor of the Progressive Farmer, of Raleigh. He was attentively listened to by a large audience, and his talk was both educational and uplifting.

Tuesday after noon the alumni Wessinger of Gilbert, S. C., his subject being "Work."

The alumn banquet was held Hardware Company. at 6 p. m. with A A Whitener as

At 8:30 p. m. came the young ladies' contest in expression. There were seven entries andthe medal was won by Miss Lelia May 29. Have you registered? Baker of Fallston, whose subject

On Wednesday morning came L. Clinard has the registration the graduating exercises. The of their orations were: W A Rudisill, Hildebrand. "Music, the Art Divine;" F K Shealey, Fredonia, S. C., "Foot Prints on the Sands of Time;" W A Kiser, Kings Mountain, "The Man of Thought;" A C Lineberger, Gastonia, "Sense and Soul;" F G Morgan, Mauldin, S. C. "Motives;" Miss Lelia M Baker, Falleston "Catholicity" with yelleston "Cat eston, "Catholicity," with val-edictory. After this came the presentation of dilpomas and of

tne medals alreads awarded. The proceedings were brought to a close in the evening with a concert by the students, which was largely attended and much

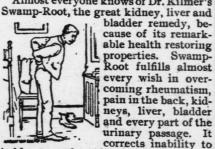
Invitations are out for the commencement exercises of Trinity Park school at Durham, which will be held June 5 and 7.

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W. L. CLINARD,

Ma

City Clerk and Registrar,

Conover.

From our limited notice, we think fruit will be scarce at our place this year. Apple, peach Do you want to see the schools and pear trees seem to have little

fruit. Sweet potaces in abundance kind of work they should do? If have been shipped this month To be cured you must know the so, can you afford to neglect from Conover to Cincinnati and

Rev. O. Katthein, wife and Do you want more teachers in for St. Louis. In failing health, the school so that your children Rev. Mr. Katthein came to Con-

Shrew" by students of the ex- two years of age. The burial was heartily recommend Doan's Kidney pression department, under the at St. Timothy church last week. Pills to other sufferers:" dir ction of the teacher, Miss Mr. Barringer is one of the most

On Sunday the baccalaureate newspaper. The first issue of Remember the name sermon was preached at the The Conover Tribune, Mr. A. L. Lutheran church by Rev. W. H. Berger editor and propriettor, has made its appearance. A Monday afternoon the art ex- good paper is a friend and helper hibit was held, and an unusually of every true intrest of people large amount of fine work was and land. Mr. Barger is giving shown. The medal for improve- instructions in stenography and

The season thus far it infavor-Miss Ada Ikard of Newton a able to the cotton crop. Some or our Catawba farmers now The junior orators' contest relize that cotton is not the best

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Advertisements inserted under this head at 5 cents a line for each insertion

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NOTICE.

Special School Election.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Aldermen of the City of Hickory, in compliance with the requirements of an act of the General Assembly of North Carolina, Session of 1909, entitled, "An act to revise, amend and consolidate the School Laws of City of Hickory," have ordered a Special Election to be held in said City on Monday, May 31st, 1909, for the purpose of ascertaining the will of the people up on the question of levying a tax urinary passage. It of thirty cents on the one nun-corrects inability to dred dollars valuation of property of thirty cents on the one hunand ninety cents on each taxable poll for the support of the public schools in the Hickory School

All qualified voters favoring swamp-Root is not recommended for everything but if you have kidney, liver or bladder trouble, it will be found just the remedy you need. It has been thoroughly tested in private practice, and has proved so successful that a special arrangement has been made by which all readers of this paper, who have not already tried it, may have a sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling more about Swamp-Root, and how to find outif you have kidney or bladder trouble.

When writing mention said tax shall at said election vote required by said act. The regis tration books will be opened by W. L. Clinard. Registrar, from April 30th to May 29th, 1909, inclusive, and no person can vote in this OR ANY SUBSEQUENT CITY ELECTION without hav

> J. W. BLACKWELDER, Mayor.

ALL WRONG

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It is wrong to imagine relief is

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H. C. Sigmon, living at 820 Ninth Ave., Hickory N. C., says: "Some time ago I procured Doan's Kidney register and vote for better Rev. Allen Arndt pastor of St. Pills when suffering from a lame back school facilities. bad health more than a year, is neys. These troubles had caused me said to be very ill. He was once | a great deal of annovance and suffering a student in Conovordia College, for a long time, and I decided to find The commencement exercises and was a good boy and good a reliable kidney remedy. I began using Doan's Kidney Pills, which I pro-We express our sympathy with cured at Moser & Lutz Drug Co., and Saturday evening with a presen- Mr. and Mrs. Jordon Barringer they proved of far greater benefit than tation of "The Taming of the in the loss of their child, about any remedy I had previously used. I

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Reserved seat tickets will be on

sale at Martin's drug store. The price of addmission will be 35, 50, and 75 cents.

Don't fail to see this one as it will be the last opera show of the season.

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