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Local and Personal

Mr. P. M. Jarrett, of Newton, spent Monday here.

Mr. J. H. P. Huit, of Catawba, was here Saturday.

J. A. Sigmon and Walter Abbe have gone to Spokane, Wash., to locate.

Jim Campbell has returned to the city to the delight of many people.

Mrs. J. B. Gibbs and children are spending a few weeks in Asheville.

Miss Cecilia Turner, of Radford, Va., is visiting at T. M. Johnston's.

Miss Margaret Foster, of Asheville, is visiting Miss Mary Knox Henderson.

A. H. Parker has sold his grocery business to Cam Burns and Tull Martin.

Mrs. B. R. Holden has gone to Mebane to spend a few months with friends.

Miss Lena Henderson, of Charlotte, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Claude Moser.

Carl Whitener and Ada Norris were married this week while on a mountain trip.

Miss Eva Smith, of Conover, spent Wednesday in the city with Miss Della Bost.

Miss Marie Whitener is visiting her sister, Mrs. R. P. Caldwell, of Newton.

Mrs. R. G. Mace and sister leave today for Hendersonville, to spend a few weeks.

Miss Elva Crowell, of Newton, is spending several weeks with her aunt, Mrs. G. L. Mott.

Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Childs, of Florida, are here for a while, to the delight of many friends.

M. H. Yount, Esq., of Hickory, comes to Court in his pretty new auto.—Catawba County News.

A number of good names have been added to our growing subscription list already this week.

Mrs. Henry Wise, of Wilkesboro, arrived Monday to spend the summer with Mrs. Lon Wise.

Miss Emma Wise and sister, Mrs. Arch Wise, of Charlotte, spent Saturday and Sunday in Lenoir.

Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Weaver and niece, Mrs. Stimson, of Statesville, are spending the week in Lenoir.

Col. Thornton has now in his office plans showing the course and profile of the proposed electric road.

Mr. John Ballew, of Morganton, spent Saturday and Sunday in the city, guests of Will Deal and family.

Miss Alma Cox, of Knoxville, Tenn., who has been visiting Miss Hazel Elliott, left for home last Monday.

The two children of J. H. Patrick returned this week from a six weeks visit with relatives in Roanoke, Va.

Albert Milmore, of Charlotte, contracting agent of the Southern Power Company, was in town Monday.

Mrs. Oscar Sherrill and baby, of Florida, spent last week visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. W. Blackwelder.

Miss Christina McIntosh, of Durham, spent last week in the city visiting at the home of her uncle, Mr. N. M. Seagle.

Prof. and Mrs. G. W. Hawn are on an extended visit to friends and relatives in Asheville, Waynesville and Murphy.

The local military company started on Tuesday for Morehead City, where they will spend a week or ten days in camp.

Misses Maud and Emma Lackey, of Birmingham, Ala., are guests of their aunts, Mrs. Will Deal and Mrs. Ghas. Kale.

Z. B. Buchanan, the auctioneer, has an important sale of useful goods in front of the First National Bank here next Saturday.

Masters Winston and Claxton Holbrook left yesterday on the afternoon train, to spend a few weeks at Huntersville visiting friends.

James Fry visited Hendersonville this week, and after a brief stay went on to Atlanta, Ga., where he is visiting his brother Herbert.

Mrs. J. C. Adden and children, after spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Little on 6th st., have returned to her home in Asheville.

An expert from New York has been out on the Catawba river this week, examining the site for Col. Thornton's hydro-electric proposition.

Mrs. R. L. Johnson, of Cordele, N. C., spent a few days with her brother Mr. B. J. Temple, of Hildebran, returning home Friday.

The Five Sedgwicks are giving some very good vaudeville entertainments at the opera house this week, which are worthy of a good attendance.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Mrs. Ida Timberlake and her five children, who have been visiting her mother, Mrs. Belle Ingold, have returned to their home in Stevenson, Ala.

Mrs. Gordon Cilley and two children, of Philadelphia, Pa., are spending some time with Mrs. Cilley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Shuford.

Mr. Wm. Knight, of Canton, Ohio, is spending a few weeks in the city. Mrs. Knight has been here for some time visiting her mother, Mrs. Belle Ingold.

Miss Lizzie Thomason has resigned her position as book keeper at the Shuford Hdw. Co., to accept a like position with the Latta-Martin Pump Company.

The recently published city directory shows 38 Abernethys, 24 Clines, 26 Frys, 25 Huffmans, 20 Jones', 39 Millers, 23 Shufords, 28 Sigmons and 37 Whiteners.

Misses Ethel and Marguerite Holbrook and Mae and Nellie Morris, who have been visiting at W. E. Holbrook's, have returned to their homes in Huntersville.

Miss Emma Pitts, of Catawba, and Miss Ella Moose, of Mount Pleasant, who have been attending a house party at Miss Margaret Bost's, have returned to their homes.

Invitations were received last week for the graduating exercises of the class of 1909 at the Appalachian training school at Boone, which were held on Friday, the 23rd.

"The Business Booster" is at Atlantic City taking a much needed rest. It will return the first of September and resume operations at the same old stand.—Times-Mercury.

W. S. Strout is grading the grounds on the railroad side of the Central hotel, and will put in steps so that it can be reached from the cars without going around by the street.

The Newton Enterprise says that W. A. Self of this city "made one of the biggest speeches Saturday afternoon in the closing case of court ever made in the Newton court house."

Look out for the big sale of lots in the new addition on the Avery Rowe property adjoining the Ivey cotton mills. It will take place August 7, in charge of Campbell & Buchanan.

Miss Gussie Hawkins, one of the efficient stenographers with the Catawba Lumber Co., has returned from a two weeks vacation spent very pleasantly with home folks at Acton, N. C.

Mr. C. M. Staley, superintendent of our graded school, and Inez Tillman will conduct a teachers' institute for Iredell county in Statesville, beginning Aug. 16 and continuing two weeks.

Solomon Honeycutt, of Lenoir, spent Monday here. This aged gentleman celebrated his eighty-fourth birthday on last Sunday. He is hale and hearty and seems to be enjoying perfect health.

A lively party of Lincoln free masons came up last week and took the Red and Knight Templar degrees from the Hickory brethren. They were well entertained and enjoyed the trip.

Mr. M. M. Cline, of near Newton, was here Monday. Mr. Cline is one of Catawba county's most successful farmers, and raises more hogs and hominy than any other farmer in the county.

Mrs. Guy D. Hahn, of Columbia, S. C., is the guest of the Misses Hahn at 1800 8th Ave. Capt. Hahn is expected to join later from Asheboro, N. C., where he is spending the week on business.

Mr. M. K. Pleasants has bought the store and business of Setzer & Russell, and will take possession about Sept. 1. He will add millinery, ladies' ready-to-wear goods and furnishings to the present stock.

Rev. A. C. Poole, pastor of the colored church at Morganton, died of acute indigestion while in attendance on the district conference here last week. The body was sent to his former home in Raleigh for burial.

J. Y. Joyner, superintendent of public instruction, of North Carolina, was chosen president of the National Educational Association, by a lead of six votes over Benjamin Blewitt, of St. Louis, at a session of the Association at Denver, Colorado.

There is a chance for some enterprising young woman with a sewing machine to make some money in this town. Let her get a darning attachment for her machine and there are doubtless a number of young bachelors in town who would be glad to pay her well for keeping their stockings mended.

C. L. Hawn is trying to raise money by subscription to build a soldiers monument on the city park. There are some 30 members of Company K, 34th N. C. regiment living and he would like to hear from them, and also from all the sons of Confederate veterans and any others who may be willing to contribute.

Miss Ora Huffman entertained the Young People's Aid Society at her home Monday night. It was largely attended by the members, with several visitors; among them Misses Anderson and Little, of Monroe, and Mr. Eskild madsen, of Hagertown, Md. The evening was passed in various games and delicious refreshments were served.

Congressman E. Y. Webb appeared before Governor Kitchin Monday in opposition to granting a pardon for Coley Fisher who is serving a four year sentence in Rutherford county for manslaughter. The pardon was advocated in the hearing by Attorneys McBrayer and McRore. The petition for pardon is being sharply contested.

A Civic League was organized on Monday afternoon at Mrs. C. C. Bost's, and the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Bost, vice president, Mrs. K. C. Menzies, secretary and treasurer, Mrs. L. R. Whitener. The next meeting will be held on Friday, 30th, at 4 p. m., in the library. All ladies interested in the improvement and beautifying of the town are earnestly requested to attend.

Off For Fun

A number of Hickory's young people left last Friday for a 15 days' camping trip through the mountains. They went in covered wagons, taking with them necessary cooking utensils to experience a real camping life. They will tour the mountains, visiting Blowing Rock, Grandfather mountain, Linville City, Linville Falls, and other places of interest. The following young people, chaperoned by Mrs. M. H. Groves, compose the party: Misses Hazel Elliott, Lucile Shuford, Helen Chadwick, Grace, Ruth and Annie Laurie Abernethy; Messrs. Hugh D'Anna, Frank Henderson, Carl Miller, Corbett Stapp, George Blackwelder and Albert Abernethy.

Church Notes

From now until the fourth Sunday in August there will be no services in the Reformed church, with the exception of the 8th, when Rev. Prof. Keller will occupy the pulpit. Rev. Dr. Murphy will occupy most of the time during his leave of absence in travel in the interest of Claremont college.

Rev. H. S. McMullen, one of the ex-pastors of the M. E. Zion church, now pastor at York, Pa., accompanied by his wife, will visit his old charge on Saturday, and will hold forth at the M. E. Zion church Sunday, in the absence of the pastor, Rev. Simons, who will be attending the district Sunday school convention of the Statesville district.

There will be services at the Presbyterian church next Sunday at the usual time.

Business Builders

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A Prize contest for the best Decatur colt will be held at Aiken's stable on Saturday, August 7, at 2 p. m. All parties interested are requested to be on hand at that time.

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Dr. J. T. Johnson, Hickory, N. C.

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Sale at Auction.

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Don't forget the day and hour, Saturday, July 31, at 1 p. m.

Z. B. BUCHANAN, Auctioneer.

Col. Thornton and Z. R. Buchanan went out to the colonel's "promised land" on the Catawba river the other day in one of those auto-freight-mobiles which make such a fiendish clatter about our streets. Coming back the power gave out before the run was completed and they had to walk the rest of the way. Moral—when you start on a trip be sure you have power enough to bring you back.

NOTICE!

I have sold my interest in the Falling Creek Milling Co. (by mutual consent.) The company resumes all debts of said company and will collect all accounts due said company.

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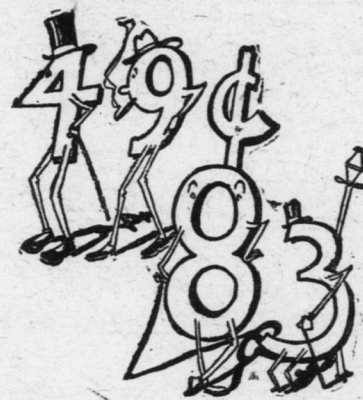
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