

Claremont Opens Well

Number of Students Doubles That of Last Year

THE EXERCISES SIMPLE

Buildings Had Been Put in Fine Shape—Three States and Ten Tar Heel Counties Represented

The second school year under the present management opened Tuesday with most encouraging prospects. It was double last year's opening. The buildings had been put in fine shape and everything was ready for work.

The management is under the direction of Dr. J. L. Murphy. Dr. Murphy is instructor in Bible. Dean Keller is a fine German and Latin scholar as well as a good mathematician.

Mrs. Keller not only takes the part of Lady Principal, but is giving her special attention to the boarding department. Few schools give more attention to the boarding department than Claremont.

Miss Margaret Hoffman, teacher in French and English, is making a favorable impression among the students.

Miss Self has an interesting department and in addition of being the head of the Primary department will give instruction in physical culture. The art room has been nicely fitted up and it is confidently believed that the department of art will be exceedingly popular under the direction

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When you buy our Calf Skin Shoes for the children you can cut out overshoes. Link's Shoe Store. 9-8-2t

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Cash paid for all kinds of books or papers, old coin, paper money, stamps, furniture, Indian or war relics, curios. Smith's Old Book Store, Raleigh, N. C., Public school books furnished at half price. 9-1-3mo

Wanted—Cosmopolitan Magazine requires the services of a representative in Hickory to look after subscription renewals and to extend circulation by special methods which have proved unusually successful. Salary and commission. Previous experience desirable but not essential. Whole time or spare time. Address, with references, H. C. Campbell, Cosmopolitan Magazine, 1789 Broadway, New York City. 9-1-2t

Wanted—Dried fruits—apples, peaches, berries, etc. Take care of your fruit now for there will be a demand for it at reasonable prices. Harris & Little.

Anyone—anywhere, can start a mail order business at home. No canvassing. Be your own boss. Send for free booklet. Tells how. Hancock, a5239, Lockport, N. Y. Apr14t

Claremont

Claremont makes a specialty of music and the music school this year promises to be larger than ever before. Signor D'Anna is assisted by his wife. This makes a strong music faculty.

The opening exercises were simple. Dr. Murphy read the scripture lesson and offered prayer. After singing a hymn by the school, the president made a short talk extending to each young lady a hearty welcome and asking that each one maintain a lofty ideal and that ideal to be to live the most beautiful life and to possess the charm of life which belongs to the character of a refined educated woman. He then introduced the teachers to the students. Dean Keller made a few remarks and then the school settled down to business by assigning lessons and arranging schedules.

The student body is a fine set of young women. Many more are expected next week.

The Week in the Women's Clubs.

Mrs. J. Worth Elliott was hostess Wednesday afternoon to the members of the Round Dozen Book Club, the occasion being a business meeting to select books for the coming year. Upon entering the home the guests were treated to refreshing iced tea. After the business session cream and cake were served. The club members present were: Messdames C. H. Geitner, C. C. Bost, L. R. Whitener, J. F. Allen, W. B. Ramsay, R. A. Grimes, H. F. Elliott, J. H. Doll, J. L. Murphy. The visiting guests were: Mrs. J. Otis Hull, of Rock Hill, S. C., and Mrs. Robert Burns, of Asheville, who are the guests of Mrs. Elliott.

The club adjourned to meet the 5th of October with the president, Mrs. C. H. Geitner.

Death of Mr. P. W. Dellinger

Mr. P. W. Dellinger, one of the most prosperous and prominent farmers of the South Fork community died at his home near Grace church on Sept. 6. He was an uncle of Mr. Forney Dellinger and Mr. J. C. Fry, of this town. He was a member of Grace Reformed church having served the congregation as an elder for many years. He was buried on Sept. 7, his funeral being held from Grace church, and was conducted by Dr. Murphy, pastor of the Reformed church of this city.

Mr. David Bumgarner Dead

Mr. David Bumgarner, a veteran of the Civil war, and a man of excellent qualities, died at his home two miles east of Hickory, Monday evening, at the age of 71. The funeral was conducted by his pastor, Rev. Mr. Brittain, at Fair Grove Church, near Newton, Tuesday afternoon. He is survived by a wife and five children. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved ones.

Wanted—A few good shop men. Will pay good price. Azalea Woodworking Co., Azalea, N. C.

Cull Oak Lumber For Sale—We have plenty of it, here in town, to offer at the right price. The kind of lumber to use for building barns, sheds, laying sub floors, storm sheathing &c. It will give better service than pine and will cost less. Call and see us. Reid Lumber Company. 7-28-1t

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Wanted—2,000 bushels natural peach seed. Highest market prices paid—cash if necessary. Harris & Little.

An intelligent person may earn \$100 monthly corresponding for newspapers. No canvassing. Send for particulars. Press Syndicate, b5240, Lockport, N. Y. Apr14t

Electric Lights, Motors, Fans, etc. installed. See E. B. Bland, Electrical Contractor. 7-21-1t

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Kindergarten Advantages

It Makes Learning an Easy, Pleasant Task

IT IS FUNDAMENTAL

It is a Preliminary Sense-Training Which Quickens and Awakens the Mind

Many people are unable to see the need of an organized system for children under the school age, and far less able to compare the needs of these little ones with those of the school child. Froebel, after years and years of study and training, planned and organized the Kindergarten (skillful gardening) to meet the demands for the right education of children from three to seven years of age. He said, "I shall not call this an infant school, because I do not intend the children to be schooled. What I want especially to teach is how to develop the love of activity that children show between their first and seventh years." They are treated according to their individuality, and develop freely and naturally in body and mind. The system stimulates their reason and their sense of order and beauty. They enter zealously and heartily into the spirit of their work.

"A child who has Kindergarten training possesses an inestimable advantage over the one who lacks it. His superior ability asserts itself almost as soon as he enters school. He is ready to learn, and his eagerness of his mind—are open, and the acquiring of knowledge becomes an easy task.

The fact that a great many children without Kindergarten training are not ready to learn on first entering school, is apparent to any worker in a primary room. Before learning can take place, the eye must be taught to see, and the ear to be trained to hear.

Lack of fundamental sense training is a serious drawback which often appears as stupidity in the pupil, and not only necessitates waste of time in September but hinders progress all along the way.

Besides this preliminary sense-training which so quickens and awakens the mind, the Kindergarten child possesses a fund of real knowledge in contrast to his less fortunate class-mate. For two years he has been mastering problems with hand and brain which would puzzle the skill of his parents. He knows quantity and form and color. He has an enlarged vocabulary, and is correspondingly capable of receiving ideas. To his list of acquisitions must be added the training of hand. This last asset will be appreciated by the teacher who has sometime had the task of teaching chubby fingers to grasp the pencil, not like a spear, not like a hammer—and to direct its point toward the vicinity of an obstinate base line.

Normal children beginning school at the age of eight or nine learn so much faster than those entered earlier that they usually quickly overtake them, proving that children generally are put in school too young.

However, the Kindergarten does not claim to perform miracles, to secure to children at five years of age the powers for which many are still struggling at a much later period. It aims to take a child's nature where it is, and gradually direct it into channels of helpfulness to itself and others, it endeavors to have the children realize the necessity of controlling impulses and habits, it begins (but cannot finish) the formation of habits of observation and attention, of having an opinion and expressing it well, and at the right time; of following direction as well as of leading; of giving opportunity to others of obedience, of cleanliness, of order, of truth, of "doing unto others as you would that they should do unto you."

Last, but not least, the Kindergarten child, since all this development has been brought about in that spirit of play which is genius, comes to us with a school attitude that is golden—a happy expectancy which is fit substitute for voluntary attention.

Kindergarten training cannot easily be over estimated. MRS. H. D. ABERNETHY.

Mr. J. M. Rhodes a Bankrupt

J. M. Rhodes, a former large manufacturer of Lincolnton, through his attorney, A. A. Whitener, filed a petition in bankruptcy. The liabilities of Mr. Rhodes are something over \$30,000, and his assets about \$30,000.

Mr. Rhodes' financial ruin was brought about by reason of his endorsing a number of notes for the John Manufacturing Company, of Kings Mountain, and for various other parties. His personal liabilities will not exceed \$40,000.

Lenoir Opening.

Lenoir had the best opening Tuesday in the history of the college department, over 150 being present with more coming in on every train. Howard A. Banks will make an address at the opening exercises this evening. The informal reception will follow for getting acquainted. The townspeople are invited.

Frank Schell Killed

Frank L. Schell, of Conover, was killed at Mt. Savage, Md., Tuesday. He was running a ditching engine, which turned over and crushed him underneath. His remains are due to reach home today.

WHY IS THE BRIDGE BLOCKED?

The Catawba-Alexander bridge proposition still hangs fire. After a long discussion at the last meeting of the board, Monday, final action was postponed until Sept. 14. Meantime the committee on location, Messrs. Shuford, Sigmon and Hudson, will confer with the Alexander committee. The commissioners of both counties express themselves as favorable to the proposition but every time they come to the point of making the order, some little technicality, either real or imagined, is brought up by the county attorney.

This is surprising, because he, as mayor of Newton, has a record for progress and for spending the town's money liberally and wisely. Newton has never had a better mayor. He is, too, the pioneer in the macadam work in this county.

His friends—and he has a lot of friends—are surprised that he has allowed himself, unconsciously, no doubt, to become the advocate of the opposition to the bridge instead of the impartial adviser of the board.

There is no real cause of jealousy between Newton and Hickory and each should help the other to advance. The Democrat was saying as much editorially last week and the Newton News heartily seconded the sentiment. We are sure the great majority of Newton people echo this sentiment.

Thousands of dollars have been spent on building bridges over the South Fork and Clark's creek and every one on roads leading to Newton. Hickory township has not only not complained but has applauded the commissioners in spending every dollar of this money.

The citizens of Hickory and of the part of Alexander affected by the bridge have raised nearly \$4,000 to supplement the appropriations of the two counties and have met every requirement that has been asked. Yet when it comes to the point of making the order, the cry virtually is: "It is for the benefit of Hickory, so let us kill it!"

We are confident this is not the general feeling and the commissioners surely will not be influenced by a jealous handful.

Hickory township pays more than one-third of the taxes of this county and receives less consideration than any other part of it.

This fact ought to keep the commissioners from allowing a prejudiced few from blocking the substantial progress of the county.

The site for this bridge was not selected by the Hickory Chamber of Commerce, but by the State engineer, who looked the river up and down for four miles, and chose the least expensive point.

We are entitled to this appropriation and we know that the advocates of the bridge are determined to have it or exhaust the judiciary and every other available power that may be appealed to. The time has come when patience ceases to be a virtue.

It is only proper and due a good man to say that the county chairman, Mr. J. W. Shuford, has done everything he could to get the appropriation through but on every hand he is blocked by captious objection.

The committee on location mentioned above met in Hickory July 23 and agreed to recommend the appropriation of \$6,000 for building this bridge at a point about one and a half miles below Moore's Ferry but for some reason or other the order has never been made. Now the people of this city and township and vicinity want to know why. What influences have caused the board to stop when it had gone to the point of agreeing upon an appropriation and site. Come out from under cover and show your hand.

Fairview Items.

Correspondence of The Democrat.

Fairview, Sept. 5.—A number of our people went to Newton Monday to attend the meeting of the Board of Commissioners.

Born, Sunday, to Mr. and Mrs. James Herman, a fine girl. Mr. Geo. A. Poovey, R. P. C., went to Knoxville Tuesday to take his run again. He has been at home a week having his eyes treated by Dr. Shuford.

Mr. A. A. Miller is spending a week at Blowing Rock looking after his farm.

The "boys" who went to Lenoir to attend court returned the latter part of last week.

Mr. Homer Yount is spending his vacation with his parents.

A number of people from this section went to St. Stephens Sunday to hear the Children's Day service. The songs and recitations were especially well rendered. To Miss Maud Ekard belongs much of the credit for their training.

We are sorry to note the serious illness of Mr. Luther Davidson's baby.

Some one entered the watermelon patch of Mr. A. A. Miller Sunday night and pulled seven or eight melons. They carried five of them to the edge of the patch where they burst and ate three of them. Two were left lying on the side of the ditch. Mr. Miller says he doesn't mind the boys eating a few but prefers to do his own gathering.

Mr. R. O. Smith and wife went to Newton Monday. Mrs. Smith is taking treatment under Dr. Campbell.

People are behind working fodder on account of the rain last week.

The fox hunters were with us Monday morning. They caught one and ran another from sun up till ten o'clock.

Everybody seems to be drying a good many apples. They are selling for 4c cash.

The election in District No. 1, Fairview School House for or against special school tax, also the removal of schoolhouse near the Southern boundary of district was held the 20th of August. The result was 18 to 16 against removal and tax. It is said that this is the first time in the county where the tax has been voted down. This was caused by the removal clause.

Success to The Democrat. "Kid."

Assistant postmaster Heffner informs The Democrat that there has been a gain of 20 per cent. in the postal receipts for August over the same month last year, which shows how steadily Hickory's business is growing.

Howard A. Banks returned Monday from Asheville where he attended the funeral of his brother, Wm. M. Banks, who had been a life long invalid. Mr. Wm. Banks died Friday night. He had a bright mind and lived in an atmosphere of books.

Always Answered.

Children often are highly logical, though not quite in the adult manner. They attain conclusions by those processes of "pure reason" which, being quite unbiassed by the opinions of others, sometimes result in startling truths.

Almost everybody, for instance, has heard of the little lad who, listening to the questions of an irreligious friend of the family as to what would happen supposing that one good Christian should pray for an east and another for a west wind at sea, innocently answered that of course there'd be an awful tempest, but not every one has heard of the equally pertinent and naive solution recently offered by a thoughtful youngster for the ever perplexing problem of "Are prayers answered?"

The child was talking with another, who asked the vexed and puzzling question, explaining at the same time that he didn't believe that prayers were answered, because he never got anything he asked for. "You don't pray for the right things," answered little Mr. Wiseman. "Of course all prayers are answered, but sometimes the answer is 'Yes' and sometimes it's 'No.'"—Chicago Record-Herald.

HICKORY PRODUCE MARKET.

Corrected weekly by Whitener & Martin. Hens, per lb. . . . . . 9c Spring Chickens, per lb. . . . . 12 1-2c Turkeys, per lb. . . . . . 15c Eggs, per doz. . . . . . 22 1-2c Butter per lb. . . . . . 18 to 26 Creamery Butter. . . . . . 30c Apples, eating. . . . . 50c per bu Sweet Potatoes. . . . . 60c per bu Irish Potatoes. . . . . 60c to 75c a bu Cabbage, per lb. . . . . . 1c Beans, per bushel. . . . . 50c

The Organ Recital.

An organ recital was given on the new Estey organ at the Presbyterian Church on Tuesday night. The program was rendered by the organists of the church, Mrs. J. A. Hatcher and Miss Nina Ramsay, assisted by Miss Mary D. Ramsey, who sang two sacred solos.

The church is to be congratulated, not only in having a splendid sweet instrument, but also in numbering such excellent performers in their choir.

The program consisted entirely of classic selections, and their merits were brought out in a masterful way, the organ responded with ease and sweetness that obtained for it the highest praise. The large audience, which filled the church, was entertained and edified by the whole program.

The members of the church may congratulate themselves in the future of their church with such an organ and such organists.

Presbyterian Church Notes.

The pastor has returned, and filled his pulpit last Sunday, giving on Sunday evening an account of one of the lectures he heard at Winona Lake Bible Conference on the progress of Christianity in the Philippines. Next Sunday night he will give another echo from Winona and report an address entitled "Fool Hill," a study in boys and girls from 12 to 16. Boys and girls these ages needn't come unless they want to, but all parents, teachers, employers, big brothers and sisters are urged to attend.

The Sunday School has held up splendidly and keeps near the banner mark in attendance.

We feel proud of our organ and organists. We have a right to. The recital Tuesday night was first-class and greatly enjoyed.

Presbytery meets near Mooresville at Prospect Church next Tuesday. The pastor with Mr. H. M. Doll or Dr. W. B. Ramsay are appointed to attend to represent this church.

Mr. H. E. McComb and Dr. T. F. Stevenson alternate are the appointed delegates to synod at Rocky Mount the last of October.

Ivey Dots

Correspondence of The Democrat.

West Hickory, Sept. 4.—The Ivey Mill is now putting out about 24 bales of cloth every week since it has been running by electricity. This is a considerable gain over what was made when the mill run by steam.

Miss Hattie Mingus and Sam Colter, both hands in the Ivey mill, were married here Saturday evening. They went to Claremont to spend several days with the bride's parents.

The Ivey baseball team crossed bats with the Brookford team here Saturday evening. At the close of the game the score was 7 and 10 in favor of Brookford.

G. T. Barger gave an ice cream supper Saturday evening. There was a large crowd of young people present and all report a very fine time.

E. D. Brown's little daughter, who has been down with fever for several weeks is now getting better.

Mr. Sherrill and family went over in Caldwell county Saturday to Mrs. Sherrill's brothers.

Rev. W. A. Deaton preached in the graded school building here Sunday evening and also organized a Lutheran congregation to be known as the West Hickory Evangelical Lutheran Church. There were thirty-six members enrolled.

J. P. Eller, who has been working at the Ivey Mill for several years as loom fixer, has resigned. He will go to Greensboro where he has accepted a better paying job.

Arthur Wilson is wearing a broad smile just now. The stork visited his home Friday and left a fine girl.

A. Ellmore moved here from Granite Falls last week and is working in the mill.

Frank Williams, of Brookford, was here Saturday and Sunday visiting his brother, W. R. Williams.

The school trustees of West Hickory, at their regular meeting in September, decided to commence school in October.

IOTA.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burns, of Asheville, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. Worth Elliott.

Republican

Deficits Big

Figures Which Tell a Significant Story

GET NEW HAND BOOK

It Exposes Republican Failure to Keep Tariff Promises—The Ship Subsidy Danger

Special Washington Correspondence of The Democrat.

Washington, Sept. 8.—Spending nearly \$200,000 a day more than it took in, the government closed the month of August with a deficit approximating \$5,000,000 which is indicative of a deficit of \$70,000,000 for this fiscal year as against a deficit of \$19,480,752.43 for the last fiscal year.

This deficit was due to two principle reasons:

First: The unparalleled extravagance of the standpat faction of the Republican party, which is in control of the government.

Second: Failure of the Payne-Aldrich tariff law to produce sufficient revenue to meet the expenses of the government.

The statement of the treasury issued at the close of business August 27 shows that the excess of expenditures over receipts for July and the first 26 days of August, 1910, amounted to \$14,431,727.34, or an average deficit of \$288,634.64 for each banking day in that period. No one could possibly so understand the situation, however, from the reports carried by the big press associations, which invariably give the government finances.

What the Figures Show

How are these daily deficits made up? The amount of the deficit is taken from the general fund. How does the money get into the general fund? It comes from the people. Figures best tell the story of what these daily deficits are doing to the general fund:

(Balance in General Fund at the close of year.)

1907	\$272,061,445.47
1908	245,171,347.73
1909	126,375,428.10
1910	106,894,675.67
August 20, 1910	85,696,035.42

The 1910 Campaign Book

Every Democratic worker in the country should have a copy of the 1910 Democratic campaign book, which is without doubt the best handbook on the tariff now in print. One of the unusual features of the book, as contrasted with past campaign books, is its utilization of Republican utterances to sustain Democratic arguments. Thirty-six of the 516 pages of the book are made up exclusively of speeches by Republicans, who take practically the same position on many of the big issues as the Democratic leaders. The committee is asking \$1 for the book, which goes toward defraying expenses of the Democratic Congressional Committee. Not having been favored with contributions by the great industrial concerns of the country, the Democratic committee must rely largely upon contributions from the people. Those who are really unable to contribute the dollar to the campaign fund, however, may secure a copy of the campaign book free.

Contributions and requests for the book should be addressed to the Hon. F. F. Garrett, treasurer of the National Democratic Congressional Committee, Washington, D. C.

Ship Subsidy Bobs Up

In his letter to the Republican Congressional Committee President Taft serves notice on the country that if the next House is Republican the Ship Subsidy bill will be passed.

The Republicans had intended putting the \$5,000,000 ship subsidy grab through at the last session, but were sidetracked by a scandal which brought about a Congressional probe of the business methods of the Merchant Marine League of Cleveland, O., which concern had been attacking and intimidating members of Congress opposed to the subsidy grab. It developed at the hearing that the attacks on the opponents of shipping subsidies had been carried on with money subscribed by subsidiary concerns of the steel trust, and other private individuals and companies which would profit by the passage of legislation appropriating money from the treasury to private ship owners.

CLYDE H. TAVENNER.

Mrs. H. D. Abernethy's kindergarten school opens Sept. 19.