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CREAMERY ROUTES ARE ESTABLISHED IN BURKE

As Consequence Prices Jump-- Proposed Railroad Seems to Have Died.

Morganton, Aug. 4.—The Catawba Creamery has established routes throughout Burke County and daily trips will be made for the collection of cream, butter and eggs. This of course, will be a great boon to the farmers, but the shortage of butter and eggs on the local market is keenly felt and most of the farmers who have supplied families regularly for years have notified their customers that all their product will be sold to the Catawba company. Local prices have jumped about one-third.

The railroad proposition which created such a furor a few months ago and led to an election and voting of bonds seems to have died a natural death and is seldom mentioned; in fact, any one desiring information would seek in vain, as it is not to be had and the local papers have not been able to scrape up any light on the subject.

It died so quietly and easily that no one knows how, nor when, and only the stakes along the survey serve as a reminder of what would have been a great thing for Burke if accomplished.

J. D. Pitts of Glen Alpine again took the lead among Burke farmers in wheat producing, raising nearly 2,000 bushels. He led in both wheat and corn production last year and will likely lead in both again this year.

This seems more remarkable when it is known that farming is merely a sideline with him, while the lumber business is his real line and his farming is merely to keep his great number of teams and men busy when not needed around his mills and plants. He works more men and teams than any man, firm or corporation in the county.

Attractive Mountain Excursion Tuesday, August 10, 1915.

Southern Railway will operate special train consisting of both day coaches and Pullman cars from Charlotte to Asheville, via Salisbury Tuesday, August 10, making exceptionally low round trip fares as shown below:

Charlotte	3.50
Lexington	3.50
China Grove	3.00
Winston-Salem	3.50
Concord	3.25
Morganton	1.50
Mocksville	3.00
Salisbury	3.00
Thomasville	3.50
Moorestown	2.75
Greensboro	4.25
Reidsville	4.75
Hickory	1.75
Taylorsville	2.75
Statesville	2.50
Albemarle	3.50
Kannapolis	3.25
Newton	2.00
Asheboro	3.50
Conover	2.00

Fares from all other points on same basis.

Fares from all points to Black Mountain 50 cents less than fares as shown to Asheville.

Exceptional opportunity to spend a pleasant vacation in Asheville and surrounding mountains. Now is the time to enjoy a stay at Black Mountain and attend the meetings at Montreat.

Special train will leave Charlotte 8:30 a. m., Salisbury 10:20 a. m., arrive Black Mountain about 2:45 p. m., and Asheville 3:50 p. m.

Returning tickets will be good on all regular trains leaving Asheville and Black Mountain up to and including Friday, August 13th, except will not be good on main line trains 37 and 38.

Passengers from points not covered by special train will use regular trains to Salisbury, Barber, Statesville and other junction points connecting with the special train.

For further information apply nearest ticket agent or write:
R. H. DeBUTTS, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

Is Sickness a Sin?

If not, it's wicked to neglect illness and means of relief. It's wicked to endure Liver Ills, Headache, Indigestion, Constipation, when one dose of Po-Do-Lax gives relief. Po-Do-Lax is Podo-phillin (May Apple) without the gripe. It arouses the Liver, increases the flow of bile—Nature's antiseptic in the Bowels. Your Constipation and other ills disappear over night. Po-Do-Lax has helped Nature to remove the cause. Get a bottle from your druggist to-day. Get rid of your Constipation overnight.

This Year's Cotton Crop 4,000,000 Bales Under Last

This year's cotton crop will approximate 11,970,037 equivalent 500-pound bales, compared with 16,134,930 bales for last year, according to estimates unofficially calculated and based on crop conditions reports and official figures on acreage and normal yield. Whether the yield this year is

greater or less than the estimate depends on growing condition from now until picking time.

The condition of the growing crop on July 25 was 75 3 per cent of normal, the department of agriculture announced. The condition by states follows: Virginia 79; North Carolina, 78; South Carolina, 72.

North Exceeds Record in Use of Dixie Cotton

Northern cotton mills during the season just ended took more cotton from the south than ever before in history. Official statistics given to the trade put northern takings at 2,883,208 bales, compared with 2,561,570 last season and 2,485,574 two years ago.

Exports for the season made a more favorable showing than expected, year-end returns raising them to 8,541,908 bales.

Predictions from some of the largest local exporters a year ago, when cotton trading was suspended, were that the total outward movement of the crop could not exceed 1,000,000 bales owing to the demoralization caused by war.

The average gross weight of bales from last year's crop was 515.27 pounds.

In the preceding crop the gross weight was 514.34 pounds while bales in the crop before that weighed 517.99 pounds.

Some Don'ts. (Contributed.)

Don't claim to be a member of a Church or Sunday School, and then, because it is hot weather or something else not half as bad, you fail to be present at the services. You are needed.

Don't fail to contribute your services as well as your money, to the Church and Sunday School. It takes both.

Don't trade with a merchant who doesn't give you a square deal for your money. He is a cheat.

Don't trade with a merchant who tries to make you think that it is he, and not you, that knows what you want. He's after your money.

Don't trade with a merchant who is not courteous. He doesn't deserve your trade.

Keep your eye on the man who drives an automobile, wagon, buggy, motorcycle or bicycle, who doesn't turn to the right when you meet him and divide the road with you; for such people think the roads belong to them and they aim to have it. They take that which doesn't belong to them.

Don't patronize a Moving Picture Show, that doesn't advertise the subjects, the number of reels to show and the price of admission. They think they will get you anyhow.

Don't give man the credit for growing the great crops this year, when you know he has only contributed his part. God gives the season and man the wisdom and strength. Thank God for the season and your health and wisdom.

Don't use slighting remarks about people, for they may hear of it, and brand you.

Don't tell a man, that he is capable of learning more in hot weather than when it is cold. It isn't so.

Don't use profane language. It lowers your influence with men, and causes you to become a criminal, and in the end the devil will get you.

Be Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head Because of Its Tonic and Laxative Effect. LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE is better than ordinary Quinine and does not cause nervousness nor ringing in head. Remember the full name and look for the signature of E. W. GROVE, INC.

First Methodist Church Philathea Notes

We were glad to welcome two new members to our class last Sunday. They were Misses Georgia Johnson and Olivia Short. We also had five visitors.

The class received two post cards from absent ones last week, and both of the girls expressed the wish to be with us next Sunday.

We are sorry indeed to report that two of our members, Mrs. Shoemaker and Miss Annie Downum are quite sick. We sincerely wish for each a speedy recovery.

Miss Jo Moore left for Covington, Ky., last week to be gone about two months. We certainly will miss her, she being our Flower Captain.

Miss Marjorie Whitener is in Culpepper, Va., and will also visit Philadelphia and Atlantic City while away.

Miss Rachel Pugh is in Reidsville, where she will stay until school begins.

Miss Ethel Frazer leaves this week for points North where she will be gone some time.

Miss Erroll Bolch left Thursday to visit her brother in Marshville.

Miss Alice Witherspoon returned home last Monday from her vacation, which she spent at Gastonia and Lincolnton.

We miss all of our girls that are visiting and hope to have them with us soon.

Monday night, July 26, the Baracas and Philatheas held their regular business and social meeting at the Church. The Junior Philatheas were also present as guests of honor. The Philatheas had the largest attendance in their history and one marked feature of the business session was the fact that every officer was present with a written report of the work done during the month.

The following will give you an idea of what we are doing:

The Guest Registrar reported 26 visitors during July--161, this year. Our Flower Captain has furnished 31 bouquets for a class rooms and Church. The Social Committee had planned two social meetings, invited seven to join our class and appointed six Glad Hand Committees. The Charity Committee had made ten calls on the sick, carried nine bouquets of flowers and one basket of fruit to them and made five visits to the aged of our community. The Secretary reported no net loss in membership during this hot weather, with an average attendance of 45. The Reporter has contributed six articles in the local paper and Baraca-Philathea Herald. The Membership Committee reported quite a number of prospective members and calls made on absentees, and our Treasurer delighted us with the news that we have a little surplus in the Treasury. Our Librarian says we should read more of our good books and I am sure some who have taken advantage of this pleasure will do so. Our Secret Service Committee meets regularly every two weeks and has very interesting and helpful services.

After the business sessions of both classes, they assembled in the main auditorium where a short literary and musical program was rendered after which

TEUTONS CLAIM TO HOLD 3,000,000 PRISONERS

Estimated They Have Captured 8,000 Guns and 3,000 Machine Guns.

The German war ministry furnishes in connection with the first anniversary of the war interesting figures relating to the successes of the Central powers, says the Overseas News Agency. The statement follows:

Germany and Austria-Hungary occupy 29,000 square kilometers in Belgium, 21,000 in France, 130,000 in Russia, and 10,000 in French Alsace.

"Prisoners of war taken in Galicia now in German camps and in hospitals or employed as workers, total 938,869; men captured in the campaign last week and on their way to camp number 120,000; prisoners in Austria-Hungary 636,543, making a grand total of 1,695,412.

"Prisoners taken in Russia and now in Germany total 5,600 officers and 720,000 non-commissioned officers and privates; in Austria 3,190 officers and 610,000 non-commissioned officers and privates; total 8,790 officers and 1,330,000 men.

German collecting stations received up to the middle of June 5,843 captured field guns and 1,556 machine guns. Many field pieces were not delivered to these stations but were kept with the troops and are being used against their former owners. While exact figures are not available it is estimated that nearly 8,000 guns and 3,000 machine guns have been captured.

West Hickory Items.

West Hickory, Aug. 4.—The Ivey Mill Company is having all the dwelling houses belonging to the company repainted. When the work is completed it will add greatly to the appearance of the town. Messrs. John Setzer and Alvin Seitz have the contract to do the painting.

Miss Sarah Abee of Drexel was here Saturday and Sunday visiting her cousin, Miss Katie Abee.

Mr. W. C. Laney of Yorkville, S. C., was here several days last week visiting Mr. Make McKenzie.

Miss Mary Bolick gave a birthday party Saturday evening. Several of her little girl friends were present and all enjoyed a pleasant time.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Byers have returned from Rhodhiss. We give them a hearty welcome.

Miss Katie Milton is visiting friends at Marion this week.

Mr. E. W. Humphries is spending this week with relatives at Gaffney, S. C.

Misses Gertie and Lula Winkler gave a party Monday night in honor of their guest, Miss Mary Lutz of Valmead.

Mrs. Fred Fry of Charlotte, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Drum.

Miss Katie McNeely of Drexel, was here Saturday and Sunday visiting her cousin, Misses Minnie and Carrie Berry.

Mrs. M. J. Lackey and son, Frank, spent several days last week with relatives at Morganton.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Elmore of Granite Falls, were here Saturday and Sunday visiting their daughter, Mrs. Fred Locke.

Miss Minnie Berry and Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Baker spent Sunday at Blowing Rock.

Mr. Bill Sparks of Morganton, and Miss Maime Hudson of Connelly Springs were here the past week visiting the family of Mr. P. Berry.

cream and cake was served by several of the girls and boys and all enjoyed a delightful social hour. About eighty were present and we are hoping to have at least one hundred next month.

Resolution Denouncing U. S. Gov't Considered

San Francisco, Aug. 2.—Hope that had been expressed by many of the delegates to the German-American alliance which convened today that the convention would take no formal declaration of attitude toward the American controversy with Germany was diminished today, it was said, as a result of an attack on the

American government made in the address of the president, Dr. C. J. Hexamer, of Philadelphia.

Delegates favoring a strong stand by the convention asserted that Dr. Hexamer's denunciation of the United States government for permitting the shipment of war supplies to the allies would pave the way to a resolution to the same affect.

Opening of the Graded Schools

Thursday, September 2, 1915, is the date fixed for the opening of the graded schools of Hickory. On Thursday pupils will be enrolled, new pupils assigned to their grades, and book lists given out. On Friday lessons in the different subjects will be assigned and everything made ready for the regular schedule of work. Pupils who have tests or examinations to stand for classification or promotion will do so on these two days. The school regulations require that all children shall present a certificate of vaccination before they can be admitted to the schools.

Mr. Belton C. Shuford, who had his leg broken some time ago and who has been at the Richard Baker Hospital since, was taken home Tuesday. We are glad to say he is getting on fine and will soon be able to be at his post of duty.

Miss Bertha Cooper of Statesville, is spending some time with her sister, Mrs. P. A. Setzer, at their home at 916-Tenth Avenue.

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"The Golden Coin of Kindness."

Sometimes, when the wheels of life are not running very smoothly, and the weather is as hot as blazes, and you have the blue-devils or the brown mites, and life is just one con-founded thing after another, and you are beginning to feel flabby and ugly and all run-down-at-the-heel, and begin to wonder if working twelve or fourteen hours a day for that elusive thing called success, is what it's cracked up to be, did you ever meet a man who slapped you on the back and said: "Old Sport! That last piece of work of yours was all to the good!" Or did you, just at this time of spiritual degeneration, pick up your phone to answer a call, and have some one say: "I want to thank you for those good words of yours—or that deed of yours—it has helped me!"

When you leave that friend, or put down that phone, or maybe read a few words in a letter from an unexpected source, which says: "Your efforts are counting and I want to thank you"—it does not make any difference who you are, what your vocation in life may be, the spiritual sloth slips from your shoulders like a garment, and it matters not how hot it may be, or how hard the day's task, something seems to have lifted, life looks brighter, the task seems more worth while and easier, and there comes a new zest in the business of living.

It is not because the work is really any easier than it was before, or that the hours are any shorter or the results any more worth while but something within that had slackened, braces and becomes resilient again, and responds to the urge of life, from within and without.

It may be childish, it may be a by-product of weakness, or it may be the tacit acknowledgement of a soul's need of the tonic of appreciation. But whatever it is, we are all alike in this—that the kindly word, the cordial message, the friendly hand-clasp, are real helps on the way—stimulating us to further and better effort.

There is nothing more disgusting than fulsome flattery. There is nothing that is better tonic for the soul than the word of appreciation in season.

We all like it. It is no use to pretend that we do not, and when it can help so much to make living pleasanter and easier and finer, it is a wonder that

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An Appeal.

To the Editors:
At the Reunion of Veterans at Newton August 12, I wish to call the attention of every true Confederate male or female, to Prof. G. W. Hahn's book. It is our duty to see that this book is placed in every home in Catawba County. Under the circumstances, the book is a marvel. We, the people of Catawba County, are to blame for the defects; for we should have assisted Prof. Hahn in securing the data needed for such a book. Now come forward and purchase a book, and help to cancel the debt.

MILES O. SHERRILL,
Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 3, 1915.

Board of Education Meets.

The County Board of Education was in special session yesterday. The West Hickory district school house will be enlarged by adding two rooms. The Cloninger District will have an addition. A new house will be built at Rocky Springs District. A new house in district No. 8 that recently voted a special tax.

Ford Cars Reduced.

We are expecting to see more Ford cars in the future than ever before as the price has been reduced so that almost every one can buy a Ford. The price of the Ford runabout is now \$390.00; Ford touring car, \$440.00; Ford town car, \$640.00. Mr. G. S. Watson will be glad to show you the car if you will call at the Hickory Garage Co. Be sure to see his ad in this issue of the Democrat.

County Receipts for July.

During July Clerk of Court, of J. T. Setzer collected \$143.90, and Register of Deeds, Eugene Sigmon \$207.04. County Court figures show \$34.80 county costs; \$9 10 town costs; \$12.00 solicitor's fees and \$17.50 fines. Civil costs were \$9.25—total \$82.65.

Deeds Filed for Record.

The following deed was filed with the Registrar of Deeds last week:
S. D. Campbell to Hutton & Bourbonnais, for \$4,100, about 21 acres in Longview.

Dr. R. L. Fritz at Holy Trinity.

Dr. R. L. Fritz, president of Lenoir College, will preach at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Sunday, August 8, at 11 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

A Military Ball.

"Did you ever go to a military ball?" asked a lisping maid of an army veteran.

"No, my dear," growled the old soldier. "In those days I once had a military ball come to me, and what do you think? It took my leg off."

CAPITAL OF POLAND STILL HOLDING OUT

Germans and Austrians Make Further Advances Along Eastern Bank of Vistula.

Great Britain's reply to the American notes concerning the detention of neutral commerce and declining to be bound by British orders in council have been made public. With regard to neutral commerce Great Britain refuses to accept the contentions of the United States and justifies the British orders in council as being wholly within international law.

Great Britain, it is declared, will continue to apply the orders in council, out with every effort to avoid embarrassment to neutrals.

It is denied that international law is violated by the blockading of neutral ports to cut off an enemy's commerce with foreign countries and Great Britain declines to allow the free passage of goods originating in Germany and territory under German control.

Although the Germans and Austrians along the great battle front in Poland are declared by Berlin to be continuing their maneuvers having in view the envelopment of Warsaw, the governor-general of the Polish capital was at his post as recently as Sunday last and military circles there were of the belief that if the Russian line held a week longer the city would never be evacuated.

Further advances for the Germans and Austrians along the western bank of the Vistula in the Ivangorod and Nowko Alexandria section and the Chelm Lubin region to the southeast are recorded at Berlin. A large number of prisoners and numerous cannon have been taken by the Teutons.

In France and Belgium there have been severe infantry attacks, hand grenade fighting and sapping operations. Berlin asserts that in the Argonne, French trenches were captured and in the Champagne the borders of craters caused by mine explosions were occupied by the Germans. Paris asserts that the mine explosions did no damage to the French trenches.

Bad weather is hindering operations on the Austro-Italian front. Unofficial Italian advices are to the effect that the Italians continue to make progress near Rovereto, in the Arsa valley and on the Carso plateau.

In the Carso region it is asserted that an Austrian regiment was virtually wiped out in an attempt to retake captured positions from the Italians.

In the fighting on the Gallipoli peninsula the Australian and New Zealand troops, according to General Ian Hamilton, attacked and captured a network of Turkish trenches which gave them the crest of a hill which materially improves the allied position in this sector of the line.

On the other hand the Turks report that an allied attack near Ari Brunu was put down with heavy casualties.

Your Cough Can Be Stopped

Taking care to avoid draughts, exposure, sudden changes, and taking a treatment of Dr. King's New Discovery, will positively relieve, and in time will surely rid you of your Cough. The first dose soothes the irritation, checks the Cough, which stops in a short time. Dr. King's New Discovery has been used successfully for 40 years and is guaranteed to cure you. Money back if it fails. Get a bottle from your Druggist; it costs only a little and will help you so much.

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we do not oftener use the "golden coin of kindness," in our daily business of living.—Pensacola Journal.