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EDUCATIONAL MATTERS

After careful consideration it has been decided to allow the schools of the county to open at such time as will be most convenient for the patrons and pupils in the different communities. The difference in local conditions in the different parts of the county makes it very difficult to fix an arbitrary time for the opening of the schools so as not to work a hardship on some communities. We do not believe in dividing the school up into separate periods and the people in every community should do their utmost to make the school term continuous when once it is begun. It may be necessary in some communities to make a short stop in the term in order to save the crops; but this stop should be the very shortest that it is possible to make it, and every patron of the school should do his utmost to make it so, and where there is a sufficient number of small children to keep the school in session this should be done even though some of the larger pupils may have to stop for a short while. If the patrons will give this phase of the matter careful thought and honest effort, the greater part of the term of schools beginning now can be finished before the severe winter weather comes on. This will be an advantage to the small children who have to go long distances over rough, muddy roads. The indications now are that there will be enough teachers to supply every school and there will be no need of delay on this account. We want the active and prompt co-operation of committees in getting all the schools supplied so that they can begin on time and finish the full six months term.

The state salary schedule has been adopted for this county and the salary of each teacher will be based upon his or her rating according to this schedule, which is as follows:

A Graduated Salary Scale for White Teachers.

Holders of high school, grammar grade, primary certificates. Monthly salary based on length of service.

1. Graduates of a college with required professional training—4 yrs. \$133.33; 3 yrs. \$120; 2 yrs. \$110; 1 yr. \$105; none, \$100.

2. Graduates of two-year normal school, and three years standard college credit with professional requirements—4 yrs. \$110; 3 yrs. \$105; 2 yrs. \$100; 1 yr. \$95; none, \$90.

3. Two-year standard college credits, or by state examination with required professional training—4 yrs. \$105; 3 yrs. \$100; 2 yrs. \$95; 1 yr. \$90; none, \$85.

Holders of Elementary Certificates

1. One-year standard college credit and required professional training—4 yrs. \$95; 3 yrs. 90; 2 yrs. \$85; 1 yr. \$80; none, \$75.

2. All other holders of elementary certificates with required professional

BETTER THAN LOW COTTON

A countryman in Vass one day last week was D. McGill, of Morrison's Bridge, who was on his way to Sanford. In talking of conditions down his way Mr. McGill said, "We are moving along right fair. I am planting this year a couple of acres of tobacco, but no cotton. I have corn and feed crops, and that stuff I will put away in the cribs. I feed some pigs and some beef cattle, and have that kind of material to sell, and it is more satisfactory than cotton at the prevailing prices. Then I pay attention to a bunch of turkeys, and they bring a right fair return along in the fall and winter when the folks get in from the north.

"They know I have turkeys, and some day when I am feeling around in my pocket looking for a dollar or two and don't find one, it is not bad to see a big car roll up in front of the house and hear some one want to know if it is possible to get a turkey or two. That happens down my way right frequently, and I most always have the turkey. They bring good prices, and if we would raise a lot more of them down our way and have them ready for market, we could sell a great many of them, for the people in Southern Pines like to take a run out in the country and pick up something of this sort, and then the Yankee appetite likes good things to eat.

"It is not hard to raise turkeys down in the river valley. This country was full of turkeys that raised themselves before people settled in this section and they thrive as well now as turkeys ever did. A turkey is a good ranger, and picks up a lot of its feed, and it does not cost much to raise it. It is always in good de-

mand, and we could make that country alive with them if we wanted to, and sell every one of them between Thanksgiving and spring.

"We can raise hogs and beef in our section, and this county will take a lot of good pork at a good price. When you raise live stock of any sort your fertilizer bills are not very big, and your farm keeps getting better, and you have something around you that you take a constant interest in. You also have something that will bring money, and if you have good stock you get good money. Then if you want to plant a little cotton and tobacco to keep your hand in it does no particular harm, even if it does not do much good. One thing is right sure—we will never raise enough hogs and turkeys and chickens in our community to flood this market that we have in Southern Pines and Pinehurst, and it is a cash market, and one that lasts all winter, and is where it can be reached any day. But as I said, much of the market will come to the farm if the people get to know that we have the stuff.

"We have a good country down our way. The land is stronger than some of the land higher up, and we have a good road to get in and out, and a good market for everything we make. Even in cotton we have the best kind of a market in the Vass Cotton Mill, and in the other stuff we have the winter resorts, and that gives us a chance for a wider variety of farming than some sections have. That allows us to raise things like meat and poultry and it gives us a fair chance to keep things moving. The low price of cotton does not worry me any this season and I am not staying awake many nights thinking about tobacco."

SUMMER SCHOOL

The Moore County Summer School held at the Sandhill Farm Life School, began on June 20th, and closed on July 29th. The large enrollment was beyond the expectation of those in charge. About twenty teachers were expected to attend, but forty were enrolled. The following passed four courses and received summer school credit:

Effie Bailey, Hazel Blue, Bertha Borst, Effie Brewer, Agnes Cameron, Bertha Cameron, Berlah Copeland, Jennie Copeland, Montie Copeland, Laura Cox, K. G. Deaton, Thelma T. Dunlop, Jewell Edwards, Annie Finison, Janie Fisher, Lily May Fry, S. E. Hannon, Mrs. Maggie U. Hill, Marjorie Kennedy, Kennie McCrimmon, Valera McCrummon, Myrtle McKenzie, Ethel McDuffie, Monnie McDuffie, Margaret McLaughlin, Julia McNeill, Lovie McNeill, Candis Matthews, Gladys Monroe, Pearl Monroe, Carrie Norman, Flossie Owen, Helen Parker, Vira Phillips, Cecil Seawell, Glennie Stewart, Mary Swett, Mrs. J. D. Wilcox.

W. D. Matthews, Ethel Monroe, and A. B. Cameron were instructors.

AUTOS AND CHURCHES

In a talk recently with a good lady whose friendship we regard highly, she found occasion to say she regretted that so much automobiling is indulged in on Sunday. We did not argue with her, nor did we try to convince her that she has the wrong view of the matter. But we sincerely hope that there are not many more of the same opinion.

We'll admit there's no excuse for Sunday "joy-riding," which means reckless speeding and boisterousness and a complete disregard for the rights of others, as well as disrespect for the day we are taught to observe as holy. But when it comes to using the auto in a sensible way on Sunday, we're for it. And if you'll show us anything that has done as much for the church in the past few years as the auto, we'll be glad to know what it is. Today the farmer living many miles from a church can attend services without inconvenience in all kinds of weather. Not only that, but he can take the entire family and be there in the same length of time it took him to get ready in the old days, before we had the automobile. He doesn't have a long, hot, dusty, tiresome ride home to dinner after the service, either, now that he has a car. The attendance at all our rural churches has been greatly increased by the auto, and the church brought closer to the homes of thousands of rural residents all over this broad land.

No, there is no place for the Sunday "joy-rider." But for the man who uses his car sensibly and for the comfort, pleasure and benefit of himself and family, Sunday autoing is all right.

training—4 yrs. \$85; 3 yrs. \$80; 2 yrs. \$75; 1 yr. \$70; none, \$65.

Below Elementary

The same as now—4 yrs. \$60; 3 yrs. \$55; 2 yrs. \$50; 1 yr. \$45.

The shortage of funds will make it necessary for us to defer a big part of our building and consolidation program. We regret that this is necessary, but under the conditions which prevail we shall have to be content to do what we can do, even though it is not all that we had hoped to do.

Let us all exercise the virtue of patience, and ever keeping in mind the interest and welfare of our children, work with all our might to accomplish the things that will do the most for them.

REV. D. N. McLAUHLIN TO PREACH

The announcement has been made that Mr. McLaughlin will preach at the Presbyterian church here, on the second Sunday morning at eleven o'clock.

CAMP BRAGG QUILTS

Camp Bragg is to be wound up as far as a military post is concerned. The government is discontinuing many of its posts and this is among the number. The land will be retained and put to some other use, one proposal being that of a forest reservation to work out the study of long leaf pine and how to maintain this timber tree as a forest product. It is said that war has become so expensive that the government has decided to cut down these expenses, and the way to cut down is to reduce the army and army expenses. So a lot of the camps are to be abandoned. Bion H. Butler tells the Pilot that while at Morehead City last week he had a talk with Col. Joseph Hyde Pratt and some others interested in forestry and park propositions. A thing of this kind would find the land admirable for the work, and right here near the Moore county resorts it would be an added attraction to the visitor.