

EDUCATIONAL PAGE

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COST OF EDUCATION IN SOUTH CAROLINA

STATE SPENDS \$7.92 PER CAPITA ON BOTH RACES

WHITE \$14.94; NEGRO \$1.86

Charleston County Banks First in Amount Spent Per Capita Among Negroes.

COLUMBIA, Dec. 19.—The State of South Carolina spends \$14.94 per capita for white, according to enrollment, and \$1.86 per capita for negroes, according to figures compiled by J. E. Swearingen, superintendent of education, and made public today. The expenditure per capita for both races is \$7.92.

Barnwell County ranks first in the amount spent on white children for education, her record being \$34.68. Beaufort stands second in the amount per capita spent for white, her record being \$34.28. Richland stands third in the white column with \$29.09. Horry stands at the bottom of the list with only \$7.57 per capita for whites.

Charleston County ranks first in the amount spent per capita among negroes, her record being \$3.95. Charleston spends \$23.31 for whites and stands seventh in that column. Florence stands second in the per capita spent for negroes, being \$4.41. She spends \$21.58 per capita for whites. Colleton stands at the foot with 96 cents per capita for negroes.

Richland stands first in the per capita expenditure for both races, her record being \$14.52. The second place is held by Charleston with \$13.81. Dillon comes third with \$13.52. Berkeley County stands at the foot of the list with \$4.05.

Of the big up-country counties, Anderson spends \$11.07 for whites and stands 32d, and \$1.32 for negroes and stands 24th; Greenville spends \$9.55 for whites and stands 37th, and \$2.68 for negroes and stands 6th; Spartanburg spends \$9.70 for white and stands 36th, and \$2.17 for negroes and stands 11th.

The following figures for each county will be of great interest in view of the agitation for a compulsory school attendance law:

Name of county.	White.	Negro.
Abbeville	\$12.91	\$1.25
Alcon	21.09	2.27
Anderson	11.07	1.32
Bamberg	21.07	1.11
Barnwell	36.68	1.87
Beaufort	34.38	3.59
Berkeley	10.08	1.30

Calhoun	21.07	1.18
Charleston	25.31	6.96
Cherokee	14.15	2.85
Chester	18.52	1.23
Chesterfield	9.36	1.35
Clarendon	17.95	1.16
Colleton	9.33	.96
Darlington	26.08	1.84
Dillon	25.53	1.23
Dorchester	16.47	1.72
Edgefield	13.95	.97
Fairfield	22.93	1.99
Florence	21.58	4.41
Georgetown	19.85	2.25
Greenwood	9.65	2.63
Hampton	15.33	1.47
Horry	13.64	1.12
Horry	7.57	1.38
Kershaw	24.78	2.45
Lancaster	13.04	1.48
Laurens	9.97	1.08
Laurens	16.77	1.29
Lee	21.40	1.19
Lexington	7.74	1.16
Marion	11.80	2.29
Marlboro	16.44	1.93
Newberry	17.57	1.37
Oconee	8.75	1.53
Orangeburg	13.79	1.10
Pickens	8.45	1.94
Richland	28.09	3.43
Saluda	8.12	.97
Spartanburg	9.70	2.17
Spartanburg	25.57	1.67
Union	10.78	1.33
Williamsburg	15.46	1.12
York	16.66	1.24
State	\$14.94	\$1.86

ERSKINE COLLEGE

Erskine closes this Tuesday for the Christmas holidays. The students are at liberty to leave as soon as they have completed examinations. The seniors and sophomores complete examinations Tuesday morning, and the juniors and freshmen Tuesday afternoon. Only a few of the students, those living in distant states, will remain over for the holidays. All are required to be back Saturday evening, January 2.

On last Wednesday evening the student body enjoyed the third number of the lyric course. The number was a lecture by Hon. Jos. G. Camp, and was well received. The literary societies have held no meetings the past two Fridays on account of examinations being in progress.

The senior class has employed the local photographer, Mr. H. McAdams, to do the photographic work for the college annual. Many individual and club pictures have been made during the past week.

The December number of the Erskinian is out and presents an attractive appearance. The number is the special Christmas issue, and the literary department is largely of the Christmas character.

Basket ball practice has given way during the past week to the return of the students after the holidays. A nice schedule has been arranged for the season.

TOWNVILLE SCHOOL

The members of the Manual Training Club have been busy recently. They have made woodboxes and put up new desks in the various rooms. They contemplate doing much work on the grounds after Christmas.

The school has already been decorated for the holidays with arbutus bells, holly, tinsel and various other things. Mrs. R. H. Price, Mrs. E. C. Ashell and Mr. Edw. Earle were among those who visited the school during the past week.

Those who have been on the sick list recently are: Messrs. C. H. Witt, Paul Smith, Harrison Hanks, Rae McCarty, Charles Hawkins and Misses Alline and Annie Mary Ledbetter, Kate Thrasher and Eura Stevenson. We hope for all a speedy recovery. A letter box has been set up by members of the Manual Training Club. It is general full of items.

The students of this school are now having examinations for the first part of the session.

Holiday for this school will begin Thursday, December 24, and school will resume work again January 4. Mr. Witt goes to Americus, Ga.; Miss Kellet to Fountain Inn. Miss Stuart to Calpohello, for the holidays. Miss Broyles will be at her home near Townville. Miss Florrie Dunlap, the music teacher, will be at her home in Athens, Ga. All the teachers will return to begin work on January 4.

How I Expect to Spend Christmas. I expect to spend Christmas at home. I am not going off very far. I expect to have company and am going to have a grand time. The low price of cotton will not keep everybody from enjoying Christmas. I will remember three years ago I spent Christmas in Jacksonville, Florida, and visited St. Augustine, the oldest town in the United States. In one of the churches they had Christ in a manger with cattle around Him and everything looked so natural. FLORIDA CLINKSCALES.

A Christmas Gift For Anderson College.

At the opening of the college last fall Mr. Spearman very generously offered to give to the college a cabinet Victrola if as much as one hundred dollars worth of records were purchased from him. Mr. R. R. King undertook to collect the money for the purchase of these records and has already raised a large part of the necessary sum. It would be a beautiful idea to let this come as a Christmas gift to the college, and if there are any friends who wish to subscribe to this fund they are requested to see Mr. King. Let us have the Victrola at the college before the girls get back.

Red ink and exclamation points may attract attention, but the combination doesn't necessarily make folks think.

FAIRVIEW SCHOOL

The school at this place is progressing nicely under the management of Miss Lella Cason, principal, and Miss Nannie O'Neal, assistant. We hope to make more progress this year than we ever have.

Many equipments have been added already, consisting of another new heater, blackboard, globe and maps. Our enrollment is splendid, and the attendance good, considering the bad weather. We hope that after Christmas the enrollment will be much larger.

We are planning a nice exercise for Christmas. The children have been practicing quite a while and enjoy it very much.

The children are always glad for Friday afternoon to come as we have Bible study, which is of much interest and benefit to the children. The teachers take much interest in teaching it to us.

School closes Wednesday, December 23, for the holidays and we are planning for an enjoyable time.

The pupils have been busy for the past week with their monthly tests.

News of the Community. Mrs. Laura Maxwell of Greenville is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. T. Ward. Mrs. Wayne Fant and children spent the week-end with relatives near Georgia.

Mr. Lester Swamy and Miss Sudie Dunca were happily married at the bride's home December 13, 1914, by Rev. D. L. Hatcher. We wish them much success and happiness through life.

Mrs. J. J. Stewart of Pendleton visited her son, Mr. J. H. Stewart, recently.

Mr. Clayton Martin and family of near Anderson are moving back into our community. We are glad to have him with us again.

EVA MULLIKIN, 9th Grade.

DOUBLE SPRINGS

Miss Josie Cromer spent Sunday with Miss Sudie Freshner.

Mr. and Mrs. Edna Cromer, Jr., spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Osa Mariett near Anderson.

Miss Florie Sullivan spent the week-end with Mrs. Grete Mariett. Mrs. Lee Mariett was in this section on business Wednesday.

Misses Myrtle Cromer and Lucille Sullivan were the guests of Mrs. Lindsey Cromer Wednesday.

Miss Leila Sullivan and grandmother spent Wednesday with Mrs. Prue McAdams, where Mrs. Sullivan celebrated her eighty-fifth birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Cromer spent Monday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Mariett of near Anderson.

Miss Claudia Sullivan spent Wednesday night with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sullivan.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Tribble and charming sons, Millard and Roy, of Fair Play were the guests of Mrs. J. F. Mariett last week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Sullivan visited relatives in Anderson Saturday and Sunday.

It is the desire of the school authorities that the parents in the district make a special effort to have all children enrolled immediately after Christmas. This is of great importance because of the fact that the funds of the school are in proportion to the enrollment.

CRAYTONVILLE SCHOOL

Well Christmas, good old Christmas, will soon be here again. And most everybody is looking forward to an enjoyable time. There will be musicals, pound suppers and sociables for the young people. There will be a good many people that will not spend Christmas as they generally do for money is scarce most everywhere. And they can't get their jugs.

But everybody out to remember that on Christmas day is Christ's birthday. Old Santa Claus will visit all the little children, rich and poor. Of course they will not get as much on account of the low price of cotton.

The year 1914 will soon be gone. The farmers have made good crops, except those in the hill streak. All the farmers are nearly done gathering their crops and will soon be ready to start another one for the new year of 1915.

Our school will close for Christmas December 23. Our enrollment is 60. DESSIE WILSON.

HAMMOND SCHOOL

Notice to School District. Parents, come to the Christmas tree at the school this evening at seven o'clock and bring all of the boys and girls whether in or out of school. Come with the Christmas spirit and let's have a good time.

BISHOP'S BRANCH

It might be interesting to the readers of The Intelligencer who don't know the location of the schools to know in what part of the county they are located. Bishop's Branch school is situated about four miles east of Pendleton.

The pupils of the advanced grades spent last week very pleasantly standing examinations. Our school closed on last Friday for the Christmas holidays. We expect to begin work again on January 4th.

The school improvement association met Friday afternoon. Quite a number of patrons and friends of the school were present. The following officers were elected: Miss Lella Wilson, president; Mrs. E. Lee Owens, vice president and Miss Decie Owens, secretary and treasurer. A number of new members were enrolled. In connection with this meeting the school gave an interesting program of Christmas exercises consisting of songs, dialogues and recitations. The children performed their parts well, considering the short time we had for preparation. The music, kindly furnished by Miss Lella Wilson, was greatly enjoyed. After the program the pupils of the advanced grades were given Christmas tags bearing their names attached to strings which were woven in a network about the room and to the end of which were attached bags of fruit concealed from view. They were expected to find the end of the strings without breaking it. The pupils of the primary grades were served fruits of several kinds.

Miss Maggie Garlington spent last Wednesday with us. We had expected her the week before but she was unable to get there on account of the weather. We were not quite sure before she came whether to look forward to her visit with pleasure or a feeling of dread, but we have experienced it now and can truthfully say we greatly enjoyed her visit and are looking forward to her next visit with pleasure. A number of patrons met her there in the morning and she gave them an interesting talk on her work.

Misses Decie and Wilma Newton and Lucy Haddon spent Friday night at Pendleton with Mrs. Martin Crenshaw.

Miss Maggie Garlington spent last Tuesday night at the home of Mr. E. L. Owen.

Miss Alice Belle Newton is home from the Woman's College of Due West for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Lucy Haddon is spending the holidays at Donalds.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Owen spent the first of the week with relatives in Anderson.

LEBANON HIGH SCHOOL

Patrons and friends, attention! Now keep that position until you are ordered to march and then we want you to march at double quick until you have reached the school house. When you are there we want you to help make the evening both pleasant and profitable.

Some of the features will be a room for fool and fun in charge of Mr. J. K. Duckworth; a room in which there will be candy and fruit stands presided over by young ladies.

In the primary room there will be a fish pond and auction of toys. A prize will be given the one buying the largest number of 5 cent packages.

There will be coffee and sandwiches, also cream and cake. Music will be furnished by local talent.

Let everybody who loves Lebanon and her people be at the school house Saturday, the 26th, from 6 to 10 o'clock p. m.

All the children are looking forward to next Friday for they know old Santa Claus will be good to them.

Mr. F. O. Welborn took Miss Broyles, Miss Cooner and Mr. Fayroe to Anderson Thursday afternoon.

We had a good society program Friday afternoon. We had a number of visitors, Miss Vera Harris, Mr. Theodore Smith, William Robbins, Guy Harris, Ernest Martin and James Welborn.

Our ball court has been so muddy this week that we can't play much. There was a big crowd at Mr. Willie Welborn's Christmas Friday night at a fruit party. Everybody had a good time and had plenty of fruit to eat.

We are getting along very well at school but haven't but three more days before Christmas. We will all be glad.

WEST FELZER

School activities at this writing are centered on the play, "Topsy Turvy." We anticipate giving it at 8 o'clock Tuesday evening, December 22nd. The play consists of three acts, each act made up of one or more scenes. There are eight characters.

Suspension of school for the Christmas holidays begins Wednesday, December 23rd. At this date the teachers, pupils and patrons will enjoy the Christmas tree exercises beginning at eleven o'clock. A merry Christmas and a happy new year to all. School will open again on January 4th, 1915.

HISTORY OF WHITE PLAINS SCHOOL

Prior to 1853, the writer can not get exact dates as to the founding of White Plains school, but it was probably founded shortly after the War between the States.

In 1853 J. R. Guyton taught the White Plains school. The house stood on the left side of the public road leading from Pendleton Felzer, almost in front of where White Plains church now stands.

This school house was a one room log house about 18 feet wide by 20 feet long. It was built of pine logs hewn out of the old field near the school house. The roof was of oak board split from Joab Clardy's place near the Hurricane creek. The seats were made of pine slabs with two holes bored in each end of the slab, and sweet gum pegs drove in the holes for legs. This little house was about seven feet high, and had two doors, one on each side of the house. The chimney was of stick and clay, and in the winter when the fire was burning in the fire place the teacher and most of the large boys were kept busy carrying water from the spring and pouring on the chimney to keep it from burning up.

One small window was the only means of light, except through the cracks between the logs. The window was in the back of the house, it was two logs sawed out about 18 inches wide by two feet long; and the shutter was one piece of plank just to fit the opening in the wall. On windy days the window had to be closed to keep the fire from burning up the chimney. When this was done, the only means of light was that which came in between the cracks of the logs and the rough boards of the floor.

The enrollment of this school was about 40. The school derived its name from the white sandy country in which the school was located. Some of the other teachers of this school were: Dr. N. C. Richardson, Rev. Jesse Vermillion, Rev. Patrick Vermillion, William Cason.

From this place the school house was moved to a cross roads about one mile west, where the present school house now is.

A frame building was erected in 1889—16 feet wide by 32 feet long. It had three windows on each side and one door in front. The blackboard extended across the back of the school house. The seats were made of a plank 12 inches wide and extending from one end of the room to the other. It was nailed along the side of the wall about 18 inches from the floor. This just made two long benches in the school house. The stove was in the back of the room. The room was celled with dressed ceiling. Rev. D. I. Spearman was the first to teach in this school in the year of 1859. At this time this school house was a modern school building.

In 1890 J. B. Spearman taught the school.

In 1891 J. B. Harris taught the school, assisted by J. B. Spearman. The enrollment at this time was 106.

In 1892 the school was again taught by J. B. Spearman.

In 1893 Rev. P. J. Vermillion taught the school assisted by his wife, Mrs. Zea Welborn Vermillion.

In 1896 another room was annexed to this building, making a two room building. This room was placed at the back of the other room. It was about the same size of the other. At this time every patron was asked to make a seated bench to put in this school house.

Some of the other teachers of this school were: Miss Jennie Shirley, John Majors, Robert Gentry, Dr. Willie Strickland, Mr. Burns and sister.

This school house soon became too small for the school, so there had to be another school house built altogether new. It is the present school house; with the exception of the two back rooms which were built later.

This was a large two room house with lunch room attached, was erected about 1906. Each room had a stove in the middle of the room and had plenty of light for the pupils to study by.

Miss Besie Miller, assisted by Miss Minnie Simpson were the first to teach in this new school building. It was in the years of 1906 and 1907.

Miss Besie Miller, assisted by Miss Minnie Webb, taught in 1907 and 1908.

At this time the school grew too large for two teachers so there had to be another room added, which was put at the back of these other rooms, and another teacher was employed. This was the first time in the history of White Plains school that three teachers had to be employed.

Miss Besie Miller, assisted by Misses Webb and Sallie Wright, taught until Christmas 1908. After Christmas, 1909, the school was taught by D. C. Colson, assisted by Misses Minnie Webb and Louise Mahaffey.

In 1910 and 1911 the school was taught by R. E. L. Smith, assisted by Misses Alma Carrett and Mamie Rogers.

In 1911 and 1912 the school was taught by Misses Alma Garrett and Mae Wigginton. At this term the enrollment has broken the record at White Plains school so far with 206 pupils on roll.

In 1912 and 1913 the school was taught by R. E. L. Smith, assisted by Misses Mae Wigginton and Mamie Rogers.

In 1913 and 1914 the school was taught by R. E. Pennell, assisted by Misses Ruth Hayes and Mamie Rogers.

At the present four teachers have been employed for the first time at this school. The three school rooms are being used and the W. O. W. hall, which is on top of the back room. This school is being taught by Miss Elizabeth Allgood, assisted by Misses Betty McMahon, Helen Arnold, and Lillian Holtzclaw. The enrollment is at present 121.

One noticeable thing about this school is that most of the children which come to this school at present are the children of the children which came to the little old log school house 50 years ago.

JAME BAGWELL, 10th Grade.

Topsy Turvy. A play entitled "Topsy Turvy" will be presented at the West Palzer school house Tuesday evening, December 22, at 8 o'clock. The public is cordially invited. Admission 15 and 25 cents.

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8 a. m. Lv. Charleston Ar. 9:40 p. m.
12:55 p. m. Lv. Columbia Ar. 4:45 p. m.
4:30 p. m. Lv. Spartanburg Ar. 1:45 pm
7:30 p. m. Lv. Asheville Ar. 9:20 a. m.
12:05 a. m. Lv. Knoxville Lv. 6:10 a. m.
10:55 a. m. Ar. Cincinnati Lv. 8:35 a. m.
9:00 p. m. Ar. Chicago Lv. 8:55 a. m.

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