

FINE PROGRESS IN THE NEWBERRY CITY SCHOOLS

In spite of the fact that the last three years had to weather the crisis of a panic the schools of Newberry have made splendid progress. The enrollment has increased from 1227 to 1424; the teachers from 25 to 32, not counting two public night school teachers. There is also a notable increase in the revenues for the schools. The increase due to enrollment amounts to about \$450 a year. The poll tax this year was \$803 against \$651 in 1913. There is an increase of about \$2,500 from the special school tax due largely to the people having voted an additional mill right in the midst of the panic. The collections from private sources, tuitions, etc., this year will be about twice as much as in 1913.

The music course at the high school, domestic science departments, book-keeping, night school, athletics, oratory, a science course in the high school—botany, physiology, commercial geography, and physics having been added to the curriculum—improvements in the grades in materials and results in reading, spelling, writing, drawing, and the addition of hygiene, sanitation and agriculture to the elementary course, the active and enthusiastic Parent-Teacher associations and their raising together of an average of over \$100 a year for school improvements, substantial improvements on buildings and grounds amounting to over \$3,000, sanitary drinking fountains at three schools, an Audubon society with its fine exhibit and beautiful interest in birds and nature, favorable showing made at fair and field days at the State fair, and in various State contests in oratory, basket-ball, track athletics, etc., the enlargement of the school district, cooperation for consolidation with Helena and the Mollokon mill schools are among the more noteworthy movements that have characterized the present administration of the city schools.

The professional spirit and the organization among the teachers for effective work at their respective schools was never better. Almost perfect harmony seems to exist among the factors that constitute our school community. There is a minimum of friction and a splendid cooperation among teachers, pupils and patrons, which means so much for efficiency in the work. The people have been drawn nearer to the schools in their interests and appreciation.

The splendid discipline in the schools, the general fine conduct of the students, their ready and eager activities in the various undertakings planned for their advancement are not to be overlooked; for the enlarging of the child's interests in his own welfare is the real keynote to the high purpose of the schools. The fact that twenty-one of the twenty-two graduates of last year's class are now at some college is a compliment to the high ideals set before the pupils in the matter of their education and preparation for life; and the fact that forty-four have been enrolled in this year's graduating class is another mark of the aggressiveness of the public school system to reach the people.

This brings us to the question of the immediate need of a larger high school building, and the need of an additional high school teacher which can be secured by accepting the recent legislative provision to allow Newberry High school to participate in the State aid, and to the important matter of adopting the compulsory school attendance law. With these and a few other improvements and additional teachers, particularly special teachers for manual training and other vocational studies and a teacher for vocal music in the grades, the Newberry city schools will rank with the best in the South.

Death of a Child.

Pomaria, April 8.—Horace Lever Shealy, the 18-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Shealy, died at their home near Pomaria Friday, after an illness of a little more than a week. He was buried Saturday at St. Paul's Lutheran church at 3:30 o'clock, the services being conducted by the Rev. Y. von A. Riser, assisted by the Rev. S. C. Ballentine.

Best Way to Clean Brass.

An excellent way of cleaning brass flower pots or trays is to rub them well with a piece of lemon. Then pour boiling water over them, and finally polish them with a soft dry cloth. You will find that the lemon will remove all the stains from the crevices in the brass.—Farm and Fireside.

Brickley-Garner Wedding.

A very pretty wedding took place yesterday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Garner, west of town, when Mr. Geo. M. Brickley and Miss Pearl L. Garner were united in marriage.

After the ceremony was performed by Rev. Grimes, pastor of the Methodist church, and congratulations were offered, dinner was served the invited guests.

The bride and groom left for North Platte, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Garner, the latter couple returning home that evening.

The bride was gown in pure white, and the groom wore a suit of the conventional black. The house had been nicely decorated and the wedding took place beneath an arch of blue and white.

The immediate friends present were the mother and brother of the bride, Mrs. Harris mother of the groom and his brother and sister, and Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Murphy.

After a short wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Brickley will be at home to their many friends in Brady.

The congratulations on the happy event are numerous and this paper is pleased to add its hearty good wishes to those being so freely extended.—Brady (Nebr.) Vindicator, March 23.

Mrs. Chas. Garner and Mrs. David Johnson gave a kitchen shower to Miss Pearl Garner at the former's home on March 11. A buffet lunch was served. The table decorations were red and white carnations. Miss Garner received many useful presents.—Brady (Nebr.) Vindicator, March 23.

Mr. Brickley is a stepson of the late W. H. Harris, former chief of police of Newberry. His mother, who lives with her two boys in Nebraska is a daughter of Mr. J. Chesley Dominick of Newberry.

Newberry Conference.

The regular Spring meeting of the Newberry conference of South Carolina Synod will be held at Mt. Olivet church, Rev. J. B. Harman, pastor, April 28-30, 1916. The program follows:

Friday, 10 a. m., devotional exercises; formal opening of Conference; enrolling delegates; business. 11 a. m., confessional sermon by Rev. E. W. Leslie, president of Conference, followed by Holy Communion. Noon recess.

1:30 p. m., devotional exercises; business. Topic (1), "Personal Evangelism,"—Rev. S. C. Ballentine and delegate from Church of the Redeemer. Topic (2), "Assurance of Personal Salvation,"—Revs. S. P. Koon, Z. W. Edenbaugh and delegate from Little Mountain.

Saturday, 10 a. m., devotional exercises; business. Topic (3), "Christian Stewardship,"—Rev. E. Fulenwider and delegate from Grace church. Topic (4), "The Lutheran Idea of the Development of the Christian Life,"—Rev. J. J. Long and delegate from Bethlehem. 11 a. m., divine service, sermon by Rev. L. P. Boland. Noon recess.

1:30 p. m., devotional exercises; business. Topic (5), "Problems of the Country Church,"—Revs. Y. von A. Riser, B. W. Cronk and delegate from St. Paul's. Topic (6), "Synod's Apportionment—Its Importance: When it Should be Raised and the best Method of Raising It,"—Prof. S. J. Derrick and President P. E. Monroe and delegate from Pomaria.

Sunday, 10 a. m., Sunday school addresses by Revs. J. J. Long, A. J. Bowers, D.D., and E. W. Leslie. 11 a. m., divine services, sermon by Rev. P. E. Monroe, president of the South Carolina Synod.

Y. von A. Riser, Secretary.

The Small Town and the Woman's Club.

Villages need clubs even more than cities. The village has no public library, no theatres, no art galleries; it lacks a hundred things, civic and cultural, that the city assumes as a matter of course. The women who organize a village club have sometimes to make the humble beginning of providing for the removal of the town's garbage when they learn to use their funds for the nucleus of a library. Yet it all goes to prove that much which is practical and necessary is waiting for woman to take a hand—and urging more loudly than esthetics. In our individual home-keeping we first sweep the house clean, and then make it beautiful with flowers. The same rule applies to club activities.—Garnet Noel Wiley, in April Southern Woman's.

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NATION WIDE CELEBRATION 400 ANNIVERSARY REFORMATION

Headquarters have been established in the Horner building, Philadelphia, to make arrangements for a nationwide celebration of the four hundredth anniversary of the Reformation in 1917, and to get in communication with the 76,000,000 Lutherans the world over. For more than a year the joint committee has been working on plans, and sub-committees are now putting the main features into final form.

An anniversary medal showing Luther nailing the famous ninety-five theses on the church door at Wittenburg and bearing appropriate inscriptions is being designed and will be ready for distribution by Oct. 31, 1916. A motion picture film depicting the principal activities of Luther and Reformation scenes will in all probability be used to visualize the events of the places and the movement. A group of scholars has been at work for more than a year translating the writings of Luther and a well known American writer will issue a popular life of the Reformer. The "Luther Play" is filling engagements in many centers with great success and further engagements are being booked for 1917. Services of worship will be held by individual congregations with special speakers and music, and in addition celebration festivals will be conducted in many centers. These may extend over a period of several days, depending on the size of the community. Chorus singing by massed church choirs and singing societies will be featured and the wealth of Reformation hymns and oratorios will be used extensively.

All Protestant bodies will observe the event. It will be as in 1883 when the entire Protestant world commemorated the four hundredth anniversary of the birth of the leader of the Reformation, Martin Luther. The Council of Church Boards of Education, representing seventeen denominations, has opened a central office in New York to conduct a campaign of education during 1917, for the purpose of increasing the financial support and the efficiency of the church colleges.

It is intended to make the celebration commemorative of the great historic event of the sixteenth century with the emphasis upon the principles which have contributed so largely to the world's progress. The religious factor will be the leading feature of the celebration but other phases of historic interest will receive attention. The aim will be a constructive celebration looking forward as much as backward. Above all it is hoped a spiritual impetus will result which shall benefit the entire world. Special Reformation literature, books, and monographs will be produced and a booking agency for lectures is established. A department of the headquarters is provided for reference and information purposes and correspondence is invited on matters relating to the Reformation period or to a proper and constructive celebration of the event.

Five Synods of national character are represented in the Executive Committee—General Synod, the General Council, United Synod of the South, Joint synod of Ohio, and the Iowa synod. The members of the committees are drawn from every section of the country.

The Rev. Prof. T. E. Schmauk, D. D., LL. D., of the Mt. Airy Seminary, Philadelphia, is chairman of the financial and the executive committees. Mr. E. Clarence Miller, banker of Philadelphia, is chairman of the finance committee which is underwriting the expenses of the office and committee activities. The executive secretary, the Rev. Howard R. Gold, was called from Madison, Wis., where he was University pastor for his denomination at the University of Wisconsin, and pastor of Luther Memorial church. During the summer of 1915 Mr. Gold engaged in religious and social welfare work in prison camps in Europe under the direction of the International committee of the Y. M. C. A.

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STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION MEETS IN COLUMBIA

Spartanburg, April 10.—Prominent men and women from every section of South Carolina will be on the program for the annual convention of the State Sunday School association in Charleston May 3, 4 and 5.

Some of these who will take important parts on the program are Mayor T. T. Hyde, of Charleston; Prof. R. C. Burts, of Rock Hill; Dr. Driggers, of Aiken; Senator Charlton Durrant, of Manning; Bishop W. A. Guerry, of Columbia; J. T. Fain of Rock Hill; Rev. M. R. Wurchison; Lieutenant Governor Bethea; W. C. Owen, Mrs. S. N. Burts, of Spartanburg and many others.

This will be the first convention that Dr. John E. White, of Anderson, has attended as he has come to Anderson to become pastor of the First Baptist church since the last convention was held. Dr. White was formerly pastor of the Second Baptist church in Atlanta and was considered one of the most prominent divines in that city. His sermon at the Baptist convention in Greenville last fall was considered the feature of the convention.

Dr. White is on the program of the Sunday School convention several times. In fact each morning session of the convention will close with "one

half hour with the Bible by Dr. White."

Mrs. S. N. Burts, of Spartanburg, will also take an important part in the convention. She will preside over the elementary conference and will talk on "Training Through the Story." She will also conduct the cradle roll conference.

The convention theme this year is "Increase." Prof. R. C. Burts, superintendent of the Rock Hill Graded schools, will speak to this subject at the opening session of the convention.

One of the great features of the convention will be the service of song which will open each session. This service will be led by Charlie D. Tillman, which is sufficient to convince all that it will be a treat.

The people of Charleston are making preparations for the largest attendance in the history of the association.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

Notice is hereby given that all persons holding claims against the estate of Mrs. Mary E. Counts, deceased, will present the same duly attested to be undersigned on or before the 10th day of April, 1916, and all persons indebted to said estate will make payment to the undersigned, as executor of said deceased.

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