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SCHOOL OPENS SEP. 7

Improvements on Building Finished and Everything Ready

The Laclede schools will open Monday, September 7. The remodeling of the interior of the building has been completed this week and everything is in readiness. We do not hesitate to say that Laclede now has one of the neatest, most pleasant and most sanitary school buildings to be found in the state. Steel ceilings have been put on in every room except the basement rooms, new hard maple floors have been laid in every room and the halls, the walls have been painted and all wood work varnished, in fact the entire interior presents a new appearance even to the gilding of the radiators and recoating of the blackboards. The seats have been renewed, rearranged and everything made as pleasant and in-

ving as possible. A large cistern has been made to furnish water for the heating plant and many other valuable things done during the summer vacation. The wiring for electric lights was extended and cluster ceiling lights put up in the main lobby and in the assembly room. About \$1200 has been expended in improvements this season and the money all spent to good advantage as any one will admit who will take the time to inspect the building and investigate what the improvements mean to the advancement of the school.

No city or district has a more efficient, painstaking, patient, self-sacrificing school board than Laclede has at the present time. They are giving freely of their time and thought to the duties for which they were elected and are doing those things they think best for the advancement of the school. The board is composed of Dr. F. W. Burke, president; W. S. Savage, secretary; H. W. Lomax, treasurer; J. B. Carothers; A. Brendahl and L. F. Moore.



TOWN AND COUNTRY

About Local People and Events and Other Matters of Interest

School supplies at Laura Love's variety store.

Composition and drawing books at the Variety store.

A good hard coal heater for sale cheap. Apply at this office.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Moberly were in Chillicothe Tuesday.

School books and supplies of all kinds for cash at the Owl Pharmacy.

Two milch cows, two calves and 10 or 12 tons of hay for sale by Ira Peer, Laclede.

For pencils, tablets, water colors and other material for school work call at Love's variety store.

The Laclede schools begin Monday, September 7. Parents should see that their children are ready and go the first day.

Misses Grace Hines and Anna Dodson of Cincinnati, Iowa, visited their uncle, James Ogle and family on route three last week.

The winter supply of coal for the school building is being put in this week. It is being furnished by the Talbott grain company.

School books are bought for cash and sold on very close margin, therefore I am compelled to sell them for cash only. Owl Pharmacy.

A special train for the Meadville chautauqua will leave Laclede next Sunday morning at 9:10, and

returning leave Meadville at 9:15.

Misses Cora and Cassie Heath this week bought a very fine player piano of Jerome C. Brown, our local dealer.

There is evidently going to be a large acreage of wheat sown this fall as much ground is being prepared since the late rains. It is said to be working fine in most fields.

Mr. and Mrs. George Moran and family and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Anderson and family spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Dunkle at their home southwest of town.

Business has been almost at a stand-still in Laclede this week, the Meadville chautauqua having drawn so heavily on our population and that of the surrounding country.

Harry and Percy Markham and S. M. Strain, bank cashier, superintendent electric light company and jeweler, respectively, were over from Brookfield Wednesday on business, and were visitors at this office.

Our budget of news from Forker that has been a feature of this paper so long is missing this week, the correspondent taking a week off at the Meadville chautauqua. We hope to have a good batch of items from there next week.

The district schools of this township were represented at the school directors' convention in Brookfield last Saturday by E. R. Barton and O. H. Gable, Plum Grove; H. H. Haight, Oak Arbor; S. C. Kuhn, and S. Luyster, Sunny Point; and John McDonnell, Locust Grove.

ON LOCAL SUBJECTS

Local Items and Interesting Bits of News of All Sorts

The remains of the two children of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Patterson buried at Browning were exhumed and brought to Laclede Wednesday and given burial in the city cemetery. As stated in THE BLADE last week Mr. and Mrs. Patterson are shortly to move to Laclede to reside and they wanted their children buried near them that they might better care for the graves.

H. E. Mahurin of route three has bought the Bettelheim place of nine acres in the west part of Brookfield and will engage in truck farming and raise small fruit. He will begin remodeling the buildings the first of next month and will move to his new home some time this fall. Brookfield furnishes a fine market for garden stuff and Mr. Mahurin expects to engage in the business quite extensively.

Mrs. J. Clair Lomax was hostess to the L. C. T. club at its regular fortnightly meeting last Thursday afternoon, almost the entire membership being present. The session was one of the most enjoyable of the season. Guests of the afternoon were Mrs. Bigger, Mrs. M. P. Benson, Mrs. Caywood, Mrs. J. W. Lomax, Mrs. P. F. Weaver, and Mrs. G. W. Lord of Brookfield, and Mrs. Ward Mouser of Oklahoma City. Dainty refreshments were served.

Dr. and Mrs. Standly received a message Wednesday afternoon from their son Harold, who is visiting at Carroll, Iowa, stating that his aunt, Mrs. Ida Rich, was seriously ill and asking that his mother come at once. A half hour later another message came stating that Mrs. Rich had passed away. Dr. and Mrs. Standly left that night for Carroll to attend the funeral. Mrs. Rich was quite well known in Laclede having recently spent the winter here with her sister, Mrs. Standly and family.

O. C. Macy sends in a check from Gardner, Kansas, to renew his subscription and says: "Today finds us all as well as common. Everything in good shape. The bull moosers have about all gone back into the republican party and the democrats are now looking to see where they will light. My son Arthur has bought a stock of goods and is in business at Brush, Colo. Sam tendered his resignation from the navy, it was accepted and he has been retired on \$2922.55 per year for life. He and his family will be here in October."

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Welch, in writing to renew their subscription state that next week they will move from Los Angeles, where they have lived so long to Sebastopol, Cali. The letter says: "We regret very much leaving here and leaving all our dear friends, but Charlie wants us to be nearer him so we are making the move, and we think the change will also benefit Mr. Welch. Send THE BLADE to Sebastopol, Cali., after September 1. THE BLADE is like one of the family, so cannot get along without it. Hope yourself and family are well. Give our kindest regards to all old friends. Mr. and Mrs. Dyebe, Mrs. Ida Stone and all the Laclede colony are quite well."

Laclede 8; Marceline 2

Outplayed in every department of the game, the Marceline base ball team was an easy victim for Laclede in a game played here last Saturday afternoon. Max Jones held the visitors to four hits, one a scratch down the first base line, and didn't give a pass. He should have registered a shutout, as none of the hits figured in the scoring, but errors in the fifth gave Marceline their two runs. Lancaster was wild and ineffective and two walks, two singles, a double and an error or two mixed up with wild pitchers gave Laclede five runs in the third. Vogt was also hit hard and a walk and three hits in a row gave Laclede three more runs in the fifth, which ending the scoring and gave Laclede an 8 to 2 victory. Three fast double plays featured Laclede's fielding. Twelve victories and four defeats is Laclede's record for the season, made against some of the best teams in this part of the state.

Methodist Church Notes

Sunday school at 9:45.

Preaching by the pastor 11 a. m. The morning services will close promptly at 11:45 giving those who wish to go the chautauqua time to make passenger train No 3.

Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 8 o'clock.

Choir practice Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

The sermon Sunday morning will be especially for the children and will contain facts for grown folk. Will the parents please arrange for the children to remain for preaching next Sunday morning. All parties are invited to attend the morning service.

We are pleased that so many of our people are enjoying the pleasures and benefits of the chautauqua, and one week's rest at home we will expect them all, young and old, at Sunday school and at the church services morning and evening, Sunday, Sept. 6.

Local and Personal

Mr. Joe Crabtree of Kirksville is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. H. Brown and family.

Miss Elizabeth Peters of Chillicothe is a guest at the home of her grand-father, Joseph Mathiasch.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Paul Jones and H. L. Allen motored to Triplett and Brunswick and spent Sunday with friends.

G. W. Mitchell from near Fountain Grove was in Laclede on business last Saturday and called and renewed for THE BLADE. Mr. Mitchell says he has a fairly good corn crop. He will put out fifty acres of wheat this fall.

Mrs. Moore of Bartley, Nebr., after spending a week here visiting her sister, Mrs. D. E. Polly left yesterday morning to visit in Iowa. She was accompanied from here by Mrs. Polly who goes to Maryville to attend the funeral of a sister-in-law.

The attendance at the tenth annual Meadville chautauqua now in session is the largest in the history of the assembly. The rain the first of the week put the roads and grounds in excellent condition and people are in attendance not only from all parts of this county but from all surrounding counties. Nearly two hundred families are tenting on the ground and enjoying a fine outing and the splendid program. The talent this season is as good if not a little better than at previous sessions.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Brief Mention of Those Who Come and Go During the Week

Miss Pearl Anderson of Severy, Kansas, visited relatives here last week.

John C. Brown left last Tuesday for Atlantic City for a two weeks' visit.

Mrs. Lizzie Wilson spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cornett.

Mrs. A. Darling of Brookfield visited Mr. and Mrs. E. Childress here the past week.

Mrs. James Wood of Brookfield spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. James Ogle on route three.

Mrs. J. W. Adams and Miss Gladys Rigger left last week for a visit at Milan and Centerville.

J. E. Welsh and E. E. Toothaker attended the school directors' convention in Brookfield last Saturday.

Mrs. Lenhart and daughter of Brookfield visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Childress in Laclede Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Moss of Shelbyville visited his sister, Mrs. Wm. Sensitaffar and family on route three last week.

Mrs. W. H. Woods and daughter, Miss Violet, returned home Tuesday from spending a month with relatives in Iowa.

Miss Kathryn Harter left last Saturday to spend a couple of months with relatives at Walnut and Eldorado, Kansas.

Jerry and John Fruin of the Fruin ranch southwest of Laclede, are spending their summer vacation with relatives in St. Louis.

Mrs. G. W. Mitchell spent a part of last week at Browning where her son, Rev. Gay Mitchell is holding a series of meetings.

J. H. McKinney, candidate for prosecuting attorney, was in Laclede Monday morning on his way to Tina on legal business.

Misses Helga and Christina Johnson were guests at a bunking party given by Miss Esther Noll in Brookfield last Friday night.

Mrs. Monroe and two children who have been visiting her father, T. M. Hogan and other relatives, left Thursday for Portland, Ore.

Mrs. M. O. Wilkins and children of Linneus and Miss Floranah Welsh of Kansas City visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Welsh last Thursday.

Dr. F. W. Burke, president, and W. S. Savage, secretary, represented the Laclede schools at the county school board meeting held at Brookfield last Saturday.

Jay Reno who has spent the summer with his cousin, Ross Welsh on route three, returned to his home in St. Louis last Saturday, very much pleased with Linn county.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gardner were down from Kansas City last week visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Gardner on route three and attending the Brookfield fair. They drove down in their Buick touring car.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Gardner are here from Kansas City this week visiting Mr. Gardner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Gardner and attending the chautauqua. They are traveling in their Buick roadster.