

EDUCATIONAL PAGE

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State Supervisor of Rural Schools Writes of Visit to This County

Finds Schools in Flourishing Condition and Says the People of Anderson County Are Willing to Tax Themselves for the Education of Their Children.

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Smiths, McLees, Green Pond, and Union are schools of this section that were visited by us and are well provided with school buildings and teaching forces.

The schools of this entire section of the county are well distributed. Effort for the next few years should be the development of the individual schools in providing where needed, in continuing the improvement in the schoolroom instruction, and in stimulating community interest in the school.

We spent the second week of our visitation in the lower portion of the county. The schools of this section did not appear so progressive as those of the upper section.

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CLEMSON COLLEGE

CLEMSON COLLEGE, Nov. 28.—Thanksgiving was greatly enjoyed by all. About 200 went to Atlanta to encourage the football team in the annual contest with Georgia Tech.

At the Baptist church a union Thanksgiving service was held. Prof. C. M. Furman made an excellent address. The members-elect of the legislature from Oconee, Pickens and Anderson Counties visited the college this week upon invitation from the president.

Superintendent A. J. Thackston of Orangeburg, D. T. Kinard of Dillon and Principal Koon of Yorkville County, members of the State board of education, were here Friday on an official visit.

Strenuous efforts are being made to raise enough money to secure the donation of \$50,000 offered by John D. Rockefeller for the erection of a Y. M. C. A. building at Clemson college. It was thought that the trustees could give more than the \$15,000 they had appropriated before the financial stringency set in, but they find it impossible to do more.

At a meeting last Sunday night Prof. R. E. Lee, the architect of the proposed building, gave a lantern slide lecture showing the details of the magnificent structure. Short addresses were made by President W. W. Riggs, Dr. F. H. H. Calhoun and Prof. D. W. Daniel of the faculty and by Dr. E. Swinehart, D. F. Folger and "Red" MacMillan of the corps and by Secretary Bob Sweeney, Dr. R. N. Brackett, chairman of the advisory board, has appointed committees to take up the work at once with the alumni and other friends of the work.

R. N. Benjamin and R. P. Thornton have been elected to represent the Calhoun Society in a preliminary contest to select a representative in the State oratorical contest.

On Wednesday afternoon the children of the local public school gave an entertainment that was most enjoyable and that was highly creditable to them and to their teachers, Misses Nine Martin, Nannie Morrison and Miss Lander.

On Thanksgiving evening the Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Mills gave a reception to the members of the Presbyterian church. The guests joined in the singing of familiar songs, listened to several appropriate toasts, enjoyed refreshments and spent a delightful evening.

TOWNVILLE SCHOOL

TOWNVILLE, Nov. 29.—The "Fiddler's" Convention of Anderson and Oconee Counties held Thanksgiving evening at the Townville School Auditorium was a great success. A good sum of money was realized for the benefit of the school.

The school, through the kindness of various friends, has secured a large number of periodicals and newspapers. Among them are: The Intelligencer, The Daily Mail, Keowee Courier, Atlanta Constitution, Southern Christian Advocate, Christian Herald, Country Gentleman, Saturday Evening Post, American Boy, Collier's Weekly, The Monroe and others.

The students are anxious for the supplementary reading books, recently ordered, to come. Sixty-three dollars worth of new books will make our library look "bally," as T. R. says. (MISS) EUNA STEVENSON.

CHEDDAR SCHOOL

Thanksgiving Day passed very quietly with us, but we all enjoyed the day very much. We came back to school on Friday morning with renewed energy. On Wednesday the following program was carried out by the intermediate grades:

Song, "Bringing in the Sheaves" Thanksgiving Acrostic by six boys

THE CITADEL

The Citadel, Charleston, S. C., Nov. 30.—Invitations have been received by the members of the senior class to a supper and banquet to be given in their honor next Friday evening by Cadet W. A. Moore at his residence on George street.

From an opening enrollment of nearly sixty last year, the school opened this year with less than forty, but owing to the corresponding small classes the personal attention given the individual student has been increased, resulting in great benefit to those who now attend the classes.

Fardiness has been greatly lessened and attendance is more regular. The patrons of the school are realizing more and more that not a day must be lost if their boys are to receive the proper instruction.

When a boy is allowed to miss a day he rarely prepares the next day's lesson, thinking the excuse, "I didn't know where the lesson was," perfectly adequate and feeling much grieved and mistreated if kept in for his failure to get his lessons.

Many of the parents have, as we say, realized this yet there are some who still seem to think just one day, one little day, can not matter. To these we would address the following lines: A boy in his school work is not only getting an education, he is forming habits and building character.

Of what good are good strong, solidly welded links if one link, just one link, in their midst is made of weak iron, but poorly welded, lacking the flux of a tender's care.

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So accustomed are the teachers to his absence and a written excuse from parents that his tale of forgotten excuses gets easy credence and thus a lax regard for truth is cultivated.

Let us appeal to all parents to assist the teachers everywhere by having the boys at school every day for only thus can the better grade of work be done. Only with the full co-operation of parents can the best results be accomplished.

MOUNTAIN CREEK

Our school at Mountain Creek is getting along nicely. We have twenty-seven pupils on roll. All of them seem to take a great delight in studying and being prompt at school.

Our teachers give honest Thanksgiving. The school enjoys the day. We have some exercises Friday afternoon consisting of songs, recitations, speeches and telling of stories.

FRAZER FITTING SCHOOL

The work of the students of the Frazer Fitting School has been of the best during the present term. Many of the boys having shown marked improvement in their methods of study and consequently much better results have been attained.

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ERSKINE COLLEGE

Thanksgiving holidays at Erskine included both Thursday and Friday. Only a few of the students returned home for the holidays.

On Wednesday evening the student body was delightfully entertained by the ladies of the Woman's College at the annual Thanksgiving reception, and on Friday evening by the ladies of the Wylie Home. These social evenings with the ladies are always looked forward to, and few occasions are so much enjoyed.

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Miss Lillian Shirley, one of our high school teachers, spent Thanksgiving at her home near Anderson. Our literary society met November 20th, and rendered a very good program.

Last Tuesday morning we went to chapel and were entertained by the ninth grade. The program was as follows: Scripture Reading—Francis White with response by the class. Song—Bringing in the Sheaves—Class. Recitation—The First Thanksgiving—Elsie Ragsdale. Reading—The First Thanksgiving Dinner—Eugene Johnson. Song—Honor the Mayflower Band—Class. Recitation—Who Gives Us Our Thanksgiving Dinner—Mae Pinson. Recitation—A Turkey's Soliloquy—Charles Cox. Recitation—Gentleman's Gay Thanksgiving—Walter Sutherland. Song—Hail the Glad Thanksgiving—Class. This Year's Thanksgiving Proclamation—Jennie Cox.

On last Wednesday morning the Seventh Grade Literary Society gave a public meeting which was enjoyed by all. The program was as follows: Prayer—Marshall Campbell. 121st Psalm—Class. Composition—The Origin of Thanksgiving—Marie Cox. Recitation—First Thanksgiving—Destina Eas. Recitation—The Reason Why—Frances Maddox. Double Quartette—Florida Gruber, Marie Cox, Margaret Clark, Eva Hancock, Carol Wilson, Prima Willingham, Herbert Cox, James Haynie. Reading—President Wilson's Thanksgiving Proclamation—Lila Mitchell. Recitation—The Turkey's Soliloquy—Carroll Wilson. Current Events—Florida Gruber. Jokes—Carroll Wilson. Vocal Trio—Hail Glad Thanksgiving.

Dialogue—Guests from Whittier's Land. Characters represented: Bessie, Margaret Sue Vaughn; Barefoot Boy, James Haynie; Maud Muller, Nancy Blake; School Girl, Sara Harris; School Boy, Herbert; Red Riding Hood, Margaret Clark; Barbara Fritchie, Marie Cox.

A very interesting Thanksgiving program was rendered Monday afternoon by the third and fourth grades. Characters represented: Governor Carver, Harry Calbreath; Master Brewster, Walter Herbert; Mrs. Brewster, Pauline Kay; Mrs. Standish, Emily McCuen; Miss Standish, Jim Bowen; Mary of Plymouth, Martha Cox; Sara, Florida Smith; Hope, Dot Kay; Mrs. Bradford, Sara Cunningham; Squanto, Conway Willingham; Master Winslow, Wesley Drake; Mrs. Winslow, Olive Todd; Massarroll, John Holcombe; Jonathan—Julius

Blake; Widow Lee, Annie Lee; Martha Denny, Sanford Owens; Elizabeth, Irene Martin; Pattence, Maudie Shirley; Desaire, Mary Kay; Rose, Ruth Deek; Fricilla, Mabel Poore; Constance, Linda Hobart; Stephen, Prima Strickland; Isaac, Walter Kay; Master Lyford, Ernest Baker; John Alden, Jim Horton. Synopsis: Scene I—On Board Mayflower. Scene II—In the Harbor. Scene III—At the Brewster Home. Scene IV—The Decision. Scene V—The Feast. Scene VI—Taking Care of the School Room. Scene VII—The School. Our girls won a game of basketball from the Williamston girls last Friday afternoon. The game was played in Williamston. Our girls have played six games this fall and have lost only two. One to Anderson and one of Hones Falls. LUCILLE HAYNIE, Tenth Grade Belton Graded School.

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Santa Claus is Packing His Grip. Old St. Nick is getting ready for his annual joyride. The kiddies are casting their eyes at the chimney. The old folks are beginning to feel the first touch of the Christmas spirit. Now is the time to do your Christmas shopping. Do not wait until the final rush. Shop now at your leisure when selections are easiest to make and the men and women in the stores can give you their best attention. The merchants of Anderson are giving you the best news of their business in the advertising columns of The Intelligencer. They are offering choicest bargains at lowest prices. The advertisements in this paper from now until Christmas will be replete with suggestions to Christmas shoppers. Remember these three things: Shop early. Shop in Anderson. And tell the merchants. "I Saw You At The Intelligencer." SASSER, The Ad Man.