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I am glad to be able to report that the schools as a whole have made an auspicious beginning of another school year. The teachers and pupils are radiating enthusiasm and joy in their work.

We miss Mrs. Virginia Parks at Unison-Bloomfield and Miss Jane Crawley at Lincoln High School who have been detained by illness. We hope they will soon be with their pupils again. All other teachers are in place.

Some difficulty has been experienced with a fickle well at Arcola where the water supply is inadequate, the agricultural shop at Aldie has not been finished, and the Lincoln graded school construction is incomplete although the rooms can be used. We hope to have all of these matters corrected soon.

Increased or decreased enrollment at various schools shows that our families move a great deal during the summer but mostly within the county. The total figures for the county show an increase of 21 in the white elementary schools, 62 in the white high schools, 9 in the one colored high school, and a decrease of 6 in the negro elementary schools.

There is plenty of evidence that the number of children in Loudoun County is slowly decreasing although our enrollment and attendance ~~are~~ still slightly increasing. These increases may be attributed to better transportation facilities, better health of children, a more suitable school curriculum that increases the holding power of the schools and increased mass desire of parents that their children have a chance in life!