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PHILADELPHIA NEWS LETTER

Correspondent Nesbit Writes Entertainingly from the "City of Brotherly Love."

Philadelphia, Pa., July 20th.—The pleasures enjoyed during the first week of my arrival here, were greatly marred by the news of the death of so many friends and acquaintances; and especially the death of our Prof. H. S. Wallace. The school has lost one of its most efficient teachers, the young people, one of their dearest friends and Columbia one of its best colored citizens.

We shall ever remember Prof. Wallace kindly, because of the great interest he took in our social affairs and for instructions he so generously gave us when we would, during the life of the Star Glee Club, attempt to entertain our friends with literature and song.

During my brief stay in Washington, D. C., I was entertained by Theodore Allen, an old Columbia boy who will be remembered by all for the active part he took in entertaining visitors and promoting so many social functions that cannot be forgotten, by those who attended, because of their brilliancy.

Theodore is the "picture of health." He is a barber in one of the best Tonsorial Parlors in Washington.

He held the responsible position of turning out the lights on our "Great White Way," is here with his wife, and it will be good news to his friends to hear that he has a job of equal responsibility, with a great paint shop here in "Philly."

By chance we ran across Decker Johnson on the street, and our greetings, upon recognizing each other, were so strongly marked that Philadelphia paused and looked amazingly on. Decker too is well and spends much of his time in Atlantic City. Like his father Dr. Decker Johnson, he has, through his geniality, created many friends who make him feel "perfectly at home here."

All Columbia will be proud to learn that Dr. Benj. F. Thomas is meeting with wonderful success here as a physician in the Mercy Hospital. He has been promoted to "resident physician" and the entire force of attendants is under his immediate charge. They love and respect him and their co-operation with him in his work makes their hospital one of the most successful in South Philadelphia.

He will be in Columbia in November for the Medical Examination. That he will pass beyond all doubt, is the prediction of the writer.

"Luna, you are a great big beautiful Doll" And "Love means Chess" are the subjects of two songs recently from Miss Harriett F. Eds. Battese, and they were great surprises as I had never dreamt of her as a lyric and song writer. I have had the songs tried by some accomplished musicians, from the Academy of music, and they all speak in high terms of praise of them.

Despite the fact that this is the place of "freedom, liberty and justice," there are some things going on that remind me so much of the South that I can't feel homesick. Just to show that race prejudice is spreading, I write of an incident that happened last week in West Philadelphia; the home of a colored woman was almost destroyed by white people who "did not want

Negroes in the neighborhood" and "despite the efforts of the police, the guilty parties cannot be found." The Colored Ministerial Union is taking up the matter and I shall await the outcome with interest.

The doings of the Governor are in a conspicuous place, on some of the bulletins and we see by the first of August he will turn out all the prisoners in the State Penitentiary and turn that institution into a hospital. Probably if the South will wake up, "take a hunch" and build more institutions of learning, the needs of prisons will be as great as they are at present. A few more decent schoolhouses for children of both races, equal rights in business for all, and less narrowness would do a lot to improve conditions in the South.

The Baptists are making great preparations to entertain their National Convention, in September, which will hold its sessions in Columbia, a place with a population of 80,000. Home of the Convention will be one of the greatest ever held since its organization in 1880. I am hoping to see among the Carolina delegation Drs. R. W. Baylor, Durham, Hall, Cheek, Wm. Howard, and my friend Rev. Morgan the manager of this paper, et al.

The one copy of The Southern Indicator that we have seen since we were here, is still being read with interest and we hope that we will shortly receive another so we can file this one. We don't throw away home papers.

Richard W. Nesbitt.

REPUBLICAN STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETS.

State Convention Called to Meet September 29th.

On Tuesday the 21st about midday a number of the leaders of the republican party met in the hall of Hardy, Pinckney and Biggs on Washington street. J. W. Tolbert is state chairman and H. H. Mobley secretary. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. S. M. Walker. Secretary Mobley read the minutes of the last meeting. The roll call, at this meeting developed the fact that 25 per cent more were present at the meeting than at the last. State chairman Tolbert delivered an address that evoked considerable applause. In the speeches which followed the speakers declared it to be manly, courageous, inspiring and tending to accomplish much good. Some of the speeches were very thoughtful and suggestive.

The prediction was made that the elements constituting the democratic party were so discordant and out of harmony, that division or disintegration must eventually take place. Among the other things done was a resolution thanking chairman J. W. Tolbert for his manly and inspiring address; a resolution thinking editor C. C. Scott of The Southern Indicator for an editorial appearing in the issue of July 18th; the adoption of a resolution to hold a state convention in Columbia on Tuesday Sept. 29th, and the inauguration of a plan to prevent a reduction of representation in the national republican convention. Entire harmony prevailed throughout the meeting.

Mrs. Mable Dillard, of Houston, Texas, is in the city on a three months' visit to relatives and friends.

FROM CITY ON THE EDISTO

A True Representation of Facts Concerning the Negro and his Money.

Orangeburg, July 21, 1914.—I have information from some of our good and experienced farmers that the present cotton crop of this county is the best they have seen in several years, and I believe the statement to be true, for it has been long since conceded that Orangeburg County has some of the best lands for growing cotton in the State. The soil is rich and fertile and with suitable seasons and proper cultivation the anticipated yield is always good. Any of our people who may be desirous of buying farming lands on easy terms would do well to come to Orangeburg County.

With the Negro, the art of making money is real easy, but how to save it is a problem, the solution of which gives him little concern. His greatest enemy is whiskey, and the money he spends for this mean and damnable stuff in one year would give Clafin University here \$100,000 endowment and run several rural schools nine months in the year; pay his honest debt, including his newspaper bill, and his family decently, do some benevolent work for church and community.

Now, some one may say that the above statement is both irregular and extravagant and void of proofs; well, we will ask our witnesses a few questions. How many dispensaries have you in Orangeburg County? Nine. How long have they been running? About six or seven months. Amount of sales? \$120,000.00. Of this amount about how much was spent by colored people who use "booze"? About two thirds—\$80,000.00. Come down; that will do. Orangeburg County with the exception of five or six counties, is the largest in South Carolina and has but nine dispensaries, the same being accessible to about two thirds of the (Negro) drinking population of the county, which according to the estimate above given spent in six or seven months for whiskey \$80,000! Now we have one third of the drinking population (Negro) who is without his "booze," give him the same opportunity as the others have and he will spend in the same length of time \$40,000 for whiskey which when added to \$80,000 will give you \$120,000.00 he spends for whiskey in six or seven months. Now the above figures simply represent the actual cost of the whiskey; but we must consider subsequent results. He gets drunk—whips his wife, and is arrested by the police, and fined in mayor's court \$10—\$15—\$25 or sent to the "gang," neglect a good job, commits murder, drives his horse to death, damages his house down—disturbs religious worship—curses and uses profane language, gets sick from exposure and finally dies and goes to hell. With the aid of our churches, schools and colleges, homes and societies let us try to redeem our people.

The Summer Normal at the State College will close Friday of this week. The enrollment is now over 200 and this shows the interest the race is now taking in educational work in this state.

Esq. Moorer has returned from Cincinnati and reports a most pleasant and successful trip.

Mr. Marion Jackson and wife are now on an extended trip west visiting their children.

President Wilkinson went to

Richwell last Friday on business. The Indicator extends to Mr. Mrs. Jas. W. McPherson congratulations on the arrival of a fine boy last Friday—his name is Emanuel—his mother and son are doing well, and Jimmie is singing "unto us a son is born."

The Rev. C. D. Sally has just closed his revival meeting in this city and reports glorious results. Rev. Dr. Christie, Presiding Elder of the Orangeburg District, preached one of his splendid sermons on last Sunday night at Williams Chapel A. M. E. Church. Indicator's friend.

CLAFIN UNIVERSITY, IS NAME

Esquire Moorer Warns the Public not to Call School by Any Other Name.

To the South Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Alumni Association of Clafin University, and the Methodist Membership:

Greetings:—In accordance with the request of the Alumni Association and the desire of all concerned in the present and future welfare of Clafin University, I appeared before the board of the Freedmen Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church on July 16, 1914 in the city of Cincinnati Ohio, and there protested against changing the name of the University to Clafin College.

After the argument several members of the board spoke against submitting the charter for any change and it was decided that no further steps would ever be taken in the matter without full notice being given us in South Carolina. The name is not changed yet. It is still Clafin University and I hereby warn any and all persons not to publish or call the school under or by any other name than Clafin University.

JACOB MOORER,
Pres. Alumni Association.

HOSPITAL NOTES.

We learn that Mrs. M. H. Bright has returned from the up-country where she took a much needed rest and that she will go to work now, in earnest, for the hospital.

Last Sunday, at the Mt. Zion Baptist church in Laurens county, she raised \$100 in cash and pledges. She is a strong woman, an excellent speaker, a trained nurse of great ability. It is hoped, the people of South Carolina will receive her gladly wherever she goes.

We have been informed that the Rev. Richard Carrol has been appointed on the staff of evangelists by the Southern Baptist convention.

He will begin work in Petersburg, Va Sept. 13. He will give his time wholly to lecturing and preaching. He will remain president of the Hospital Association and continue his interest, but he will be absent from the state from one to two months at the time. He states that there are more than three thousand dollars in sight for the hospital and that the money that he raised comes entirely from white people.

Card Of Thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Pearson would like to take this opportunity of thanking the many friends who participated in entertaining them so royally upon their arrival in the city of Spartanburg on the evening of Wednesday July 15th. We extend to each and every one our heartiest appreciations. Spartanburg, July 20th.

JOTTINGS FROM GREENWOOD.

Greenwood, July 20th.—Dr. C. C. Johnson of Aiken stopped in Greenwood last week enroute to Honea Path where he went to institute a Masonic lodge. Dr. Johnson is also Grand Medical Register of the Odd Fellow Lodges in the State and is a Pythian of distinguished honor. He was the guest of Dr. C. S. H. Henderson while here.

The people in Greenwood are dusting up and arranging things for the reception of the Annual Convention of Odd Fellows and Ruths, which meets here next month. Grand Master McCottrie and Grand Secretary, H. B. Rutherford may expect a royal entertainment while in the Piedmont.

Miss Annie Mae Williams has returned from the Summer school at the State College. The session was glorious one thinks Miss Williams.

Mrs. C. A. Thompson and daughter, of Columbia, passed through Friday on a visit to the up-country.

Mrs. Nettie Bomar-Logan was in the city last week on business. Mrs. Logan married a gain to a rich preacher in Chester some months ago where she and the children are most happily located.

G. W. Gilreath has issued the program for the Odd Fellow Grand Lodge. Even Rev. McKinzie-Harrison of Sumter will be "delighted" with everything.

Messrs. J. T. and Theodore Percival, who worked for years on The Press and Banner in Abbeville, have opened a first class printing snop in Greenwood.

Mr. B. F. Means, went to Columbia Monday night to attend the meeting of the State Executive Committee of the Republican party.

The writer understands that the colored citizens of Abbeville have made ample preparations for the entertainment of the Annual convention of Knights which convenes in that town next week, and that Col. T. H. Henry, the Grand Chancellor, holds a special letter from the City Council of Abbeville, promising the Colored Knights every protection available while there.

This is one of the most representative bodies of Negroes to assemble any where. The growth of the order is marvellous and its future is so fruitful that even the man who runs may read.

Misses Beatrice and Florence Rhue of Georgetown have been in Greenwood several days the guest of Miss Geneva Nance on Gilliam street.

IN MEMORIAM

LOVING MEMORY

of
Matthew Cornelius Brown
JULY 1913.
Thou art gone but not forgotten
To the land without a cloud
To the home where wait the faithful,
Just beyond the pearly gates.
At the bidding of the Father,
One by one we'll join you there
And enjoy His loving presence
Thro'out all eternity.
MOTHER, SISTERS AND BROTHER.

Obituary

Dearest Matthew, Thou hast left us
Here thy loss we deeply feel,
But 'tis God that hast bereft us
He can all our sorrows heal.
Yet again, we hope to meet thee
When the day of life is fled,
When in Heaven with joy to greet thee
Where no faaewell tear is shed.
ERTIE DASH.

OUR SPARTANBURG LETTER.

Spartanburg, July 15—Mrs. Mary Sullivan and family have gone to Washington, D. C. to stay indefinitely.

After a pleasant visit to friends and relatives in Jonesville, Union, and Spartanburg, Mrs. John Woodson has returned to her home in Greenville.

Mr. Jno. H. Austin has returned from Hendersonville, N. C. He is the picture of health.

Mrs. Sallie Beason and Mrs. Henrietta Brewston are in Asheville.

Mrs. Belle Gaither of Augusta is visiting in the city.

Mrs. Julia Coleman went to Atlanta last Monday.

Rev. W. L. Barre of Cleveland Ohio is visiting his brother-in-law Mr. Gus Smith on Hines St. Rev. Barre preached an excellent sermon to a large and appreciative audience last Sunday night from the 12th Chapter of Corinthians. Subject The power of a strong fervent prayer. It was good to be there.

Mrs. Rosa Douglass was well enough to sit up a little last Tuesday. Aside from being a well trained nurse, Rev. Douglass is a good cook and housekeeper. While staying around home to care for his wife, he has filled twenty half gallons and six quart cans with peaches and six or eight quart cans with black berries. Hurrah for Bro. Douglass.

Mrs. Frank Miller is sick at her home on Pilgrim St.

Mrs. Arthur Hardy is seriously ill at home on Wofford St.

Mr. Kid Wallace died Wednesday morning at his home on Saxon Ave. He appeared to be in good health Sunday night but was found speechless Monday morning and remained unconscious until the end came.

Miss Annie Mayberry is dead at her home on Wickert.

We are glad to learn that Mrs. Ella Adams and Mr. George Colemans, who have been sick at their homes on Cleveland St., are able to be out again.

A large number of delegates and other visitors are in the city for the Sunday School Convention at Mt. Moriah. We welcome them to our homes and wish them a pleasant stay in our city.

A Reader.

Special Services At Ladson Presbyterian Church, To Be Held Sunday.

Dr. H. L. McCrorey, president of Bible University, Charlotte, N. C. will preach Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and at 5 p. m. Friends are cordially invited to come out and hear Dr. McCrorey.

GRAFONOLA CONTEST.

The following is the standing of the contestants in the Grafonola Contest for the week ending Wednesday, July 22d, at Collins' Department Store:

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| No. 3 | 174,745 |
| " 4 | 60,420 |
| " 6 | 625 |
| " 7 | 20,240 |
| " 8 | 94,845 |
| " 10 | 40,260 |
| " 11 | 24,420 |
| " 17 | 10,140 |
| " 19 | 21,275 |
| " 30 | 91,240 |
| " 31 | 4,185 |
| " 32 | 4,260 |
| " 36 | 26,120 |
| " 38 | 94,245 |
| " 43 | 90,050 |
| " 51 | 151,805 |
| " 60 | 24,420 |
| " 109 | 28,440 |
| " 112 | 9,420 |
| " 115 | 28,280 |
| " 121 | 4,240 |
| " 137 | 58,485 |
| " 138 | 34,105 |
| " 145 | 2,420 |
| " 146 | 1,210 |