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JOHNSTON LETTER.

Music Recital and Commencement Sermon. Mrs. Brooke Improving. Ridge Ball League Organized.

On Friday evening the pupils of the department of music gave a public recital and there was a large audience present to greet these and to enjoy their program.

Miss Barr has been the instructor during the year, and had a large class. The program was varied with piano duets, solos, quartettes, and sextettes, and vocal solos, and each number was rendered wonderfully well, and the evening was thoroughly enjoyed.

The stage was artistically decorated and the beautifully dressed little folks and grown-ups made a very pretty picture.

Some time ago the Apollo Music club offered a prize to the one making the best average in music, it being decided to offer this to the first grade. At the close of the session it was found that Eloise, Eidson had made the best average, and won the prize.

Following the recital every one went to the library where the products of the manual training class were exhibited. The young gentlemen had made many attractive and very useful articles, and should be very proud of the results of their work. There would have been a ready sale had these been offered for such. There were prettily polished cedar chests, book cases, book racks, hall seats, stools, tables, pressing boards and utility boxes, etc. It is the intention of the class to sell some of the articles next year.

Prof. Staunton Lott has had the class under his instruction, and will again be at the head of this department.

The Sunday School convention of the Ridge Association convenes Saturday and Sunday with Ward Baptist church and a number from the Sunday school here are planning to attend.

The commencement sermon was preached before the graduating class of the High School on Sunday morning, in the auditorium by Rev. Horaine of Columbia, and there was a large audience, as this was the only service in town for morning.

Mr. Horaine is one of the instructors in the Lutheran Seminary of Columbia, and is greatly interested in education, and delivered a fine discourse on that text: "Know ye not that they which run in a race, run all, but one receiveth the prize! So run that ye may obtain." The entire school was seated in a body in front, and these young people must have been a source of inspiration to the speaker. Special music was furnished that was very pleasing. The ministers of the town assisted in the services.

The graduating exercises will take place on Monday evening, there will be a large graduating class and they will be addressed by Prof. Hand, of Columbia.

Miss Theora Fleming of Gainesville, Fla., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. John Marsh.

Mesdames Willie Tompkins and F. S. Jefferson spent the past week at Meeting Street with relatives.

Mrs. Alice Cox is at home from a visit to Mrs. Paul Perry at Peak.

Mr. and Mrs. Huiet Waters and Mr. P. B. Waters are at home from a trip to Charleston.

Miss Antoinette Denny entertained last week with a tea in honor of the young lady teachers of the High School. A very happy evening was spent and a delicious repast served. Mr. Will Bradford of Charlotte, has been a recent visitor here.

Little David, the 3 year old son of Rev. David Kellar, had a painful accident last Tuesday evening. The little fellow ran in a dark room playing and struck his head near the temple on the sharp corner of a marble top table. A painful gash was made, and a few stitches had to be taken.

Mrs. W. S. Brooke who was operated on last week at Baptist hospital for gall stone and appendicitis, is improving, the operation being a very successful one.

Mrs. Mary Waters is visiting her sister, Mrs. Lizzie Huiet at Hendersonville, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones entertained a

party of young people on Saturday evening in a very enjoyable manner. Cozy seats were arranged out on the long verandas, and progressive conversation was enjoyed. During the evening ices and cakes were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Kneee and children have been visiting in the home of Mr. M. W. Clark.

Dr. and Mrs. Horace Wright returned to their home in Georgetown after a visit in the home of Miss Clara Sawyer.

Misses Maude and Gladys Sawyer spent the past week in Florence.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Weirse, of Charleston are visiting in the home of Mr. Westmoreland, coming to attend commencement. The bride, who was Miss Minnie Westmoreland, would have been one of the honor graduates had not Cupid interfered a few weeks previous.

In the absence of Rev. W. S. Brooke, who is still in Columbia, at the bedside of his wife, the pulpit was filled by his nephew, Rev. W. B. Brooke, who is pastor of Stevens Creek and Rocky Creek churches.

The base ball teams of Johnston, Ridge Spring, Saluda and Batesburg have recently organized into a league called the Ridge League, and have already had two big games. On last Thursday, Johnston and Saluda crossed bats here on the diamond, and a very exciting game was had, Johnston winning. The gate receipts amounted to \$58, and this will be used by the league for any expense.

Special June Offerings.

In this issue will be found a page advertisement of Mr. Rubenstein in which he tells The Advertiser's readers of the money saving prices that are offered for June in every department of the store. It will be seen that many of these attractions are new spring and summer goods that were purchased at almost half what they were a year ago. Mr. Rubenstein stands squarely behind every price he makes and every statement he makes in this page advertisement. Cut it out and take it to the store and you will see that he does.

Visits Sanitorium.

Dr. R. A. Marsh, Edgefield, yesterday visited and inspected the South Carolina Tuberculosis sanatorium, and will submit the report of his investigation to the state health department. Beginning last October, the executive committee of the state board of health appointed a committee of three to inspect monthly the tuberculosis institution to ascertain whether or not everything possible was being done for the care and comfort of the patients. The members of the committee are R. A. Marsh, Edgefield; William Eggleston, Hartsville, and William Lester, Columbia. Dr. Marsh is making the May inspection.—The State.

Negro Population in South Carolina Increase 3.5 Per Cent.

Washington, May 19.—The negro population of South Carolina in 1920 numbered 864,719, according to statistics made public today by the census bureau. This was an increase of 3.5 per cent for the ten years. Whites numbered 1,181,538, or an increase of 20.5 per cent. South Carolina's foreign born population was placed at 6,401 or four per cent of the total population, which was the same as ten years ago.

There were 838,293 males and 845,431 females, or a ratio of 99.2 males to 100 females.

State Cotton Grader Located in Easley.

Robt. S. Long, formerly of Edgefield, has been appointed by J. Clifton Rivers, state warehouse commissioner, as district cotton grader for the counties of Anderson, Greenville, Oconee and Pickens. The headquarters for this district will be in Easley. As recently announced, the state has been divided into twelve districts, each district to have an expert grader, who will have charge of the warehouses in his district.

Mr. Long is a practical and experienced cotton man. For the present he has established his headquarters in The Progress building. He is a son-in-law of Rev. D. W. Hiott.—Pickens Sentinel.

COMMENCEMENT CONCERT BY MUSIC STUDENTS

of TRENTON HIGH SCHOOL

MAY TWENTY-SIXTH

1921

Thursday Evening—8:30 O'clock

Miss Arah Pauline Gatlin, Instructor

PROGRAMME:

Japanese Song	Protheroe
Serenade Coquette	Renard
Kathleen Smith	
Jolly Darkies (quartet)	Betcher
Dorothy Miller	Mildred Pardue
Wilma Swearingen	Margaret Whitlock
Dolly's Funeral	Tschaikowsky
Bertha Marsh	
Hungarian Rhapsody (duet)	Lizst
Katherine Marsh, Susan Mathis	
To a Wild Rose	MacDowell
Margaret Courtney	
I Know a Little Boy	Steele
Mildred Pardue	
Joyous Peasant	Schumann
Mary Smith	
May Day (trio)	Rathburn
Sallie Carpenter, Clytie Belle Black, Fannie Laurie Black	
Gondellied	Oesten
Lois Black	
Melody in F (duet)	Rubenstein
Gertrude Black, Louise Black	
Romance of a Rose	Merrill
Cornelia Webb	
Come Play With Us (song)	Ellsworth
(a) Souvenir	Drldia
(b) Second Mazurka	Godard
Katherine Marsh	
Little Indian Chief	Strickland
Gamewell Watson	
The Little Postillion (duet)	Kleinmichel
Sallie Marsh, Sallie Lee Watson	
Playfellows Waltz (trio)	Lerman
Eugenia Smith, Felicia Moss, Lena Padgett	
Parade Review (quartet)	Engelmann
Margaret Courtney, Susan Mathis, Kathleen Smith, Katherine Marsh	
Curious Story	Heller
Mildred Pardue	
Athletic Sports (duet)	Engelmann
Cornelia Webb, Lois Black	
Cabaletta	Lack
Sarah Yonce	
Sylvan Sprites (trio)	Engelmann
Mary Smith, Weinona Day, Bertha Marsh	
Menuet in G	Beethoven
Margaret Whitlock	
After the Charge (duet)	Engelmann
Susan Mathis, Katherine Marsh	
The Rheumatiz (song)	
(a) Kamenoi Ostrow	Rubinstein
(b) Valse Chromatique	Godard
Susan Mathis	
Alpine Bells (trio)	Oesten
Mildred Pardue, Sarah Yonce, Margaret Whitlock	

A Summer Night—Chorus

Miss Florence Mims Writes Some Incidents of the School Exhibits.

Dear Advertiser:

The last public function of the year besides that of the commencement, took place in the corridors of the Hearing High school here and in the agricultural building Friday night, when the specimens of work done by the manual training, art, domestic science and other departments, were exhibited.

The foreign parents who came, and were not able to understand English, at least could see the work which their sons and daughters had accomplished during the year. These people interest me very much, and I told one Austrian girl that I would like to meet her mother. The name was Zuponsic, if you can grasp it all at once, but some names are much worse, so that when I have pronounced several consecutively, I feel that I have mastered a foreign tongue.

I was introduced to the Austrian mother who responded in Austrian, and much to my amusement and interest, continued to talk about me in Austrian—looking at me every now and then with a peculiarly Austrian expression which was unintelligible to me, while I waited like a dumb animal, impatient to know what on earth they could be saying.

I told the daughter that she must interpret the conversation for me, and she replied that her mother wanted to know how old I was. This was most disconcerting, but nevertheless, a legitimate question must be answered and that truthfully, I speedily resorted to the use of pantomime and

held up my ten fingers a sufficient number of times to tell her my age. After this she made a surprised comment in Austrian, and if I had been curious to know what the previous remarks were I was doubly impatient in this instance.

Through the interpretation I got the flattering remark that I did not look more than eighteen. Heretofore I have been a little partial to the Finns, and if I cared a great deal about whether I looked young or not, I might suddenly become enamored of the Austrians.

However, I can't say that I think it any virtue for a person to look younger than their years declare, for if one has worked and thought and experienced, there are sure to come corresponding wrinkles in the brain, so what matters it about a few furrows, more or less, that are not without a meaning back of them?

The boys in my reading classes, who are more or less given to pranks in the school room, on this occasion, had suddenly become transformed overnight into knights and courtiers in attitude, who escorted me around telling me in their wise way about all the things that I did not understand about manual training and some of the other arts.

In the mechanical drawing department, where various plans for furniture and houses had been made by the students. I pretended I understood some of it, but the lines fairly made me dizzy, so much does the art of building differ from the art of acting.

In the geography department, the

students had made what are called "product maps." On the outline of a country, on a large sheet of heavy paper, were placed the several things that grow in each part of the country. For instance, dates, cotton, hemp, silver, etc., were pasted in the spot where those particular things were found.

Sometimes the state of South Carolina was drawn as I had remembered it, and sometimes a student had changed the southern boundary line, so that it took off small bits of Georgia, but that is not what aroused my indignation. It was this. On looking to see what wonderful products my state might have pasted on its bosom, I saw a large tobacco leaf, and nothing more. To me it was revolting to be reminded that South Carolina should raise such a thing! I made some slight remark to that effect to my guide, whose name was Peter Deanovich, and he looked at me with surprise in his eyes, wondering why I should object to tobacco.

It is consumed in quantities here, so that one might think it grew in window boxes, or along the very roadsides, easy of access, but I am sorry to say that so much seems to be raised in the South and elsewhere, that it supplies the entire country with a lavishness which would be welcome in some other plant which possessed nutrition and not nicotine.

I had two central ideas racing through my brain on leaving the exhibition, one being that to a certain Austrian I looked only eighteen, and the other was that tobacco was evidently considered the chief and most important product of South Carolina.

FLORENCE MIMS.

Aurora, Minnesota.
May 16, 1921.

Farming Must be Better Organized.

We have several farmers' organizations in the county and they are doing a great deal of good, but there are many other things that we should do. Below we are bringing to our people a few things that would result in good for Edgefield County farmers, and indirectly for every class of people.

Two communities of the county, Trenton and Meriwether, have farmers' clubs that meet several times a year. We should not only have two such clubs, but one in every community throughout the entire county. We understand right now that the farmers around Johnston and those around Edgefield are working up such organizations for their respective communities. We trust they will and trust others will follow suit.

With the county thoroughly organized as mentioned above, there should be a central organization with headquarters at the most central section of the county, made up of several representative men from each of the organized communities. Now, what should be the purposes of the Central Organization? They should meet about four times a year to discuss the problems of production, better soils and less fertilizers, livestock raising, growing other crops besides cotton, marketing, etc., and should see that a county program of work is put on throughout the county so as to aid the County Agent and other agricultural agencies to reach every farmer in the county. Such is being done in other counties and Edgefield should not be left behind.

May we say a word about growing other crops besides cotton for money crops? We are told that our section of the south is ideal for growing tomatoes, carrots, beets, fall turnips, etc., for northern markets. This year some of our farmers are trying Irish potatoes, string beans, tomatoes, sweet potatoes, canteloupes, and Lima beans. And as for the markets, we are assured by the marketing and agricultural agents that a market can be found if the products are grown in large lots so as to ship by car loads.

Edgefield county should and must do the things we have mentioned and many others. If you think so as we do, then do your part by going to your County Agent and telling him that we must have these things and then do all in your power to bring them about.

RED OAK GROVE.

Sunday School Doing Good Work. Rev. George Bussey Improved. Misses Agner Entertain.

This lovely Monday morning inspires us with new hopes, after a full Sabbath with the day spent in trying to do good in various ways.

First, we mention the splendid Sunday School lesson by the little tots, proving the mothers and fathers are taking more time with teaching and carrying out the greatest duty involved upon a parent and that is the spiritual life of the child. The home influence, the influence that counts most in our lives.

Mr. Will Dow, the Bible class teacher had studied the lesson well, making a good impression on his class, judging from the words of praise from several of the class.

We are always glad to have so many mothers and fathers with us at Sunday school, it encourages the children, and is good for them to be present, encourages the officers and teachers as well.

The weekly prayer meetings held each week at Flat Rock continue with good attendance and much interest. Decision was the subject used last meeting. While we call it a prayer meeting, it is more of a young people's meeting, as they, each week comprise an executive committee who select the subject and appoint different boys and girls to take part, such as essays, appropriate readings, songs and talks on the subject. The willingness on the part of the boys and girls to do whatever is assigned them keeps up the interest. And we must mention the department, which all along has been the best.

The Misses Agner were hostess on last Saturday afternoon for the Y. W. A.'s "Prayer" being the subject was beautifully carried out by each of the girls. They have recently sent a box to the Connie Maxwell orphanage valued at about ten dollars, and they now are busy trying to raise funds for the Mims and Tillman memorials.

The hosts of friends of Mrs. George Bussey are delighted to learn her sister, Mrs. Jack Bradley of McCormick, who has been seriously ill, is now convalescing.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bussey have returned from Red Hill where they have been among their old home folks and were guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Barnes.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Griffis attended services at Red Oak Grove on last Sunday and were very cordially greeted by their friends.

Mrs. Will Newberry of Bath, S. C., is visiting her uncle, Mr. W. A. Dow.

Mr. and Mrs. McKie Bailey spent yesterday with Mr. and Mrs. John Agner.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Bussey, Mr. and Mrs. Will Agner and Mr. George Bussey went to Columbia last week.

Mrs. Luther Dorn was called to Columbia last week to the bedside of her mother who is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Callison Kemp of Kirksey were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bussey recently. They visited relatives in Edgefield, Mr. and Mrs. Bussey accompanying them there on Sunday.

Mr. Walter Griffis continues frequent visits in our midst. This time he was accompanied by his cousin, Mr. Otis Mason.

Mrs. Zephia Thurmond is visiting her granddaughter, Mrs. Dewey White, at Plum Branch.

Two of Plum Branch's young men, Mr. Sanford Wilson and Mr. Seigler attended prayer meeting at Flat Rock last Saturday night.

Mrs. A. B. Young who has been very sick is now able to sit up for a few minutes. Mrs. Young has many friends all over the country who wish for her a speedy recovery.

Miss Kathleen Kenrick is in Warrenville, S. C., where she has gone to be present at the marriage of Miss Elizabeth Steifel to Mr. Ray Neal, of Akron, Ohio on June 1st. While she is away she will visit friends at Batesburg and Augusta.

Miss Lou Eva Parkman was the guest last week end of Miss Mamie Bussey.

Miss Marie Prescott left last week to visit in Washington, D. C., as guest of her sister, Mrs. Alice McFarlin.