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JOHNSTON LETTER.

Graduating Exercises Held on Monday. Sunday School Convention Well Attended.

The graduating exercises of the high school took place last Monday evening in the auditorium and were witnessed by a large crowd of interested friends and patrons.

There were to have been five graduates, but during the year two dropped out and Cupid intervened for the third so the only two to receive diplomas were Miss Nellie Yonce and Mr. Elliot Lewis.

After a very attractive musical program the address of the evening was by Prof. W. H. Hand, of Columbia.

In his remarks he said we were not to ask ourselves "Where are we going?" but "Where are we drifting?" He discussed many phases whereby people were drifting away from the really good and worth while and he made a plea that with heart and hand that we regain our equilibrium. He spoke of the recklessness of human life and said it was high time that anchor be cast; time that we steady ourselves if we would take our place in life and make civilization worthwhile. To regain our equilibrium there were three agencies—the home, the school, the church. He urged that all realize their responsibility in this.

Following his address Prof. W. C. Compton delivered the diplomas, doing so in pleasing words to the two graduates. He then told something of the year's work. There had been 358 enrolled, and at one time during the year every student was present for two consecutive months, which record was a fine one. The school again ranks second in the state in the making of units. He thanked the patrons for their co-operation and good school spirit. The majority of the force of teachers will return for the coming term.

The Sunday school convention of the Ridge association which convened Saturday and Sunday at ward Baptist church, had a large attendance from here, some of the Johnston Sunday school members being on the program.

It is interesting to know that the wife of Mr. Wash, the civil engineer who is in charge of the water works system here is a granddaughter of Capt. Johnston for whom the town is named. Capt. Johnston remembered the town in his will, leaving \$500 for placing of a drinking fountain. Mr. Wash says that it is a peculiar pleasure to be engaged in work for the town.

Mrs. Yancy Hite has been quite ill at the University Hospital, Augusta, and is still in a critical state.

Mrs. W. J. McGarity of Aiken is visiting Mrs. Bartow Walsh.

Mrs. Mary Waters has returned from a visit to her sister, Miss Anna Huiet in Asheville.

Miss Lyllas McCulla, of Sumter, and Miss Elizabeth Gill of Richmond, Va., have been guests of Miss Annie Holmes Harrison, and during the past week they were the recipients of several social attentions. These young ladies were class mates at Chicora college.

On Tuesday evening, a large party was given them by Mr. Mark Toney, the chaperones being Mrs. A. B. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Cox and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. LaGrone.

Wednesday afternoon, Mrs. B. T. Boatwright entertained at Cedar Grove with a very enjoyable rock party. Besides the two honorees, Miss Laurie Moore of Trenton was a guest of honor, and the three were all presented with pretty gifts. A delicious salad course was served.

The young ladies were again honored on Friday evening with a moonlight picnic.

Mrs. A. B. Lott and little son have gone to Winnsboro to visit relatives.

Miss Gladys Price of Augusta is visiting her mother.

The Narcousa club wishing to do some relief work and to raise the funds had a silver tea Thursday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jones. Each member arranged for a table of four, there being 20 tables. A very pleasant time was had and a good sum realized—\$16.00. A vari-

ety of sandwiches and iced tea were served.

Mrs. J. W. Marsh entertained the music club last Tuesday in a very hospitable manner at Breezy Heights. After several points of business were disposed of, a miscellaneous program of music, piano and voice, and a musical contest was had. An elaborate salad course, with iced tea was served. She was assisted by her sister, Miss Theora Fleming of Gainesville, Fla.

Mr. Brice Waters of Florence was a visitor here last week.

Since the Ridge League of base ball teams was organized, of the three games played, the Johnston team has won each time. On Tuesday Batesburg and Johnston will play and each team has pledged itself to beat the game.

Music Recital at High School.

The music recital arranged by Miss Fanny Sheppard for the students of her music school, took place in the school auditorium on Friday evening. The many, in fact the full house gave evidence of the interest of the people in the musical efforts of our young people. A full program may be read on our front page.

It seemed to be the consensus of opinion that of the number of splendid recitals arranged by Miss Sheppard, this was the best yet. Musicians present commented on the quality of all the performances and the high grade of work reached, as well as the splendid selections of numbers.

The Philharmonic music club had offered prizes for the best rendered number, and at the close of the program, Mr. M. B. Tucker for the club, presented two prizes, one to Miss May Rives, and another to little Miss Clara Morgan who has only been taking lessons since last September, but exhibited great talent.

At the close of the evening's program Mr. Orlando Sheppard arose and thanked the audience in behalf of Miss Sheppard for the splendid attendance and interest.

Series of Entertainments For Teachers.

The teachers of the Edgefield Graded and High School have been royally entertained several times during the past two weeks. Wednesday night of last week Misses Elizabeth and June Rainsford entertained them with a moonlight picnic in honor of their house guest, Miss Margaret Davis of Newberry.

Saturday evening Miss Katherine Mims entertained the teachers and a few friends. Numerous games were played at the conclusion of which a delicious salad course and block cream and cake were served.

Tuesday evening the faculty indulged in a banquet at the Dixie Highway Hotel.

Thursday evening the principal, Mr. C. F. Brooks gave a delightful dinner party to his co-workers. Many surprises were given him in forms of telegrams, toasts and parting gifts. At this last meeting, a toast was given by Miss June Rainsford to that member of the corps who is soon to leave the ranks, thinking this life of single blessedness isn't so nice after all. Miss Mims responded with a toast to The Spinsters. This was a wonderfully fitting close to a very happy year. Mr. Brooks was ever thoughtful and attentive to his teachers, and it is the regret on their part that he sees fit to seek other fields of work.

Those attending the meeting were B. R. Tillman and R. L. Eidson of Trenton; Messrs. Carwile, Reel, Dunovant and Wright of Edgefield; Kitchings, Owens, Shuler, Mixon Prater and Green of Williston and George P. Hoffman of Clemson College.

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Filled Place of State President With Ease and Grace.

Mrs. O. D. Black, first vice president of the South Carolina Division U. D. C. made a very happy response to the address of welcome given in behalf of the John D. Kennedy Chapter U. D. C. by its president. Mrs. Black, at the very short notice had to fill the place of the State president, and graced the position winning many admirers by her charming and unaffected personality.—Camden Chronicle.

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Miss Jennie Covar Claimed by Death.

Announcement of the death Sunday afternoon at 1:15 o'clock of Mrs. Jennie E. Covar, widow of the late Robert H. Covar, will come as a most distressing shock to hundreds of friends throughout the city. Mrs. Covar died at her home, 448 Watkins Street, after an illness of three weeks' duration. She was 50 years old.

Schedule Ridge Base Ball League				
	AT SALUDA	AT BATESBURG	AT JOHNSTON	AT RIDGE SPRING
SALUDA		June 2 June 21 July 21 July 27	May 23 June 16 July 11	May 17 June 9 June 28
BATESBURG	May 20 June 7 July 1		May 31 June 23 July 19 July 4	May 24 June 17 July 12
JOHNSTON	May 26 June 13 July 14	May 16 June 10 June 27		June 3 June 20 July 8 July 22
RIDGE SPRING	May 30 June 24 July 4 July 18	May 27 June 14 July 15	May 19 June 6 June 30	

Miss Helen Nicholson Entertains.

On Friday evening, May 20, Miss Helen Nicholson was hostess at a tea for a number of friends, those present being Gertrude Thurmond, Annie Sue Broadwater, Mary Marsh, Elyse Hudgens, Eleanor Mims, Robert Ouzts, George Evans and Mitchell Wells.

Several games were played, such as blind man's buff, forfeits, pig, set back, during which a number of pieces on the victrola were enjoyed. After this a delightful salad course was served, which was greatly enjoyed by every one. Many songs were sung and goodbyes said and the guests departed in hilarious joy over the wonderful time they had experienced.

Honor Roll Edgefield Graded and High Schools.

First Grade: distinguished, Lovick Smith, Lina Jones, Margaret Mooney, Colie George, Robert Holston, Milton Quarles, Raymond Quarles, Mary Anderson, Sallie Anderson, Alice Bussey, Addie Lou Covar, Mary Ouzts Rheete Powell, Dorothy Rowe, Sallie Strom.

Second Grade: Charles Byrd, George Erwin Cantelou, Hazel Cogburn, Helen Deal, Martha Gibson, Mary Gibson, Cornelia Holmes, Hettie Jones, Carroll Kemp, Ruth Kemp, Mary Esther Lowe, Katherine Mims, Gertrude Lanham, Annie Nicholson, Gladys Parks, Elizabeth Posey, Azilee Quarles, Davis Thomas, Warren Tompkins.

Third Grade: T. A. Broadwater, Jim Covar, Jerald LaGrone, Joe Reece, Helen Dunovant, Elizabeth Nicholson, Mary Holmes, Ruth Lynch, Emma Perrin Mims, Frances Paul Esther Rubenstein.

Fourth Grade: (95-100) Mary Cantelou, Carrie Louise Cheatham, Janie Edwards, Dorothy Marsh, Martha Stewart; (90-95) William Byrd, Walton Mims, Harry Paul, Arthur Timmerman, Bertha Bussey, Elizabeth Kemp, Sarah McCarty, Clara Morgan, Margie Prescott, Pauline Quarles.

Fifth Grade: (95-100) John Nixon, George Edward Sheppard, J. R. Timmerman; (90-95) Fitzmaurice Bryd, Eleanor Dunovant, Rudolph Davis, Maysie Kemp, Ned Nicholson, Allen Samuels, Maurice Rubenstein, Mary Thurmond.

Sixth Grade: Effie Allen Lott, Ernest Quarles, June Nicholson, Martha Thurmond, Margaret Strom, Frances Wells.

Seventh Grade: Distinguished roll, Caroline Hickerson, Elizabeth Timmerman; honor roll, Mary Lily Byrd, Carrie Dunovant, Kathryn Stewart.

Eighth Grade: 95-100, Felicia Mims; 90-95, Magdalene Redd.

Ninth Grade—None.

Tenth Grade: Corrie Cheatham, Gertrude Thurmond, George Evans, Robert Ouzts, Mitchell Wells.

WEDDING PRESENTS: See Miss Eliza Mims' handpainted china before selecting your wedding presents.

Misses Lawton Give Delightful Party.

Misses Gladys and Anne Lawton entertained about thirty of their friends at a lovely party on Thursday evening at 8:00 o'clock.

On the arrival of the guests they were served with delicious punch. Then the cards for progressive conversation were given to the guests, which caused quite a stir for several minutes until the cards were filled out. After this the conversation was begun and rather irregularly, because one of the mischievous guests captured the bell and prolonged the date according to his wishes. This continued until the bell was recaptured by one of the charming hostesses. The conversation lasted for almost two hours, during which time many songs were played and sung. When the end of the last date came, delightful block cream, vanilla and strawberry, and pound cake were served.

Winthrop College Scholarship and Entrance Examination.

The examination for the award of vacant Scholarships in Winthrop College and for admission of new students will be held at the County Court House on Friday, July 1, at 9 a. m. Applicants must not be less than sixteen years of age. When Scholarships are vacant after July 1 they will be awarded to those making the highest average at this examination, provided they meet the conditions governing the award. Applicants for Scholarships should write to President Johnson before the examination for Scholarship examination blanks.

Scholarships are worth \$100 and free tuition. The next session will open September 14th, 1921. For further information and catalogue, address Pres. D. B. Johnson, Rock Hill, S. C.

"Must Not be Again."

So much more vivid, so much more real, is seeing a thing than hearing about it even ad infinitum. The rows and rows of flag-draped coffins on Hoboken pier moved President and Mrs. Harding to tears. So would it move all of us, and should move us to say vehemently with the president, "It must not be again."—Spartanburg Herald.

Very well said by The Herald; but as for President Harding, what has he done toward preventing war? Absolutely nothing as senator or as president. On the contrary it seems to be his main purpose in life to nullify the work that his predecessor in the presidency did to bring about and preserve peace.—Newberry Observer.

LOST: Saturday, a five dollar bill either in store of Smith-Marsh Co., or on the street between this store and the Jones & Son corner. Finder will please return to

Mrs. D. J. ROWE.
At Mr. Rowe's store near depot.
6-1-1tpd.

Miss Florence Mims Visits Lake Vermillion in Northern Minnesota.

Dear Advertiser: Lake Vermillion in the north of Minnesota, derives its name from the reflection of the red sunsets in the water. It is one of the largest lakes in Minnesota, being thirty-five miles long with a shore line of one thousand miles.

It contains tree hundred and sixty-five islands. This place seemed worthy of giving an entire day to, so about forty-five of the faculty left Aurora at six-thirty Saturday morning in the school omnibuses and cars, and drove through the country about twenty-five miles to Tower, which is situated on the shores of Lake Vermillion. Here we took two motor boats and rode about twelve miles up the lake, winding around islands and by wooded shores to a fishing lodge where we climbed from the boats and unloaded our food supply and fishing tackle.

Certain members of the party were detailed for kitchen duty for dinner, and others for supper, and each had his or her share of the labor. When the dinner call was heard, you might have seen some climbing from the top of the boat where they had been fishing, others returning from sight-seeing excursions along the shore, and still others from canoe rides, and suddenly we all found ourselves in a sort of Belgian breadline with appetites which could not truthfully have been called dainty.

I have often wondered what could be the peculiar fascination about fishing, and I forthwith determined to bring up into the light of day some pickerel or pike from the bottom of the lake. Anglers were sitting on the top of the boat, and I climbed up, thinking as I did it that I might become food for the fishes instead of their feeding me, had I fallen into the water. I held the long line in a most unskilled, unprofessional manner, and suddenly, in about three minutes I felt something heavy clinging to the end of my line. I was as frightened as the fish, I know, and though I had felt really sorry for the helpless things as they were thrown up on the shore, I had no sympathy for this one, so great had been my pride in securing it.

One angler held my line, and another my fish, while I took it from the hook and another held the fish while I climbed down, so that I was quite too helpless to fish very long, I required the services of too many people to land me and the fish safely on the shore. It was a pickerel, and that name will forever after have a charm for me, being the name of the first fish I have ever caught. In fact, I think pickerel must be about the best kind of fish that exists.

Though pike and pickerel were plentiful, the mosquitoes were more so, and I started an aggressive warfare against them. In fact I still bear the marks of the conflict with them.

In the morning and afternoon while the sun was still high, the lake looked like any other large body of water surrounded by indented shorelines, and though I had heard the lake was magnificent, I did not think so until the sun set, and then the sky and the water were transformed.

Late in the afternoon, we spent a long time in boats, and the water looked as though mammoth paint boxes had been spilled carelessly into the lake, so that the paint ran together in a riot of colors.

The birch trees lined the shores, their lacy leaves and white bark making them the most beautiful of trees. As we came up the lake in the morning, we passed an Indian man and woman in a birch bark canoe gliding gracefully over the water. There is an Indian government school on Lake Vermillion near Tower.

We arrived at Aurora after 12 o'clock Saturday night with a great deal to think about for some time to come.

FLORENCE MIMS.
Aurora, Minnesota.
May 25, 1921.

FOR SALE: Five Duroc pigs 8 weeks old \$4 each, also 7 thoroughbred Big Bone Poland China pigs 7 weeks old \$8 each or two for \$15. SAM AGNER.
Modoc, S. C.