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JOHNSTON LETTER.

School Opening Monday, Methodist Revival Closed Engagement of Miss Hallie White Announced.

The High school opened Monday morning under very pleasing conditions, with a large enrollment.

Supt. W. W. Fuller, County Supt. of Education was present, and made a good talk.

Prof. Tatum, of Edgefield was introduced and all enjoyed hearing a few remarks from him.

The Rev. David Kellar and Rev. W. S. Brooke both made practical talks to the students.

Supt. W. C. Compton, outlined his policy for the coming year, and asked for the same hearty cooperation of last year.

He spoke of the high rating of this school, which is second in the state in units.

He also said that Edgefield County was the leading one of the state in education, 984/10 of its population being educated.

Following is the corps of teachers: Supt. W. C. Compton, Principal; Prof. Stanton Lott, Miss Antonette Denny; Miss Edna Bailey; Miss Owdom; Miss Pruitt; Miss Zilla Sawyer; Miss Ella Jacobs; Mrs. L. C. Latimer; Miss Covington; and Music—Miss Barr.

The revival services which were in progress during the past week at the Methodist church, closed on Friday evening. Rev. Kellar, the pastor, was assisted by the Rev. Browne, of Leesville.

Mr. Brown is an earnest, consecrated preacher, and each day he brought good and helpful messages to his hearers. There were several additions to the church, and the entire membership was strengthened to better impulses and better service for the Master.

The Ridgedale Academy, at Speigner's, in Saluda County requested the churches of the Ridge Association to consider placing scholarships here these being valued at \$100 each. This will be a beautiful act on the part of the church, society or individual.

The Academy is right in the heart of the section of this county where the true gospel is in great need.

Rev. Posey is director of the school, and due credit should always be given him, for realizing the need of a religious school and his efforts toward securing a school building and dormitory.

Last year the Ridge Association adopted the school.

Messrs. John Howard and Oscar Black are at home from a week's visit to relatives at Anderson and Abbeville.

On Friday afternoon, Mrs. J. A. Lott entertained with a beautiful party, and this was an occasion of much enjoyment and ended in a happy surprise.

The arriving guests were greeted by Miss Hallie White and Mrs. Robert Kenny, and after all had gathered score cards for the tables were given, these being decorated with cupids, and this, with cupids and hearts which gave forth an exciting expectancy.

Partners were found, and when seated, sandwiches and iced tea were served, this being the first course of a progressive luncheon. The second course was of salads, the third pink and white block cream, and bride's cake, and the last was an exciting surprise. Tiny pink bags with pink and white mints were given out to each one and in the bag was found a cat—and the secret was out when the cat came out for on the cat was, "White—Mitchel-Oct. 18." As these were read, Mendelssohn's wedding march sounded, and the dainty, blushing bride to be, was given an arm full of pink roses, and a tiny trunk, with many traveling tags on it, and when opened, it contained a lovely gift, to add to her trousseau.

Miss White was showered with many good wishes but with it all came a tinge of regret, for all this meant that soon another town would

claim one of the town's best beloved daughters.

Mrs. Belle Jones Galloway died on Friday last at the home of Miss Sue Sloan, where she had been staying for a year or more.

Mrs. Galloway had been sick only a short while and her death came as a surprise to her friends.

She was a good Christian woman quiet and gentle in manner, and was a member of the Baptist church.

The funeral services were conducted on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock at Phillippi church, by Rev. W. S. Brooke, and the lady was laid to rest beside the grave of her husband, who died several years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. White have announced the engagement of their daughter, Hallie Honely, to Mr. Thomas Milton Mitchell, the marriage to take place Wednesday, Oct. 18. The wedding will be a church affair, and will take place at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

There is much cordial interest centered in this marriage, not only in the home town but over the state.

The bride-to-be is a young woman beautiful in person and character, and is gifted and highly educated. She has taught at Coker College, and other towns in the state. She is greatly beloved in her home town for her sweetness and womanly graces, and it is a matter of deep regret that her marriage will remove her to another town.

Mr. Mitchell is a prominent business man of Leesville, and is in every way worthy of the woman of his choice.

Miss Eva Rushton will go to McRae, Ga. next week and will teach in the school here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wright and family are now occupying the residence of Mr. J. A. Lott, as Mr. and Mrs. Pender will now reside here for awhile, at their home.

Mrs. J. W. Browne and children have returned from a two weeks' visit to relatives in N. C.

Df. N. C. Connerly is now able to walk without his crutches, and get out of doors some, having been confined to the house for nearly three months, suffering from a railway accident.

Mr. and Mrs. Backman Boatwright, of Fla., have been guests of relatives here, during the summer, and are now at Saluda, visiting in the home of the latter's son, Mr. Grady Hazel. Mr. Boatwright has been quite ill during the past week, and is still in a serious condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Hart have moved to Ridge Spring, Mr. Hart having accepted a position in a garage there.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Lewis are occupying the dwelling recently vacated by Mr. Hart, and the family of Mr. Eugene Thrailkill, is occupying the one vacated by Mr. Lewis.

Mr. Elliot Lewis has returned to Chicago, where he will continue to study music at one of the conservatories there.

Miss Bernice Black, of Atlanta, is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Alice Cox.

Prof. John Waters spent the past week here in the home of his mother, Mr. G. G. Waters.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Tarrant will reside in the residence of Mr. Jim Edwards, after the departure of the latter and his family for Louisville, Ky.

Mr. Leroy Wertz, of Belton, is visiting in the home of his parents.

Mrs. P. C. Stevens is at home from a month's stay in Florida with her son, Mr. Willie Pearce Stevens.

Master Thomas Weideman, who has been sick with fever, is now convalescing.

Mr. and Mrs. Sumter Wright of Greenwood, spent the past week here with relatives.

Mrs. George Galphin of Ninety Six, was the guest of friends and relatives during the past week.

Mrs. Carrie Boatwright Cheek, of Gaffney, has been for a visit to friends.

Mrs. J. L. Walker has returned from Newberry, where she visited her sister.

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Miss Florence Mims Writes En Route From Edgefield to Oklahoma.

Dear Advertiser:

From Atlanta to Oklahoma City and on to Tonkawa the country was all so new to me that I could but keep my eyes close on the landscape, jealous of every obstructing freight car, for fear of missing some bit of scenery that I might not see again. There were rows of familiar oaks yet green, and cotton fields whitely defying the boll weevil, in fact nothing whose like I had never seen before, even the lordly Mississippi. Here, however, as we crossed at Memphis there was a surprise in store, for instead of slowly ferrying across with chugging motor boat at the side, we rapidly rode across with the good engine pulling over an enormous bridge of steel that even the "Father of Waters" does not attempt to flood but meekly flows under, and I thought the country is much too civilized for me. I prefer the low long whistle of a boat plying from shore to shore.

Sometimes I would like to exchange the locomotive for a stage coach ann minus cinders, and close air, jog behind four good steeds. There are not enough people who think as I do or else things might be that way, and no doubt it is best they do not. At any rate I should like to leave home on a stage coach and return on a locomotive at the rate of 60 miles an hour. The different rates of speed would express my reluctance to leave and my eagerness to return.

I almost wish that dust would arise along the prairie roads from the galloping of herds of buffalos and the air echo with the shout of Indians. They are both here in Oklahoma, the buffalo and the Indians, but like any vanishing animal or race, they are too few to uphold their traditions.

The farther north we rode the more decided the great stretches of prairie-like land became on the one side with great fields of yellow corn stalks rustling in the continued wind and on the other, whole meadows of sun flowers, growing so close together that they seemed like a sea of green crowned with waving patches of yellow bloom.

So greatly does vegetation differ in the various parts of our great country that the flower commonly known as "Snow on the Mountain" or "Dusty Miller" fondly nourished in Southern gardens, was growing in wild profusion along the roadways.

In the distance were oil wells, with the derricks rising far above the ground, proclaiming that beneath flowed oil that would later be lubricating the wheels of industry.

Every now and then an Indian came on the train and several were to be seen at various stations. I looked at the passengers as closely as the scenery even, silently deciding that the conductor from Oklahoma City on was part Indian, which he probably wasn't at all. He wore a pink carnation and a piece of fern as though he might have come from an early wedding, for the train left at seven o'clock. A very few minutes after I mentally noted his decoration, he came down the aisle wearing a yellow marigold. He probably should have been a botanist, but was somehow lured into the more lucrative job of collecting tickets from such wanderers as I, who are continually starting off on large or small adventures.

The wind blew all along the way from Oklahoma City to Tonkawa and is blowing now at a steady rate, a perpetual motion, making every tree like a large electric fan. It is warm here now, but in the winter the winds sweep down from Nebraska and Kansas prairies. I shall look upon them as producers of energy and not of cold.

Florence Mims.

Sept. 1, 1921, Tonkawa, Oklahoma.

No implement on the farm can do more work or do more kinds of work and do it more economically than a Fordson Tractor. Give us an opportunity to prove this to you.

Yonce & Mooney.

Report of Smallest Cotton Crop In 33 Years Boosts Price.

Washington, Sept. 1.—Cotton growing has just suffered the most disastrous month in its history. The indicated crop will be the smallest in the last 33 years, while condition now is the lowest ever recorded in any month in the history of the industry. Ravages of the boll weevil are particularly the cause of this severe decline of the crop, amounting to a loss of 1,116,000 bales in prospective production since last month's forecast. The department of agriculture in announcing today its forecast of a total production of 7,037,000 equivalent 500-pound bales based on a canvass made August 25th declared everything seemed to have gone wrong with the crop.

An acre-field of 127 pounds to the acre is indicated for the country as a whole this year. Never in the last 56 years has the yield been so low. The nearest approach was 129 pounds in 1866. Only 10 per cent of a crop is promised in some counties of South Carolina.

Parts of Oklahoma will have not more than 15 per cent of a crop. About one third of a crop or less will be produced in sections of Texas, South Carolina and Georgia. A half a crop or better may be produced in Mississippi, northern Alabama, northern Georgia and Northern South Carolina. States on the northern edge of the cotton belt may have about two thirds of a crop.

In commenting on the conditions the department, in a statement, said:

"The damage has been the greatest in the area from central Oklahoma to north central Texas, the in condition amounting to from 25 to 30 points. Declines of from 10 to 20 points are shown for Southern South Carolina, for Georgia, northern Alabama, the delta section of Mississippi and throughout the belt west of the Mississippi river except in the northern edge where some slight improvement occurred.

"Conditions are especially bad not above 15 per cent in southern Oklahoma, and over a third of a crop is promised in the adjoining portion of northern Texas. In southern and central South Carolina the promise for less than a third and in some countries not over ten per cent of a crop. The central belt of Georgia and most of east and south Texas promise about a third.

Everything Wrong

"Everything seems to have gone wrong with the crop. In South Carolina, in Georgia and Arkansas and in some portions of other states excess rainfall and cool weather have combined to give a big weed which the boll weevil in the flush of the early invasion has attacked voraciously, destroying all squares and bolls set during August and even attacking the larger bolls.

"From 40 to 90 per cent of the bolls are affected in southern South Carolina and the proportions run very high in other states. Westward from Georgia through Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana to Texas and Oklahoma the weevil has multiplied far beyond the usual experience. In Oklahoma not withstanding heat and drought it is worse than ever experienced. In Texas it is the chief cause of deterioration.

"The mild winter is held responsible for sparing an unusual number of weevils as well as other insects, which have multiplied beyond measure and are devastating the new growth in practically all the area of its present range. The army worm is present in large numbers throughout most of Arkansas, Tennessee and north Mississippi, but the defoliation of the heavy growth is not looked upon as an unmixed evil. Boll worms and the usual pests are present in greater numbers than usual, but their damage is small compared with the weevil. In North Carolina and Virginia the long drought has been almost as destruction as weevil elsewhere.

"The northern edges of the belt, from Virginia and North Carolina through Tennessee, northern Arkansas and Northern Oklahoma promise about two thirds of a crop. Mississippi and the northern portions of

Alabama, Georgia and South Carolina still forecasts better than half a crop.

Condition of States

The condition of the crop on August 25 and the forecast of production based on the condition by states, were:

Virginia: Condition 63 and production 11,000 bales.
North Carolina: 63 and 523,000.
South Carolina: 50 and 744,000.
Georgia: 21 and 872,000.
Florida: 59 and 16,000.
Alabama: 53 and 472,000.
Mississippi: 57 and 679,000.
Louisiana: 45 and 244,000.
Texas: 42 and 1,938,000.
Arkansas: 63 and 729,000.
Tennessee: 74 and 235,000.
Missouri: 78 and 50,000.
Oklahoma 48 and 474,000.
California: 83 and 75,000.
Arizona: 85 and 47,000.
All other states: 85 and—

Lower California's production forecast is 34,000 bales which included California figures but was excluded from the United States total.

Weevil Dispersion Has Begun.

Clemson College, August 30. The boll weevil, so long as there is food available in the cotton field, does very little migrating during the spring and summer; but beginning about the middle of August, the pest is seized by the migration instinct and begins a period of dispersion which continues until stopped by the first killing frost. This, says Prof. A. F. Conradi, Entomologist, explains to farmers why they have been observing a greater number in their fields during the last week or ten days than at any previous time.

The weevil is now over the entire state, specimens having been sent in by farmers from the extreme upper portion of the Piedmont section, although the weevils are more numerous than we expected, because of mild winter, every farmer should put forth his best efforts to destroy the weevil's winter home. This destruction consists in cleaning up terraces, ditch banks, fence rows, the edges of woods, neglected orchards, and other places where the weevil may find proper shelter.

Cover crops offer one of the best weapons in a weevil fight, because besides their agricultural value in preventing washing and leaching, and in adding vegetable matter they serve as a powerful cleansing crop which destroys the weevils' winter-quarters most effectively.

Edgefield County Should be Well Represented.

Farmers Attention!

Hon. Carl Williams of Oklahoma City, President of the American Cotton growers exchange, will address a meeting of Farmers in Columbia at Craven Hall on Friday morning, Sept. 9 at 11 o'clock. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss cooperative marketing of cotton, and other matters of vital importance to farmers. I want to urge attendance at this meeting. Mr. Williams is coming a long way to bring you a message and I believe all who attend the meeting in Columbia will be well repaid, for the trip to hear him.

Hon. R. C. Hamer, President of the South Carolina Division of the American Cotton Association earnestly urges all progressive men who love the South, and who are fighting to get a fair price for cotton, to attend this meeting.

B. R. Tillman.

One of the poets said, "A fellow-feeling makes us wondrous kind." Then the Presbyterians and Baptists of Edgefield, the two shepherdless flocks, should feel "wondrously kind" toward each other.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Dobson and Mr. L. H. Hankinson passed through Edgefield Thursday en route from the mountains to their home in Beech Island.

As cotton harvesting will be completed early this fall farmers should begin to plant for winter cover crops.

Mr. McCreless Writes From Texas.

In the far away West, but still in God's country, where the milk tastes good but the honey doesn't flow only in places.

The general health in this section in which I live is good.

Our crops this year are not as good as we have had for the last two years on account of a drouth and an unusual period of extremely hot weather, but the drouth has been broken this evening (September the first) with rain in abundance which is calculated to do good, as we generally have late frost, and we have no weevils to contend with at all.

Now on account of the near relatives, many friends and acquaintances of J. M. (Melvin) Dorn's family record, which I gathered at his family reunion, August 29, it being his golden wedding occasion. Fifty years of married life passed by him and his noble wife. God gave them 13 children, 11 being living at present and attended the reunion. All of them are married and their wives and husbands are all living and were all present at the reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. Dorn have 57 grandchildren, 54 living and 51 being present at the gathering. They have 3 great-grand children, 2 of whom were present.

Four o'clock dinner was spread with a bountiful supply of good things to eat with a fine barbecued beef in the lead.

Now, Mr. Editor, I want to thank you publicly for your thoughtfulness of me in sending me your paper, which is the dearest old paper on earth to me and good enough for the best to read.

E. M. McCreless
Colorado, Texas.

News From Trenton.

Trenton, Sept. 3.—Mrs. A. S. Miller and Garland Coleman gave a party for the young folk Friday evening at Mrs. Miller's in honor of Lane Hartley of Batesburg. Rook was played after which refreshments were served.

The ladies auxiliary met with Mrs. W. B. Posey Monday afternoon. At the beginning of the social hour refreshments were served.

The ladies Missionary society met Friday afternoon with Mrs. A. B. Miller. At the conclusion of the business and study hour refreshments were served.

Wyatt Moss of Texas has a visitor here.

Mrs. Fields of Albany Georgia, and Mrs. E. D. Woorley of Erwin, Tenn., have gone to Tignal, Ga. after visiting Misses May and Carrie Harrison. Miss Mattie Harrison accompanied them.

Mrs. A. J. Day surprised her mother, Mrs. Lila Roper, with a lovely Thursday evening. It was Mrs. Roper's birthday.

Miss Mary Tillman and Miss Ruth Ashmore of Greenwood are visiting. Mrs. S. S. Tillman.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Harrison have returned from their wedding trip.

Miss Ida Ryan is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Ryan.

Mrs. T. M. Jordan of Wigginsboro and Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Jordan and children of Columbia spent last week-end with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Miller.

Miss Dollie Bettis is visiting Mrs. Edison Marshall of Oregon, who is with her mother, Mrs. Flythy in Augusta.

Mr and Mrs. J. M. Long and family left Wednesday for Crescent City, Fla. They will spend the winter in their Florida home.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Manget have returned from a three weeks' trip to Atlanta.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Dixie Highway Hotel Company will be held in the court house Friday afternoon, Oct. 7, at four o'clock. As business of importance will come up for consideration, a full attendance of the stockholders is urged.

J. C. Sheppard,
President.

J. L. Mims,
Secretary.