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## JOHNSTON LETTER.

### Divisional W. M. U. Meeting. Mrs. Turner Entertained Apollo Music Club. Historical Meeting Held.

The divisional meeting of the Ridge association convened at Dry Creek church on Wednesday and Mrs. John O. Gough of Manning state field organizer of mission societies, was present and added much to the interest and benefit of the meeting. Mrs. P. L. Stevens who has charge of the mission study presided during the day. It was a great pleasure to all to have Mrs. W. J. Hatcher present, and she made an inspiring, heart-to-heart talk. The devotional exercises were led by Mrs. Henry Forrest, president of the Dry Creek mission society which was followed by a talk on Bible study by Mrs. P. J. Quattlebaum of Ridge. Mrs. H. W. Jackson had charge of the noonday devotional. After an hour or more at luncheon the body assembled and were led in the devotionals, by Mrs. T. H. Posey. Mrs. Gough's talk was eagerly listened to as she spoke so earnestly to those before her and all were inspired to nobler efforts. The Y. W. A. round table led by Miss Zena Payne, closed the meeting.

While in Charleston recently, Mrs. W. J. Hatcher had the honor of laying the corner stone of the Eliza Hyde chapel, which is being erected by the South Carolina Sunbeams of which organization she is leader. The beloved Miss Hyde, a great subeam worker, spent her life in the interest of this work and it is fitting that this chapel bears her name.

The W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. M. W. Clark on Friday afternoon with 19 members present and during business, plans for the poster parade were made, and other points concerning the welfare of the union were discussed. The subject for the afternoon was "Peace" and selections were given by Miss Eva Rushton and Mesdames M. T. Turner and James White. The next meeting will be flower mission day, Jennie Cassidy's birthday and Mrs. O. D. Black who is superintendent of the flower mission department will have charge of the meeting. Before the meeting closed the hostess served refreshing frozen strawberry cream and pound cake which was greatly enjoyed.

Mrs. P. N. Keese entertained a few friends on Wednesday afternoon and two hours were happily spent, the chief diversion being progressive rook. Four tables were played and at the conclusion the prize was presented to Miss Nina Ozuts by the hostess. Mrs. Harry Hamilton was an honor guest and her friends enjoyed meeting with her. A delightful repast was served after the game.

On Saturday afternoon the Apollo music club met with Mrs. M. T. Turner with a full attendance, and during the business period matters of interest to the club were discussed and at the next meeting the study course for the year will be under consideration. The name of Mrs. Earl Crouch was added to the club roll, the membership now being 24. The subject for the afternoon was miscellaneous and the following program was arranged by the program committee: "Nocturne," Mrs. Leon Stansell; valse ungonne, Mrs. White; Hoyt; vocal solo, Mrs. James White; selections from Martha, Mrs. James Cullum; Polichinelle, Miss Gladys Sawyer; vocal duet, "Call me thine own," Mrs. H. W. Crouch, Miss Elise Crouch; violin solo, Mrs. O. D. Black; "Barcorelle," Mrs. Mims Walker; vocal solo, "I bear thee calling me," Miss Clara Sawyer; prelude, Miss Emma Bouknight; "Minuet," Mrs. W. F. Scott. After this was enjoyed the guests mingled some out on the shady veranda, and frozen cream and pound cake was served by Misses Frances and Bessie Ford Turner, Bettie Waters and Mary Perry. The club colors gold and white were prettily carried out in boutonnières of flowers on each service. Before departure, the flower garden of the hostess was enjoyed.

The historical meeting of the Mary Ann Baie chapter, D. of C., was held with Mrs. W. L. Coleman on last Thursday afternoon. The historian, Mrs. O. D. Black, in opening the meeting gave interesting current events and points of the Confederate re-union. "The flags

## Trenton Children's Day.

At Trenton Methodist church last Sunday morning a large congregation enjoyed the following program:

Soldiers of the King. Processional: "We Are Little Soldiers Marching," by school.

Recitation, Lois Black. Prayer, by the pastor.

Announcement of theme of program: Song: "The Son of God Goes Forth to War," by school and congregation.

Recitation and Song, Cornelia Webb and Willie Padgett.

Recitation: "A Hero," Hugh Clarke.

Recitation: "Put on the Whole Armor of God," Fred Bryan, Jim Herlong, Nat Herlong, Earl Black.

Song: "Soldiers of Christ Arise," school and congregation.

Bible Exercise: "The Sword of the Spirit," Ray Black, Samuella Padgett, Louise Padgett, Edith Herlong.

"Little Soldiers of the King," Gladys Whitlock, Louise Black, Joe Clarke, Edna Shealy, Fred Salter, Eva Duncan, Roy Webb, Zelee Yates.

Cradle Roll Reception and Exercise, Pearl Duncan, Lois Black, Willie Padgett.

Offering Speech, Leila Quarles.

Temperance Exercise, Pearl Duncan, Pete Duncan, Homer Walker.

Exercise: "I've a Story to Tell to the Nations," Eva Pruitt, Connie Clarke, Sue May Herlong, Mary Helen Harrison, Marion Clarke, Edith Herlong, Grace Salter.

Congregation: "Onward Christian Soldiers."

Prayer and Benediction.

## U. D. C. Meeting.

Program for U. D. C. meeting May 19, to be held at the home of Miss Annie DeLoach at 4:30 p. m.

President will call meeting to order, opening with the Lord's prayer by members standing. After business the following historical program will be rendered:

Wrongs of history righted by class.

"The Picket Guard" reading by Miss Ruth Tompkins.

The cotton gin, its real and disputed originators.

Paper read at Lucinda Horn Chapter, Saluda, S. C., read by Mrs. Alvin Etheredge and loaned to Edgefield chapter U. D. C., will be read by Mrs. R. A. Marsh.

R. S. V. P.

"The Confederacy," was read by Miss Eva Rushton, and Mrs. M. L. Kester gave the selection, "The war between the states." The subject for the afternoon was "Arlington," and as Mrs. M. T. Turner has charge of this feature of the work she was asked to conduct the program and in so doing gave some important facts concerning the monument and the work. Piano solo, "Southern medley," Mrs. Bartow Walsh; original paper, "Arlington," Mrs. J. P. Bean; "The Arlington monument," Miss Clara Sawyer; vocal solo, "Carry me back to ole Virginny," Mrs. James White; "Arlington a mile stone in history," Mrs. P. B. Waters, Jr.

The game of living checkers which will be played here on June 3, under the auspices of the D. of C., will be an attraction that will draw a large crowd and the blindfolded game between the two experts that evening will no doubt draw a large crowd.

Every year the Mary Ann Baie chapter gives a picnic for the pleasure of the veterans of camp McHenry and the elderly ladies of the chapter.

Mr. and Mrs. Bartow Walsh and little son, William, of Sumter, are guests in the home of Mr. Wm. Lee Coleman.

Mrs. Kneese of Batesburg spent the week-end here in the home of her father, Mr. J. R. Hart.

Miss Virgie Courtney is the guest of friends in Raleigh, N. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Mobley have returned from Auburndale, Fla., where they spent the winter.

Mrs. Wilson and little son, of Spartanburg have been visiting Mrs. J. W. Marsh.

Mrs. Harriet Kenny is in Aiken visiting her sister, Mrs. McCatha.

On Friday Mrs. Laura Ready received a message summoning her to the bedside of her brother, Mr. F. Coleman, of Saluda, he having suffered a stroke of paralysis and was in a very critical state.

## CONVENTION HELD.

### In Spite of Rain Sunday School Convention Held. Topics Discussed. Philippi Next Year.

On Wednesday May 13 at 11 a. m. the Edgefield Inter-denominational Sunday school convention convened with the Plum Branch Baptist church. The rains of the previous day, the muddy roads and threatening signs of rain for the day, no doubt kept many from attending who fully expected to be there. By taking advantage of a few of the more promising hours of the morning and making use of trains as a means of travel, quite a number from the surrounding country and from up and down the railroad were present. The schools represented were Plum Branch Baptist St. Paul's M. E., Parksville, Medoc, Clark's Hill, Rehoboth, White Town and Bethany from the west side and Harmony, Mt. Calvary and Philippi from the east side of the county. The people of Plum Branch had been preparing for and looking forward to its coming with a great deal of pleasure and to them as well as others attending it was a disappointment at not having more present, but God's ways are not man's ways and all those present could do was to carry out the program as nearly as possible by substituting some one present for any one who happened to be absent and by so doing almost every part of the program was carried out.

J. C. Morgan was elected president and J. M. Bussey, secretary and treasurer. The committees remain in charge for the ensuing year.

After carrying out the program for the session, the convention adjourned for dinner. Rain was still falling but a most sumptuous feast was served in the church. We can't say whether we were strained from having to do double duty on account of the absence of others or from appetite but we can assure you we did all that could have been expected of us on this occasion.

Plum Branch Baptist church has recently installed a splendid new piano. This with the combined vocal talent of both churches made the music of the convention quite an inspiration and from time to time those present were refreshed by the splendid music.

The afternoon program was carried out in same way as forenoon. Mrs. W. S. Middleton had prepared and read a most excellent paper on "How to have good music." The convention requested that this paper be published and we hope soon to see it in print so that those not present may have the benefit of it. The discussion of the various subjects were entered into with quite a good deal of interest and the first day of the convention was brought to a successful close and the delegates and visitors repaired to the hospitable homes of the neighborhood hoping for better weather on the morrow.

Thursday morning at 10:30 devotional exercises were conducted by Bro. F. K. Collier, after which the president called the convention to order.

Reports and suggestions from the different Sunday schools were heard many of which were very encouraging. A report was read from Mrs. J. H. White, superintendent of cradle roll work and the suggestions offered in her paper which were quite timely were referred to the executive committee. The selection, training and qualifications of the teacher, how to teach the lesson and duty of the teacher to the class and class to teacher were all interestingly discussed during the morning session. More favorable weather brought out a larger crowd and the forenoon services were very instructive and helpful. At 1:00 o'clock all were invited to another sumptuous dinner, this time out of doors on a table under the shade of the trees where every one had free access and as the day before was not passed unnoticed.

At 2:30 p. m. the congregation re-assembled to enjoy again the good music and listen to the discussion of "What are the aims of the Sunday school work, and how can the results be ascertained." This subject was discussed by a number of those interested in Sunday school work, after which the different com-

## CLEORA HAPPENINGS.

### Rains Last Week Great Benefit to Farmers. Mr. Reel Seriously Injured. Long Fishing Party.

We had fine rains last week which have given us fairly good stands of cotton, and made the corn land so it can be prepared and planted. The rain helped the oats a good deal but was too late to make a full crop. They are short but will make about half they did last year.

Mr. W. T. Reel had a very serious and painful accident last week. He went in to fix his gas generator and refill it, as he had been without lights for several nights. He thought there was no gas in the generator, so after working on it for some time he called for a lantern so he could see better to do the work. When he entered the room with the lantern there was an explosion. He was knocked down and badly burned and cut about the face. He went immediately to Edgefield and the doctors took him to the Augusta hospital. At first they said there was no hope for the recovery of his sight, but now the specialists think they may restore partial sight in one eye. There is no hope for the other one. The accident has cast a gloom over this whole community, for "Bill" Reel was a friend to everyone, and every one is his friend. We sincerely hope and pray that he may recover his sight.

Up to the rain last week fishing was the order of the day, about 25 of the Morgans, Reels and Brunson's, women and children included, spent two days and nights on Moultrie's pond. They caught plenty of fish and had a fine time. Mr. Joe Brunson has been up on his semi-annual visit to his brothers at Turkey creek, and he joined the party.

The Sunday school at the Brunson school house decided yesterday to take a collection June 6 for the Baptist hospital in Columbia. Subscriber.

## Local Registrars.

For some time we have been wanting to publish the list of local registrars appointed as provided by law to report all births and deaths in their respective townships, but not until within the past few days have we been able to secure a complete list. We give herewith the name of each registrar for Edgefield county and the town or township from which he is to report: J. A. Timmerman, the town of Edgefield, Wise and Pickens townships; W. H. Timmerman, Elmwood and Blocker; W. H. Quarles, Collins; F. E. Miller, Colliers; J. D. Hughes, Hibler and Talbert; R. A. Timmerman, Meriwether; L. R. Brunson, Sr., Moss; Dr. J. B. Adams, Plum Branch; J. R. Moss, Shaw; J. A. Lott, Ward; C. Robertson, Washington.

The registrars make a report each month to the State Board of Health, receiving, by way of compensation for their services, 25 cents for each birth and death reported.

## Call Upon Mr. Marsh.

We have received a note from Mr. S. B. Marsh in which he endorses the suggestion The Advertiser made last week as to different churches and Sunday schools arranging a temperance rally during the spring or early summer. Mr. Marsh stated that he will be pleased to give personal assistance to those who contemplate arranging for a temperance meeting. Call upon Mr. Marsh to help in this important work. Let's not wait until on the eve of the election in September before we begin to arouse interest and create sentiment. Let's begin now.

Committees made their reports and the convention was adjourned to meet at Philippi church on Wednesday and Thursday before 3rd Sunday in May 1916. We who attended the convention feel that we have been richly repaid and only regretted that so many had been deprived of mingling with the good people of Plum Branch and taking part in a work that means so much to the advancement of the Sunday school work in Edgefield county. B.

## Poster Parade.

The national W. C. T. U. has set aside the month of May as poster month, when prohibition sentiment is to be created through the use of the poster. In obedience to the suggestion, the local union here made use of the poster idea in a new way, that of having a poster parade.

This parade was held at 5 o'clock on Thursday afternoon. Four very efficient drummers had been secured, Pendleton Jones Jr., Horace Jones Lee Timmons and Glover Tompkins, who added zest to the occasion by their martial strains. The parade gathered at the Baptist church, where one hundred and twelve posters were in readiness for as many children. From the church the procession started, and marching from the Corner Store to the depot and back again on the other side of the street around the square to the court house. Here they passed across to the park and standing around it, sang "America." The posters were varied some of them, the printed ones, secured from the national W. C. T. U., and others, original ones, made by friends of the cause. A number were made by merchants and business men, advertising their profession and at the same time giving their views on the question. These were very attractive and added life to the enterprise.

The churches also had banners and some statement of their respective ideas on this subject. Posters will be distributed over the county in conspicuous places during the month of May.

## Begin Planning at Once.

What about a temperance rally for your community? Do you not think a public meeting will increase interest in the cause of temperance? Let's record every vote possible in Edgefield county against whiskey. Now is the time to begin active work if altogether satisfactory results are realized. The Advertiser will be pleased to announce and give the widest possible publicity to all temperance gatherings.

## Keep Them Out.

It seems, from what can be gathered from the newspapers, that street carnivals have been knocking at the door of the city of Columbia, and that after hearing from the business men the council decided not to open the door to them.

This looks good, and we are glad that these frauds are catching it in a good many other places. People are having their eyes opened to the evils incident to carnivals, and they are not having the walk over that they used to have. Greenwood got her fill long ago, and it is not likely that she will have any more trouble along this line. The shows that many of them have are indecent, and from a financial point they are injurious. To hear the carnival people talk they are all good, and their promises of what they will and will not do are all that could be asked, but there is a wide difference between their promise and the real thing.—Greenwood Journal.

## Union Meeting.

The union meeting of the 2nd division of the Edg-field association will meet with Antioch church on the 29th and 30th of this month.

Saturday 10 a. m.: Devotional service by the moderator.

Verbal reports from churches.

1st Query—What is expected of a Christian as a citizen, as a member of the church. Wallace Prescott, L. R. Brunson.

2nd Query—Are our people as a whole thoroughly imbued with the missionary spirit? If not why not. W. J. Gaines, W. L. Carpenter.

3rd Query—Is the Baptist hospital worth while? S B Mays, J D Hughey.

Exposition of the scripture; who is my neighbor. Luke 10:29. Geo. Wright, Martin Medlock.

Sunday a. m. 10:30: Sunday school services.

11-30—Missionary sermon by Rev. J B Bozeman.

Afternoon services to be provided for.

P. B. Lanham.

We want the farmers to know that we have just received a car of Cereelite for top and side dressing. Send in your orders. W. W. Adams & Co.

## MT. ZION TOPICS.

### Missionary Society Active. Study Japan and Africa. Floyd School Closes With Picnic.

Since last writing on that subject two very pleasant meetings of our missionary society have been held. The first was at the home of Mrs. W. A. Pardue. Japan was the subject of study for that afternoon, and selections giving interesting information on that country and on our mission work were read by Mrs. J. M. Padgett and Misses Lilla Mae Padgett, Mamie Chestham and Mary Gaines. At the close of the meeting delightful refreshments were served.

The next meeting was at the home of Mrs. E. M. Padgett. This time through appropriate selections read our thoughts were directed to the "dark continent." Following the serious part of our exercises, an invitation to the dining room was not unwelcomed. How grateful that we were not in Africa, but sympathizing with our faithful missionaries there and wishing to do all we could for them, we enjoyed with zest the tempting repast spread before us. Not the last good of the reflex influence of missions is the appreciation which it gives us of our home and the blessings of living in a civilized land.

Miss Mary Gaines has returned home after having taught a very successful term of the Floyd school.

The closing event was a delightful barbecue and picnic held in a cool grove on the plantation of Mr. Charles McClendon. A large crowd was present from this and adjoining neighborhoods. After enjoying the bountiful refreshments, they listened to addresses by Mrs. W. J. Gaines and Mr. A. R. Fountain. Mr. Gaines talked on the importance of Christian education. Mr. Fountain gave an interesting sketch of the history of the school from the time, a few years ago, when it held a three month's session in a cabin, to the present seven months term, at increased salary for the teacher, in one of the handsomest and best equipped school buildings in Aiken county. This school being near the county line, is attended by some pupils from Edgefield county. Prizes were next awarded, those for first and second scholarship to Annie Mae and Roland Floyd, of Aiken county, that for greatest advancement in study to little Henry Powell of this county.

The sympathy of our entire community is with Mr. and Mrs. Hite Burton who, last week, lost their bright little daughter, Edith. A brief sickness from pneumonia ended her life on last Tuesday night. Funeral services were conducted at the home on the following day by Rev. P. B. Lanham, after which the interment was made in the family cemetery.

Mrs. Malinda Maroney was returned to her home near Wagner, taking with her for a visit her grand daughter, Miss Sallie Padgett.

Mrs. Sue Gaines is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Jason Whitlock, in Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pardue attended the Shriners' banquet in Augusta last Thursday.

Miss Fannie Pardue has returned home for the summer after having taught a school near Bamberg.

## Encourage Neighborhood Gatherings.

One of the greatest weaknesses of country life heretofore has been the absence of public recognition of worthy effort. The farmer or stockman or school teacher might set a worthy example for his fellows, but public notice would not be directed to it nor public recognition given as an incentive for other like endeavors. Anything that brings our country people together does good, and if it brings them together for the purpose of recognizing and honoring worthy effort, it is doubly useful. This is why the country school commencement is worth so much. And this is why every county should have a county fair. With a country commencement in the spring and a county fair in the fall, it will be hard to keep any county from catching the spirit of progress.—Progressive Farmer.