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## JOHNSTON LETTER.

### Miss Bouknight Entertained the Rook Club. New Century Club. Death of Mrs. Jennings.

Mrs. Ransom Timmerman and Miss Hortense Padgett spent the week-end here in the home of Mr. J. C. Lewis.

Mrs. Lewis Blount and children left on Saturday for New York city to visit the former's mother.

Mrs. James White and Miss Halie White were visitors in Columbia during the past week.

It is a sincere pleasure to all to know that Mr. and Mrs. Peter Eppes will return to Johnston at an early date to make their home.

Mrs. Lucy McLenna has returned from Waldo, Fla., where she spent the winter with her son, Mr. Alvin McLenna.

Miss Ruth Smith of Tenille, Ga., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. B. Onzts.

Mr. Harry White of Union is spending awhile in the home of his aunt, Mrs. Edwards who lives near town.

Mrs. Blease of Saluda visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Crouch during the past week.

Mrs. Flythe and son and Miss Agnes Flythe of Augusta are guests of Miss Emma Bouknight. In the recent fire in Augusta they lost their home with the entire contents, having no insurance. They have been frequent visitors here and have warm friends who sympathize with them in their loss. Miss Bouknight when she heard of her friends' loss went immediately to Augusta and prevailed upon them to spend awhile with her.

Mrs. W. F. Scott and Master William Elliot spent last Saturday and Sunday in Edgefield with friends.

The little children of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Wright who have been ill, are now much improved and are considered out of danger.

Mr. W. D. Ready went to Columbia last week for medical treatment and will be at the hospital for a few weeks.

On Monday afternoon Miss Emma Bouknight entertained the members of the rook club and several other friends in a very delightful and informal manner and all were glad to meet again with their friend Miss Agnes Flythe. The hostess is always cordiality itself, and soon her guests were engaged in the progressive games, and enjoying themselves. After several games a surprise came to Miss Flythe. Her hostess and friends knowing that in the recent Augusta fire, everything was swept from her, she was given a shower, and many pretty gifts of attire and other articles were presented her by loving friends. Later a delicious repast was served. There is no more noble or generous hearted young woman than this hostess, and every one felt happy over the result of the afternoon.

One of the most pleasant meetings of the New Century club was held with Mrs. B. L. Allen on Tuesday afternoon and after all business the lesson study. A group of short story writers was taken up, Mrs. C. D. Kenny making this period very interesting. After a paper on "The art and development of short story writing," the following writers were discussed: Zona Gale, Mary H. Vorse, Dorothy C. Fisher, Mary Andrews, Fannie Kilbourne, Mary Stewart and Christine T. Herrick. Mrs. Herrick, besides her literary efforts, has contributed much to domestic science and extracts from her "A. B. C. of housekeeping" was read. Criticisms were given on the writers and a beautiful solo, "Its raining daffodils to me," concluding the meeting. There were several guests present besides the twenty members and the hostess was assisted in entertaining by Mesdames J. A. Dozier, O. D. Black and W. P. Yonce. Tempting refreshments were served, each viand being prepared by a recipe of Mrs. Herrick and the favors were booklets containing these recipes and the picture of Mrs. Herrick.

The Emily Geiger chapter, D. A. R., met with Mrs. W. F. Scott on Monday afternoon and at the roll call of members all responded with paragraphs concerning early settlers in our country. During the business

## Anti-Saloon League Moves Headquarters to Columbia.

The Anti-Saloon League, of South Carolina, has moved its headquarters from Spartanburg to Columbia, and is now established in room 10 of the Carolina National Bank building.

President, the Hon. R. O. Purdy, Samter, vice-presidents, the Rev. J. S. Moffett, Due West; the Rev. K. G. Finley, Columbia; J. J. Lawton, Hartsville; A. M. DuPre, Spartanburg.

Headquarters Committee; The Rev. C. E. Burts, F. H. Hyatt, F. F. Whilden, the Rev. K. G. Finley, L. S. Trotti, Dr. W. R. Barron, W. B. DeLoach, C. P. Wray. Trustees: C. E. Graham, Greenville; the Rev. Z. T. Cody, Greenville; R. F. Bryant, Orangeburg; Bright Williamson, Darlington; J. L. Mims, Edgefield; C. B. Bobo, Laurens; the Rev. P. B. Wells, Rock Hill; Geo. H. Bates, Barnwell; J. K. Breedin, Columbia; J. G. Anderson, Rock Hill; W. H. Keith, Timmonsville.

It will be the policy of the league to conserve the prohibition sentiment throughout the state and to aid in building up sentiment for law enforcement.

The executive officer of the league is Mr. J. K. Breedin, the superintendent, and all correspondence will be handled by him from his office in Columbia. Mr. Breedin will be available for work in connection with the league in all parts of the state and will be glad to hold meetings where sentiment for law enforcement needs to be improved, and in organizing communities for the enforcement of law.

There is no political motive prompting the Anti-Saloon League in its activities, the league regarding prohibition as a settled policy of social and economic betterment of the state rather than as a matter of politics.

The league invites the co-operation of all patriotic citizens in its efforts to promote the cause of temperance and solicits the active and liberal support of all citizens in all phases of its work.

## Problems of the Rural Church.

Neither poverty nor prosperity should seriously interfere with the influence and power of the country church. But it seems that both prosperity and the lack of it do in some instances prevent rural churches from becoming greater factors for the uplift of humanity. Great prosperity should not cause many farmers to move to town and leave the rural church, the public school, roads and neighborhood leadership to less able and less interested men, but it does in many instances. Short crops and poor markets should not cause the church to be neglected and its influence circumscribed, but such seems to be the fact.

The rural church is dependent very largely upon the faithful, self-sacrificing members that love their neighborhood and are willing to do their part in helping spread the gospel among men. Wealth is not a standard by which to test the country church, as little cash except the small salary of the pastor is required. The most useful church is the church that meets its opportunity at home among the young people of the neighborhood rather than to divide its time and opportunity "in the foreign field." Few country churches have advanced far beyond the "begin-at-Jerusalem" command for evangelizing the world. In fact, the greatest need of the country church and Christian people in rural communities is to enlist young people, train them for service as rural leaders and help them become more efficient producers as well as Christian citizens. This can best be accomplished by resident pastors who understand agriculture and rural life, supported and assisted by the church members.—Farm and Ranch.

Two girls were discussing the marriage of a mutual friend. "Everything went off splendidly, didn't it?" said Dora, enthusiastically. "And didn't dear Rose look perfectly sweet?"

"Yes, she did, agreed Nora. She told me after the ceremony that there was only one drawback."

"What was that?" asked Dora, inquisitively.

"Well, she felt that her father looked too cheerful when he gave her away."

## TRENTON LETTER.

### Contestants Selected From School For Field Day. D. A. R., W. M. U., and W. C. T. U. Meet.

At the conclusion of a contest on Friday evening last it was decided that Mr. James Spearman and Miss Helen Marsh would represent the Trenton high school in oratory and reading at Edgefield on Field Day.

W. W. Miller, Jr., is a new arrival in Trenton who is receiving the most cordial and most loving welcome and the happy young mother and father are being showered with congratulations.

Mrs. H. W. Scott was hostess at a recent meeting of the Baptist missionary society. Mrs. T. P. Salter, the president, had arranged a very interesting program which was thoroughly enjoyed and during the social half hour which followed Mrs. Scott served a salad course and coffee.

Mrs. Flythe, her young son and Miss Agnes Flythe, who lost their home and the entire contents during the recent destructive fire in Augusta are with their friends, Miss Emma Bouknight and Mr. Joe Bouknight.

Mrs. E. L. Ryan was the charming hostess for the D. A. R. on Thursday evening. There was no regular program, this being a business and social meeting combined. Beautiful musical selections were rendered by Miss Ruth Satter, Mrs. Ryan and Miss Margie Ryan. Late in the afternoon Mrs. Ryan served a sweet course.

The W. C. T. U. held its monthly meeting with Mrs. B. J. Harrison. The subject for the afternoon was medical temperance. Three able papers were read by Miss Julia Herlong, Mrs. T. P. Salter and Mrs. Harrison. At the conclusion of the business program the hostess served tempting refreshments.

An embroidery club is a recent organization around which much interest is centered. The meetings are held every two weeks, the last being with Mrs. J. M. Swearingin. After two hours of diligent work and social chat the hostess served delightful refreshments.

Mr. A. S. J. Miller presented his daughters, Misses Fannie and Sabe, with a handsome Buick Six and Mrs. Susie Miller and her boys, Messrs. Douglas and P. B. Wise and her sister, Mrs. Atkins, are enjoying all the pleasures a beautiful Reo can give.

## Sunday School Conference Columbia District.

The annual Sunday school conference of the Columbia district, Methodist Episcopal church south will be held in Graniteville, April 6-7. The opening session will convene Thursday morning April 6, in the Methodist church at Graniteville, and the conference will continue through Friday morning, April 7.

A very strong program has been prepared, and some of the best Sunday school workers of the district will take part in the discussions. These conferences are most profitable and interesting gatherings, and it is hoped that every Methodist pastor, every Sunday school superintendent and one teacher from each school be present. In addition to those, it is hoped that many others will attend. All who are vitally interested in the great Sunday school work should take advantage of this opportunity.

The good people of Graniteville have opened their homes and will royally entertain all accredited delegates. It is needless to say this, for Graniteville's well known hospitality has gone abroad throughout the land. All who come will be gladly welcomed and a rare treat is in store for them.

## PILLS BEST FOR LIVER.

Because they contain the best liver medicines, no matter how bitter or nauseating for the sweet sugar coating hides the taste. Dr. King's New Life Pills contain ingredients that put the liver working, move the bowels freely. No gripe, no nausea, and digestion. Just try a bottle of Dr. King's New Life Pills and notice how much better you feel. 25c at druggists.

## MT. ZION NEWS.

### New Sand-Clay Boulevard May Move Mt. Zion Church. Mrs. J. C. Whitlock Ill.

The citizens of our community will see the close of this day with feelings of great relief and satisfaction, for then will be finished the last work needed to complete the claying of the Augusta Highway to the Aiken county line. This is indeed a great work, and much credit is due to those who have so faithfully united to bring it about. Nor is the appreciation of this improvement confined to this neighborhood. The greater amount of travel over this road now as compared with that before the work was done is truly surprising. The whole upper part of South Carolina must be coming through here now going to Augusta, for automobiles are passing not only every hour or so, but often every few minutes. On yesterday (Sunday) a young man sitting on a porch counted fifty that passed in less than an hour. Another family counted three hundred that passed during the day. So it does not seem nearly so lonely down in this country. The world seems to be coming to us, or at least is passing very near by us.

This one change may bring new life into this country, and for one thing it has started a new pulse-beat of hope and progress in old Mt. Zion church. For some time time members have been talking about bringing the old church out on the "road." Yesterday at our regular meeting the matter was laid formally before the church, and is now under consideration. One of the members has offered a beautiful site for the church, right on the new highway. This land bears some majestic oaks, and is near a large and delicious cold spring. So now members think of accepting this gift, and bringing the old church, remodeled and rebuilt out from its seclusion. As it is, its light has long been hidden, if not under a bushel, at least in a lonely black-jack wood.

We are sorry to report the serious illness of Mrs. J. C. Whitlock, who for two weeks has been suffering greatly from a large abscess on the side of her throat. A week ago her condition became critical since when her son, Dr. Albert Whitlock, from Kitching Mill, with a trained nurse, having been constantly at her bed-side. Another physician son, Dr. Girard Whitlock, has also been with her, and last week they called in Dr. Harry Wyman, from Aiken, for surgical aid. On yesterday Mrs. Whitlock seemed to be better, and our community is hoping that the danger is now over, and that this beloved lady will soon be free from her suffering, and restored to her usual health.

Mt. Zion, March 27.

## Letter From Flat Rock School.

Mr. Editor: I am a pupil of Flat Rock school, taught by Misses Georgia Mae Wates and Allie Evans. Our school is on the average in equipments, but not in structure. Our building is no credit to the community. The people of a community are judged by the church and school buildings. According to that our buildings give us a very poor rating.

The farmers are actively at work getting ready to plant corn. They are using very little guano in our settlement.

The past warm days the gardens have been given much attention. A garden is a very essential thing with country people. I trust that the fruit has not been injured by the cold, although the thermometer has dropped below thirty several times this month.

Our young people seem to be enjoying the game of rook although it is not new.

Spring began yesterday. Fruit, farmers, fishes and flowers will take on new life.

Mr. A. L. Timmerman made a short visit home Sunday afternoon. Mrs. W. H. McDonald and children from Jacksonville, Fla., are expected to visit her father, Mr. T. W. Lamb, now soon.

I hope many schools will be represented at Field Day. Our school is preparing to go.

School Boy.

## Southern Arranging For Confederate Re-union.

Birmingham, Ala., March 25.—Arrangements for handling the thousands of visitors who will be in Birmingham for the annual re-union of the United Confederate veterans May 16, 17, 18 with the same dispatch that normal travel is handled through the Birmingham Terminal station have been made by Southern railway as the result of a meeting of representatives of the passenger and operating departments at which it was decided to form for this occasion a special organization similar to that which accomplished such splendid results for the Southern at former re-unions.

It is expected that the attendance at the re-union will easily reach 75,000 persons and the conference was held in order to perfect plans for the Southern's part in efficiently moving this large body of people into and out of Birmingham within the short space of three days. Special temporary facilities and ample police protection will be provided, and a large number of expert passenger men will be on hand to assist the veterans and their friends in making arrangements for return trip, while special operating and mechanical forces will be detailed to assure the prompt movement of trains.

Meetings of this character are always held by the Southern in advance of large occasions so that no feature can be overlooked in moving the extra traffic it is called upon to handle, and for the Birmingham re-union of the veterans there will be brought to the service of the visitors the full benefit of the experience gained in handling the crowds on other similar occasions.

## Report of Civic League Meeting.

At a called meeting of the executive board of the Civic League held at the home of Mrs. Bettis Cantelou Monday afternoon, the following committees were appointed and their work for the coming year defined. Each chairman will have a corps of efficient helpers:

Membership—Mrs. J. G. Edwards.  
Finance—Mrs. Bettis Cantelou.  
Publicity—Mrs. E. P. Jones.  
Laws and their enforcement—Mrs. B. E. Nicholson.  
Sanitation—Mrs. R. A. Marsh.  
City Beautiful—Mrs. L. P. Smith.  
Social service—Mrs. R. G. Shannonhouse.  
Junior League—Mrs. Wallace Tompkins.  
Cemetery—Mrs. C. E. May.

Clean up week will be observed during the week beginning April 10. On Saturday morning and afternoon of April 15, a committee will inspect all premises competing for a prize.

All the good citizens of Edgefield are urged to co-operate with the Civic League for they are more than anxious to make our town clean, beautiful and healthy. Your children and our children need healthful, physical and moral surroundings that the future citizens of this community be strong, robust men and women. To that end let us all with one accord, pull together for a more beautiful Edgefield. All housewives are asked to burn all burnable rubbish; and have tin cans and all other refuse put conveniently where the city carts can conveniently get it.

Please see that all cans have holes bored in them, so that no water can find lodgement therein. This is very necessary, for you know, doctors who know, tell us that those horrid mosquitoes will lay their eggs in stagnant water anywhere, and then some one might be bitten by one of the pesky little insects, which might cause some one a long spell of malarial fever, and that some one, might be you!

Two prizes will be given for the premises, back and front, presenting the neatest appearance. First prize \$3.00. Second \$2.00.

Competent judges will make the decision.

The Civic League will have some excellent fly swatters for sale next week. Please have a jitney ready for you will be called upon to buy one or more. Swat the fly in time!

Publicity Committee.

WILL SURELY STOP THAT COUGH.

## JOHN LAKE WRITES

### Edgefield's Missionary in China Writes Interesting Letter to Dr. E. Pendleton Jones.

My Dear Pastor:—Your letter, sent to Seattle, and forwarded to me in Canton was finally received and appreciated, though I was sorry not to have received it while in Seattle, where I greatly enjoyed a renewal of fellowship with that dear brother of yours. He and his great church showed infinite kindness and thoughtfulness to my wife and me, letting us hide out and rest before calling on us for mission talks. After that strenuous year's work for the Judson Centennial, my throat and nerves were about worn out, but when we sailed for our field of labor again we felt well and strong and so we are to-day, after a busy, busy fall or winter, thus far, during which time we have spent much time itinerating. This being Chinese new year time, we have a brief respite from that, and wife and I are catching up with long neglected correspondence, and during the past week, I have written several long promised letters to the home papers. I have also begun translating into Chinese your brother's sermon before the convention at Los Angeles.

As dear old Edgefield has so recently passed through the ordeal of a church fire, you and the good people will be glad to know how one of our churches and one of their churches, peculiarly Edgefield's own, has been preserved from that awful calamity. I know that you and the members of the dear old home church will rejoice with us, as we wept with them a little while ago. Shall we give you a little description of

## HONAN CHURCH.

Honan means "south of the river," and is a large island in the Canton or Pearl river, on the upper end of which a part of this great city is built. I do not know the population of the whole island, it is immense, though, but it is estimated that the part that, in America, would be considered a part of Canton city has at least a hundred thousand people. On a little Island called Shameen, a little above Honan, about half a mile long, but not nearly so wide, live most of the Europeans in Canton. On that little patch of Europe are some thirteen or fourteen consulates or consular agencies, including our own American consulate general, besides banks, business houses, a hotel, &c. Then the great city, with probably as many people in it as there are in the whole state of South Carolina, stretches away to the north, north-east and north-west. We sometimes speak of the city part of Honan island as the "Brooklyn of Canton."

Until last year though we had four Baptist churches in this great metropolis, besides several chapels or preaching halls and besides one Theological Seminary, boys' academy, girls' boarding school, women's Training school, Home for blind girls, orphanage, publication society and numerous day schools for boys and day schools for girls (all Baptist institutions), we had, strange to say, on Honan no church or preaching hall, no school for boys and only one school for girls. For years Miss Whilden looked after this school, but as there was no organized work to which to relate it, we can trace comparatively little from it in the way of definite results in the work of church planting or church development. Strange to say, also, our friends of other denominations had to a large extent seemed to overlook Honan. True, at the extreme south-eastern end of the city, and there on Honan island, just across the river from our Baptist compound, which occupies a strategic position in the eastern suburbs of Canton, stands the Canton Christian college, interdenominational and miles away, at the upper end of the island, and opposite Shameen, is the mission compound of the united brethren, but between these two institutions swarmed a "hundred thousand or more of human beings with very little mission work being done for them, and only this one, lone, unrelated school for heathen girls, supported by Baptists, the teacher

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