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JOHNSTON LETTER.

Chautauqua Very Good. Red Cross Organization Held Rummage Sale. Emily Geiger Chapter Met.

The Chautauqua had here last week, was fine in every way, as to the entertaining feature. The addresses and lectures were deeply interesting, and each one concerned in parts, war relief work, and the discussion of Red Cross brought about much enthusiasm in this great endeavor.

The Committee, who were guarantees for this chautauqua, following this fine address, announced that after paying all expenses incident to this, all above could go to Red Cross Work.

The amount was \$84. Every one greatly appreciated this on the part of these gentlemen, and they also, were very glad to have the profit go to this.

For some time the organizing of the Red Cross has been discussed here, and following the impressive lecture on this, plans were afoot to effect this immediately.

There were already a few members here who belonged to the general organization, having joined in the summer, and a special committee was appointed to make a canvas, and up to Saturday 248 members were secured.

At an early date, there will be a mass meeting, a speaker coming from Columbia, and the organization will be effected.

Officers will be elected, and it is the intention to have a Red Cross Work Room, and in a few weeks, much effective work will be the outcome of this.

On Sunday morning, at the Baptist church, a special collection was taken to help in the State Mission Work, Dr. Derieux having made an appeal to all to come to the rescue. This church has contributed well, and had only \$45 to meet its apportionment, the offering amounted to \$168.

Mr. Leon Lewis, of Alabama, is spending this week here in the home of his mother, Mrs. A. P. Lewis.

The W. C. T. U. had a Rummage Sale on Saturday, the proceeds of which were to help in war relief work. \$26.03 was made, and the amount could have been larger, had there been more "rummage" on hand.

The quick success and disposition of articles was due to the fact that the sale was held on Saturday, right in the center of the business part of main street.

The colored people always gather on Saturdays and this was a great attraction to them. When they found out what the sales would be used for, they grew interested and brought in others.

Mr. J. C. Lewis helped greatly by letting the committee use a vacant store, and offering it to them for any good work they undertook, just as long as it was not rented.

The Emily Geiger Chapter, D. A. R. held a very enthusiastic meeting Wednesday with Mrs. Calhoun Kammer, Mrs. W. S. Mobley, Regent, presiding.

The chief work of the meeting was in taking up the work for war relief, which was decided on at the recent State Conference.

This was that the chapters of South Carolina, adopt the South Carolina battleship, and help to look after the comfort of the 1200 soldiers and sailors here.

The State Regent has assigned to each chapter a certain number of knitted garments, this chapter having 28, and the funds necessary for such are on hand.

The members were so glad to do this assigned work, each one saying just which article they could best knit, and as many returned, after the meeting, they purchased the wool, and it was learned by next day, that so enthused were some, their articles were complete.

Blue or grey or khaki color could be used, white or cream would soil so easily.

The committee for this war relief work was Mesdames J. Neil Lott, E. R. Mobley and J. W. Browne.

The committee to get the jellies and the delicacies to be sent to the Base Hospital, Columbia, had already been at work and some was already on hand, this committee being Miss Zena Payne with Mesdames

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Box Party For School.

An occasion of much interest to the people of the Horn's Creek section was a gathering at the home of Mr. J. W. Smith on last Friday evening. Notwithstanding the fact that the evening was very cold and cloudy, both young and old from the community there, and also representatives from other sections of the county. Quite a number were there from Edgefield.

The visitors were cordially greeted and soon made to feel at home. The large hall and spacious rooms with open fire places and blazing wood fires made the home a very desirable place for such a gathering all of whom had come for the purpose of having a pleasant evening, and also to contribute to a fund for the improvement of the school building and equipment.

Throughout the evening there was no lack of entertainment, consisting of music, fish-pond, cake-walk, etc. "Bonaparte crossing the Rhine" was very strikingly represented in a side show presided over by an old "black mammy." Would describe this show but it might be a secret.

According to the prices the boys bid for the girls to walk with them for the cake, the girls were very popular indeed. The boxes were beautiful and sold for good prices, and judging from the way the couples were sitting around in cozy corners eating, after the sale, the contents were as pleasing to the eyes.

Some of the married folks there were as lively as the younger set and enjoyed the evening very much. Those who did not succeed in getting one of the boxes were served with bountifully filled plates by the hostess.

The receipts for the evening were over seventy dollars, all of which we believe will be well used for the good of the school, which is presided over by Miss Pearl Mayben, who is making herself popular among our people.

We hope that fate will continue to smile upon this home, the community, pupils and teacher, and that the friendships made and renewed, and the dollars collected upon this occasion, may all be a great benefit to the school and entire community.

Visitor.

Young Sailor Grateful to D. A. R.

U. S. S. Aeolus, Nov. 22, '17.

The Ladies of the D. A. R., Edgefield, S. C.:

Dear Ladies—I received a few days ago one of the Red Cross outfits. I wish to try to show you my appreciation for this. It is a thing that I really needed and will be used constantly.

Sailors need good warm clothes, for it certainly is cold out upon the water. As you know, a sailor has nothing around his neck and throat, so the muffler comes in fine. I certainly do keep warm with the sweater on, and the muffler wrapped around my neck. The wristlets certainly do come in fine too.

This also shows that the boys of good old Edgefield have not been forgotten. Some of them are far away, and some even in foreign lands, but the ladies of Edgefield will never forget them. Thanking you again for your kind remembrances, I remain the same old Edgefield boy.

Respectfully yours,

Eugene Timmons.

Reading.

The art of reading is the key which unlocks to us the vast field of knowledge and the thoughts of men of all ages. It remains with ourselves to make it beneficial or injurious to us. Bad habits are easily formed in reading as in anything else, therefore it is of the greatest importance to early cultivate a taste for reading good and improving books.

Reading is to the mind what food is to the body, may be made to develop and strengthen the mind or the reverse. What is worth reading at all is worth reading well. It is not so much what we read as what we remember that makes us wise and to remember we must read with attention.—The Lone Star.

HARDY'S HAPPENINGS.

Missionary Society Met With Mrs. Reese. Will Knit For Soldiers. Moving For New Year.

The snow in Atlanta Friday and Friday night sent us some mighty cold disagreeable weather, which we do not appreciate at all. Keeps us all drawn up around a good fire.

Now, I said us all, and I do not get to the fire only to replenish it every little while, for my work is everywhere except to sit by a fire.

The Woman's Missionary Society met at Mrs. John Reese's on last Thursday and had a splendid attendance. The subject of writing to our neighborhood boys in "khaki" was discussed, and several of the ladies volunteered to correspond with them, so as to keep them informed of the news from home. We are also to knit something for them. Mrs. T. J. Briggs suggested that we meet twice a month so as to devote one afternoon to working for the soldiers. After the program was over, our hostess served a delicious sweet course, and it being late and the most of us from some distance, we dispersed, hoping to meet the next evening at Mr. H. F. Cooper's but the threatening clouds and cold winds kept us home. We have not heard how many attended, but hope they had a good crowd, and all enjoyed the music.

The weather was mighty cold, disagreeable for me, but hope the ladies had a full attendance. Am sorry I could not be there.

The gathering in of the crops is about finished now, but all the grain has not been sowed, that the farmers want to put in. Help is so hard to get and when they get a hand they daily away the most of the day, and get nothing done. They are moving from place to place already. Several horses and mules have been bought, also cows, to be starved out during the winter, for the corn and hay crops were so very short that their feed will soon be all gone, and the money too. They have great ideas of renting another year, and then either kill out their stock riding it to death on very little feed, or letting their factors take it in next fall on their debts.

Those who had money have about spent it all, already. One of the cotton men told me Saturday, that he has no idea there will be much cotton planted another year, as so much of the labor have already been conscripted and will be a great deal more sent off, before planting time. Besides the boll weevil will about get here.

Hardys.

Weekly Cotton Letter.

The international news during the past week has all been of a favorable nature in respect to the success of the Allies. This optimistic view has been reflected in the cotton market by a more confident position and buying on the part of the trade. Our advices are to the effect that the advance during the preceding week has not been the result of any speculation, but rather on the other hand, the trade has absorbed whatever hedge selling that came upon the market. Values tonight make the highest closing that we have made almost within a decade with the trade generally looking for higher prices.

As we go further into the marketing of this crop there is no doubt that the supply of raw material will be more or less limited and it seems to be not a question of price, but rather whether present supplies will prove adequate to the demand for consumption. We see no reason why barring fluctuations, which occur in all trading markets, values should not seek a recurring and constantly higher level.

Yours very truly,
Garrett & Calhoun Inc.
Nov 24, 1917.

English workmen were discussing the war.

"It will be an awful job, Sam," said one.

"It will, replied the other.

"You see, these Germans is takin' thousands and thousands of Russian prisoners, and the Russians is takin' thousands and thousands of German prisoners. If it

RED OAK GROVE.

Sunbeams Met. Social Circle to Meet With Mrs. Dow. Hog Killing and Grain Sowing.

The beautiful prayer of David for the benefits he received is full of inspiration. Who can read and study Psalms 103 and not feel the vibration of the inner man? Our lesson last Sunday was full of humble, child-like faith, plainly illustrated. "Hope is the Anchor of the Soul," but by faith it is nursed.

The little Sunbeams were ready with their dues, and their happy faces made the meeting quite a pleasant one. They added to their roll yesterday more of their little schoolmates. This time Maude and Claude Hamilton; so we are encouraged that the influence of daily life is telling in a most happy manner. Mrs. J. T. Griffin, as all Sunbeam leaders, has a grand and noble charge.

Social Circle No. 2 will meet with Mrs. W. A. Dow on Wednesday, December 5, at 2:00 P. M., Mrs. Fannie Griffin conducting the meeting. Some of the ladies have been busy knitting for the Red Cross since our last meeting. We hope to take up more of the Red Cross work.

The weather being so cold last Saturday prevented some of the ladies attending the meeting of Y. W. C. A. I thought that our society was represented, and that it was our pleasure to hear directly from the meeting. Our ladies are always ready to help in any worthy cause, and we feel sure we'll do our best in this great work.

There is a questioning among us now: Are the leaders of our church, Red Oak Grove, as active and as interested as they ought to be in the welfare of the church and the community? So few of our leaders (the men) take time to read, thereby keeping informed as to the work. The minds of our people to-day are as that of a child on being told it can take a trip to some big town or great place of wonders—we are all expecting something to happen and we don't know what. So it greatly behooves all Christians to keep informed as best they can, that the right conception might be gathered by the eager minds of the people. There is wisdom to be found when in faith we seek for it.

The many friends of Mrs. Maggie Griffin will be saddened to learn she is suffering intensely from a fall she received last week. It is greatly feared her hip may be broken. She manifests that same sweet, cheerful and Christian fortitude, and greatly appreciates the attention of kind friends.

Mr. and Mrs. LaGrone and Mr. Harrison from Pleasant Lane spent yesterday with Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Clegg.

Mrs. Fannie Mae Cobey of Gilgal is assistant at Flat Rock this session, and the children seem to be delighted.

The new school building is rapidly nearing completion. We hear the hammering these frosty mornings by sunrise.

Mr. W. H. Turner, accompanied by Misses Kate Samuel and May West, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lamb last Wednesday evening. Mr. Turner is deservedly one of Edgefield's most popular young merchants.

I believe it is the consensus of opinion that some of the best and most worthy citizens of our county reside in Edgefield. We do know the Christian influence, the many courtesies and kindness on the part of Edgefield's residents are reaching out, and much good is being done.

Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Timmerman and Mr. and Mrs. Lamb will spend Thanksgiving as guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Rogers, near Callison, and attend a Thanksgiving gathering at Bold Spring.

Hog killing and grain sowing continue the order of the day. Most every farmer has planted some wheat.

Several tons of fertilizer are expected to be delivered now soon at Modoc for our neighborhood.

keeps on, all the Russians will be in Germany and all the Germans in Russia. And then they'll start all over again, fightin' to get back their 'omes."—Tit-Bits.

Report of Y. M. C. A. Collection.

The final result of the campaign in Edgefield county to raise money for the Y. M. C. A. war work has been most gratifying. The collectors, with few exceptions, have given considerable time and effort to the work and the people, both white and colored, have contributed cheerfully and generously. While this county was asked for \$2,100, we have raised \$3,841.44, which is nearly 85 per cent. more than our allotment. As we are unable to publish the name of each contributor, the amounts collected by white people by communities are given as follows:

Johnston	\$1,320.00
Edgefield	1,077.27
Trenton	338.25
Harmony	165.00
Antioch	134.00
Philippi	125.15
Berea-Gilgal	94.25
Meriwether	75.62
Cleora	72.75
Horn's Creek	75.00
Colliers	68.50
Pleasant Lane	25.00
Red Hill	24.00
Red Oak Grove	21.50
Meeting Street	21.50
Rehoboth	15.75
Ropers	15.00
	\$3,668.54

Besides what the colored people contributed through some of the white men who collected, the following contributions were made by collectors being:

Hammond Cheatham	\$39.80
Rev. Mark Adams	59.95
William Holloway	13.25
John Simmons	21.60
James Talbert	3.25
Lawrence Cain	13.80
Rev. William Peterson	13.00
Rev. Wash Oliphant	2.75
Rev. J. W. Shaw	2.00
Andrew Simkins	2.00
Charles Holloway	2.00
	\$172.90

This tangible expression of appreciation on the part of our people for the sacrifices our boys are making who have responded to their country's call to duty will cheer them and make lighter the burdens they will be called upon to bear.

Any amounts hereafter received by the collectors should be forwarded to Mr. E. J. Norris.

J. L. Mims,
County Chairman.

Big Football Game on Friday.

The Edgefield Football Team are sharpening their claws, the better able to "eat Saluda alive." The game is to be a classic of its kind, and it will be the regret of your life if you miss it. The team is practicing daily, and is fast rounding into excellent form. Your attendance will encourage the boys and you will also see the Edgefield boys walk-off with the visitors from Saluda who average 140 pounds to the man. The game is to be played at the Edgefield Fair grounds, Friday Nov. 30 at three o'clock. The Team has been to considerable expense so an admission fee of 25cts for adults and 15cts for children will be charged.

On Friday last a delightful lunch was served to the school children at the cost of 5cts. each. It netted the Domestic class \$7.50.

For Thanksgiving we are to have both Thursday and Friday. It is needless for me state that we are thankful to the Board of Trustees for giving us the extra holiday.

School Correspondent.

God Bless Our Men.

"God bless our splendid men,
Send them back home again,
God bless our men;
Make them victorious,
Patient and chivalrous,
They are so dear to us,
God bless our men."

The above verse is sung in every church in CanaCa and is used in this country as an addition to our National Hymn.—Womans Temperance Work.

FOR SALE: Two good mules, 6 and 9 years old, of good size. Apply to O. O. Timmerman, Modoc, S. C.
11-21-2tpd.

FOR SALE.—Ford Runabout in good condition. Box 188, Edgefield, S. C.

WEST-SIDE FAIR

Agricultural Fair and Chautauqua Great Success at Parkville. Both Held Same Days.

Editor Edgefield Advertiser: Why did you not come to our Fair? It was great. However, since you did not come I will tell you and your readers something about it. This year doubled our attractions, for we turned it so that the Fair and the Radcliffe Chautauqua were held on the same days. We had a brand new building on a lot adjoining school property and this building was filled with farm products. The school with Womens Work and school exhibits. And our school grounds was the big Chautauqua tent. I hardly knew which to tell of first, the crowd, the Fair, the brides, or the Chautauqua. Parkeville's two charming brides, Mrs. Newt Edmunds (nee Miss Lizzie Cooper) and Mrs. Paul Adams (nee Miss Warren) made their first bows—And then—all the babies in town were in evidence and of course the babies' mothers, too. All ages were represented from the babe of seven weeks to the old man or woman of eighty. People from all over the county, and all were happy.

A word about the Chautauqua. The music of Senor Andonegui and wife was exceptionally fine and the lady violinist who played our

The vocal music was pleasing, the lectures instructive. But the Spragues in their presentation of Esmeralda and Rip Van Winkle were just wonderful.

With the most meagre stage equipments they made the two plays seem veritably life-like. Both Mr. and Mrs. Sprague are fine artists, six characters were supposed to act in each play. Yet only two persons actually appeared.

Not a word of the Fair, First Day, Farm Day. Dr. Green spoke, and second day Children's Day Dr. Mulherin and Mrs. Crouch lectured the mothers. Third day Patriotic Day. Rev. Mr. Huggins spoke. Every day had some attraction. Perhaps the prettiest feature was the doll parade of second day. Although the last day—Flag Raising Day—it was an inspiring sight to see the children headed by negro band (brass) march around grounds with their flags and then form around pole to listen to address. Miss Rosalie Brown had raised school flag. The school exhibit showed that some of the girls were skillful needle-women, good cake makers and knew all about canning and preserving.

The boys had some exhibits of vegetables and corn, which were very creditable.

The ladies had canned goods, pickles, preserves, fancy work galore.

Friday and Saturday nights there was a moving picture show at school.

A certain young man, past middle age, has found the short cut to the Rehoboth section and is keeping the path warm. You can hear him whistle on the road home in the wee small hours almost any night.

It will soon be too cold to whistle. What then—?

Polly Flinders.
Parkville, S. C.

Our Forefathers.

(Contributed.)

When we pause to think of our forefathers having crossed the Atlantic ocean, having laid the foundation of this civilization in their blood, fighting the Spaniards and Indians, having lived in huts and upon the simplest food, having suffered from the cold by winter and heat by the summer, having died of malaria and other diseases from exposure, when we think of these things and then compare them with ourselves, it is as little as we can do to remember gratefully the goodness of God and expressing it in thanks—living and thanksgiving; expressing it in our loyalty and devotion to the Church of Christ, which they loved so much and for which they made such memorial sacrifice. As we look back over the pages of the past we are reminded of the saying, "Every nation that has accumulated wealth and that did not spend it for the propagation of Christianity did afterward spend it in war." Therefore let us take warning?