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JOHNSTON LETTER.

W. C. T. U. Asks for Smokeless Day. Death of Mr. J. L. Smith. U. D. C. Historical Meeting.

The last meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held with Mrs. A. L. Lewis on Friday afternoon. There was a good attendance, the day being a bright one.

The subject for the afternoon was "Soldiers and Sailors," and several plans to perfect the work of the union along this line were discussed.

The president, Miss Payne, had the devotional and then reports of officers were heard.

The secretary, Mrs. Olin Eidson, reminded all to respond with scripture or some item of interest at roll call.

Treasurer, Mrs. Marsh, reported \$23.00 on hand, and many paid dues at this time.

Corresponding-secretary, Mrs. J. P. Bean, gave her report.

The superintendents of the departments were again read, as a change had to be made in some for the new year.

The Flower Mission, in charge of Mesdames W. J. Hatcher and Herbert Eidson, has been using the bulbs to send to the sick.

At the death of Mr. J. L. Smith, an honorary member, two days previous to this meeting, the superintendents had ordered a beautiful design with "W. C. T. U." on it, and placed it on the casket.

Mesdames J. H. White and Mamie Huiet, are superintendents of "Moral Education," and the box for the "Door of Hope" was reported as the best yet sent from the union, and a nice sum of money contributed, \$9.00.

Mrs. A. P. Lott, who was superintendent of "Soldiers and Sailors" during the past month and year as well, told very interestingly of the Bibles sent from this union to the colored troops at Camp Jackson. Mrs. Lott sent these to Rev. Richard Carrol, who delivered them to the soldiers, and he stated that each one was so glad to own a testament.

Mrs. J. L. Walker will be superintendent this year of "Soldiers and Sailors," the union regretting to have Mrs. Lott not serve in this capacity. The work of "Soldiers and Sailors," as mapped out by the State superintendent, was presented. The union decided to purchase enough khaki cloth to make a comfort bag for each member to fill.

Mrs. Walker, with the other four of the committee, Mesdames M. T. Turner, J. A. Lott, A. P. Lott and A. P. Lewis, will cut these out, and then distribute to the members to make and fill. Each member will make a bandage also.

The sending of candy and writing letters to soldier boys will be done also, and several new names of soldier boys were handed in.

The matter of the "Hostess House" in Columbia was now taken up, and the members discussed this great endeavor. The union voted to send \$10.00 at once to State treasurer, Mrs. Robinson, for the above purpose.

The day for prayer for the speedy coming of National Constitutional Prohibition was now brought before the union. A public observance will be had that day, January 24, and committees were appointed to make it generally known.

Each Sunday school was to be asked to follow out the outlined program as far as practical.

The president stated that a telegram from the union had been sent on the 15th to the representatives urging their influence in ratifying prohibition amendment; letters also had been written.

It was decided to ask all the men to observe a smokeless day, and give the proceeds to some of the needy causes to which all are contributing. Every one is carrying out the idea of the meatless day, so why not a smokeless day?

This union hopes not only to get this started in the home town, but all over the State.

Before the meeting closed, the fact that one of its good and loyal honorary members, Mr. J. L. Smith, had passed away, was spoken of in sorrow, and some fitting remarks of this man's noble and influential life, and what he had meant to the cause, were expressed.

Mrs. L. C. Latimer made a feeling prayer for the two members, the

widow and daughter, who were now in such deep sorrow.

Miss Blanche Sawyer has gone to Colliers to visit relatives.

Mrs. Carrie Ramage of Saluda has been visiting in the home of Mrs. P. C. Stevens.

Miss Kate Johnson is visiting Miss Mamie Broadwater near town.

The firm of Derrick Bros. have purchased the stock of the grocery store of Mr. Oscar Watson, and will carry a line of groceries as well as merchandise.

In the death of Mr. J. L. Smith, which occurred last Tuesday, January 8, the town has sustained an irreparable loss.

No where was to be found a greater Christian than he, and his many noble traits of character were exemplified in his daily life.

In all that was for the uplift of the town, and general betterment of humanity, every one knew just where he stood.

Just how he was loved and honored, not only in town but in the community, was shown by the throng that attended his funeral.

In the M. E. church, where the funeral services were conducted, not more than half could be seated, the aisles being filled and many stood outside.

The pastor, Rev. J. H. Thacker, was assisted in the services by Revs. W. S. Brooke and M. L. Kester.

In Rev. Thacker's remarks he stated that in all his ministerial career he had never sustained such a loss, as he tried to carry on the work, as in the loss of this good servant of God.

He told that he was on his way to Mr. Smith's home to get his advice in church matters when he met a messenger telling of his sudden death.

The honorary pall bearers were the veterans of camp McHenry.

The casket was covered with many floral tributes from the M. E. church, the Sunday school, the Bible class, the W. C. T. U., of which he was an honorary member, the D. of C. and other organizations and from many friends.

The interment was made at the Mt. Olive cemetery, where the body of this greatly beloved man was tenderly laid to rest.

Mr. Will Carwile of Augusta, who has been sick here in the home of his sister, Mrs. S. G. Mobley, is now up again, but will not return to Augusta until the last of the month.

The historical meeting of the Mary Ann Buie chapter, U. D. C., was held with Mrs. O. D. Black on Thursday afternoon, Miss Zena Payne, historian, having charge of the meeting.

This meeting was in observance of one of the red letter days, Lee and Jackson's birthday, but now this celebration in January will hereafter be to commemorate three noted men, the last Commodore Mathew Fontaine Maury. At the general convention in Chattanooga, Tenn., a resolution was adopted adding this name to the list of men whose birthdays are commemorated by the organization.

The meeting opened with the singing of "Maryland, My Maryland," and a copy of this song, published in 1862, and of the first copies out, was exhibited, this having belonged to Mrs. J. W. Payne, and around it centered many memories, of groups of young folks, among the soldiers of the sixties, who had sung from this now faded sheet.

The Lord's prayer was said in concert, followed by a paper, "Gen. Robert E. Lee," by Mrs. Joseph Cox.

Vocal solo, Miss Clara Sawyer. Paper, "Gen. Thomas J. Jackson," Mrs. J. H. White.

Piano solo, Miss Sue Shaw. Paper, "Commodore Mathew Fontaine Maury," Mrs. M. T. Turner. Vocal solo, Mrs. J. H. White.

"Interesting Facts of the War Between the States," Mrs. F. M. Warren.

Piano solo, Miss Emma Bouknight. Chorus, "Bonnie Blue Flag."

When the program had concluded the historian spoke of the work along historical lines, and holding up the banner the chapter had won for the best work in the State, urged the members to even better work this year than last.

A short business session was held, and Mrs. O. D. Black, District historian, spoke of the war relief work and of the pledge made by the chap-

ter to the Wade Hampton bed in France.

She introduced Mrs. Frank Warren, Jr., to the chapter, stating that her paper was the only one from South Carolina in the general contest. Had it not been for her paper South Carolina would have had no mention.

The president, Mrs. M. T. Turner, stated, that in view of the fact that all endeavor of the U. D. C. for war relief work was through the Red Cross, that at the next meeting the members devote the time to what ever line of sewing or cutting they choose. The program could still be enjoyed with their fingers busy. If possible, the meeting could be where Red Cross general work was being conducted. The members thought this a splendid idea, and will follow it out.

The red letter days will be observed as before.

The meeting was turned into a social one now, and the hostess, assisted by Misses Emma Bouknight and Gladys Sawyer, served tempting fruit jelly, whipped cream and chocolate cake.

There were several girls of the sixties, chapter members, who had many interesting things to tell, which made this feature most pleasant.

Rev. W. S. Brooke announced on Sunday that owing to the prevalence of cold and shortage of coal the union services of the various denominations had now been planned for, the first one to be in the evening at the Methodist church, Rev. M. L. Kester of the Lutheran church to preach.

On next Sunday the evening service will be had in the Lutheran church, and later the Baptist. The Presbyterians will also have a union service at their church.

The prayer meeting will not be had, but some of the homes on the prayer meeting evening are inviting the neighbors in of their section of the town and holding cottage prayer meetings.

Mrs. Huiet Waters was hostess for the Apollo music club on Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. E. R. Mobley presiding, and the chief business was in the club deciding to make a contribution for community work in Columbia, and \$12.50 will be sent.

Instead of having reciprocity day the club will have an entertainment on this date set, February 12, called "The Allies Dream." Miss Emma Bouknight is chairman, and her plans were told.

Mrs. J. W. Marsh, chairman of the Armenian fund, hopes to get a good amount for this.

The proceeds of the entertainment will be divided between these two endeavors, community work and the Armenians.

Miss Anna Harms led the musical program, and a good paper on "The Music of Our South" was given by Mrs. O. D. Black. Several singers were discussed, and music was furnished by Mrs. T. R. Hoyt, piano solo, and Mrs. Joseph Cox, vocal solo.

The hostess, assisted by Mrs. P. B. Waters, served hot chocolate, whipped cream and wafers.

Mrs. J. L. Walker spent the week end in Columbia with Mr. Walker.

Mrs. Yeomans of Hendersonville, N. C., has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Cox.

Miss Pearl Padgett of Edgefield and Rev. Malone Padgett of Saluda have been visiting Mrs. J. L. Smith.

Mrs. E. O. Crouch is visiting in the home of her father, Mr. Gus Smith at Mullins.

Mrs. W. P. Cassells and little Grace Ellen have returned from a visit to the former's mother, Mrs. Bell, at Ellenton.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Turner, Misses Marion and Grace Turner and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Turner spent the week end at Chappells with Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Strother.

Mr. J. P. Callum, who has been so sick at his home near Philippi with pneumonia, is now much improved.

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B. B. Jones.

The Edgefield Chapter U. D. C.

The U. D. C. chapter met at the Red Cross room on Monday afternoon with the president, Mrs. E. P. Jones, in the chair.

Business of a very interesting nature came before the chapter. Some time ago it was decided to arrange a constitution and by-laws in conformity to the State constitution.

At this meeting Mrs. Jones read such a constitution, which was adopted by the chapter. It was decided not to vote on the by-laws until we had informed ourselves of the changes made at the last State convention. This we will do as soon as we receive the new minutes.

Mrs. Woodson came before the meeting with a plea from the Director of War Relief Work for the S. C. organization, Mrs. Robert D. Wright, of Newberry, and read the following letter from her, which appeared in the Sunday papers:

MAY MEAN LIFE TO SOME LAD.

Wade Hampton Bed for Hospital in France Should be Promptly Established, Say Division Leaders.

American Hospital No. 11. Daughters of the South Carolina Division.

You will be interested to know that the general U. D. C. committee on war relief has formulated its plans for work, and has outlined three lines of work devolving upon us, viz.: Securing funds for endowment of beds in American military hospitals in France, encouraging and advancing U. D. C. co-operation with all branches of Red Cross work, assisting in cantonment service.

As to co-operation with the Red Cross, our chapters have done splendidly and I am sure they will not only keep up this pace but will do still more.

As to cantonment service, your section is in correspondence with the proper officials at the South Carolina cantonments and before long will have definite plans for this.

Especially now do we want to contribute the \$600 for a bed in the American hospital in France. The check for \$600 from the general U. D. C. and the brass name plate, Jefferson Davis, went to France on January 10. Daughters of South Carolina, why can not our \$600 and the name plate, Wade Hampton, be the next to go? As our State took the lead in 1860 for what our fathers knew was right, so let their daughters now take the lead among divisions in this noble, humanitarian effort. If we are to do this your contribution must come in at once.

A word of information about this hospital: The American military hospital No. 11 (formerly the American ambulance hospital) near Paris, of which Mrs. Robert Bacon, of New York City, is chairman, has been selected by the committee acting upon the recommendation of the American Red Cross, indorsed by our president general, Miss Mary B. Poppenheim. This hospital has been in operation ever since the beginning of the war in 1914 and therefore has the advantage and benefit of experience. It is now a Red Cross hospital under the supervision of the United States army, but is not a base hospital and receives no government support. It is dependent upon subscriptions and is under the same board as before it became a Red Cross institution.

Now that our own boys are at the front we must do everything possible for their comfort at the time of injury or sickness, and we must act quickly. The work already done by this hospital for three years demonstrates what it means to our soldier boys to feel that some one back home really cared and is going to see that they are provided for in a close, personal way.

About half the chapters of our division were represented at the Florence convention when we pledged the division to this work and a little more than half the amount was subscribed. Please do not feel that you need pay only the amount pledged by the chapter. Almost all of your members would like a personal interest in this bed. In a week or two we shall publish the contributions when it is hoped that the entire amount will be in hand. The Stonewall Jackson chapter, of

Chesterfield deserves honorable mention, however, for its contribution of \$43.25.

Mothers, are your boys in France? Maybe some of them could be nursed back to health and strength in this very bed. Then don't you want to belong to the Daughters of the Confederacy? Daughters, are there boys from your town in France? Of course you want every one of them to come back, at which time you will show them every honor they so richly deserve. Then will you not contribute generously to a means that may be the instrument for saving the lives of some of your own home boys?

These funds are kept by the division treasurer, Mrs. D. W. McEachin, Florence. Several contributions have come to the director. She will be glad to receive others and forward them.

Daughters, South Carolina must lead!

Faithfully yours, MRS. ROBERT D. WRIGHT, South Carolina Director War Relief, U. D. C.

Newberry, S. C.

This is an object which will appeal with direct force to all of us who have sons or friends in the army who are likely to be sent to France, or who are already there. Nothing that I can say can add to the strength of Mrs. Wright's plea. The question of raising money for this Wade Hampton hospital bed was discussed at length. The ladies had on hand something over \$9.00, left from other work, this money having been raised by the card club last summer. This they decided to pledge for this purpose, and to raise other money by personal subscriptions among the Daughters and their friends. Each Daughter is asked to give 25 cents, or more and our friends are asked to give what they wish. The money is to be given to Mrs. James S. Pyrd, who will act as treasurer for this fund. At this time we were delighted to choose Mrs. Morrall as an honorary member of our chapter. We were glad to welcome among us a member from far off Kansas, Mrs. Darling, who is visiting Mrs. Bettis Cantelou.

The ladies of the U. D. C. detachment of the Service League had on hand about a hundred yards of outing. This Mrs. Jones very graciously tendered Miss Collett for the Red Cross society. In accepting it for the society Miss Collett made us welcome to the rooms in a delightful little address, and asked that we use them permanently for our meetings. This was acted upon by the chapter, and while it made necessary a change in the time of our meetings we were delighted to accept. The second Thursday was chosen as our meeting day instead of Tuesday as heretofore.

Appreciative sketches of Jackson and Lee were read by Miss Sarah Collett, and Mrs. Mamie Marsh, respectively, and our meeting drew to a close, each of us feeling that it had been a profitable session. Quite a number of women were present in spite of the inclement weather.

Dear Daughters:

The Jefferson Davis bed was established at the general convention at Chattanooga, Tenn., named in honor of the president of the Confederacy. These beds are to be endowed in American military hospitals in France, at a cost of \$600. Each bed will have at its head a plate inscribed with its name and the division supporting it.

Several divisions have pledged these beds. South Carolina division is proud to honor our great Confederate chieftain, Gen. Wade Hampton. That name was selected at the convention at Florence and when it was mentioned women rose to their feet and in ten minutes \$320 was pledged from chapters and individuals.

South Carolina is accustomed to lead and I want our State to be the first to send her check for \$600; so, Daughters, redeem your pledges at once. Chapters and individuals wishing to contribute to this beautiful memorial will please send amount of their contribution to our State treasurer, Mrs. D. M. McEachin, Florence. Think what it will mean to a Southern soldier to find in a base hospital in France a bed established and supported by his home people. A glow of great

Food Administrators for Edgefield County.

Having received a commission as Food Administrator for Edgefield county, with instructions to appoint a representative of the United States Food Administration for each school district, I have made the following appointments:

Blocker—F. P. Walker, Pleasant Lane.

Antioch—T. L. Talbert, Edgefield, Red Hill—R. M. Johnson, Cold Spring.

Flat Rock—T. W. Lamb, Modoc. Collier's—J. L. Miller, Collier's. Log Creek—R. H. Nicholson, Edgefield.

Berea—R. C. Griffis, Cleora. North Elmwood—A. G. Ouzts, Pleasant Lane.

South Elmwood—J. R. Blocker. Hibler—J. P. Sullivan, Callison. Johnston—M. T. Turner, Johnston.

North Meriwether—B. T. Lanham, Edgefield.

South Meriwether—H. F. Cooper, North Augusta.

Pickens—D. B. Hollingsworth, Edgefield.

Beaverdam—R. A. Wash, Parksville.

Shaw—W. H. Pardue, Johnston. Talbert—T. B. Culbreath, Plum Branch.

Beech Creek—L. J. Claxton, Johnston.

Clark's Hill—J. W. Johnson, Clark's Hill.

Meriwether—George Wright, Collier's.

Ward—D. G. Derrick, Johnston. Long Cane—J. M. Bell.

Wise—S. B. Mays, Edgefield. Bacon—H. H. Herlong, Johnston. Moss—L. R. Brunson, Sr., Cleora.

Edisto—A. A. Derrick, Johnston. Harmony—J. R. Scurry, Johnston.

Fork—J. O. Scott, Morgana. Edgefield—J. H. Cantelou, Edgefield.

Limestone—M. E. Byrd, Pleasant Lane.

Trenton—Wallace W. Wise, Trenton.

Gregg—E. M. Padgett, Trenton. Meriwether Hall—H. G. Bunch, North Augusta.

Meeting Street—J. F. Payne, Meeting Street.

Oak Grove—G. M. Dorn, Clark's Hill.

Each of the above gentlemen will serve in his school district, being constantly on the alert for violations of the food conservation regulations. All violations should be reported to me, and I will forthwith report by wire to headquarters in Columbia, and, if needed a special officer will be dispatched to investigate the case, and institute criminal proceedings if the facts warrant such action.

J. L. MIMS, Food Administrator for Edgefield County.

Capt. Alton Lester Broadwater.

The Advertiser is pleased to learn that our young friend, Lester Broadwater, who went west some years ago to seek his fortune, volunteered early in the fall for military service and took a course of training at Camp Pike, Arkansas. He received a captain's commission and is now stationed at Camp Dodge, Des Moines, Iowa, 163rd Depot Brigade. The Advertiser salutes Capt. Broadwater and confidently expresses the belief that we shall hear more of a brilliant military career from him.

Thankfulness and satisfaction will come over him, as the name suggests home and loved ones.

Now, Daughters, another matter I want to call to your attention. There are five base hospitals in our State—at Charleston, Beaufort, Columbia, Spartanburg and Greenville. I will be very glad if the president of the U. D. C. chapters in each of these cities will appoint a committee to go once a week to these hospitals, carrying cheer to the sick, a flower, some delicacy, candy magazines or periodicals, glad of the privilege to render so small a service to our young heroes.

Faithfully yours, (Mrs. John) PAULINE GERVAIS CART, Division President.