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## JOHNSTON LETTER.

### Closing Exercises of School. Mary Ann Buie Chapter Met. Red Cross Ladies Active.

The graduating exercises of the High School took place on Monday evening in the High School auditorium, which was artistically decorated in the class flower, the daisy.

There was much interest in this, the closing feature of the school and there was a fine audience to hear of the excellent work of the class and the other grades. The exercises opened with the invocation by Rev. W. S. Brooke.

Chorus, by the choral class. Salutatory, Miss Emma Ready. Class Reader, Miss Mary Waters. Vocal solo, Miss Leola Maffett. Valedictory, Mr. Pope Simmons. Instrumental solo, Miss Carrie Belle Stevens.

Hon. R. A. Cooper of Laurens delivered the address before the graduating class. He spoke on, "The Problems of Peace" and was heard with keen interest. His address was a forceful one being delivered after the instrumental quartette by Misses Stevens, Williams, Maffett, Johnson. The diplomas were delivered by Prof. W. F. Scott to the nine graduates. They were: Mr. Pope Simmons, who made the highest honor mark of his class, Misses Emma Ready, Carrie Belle Stevens, Mary Waters, Azilee Yonce, Evelyn Williams, Alma Johnson, Leola Maffett and Mr. Clinton Pardue. Messrs. Willie Franklin and Joseph Derrick were given certificates as Latin had not been taken by them in the regular course. After presenting the diplomas Prof. Scott gave some interesting facts about the school. During the year the school has made from seventeen to eighteen units, making it rank with the highest schools of the State. Fourteen units are required to get the assistance from the State Board of \$550.00.

There are 287 names enrolled. Of the graduates, 26 have, during the year been attending some standard college. This year 7 have graduated with A. B. or B. S. degree. 4 have graduated at a standard college in the time of three instead of four years. Out of 26 graduates 6 hold scholarships. Miss Mary Waters will, in the coming session hold the \$100 Converse College scholarship.

Patriotic work has not been forgotten as the class work was stressed. For this year \$7,000 was invested by the pupils in Liberty Bonds, thrift stamps and War Savings Stamps. Every child in the school is a member of the Red Cross and under the direction of one of the teachers, Miss Eva Rushton, and with Prof. Scott much good work has been done. "America" was sung by every one, and with the benediction by Rev. J. H. Thacker, the exercises came to a close.

Miss Louise Boyd has gone to Chester where she will enjoy a house party with other friends.

Miss Snow Jeffries of Edgefield is the guest of Mrs. Robert Long.

Mrs. Octavia Rushton has returned from the University Hospital, Augusta, and has been confined to her bed for several days.

Mr. W. P. Cassells is having his home which he recently purchased from Mrs. Robert Leavell repainted inside and out. When completed he and his family will occupy it.

Mesdames J. M. Turner and B. T. Adams are at home from a visit in the home of Mrs. Harry C. Strother.

Every one is delighted to see Capt. John Warren here and to hear him tell of camp life. He is now stationed at Camp Sevier.

David Strother of the aviation corps in Texas, is here for a visit to his sister, Mrs. J. W. Stimen. It has been a year or more since he was here and every one is glad to grasp his hand.

On last Monday evening little Dawson, the son of Hon. and Mrs. J. L. Walker, was carried to the Baptist Hospital where he was operated on. He stood the operation well and is improving. His mother remained with him until Friday.

Little Burrell Boatwright who was operated on about ten days ago for an abscess on one of his lungs, has had to undergo another operation. The little fellow is doing as well as can be expected.

The last meeting of the summer of

the Mary Ann Buie chapter, U. D. C. was held Thursday with Mrs. O. D. Black. Mrs. M. T. Turner, president, presided, and good reports were heard from officers and committees. Historical work was stressed and books of historical interest had been offered for best essays on Rear Admiral Raphael Semmes, both in High School and in the children's chapter. It was hoped that a picture concerning the Confederacy could be placed in the library of the High School. There were several articles to be sent from this chapter to the Confederate Museum in Richmond. The chapter had placed ten iron crosses during the year at graves of veterans.

The annual picnic for the Confederate veterans of Camp McHenry will be held on Thursday, June 20, at the home of Mrs. Martha Edwards. Col. R. B. Watson has been invited to make a talk to the veterans on that day.

Mrs. O. D. Black, as District vice president, told of the work and the part this chapter had in furthering the causes. Mr. Hoover's "no wheat" appeal was read and each member pledged themselves to follow out as far as possible, his requests.

Officers for the coming year were all re-elected: President, Mrs. M. T. Turner; vice president, Mrs. J. H. White; rec. secretary, Mrs. Bessie P. Bean; cor. secretary, Mrs. O. D. Black; treasurer, Mrs. John Wright; historian, Miss Zena Payne; gleaner, Mrs. Hattie Bruce; librarian, Mrs. F. M. Foy; auditor, Mrs. Charles Lamb; director C. of C., Mrs. P. B. Waters. Before the meeting closed, the members were all reminded to go to the Red Cross rooms the following Thursday afternoon to sew as a unit.

In the account of the last meeting of the Emily Geiger chapter, the name of Mrs. J. L. Walker, vice regent, was omitted, when the officers elected were mentioned.

Miss Bessie Bean is to be congratulated in winning the loving cup offered at Coker College in the class of expression. Miss Bean is gifted in this art and those who heard her on this occasion have spoken in words of greatest praise.

In the big campaign for War Savings Stamps, June 14 to 28, Dr. J. A. Dobby has been appointed director, Mrs. J. H. White chairman and Miss Zena Payne vice chairman. Dr. Dobby has appointed about 20 young ladies and these will conduct the booth and aid in the general advertisement of the campaign. A canvass of this school district is being made beginning on Monday, that every name may be secured.

The Surgical Dressing class has received its first order—two cases of the 5-yard gauze rolls. The fact that only 300 yards of gauze are on hand at present, is delaying the order. During the week those at work in the Red Cross rooms have been occupied in making 30 pairs of pajama suits and have cut 40 pairs of underclothing. The box sent off for May contained 45 pairs of socks, 30 pairs of pajamas and 72 bed shirts. The Philippi and Bethlehem ladies are also doing a fine work.

Jennie Cassidy's birthday was celebrated by the W. C. T. U. here by going out to the County Home and giving a day to the inmates there. This Union joined in with the Edgefield and Trenton unions. There was a much larger crowd of interested friends than ever before and the cool piazza of the home of Mr. John Scurry, the steward, was filled as well as out under a large shade tree. Visits were made to the homes of the inmates and it speaks well for the county when it was found that there were only eleven here. Each one of these was pleasantly anticipating the visit and remembered many of the visitors. They spoke in terms of highest praise of Mr. Scurry and his good wife who have looked after these unfortunates. The houses had all had a coat of white wash, both out and inside, and everything was well kept. The gardens, grain crop and fruit crop looked very productive. The cows, hogs and chickens showed that those who were here on the bounty of Edgefield County were well cared for. One of the visitors laughingly remarked that she might decide to come out for a stay. After the visits dinner was spread. A box of picnic dinner and a smaller box with coffee, sugar and a box of crackers were given to each one and their buckets were filled with iced

## College Girls Entertainment

### OPERA HOUSE

Friday Evening, 9:00 P. M.

Processional of all colleges in Edgefield county wearing their college colors, singing college songs.

Presentation of W. C. T. U. prizes in Edgefield county essay contest, winners seated on the platform.

Introduction of Celebrities..... Annie Crouch, Converse College

#### Pageant of Colleges Bringing Their Gifts to America:

"America"..... Frances Turner, Greenville Woman's College  
Industry..... Lizzie Kate Anderson, Coker  
Youth..... Janice Morgan, Winthrop  
Beauty..... Margaret May, Greenville Woman's College  
Athletics..... Annie Crouch, A. B. Converse  
Learning..... Isabel Bean, A. B. Coker  
Art..... Ouida Pattison, Anderson  
Domestic Science..... Annie Holmes Harrison, Chicora  
Music..... Helen Marsh, Columbia College  
Y. W. C. A..... Kathleen Kenrick, Limestone

#### CURTAIN.

Piano Solo, "Rondo in C,"..... Beethoven  
Ouida Pattison, Anderson College  
Reading, "Uncle Dan's on Conservation"..... Willie Peak, Winthrop  
Piano Solo, "Valcik"..... John Mokery's  
Helen Dorn, Normal Music Graduate, Coker  
Vocal Solo, "A Red, Red Rose,"..... Frank S. Hastings  
Minnie Helena Latham, A. B. Coker  
Accompanist, Alma DeLoach  
Piano Solo, "Royal Procession"..... Armstrong  
Annie Holmes Harrison, Chicora  
Chorus, "We Are a Band of College Girls."  
Piano Solo, "Marche Mignonne"..... Poldini  
Frances Alma DeLoach, Mus. B. Coker  
Reading, "Fleurlette"..... Robert W. Service  
Florence Adams Mims, Coker  
Chorus, "Marseillaise," in French..... French Students  
Piano Solo, "Venetienne"..... Benjamin Godard  
Genevieve Norris, Greenville Woman's College  
Chorus, "There's a Long, Long Train a Winding."  
Piano Solo, "Scherzo"..... Chopin  
Margaret May, Greenville Woman's College  
Chorus, "Smile, Smile, Smile."

#### lemonade.

In an hour or so the inmates were all gathered under a large shade tree and the children of the L. T. L. gave a little play. There was a patriotic song and the children in flower costumes, each representing a flower, did their part well, having been trained by Mrs. J. H. White, superintendent of the L. T. L. When this was over, their flowers were given to the inmates in the name of Jennie Cassidy, that noble woman who conceived the idea of bringing good cheer through flowers. A medal contest was held, the participants being from Johnston and Edgefield, and William Wright won the medal.

Before the members of the union all left for their homes some of them were discussing this good place for Edgefield County's unfortunates, and someone asked just how long it had been established. About seventy years ago William Scott Smyly with Mr. Johnson, Mr. Avery Bland, Mr. Milledge Weaver and one other gentleman were discussing some of the poor of the county and said that some provision should be made for them. From this conversation came further thoughts on the subject and these five gentlemen eventually set the plan afoot and this present site was first used for the home, and then called the "Poor House." The large bell that is now rung to summon the inmates to their meals is the same one that rang for the first meal ever had there and was moulded on the plantation of Mr. Smyly for this purpose.

#### A Matrimonial Prize.

A young man who, during his brief career, had never been required to do very much labor at home, enlisted for the present war, and is now in a training camp "somewhere in America." A few days ago his mother received a letter from him in which he said that he had never worked so hard in his life, that he had been doing kitchen work, making beds, washing and drying dishes, etc., and that when he returned from the war he would make some fellow in California the very best wife there ever was. —Los Angeles Times.

following states and the state seals stand out in bas-relief: North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Florida, Virginia, Missouri, Texas, Mississippi, and Arkansas.

On the north side are the words: "Not For Fame OR Reward Not For Place Or For Rank Not Lured By Ambition Or Goaded By Necessity But In Simple

Obedience To Duty As They Understood It. These Men Suffered All Sacrificed All Dared All—And Died." On the south side:

To Our Dead Heroes

By The United Daughters Of The Confederacy Victrix Causa Diis Placuit Sed Victa Catoni.

The sculptor's name appears near the base:

M. Ezekiel, Rome MCMXII

Rookies are coming into Fort Myer every day and are about to crowd us out. You should see them the first few days after they come, with sore arms and sore feet they drag in to the "Y" at night and tell them all about it at home. But they are not sore in spirit—every man is trying to become a real soldier and do credit to his camp.

S. B. Townes.

#### Graduating Exercises of High School.

The graduating exercises on Wednesday evening at the school auditorium were intensely interesting from beginning to end.

Rev. E. C. Bailey invoked the blessing, and America was sung. Major T. J. Lyon, who presided, announced the names of the 1918 graduates, who are as follows: Misses Annie Sue Broadwater, Velma Cogburn, Lydia Brunson, Neta Ouzts, Lucile Reel and Annie May Culbreath. The member of the graduating class receiving the highest average for the four years in the High School, was Miss Neta Ouzts of the McKendree section.

Splendid papers were read by Miss Broadwater, "The Woman of Yesterday and Today"; Miss Velma Cogburn, "The Influence of a Christian Government on the World"; Miss Lydia Brunson, "The Constructive Effect of This War on America." An original reading was given by Miss Annie May Culbreath, which was memorized and splendidly rendered.

Miss Lucile Reel played a piano solo, and the delivery of diplomas was made by A. S. Tompkins in his attractive style. He would strain a point and claim two of the girls for Meeting Street when the McKendree neighborhood wished to divide honors.

The address was made by Dr. E. P. Jones. Following this, Mr. A. E. Padgett, chairman of the Board of Trustees, made his annual report which is published elsewhere in this issue. Mr. Padgett commented on the fact that all the graduates were young ladies, and hoped that when the cruel war was over there would be more boys to receive diplomas.

Major Lyon made a report of the number of boys and girls who owned Liberty Bonds and War Saving and Thrift Stamps. Miss Edith Ouzts had bought the largest number of War Savings Stamps, having about \$150.00 worth. Over \$5,000 was represented in all the three included.

A splendid number of pupils were reported as members of the Junior Red Cross, there being 80 per cent, and about \$100 in the treasury.

On the platform during the evening were the six graduates, Major Lyon, Rev. E. C. Bailey, A. S. Tompkins, Dr. E. P. Jones L. W. Cheatham, A. E. Padgett and W. C. Lynch.

Medals were delivered as follows: To Clarence Boyd for greatest improvement in the Graded School, given each year by Dr. J. S. Byrd. Miss Carolee Cogburn for highest average in the High School, given by Major Lyon. J. P. Nixon, Jr., highest average in the Graded School, given by Mr. E. H. Folk.

#### Honor Students.

1st grade—Ruth Lynch.  
2nd grade—Eleanor Dunovant.  
3rd grade—Frances Welts.  
4th grade—Anne Lawton.  
5th grade—Isabel Cheatham  
6th grade—Mary Lyon.

#### RED OAK GROVE.

### Business Session of Missionary Society. Y. W. A. Will Meet With Miss Mamie Bussey.

On account of the delightful weather last Sunday after the refreshing showers, our Sunday School attendance was larger than usual. Another feature that we noticed was the presence of every officer and teacher. The bible class teacher, Mr. G. W. Bussey, proved himself well prepared on the lesson, handling the subject in such a manner that all could see the distinction between real repentance and surface sorrow.

The W. M. U. held a short business session after Sunday School and a good collection was taken. We were glad to have Mrs. Sallie Mims with us again. She brought a message from Circle No. 3. We feel sure their work will accomplish much good as it is being discharged in the face of discouragement, through faith.

The Y. W. A. will hold their monthly meeting with Miss Mamie Bussey on Sunday, the 16th. Her friends are delighted that she has returned from the hospital and is doing so well.

Mrs. Maggie Griffis returned home from a pleasant visit to her daughter Mrs. Trapp McManus at Edgefield.

Mr. Fred Mims was cordially greeted and welcomed home for a five-day's furlough from Camp Sevier.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Agner, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Holland of Greenwood, spent last Sunday at Camp Jackson with Mr. John Agner.

Mrs. Charley Hammond has been quite sick again but will not have to undergo surgical treatment as was greatly feared at first. She had as guests last Sunday Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Timmerman, Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Clegg, Mr. and Mrs. Clement, Mrs. Eva Bussey and Mrs. Lamb.

Miss Marie Hamilton and Miss Kathleen Kenrick attended the Red Hill Y. W. A. last Sunday.

We appreciated the presence of the district chairman of the War Savings Stamps committee, Mr. George Bussey of Flat Rock, at the meeting held last Friday at the Court House. Dr. Jones' remarks, the earnest prayer by Mr. Shannonhouse and the stern facts so earnestly presented by our county chairman, Mr. E. J. Mims, should stimulate all who were present to feel the importance of co-operation by every individual in the success of the drive, beginning next week for War Savings Stamps.

Miss Sarah Collett, the county chairman of Red Cross woman's work will organize next Saturday afternoon, the 15th, the ladies of this community, so that we may do more efficient work. We urgently insist that the women and girls come and hear the message Miss Collett will bring. We often have these appeals made for our presence and our gifts also, from the Government. Much more can be demanded of us if we do not heed the appeals made. May each individual be proud to do all in his or her power and may our dear Father above make us believe he is the Leader. Then we will rejoice in having yielded to the service where He guideth.

#### Waiting for Him.

"When are you going to fix that front fence, Hiram?" said the farmer's wife.

"Oh, next week when Silas comes home from college."

"But what will the boy know about fixing the fence, Hiram?"

"He ought to know a heap. He wrote me that he'd been taking fencing lessons for a month."—Country Gentleman.

7th grade—Clarence Boyd.  
Highest Average in Graded School.  
2nd grade—John Nixon, 96 5-9  
3rd grade—Effie Allen Lott, 94.6  
4th grade—Clyde Arthur and Julia Strom, 91.  
5th grade—Robert Tompkins, 96 3-9.  
6th grade—Isabel Byrd, 95.  
7th grade—Mitchell Wells, 94.  
Highest Average in High School.  
1. Carolee Cogburn—94.94  
2. Frances Jones—93.90  
3. Velma Cogburn—93.80  
4. Lois Mims—93.  
5. Margaret Blocker—92.05  
6. Edwin Folk—91.83  
7. Hob Byrd—91.80