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## JOHNSTON LETTER.

### School and Churches Open. W. C. T. U. Meets. Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Move to Beaufort.

School opened on Monday and the pupils were more or less glad to get to studies again. So much time has been lost, that Saturdays will be used to help make up lost time, but duties will last on this day only until 12 o'clock.

Mr. Wingate and family will move to Beaufort in about two weeks, having accepted a similar position to the one he now holds at Eidson's Garage.

Mr. F. M. Boyd has accepted a position at Beaufort, and his family contemplates moving there a few weeks. Every one will greatly miss this estimable family, and it is hoped that they love Johnston so, they will not live there long.

The Red Cross chapter has been given an order for a box of pinafores for the destitute children across the seas. These garments will be made in the homes, and if done as rapidly as the last order, the shipment will be made at an early date.

The Red Cross Headquarters are now located over the store of Mr. H. W. Crouch, the place previously used being occupied by Mr. Bob Murrell and family.

Mr. Pope Lott is a salesman in the interest of the fish scrap, a new fertilizer, manufactured in Florida. This is considered one of the finest and most productive on the market, and is something very new for the farmers of this section.

Miss Louise Coleman of Aiken, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. E. Lagrone.

Dr. and Mrs. Bernard of Augusta, were guests of Dr. and Mrs. C. P. Corn last week.

Mr. Stanton Lott is the possessor of four topaz stones of beautiful lustre and polish, the latter having been added by a jeweler, the stones at first being in a rough state. The stones he picked up while in Oregon, while there in military service.

Mr. and Mrs. Berry entertained a large number of their near relatives and friends with a dining on Friday, and a happy day was spent. Mr. Berry has a very productive country place, and a dinner of a great variety of nice things was served.

Misses McCutcheon and Allen of Dillon, who are teaching at Leesville school, spent the week-end here with Miss Hallie White, who is also one of the teachers of this school.

Miss Clara Sawyer has been quite sick for several days but is now improving.

The face masks that have been used with such good results while in the presence of a flu patient, are now being made an article that can be more quickly adjusted, and fresh gauze placed on. Dr. J. A. Dobeys has originated this more handy article, and contemplates sending it to the patent office in Washington. This article would be fine to use in house-cleaning as it would prevent the dust from the nostrils.

The friends of Mr. Wilbur Eidson were pained to learn of his death which occurred at his home in Warrenville on Thursday. He was a merchant at this place. Last fall Mr. Eidson suffered an attack of influenza, followed by typhoid fever and pneumonia.

Before his marriage to Miss Lula Wright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wright, who resided near here, he made his home at Ward, and was often a visitor here with relatives.

The remains were brought to Ward on Friday afternoon and interred at Spann's cemetery and was attended by a large number of friends and relatives, several going from here.

Mrs. Eidson is a sister of Mrs. Allie Kinnard of Edgefield.

The W. C. T. U. meets Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the home of Mrs. J. H. White. Subject, Door of Hope. This institution was to have been before the union in December, but no meetings could be held then.

The Mary Ann Buie chapter, U. D. C., meets Thursday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock with Mrs. F. M. Boyd.

Mrs. Grace Crouch has gone to Mullins for a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Smith.

Miss Myra Pearce of Augusta has been visiting the Misses Bean.

Rev. R. E. Stackhouse of Columbia

attended the quarterly conference here on Sunday last.

Mr. A. J. Mobley has gone to Florida to spend a while.

Mr. Y. May of Greenwood was a visitor here last week.

Miss Georgia Sawyer has gone to the Baptist Hospital, Columbia, for treatment.

Mr. Chas. Bailey of Ellenton was here on a prospective visit last week. It is hoped that he will move his family here. He married a Johnston girl, Miss Palm Reams.

Mr. Peter Epes, a former resident but now of Macon, Ga., was here during the week.

Mrs. W. P. Collins has been visiting relatives in Graniteville.

Mr. Mark Toney is now living at the home place, which piece of property he owns. For so long, Mr. Mark Toney, his father, lived here, but upon the death of the parents, their children made their home elsewhere.

It is very pleasant to see some of the family back at the old home.

Miss Bettie Waters has resumed her duties as teacher of Hardy's school. She goes each day in the car, and can thus be at home nights.

Miss Sara Norris has returned from Atlanta, Ga., where she went in interest of spring millinery for the establishment, and some very attractive cuts are being displayed.

## Farmers' Meeting.

The farmers of Edgefield County were called together by Mr. Addison B. Carwile for the purpose of sending delegates to the Convention of Farmers in Columbia Thursday, February 13th, 1919.

The State meeting was called for the purpose of formulating some plan for controlling the cotton crop next year.

The meeting was called to order and Mr. P. N. Lott was elected chairman, and Mr. J. G. Holland, secretary of the meeting.

Mr. Carwile made a motion to call for volunteers to attend the State meeting in Columbia and the following volunteered:

Mr. W. A. Strom, Dr. B. F. Jones, Mr. S. B. Nicholson, Mr. E. Watson, Mr. Addison B. Carwile (tr. J. G. Holland, Mr. G. W. Scott, Mr. R. T. Hill, Mr. C. M. Rauton, Mr. P. N. Lott, Mr. J. C. Sheppard and Mr. A. E. Padgett.

A motion was made to ask the Bank of Trenton and the other Banks of Johnston to send representatives to the meeting.

We hope that great good will come to the farmers from this meeting in Columbia, and we hope to be able to inform the farmers of the County of some concrete plan whereby they will be enabled to get a living price for what cotton they have on hand, and a fair profit on what they expect to make next year.

J. G. Holland, Sec'y.

## Cleora Cullings.

The health of this community is very good. We have had some very bad cases of influenza, but no deaths so far among the white people. There have been some deaths among the darkies.

Mr. W. P. Brunson has been right sick for the last few days, not "flu." Dr. Nicholson has been attending him.

The four airplanes that left Columbia Friday, for Atlanta, created quite a sensation in this section when they passed over. These were the first that have ever been seen through here.

Another of our boys, Diomedes Corley, came home with his discharge Friday. We hope all of them will soon come.

Our school is still running, no more cases of "flu" having developed and those who had it are about well.

There is less labor in this section than has been since the Confederate War. You can't hire an extra day's work at any price.

Some parties were complaining last week of no weather to kill hogs. Think this morning will satisfy them.

## NOTICE U. D. C.

The regular meeting could not be held this month, but a called meeting of all the Daughters will be held at an early date. All members are urged to hand in their dues to the treasurer, Miss Annie Deloach, at once.

Mrs. A. A. Woodson.

## More Interest in the Road Question.

I see from your paper that Mr. Broadwater has kindly given us permission to work our own roads, for which we ought to be very thankful.

Now, it seems to me, that the chaingang and scrapes and all road machinery as well as the road tax belongs to the people of the whole county and should be used in a way to benefit the biggest number of people most. We know the chaingang is only sufficient to repair the roads, and no one could expect any man to keep all the roads in good condition with this force, but is it right to take this chaingang and machinery to build a permanent road through one corner of the county which will benefit not more than ten per cent of the people and the roads in the whole western and southern parts of the county impassable.

The road from Cleora to Edgefield is in such condition that it takes four mules to pull a two-horse load, when, if the ditches had been scraped out in the fall or summer, with the mild winter we have had, they would be passable and even now a wagon and team with four or five hands could, in a week or ten days, haul rocks and fill the worst holes, let the water out where it has collected, make them passable and save the double expense in hauling.

From what I can hear from other parts of the county, this is a fair specimen of the roads south and west of Edgefield; and the chaingang at work building the "Dixie Highway" to benefit directly, not more than ten per cent of the people and ninety per cent quarantined on account of impassable roads and this work to continue for another year. Is this just?

I have heard of one R. F. D. route being cut out by the government on account of the condition of the roads, and if the government inspects all the routes in the county between now and April, others will be cut out for the same reason; while our road tax and our road force is building a highway!

One argument in favor of this highway is it will increase the value of the property of the county. Then let those whose property is increased in value pay the expense or build this road by contract and let the whole county be taxed to pay for it, like Aiken and other counties have done, and let the chaingang patch the roads of the whole county, and at least make them passable.

I heard a friend ask a lawyer of Edgefield a month ago about our roads and for a remedy, and he suggested the same plan that Mr. Broadwater has, almost word for word. It is strange how "great minds run in the same channel."

Now, as to the plan suggested by the supervisor. It is a noted fact that there is less labor in the county than ever before, all the able-bodied men from 20 to 35, white and colored, in military service, not enough labor in the county to gather the crops, some still in the fields for lack of labor, yet they think we ought to drop all farm work and work our roads, with the county gang and machinery working the "Dixie Highway." I think he over estimates our patriotism. Now, I don't know who is to blame for this state of affairs. If this is the law, in the name of justice, let our representatives change it so one man can't utilize our road working force, as small as it is, for the benefit of a small per cent of the people without any restrictions. I don't blame him for stopping people from filling holes and making out big accounts to be paid, usually two or three times what it is worth.

Now, we are willing to co-operate with the supervisor and help him in any way we can, but under present labor conditions it is impossible to get the labor to work them.

On roads where, under the old system, we worked twenty hands, there isn't more than five or six now available. What could this force do with weeding hoes? The chaingang is the only labor that can be depended upon to work the roads, and a small force with teams and scrapes can accomplish more in a few days than could be done otherwise in weeks, even if we could get the labor, which we can not do.

Subscriber.

WANTED: Tenants for several good farms. Apply to

Mrs. M. J. Norris.

## Two Interesting Letters from Camp Branch.

As there has been no news from our side in some time, I thought I would write a few lines.

We have had beautiful weather for the past few days.

It is beginning to look like home again, seeing a good many of the boys home from France.

Mr. J. E. Burnett of the Thirtieth Division is home from France. He was wounded the 16th of October. It is interesting indeed, to hear him tell of the battles he helped to fight. He said he went over the top as many as four or five times a day. His many friends are giving him a cordial welcome home. He made a flying trip to see his girl Friday afternoon.

Misses Tommie Long and Robert Griffis dined at Mr. O. M. Burnett's Sunday.

Masters James and Manning Prescott from Red Hill spent the week-end with Master Ollie Seigler.

We hear of orange blossoms near us soon.

A good many in our section have been victims of influenza, but glad to say all are well now. A good many schools have been closed on account of the "flu" which will be a back-set to the children.

Quite a number are making plans to meet the Thirtieth Division which we hear are to land soon. We take off our hats to them, and open our hearts and homes to them and give them a hearty welcome. We join in with the dear old fathers and mothers in welcoming their boys home. We thank the dear Father who is above us all, for sparing their lives and pray for His sustaining grace to those who have boys over there and have given their lives for their country.

We have had some rain for the past few days, but the sun is shining again which we are glad to see. There has been plenty of rain to wash away the dust and a little drier weather is expected to come soon. We will start plowing.

Mr. J. E. Burnett is at home for a few days. He reached his home last Wednesday afternoon, and was much glad surprise to every one. He is of the Thirtieth Division and came over with the wounded list. He will soon return to Camp Jackson, and there await his discharge.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hudson have moved in our community. We are glad to have them with us and wish them much success in the future.

Mr. Capers DeLaughter has been at home for some time from camp with an honorable discharge in his pocket.

We are very glad to have Mrs. Lizzie Prince and her son Abbie, to live in our neighborhood.

Mrs. J. R. DeLaughter, Miss Lena DeLaughter and Mr. Sam Hightower from North Augusta spent a pleasant day with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. R. DeLaughter on Sunday, 2nd.

Does anybody know where our supervisor is these days? Don't think he has travelled any lately and it will be impossible for him to travel out this way from Edgefield for some time, unless he comes in an airship.

Mr. Morris Summerall had bad luck one day last week as he was coming up the Martintown road. He drove in a very bad mud hole and his mule bogged up to his ears, but came out all right except he was very muddy.

If no bad luck, the orange blossoms will soon bloom near us.

Mrs. N. H. DeLaughter and Miss Lila DeLaughter have gone to Augusta this week on business.

Mr. Jim Lanier has been ill for a few days. Hope he will soon recover.

Mr. Charlie Lanier purchased a new buggy during Christmas and is making his trips very often to Augusta. There will soon be orange blossoms over his way, we presume.

## Dots from Choty.

Mr. Charlie Bussey and Mr. Jasper McDaniel of Modoc were in Choty last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. U. M. Agner is digging a well at his new residence.

Mrs. M. E. Walker is visiting her sister, Mrs. Press Parkman.

We are sorry to lose one of our boys, Dewey Dorn, from this community. We hope he will be successful in his work.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Parkman visited his parents last Sunday.

Mr. Eustice Thurmond has returned

to his home at Morgana.

Mr. Eula Dorn has purchased a new Buick six.

We are glad Miss Anna Belle Saunders has recovered from the flu and is back at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Dorn.

Miss Maggie May Robertson opened her school again Monday morning at the Red Oak Grove.

The members of Red Oak Grove section are glad to be able to open Sunday School again.

We are very sorry to hear of our pastor, Rev. G. W. Bussey being sick, and hope he will soon recover. We are expecting to have our usual Y. W. A. meeting Sunday afternoon with Misses Maggie and Clela Agner. The program will be arranged by Misses Kathleen Kenrick and Deadis Dow.

We are glad to have Mr. George Gilchrist back in our community.

Miss Sunie Sharpton and Mr. Jeff Sharpton have been visiting in Augusta.

Misses Ruby Dorn, Maggie and Clela Agner spent the week-end with Miss Lou Eva Parkman. Several other guests were there, and they all enjoyed pulling and eating candy.

## Henry Harris Writes His Parents from New York.

January 21, 1919.

Dear Mother and Father:

I will write you to say I am back in New York, and had a fine time on the boat, landing on the 19th of which I am very glad.

I will leave here in a few days, and will be sent to a camp closer home. Then I will know better what I am going to do. I will not write again till I am moved. You can look for me now most any time. Good-bye till then.

Henry Harris.

U. S. A. Debarckation Hos., N. Y. City

Since the above note was written, our young friend, Henry Harris has returned home, and although wounded, he says he would not take a million dollars for his experiences abroad.

## Chronic Constipation.

There are people who never have a movement of the bowels without it is produced by a cathartic. Most of them have brought that condition on themselves by the use of mineral waters and strong cathartics that take too much water out of the system and aggravate the disease they are meant to relieve. A mild laxative tonic like Chamberlain's Tablets affords a gentle movement of the bowels that you hardly realize has been produced by a medicine, and their use is not so likely to be followed by constipation.

## Senator Sheppard.

The people of Edgefield county may be depended upon to always do the correct and proper thing. The selection of Hon. John C. Sheppard to fill the unexpired term of the late Senator Ben Nicholson is not only a fitting compliment to a former governor of South Carolina, but at the same time it is an appreciation, nicely done, of the distinguished services rendered the State by both Senator Nicholson and Mr. Sheppard, who is the father-in-law of the deceased senator. In the Senate chamber Wednesday memorial services for Senator Nicholson, who was one of the best loved members of that body, and an able, public-spirited, forward-looking man, were held. The desk at which his father-in-law sits is still draped in mourning for him. As for Senator Sheppard, he will wear the title of senator as honorably as he has for all these years worn the title of governor.—Columbia Record.

The election without opposition of ex-Governor John C. Sheppard to fill the unexpired term of the lamented Mr. B. E. Nicholson in the State senate is a cause for general gratification throughout the State. Governor Sheppard, when a very young man, was one of the foremost of the Democratic leaders in 1876 and in the 16 years that followed he was an indefatigable toiler in the public service. Although past middle life, he is young in heart and strong in mind and body and it is pleasant to observe that his experience and talents have again been drafted by the people of Edgefield to labor for progressive government in South Carolina.—The State.

## RED OAK GROVE.

### Rev. G. W. Bussey Still Sick. Y. W. A.'s Hold Meeting. Schools Reopen after Influenza Subsides.

Our Sunday School attendance last Sunday was unusually small, though we hope as spring comes on our people will take on new life.

Mrs. Joe Bussey and Mrs. Lamb being the only members of the W. M. U. present, that meeting was missed also.

Our Bible class teacher, by the help of the members, will become a more efficient lecturer, for he studies his lessons, and how many of us demonstrate any knowledge of the subject or even an interest.

Parents that feel they must remain at home, can render much encouragement to the Sunday School by sending their children. Mr. Bussey and the other officers of our Sunday School will be greatly strengthened and encouraged by this co-operation on the part of the parents.

On the twenty-third we hope to re-organize and start out with the resolution to try and do more for the Sunday School and its welfare than we have been doing.

The friends of our pastor, Rev. G. W. Bussey, will be pleased to learn he continues to improve from his recent sickness.

The Y. W. A.'s meet with Miss Maggie Agner next Sunday afternoon. Misses Maggie and Clela Agner and Miss Lou Eva Parkman will arrange a program for this meeting.

Miss Kathleen Kenrick will conduct a short service at the close of this meeting in honor of Frances E. Willard as the service we held last February seems to have created real admiration and interest for that most worthy character.

We have just learned of Prof. Osborne of Augusta visiting our neighborhood last week in pursuit of young ladies and girls who wish to prepare themselves for the business world. Prof. Osborne's efficiency has many compliments throughout this state.

Mr. George Gilchrist has returned from Chicago, and will remain the season with Mr. George Bussey and work a crop.

Mrs. Eva Bussey has recovered from a severe attack of influenza and is now able to be out again.

The many friends of Mrs. Maggie Griffis will be glad to hear she is feeling so strong and well, and really is looking younger as she grows older.

Mrs. Maggie Fuller and little son have been on a visit to their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Nick Griffis, leaving for Greenwood last Thursday.

Miss Bertha Parkman was the guest of Miss Mildred Bussey last Sunday.

Little Misses Fannie Dow and Maude Hamilton were the attractive and interesting guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Lamb last week-end. They made happiness and sunshine for their host and hostess by their childish music and sweet sunbeam songs. At a late hour fruit and candy was very much enjoyed, and their sweet, childish way they expressed thanks for the pleasures of the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Lamb returned from Sunday School last Sunday and were the guests to dinner at Mr. James Hamilton's.

## CHURCH NOTICE.

Services at the First Baptist Church this coming Sunday at eleven-thirty A. M. and seven-thirty P. M. Sunday School at 10:15. After preaching, an exceedingly important conference will be held. Every member of the church is urged to be present for this conference. Do not let the weather or any previous engagement prevent your coming.

Robert G. Lee, Pastor.

## Dollars and Cents.

Counting it only in dollars and cents, how much did that last cold cost you? A man may not always stop work when he has a cold, but perhaps it would be better if he did. It takes about ten days to get completely rid of a cold under the usual treatment. That time can be much shortened by taking Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and proper care of yourself, in fact, a bottle of this remedy in the house is a mighty good investment during the winter and spring months.