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## JOHNSTON LETTER.

### Frances Willard Day Observed in School. Emily Geiger Chapter Met With Mrs. Mobley.

Last year the Legislature set aside the birthday of Frances E. Willard for observance in the schools of this state. There are now ten states that have taken such action and are honoring the memory of this great pioneer worker in the cause of temperance. On last Friday the Johnston High School observed this day in a beautiful manner, and the life and causes for which Miss Willard worked were deeply impressed on the minds of the pupils. A splendid program was carried out.

Miss Helen Wright has accepted a school near Saluda and has entered upon her duties.

Mr. Graves Cooner of Batesburg, was here on Sunday and spoke in interest of the great campaign at the Baptist church.

The friends of Mrs. John Mobley will regret to know of her illness at the Columbia Hospital. She was operated on last Wednesday and her condition is as well as could be expected.

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Chester arrived from their honeymoon and after a visit in the home of the brides' father, Mr. W. M. Wright, will go to Augusta, where they will make their home.

Mrs. David Kellar has gone to Greenville to see her mother. Miss Maude Sawyer spent last week in Aiken with her sister, Mrs. Henry Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. David Phillips and family of Springfield, are guests of Mrs. Mary Waters.

Mr. A. B. Lott went to Wood on Tuesday to attend the marriage of Miss Nina Ors to Mr. William Waters, the groom being a cousin of his. Mr. Watkins has recently returned from France.

Mr. and Mrs. George Golphin and Mrs. Watkins of Ninety Six, have been guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lott.

Mr. Claude Lott, who was quite ill last week is now able to be out again. His condition was such that arrangements were made to have him carried to the hospital, but there was a change for the better and he was treated at home.

Miss Mary Waters who is teaching near North Augusta, spent the week-end here with the home folks.

The Basketball team of North Augusta High School and the team of the Johnston High School had a most exciting game here on Friday afternoon, the latter winning by a large score.

The Baseball team of the Johnston High School crossed bats here last week with the team from Columbia High School, Columbia winning.

There was much cordial interest entered in the marriage of one of Johnston's most esteemed and beloved young men, Mr. John Fleming Marsh to Miss Lois Thayer Kernaghan, which took place on Wednesday of this week at the home of the bride at Batesburg. Following the ceremony an elegant reception was had and there were quite a number from here to attend.

The New Century club met with Mrs. J. L. Walker on Tuesday afternoon and all were entertained most cordially, punch being served as the members and guests arrived. Reports of the business were interesting. There were \$21.50 in the savings department and \$13.00 in open account, and \$10.00 for library purposes. A box of books had been sent the Girls' Industrial school at Empobello.

The subject of the program was "The Jew," and a good program was had.

Following the program all enjoyed a hearty salad course with iced tea. Mesdames W. J. Hatcher and P. Stevens went to Sumter on Tuesday to attend the State W. M. U. annual convention.

Miss Gladys Price is at home from visit to her sister, Mrs. Teague, in Augusta.

Mrs. W. S. Mobley was hostess for Emily Geiger chapter D. A. R., Monday afternoon. Two new members were received at this time,

Mrs. J. W. Stimen and Mrs. Joe Cox, this being four additions since the resuming of activities.

The chapter was glad to learn that it was 100 per cent for gifts to Tilaloy and Liberty Loan.

Some time ago, one of the members, Mrs. J. Neil Lott, asked the chapter to name her new home, and all the members gave in names for her to choose from. At this meeting she stated that she had chosen "Fairhaven."

The memorial tree, to the boys who gave their lives for our country will be planted on the grounds of "Fairhaven." The planting of the tree was the suggestion of the historian, Mrs. O. D. Black, and the chapter instructed her to order the tree.

The coming conference was discussed and the regent, Mrs. Scott, being unable to attend, Miss Frances Turner was appointed to represent her.

A splendid program was had on South Carolina's Part in the Revolution," closing with a duet by Misses Frances Turner and Bettie Waters.

The hostess served a delicious repast.

The friends of Prof. Scott deeply sympathize with him in the death of his father, Dr. Scott, which occurred on Sunday morning at the hospital in Columbia.

Dr. Scott had been sick for some time. Prof. Scott was with his father at the time of his death and during his illness several times.

Mrs. Scott and little boys left on Sunday afternoon for Montecello, the home of Dr. Scott to attend the funeral.

### All Day Meeting at Republican

Republican church is one of our most beautiful places situated

at the corner of Main and Second streets. It was built by the Mar. road. This church, along with Antioch and Red Hill, has just called Rev. Mr. Barnes of Kingsburg, as pastor.

Sunday morning, Rev. Mr. Kesterson preached a fine sermon on the 75 Million Campaign, making every point plain to the hearers in reference to the great undertaking.

After the sermon and some good music by the choir, Mrs. D. T. Mathis, Jr., acting as organist, the meeting adjourned for dinner, where under the lovely old trees the hospitable and kindly people of this community dispensed their generosity. While the dinner was being served, Dr. Lee, Messrs. A. A. Edmunds and W. E. Lott, who had come from Edgefield after the morning service, arrived, having been brought from Edgefield by Mr. Thomas Adams of Colliers.

After the recess, the Sunbeams and Girls' Auxiliary of Republican gave the Victory pageant, showing the various ways in which the cause will be aided. Many little girls and boys took part in this under the direction of Mrs. W. O. Whatley and Mrs. W. G. Wells, leaders of the Girls' Auxiliary and the Sunbeam society.

Rev. Mr. Kesterson, before the close of the morning service, had a conference of the church at which time the clerk, Mr. Murphy Miller, read the minutes and a collection was taken to help repair the roof of the parsonage at Red Hill. The house which is now occupied by Rev. Mr. Kesterson is owned by Rev. J. T. Littlejohn. Mr. Frank West has offered the three churches a lot centrally located which the members hope to accept and build upon it a parsonage for the use of the pastor for this field.

Mr. Kesterson introduced Mr. W. E. Lott who spoke first on the 75-Million Campaign and then Dr. R. G. Lee gave his address as associational organizer. At the close, cards were distributed and pledges made amounting to the full amount of \$4,000 apportioned to Republican, lacking a small amount which will be secured from those who were not present.

MRS. J. L. MIMS.

REWARD: I will pay a reward of \$25 dollars for evidence to convict the party who took a new Fisk tire 32x4 from the rear of my Chalmers car Sunday afternoon between 5:30 and 8:00 o'clock.

EDGAR STROTHER.

### Three Hundred Thousand Coal Miners Quit Work.

Chicago, Oct. 31.—Bituminous coal fields of the nation to-night were in the grip of a strike effective at midnight which leaders of the union miners declared already had seen more than 377,000 of their members out of the works to remain out until the strike should be settled. Thousands more of the miners whose whole number is roughly placed at 500,000 would be out tomorrow they said.

The men already on strike, the leaders reported, were those who had left the mines today, taking their tools with them. Reports from the soft coal fields were very incomplete tonight and even the union leaders agreed to wait until tomorrow before being able definitely to know the number of men who had obeyed the strike call. But in almost every instance, the miners' spokesman asserted that the tieup of the mines would be virtually complete although the unions will leave a sufficient number of men in the mines to man the pumps and keep the property in shape for resumption of work when the strike shall be ended. Some union leaders refused to talk on account of the restraining order issued at Indianapolis.

Reports to the union leaders tonight indicated that the bulk of the miners in the great producing regions of Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Ohio, Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, Colorado, Kansas, Montana and Wyoming had left the mines at the close of the day shift to remain on a strike.

But with the strike officially starting at midnight, tomorrow being virtually a holiday in coal mining, and Sunday also a day of non-production, it was generally conceded that not

will know to what extent they will be able to operate if they should decide to attempt actual mining work.

The following table by states of men who left the mines today and tonight to obey the strike call is based on reports, in most instances estimated, received by the union leaders throughout the country:

Arkansas, 1,000.
Colorado, 5,000.
Illinois, 80,000.
Indiana, 25,000.
Iowa, 14,000.
Kansas, 12,000.
Kentucky, 30,000.
Maryland, 1,800.
Michigan, 2,400.
Mississippi, 1,000.
Montana, 4,000.
New Mexico, 300.
North Dakota, 1,000.
Ohio, 40,000.
Oklahoma, 8,000.
Pennsylvania, 100,000.
Tennessee, 2,000.
Utah, 1,000.
Washington, 6,000.
West Virginia, 40,000.
Wyoming, 5,000.

While no reports were available from Alabama, Texas and Virginia, union leaders said there were numbers of men on strike and thousands would be out tomorrow in the Southern fields.

What tomorrow's reports would show the union chiefs said, they were unable to predict, except that the strike would be of so vast an extent as to paralyze production of bituminous coal.

### Marsh-Willis.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Marsh have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Annie Marie, to Mr. Perry Dalphus Willis of Gaffney.

### A Good Cough Medicine for Children

Mrs. J. W. Phillips, Redon, Ga., phoned to J. M. Floyd, the merchant there, for a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and said she had bought a bottle of it at his store recently and that it was doing her children so much good that she wanted to keep up the treatment. You will find nothing better for coughs and colds in children or for yourself. It keeps the cough loose, expectoration easy and soon frees the system from the cold.

### Miss Florence Mims Writes From Boston.

Dear Advertiser:

Probably there is a reason even back of the literary advantages, why so many students return year after year to Boston to study instead of seeking elsewhere. There are many places where students can meet each other for a social good time. One of these places is the First Baptist church, where every Sunday evening a social club for students is held.

On Thursday evening one of these socials was developed into a Halloween party.

It seems that the Halloween custom is a very old and really admirable one. In the old world the Pagans used to celebrate it at the end of summer as a thanksgiving to the sun for having ripened the grain and fruit.

The Druids also celebrated this occasion and the reason the black cat figure, so much in evidence at the Halloween time is because the Druids thought of it as a sacred animal.

The day was first observed in the fourth century when the Christians were no longer persecuted, and they named the time for the saints and called it All Hallows or All Saints Day for there were, of course, too many saints for them each to have a special celebration.

Ireland has a specific Halloween literature and Japan, France and other countries, continue to celebrate it. Though little observed during our Colonial period, the custom is now growing. The day is but a fore runner of Thanksgiving, both occasions rejoicing over the harvest of plenty in the land.

"Pale tapers glimmer in the sky,  
The dead and dying leaves go by;  
Dimly across the faded green  
Strange shadows, stranger shades  
Have been seen."

We sang, played games and had our fortunes told, and at last were led by several ghosts to the basement of the church which was most sepulchral as the ghosts shrieked at us in the dim light and finally led us into a huge hall where appropriate Halloween refreshments were served.

The evening closed as we all sat around a fire in a huge circle and heard the pastor of the church, the Rev. Newton C. Fetler, play the guitar, sing and tell ghost stories.

I thought, "what a great thing it is that the church, not the dance hall, is being transformed into a wholesome, uplifting place of amusement, that the modern church has learned that religion has lost some of its traditional long facedness, and is now taking on a more cheery spirit that it may draw nearer to the student, the future thinking citizen of tomorrow."

FLORENCE MIMS.

142 Hemenway St.,  
Boston, Mass.

### Statement by Dr. John R. Mott.

Under date of October 21st, Dr. John R. Mott, General Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Associations of North America, sends the following wire from New York:

"I am greatly surprised to learn that notwithstanding my previous statements on three important subjects my attitude, belief and practice are still misunderstood. Request, therefore, that you give widest immediate publicity to the following statement:

FIRST—Today as always I believe in the Providential character and mission of our Evangelical Christian Denominations. I have never been identified with and have never countenanced an organization or movement which stands for breaking down denominations. On the contrary have devoted most of my thought and strength for over thirty (30) years in seeking to raise up leaders for the different denominations in their work at home, abroad and in other ways to strengthen the hands of these denominations. I believe in cooperation and in the oneness for which Christ prayed but this does not imply any weakening of denominational integrity, loyalty and efficiency. I have not worked in the

dark. My public utterances in all parts of the world during all these years largely on denominational platforms and in the councils of trusted denominational leaders ought to make such misunderstandings impossible.

SECOND—Regarding Camp Pastors, let me state that as a member of the Committee of Six, I opposed the proposed action regarding their withdrawal from camps. The minutes of the Committee and testimony of my colleagues corroborate this statement. When I learned that I was being quoted to the contrary and this apparently with support of War Department, I called and entered protest in person to War Department and was exonerated. Not only have I not opposed Camp Pastors but on the contrary have always instructed our Young Men's Christian Association War Workers to give full support to all properly accredited Camp Pastors.

THIRD—Regarding the charge that the Association minimized the religious side of its work, especially overseas, would state that our purpose, policy and effort were to secure the exact opposite result. Notwithstanding short comings and weakness in the work owing to inadequate leadership and other handicaps, this most vital part of the program became increasingly prominent and effective. A larger number of pastors were sent overseas than of any other profession, not excepting regular Young Men's Christian Association Secretaries. They numbered over fourteen hundred. They had a leading part in the control of the entire movement with results of which we are proud. The charge that we did not devote relatively sufficient money to religious work is absolutely false and misleading because this charge does not take account of the principal items, namely, those such

tion Association was workers overseas has come from writers, speakers and others who charge that our work was too religious and in particular, too much in the hands of Evangelical denominational leadership.

(Signed)

DR. JOHN R. MOTT.

### From the Agricultural Agent.

A car of wire has been ordered for the Trenton farmers. Another will be ordered out soon. Probably three will go to this section. Edgefield should order out a car at once. Canvass will be made this week and next for orders. Those farmers who expect to have their wire shipped to Edgefield should see County Agent Carwile at once, as this order must be put in.

There will be a sale of Aberdeen-Angus cattle at the State Fair Grounds, November 7, 1919. Farmers interested in stocking with this breed of beef cattle should get in touch with Mr. Carwile in order to make the trip over to this sale.

Greenwood is now in the weevil territory. There is no danger in selling seed on that market by the farmers of the upper part of this county. The State Crop Pest Association has ruled that they may do so.

### Rhoda Royal Hippodrome Shows Coming.

The above named shows will arrive in Edgefield on November 8th for their first time here. It will be a wonderful feat for the show going people, charming for eye and ear, and eclipsing all past amusement enterprises. Everywhere honored as a welcome guest, whose coming visit has been waited for, it will be a glorious, glittering and entrancing exhibition. You will see the best one-ring performance ever given under a tent, a brilliant array of talent, male and female artists from all parts of the world, triumphantly advancing upon an overwhelming tide of superlative endorsement by an applauding press and satisfied public. All in one big ring, Rhoda Royal's Circus will appear twice daily on above day and dates. Free open air exhibition on grounds at 1 and 7 P. M. Performances start at 2 and 8 P. M., rain or shine.

### No Law Prohibits Teacher Using Rod.

That there is no law on the statute books of South Carolina prohibiting a teacher from inflicting corporal punishment on a disorderly school child is in substance the answer S. M. Wolfe, attorney general of the state, has made to a letter asking for information on the point.

Mr. Wolfe's reply in full is as follows:

"Replying to your inquiry of the 27th instant I advise that the matter of disciplining a school is one for the board of trustees and the teacher in charge to determine. There is no law on our statute books in this state prohibiting corporal punishment. If to compel obedience and to conform the pupils of the school to proper decorum it is necessary in some instances to resort to corporal punishment, the law does not prohibit its being inflicted. A teacher in charge of pupils and responsible for their conduct while in the school at least is in loco parentis and has such a portion of the powers of the parent delegated to him may be necessary to answer the purposes for which he is employed.

"Of course if the teacher inflicts punishment which is wanton or malicious in its nature or which results from some motive other than that of punishing the child for some misdemeanor in the school, the law would hold him responsible. It would likewise hold him responsible for punishment which was brutal in its nature and out of proportion to the offense committed by the child. Where a parent objects to a child being made to conform to the regulations of the school as approved by the board of trustees, he should be requested to withdraw his child and send it elsewhere.

"If you will excuse my referring to my own experience as a teacher, I had adopted a system of 60 demer-

ded the offender subject to expulsion or corporal punishment and I always permitted the parent to indicate to me either in writing or personally his or her desire as to the method of punishing the child. If they preferred expulsion, the child was forthwith expelled, if they said corporal punishment, the child was punished accordingly and retained in the school. This might be adopted as one means of getting around any possible objection on the part of contentious and unreasonable patrons. As I have said above, however, whenever corporal punishment is administered it must be administered in reason and just what would constitute this is a question of fact. The child should, above all things, be thoroughly cognizant of his offense. No child should be punished unless he is fully apprised of the offense for which he is being punished."—The State.

### Edgefield Theatre Under New Management.

Mr. Thomas H. Wall, the well-known Augusta "movie man," has taken over the management of the Edgefield Theatre and patrons may look forward to a series of up-to-date features.

Mr. Wall, who was Assistant Director of Cinema with the Y. M. C. A., in France has more than an average understanding of the moving picture world. It is confidently expected that with such a knowledge, the Edgefield Theatre will prove a source of unending enjoyment. Pictures will be run four times weekly, Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, and as Mr. Wall remarked, "there will be no efforts spared to bring Edgefield into line with any other town in the social, educational and topical news of the world."

Continuous musical accompaniment will render the pictures popular and more interesting. Every good luck to Mr. Wall in his new enterprise, and hopes that he may succeed as well on this side as he did for the boys in the trenches.

LOST—A black, folding pocket-book containing \$207.15. A liberal reward to finder of same.

JAMES TURNER, JR.  
Pleasant Lane, S. C.