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## Teachers' Association.

On Saturday, the appointed time for the meeting of the Edgefield Teachers' Association, was surrounded with as unfavorable environment as the day which had been appointed a week before. It was raining most of the morning and until the dinner hour.

In spite of this the faithful teachers and some of the trustees came in gradually one by one, until when the program began, though the hour was late, about fifty all told were present.

The program was carried out in the auditorium of the High School as follows: Mr. W. W. Fuller, county Superintendent of Education presided, and the meeting opened with prayer and music.

Mrs. Jas. H. White of Johnston sang a solo, "If you have a pleasant thought, sing it," with piano accompaniment by Mrs. Tillman. Miss Miriam Norris sang "Where the Four Leaf Clover Grew," with piano accompaniment by Miss Genevieve Norris. Dr. R. G. Lee was introduced and made an address full of great inspiration to all who listened.

Following the program a hot dinner with coffee and dessert was served to all by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, literature being distributed to each teacher present on the subject for the essay contests. Souvenirs were placed at each plate on which were written quotations from Frances E. Willard, the great teacher and apostle of temperance.

At the close of the dinner Mrs. Tillman acted as toastmistress.

The following responded to toasts: Mr. W. W. Fuller, "The Teachers' Association;" Mr. J. L. Mims, "The Teachers;" Mr. Orlando Sheppard, "The Trustees;" Miss Cleo Attaway, "The Patrons;" Mrs. J. L. Mims, "Frances Willard;" Mr. S. McGowan Simkins, "Law and Order;" Mrs. W. L. Dunovant, "The Relation of the 19th to the 18th Amendment;" Rev. G. W. M. Taylor, "The Woman's Christian Temperance Union." This was a very strong presentation of the work and the value of the organization.

While Mr. Taylor was speaking Hon. John E. Swearingen, State Superintendent of Education, came in and there was a thrill of excitement and gratification that the occasion should end in such a delightful event.

When Mr. Taylor had finished speaking, Mrs. Tillman introduced Mr. Swearingen or rather gave him a most hearty expression of welcome, as of course he needed no introduction to Edgefield, being one of Edgefield's sons whom our people delight to honor, for himself and the associations of the past as well as for the valuation we put on his efficient and effective services as State Superintendent of Education for South Carolina.

Mr. Swearingen's address was full of splendid thought-producing statements, clearly and concisely and convincingly expressed and very entertaining. He has wit and charm and judgment and conscience in his appeal, and we consider the Edgefield Teachers' Association peculiarly fortunate in having had the pleasure of hearing him.

Dr. Lee was called upon to give an appropriate close to the after dinner program, and was most choice in his words "like apples of gold in pictures of silver."

Mrs. Tillman, who had from beginning to end, made such a charming toastmistress and who had dealt so wisely with every succeeding event of the hour, announced that the program was over.

Mrs. J. L. MIMS.

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## Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

The February meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held with Mrs. R. G. Lee on Monday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The parsonage was filled with ladies, the three rooms thrown together and overflowing.

Mrs. E. J. Norris conducted the devotions, the songs being the White Ribbon Rally Song and Onward Christian Soldiers.

Mrs. J. L. Mims gave some current events encouraging to the organization, and little Esther Rubenstein was called on to give a piano which she played with a great deal of taste and was cheered very heartily. Esther is a cousin of Beryl Rubenstein who played here so wonderfully as a boy and who now has become a distinguished musician, playing before large audiences in the larger cities.

Mrs. Rainsford gave an account of the luncheon and after dinner speeches made at the Teachers' Association.

"Sweet and Low" as a duet was sung by Mrs. R. G. Lee and Miss Miriam Norris and was a real lullaby to the tired mothers who were there to hear and who are singing lullabies at home most of the time instead of having such a beautiful one sung to them.

Miss Jennie Pattison read very effectively a message from the National President, "Why the W. C. T. U. Should 'Carry On.'"

A request came to the Americanization department through Mrs. Monroe Paul, to assist one of our foreign neighbors in securing naturalization papers.

Mrs. Tillman made the citizenship study very interesting on the subject of the State Executive, giving Edgefield county credit for having had five governors. The duties of all state officers were explained, and incidents related. The State Treasurer, Mr. S. T. Carter was mentioned as an Edgefield man and Hon. J. E. Swearingen. Mrs. Tillman told of his expression of cordial cooperation in distributing the Frances Willard Day programs from his office each year.

The next place of meeting was announced for Mrs. James E. Hart, March 7.

Attention was called to temperance Sunday in the various Sunday schools this coming Sunday, and the announcement that a Frances Willard Memorial service would be held during this month.

Attention was called to the fact that the bill raising the age of consent to 16 years had been unfavorably reported in the legislature and expressions of disapproval came from those present. The women of South Carolina are in favor of this bill and can not understand the motives of the committee in reporting it unfavorably.

Three new members were received, Mrs. Earle Cogburn, Mrs. John Quarles and Miss Emmie Lanham. Each one of these, we hope, will help us to strengthen the conviction and demand on the part of the people of Edgefield for law enforcement.

A free will offering was collected. At the close of the program, the hostess assisted by Misses Miriam Norris and Elizabeth Lott, served a dainty salad course with sandwiches and hot coffee and whipped cream.

The hospitality and cordial reception of the hostess, and the lovely parsonage and the beautiful sunshine and gracious women present made the meeting a success.

## "Our Patrons."

A pleasure rare is mine today, Our patron friends to give in toast. Whatever I may have to say, I would speak truly of this host.

It is for them our schools are taught, The welfare of their children dear; For them our daily tasks are wrought, Their lives for service to prepare.

We should our patrons better know, Their plans and wishes for each child, So pull weeds or plant seeds to grow, Build up the true, drive out the wild.

The "law and order" of our land Depends on views our patrons take; We trust they'll take a lofty stand, And with teachers co-operate.

Well, after all, our patrons are Friends of our schools both true and tried; And wher'er they be, near or far, May blessing on their heads abide.

The foregoing was the original toast given by Miss Cleo Attaway to The Patrons at the County Teachers' Association here on Saturday.

Miss Attaway is the principal of the school at Long Branch, and is the Corresponding Secretary of the South Carolina Woman's Christian Temperance Union. She is the Advertiser correspondent from the Philippi community and a valuable one.

## Miss Lillie Adams Hostess for Bridge Party.

Miss Lillie Adams was a very delightful hostess on Tuesday afternoon of this week, six tables of bridge players enjoying the hostess' pretty hospitality.

Mrs. Herbert Smith won head prize, a deck of cards, and Miss Mammie Dunovant won a huge stick of candy for the booby.

Dainty refreshments were served concluding the function.

## Meeting Proved Unsatisfactory (Communicated.)

There was a very meagre attendance Monday at the meeting of taxpayers in the Court House for the purpose of electing delegates to the Taxpayers' Convention to be held in Columbia. There seemed very plainly to be a division of those present, one faction stressing abolishing all public offices which are NOT ESSENTIAL. After a motion in order to suggest those offices which should be eliminated, so that those present could vote intelligently on the resolutions, it was plainly shown that the Farm Agent work and the School Inspectors were under fire by one faction, while especially the Farm Agent work was stoutly defended by all of the most prominent Edgefield County citizens present. After the general filibuster the meeting gradually dispersed, with everything in common having been discussed and nothing in general being accomplished.

## Cotton and Grain Varieties Recommended.

Clemson College, January 8.—As a result of variety tests of cotton, corn, oats and wheat during the past several years, the following recommendations for South Carolina are made by Prof. C. P. Blackwell, chief of the agronomy division, in the annual report of that division for 1919-20.

The best short staple cotton variety for land free from wilt is Cleveland Big Boll.

The best short staple cotton variety for land infested with wilt is Dixie Triumph.

The best long staple cotton varieties are Webber No. 49 and Webber No. 82.

The highest yields of oats have been from Fulghum and Appler.

The highest yields of corn have been from Douthit, Coker E-1, Lowman Yellow, and Garrick.

The highest yields of wheat have been from Leap's Prolific.

The best variety of soy beans is Mammoth Yellow.

## South Carolina Cotton Market for Past Week.

Taken from United States Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Markets, Cotton Quotation Service, Charlotte, N. C., district. Bulletin issued February 7, 1921.

Aiken	12.50
Anderson	14.00
Bishopville	12.25
Camden	12.00
Dillon	13.50
EDGEFIELD	13.25
Greenville	13.50
Kershaw	13.50
Laurens	13.00
Manning	12.50
Newberry	12.50
Orangeburg	12.50
Rock Hill	14.00
St. Matthews	12.50
Sumter	12.50
Westminster	12.50

## Cotton Seed.

Fifty bushels of Manely's Heavy Fruiter Cotton seed for sale at \$1.50 per bushel. I purchased the seed from E. S. Manely last spring at \$4.00 per bushel. I had these seed ginned at L. Y. Bryant's gin so as to keep them pure. On three acres of land I made 3 bales weighing 500 pounds and a remnant of 800 pounds of seed cotton.

Mrs. S. M. CHEATHAM, Edgefield, S. C.

## NOTICE.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Dixie Highway Hotel company will be held in the Court House Friday afternoon, March 4, 1921 at 4 o'clock for the purpose of considering the issuing of bonds to the amount of \$50,000 (fifty thousand dollars). All stockholders are urged to attend this meeting in person or be represented by proxy.

J. C. SHERPARD, President.

J. L. MIMS, Secretary.

FOR RENT: Three desirable rooms, access to water system and bath room.

WALTER L. HOLSTON.

## Important Notice

On and after March 1st this store will be conducted on a Strictly Cash Basis. This applies to one and all.

IT is with a feeling of regret in cutting off some of our best credit customers in making this announcement, but no other course is left to us during these times, as we have all the accounts we care to carry on our books at this time. We can't pay our bills with accounts. Neither can we pay them with promises of payments.

In making this change we believe that it will enable us to serve our customers and friends better than ever, because book-keeping and other expenses will be saved, allowing us to sell you cheaper. Our prices are going to be one price to all. No need of thinking that your neighbor can purchase it for less than you.

Experience has taught us that to make a success of a business you have to stick to the rules and realize on your goods, turn the stock often, serve the public as it wants to be served. We have also observed that during a sale that any one who needs the goods can secure the cash to buy with. Why not save your money to start with, as every penny saved means that much nearer one dollar saved. So we are going to try and help you save your cents by trying to make it worth your while to buy here by making every day a salesday with us (Sunday excepted).

Please remember that we positively will have to stick to our rule, as a business is no business unless it can observe its rules.

## We Question No One's Credit

There are a good many customers that we would be glad to charge goods to—in fact it would be a pleasure—but regret that, unlike Rockefeller, we never did eat out of the silver spoon. Business conditions prevent our doing business as we have done in the past. Just as soon as we can see our way clear to return to credit business again we will do so with a plan of short time credits. But time only will tell.

For those who hate to be bothered with change and writing checks every time they make a purchase, we suggest that they give us their personal check, drawn in our favor, with the amount space left blank. We will keep account of all purchases made during the month and send the bill in monthly, cashing the check for amount of bill rendered. This is offered only as a suggestion. Your checks will be kept in a safe place. THINK THIS OVER.

## Here are a Few Reasons How This Change Will Help You

- 1st. A cash transaction is final, no misunderstanding whatever.
- 2d. No misunderstanding about goods returned and cash on accounts not being credited on customer's bill.
- 3rd. No large bills at end of several months or year to year to worry you.
- 4th. By selling for cash we are able to cut our expenses and sell for less.
- 5th. All bad accounts done away with.
- 6th. Discounts saved on invoices means goods less to you.
- 7th. Less money borrowed at bank means less interest paid out, your saving also.

This store opened its doors in 1900, and has tried to serve its customers faithfully during all these years, *mostly hard ones*, and will still strive to improve its service as it goes along in every possible manner. Our aim will be to have what you want when you need it, or get it for you by ordering out in next mail—or better still, shop the town for you. It will be a pleasure to get it for you in this manner if we do not have it in stock. It will be no trouble whatever, as trouble is our middle (business) name. Command us.

Now, we wish all our customers to look at this change from both sides and we feel sure that they will see our point. So please don't ask the *clerk to charge it after March 1st*, for they will have positive instructions not to charge to any one. Approvals will be handled under the cash plan if you do not wish to keep your purchase (goods not cut). All you have to do is to hand them back to the clerk from whom they were purchased, requesting your money, and you will be remembered at once without a question. Approvals limited to 48 hours.

If at any time you see how we can improve our service you will confer a favor upon the manager by telling him of your ideas. They will be kept in confidence.

## THE Corner Store

All merchandise will be marked at a low cash price on and after March 1st. Come and look them over.