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JOHNSTON LETTER.

School Commencement This Week. New Superintendent. School Picnics Last Week.

The commencement exercises of the High School will begin Friday evening of this week with the musical by the pupils of the class of Miss Barre. She has had a large class and a delightful and varied program is offered. At this time the medal offered by the Apollo Music club will be presented to the pupil making the most merited progress. The medal is a gold one and in the shape of a lyre, and will have the name engraved on it. The baccalaureate sermon will be preached at 11:15 o'clock in the High School auditorium by Rev. J. C. Roper of Chester, and Dr. Josiah Morse of South Carolina University will deliver the address before the graduating class. The graduating class is composed of eleven pupils this year: Miss Laurie Hoyt, president; Miss Mazie Kinard, vice president; Miss Corrine Culbreath, secretary and treasurer; Miss Mildred Crouch, Miss Eva Duncan, Miss Lottie Ergle, Miss Edith Jones, Miss Cornelia Webb, Miss Helen Yonce and Messrs. Claxton and Norris.

The Woodrow Wilson Literary society has been an interesting feature of school work and has been a means of help to the pupils by debates, addresses and articles written by them. The last meeting of the society was held Friday morning in the auditorium at 10 o'clock, and the participants were chiefly the members of the graduating class.

Salutatory, Miss Lottie Ergle; piano solo, Miss Mazie Kinard; Class History, Miss Helen Yonce; Class Will, Miss Edith Jones; Class Prophecy, Miss Mazie Kinard; Valedictory, Miss Corrine Culbreath; Advice to the undergraduates, Miss Laurie Hoyt; Piano solo, Mr. Elliot Lewis; "Auld Lang Syne," by the class.

Miss Lottie Bean is at home from Rock Hill, where she has been teaching during the term.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lott have been spending a few days here with friends. They are always most cordially greeted.

Miss Ray Scott has returned from Columbia where she was the guest of friends.

Mrs. J. H. White went to Columbia on Wednesday to attend the State Democratic Convention. On her return she stopped over in Leesville, for a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Tom Mitchell.

Miss Helen Wright who has been seventh grade teacher at the Ward High School is now at home for the summer.

Mrs. Robert Price has gone to North Carolina to visit her daughter, Mrs. Wise.

Prof. Milton Stackhouse of Columbia has been elected superintendent of the Johnston High School. He is the son of Dr. R. E. Stackhouse, of Columbia, one of the leading Methodist ministers of the state. About twenty years ago Dr. Stackhouse was pastor of the Methodist church here and he and his family were held in love and esteem by the people of the town, regardless of denomination. So it will be a real pleasure to have his son identified with the town again.

Mrs. W. W. Hall of North, S. C., has been spending a while with her sister, Mrs. Will Sawyer.

Miss Emma Griffin of Marion, is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Bessie Bean.

Miss Clara Sawyer spent a part of the past week with her sister, Mrs. Henry Clark, at Aiken, S. C.

Emmett and Natalie Compton have gone to Greenwood to spend a while in the home of an uncle. After the close of school Mr. and Mrs. Compton will join them.

Mr. Leroy Wertz of Greenville, spent the week-end here in the home of his father, Mr. O. S. Wertz.

During the past week some of the grades of the school had picnics, and though it rained each day, this in no way dampened the ardor of the young people. Many of them by good and faithful application did not have to stand the examinations and no happier or carefree crowd could have been found.

Mr. and Mrs. Gay of Garfield, Ga., have been guests in the home of the

latters' father, Mr. Noah Lybrand.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Morgan of Augusta were visitors here on Sunday. Mrs. Alexander and little Laddie have gone to Augusta to spend a while with relatives.

Miss Mary Walker entertained a few friends with a very pleasant tea on Friday evening, and the young people all enjoyed progressive rook later.

Mrs. Mary Waters is at home from a visit to her sister in Augusta.

News comes that Miss Fannie Pruitt, who has been in the hospital under treatment, seems to be improving.

Mrs. McCreight, of Columbia has been the guest of Mrs. Joe McCreight.

Mrs. Fletcher Wright, who has been sick is now much better.

The junior choir of the Baptist church now sits in a body during the Sunday school at the left front section, and the young people are being trained to use their fresh voices to the glory of God.

Kirksey News.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Lanier and children spent last Sunday with Mrs. Harrison.

Misses Cecyle Mae and Lucile Strom were callers in the home of Miss Mamie Zoe Johnson Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hall and children, Tracy and Virginia, spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Melbourne Ouzts.

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Strom visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Clegg last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Seigler and children spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Ouzts.

Mr. Wright Ouzts, Misses Marie and Marguerite Ouzts were visitors in the home of Miss Lucile Strom on Thursday afternoon.

Misses Fannie and Helen Harris have returned to their home in Edgefield after spending a while with Misses Evelyn and Mary Emma Johnson.

Mrs. Clyde Hall and Mrs. Clara Faulkner were callers in the home of Mrs. S. T. Strom last Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. J. M. Johnson spent last Wednesday with her sister, Mrs. Heber Williams.

Miss Lucile Strom spent last Friday night with her aunt, Mrs. W. L. Mellichamp.

Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Ouzts of Columbia visited Mr. and Mrs. Goode Williams last week.

Misses Clarie Faulkner and Lois McManus were callers in the home of Misses Cecyle M. and Lucile Strom last Monday.

Mr. O. W. Lanier has returned to his home after spending a while with his daughter, Mrs. John Seigler of Phoenix.

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Strom were callers in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Clegg last Wednesday.

Miss Annie Sue Lanier spent last Sunday with Miss Marguerite Ouzts.

Mr. F. P. Johnson is spending a few days with his daughter, Mrs. S. T. Strom.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Ethridge and little son, O. A., Jr., were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Ouzts last Friday.

Miss Cecyle Mae Strom spent the week-end with Misses Evelyn and Mary Emma Johnson.

Mrs. Jamie Faulkner spent last week with her mother, Mrs. John Bledsoe.

Miss Mamie Zoe Johnson spent last Saturday night with Misses Evelyn and Mary Emma Johnson.

Messrs. E. L. Strom, Jess, DeVore and Homer Ouzts were business visitors in Greenwood last Monday.

Mrs. Clara Faulkner was a visitor in Edgefield last Saturday.

Misses Fannie and Helen Harrie, Evelyn and Mary Emma Johnson, Cecyle Mae Strom and Messrs. W. P. Johnson and Walter Faulkner motored to Saluda last Saturday.

Mr. W. L. Mellichamp was a visitor in Edgefield last week.

Mr. E. L. Strom has accepted a position in Edgefield for about six weeks.

Mr. T. W. Mellichamp called on Mr. F. P. Johnson last Wednesday.

Mr. Wright Ouzts left last Saturday for Asheville, N. C., where he has accepted a position as bookkeeper. His many friends wish for him much

Musical Recital by Miss Susan Mathis.

The following invitation and program came to the office previous to the recital but was misplaced, and it is too important to be left out. Miss Mathis is the gifted daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Mathis, of Trenton, and is one of the Edgefield county's coming musicians. In her every movement at the piano, she manifests the artist's gift:

Graduating Recital
Miss Susan Elizabeth Mathis
Trenton, S. C.
Assisted by
Miss Margaret Courtney, Reader,
Trenton High School
Trenton, S. C.
E. W. Rentz, Superintendent
Miss Arah Pauline Gatlin, Director
Friday, May 5, 1922, 8:30 P. M.

Program
Suppe ----- Poet and Peasant
Susan Mathis
My Name's Tommy, Margaret Courtney.
Bach ----- Solfeggietto
Verdi, Miserere, from "Il Trovatore"
A Southern Diplomat, Margaret Courtney.
Grieg ----- To Spring
Chopin ----- Valse
Lesson With a Fan, Margaret Courtney.
Sinding ----- Rustle of Spring
Rachmaninoff ----- Polichelle

Music Club Met With Mrs. B. B. Jones.

Better late than never! and so the publicity chairman of the Music club is giving an account of the meeting which was held on Friday, May 12, at which time the Music club was hostess to the brides elect, Miss Rosela Parker and Margaret May. The spacious rooms and hallway were decorated in Dorothy Perkins roses and in the hallway Misses Gladys Padgett and Lois Mims registered the names of each guest.

The musical program was a violin solo "Down in the Forest," by Miss Lois Mims with accompaniment by Miss Genevieve Norris, and vocal solos by Mrs. M. B. Tucker, accompanied by Miss Ruth Lyon, and Miss Ruth Tompkins, Miss Gladys Padgett pianist.

A solo dance was given by Miss Lucy Sheppard, "The Enchantress," with accompaniment by Miss Padgett. Seated on a divan in the drawing room were the brides elect, Miss Rosela Parker and her maid of honor, Miss Rosada Talbert and Miss Margaret May and her maid of honor, Miss Grace Tompkins.

A beautiful feature of the afternoon was a miniature bridal party, consisting of Dorothea Sheppard, Martha Stewart, Janie Edwards, Esther Rubenstein, Mary Cantelou, Marjorie Mitchell and Virginia Holland. Marjorie Mitchell was the graceful little flower girl and Virginia Holland the bride. After the bridal party arrived in front of the real brides elect, two solo dances were given by Esther Rubenstein and Martha Stewart, and the miniature bride presented a hand painted cake plate to each of the guests of honor. A dainty salad course was served.

Moss News.

As we had so much rain last week we are glad to see the sun. The farmers are trying to save their grain crops which are very good.

The cotton is very pretty but we don't know what the weevil will do for us.

Miss Pearl Thomsa spent Saturday night and Sunday with Miss Lorine Moultrie.

Mrs. Maggie Burnett and Mrs. Carrie Burnett spent Sunday with Mrs. J. M. Langley.

Mr. Nat Robertson spent Sunday with Mr. P. W. Christie.

We are sorry to hear Mr. Art Brunson is sick Hope he will soon be out again.

Mrs. Julia Wash entertained a few of her friends last Saturday night. Cake and cream were served the guests.

Mrs. E. L. Strom visited her sister, Mrs. Will Jackson of Edgefield last Thursday.

A Last Word About the Indians of Oklahoma.

Dear Advertiser:

Will you forgive me if I write my last letter about Indians? I know that you think I have thought all the thoughts and dreamed all the dreams that I can about them, and that henceforth I shall have to reiterate what I have said before, but that isn't exactly so. You see today I went adventuring down the heart of my adopted home town down "Main Street," that was lit in the daytime not so much by the sun even, as by the warm colors, and the bizarre savagery of the Indians.

They decorated the town as for a festival, for it is May; the day was hot and they were like lizards sunning themselves on the sidewalks.

A photographer could not have grouped them more effectively. It was the artlessness of the scene that would have made the faces so good in a picture. But they are opposed to the camera. It is the white man's idea and they are not predisposed in the favor of the white man's inventions except those that make for ease such as the automobile. They do not like to have their eerie faces copied.

It seemed today as if they had mistaken the time for Easter, so gay was their dress, but the Easter bonnet was conspicuously absent. The women do not wear hats. In extreme heat or cold they throw their shawls over their heads. Some of them look like enormous bolts of colored cloth, their faces old with the years that have brought nothing more in their train than a sort of lazy comfort and a stolid response alike to the joys and the disappointments of life.

The men have even adopted khaki some of them and many look exceedingly modern, but for the bronze of their faces. But the Indian women are like all other women, fond of beads, and earrings and decoration, and in the years to come, if they change at all, they will change only in the number of ornaments. They will still tend toward the fantastic.

I recently read an Indian poem written by Miss Muskrat, an Indian girl, and a former student of this school. In it she says, "Light and airy are the footsteps Of Welleah, of my Squaw."

When I saw on the street some of the ponderous creatures with the rolling gait of an "old salt," I marveled at the incongruity of the lines. To say that their step was light and airy would be to tamper unmistakably with the truth as I know it.

The poem goes on to say, "And her laugh is like the gurgling of the crystal Sparinaw."

Far be it from me to deny the poet's license, but it seems to me that the Indian is too stolid a creature ever to show much amusement, at least around white people. I saw an old squaw the other day, trying to entertain an obstreperous papoose. The various pantomimes that played over her face were enough to attract not only the papoose, but me.

Above all things the Indian is averse to speaking to a white person. He goes into a store, lays a certain amount of money on the counter, and points to the article he wishes. He tries not to use change, but simply buy what the amount of money he pays the clerk will purchase. Sometimes he goes behind the counter and collects the various things he wishes, anything to keep from speaking. He would rather grunt.

It is said that less than 2-5 of the Indians are church members. The majority of these are Methodists, the Baptist church coming next as a denominational choice.

The Tonkawas are rapidly diminishing, there being only eighty-six of them left. They hold their own land, and thus get nothing from the government. In contrast with the Osages, they are very poor, however, Tonkawa Oil Field is growing nearer to the land owned by several of the tribe. In time they may be millionaires if the rivers of oil flow in the right direction.

"Distance lends enchantment to the view" more surely in connection with the Indian than with anything I know, and I think that if they were more civilized, I should like them less.

The Tonkawas, being like other Indians used to a roving life, could not adapt themselves to the govern-

ment's plan for their homes. For a time their houses were very unsanitary, so that the death rate was very high. They are improving now as they become accustomed to the white man's methods.

A stream and a forest, or a plain was theirs for the taking in the former days. They moved when they felt the call of the wanderlust, but now they are like caged things in a house built of boards. They can not feel at one with law and order. They are at one with the coyote that roams the plains. They can scarcely breathe the rarefied atmosphere of civilization.

Unlike the negro, they have no ambition, they do not care to become like, but more unlike, the white man, who is to them an usurper, a false and unworthy example.

FLORENCE MIMS.
May 13, 1922.
Tonkawa, Oklahoma.

Meeting Street News.

A large crowd from this section attended children's day at McKendree Sunday last. The exercises were fine and dinner plentiful.

Mrs. Margaret Stevens spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. W. S. Logue.

Mrs. Mary F. Walton spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. Davis Timmerman.

Mrs. S. C. Cogburn and Mrs. Wallace Logue called to see Mrs. C. T. Hill Sunday.

Mr. Ben Stevens and little Rembert Hill were Pleasant Lane visitors on Sunday last.

Mrs. J. R. Bryan and children of the Long Lane section spent Tuesday night of last week with Mrs. J. E. Bryan.

Mrs. Mary F. Walton has returned to her home after a few weeks' visit to relatives in and around McCormick.

Mr. S. C. Cogburn carried his little son, Avery, to Edgefield Wednesday to Dr. Nicholson. The child was playing with a penny and swallowed it. We hope it will not be serious.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Stevens and children visited Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Hill Sunday last.

Mr. J. F. Payne made a business trip to Edgefield Monday last.

Mr. Steve Allen spent Sunday with his brother, Mr. J. C. Allen.

Mr. T. A. Odum of Augusta spent Sunday night with his daughter, Mrs. J. F. Logue.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Walton spent Thursday with Mrs. Walton's mother, Mrs. W. P. Johnson.

Mrs. S. C. Cogburn and her little daughter, Rubye Mae, and Mrs. Wallace Logue visited Mrs. F. L. Timmerman of Pleasant Lane Thursday of last week.

Miss Velma Cogburn brother, Odell, spent last Thursday night and Friday with Mrs. H. A. Cogburn.

Misses Evelyn, Mary Emma and Josie Johnson of Kirksey were visitors in this section last Friday.

Miss Mattie Emily McDowell has returned home from the Heyward Institute, Clyde, N. C. We are glad to welcome her home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bryan and children and Mr. S. A. Holston dined with Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Logue last Sunday.

Mrs. J. F. Logue and children visited Mrs. Logue's sister, Mrs. Claude Dorn Sunday afternoon.

Epworth News.

After a week's beautiful weather we are having a continual rain.

The farmers who planted cotton are very much discouraged with it, as it is dying from the effect of the boll weevil.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. W. C. Freeland and Mrs. Belton Watkins are on the sick list at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Boone and little son, William Arthur were the spend-the-day guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Boone.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Watkins' home is brightened by a permanent visitor Mary Lillian.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Freeland and little daughter, Louise, spent the week-end with relatives recently in Greenwood.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ouzts and little daughter, Velma Lou of Greenwood were the guests of Mrs. Ouzts' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dorn, on

TRENTON NEWS.

Funeral of Mr. J. H. Wise. Commencement Exercises This Week. W. C. T. U. Meeting.

The remains of Mr. J. H. Wise were brought here from McCormick on Monday and interred in the Ebenezer cemetery by the side of his wife, his grave being covered with beautiful flowers sent by his family and friends. Mr. Wise was born near here, where he has always resided until about a year ago when he went to McCormick to be with his son, Mr. Fred A. Wise. Mr. Wise was 74 years of age and has always been considered a good and substantial citizen. He was a life long member of Ebenezer church. He is survived by the following children: Messrs W. H. Wise, H. J. Wise, F. A. Wise and Mrs. E. A. Lobin of Philadelphia, Mrs. M. M. Sutton and Mrs. J. M. McCrary of Jacksonville, Fla.

Commencement exercises are being held in our school auditorium. The program, which is highly entertaining will begin Thursday evening and continue through Tuesday morning, when the graduating exercises will take place and diplomas and medals given. The commencement sermon will be preached on Sunday morning by Rev. J. E. Henderson of Aiken.

Mr. David Johnson was carried to the University hospital on Tuesday morning as the result of an injury sustained while acting in the capacity of section foreman on the Southern railroad near Trenton. Mr. Johnson's friends are hopeful that his injuries are not of a serious nature, and that he will soon recover.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Wertz from Columbia have been recent visitors to relatives here.

Mrs. Mae Richburg from North Augusta is the guest of Mrs. Felicia Moss.

Miss Mattie Harrison motored from Columbia to spend the week-end, bringing with her several friends.

Miss Sadie Long who has finished a successful year as teacher at Saluda is home for the summer.

Mrs. J. D. Mathis, Jr., entertained two tables of bridge on Friday afternoon last, using as her decorations baskets and bowls of sweet peas. The highest score was made by Mrs. C. P. Corn of Johnston and she was presented with a dainty hand embroidered handkerchief. The consolation was cut by Mrs. George Wise, who received a towel. Mrs. Mathis was assisted by Miss Julia Wise in serving a delicious salad course and tea.

The W. C. T. U. held a pleasant and profitable meeting with Mrs. T. P. Salter on Thursday afternoon, and much real benefit was derived from a talk given by that beloved woman of Edgefield, Mrs. Jule Mims, whose interest has always been so deep and so keen in the work. Music was furnished by Miss Susan Mathis and a reading given by Miss Margaret Courtney. Miss Ray Swearingen gave a beautiful vocal selection with accompaniment by Mrs. Eb Ryan.

Mrs. W. L. Dunovant of Edgefield was introduced by Mrs. Courtney, president and made a very interesting and profitable talk on the Pan-American conference which she recently attended in Washington. The devotions were conducted by Mrs. Leslie Eidson. The union decided to attend the annual picnic at the County Home on June 9, in celebration of Jennie Casseday's birthday. At the conclusion of the meeting, delightful refreshments were served and a social half hour enjoyed.

Rev. Mr. Mangum, the pastor of the Good Hope church preached at Mountain Creek Sunday morning. He delivered a splendid sermon on "Christ's Attitude Toward His Mother." A large congregation was present.

We are sorry to report that there are mad dogs in this community. Mr. L. L. Hasting killed one at his home Monday night which has bitten a number of dogs.

The gardens are very sorry in this section.

We are glad to report that Mrs. John Smith has returned to her home from the Greenwood hospital.

"ROES BUD."