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## JOHNSTON LETTER.

**Mrs. White Entertained U. D. C. in Honor of Mrs. Angeline Bacon. Base Ball Victory.**

The last meeting of the D. of C. until the fall months, was held last week with Miss Lylie LaGrone, and all business was disposed of, and officers for the coming year elected: President, Mrs. J. H. White; vice-president, Mrs. M. T. Turner; recording secretary, Miss Zena Payne; corresponding secretary, Miss Clara Sawyer; treasurer, Mrs. F. M. Boyd; historian, Mrs. O. D. Black; registrar, Mrs. John Wright; gleaner, Miss Sara Waters; auditor, Mrs. J. P. Bean.

Miss Harriet Cullum, of Batesburg, and Virginia Jones, of Augusta, have been visiting Miss Elise Crouch.

Misses Ethel and Ruth Coleman, of Aiken, are visiting Miss Mary Spann Harrison.

Misses Maud and Gladys Sawyer are at home after several months stay in Georgetown at the home of their brother, Dr. Olin Sawyer.

Mrs. Lillie Parrish, who has been visiting friends here has gone to spend the summer with her mother at Spartanburg before resuming her school duties at St. George.

On Thursday afternoon June 13th, Mrs. J. H. White entertained the Daughters of the Confederacy in a most happy manner, the occasion being the 91st birthday of the oldest member in the chapter, and the oldest in the county perhaps Mrs. Angeline Bacon. The home was attractively decorated in blooming plants, and small Confederate flags added a touch of color. Besides the D. of C., a number of friends were invited, the honor guests being Mesdames Kate Cheatham, Cecelia Blacklock, P. P. Blalock, of Edgefield and Mrs. P. B. Day, of Trenton. Mrs. J. L. Walker greeted the guests at the porch, and carried them to an alcove here, where punch was dispensed by Miss Hattie White and Pauline Lewis. In the hall, suspended where Mrs. Bacon stood with Mrs. White to receive her friends, were "1821-1912," in red and white letters. In the line with them were Mesdames Annie Bacon Harrison, and A. J. Mobley and the officers of the chapter. Other assisting Mrs. White were Miss Edith Coleman and Mesdames Epes, Boatwright, Crouch and Moyer.

After good wishes had been extended, a musical program was rendered in the parlor, all the selections being old-time favorites of Mrs. Bacon.

Vocal solo: "Annie Laura" Miss Winton Lott.

Piano solo: "Swanee river," Miss Mary Spann Harrison.

Violin solo: "America forever," Miss Sue Sloan.

Reading: "Women of the Confederacy," Miss Lylie LaGrone.

Vocal solo: "Sweet daisies," Miss Sara Sawyer.

Piano solo: "Maiden's prayer," Miss Harrison.

Vocal solo: "When we were young," Mrs. J. H. White. Mrs. P. Cobb offered Mrs. Bacon a basket and in concluding her remarks presented her with a beautiful brass basket filled with red and white sweet peas. Mrs. White read very interesting sketch of the life Mrs. Bacon, and ended with any good wishes for her. At this time, the birthday cake, a gift from Mrs. White, was brought in, a large fair iced in red and white, with gleaming tapers. "Happy birthdays" was sung and Dixie concluded the program. In the dining room, red and white ices with cake were served, the centerpiece on the table being a massive blooming plant, which was presented to Mrs. White by Mrs. Bacon, when she married. Boutonnieres of red and white sweet peas were given each guest.

The boy scouts of the town, under the leadership of Dr. Dorset, will hike to Padgett's pond near onetta this week and will spend several days there in camp fishing, hunting and other sports to be enjoyed.

Prof. and Mrs. Wilber Wertz and Mrs. of Jonesville are visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Frank Landrum has returned to Florence, after a visit to her other, Mrs. A. P. Lewis.

Mrs. V. E. Edwards has been

visiting at the home of her father, Mr. DeLoach, at Saluda.

The members of the glee club of South Carolina College came over on Tuesday, and in the evening gave a splendid entertainment at the auditorium.

Mrs. Hattie Parrish spent a few days of the past week at Augusta with her sister, Mrs. Geo. White.

The young people of the town enjoyed a moonlight picnic on Friday evening at Yonce's pond.

Mr. Luke Smith, of Eton, Ga., spent a few days here during the past week.

The Johnston base ball team won from Leesville by a score of 15 to 1, on last Friday. This makes the 7th game played this season with only one game lost, their percentage being 857.

The young men of the town gave a dance on Tuesday evening, in honor of visiting young ladies. Music was furnished by the merry band and all enjoyed the affair to the fullest. The chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. Kirby and Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Wertz, and the couples in attendance were:

Miss Maud Rives with Bennie Parker, Miss Gladys Rives with Vivian Mims, Miss Ethel Coleman with Elzie LaGrone, Miss Orlena Cartledge with Julian Bland, Miss Pet LaGrone with Frank Bland, Miss Ruth Tompkins with Julian Holstein, Miss Nelle Jones with Paul Cogburn, Miss Hattie Bess Cullum with J. B. Cook, Miss Elise Crouch with E. H. Smith, Miss Marion Mobley with Julian Mobley, Miss Mary Spann Harrison with Joe Cox. The stags were Messrs P. H. Johnson, W. B. Ouzts, Kellus Mitchel, John Warren, T. LaGrone, Howard Payne, Sam Mays, V. J. Cullum, Milton Parker.

## List of Candidates.

The following is the official list of candidates who filed pledges:

### UNITED STATES SENATOR.

B. R. Tillman.  
W. J. Talbert.  
N. B. Dial.

### CONGRESS.

First district—Geo. S. Legare, H. Leon Larisey.

Second district—J. F. Byrnes, Harry D. Calhoun.

Third district—Wyatt Aiken, F. S. Evans, M. C. Long.

Fourth district—Joe. E. Johnson.

Fifth district—D. E. Finley, Glenn W. Ragsdale, W. P. Pollock.

Sixth district—J. E. Ellerbe, J. W. Ragsdale.

Seventh district—A. F. Lever.

### GOVERNOR.

Ira B. Jones.  
Cole L. Blease.  
J. T. Duncan.

### LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

C. A. Smith.

### SECRETARY OF STATE.

R. M. McCown.

### COMPTROLLER GENERAL.

A. W. Jones.

### ATTORNEY GENERAL.

J. R. Earle.  
B. B. Evans.  
Thomas H. Peoples.  
J. Fraser Lyon.

### STATE TREASURER.

S. T. Carter.  
D. W. McLaurin.

### SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION.

John E. Swearingen.

### ADJUTANT GENERAL.

W. W. Moore.

### COMMISSIONER AGRICULTURE, ETC.

E. J. Watson.

### RAILROAD COMMISSIONER.

John G. Richards, Jr.  
J. H. Wharton.  
James Cansler.

### SOLICITOR.

First circuit—P. T. Hildebrand.  
Second circuit—R. L. Gunter.  
Third circuit—Philip H. Stoll, Thomas H. Tatum.

Fourth circuit—J. Monroe Spears, Geo. K. Laney, T. I. Rogers.

Fifth circuit—W. Hampton Cobb.

Sixth circuit—J. K. Henry, J. Harry Foster.

Seventh circuit—J. C. Otts, A. E. Hill, I. C. Blackwood.

Eighth circuit—R. A. Cooper.

Ninth circuit—John H. Peurifoy.

Tenth circuit—Prockter A. Bonham, John M. Daniel.

Eleventh circuit—Geo. Bell Timmerman.  
Twelfth circuit—Walter Wells, L. M. Gasque.

## A BIT OF PARDONABLE PUBLICITY.

THE Advertiser seldom indulges in what is commonly known as "blowing its own horn", but, occasionally, a bit of publicity is pardonable, as it has an advertising value, and to be consistent with its precepts a newspaper should do at least a modicum of advertising itself.

Several days ago the editor of The Advertiser received a letter from a gentleman who resides nearly 1,000 miles from Edgefield, but who prior to a few years ago was a resident of the county and is a member of one of our oldest, most cultured and most honored families. The opening paragraphs of the letter referred to the candidacy of a friend of its author, and the latter half contained some complimentary words for The Advertiser, which are as follows:

"By the way, I must owe for a year's subscription to The Advertiser. I do not know just when my subscription was out. It is a wonder to me that I have not been taking it these many years that I have been residing away from home. My citizenship is still with old Edgefield county.

"You have accomplished wonders with the old paper since it came into your hands. It is more human and it has come to be more of a paper for the people who live in Edgefield county. The communications that are so frequently to be seen in its columns from remote localities in the county show beyond question that the people consider it THEIR paper and use its columns as a medium of friendly intercourse and exchange of helpful ideas. It is very evident that The Advertiser has been remodeled, rejuvenated and considerably humanized since you have been its editor.

"It is my purpose to take a trip around the world within the next year and I hope to be able to write some short letters to your paper from different points. They may interest some of your readers and if such should be the case I shall feel repaid for my trouble. I can use another name to conceal my identity.

"Yours truly,"

The foregoing words are not only appreciated because of their commendatory spirit and sincerity of tone, but because they came spontaneously from one who is not only highly educated but who possesses discriminating taste and judgment.

## MR. LOTT WRITES.

### Farm Demonstration Agent Tells About Another Interesting Journey Over a Section of the County.

On the 11th inst., Prof. W. H. Barton, district agent of the farmers co-operative demonstration work, and the writer, visited several of the wise farmers of this, the eastern part of Edgefield county. We describe these people as wise from the fact that they know that they don't know, which is a very fortunate attitude to get into because a man is teachable when he does not know it all.

We failed to find Mr. B. L. Reams. Mr. Reams and family came to us from the Good Hope section with an enviable reputation as a Christian and first-class farmer which he has proven since he has been among us. We found farmer Walton wearing his usual pleasant smiles. His crop up to the chilly June weather, was the finest in the county.

Messrs. J. F. Watkins and T. S. Rhoden have good crops but were like all of us who cannot appreciate a December north Easter coming the middle of June. Capt. Charlie Carson was pulling the bell cord over his favorite Betsie Jane. He remarked that when we saw him at it something would happen. Well it has, the wind has shifted and the weather is back in its natural channel.

We failed to see Mr. G. B. Reynolds. The young man we saw said Mr. Reynolds was very busy down in the lower field and we did not have cheek enough to disturb him. We found Mr. P. C. Stevens in his usual happy mode excepting the unsatisfactory condition of his corn. We gave advice which seemed to comfort him and restore his July spirits.

Mr. Joseph P. Rodgers lives near Mr. Stevens'. Mr. Rodgers is a quiet man, full of energy and good business judgment. Richard Furman Crim, lives on this same R. F. D. route not far from J. P. Rodgers. His mother, Mrs. Lizzie Crim, informed us that Richard was fighting grass and could not wait to see us. Richard and his brother Jas. H. are sterling young fellows that we have our eye on and hope to see

them make good as agriculturists.

At Mount Tabor cross roads we came to Mr. A. W. Harris'. Mr. Harris is on to the advanced ideas of farming and if he can work out his plans and get plenty humus in his soil and inoculation that will assure a growth of hairy vetch, wonders will be worked on land that seems a proposition to the faint hearted.

Our next stop was with our friend Frank M. Warren. Mr. Warren is one of the most genial gentlemen we ever knew, always in a good humor and anxious about anything that tends to the betterment of the farmer. As our time was short we could not carry out our program and were forced to make our way toward town.

We saw Mr. John P. Hoyt's corn. If John gets sufficient rain he will break the record on corn. Should he fail, however, it will not go as hard with him as some owing to his sun-shiny disposition. Two of our adopted sons of Saluda, Messrs. J. Toliver Herlong and W. W. Satcher we failed to see but we saw what they had been doing and approved it as being our way of thinking. The integrity of these gentlemen has worked its way in the hearts of the people and they are esteemed for their high toned citizenship.

Prof. Barton always leaves us regretting that he could not prolong his stay. His knowledge of agriculture, in all its forms from soil building to seed bed preparation, planting and cultivation is not only the knowledge of a theorist but a thoroughly practical, farmer. He always imparts something that sticks. We are sorry he cannot be with us oftener. We have put it down that the day with Prof. Barton was well spent.

Before we finish our letter we cannot refrain from mentioning the fact that in our rounds on the 11th we struck the trail of our enemy. He had been among our friends and demonstrators, knocking us, the works of the department, in fact everything and every body except himself. We would not be surprised to hear of this man (not a farmer) to have forgotten more than Jas. Wilson, Dr. Knapp, Mr. Bradford Knapp, Prof. W. N. Long and the whole push ever knew, yet if he ever did one commendable or heroic act, no one has heard of it. He is a chronic knocker, and we do hope that he may live long enough to see

himself as others see him and learn this lesson that the character of a man is known and appreciated by what he thinks of other people rather than what other people think of him.

Johnston, S. C. P. N. L.

## Beautifulizing the Home Grounds.

Attractive grounds add more than any other one feature toward beautifulizing the home, be it in the country or in the city. No farm or city home can afford to be without a few trees and shrubs around the house. It seems strange indeed with all our natural advantages that ornamental planting is not more observed by those who wish to make life in the country worth while. Money expended in this direction is well invested not only from the fact of its creating pleasant surroundings, but because the beautifulizing of a place enhances its value and renders it salable often at a handsome profit. Then again on the other hand, money cannot buy the satisfaction which one derives from watching the growth and development of ornamental vegetation.

Among the beautiful hardy shrubs that require little attention I wish to enumerate a few that grow to perfection in our state. These plants are easily obtainable and not expensive. The althea or rose of Sharon flowers freely with us during late summer when few other shrubs are in blossom. It has beautiful white, pink and purple double flowers. The azaleas are very gorgeous and range in color from intense crimson to lemon yellow. They are covered with bloom in early spring, before their leaves appear. Deutzias have masses of snow white flowers and are early bloomers. Spireas flower profusely during early spring. They produce a profusion of white flowers. Forsythia or golden bell has graceful drooping yellow flowers. The magnolia grandiflora, the evergreen type, is one of the best of the many magnolias. It grows beautifully with us and is a grand sight.

Of the many beautiful climbing vines that should grace our porches and arbors there is nothing better than the wistarias which can be had in purple, lavender and white. The immense drooping racemes of blooms are truly a grand sight. The climbing roses, the clematis, English ivy, Virginia creeper all grow to the greatest perfection.

Remember that before you get ready to plant sketch out your grounds, locating all buildings, drives, walks, and plantings.

Prof. C. C. Vincent.  
Clemson College, S. C.

## John Lake Homeward Bound.

In a letter written to his aunt, Miss Mamie Lake, which was handed The Advertiser too late to be published in full this week, Rev. John Lake, stated under date of May 9th that he and Mrs. Lake would sail from Canton on May 21st, reaching San Francisco the latter part of June. He is at this moment aboard the good ship, Mongolia, of the Pacific Mail Steamship company, which is plowing its way eastward on the Pacific ocean. Just when Mr. and Mrs. Lake will reach Edgefield we can not say now, but probably some time in July.

## Union Meeting

The union meeting of the 2nd division will meet with the church at Red Hill on Saturday before the next fifth Sunday.

Devotional exercises led by Charles Jones.

1st Query—The great need of missions, man, money and prayer. Speakers, S. B. Mays, G. W. Medlock, and Rev. J. P. Mealing, Rev. P. B. Lanham.

2nd Query—The Sunday school, its mission in this age and the future. Speakers, Dr. J. N. Crafton, J. W. Adams, J. G. Mims, Wallace Prescott.

3rd Query—Are the women's missionary societies properly appreciated by the male members of our church? do they get the encouragement that they should have from us? Speakers, J. D. Hughey, Rev. J. T. Littlejohn.

4th Query—Are Christians as thoughtful and careful as they should be in the exercise of the right of franchise? Speakers, J. D. Hughey, S. B. Mays, G. W. Medlock.

P. B. Lanham,  
For Committee

## PLUM BRANCH NEWS.

**Mr. Fowler of Fountain Inn Elected Principal of High School. Mr. Freeman is Recovering.**

The clouds clearing away on Saturday, the last sessions of the rally meeting of the W. M. U. of the Cokesbury district of the Methodist conference increased in attendance and interest, and Sunday brought them a crowded house. Eighteen delegates were enrolled.

The trustees of the Plum Branch high school have elected Mr. Carper H. Fowler of Fountain Inn, to the position of principal for next session, and he has intimated that he will accept. Miss Leona Lowman, of Prosperity, and Miss Eunice Huggins, of Jacksonville, have been elected for the assistant teachers. The former has accepted, but the latter has not answered yet. They all come well recommended, and it is hoped that the high grade work of last session will be maintained.

The friends of Mr. Will Freeland will be pleased to know that he is convalescing from a protracted and stubborn case of malaria fever. The community has manifested its fraternal spirit in helping him work out his crop, and Mr. Ed Coleman has received similar treatment. Not, "Every man for himself" but, "Every man for his fellow," seems to be Plum Branch's motto.

Mr. Milledge Sturkey is home from Clemson college, and is the last of our boys and girls to return. We are glad to have these young people home, for they help to brighten up the dull summer months.

Mrs. Jessie Cobb of Hodges returned home Monday of this week. She has been spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. H. Banks. Her husband, Mr. Walter Cobb, came and spent one day and night, carrying Mr. Hawthorn Banks home with him for a few days stay.

Miss Nannie Eldson of Wards has been the guest of Mrs. J. E. Freeman this week, returning home to-day, the 14th. Nannie is just fourteen years old, and yesterday from 5 to 7 p. m., eight young ladies of our town of about her age were entertained in her honor by Mrs. J. E. Freeman.

The refreshing shower of rain last night followed by this bright warm day makes the crops look much refreshed, and the cheerful song of a negro in some nearby field as I write is no doubt his way of saying welcome to such weather as to-day brings after a week of cold, and he voices the feelings of the entire community.

## Beautiful Reception in Honor of Miss Earline Allen.

The elegant home of Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Jones was the scene of a large gathering of friends on last Friday evening in honor of the bride-elect, Miss Earline Allen. Daisies and ferns were profusely used as decoration for the mantels and chandeliers, the most elaborate of which being in the dining room. Here the guests were seated at small tables where delightful refreshments were served. The center table was adorned with a miniature bride standing in a bank of daisies. The handpainted place cards were wedding bells bearing bunches of daisies. The refreshments consisted of salads, ices and cake.

Toasts were proposed by several of the guests to which the entire company heartily responded. The toast, "The Bride," by Mr. William Roper of Trenton was especially appropriate and well given.

During the evening the interesting game, "Travel," gave much pleasure and merriment. Mrs. Mamie Tillman won the lady's prize, which she presented to the bride. Mr. Wad Allen received the gentleman's prize. Handsome gifts were also presented by the hostess to Miss Allen and Dr. Morrall. Before leaving each one present wrote a wish for the future happiness of the popular young couple.

"National parties have always selected animals as their emblems." Yes, replied Senator Sorghum, "I'm afraid that if candidates get into the habit of quarrelling, the elephant, the donkey and all the rest of them will have to stand aside and make way for the Kilkenny cats."—Washington Star.