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JOHNSTON LETTER.

Mrs. Scott Entertained New Century Club. Historical Meeting of Mary Ann Buie Chapter.

Mrs. Jennie Foy Lynch was the guest of relatives here last week. Rev. G. T. Hutchison conducted revival services last week at Ridgeway.

Mr. Wilnot Ouzts will at an early date erect his dwelling on the lot adjoining the Ouzts homestead.

Mr. P. C. Stevens went over to Augusta Saturday to take in the ball game between Augusta and the sub-team of Clemson, his son Willie Pearce Stevens playing with the latter.

Miss Sue Sloan visited her friend Mrs. Wyman at Aiken recently.

Mr. Stanton Lott of South Carolina University, spent a few days of the past week here at his home.

Mrs. Edwin Mobley was hostess for the members of the Pi Tau club on Wednesday afternoon and the time was happily spent among the members, with chatting and embroidering. Tempting refreshments were served.

Mr. Leroy Wertz of Belton was here for a few days recently.

Misses Bertha and Alma Woodward spent a portion of the past week at Batesburg.

Mrs. James Strother has gone to Rock Hill to be with her daughter, Miss Gertrude Strother, who has pneumonia.

The second monthly meeting of the New Century Club was held with Mrs. William F. Scott on Tuesday afternoon and during the business session several matters were discussed. Delegates were elected to the state federation, to be held in Spartanburg in May. Mrs. John Marsh being elected, with Mrs. Boyd, president, will attend as all club presidents are on a general committee. It was decided to have an entertainment in a few weeks, and a "Lilliputian wedding" was decided upon. The study for the afternoon was 3rd part of King Henry IV, and Mrs. J. A. Dobe made an excellent teacher, current events were given by Mrs. E. R. Mobley. During the social hour the hostess served salads, crackers, olives, club sandwiches and coffee.

The historical meeting D. of C. which was held Thursday afternoon with Mrs. G. P. Cobb was an exceedingly interesting one. The historian Mrs. O. D. Black opened the meeting with the Ritual, and the first selection given was a paper on "Wade Hampton," by Mrs. G. P. Cobb, the 28th being this great chieftain's birthday. Mrs. Cobb is a gifted and well informed woman and following her paper, she made a short talk. In these remarks, she told of an incident during the second period of Hampton's governorship. At an entertainment one of the tableaux was the crowning of Hampton with a laurel wreath. Her daughter, Miss Septima Sloan, represented South Carolina, and it was her honor to do this. Gen. Hampton presented her with a silver cup in appreciation of this honor, which she had. The next feature of the program was a piano duet by Misses Essie Lybrand and Cleve Moyer. "The Mary Ann Buie chapter," Mrs. James White. This day was the 18th birthday of the chapter, and Mrs. White as president read the charter members who were Mesdames Lillie Fulcher Lewis, Eleanor Ivey, G. P. Cobb, Daisy Sale White, Lillie Sale Andrews, Haseltine Mobley LaGrone, Annie Bacon Harrison, Angeline Gallman Bacon, Martha Edwards and Misses Effie Hannah Allen (now Mrs. W. E. Lott), Clara Sawyer, Annie Ready, Sue Sloan and Rook Ready. Reeling, "The veteran's dream," Miss Essie Lybrand; piano solo, Miss Bettie Waters; "Status of public education prior to the war of 1861-1865," Mrs. J. P. Bean; "Religious influences on the negro before the war," Mrs. James White. Both of these papers were excellent. Mrs. Cobb invited her guests into the dining room after the program and her daughter, Miss Sue Sloan, served all with hot chocolate and fruit cake. All of the china used was beautifully hand-painted, the work of Miss Sue Sloan. Before leaving the dining room all admired the several cabinets filled with this

handsome china.

The regular business meeting of the D. of C., will be held with Mrs. Bettie T. Adams, on Thursday, April 2.

Memorial Day this year falls on Sunday and at the request of the state president, Miss Alice Earle, the local chapter will have the exercises on this day.

The news of the death of Mrs. E. M. Hix, who was one of the oldest residents of the town, brought sorrow to many friends. Her body was brought here from Atlanta Friday morning where she has lived for a few years, going there after the death of her husband, Mr. Edmund M. Hix. She had been sick only a few days, and her death was unexpected. During the many years that Mr. and Mrs. Hix made Johnston their home, they were always identified with the good works of the town and both labored that the present Presbyterian church might be erected. Mrs. Hix was a woman of modest and gentle demeanor and loved by all. The funeral services were conducted Friday morning in the Presbyterian church by Rev. E. C. Bailey who spoke fittingly of the life indeed. As her body rested here in the church she loved friends recalled her faithfulness and loyalty to the cause. At the Mt. of Olives cemetery, her body was laid to rest beside that of her husband, and the grave was covered with many flowers pure white, symbolic of her life. The children left are Misses Gena, Loise and Jessie Hix, and Mr. William E. Hix of Atlanta, Mr. Julian Hix of Jacksonville, Fla. and Mr. Clarence Hix of Portsmouth, Va.

Letter From State Superintendent J. E. Swearingen.

Supt. W. W. Fuller, Edgefield, S. C.

Dear Mr. Fuller:

Under separate cover I have mailed you a check for \$200 rural graded school aid is mailed your county treasurer. This payment covers the state aid to White Town and Flat Rock.

No educational development in the county has given more satisfaction than has the progress of these two communities. It was only yesterday when White Town was the leading special tax district in Edgefield. Its progressive trustees have not only secured a good building, but have also employed an increased teaching corps for a longer term, thus stimulating a fuller enrollment and a better attendance of pupils.

When state aid for lengthening the school term was made available in 1909, it was the teacher at Flat Rock who subscribed from her own funds the amount necessary to lengthen the session. To-day the Flat Rock school has developed to the point where private subscriptions are no longer necessary. Two teachers are employed for a term of at least six months for the patrons have voted the four-mill tax required to secure \$200 under the rural graded school law.

Some half dozen other communities are suffering from inefficient schools, because the taxpayers have not yet shown their willingness to vote a local levy for their district. Is it too much to hope that the number of two teacher and three teacher schools in the county may be largely increased during the next twelve months?

The liberal policy of the legislature has provided state aid for the country schools. The distribution of this aid is determined by the co-operation of the people in every neighborhood. It would mark a great step forward if every white school in the county could maintain at least a seventh months' term this year. It would be better still if two teachers could be employed wherever 50 children are enrolled, or three teachers wherever 75 are to be taught. In closing, permit me to congratulate you upon your increased use of state aid for lengthening the term in weak districts, for building up rural graded schools, and for the rapidly developing high schools of the county.

Yours respectfully,
J. E. Swearingen,
State Supt. of Education.

Just received an elegant line of ladies' Waists, but we have bought at a special price. Many of these Waists are worth \$2.00, but we are selling them at \$1.19.

Rubenstein.

"Georgia Cyclone" Coming.

William D. Upshaw Will Speak In Edgefield Three Times Sunday And Give "John And His Hat" Monday Night.

The people of Edgefield and surrounding country have become greatly interested in the announcement that William D. Upshaw, the Georgia Editor and Orator, is coming to Edgefield.

Although Mr. Upshaw is not an ordained preacher—he says he is just "constrained"—he is expected to speak Sunday morning on "Old Time Religion." Sunday afternoon at the Jourt House, his subject will be "A Stainless Flag for Carolina," or "Rattle-snakes, Pole Cats, Dispensaries, and the Devil." A dollar bill is offered to the man who goes to sleep at this rally; and on Sunday night another big union rally will be held at the Opera House in the interest of "Young America." Monday morning Mr. Upshaw, who is a great favorite with schools and colleges, widely over America, will speak to the High School students and parents.

The fact that a \$5.00 bill is offered to the man who goes to sleep Monday night shows that the people may expect a lively time from start to finish while they are finding out what is under "John's Hat."

The noted Georgian who is often called the "Successor to Sam Jones" is also called the "Georgia Cyclone" on account of his breezy, stirring manner of speech. It is expected that great crowds will hear him every time.

Last Sunday at the Presbyterian Church.

The subject presented last Sunday in the Presbyterian church was on "Christian Unity." Having drawn a distinction between church UNION and Christian UNITY, he cited the prayer of Christ in the seventeenth chapter of John as the lesson, and made the following statements which are extracts from the sermon: The prayer for UNITY was a mediatorial prayer; the Saviour prayed not for the world; the spirit of the prayer was for spiritual unity and not organic union; the prayer was answered for the reason that where ever you find a christian (regardless of denomination) you see manifest the graces of the christian religion; that there never has been, never can be and never will be, but one church; that the church of God is styled in Scripture the "Kingdom of Heaven"; that the denominations should only serve the purpose that "given names" serve in a family; that the nature of the church was entirely spiritual; that God had an elect people among all denominations, which Christ called "His Church," which He loved and for which He died; that there were only two classes of people named in the Bible, which the Saviour called, "Sheep and Goats," children of God and children of Satan; that the universal fatherhood of God, if true, would demolish the doctrines of regeneration, adoption, and finally reduce our religion to nonsense; that only believers, in all ages, were included in the prayer of Christ; that the names of this one church given in Scripture was, "salt, light, congregation of the Lord, Disciples, the sheep, as distinguished from goats, the church of God, the kingdom of Heaven and christians." He further showed that there was diversity in Unity and cited the universe and its contents as illustrative; that denominations were not objectionable, but badly abused; that religion was a state of mind, not an act nor a succession of acts; that all evangelical churches have one spiritual Lord, one spiritual faith, one spiritual baptism; that the church of Christ was styled one spiritual body, with its many parts; that Christ was the HEAD of that body; that the christian graces were exemplified in all truly religious people; that there was one heaven, one Saviour, one Spirit, one common father of all believers and consequently one church, visible and invisible. In conclusion he called attention to the number of English speaking christians among the different denominations as follows: Episcopalians, 14,200,000; Methodists, 18,650,000; Presbyterians, 12,250,000; Baptists, 9,250,000; Congregationalist, 6,150,000. Observe that these are not all of any of the denominations, but only those using the English language. These denominations were divided into several branches as follows: Episcopalians into two branches; Methodists into thirteen; Baptists into twelve, and Presbyterians into twelve.

From these statistics he deduced these facts; namely, that even among denominations there are both diversity and unity of spirit, if christians; that for any one person of a given denomination to presume that none of these other denominations are christians, except one's own, would be sufficient ground to lock the fool up in a lunatic asylum; that no christian of any of these denominations would thus presume; that they all have a work to do; that they correspond with the different grades in a school, and by way of study and contrast, enable one to arrive at relative religious truth; that no one has all of the truth and no one of us are all error. Said he, let these denominations stand as they are, but unite them in spiritual unity, such as Christ prayed for, organic unity, and we would in religious history out of its channel in a little while. He showed that a certain class of religionists, in every denomination, had only enough intellectual capacity to be an enthusiastic denominationalist, and that they are such religious weaklings that were you to broaden them out, what religion they had, would be gone; that the religion of Christ was larger than any denomination, but would include all christians in any of them. He urged that each be loyal to his church, but said that if he could not trust his member in another church, he would not trust him in his own; that if a man was false to the spirit of christian unity, he would be false to any church. He rejoiced that there were in this place so many sweet spirited and broad minded in all denominations; and that if we cultivated this spirit, Edgefield would become an ideal city in the near future; that if any person would read the twenty six verses in the seventeenth chapter of John, read it as slow as a worm crawls and as carefully as you count money, it would prove a startling revelation to any man.

Funeral Held at Parkville.

The funeral of J. H. Cartledge, the Southern railway conductor who was killed at Lexington yesterday morning at about 10 o'clock by being caught between two freight cars, will be held at his former home at Parkville. The remains were sent there this morning over Southern passenger train No. 131 by way of Augusta. Parkville is on the C. & W. C. railway. Mr. Cartledge's mother, Mrs. E. H. Cartledge, lives there. The wife and child of the dead conductor arrived in Columbia last night, having been summoned home from Charlotte by the sad intelligence of his tragic and sudden death.

Mr. Cartledge left Columbia yesterday morning in charge of freight train No. 45, his run being between Columbia and Augusta. His train was engaged in shifting cars at Lexington and he was caught between the bumpers of two cars, inflicting terrible injuries. There were no eye witnesses to the accident and the dying conductor was found by one of the train crew. He was placed aboard the locomotive and hurried to Columbia, but he died before reaching the city. Coroner W. C. Weed of Lexington empaneled a jury last night in Brookland and they came to the city and viewed the remains at a local undertaking establishment.

The verdict of the inquest was: "J. H. Cartledge came to his death by being crushed between the couplings of two freight cars on the track of the Southern Railway Co. at Lexington."

Mr. Cartledge was 30 years of age. He entered the service of the Southern in 1906 as a brakeman. In October, 1911, he was promoted to conductor. He was a member of the Order of Railway Trainmen, the Order of Railway Conductors and the Woodmen of the World.—Columbia Record.

Supervisor Edmunds Publishes a Letter From Ass't. Attorney General.

Mr. A. A. Edmunds, Supervisor, Edgefield, S. C.

Dear Sir: On the 22nd day of October, 1913, in reply to your request for an opinion, I wrote you that the term of office of the Supervisor of Edgefield County was four years, as fixed by Section 935 of the Code of 1912, which is now the only general statutory law of the State.

Further answering your letter, and at your request, I will say that under the Act of 1908, page 1350, the term of office of Supervisor of this County was made four years, several Counties, however, being exempted from the operation of that Act, among which was Edgefield County. In 1909, Acts of the Legislature of 1909, pages 124 and 179, this Act was amended so as to make the term of office of the Supervisor of Edgefield County four years and providing that the Act should not go into effect until the general election in 1910.

In the year 1910 Acts of 1910, page 697, the General Assembly in including Georgetown and Laurens Counties in the four year class, I believe intentionally or unintentionally, I know not, amended the Act of 1908, above referred to, so that Edgefield County was put back into the two year class. Under these Acts of 1909 and 1910, I am of the opinion that the Supervisor elected at the general election in 1910 was elected for a term of two years.

Section 935 of the Code of 1912 fixes the term of office of the Supervisor of Edgefield County at four years; this Code of Laws was declared to be the only general statutory law of the State on the 9th day of January, 1912, by the General Assembly, and I am of the opinion that by this enactment in the Code the term of office of the Supervisor of Edgefield County was again placed at four years, and the Supervisor who was elected at the general election in 1912 was elected for a term of four years. This is the law as I see it.

Yours very truly,
Fred H. Dominick,
Assistant Attorney General.

Upon the foregoing presentation of the law and upon my commission I rest, for the present at least.
A. A. Edmunds.

Miss Lowry Awarded Verdict For \$1,000.

Spartanburg, March 26.—The jury in the case of Miss Sophia Lowry against the Carolina Clinchfield and Ohio Railway returned a verdict this morning in favor of the plaintiff for \$1,000.

Miss Lowry, connected with the Alcazar in Greenwood, asked for \$3,000 damages for alleged humiliation sustained on an excursion run from Spartanburg to Johnson City in June 1911. The complainant testified that on the return trip from Johnson City several persons on the train, one of whom was a woman, were drunk and conducted themselves in an extremely rowdy manner to the humiliation of the other passengers. Miss Lowry alleged that she asked for, but was refused police protection.

The railroad claimed that the excursion was conducted orderly, alleging that only one man was drunk and he was in the hands of friends and did not create a disturbance.

It is stated that several other Greenwood people have brought similar suits against the C. C. & O.

Union Meeting at Philippi. 100th Anniversary to be Celebrated.

It was the pleasure of the writer to attend the union meeting of the first division of the Ridge Association, which was held with the Philippi Baptist church last Saturday and Sunday the 28th and 29th. On Saturday, the crowd was small. There were some very interesting talks made by P. N. Lott, S. B. Sawyer, C. L. Jones, Rev. T. H. Posey and Dr. A. C. King. We regret that there were not more present on Saturday, but Sunday's meeting brought the crowd. You could see them from far and near, not only of this division but of others, and also of many denominations. Surely old Philippi believes in that motto, which is so true, "Give to the world the best you have and the best will come back to you."

Dr. A. C. King, of Johnston, entered upon his duties as pastor of this church about three months ago. He soon became endeared to all with whom he became acquainted, and under his brief pastorate the church has enjoyed a season of prosperity while his efforts and influence have accomplished much for the church. On every hand you could hear such words of praise from them.

They are going to celebrate the centennial, the one hundredth birthday of this grand old church, the 12th of April and they gave everybody a cordial invitation.

May God's richest blessings continue to rest on these people.

News From Rehoboth.

After the cold winter weather with its snow and ice has departed, spring with its beauty and splendor has once more dawned upon us.

The farmers are very busy tilling their soil for planting.

We are glad to report that Mrs. J. J. Mayson is convalescing after being confined to her bed for about three and one half months.

Mrs. J. O. Seigler has been ill for some time but is steadily improving.

Mrs. W. P. Winn is sick. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

Miss Julia Strom is sick. She is with her brother Mr. Clinton Strom at McCormick.

Miss Mamie West has been visiting her cousins, Misses Mary and Maggie Winn.

Miss Maud Reynolds from Jacksonville, Fla., is visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Winn have moved into their new cottage that has recently been erected.

The social events of the community are Rook parties.

Lilly of the Valley.

Honor Roll Edgefield Public and High School.

Section 1, First Grade—Elizabeth Timmerman, Mary Marsh, Allen, George Thurmond, Jack Feltham, Royal Shannhouse, Henry Clippard, Hausford Mims, Isaac Brunson, Allen Edwards, Elizabeth Paul, Robert Arthur.

Second Grade—John Wells 97, Benjamin Cogburn 96, Isabelle Byrd 95, Earl Quarles 95, Elizabeth Lott 94, Tom Bailey 91, Edwin Rives 91, Wallace Sheppard 91.

Third Grade—Eleanor Mims 98, Mobley Sheppard 98, George Tompkins 98, Mitchell Wells 98, Helen Nicholson 97, Corrie Cheatham 96, Gertrude Thurmond 96, Raymond Folk 93.

Fourth Grade—Fair Mims 96, William Folk 93.

Fifth Grade—Norma Shannonhouse 95, Edith Ouzts 94, Strom, Thurmond 92, Sara Lyon 90, Ellen Quarles 90, Rhae Timmerman 90.

Sixth Grade—Edwin Folk 98, Arthur Britt 97, James Sharpton, 95, James Porter 94, Irene Harling 91.

Seventh Grade—Margaret May 94 3-4, Fred Mays 90, Willie Peak 90.

Eighth Grade—Mary Lewis 97, Ouida Pattison 96 1-7, Pearl Quarles 95 4-7, Carrol Rainsford 95, Watson Ouzts 90 6-7, Marie Holston 90 3-7.

9th Grade—Lula Ouzts 98 1-7, Alma DeLoach 95 1-2, Blondelle Hart 94 2-3, Ida Folk 93 1-2, Luther Byrd 90 3-7, Una Ryan 90.

10th Grade—Francis Simpkins 93.