

tributed to me years ago. They now live in Concord, North Carolina.

WEDNESDAY

Johnson: When you decided to go to Europe you were going to some Central conference, or were you just going abroad? *Late*  
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Bethune: I was just going over to see Europe and study it. I had had the desire for a long time to know just a little more about the setting of foreign people in their own homes and in their own surroundings and get a clear idea of what was happening across the waters. I made up my mind to go see for myself. About that time Dr. Wilberforce Williams of Chicago was getting up a party of people to go over and not having been to Europe before, I thought it a fine thing to get with experienced men like Dr. Williams, who had been over several times. I joined the party. It was an interesting group including Mr. and Mrs. E.A. Webb of Little Rock, Arkansas; Dr. and Mrs. M.D. Miller and others. I was to join them in New York to go over and it came just about my commencement time and I had a very narrow escape in making connections. I left Daytona Beach--(there were many people deeply interested in my going--among them was Anna Malone of Poro College) who was very gracious to me and made a contribution of about \$1200 because she felt I had given service so unreservedly for others. She would do that to help me get this experience so I was well prepared to go. Other friends gave me gifts and baggage and money, so--I was in good shape for my trip. My earning capacity did not maintain such a thing on my part.

I took the train for New York. The train was delayed for half an hour. I wired on to the steamship line stating that I would be late and asking them to wait for me. I was a daring thing to do..