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This is Volume 1, Number 8 (November 1888) of *The Record*, published “In the Interests of Musical Culture and General Education” by Prof. Ephraim H. Scott, director of the Western Conservatory of Music at Carthage, Jasper County, Missouri.

Ephraim H. Scott, 1858-1925, was the oldest child of James Homer Scott and Eleanor Scott. James Scott was a Methodist minister whose musical skills and interests were passed on to his family. The Scott family came to Rolla, Missouri, from Illinois in 1871. After education at the Missouri School of Mines at Rolla and the Beethoven School of Music in St. Louis, Ephraim H. Scott established the Western Conservatory of Music at Rolla in 1883.

The four-page *Record* contains advertisements of professionals and businessmen in Carthage, and news of various educational venues such as the Carthage School of Art, the Collegiate Institute, and the public schools. In this issue, Prof. Scott announced the removal of the Western Conservatory of Music to Carthage from Rolla, where Scott had founded the Western Conservatory seven years earlier. The removal to Carthage “was to bring the institution nearer to its naturally developing territory of patronage, the west, manifestly indicated by the fact that the greater portion of our pupils from abroad come from Kansas, Indian Territory, Texas and Southwest Missouri.” At Carthage, the conservatory was located in the same building as the Carthage Collegiate Institute. The two schools were separate in organization, but cooperated so that “students of one may readily enjoy the advantages of both.” In 1910, the Western Conservatory of Music was moved to Chicago. For additional material on the Conservatory, including catalogs and programs, see the Scott family papers, WHMC-Rolla collection R453.

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