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Biography of William Madison McGhee, Sr.

William Madison McGhee, Sr., was born in Greenwood, S. C., of humble parents. He attended Brewer Normal Institute and at an early age was compelled to stop and help support his parents; because of this, very early he was apprenticed in the trade of carpentry. Though he was very young he became deeply interested in his church; having been organist and served in other capacities.

As he progressed in his trade, he worked in several towns—Decatur, Albany and Atlanta, Ga. While working in Albany, Ga., he met and married Miss Delia E. Watson in 1903. To this union were born four children; two of which survive: Mrs. Beatrice McGhee Williams of Atlanta, Ga.; and William Madison McGhee, Jr., in business in Aiken, S. C.

He came to Aiken many years ago, where he and his cousin A. B. McGhee went in business together as contractors and builders. They were the first contractors of a fancy race in Aiken. While in business here they built many mansions for Aiken winter residents and did much building for the other residents of Aiken.

As a churchman he was broad-minded and served as the secretary of Cumberland A. M. E. church for thirty-five years and as superintendent of the Sunday

EX-SOLDIERS MAY ENLIST

Fourth Corps Area Commander, announces that the United States Army Reserve is desirous of enlisting 75,000 ex-soldiers in the Regular Army Reserve who are under 36 years of age, physically fit and who have served continuously in the Regular Army for at least one year.

General Embrick states over 2,500 former soldier residing in this Corps Area have enlisted for this newest component of our National Defense, and of 650 soldiers recently returned from the Panama Canal Department for discharge from the Regular Army, approximately 350 have expressed their Army Reserve and become "Modern Minute Men" in the military forces of the United States. Each Reservist receives an enlistment allowance of \$8.00 three times a year. Checks are being mailed forth is being made to contact all former soldiers in order that they may avail themselves of the opportunity of enlisting in the Regular Army Reserve.

Men enlisting in the Reserve are not under military jurisdiction and will not be called to active service except in case of an emergency declared by the President of the United States. Reservists are not required to attend drills or camps and are assured that their civilian occupation will not be interfered with by training requirements or examinations.

Former soldiers who desire enlistment in the Reserve should address a letter or postal card to the Commanding General, Fourth Corps Area, Post Office Building, Atlanta, Georgia, stating such desire, and special arrangements will be made immediately to accomplish their enlistment in or near their home town.

BETTIS ACADEMY NEWS

Members of our musical organizations rendered a very interesting program here on Tuesday evening with Mrs. Hubert as sponsor, for the benefit of the rally.

Rev. R. H. Walker, the noted evangelist, delivered a very practical, forceful sermon to our faculty and student body at devotional hour last Thursday, subject, "Dry Bones".

Thursday evening our Glee Club rendered an enjoyable program at Jerusalem school, near Ridge Spring, to a very appreciative audience. Prof. and Mrs. W. F. Hickson and Miss Dorothy Kenner, the teachers and the patrons and friends have our thanks for their kindness.

Mrs. Collins accompanied a group of our singers to the Monetta, where the group presented an

LEEDS NEWS

A birthday super was given Saturday night, March 25 for Mrs. Sallie Frederick, mother of Mrs. Mattie Owens at her home. Mrs. Frederick was 74 years old and has more than 30 grand-children and quite a few great-grand-children with most of them present. The hostess served baked chicken, stew, potato salad on lettuce, crackers, cake, fruit salad and ice tea. The table was decorated beautifully with the varied colored cakes and flowers. After the supper was over Mrs. Owens had Mrs. Sallie Frederick seated at the head of the table and opened the presents. She received many lovely gifts of which she was very grateful. Those present beside the children and grand-children and great-grand-children were Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Ervin, Mr. Paul L. and Carylee Smith, Mr. F. Sanders, Mr. Everett Erwin, Mrs. Versie Erwin, Mrs. D. Sanders, Mr. Wilson Woods, Samuel McCoy, Willie F. Robert Hinton, Mr. Archie and Professor and Mrs. L. F. Smith. All of Baton Rouge, of Chester county.

ST. MATTHEWS NEWS

The Sunday school at St. Matthews Baptist church was opened at 10 o'clock with Supt., J. A. Chappelle, and teachers at duty. Morning services began at 12:00 o'clock. Rev. W. W. Toomer took charge and preached a wonderful sermon.

At the evening services the pastor's son, Rev. J. W. Toomer of Benedict college, pastor of Andrews chapel of Orangeburg and his choir was present. He preached a soul reviving sermon. The spirit was high. He took for his text Exo. 7:14.

The son of Mrs. Ella Robinson Mr. Johnson Davis was funeralized, Sunday afternoon. Rev. ed at the St. Matthews Baptist W. W. Toomer, officiated.

Mr. Fred Murph was killed instantly Saturday night in an accident, was funeralized at Bethlehem church Monday morning.

Mr. (Dock) Kate Wright was funeralized Monday at New Beth lehem church. Rev. David Mitchell officiated.

Services at Bethel A. M. E. church was well attended Sunday. S. S. was opened promptly at 10 o'clock with Supt. J. A. Ford and teachers at duty.

Rev. Coaxum took charge of the 11 o'clock service and preached an impressive sermon. The N. H. M. club held its regular monthly meeting Thursday, March 16 at which time the meeting was called to order by the President, Miss Catherine Johnson. The N. H. M. and the agriculture department are planning to have a community fair April 21. A silver tea was given on the 22 of March at the home of Miss Annette Felder in interest of the home economic department. The N. H. M. and the home economic department have purchased nine shades for the home economic department.

MT. ZION A. M. E. CHURCH

Rev. Julius Holman, Pastor
Garnett, S. C.—Our quarterly conference was grand. Presiding Elder I. W. Wilborn preached a wonderful sermon to a large audience. The many new boards organized by the pastor made fine showing. The presiding elder was paid out in full. The pastor and elder were served a delicious breakfast at the home of Miss Bessie Reid. The Missionary society had the feast of twelve table. Mrs. Marion Johnson, president.

The following committee of ladies—Misses Candace Frazier, Candace Graham, Nancy Smith, Elouise Smalls, Mary McPherson, Bessie Reed, Rosa Bell Frazier, Cornelia Shiggs, Ollie Jenkins and Nancy Moore, came to the parsonage Thursday on some stewardess business and behind them came a truck with some beautiful surprises for the comfort of the pastor and family.

Sunday, March 26 the Sunday school was conducted as usual. 3:00 p.m. he preached the funeral sermon of Mrs. Estilla Farnley whose body came from Florida.

At 8 p.m. the pastor preached again to the young people. We had many visitors from different sections the most of them being from Savannah, Ga. There were comments on every side on the three sermons preached for the day by the pastor. Mrs. Annie McFarlin the reporter has been called to the bed side of a relative at Denmark and therefore was not in place to write. Miss Rebecca Thompson of Clinton who is one of our teachers made beautiful remarks in the evening service. Miss Mae Ferguson was also with us.

BENNETTSVILLE NEWS

Mrs. Minnie Gandy colored home demonstrator of Marlboro county is on the job as never before with her club work. The club women have nice cabbage plants ready for sale, also tomatoes. There were five funerals in our county last Sunday. Mrs. Shellie W. McKeever was funeralized at Cedar Fall church. Mr. James Walls was funeralized at Mount Zion church. Mr. Charlie Lawson at Shiloh Baptist church. Mrs. Adam, sister at St. Michael. Mr. McLeod at Blenheim. Quite a large number from Hamlet, N. C., attended the funerals.

of Mr. Lawson. Mrs. Eliza Cox was called to Blackville Friday morning to attend the funeral service of her aunt, sister of Rev. Cox. Rev. A. J. Wright accompanied Mrs. Cox to Blackville. Rev. Wright spent a few hours at his home in Gaffney. A special service for shut-ins were held at Shiloh and over 25 old and crippled persons were at church. The preacher used as a subject "Trying to Make Port". The Lord's Supper was served. Sick are: Mr. Bingham, Mrs. Sallie Hope, Miss Sara Lawson. Trust these dear ones will soon recover. Also Mr. Josh Zimmerman. Mr. W. C. Rosland will complete his beautiful new home this week. Mr. and Mrs. Hursley Pesterkin will move in their beautiful new home.

We are looking forward for a real health mass meeting Sunday at Shiloh church. The Sewing and Craft class every Friday from 1:30 to 4:30 at the home of Miss Callie D. Sanders' home on Amelia street adult teacher. Come and join the class. Make your own clothes and save money.

Mr. Jule McKay spent a few days in New York last week. Miss Dorothy Reese spent Sunday with her parents here. She was accompanied by Prof. Haborn Miss Hammon and Prof. Statmon. Also Miss Watson of the McCall graded school. Mrs. Rebecca S. Covington assisted her sister in preparing the excellent feast for Miss Reese and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Drake accompanied by the reporter spent a pleasant hour with Mr. and Mrs. Mack McLeod Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Gordon principal of Disc Hill school worshipped with the morning and evening service at Shiloh.

Prof. H. Zimmon, Misses A. Thomas and Nurse Jones were the pleasant evening guests of the reporter last week. Nurse Jones has added much to the county as

our colored county nurse. Mrs. Bernice W. Booms spent the week-end home with husband in Holly Hill. Our county field's day will take place Friday, March 31 at the city high school. Prof. C. D. Wright principal, Prof. LaSaine of McCall school, president. Prof. J. H. W. Morris, Jr., of Cheraw was in the city on business Monday.

EBENEZER BAPT. CHURCH

Rev. J. S. Maddox, Jr., Pastor
Seneca, S. C.—Sunday school opened at the usual hour with our Supt., Dr. H. E. Thomas, his teachers and officers at their post of duty. After discussing the lesson in our various classes we re-assembled and heard the reports given from each department. All of us are elated over our departmental Sunday school.

At 11 o'clock the pastor began services and preached a soul stirring sermon. Stressing the necessity of Christians living inspiring lives. The sermon was a masterpiece and was enjoyed by all. The B.T.U. services were very interesting and largely attended.

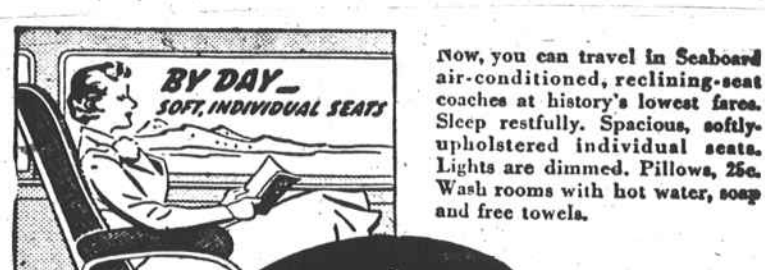
At 8 o'clock our pastor again preached a wonderful sermon which gave food for thought for all who heard him. We are happy to know that Mrs. Nora Ramsey who has been on the sick list for quite sometime is improving.

LAKEVIEW NEWS

Mrs. Mary Eva McGill, Misses Ollie Mae and Wessie Pittman, Mr. C. Calvin and Mr. Jenkins motored to Yorkton, N. C. and Rex, N. C. Sunday and enjoyed a pleasant trip.

S. S. at Canaan A. M. E. church as usual after which the Pastor, Mr. Heriott delivered a wonderful sermon. This was Stewards' day and \$7 was collected.

We appreciate reading the contributions by Miss Margaret Wright and others to this paper.



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