



Rev. Lloyd C. Young, pastor of the Fire-Baptized Holiness church, located on Beauregard street, and family (pictured above) announce the beginning of a revival at the church January 25. Rev. E. D. Dunn, from Mount Olive, N. C., will be the evangelist. Special singing will be rendered by the Young sisters and the Murphy family from Rose Hill, N. C. Everyone is urged to attend these services each evening at 7 o'clock.

STATE REQUESTS POUR IN FOR MORE MONEY

Practically All Departments Seeking Larger Appropriations. Seventy Million Recommended.

Columbia, Jan. 14. — (Special to The Chronicle) — Before the Ways and Means Committee of the South Carolina House of Representatives last week were requests from the State Department of Education for increased appropriations which would provide additional allocations for school bus transportation, attendance teachers, and aid to school libraries in Laurens and in other counties of the state. All three of these requests for increased appropriations were denied by the Budget Commission, but it is possible that the Ways and Means Committee of the General Assembly will provide the additional funds proposed.

The Budget Commission approved

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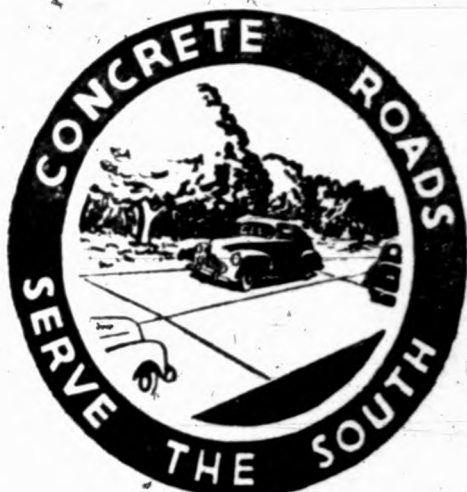
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an increased appropriation requested by the State Library Board to provide an extra \$500 to the county public libraries in the state, and to expand its other services.

The State Department of Education asked that the following increased allotments be supplied by the state for county distribution:

For school bus transportation, \$3,200,000. This amount is based on a continuance of the present plan of allowing each county its actual operating cost for school buses, and adding to this fund an additional twenty per cent depreciation allowance on the purchase price of school buses in the county. The operating expenses for school buses in 1946-1947 was \$2,423,897, the education department stated, and the proposed increased appropriation for depreciation would require about \$500,000. The Budget Commission, however, recommended that the transportation appropriation be a total of \$2,400,000, and declared that the "present system of reimbursing the counties on the basis of a year's cost of bus operation without supervision, and with no requirements as to uniformity of methods, routes, or equipment is obviously wrong in principle, inefficient and extravagant." The commission suggested that "the matter of transportation be placed upon a sound and equitable basis by the General Assembly, and that until this is accomplished, appropriations for that purpose be frozen at the present level."

For county attendance teachers, \$99,960. The allotment for this purpose was increased in the last session of the General Assembly from \$84,480 to \$91,380, raising the salaries of county attendance teachers to \$1,980 annually. The education department requested an increase from \$91,380 to \$99,960 for the purpose of giving each attendance teacher in the county an expense allowance. The Budget Commission recommended that the same appropriation of \$91,380 for the present fiscal year be provided for the 1948-49 fiscal year, rejecting the proposed expense allowance.

A new item requested by the Department of Education of \$50,000 for aid to school libraries. The department stated that the amount requested would be allotted to local schools on a matching basis "which would take into consideration both the financial condition of the school and the existing need for library facilities." The recommendation of the Budget Commission was that this proposed \$50,000 appropriation be denied.

An increase approved by the commission was that of the State Library Board, which asked that its \$50,765 appropriation be increased to \$75,000 for the 1948-49 fiscal year. This amount, if also accepted by the Ways and Means Committee and the General Assembly, will raise the allotment of direct state aid to county public libraries from the present \$500 to \$1,000. It will also provide a grant of \$4,000 for counties that develop regional libraries, which are a voluntary combination of the counties possessing library service with those without adequate library facilities. More books could be obtained with the additional appropriations for deposit collections in communities with small libraries or no libraries at all.

The Budget Commission recommended a total appropriation of \$69,982,710 for state expenditures in the 1948-49 fiscal year, or an increase of \$1,368,000 over the present fiscal year. Although higher than the appropriation of the present fiscal year, the recommended allocation is eleven million dollars less than the \$81,600,000 actually requested by state departments and institutions.

Revenues for the fiscal year 1946-49 are estimated at \$70,800,000, which amount, coupled with total state appropriations of \$69,982,710 would leave a revenue margin of approximately \$800,000. The commission reported that it anticipated an increase in the state surplus fund from \$4,728,000 on July 1, 1947 to \$7,600,000 on July 30, 1949.

An increase in the total appropriation of 32 state departments and institutions was recommended although

the additional amount was in most cases comparatively small. The appropriations for 27 other institutions and departments were reduced or remained the same. The largest increase recommended was that of the Department of Education, due to the many teachers who have improved their certification rating in order to become eligible for a higher salary bracket.

The commission suggested that the practice of increasing the salary of state employees through an "official expense" allowance be discontinued, and also recommended that such agencies as the Highway Department and the Santee-Cooper Authority, which do not operate on appropriations from the general fund, be required to contribute to the state retirement system.

Representative Robert C. Wasson of Laurens county is a member of the Ways and Means Committee.

HOUSE AND HOME

By HELEN HALE

Powdered sugar will keep from lumping if it is put into an airtight container such as a fruit jar. Do this immediately after opening the original package.

Chocolate may be prevented from burning during the melting process if two tablespoons of fat are added to it. Melt in a saucepan over a very low flame. Deduct the above amount of fat from the recipe you use.

If you purchase lard and butter in brick form it is easier to measure when using in recipes. One pound equals two cups. One stick of butter equals one-half cup, etc.

Sour milk and cream for cooking purposes may easily be made at home if you need them in a hurry. Add two tablespoons of vinegar or lemon juice to each cup of milk or cream and allow to stand in a warm place until thickened.

Spaghetti, macaroni or rice will not boil over when cooked if two tablespoons of lard are added to the kettle.

To cook candy quickly, use large pans in place of small, deep containers.

To keep vinegar clear while it

stands in a bottle or cruet, add from 1/2 to 1 teaspoon of salt to it.

Prevent lumps in gravy by pouring off most of the fat before adding flour or water. Use 1 tablespoon each of fat and flour to 1 cup water.

Thin batters such as those used for pancakes or waffles are easy to mix in shallow pitchers. They are easy to pour from these pitchers, too, onto pancake or waffle iron.

Whipping cream should be icy cold before whipping. So should the bowl and beaters. Start to whip slowly, then increase speed.

Molded gelatin is easy to remove from molds if they are rinsed in cold water and then brushed with oil.

Molasses blends better in a recipe if it is mixed with water or milk before adding to the dry ingredients.

Keep scissors handy in the kitchen for cutting meat, fruit, marshmallows, vegetables, shredding lettuce or trimming pie crust edges.

SIX-INCH SERMON

By REV. ROBERT H. HARPER

WHEN WE WORK WITH GOD

Lesson for January 25: II Corinthians 5:20-6:10.

Let us always be aware that we are the ambassadors of Christ and strive to acquit ourselves as faithful messengers of good will toward men. The business of Paul is ours—we are first of all to be reconciled to God ourselves, and then work with God as His ambassadors to men everywhere.

It is absolutely essential to the work of representing Christ before men that we ourselves have the witness in our own lives. For how can we give Christ unto others if we do not know him? But the time, through neglect, can pass away. Trust Jesus now and gladly receive your credentials as his ambassador.

We find a number of things necessary to faithful working in the kingdom. Long-suffering under difficulties, purity, knowledge, kindness, the indwelling Spirit, love unfeigned, the word of truth, and the whole armor of God distinguish the good ambassador of God's love to men.

An able ambassador of the Country is usually in time rewarded by being advanced to higher place—to serve in a greater capital. Our re-

ward is found in the riches that nothing can take away. The things which Paul contrasted with the ending riches were terribly familiar to Christians of his day. But even now there is enough of sacrifice to be made in following Christ. Let us be glad to surrender anything that would mar our work with Christ, that we may be found faithful when the King comes to reckon with his servants.

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