

Church News of Columbia

By REV. J. C. WHITE

MISSIONARY PROGRAM AT NAZARETH BAPTIST CHURCH

Singing—My Faith Looks up to Thee.

Prayer—Mrs. Harris of Union Baptist Church.

3rd Psalm led by Mrs. P. A. Ingram, president of the City Union.

Singing—Stand up for Jesus.

Recitation—Miss Amelia Outten of First Calvary Baptist Church.

Remarks—Mrs. Miller, field worker of the City Missionaries.

Paper—subject: "Up and at our duty as Missionaries" by Mrs. Anna E. Harrison, of First Calvary Baptist Church.

Every generation has to bear its own burden. Whatever it is the peculiar perils it has to pass through, or its manifold trials. We, as missionaries are daily exposed to temptations whether it be of idleness, self-indulgence, vice or the failing to do duty. The power of courage must resist these things at whatever sacrifice of interest, when virtue has thus become a daily habit. We become possessed with an individual character and prepared for fulfilling in a great measure—the end for which we are created.

How much is lost to the world for the want of a little courage. We have the willingness to do, but fail to do it.

Some people are mere apologists for workers even when they pretend to be up and at it. They stand shivering on the brink and have not the courage to plunge in. Every day sends to the grave a number of obscure persons, who if they had the courage to begin, would in all probability have gone a great length in the career of well-doing. We as missionaries are trying to create within us the courage to do our duty to our home, our church, our mission work and to all mankind in our reach, and may our efforts to be up and at it prove worthy of being reproduced as a gentle admonition to all who we come in contact with.

ZION BAPTIST CHURCH HAPPENINGS

Our Sunday School was graced with the presence of the Rev. Robert H. Thorbourne, of Ancon, Panama Canal Zone, of Central America. Rev. Thorbourne gave the school some very interesting history about Central America, the customs and habits of the people in the region. He told about the work there; he had founded four churches and one school. It was good to have been there. Those of the advanced students surely enjoyed Bro. Thorbourne's address.

At 11:30 the basement was crowded to hear the word from Rev. Thorbourne, who preached from St. John 15:16, "I call you not servants, but I have called you Friends." The sermon was inspiring, animating and filled with spiritual pabulum.

The church raised a handsome collection for our Panama work.

Rev. Thorbourne was to have preached again at night, but the deacon board of First Calvary Baptist church came for him to serve them that night.

Rev. Thorbourne therefore served those good people at night.

Miss Ruth Bynum had a most excellent exercise in the B. Y. P. U. at six o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts made inspiring speeches. The Union had almost a full house.

At 7:30 P. M. Rev. J. C. White preached to a crowded house from the subject of "Elijah's Sinful Flight." The message was helpful and timely.

Revs. Charles A. Williams and A. P. Porter accompanied the pastor.

Sunday coming we expect to go into the auditorium of our beautiful church. Zion is now a thing of beauty.

Mr. Frank White, the contractor, deserves unstinted praise for his work on Zion.

Benedict College teachers and students will give a "Sing" at Zion next Sunday at 3:00 P. M. Governor John G. Richards will be the speaker of the occasion. You and your friends are welcome to our church for the big "sing."

GREENVILLE NEWS

Mrs. Addie Miller has returned from a visit with friends at Columbia, S. C.

Mrs. D. A. Adams has returned from an extended trip to Philadelphia, Pa.

Miss Grace Berry left last week for New York City, where she will spend sometime.

The Sullivan Street School was closed last week on account of a mild epidemic of measles, there being 25 cases of this disease reported among the pupils of this school.

Mr. Seymour Carroll, Grand Secretary of the K. of T. was in the city last week and addressed an enthusiastic gathering at the Phyllis Wheatley Center on Wednesday night.

Mr. Carroll's address was followed by the organization of a Knights of Togs-sain Association, with W. A. Fisher, president; Prof. Gapevoni Njeterine, secretary and Mrs. D. E. Garrison, treasurer. The objective of this organization is to secure 25 or more persons who are interested in the K. of T. so that an ultimate lodge may be established here in the near future.

Judging from the interest at the gathering Wednesday night, "It won't be long now" before the desired goal is attained. Mr. Uriel Staggs and Mr. Noble Yarn are some of the other leaders in the movement. For further information; see any of the above named parties.

The baby contest given last week at the St. Albans Training School proved a great success. The first prize was won by little William Wilson, while second prize went to little Cornell Holiday. St. Albans authorities extend thanks to the members of the Simpsonville faculty, patrons and friends for the loyal support given them during the drive for the contestants, reported Miss Lula Robinson, one of the efficient teachers at this school.

Mr. R. D. Cummings, Jr., of Hodges, spent the past week-end here as the guest of friends.


A smooth working, well coached Spartanburg High School football team defeated an inspired, but inexperienced Union High School aggregation at Graham Field Friday by the close score of 6-0. The two teams battled up and down the field, usually with ball in Union territory, until late in the 4th quarter when a stalwart Spartanburg halfback faked a forward pass and darted 18 yards for a touchdown. It was a thrilling play, indeed. There were several fumbles which prevented each team from scoring. This however, was due to the efficient work of the opposing linemen in going after the ball carrier. For Spartanburg, the entire team was a collection of gems; while Union, the work of Linhart, H. Park-er, Quiller and Bowling, the short time he was in the game, stood out Coach Stargis is to be commended for the manner in which he has handled his light, but aggressive squad.

Two splendid sermons, one by Presiding Elder J. W. Douglass, who used as a subject "Mistaken Emphasis" as the morning message and another by Presiding Elder W. F. Rice, who used as a theme "Unbelief" as the night discourse, features the final Sunday of the 1927 conference year at Allen Temple Church. In the absence of a pastor, Rev. Douglass will submit Allen Temple's report at the annual conference, to be held at the city of Greenwood this week. The report is "fair" under the circumstances. The future of this interesting charge rests with the bishop. We are expecting a good man, but do not want a candidate for the Old Ministers' Home. We are expecting a young man, who can sing, preach and pray. Allen Temple offers excellent opportunities to the man who is able to bring things to pass. It is this type of man that we are expecting.

LEBANON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Mr. Gus Williams, father of Elder Millard Williams died, suddenly at his home Wednesday night, November 8th. He had gone about his customary labors in his blacksmith shop during the day and returning home at night, had attended to evening chores, when sitting down to rest from the toil of the day, he was summoned to his eternal resting place in the beyond. In the passing of Mr. Williams who had attained a ripe old age, this community has lost one of its most familiar characters, for the greater part of his life was spent here and no citizen was more highly respected than he. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church and were attended by a large number of relatives and friends, including several white friends of the deceased. The funeral sermon was preached by the Rev. M. Gason, pastor of Zion Hope- well A. M. E. Zion Church, of which

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the deceased was a member. Interment was in Mt. Pisgah cemetery.

Services at Ebenezer Church on last Sunday, November 20th, were well attended. In the morning the pastor, Rev. J. R. Dungee preached a very effective Thanksgiving sermon drawn from the twenty-third Psalm. After listening to the vivid interpretation of that most beautiful Psalm, there was none present who did not feel that genuine thanksgiving on the part of every one was perfectly in order.

At night the pastor preached from Isaiah 40:8, "The grass withereth, the flower fadeth; but the word of our God shall stand forever." In this sermon, the reliability of the Holy Scriptures was established, and we were encouraged to continue trusting in them for guidance.

During the day an offering was raised for the Board of National Missions. It is our hope to supplement this offering on Friday night at which time a special service will be held for the same.

On Thanksgiving Day there is to be held on our grounds a community Thanksgiving Dinner, in which all the congregations of the neighborhood are to participate. We are anticipating a joyful occasion.

Mr. Louis Benson continues on the sick list and is now taking treatment at the Waverly Hospital in Columbia, S. C.

ELLORRE NEWS

A birthday party was given Saturday, November 17, 1927 by Mr. and Mrs. Marion Williams in honor of their seven-year old little daughter, Geneva. The spacious dining room was beautifully decorated with Denison crepe paper, white and pink, artistically arranged into roses and baskets, with a may pole effect of strips of paper floating from the chandelier to each guests place. Miss Wakefield, the teacher of little Geneva, arranged the decorations, with the assistance of Miss Fludd.

At four-thirty Miss Wakefield, acting hostess, invited the dainty guests from a very interesting fitch game, to gaze on the decorations of the table surrounded by twenty little boys and girls. Miss Wakefield then recited a very appropriate quotation followed by the children. Candles were blown out by the guest of honor. Guests were served bountifully with cake and cream; each little guest was given basket of nuts and candies as a souvenir.

The eight lady teachers of the Ellorre school were motored over to the Central Annual Conference, Orangeburg, S. C. Sunday with Mr. Lee Williams' family in their Hudson and Chevrolet cars. The teachers report a very pleasant and enjoyable trip. Prof. Daniels was called away from his work on business last Thursday. Mr. Ager P. Moore who served as teacher of manual training and science of the Allendale County Training School, and who is now a college student of State College, is working in his place while he is away.

Mr. Moore spoke very favorably of the Orangeburg County Training in comparison with the school he taught in last term. Prof. Daniels reports a prosperous trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Dantzer entertained Friday evening in honor of the teachers. The spacious house was decorated with beautiful flowers. The guests enjoyed many games. A delicious course was served. The evening was spent pleasantly by all.

Aiken News

The Thanksgiving season has been here and gone and we feel safe in saying that all enjoyed it and were thankful for many, many things. I am sure it meant a short vacation for many of our teachers and students in the various schools.

Mr. Elijah Johnson, from Jamaica, New York, is in the city visiting his mother, Mrs. Elesta Johnson, on York St.

Mrs. Minnie Trowell of Wagoner, South Carolina; Miss Marie Piper and Mrs. Cora Gordon of New York City, spent the week end in Aiken as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Jones,

on Union St.

The Glee Club from Storm Branch Academy rendered a very interesting program at Friendship Baptist church last Sunday afternoon.

Mesdames Barrette, Porter, Lucas and Miss Mabry were pleasant visitors at the home of the reporter Saturday afternoon.

Bettis Academy News

Bettis Academy has added to its curricula a Commercial Department under the supervision of Miss K. M. Merrivether, who was for three years head of the Commercial Department of St. Athanasius' School, Brunswick Georgia. Miss Merrivether comes to us from Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Mississippi. A large number of the high school students have registered in this department and we hope it to prove an asset to the institution.

Among those who witnessed the football game in Augusta, Ga., last Saturday between Benedict College and Paine College, from Bettis Academy were: Misses Belva Bacon, V. Clark, E. Lester, Prof. J. P. Sarters and W. W. Nicholson; and a number of the high school students.

Prof. A. W. Nicholson and Rev. G. W. Blocker attended the Baptist State Convention that met in North S. C.

Rev. J. M. Brown preached a very interesting sermon to the student body last Sunday night. His subject was "Selfishness."

Rev. Mr. Parker of the College Department of Benedict College, was a pleasant visitor on our campus Friday and Saturday. Guess who was all smiles.

Anderson News

Mr. Fred Jones, of Asheville, N. C., is visiting relatives and friends this week.

Dr. and Mrs. Edmond Johnson motored to Abbeville Friday to see Mrs. Janie Ellison, who has been ill. They found her better.

Mrs. Jennie Cowan of Augusta, Ga., is visiting relatives and friends. She is looking the picture of health. We are glad to have her.

Mrs. Fannie Hicks, at one time, a resident of Anderson, but now of Asheville, N. C., is visiting here with friends.

Miss Cora Caldwell was taken sick very suddenly Sunday night with a quite indigestion. We are glad to report that she is improving.

The friends of Miss Maggie Butler will be glad to know that the doctor thinks that she is doing as well as could be expected. We hope that she will keep improving. Mrs. B. L. Campbell is teaching for her in her school.

Mr. James Williams who has been in Florida for some time, is at home, to the delight of friends.

Sunday, Nov. 20 was indeed a high day at Thompson Centennial M. E. Church. The day started with Sunday School at 10:30, which was largely attended. The lesson was ably reviewed by the superintendent, Prof. S. C. Perry. At 11:30 Rev. J. A. Brown, of Columbia, S. C., delighted his hearers with a wonderful sermon.

At 4:00 o'clock a literary program was rendered under the auspices of the Junior Missionary Society. This closed the contest which was on. The amount of \$16.48 was realized. Miss Fannie Blassengame was the winner of the prize.

At 7:30 the Singing Class of our city rendered an excellent musical program which was enjoyed by all.

Last but not least came the close of the "King and Queen Contest Rally." After all reports from each side were made it was found that ladies raised the largest amount of money, therefore, the kingdom of the men will be ruled by a lady. Total amount raised, between \$700.00 and \$800.00.

The group meeting of the Greenville District of the Methodist church was held Monday, November 21st at the M. E. Church, Rev. R. S. Jackson, pastor. All of the pastors on the district were here. After the morning session was over all were invited down in the basement where a bountiful table heavy with good things to satisfy the inner man were provided.

Revs. Payton and Williams worshipped at Thompson Centennial M. E. Church Sunday, November 20th. Mrs. Edmond Johnson and J. C. Anderson, our efficient physician and dentist are kept quite busy these days. Dr. Johnson has been here since a while and of course, has built up quite a lucrative practice. Dr. J. C. Anderson, though here only a short time, his practice extends far out into Anderson County.

PENDLETON NEWS

Mr. Seymour Carroll of Columbia, S. C., visited Miss Russell Nicholas on Saturday en route to Seffca.

On Monday, November 21, Mr. Carroll visited the West End School.

Mr. A. E. Friserson was entertained at dinner Sunday, November 7th at the home of Mrs. Mamie Winston. Friserson is the teacher of Home Economics in the County Training School.

Mrs. Ella Miller entertained the W. B. and P. M. Society on November 18th. The meeting was reported to be successful.

Mrs. Rena J. Clark, principal of the Pendleton School, is leaving on November 23rd for Greenwood to visit the A. M. E. Conference.

Mr. A. E. Friserson is leaving on November 23rd for Spartanburg, S. C., where she will spend the Thanksgiving holiday with schoolmates and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Towns entertained Miss A. E. Friserson and Mrs. R. J. Clark at dinner Sunday, November 20th.

Mrs. Eldora Reese is home from New York City and spent a while with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Reese. While here Mrs. Reese will coach the Pendleton basketball team.

The Misses Williams and White members of the Shady Grove School were at our Sunday School Sunday both gave very interesting talks.

James E. Clark is agent and reporter for the Palmetto Leader in Pendleton. From now the Pendleton news will be published in this column.

Mr. I. G. McKelvie, of Columbia, S. C., is quite interested in organizing a hospital in this city. He has lived to see his dreams come true and preaches "hospital" each time he visits the churches here. Many of the white citizens have responded to his call and given him substantial aid. The colored churches are also active in collections. A few have given pledges for small and large amounts. One or two clubs, missionary societies and other organizations are planning to give linen, towels.

A large number of members and friends of the A. M. E. Zion Church attended the conference in Columbia, S. C. Rev. Welch has been sent back to this people. Our prayers are that members and friends will be true and loyal to this great church and especially to the cause represented.

Mrs. Jamie G. Douglas, president of the Missionary Society of Zion Church, attended conference and reports a most enjoyable stay. Mrs. Fannie Crawford who is the efficient secretary of the society, was also there.

Mrs. Mamie Crawford, Rosa Dawkins, Miss Lewis and others enjoyed their trip to and from Columbia, S. C., where they attended the conference of the A. M. E. Z. Church.

Mrs. C. Edwards of Atlantic City, N. J., is visiting relatives in this city. While here she is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Rogers and Mrs. Johnson, on Hamlet St.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Gossett are back from the North; quite to the delight of their many friends here.

Mrs. Olive Capson spent a very pleasant season in New York City and New Jersey with her girls and other relatives. She will resume her school work in the rural district.

Mrs. Lottie Bullen, on North Pinckney street has also been the subject of teaching and is pleased with her enrollment.

Mr. Lucius M. Tobin now in Texas, informs us that he will not be in S. C. during the Xmas holidays since they have only two days. His friends here are sorry to learn this. All are hoping that he will be in the State next summer.

The Woman's Missionary Society of Corinth Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. S. L. Humphries on Cornwell St. After the business a short prayer service was held which was conducted by Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Montgomery.

Mrs. Humphries prepared delicious refreshments and served it in the most artistic style. A vote of thanks was tendered her.

Mrs. Cora Eubanks, who has been quite indisposed for some time, is improving.

Mrs. Hattie Fant, Miss Lilly Simpkins and Mrs. Mamie Crawford gave M. A. T. a pop call this week.

Mrs. Maggie Smith, now of Asheville, N. C., has spent sometime at the home of her children, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Free on North Pinckney St. Mrs. Smith and family were old residents here, but new most of them are in Asheville.

Dr. and Mrs. Brown and Miss Lillian Smith are still in Richmond, Va., where Dr. Brown is successfully practicing.

Mrs. Smith was a very pleasant visitor at many of the homes while in Union where she has many friends and neighbors.

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