

CHURCH NEWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA

NOTICE

The State Convention of the Allen Christian Endeavor League, the Sunday Schools and the Allen Life Guards will meet jointly in Emanuel A. M. E. church, Charleston, S. C., August 20, 21, and 22, 1930. This will be the greatest and most popular convention of young people ever held in South Carolina...

Answers Call to Ministry

T. L. Duckett, Benedict Department Head, Ordained

Prof. T. L. Duckett, who holds the chair of Biology at Benedict college, and is a representative for the school having served in those capacities for more than a quarter of a century, has answered the call of the gospel ministry...

The ordination sermon was preached by Rev. W. R. Reeder. There was great rejoicing on the part of the young and old of his church and the entire community...

BETHEL A. M. E. CHURCH NEWS

We are delighted to have representatives from the teachers' summer school each Sunday to associate and to assist in the work of the Sunday school. Rev. J. B. Jennings, of Aiken, and Miss Coleman, rendered valuable help by their remarks and review...

At 11:15 a. m. Dr. Murph preached a very timely sermon—one that reminded you of a very essential duty—as found in Romans 12-1, subject: "A New Order of Things."

The program in the league by Miss Viola White and Miss Theodore B. Blocker was very good. The league together with its visitors and friends is taking a trip around the world on July 14th—and you are invited to go on this trip with the young people...

At 8:00 p. m. Rev. J. Z. Jennings preached for us. Text was found in St. John 15:5, subject: "The Indispensible Christ." It was very good. Sunday is Holy Communion. You are welcomed at any and all of our services.

FIRST CALVARY JUNIOR USHER BOARD MEETS

The Junior Usher board of First Calvary Baptist church met at the church Friday, June 21st.

The president, Mrs. Marie Lewis, called the members to order. We began by singing. Then the business of the club was discussed. After the business we were favored with the following program: Solo, Miss E. Coffee; duet, Miss E. Nesbitt and U. Outen; recitation, Miss A. Outen; selection by the club's quartet. Among the other members who were present were Misses Margaret Coles, Lucile Nesbitt, Bettie Johnson and Emma Kershaw.

JONES CHAPEL YOUNG WOMEN MEET IN SOCIETY

Mrs. Hayes was hostess to the "Y" Wednesday afternoon, June 25th at her home on Greene street.

The meeting opened by singing "Love Divine." Miss F. B. Miller read the scripture lesson after which Mrs. Labrew lead in prayer.

The president, Miss Florence, greeted the members and friends. The minutes of the previous meeting having been read, business of the afternoon was discussed, at which time Miss Corine Gordon was elected as delegate to the convention.

The members responded to the financial roll call to the amount of \$3.00.

The main feature of this meeting was an auto social game in which all parties participated and enjoyed.

Rev. J. C. Hunter, pastor, was present and made an interesting talk. The meeting closed with the club song.

The hostess served a delectable sweet course which carried out a green and pink color scheme to the minutest.

HAMER NEWS

Bethel Presbyterian Church

Sunday at 10:30 the preachers and teachers opened the school with Bro. W. L. Carmichael in the chair as superintendent. He has been for 17 years superintendent in Bethel. The lesson was read over in concert then each class took its place. The eight classes were taught by their respective teachers and the lesson was reviewed by Bro. Ransom of Hawa Grove. At the close of the school the report showed that 118 were present.

11:45 program began with R. M. Graham in the chair. A splendid program was carried out. Each one rendered his part well.

After the preliminaries the pastor of Cannon Branch, Rev. W. D. Williams, preached the sermon. The collection was good, Pastor Collins made remarks. Dinner was served by the ladies of the church. Plenty for all and then some.

After the usual preliminaries at 4:00 p. m. the institute program was continued. The sermon was preached by Rev. S. M. McKennies. Revs. H. Harriott and H. P. Washington and friends came in smiling and gave helpful remarks.

The day was a great day of enjoyment in the spirit. Next meeting will be with Cannon Branch.

7:30 on Sunday night and the services were grand. It was beautiful to see how the missionary ladies are working faithfully and still willing to do more in the name of the Lord.

ESTILL NEWS

Sunday was a great day as our pastor had just returned from a three-weeks' vacation. He arrived Saturday night, finding the funeral of Bro. Jake Bryant awaiting him. He is one of the oldest members of the St. Matthews church. Rev. C. Capers took for a text "The Christian Warfare."

At 3:00 o'clock he went to St. Luke and preached a soul stirring sermon for the missionary society.

We are proud of our pastor.

IST. BAPTIST CHURCH OF SUMMERVILLE

We wish to announce that we have called Rev. J. M. Marshall, of St. George, S. C., to the pastorate of our church. We regard our choice as one of the best in the state. We are doing nicely and have thirteen clubs working in our church. Our Sunday school is good and also our B. Y. P. U.

Deacon Daisy Elliott.

LANCASTER NEWS

Sunday morning at St. Paul A. M. E. church was an inspiring sight to see so many children and adults out to hear the word of God taught by the superintendent and teachers. The general review was taught by Rev. W. G. Owens.

At 11:00 a. m. Rev. Ellis of the A. M. E. Zion church, preached to a splendid congregation.

In the afternoon at 2:00 p. m. Rev. Owens and one of his officers, Ero. Coy Clifton motored out to New Hope A. M. E. Zion church to hear Ero. C. C. McMillan preach, who came up from Camden and brought two car loads of his members. Rev. Bro. McMillan stopped over at St. Paul during the night and preached to a very large crowd of people.

Rev. Owens preached the funeral of Bro. Miles McDowdy, age 70, at 1:30 who departed this life Saturday morning. We had as our pulpit guest the Key, Baskin of Kershaw and Rev. Prof. Riley of this city.

The Masons had their annual celebration Sunday afternoon at Washington Baptist church.

The clubs and boards of St. Paul A. M. E. church are doing a great work and with the continued devotion they will put the great program over. With such leadership as Bro. Coy Clifton, president of the Ushers board Mrs. Alice Agurs, president of the Pulpit Aid; Mrs. Katie McCoy, president of Stewardess Board No. 2; Mrs. Emma Gavitts, president of Stewardess Board No. 1; Bro. Leonard Harris, president, Figuring Out club; and Mrs. Ma Crummett, president of the league, also Mrs. Carrie Watts, president of the missionary society. These great heroes and workers need to be encouraged. For they have a mind to work.

While the news was about to be read, the sad intelligence came to us that Mrs. Rebecca Cauthen died July 1st, one of the oldest members of St. Paul A. M. E. church and a member of the Stewardess Board No. 1.

GARNETT NEWS

The 14th Sunday was a great day in Mt. Zion A. M. E. church. Our presiding elder, I. W. Wilborn, was with us on Saturday and Sunday and held our 3rd quarterly conference. Elder Wilborn preached a splendid sermon from 1st Samuel 20:37, subject "The Anon of Life."

During the past week we were greatly saddened at the loss of one of our oldest leaders in the church, Mr. A. L. Brown. He leaves to mourn his death a wife, three daughters, four sons, thirty four grand children and a host of relatives and friends. Mr. Brown was a lover of his church and was a great power in it.

Sunday afternoon Rev. E. M. S. Ball, pastor at St. John, Tillman and several members visited our church. Rev. Ball preached for us Sunday afternoon.

Prof. G. S. Shanklin of Beaufort, accompanied by some friends motored down Sunday. We are always delighted to have friends come to see us.

Monday evening we were favored with a grand program given by the stewards and stewardesses of the church. A trio was rendered by Mrs. Hooper and Madames Brown and Smalls.

Selection, Mrs. A. L. Gillison, solo, Mrs. Ollie Jenkins; address, Mr. T. Hanson; trio; reading, Mrs. W. T. Gillison; sermon, Mr. W. T. Gillison; remarks, the pastor, Rev. F. J. Gadsden; benediction.

Mt. Zion is moving on. We are climbing for the goal.

CONWAY NEWS

Sunday, June 29th was the missionaries' day.

Rev. A. W. Wright preached a splendid sermon Sunday morning. He chose for a subject "The Ancestors of Jesus." Rev. W. I. Gore of Bellet A. M. E. church, accompanied by Rev. A. W. Wright, pastor, Sunday at 3:30 to his installation of officers. They then led the missionary march from the small place in which they have services to the school house where their program was splendidly rendered by Mrs. S. Snyder and her officers. They made splendid talks and were enjoyed by all present. Rev. W. I. Gore, and Rev. Hawkins responded to the program.

Sunday evening Rev. A. W. Wright preached Sunday night. The Conway jubilee singers entertained. Their services were enjoyed by all who heard them. Everybody seems to have enjoyed the day's program.

The missionary program was exceedingly good. We enjoyed all of the numbers on the program and were delighted to have the white missionary out with us.

ST. PAUL CHURCH, ANDERSON, BURNS MORTGAGES AND NOTES TOTALING \$12,425.16.

In the presence of one of the largest congregations ever to assemble in the spacious auditorium of the church, the pastor opened the great Mortgage Burning program, Sunday, June 29th, simply arranged beautifully and impressively presented.

The occasion was the glorious and triumphant victory, of a loyal people, who, for five year have unhesitatingly followed the leadership of the pastor. The pastor, amidst many hard-hips, difficulties and setbacks, stood steadfast and true, and paid the mortgage debt of the church with him stood 100 percent.

The officers of the church, who opposed or pull in a contrary direction.

For seven years St. Paul property, like many other good churches' property had been mortgaged to bond a paragon. The mortgage, A. W. Brown, inspired their but are they had finished the payments, the spirit sent him away. In 1924 the writer was enjoying a lucrative pastorate at Morris Chapel, Greenwood, S. C., with \$2500 on saving account and a congregation of 200 members. Contrary to all persuasion the call to St. Paul was accepted. The debts were assumed. The machinery was set in motion. War was declared on mortgages. The members rallied. Onward, loyal, payers marching against debt, with the planning pastor, going on before.

The four parties, Democrats, Republicans, Socialists and Progressives were the 1925 plan. \$3,150 was raised. Charged by the inspiration of this effort, another assault was made in 1926, and \$2200 was raised about a second mortgage was given of \$1,000. This cooled the fighting and on the Sunday school and B. Y. P. U. convention, the debt, the depletion line, 1926 was the four hundred.

\$27 found all discouraged due to impatience over results and the onward urgency of the faithful kept the ranks going. The B. Y. P. U. plan brought good results.

1928 saw the collapse of the fighting spirit and in the Lone Eagle Lodge Lurch Rally, New York to Paris, less than \$1,000 was raised. In 1929 saw the death struggle. It almost killed the pa for when all fell exhausted from long campaigning for funds. We fell about \$378 of our goal. The pastor was tired with disappointment and by sick at 11:30 a. m. he experienced by the failure of a dream.

The South Carolina county rally accounted to 1910. Other notes were made to meet the current bill.

1930 saw the total assault, under the spell of joy, the officers, urged the members of the past program, departed and supervised. The best effort known in the United States rally, April 15th, five year after the last rally on the subject, mortgage, was held on the table.

June 29th was set a Family Home Coming and Mortgage Burning day. The details were left to the pastor. After much deliberation, and careful planning the following impressive program was carried out.

An altar of Laid, was erected for the burning. The oldest member, Sister Charity Greyton, was selected to make the match. 42 angels, dressed in white, with angels' wings were type of the guardian angels who guard those born in the different months. As each angel entered the darkened church, where a spotlight played, the pastor asked those born in that month to stand. The church sang softly "Nearer My God to Thee." It was an awe inspiring sight to see the church with streaming tresses and uplifted faces march silently to the altar. The pastor read St. John 1:14 "I gave, finished the work which thou gavest me to do." Two little angels bore the mortgages to the treasurer, Mr. C. Lee Davis, who had made an impassioned speech on the struggles of the church under the present pastor.

Mrs. Brock, Dr. Young, Mrs. Campbell, Miss Brown, the Williams, Welch, Jubilee singers reviewed special numbers.

Deacons Davis, Burton, Peck, Adgers, Mrs. Watts and Mari a put life into fiery heartfelt people.

From the altar the smoke ascended, as the great congregation poured out their souls in "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow."

With over 300 accession, with all mortgages and notes totaling \$12,425.16 paid, a united congregation, we plan for time for the Lord.

I have nothing where to hope for it was God who gave the victory. Stephen C. Campbell.

ST. GEORGE NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Clark and daughter, and Mr. George Moore spent last Sunday in the city. Mrs. Clark was formerly Miss Emily Moore. They were from Charleston.

Miss Martha Abraham, Mr. John Samuel Poofer, Mr. and Mrs. William Bowman and children spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bowman.

Children's Day was fittingly observed here Sunday night at Trinity C. M. E. church, June 29th and Good Hope on the 22.

Most all the St. Georgians attended the Old People's union at Bethel Baptist church about a mile from town. Rev. J. M. Marshall is president of the union.

Rev. J. M. Marshall and Mrs. Marshall, Prof. Roy Gordon and Mrs. Roy Gordon and Mrs. Sallie E. Felder are "catching it" in summer school at State college.

The corn crop of this section is good but the boll weevil is playing a tune on the cotton.

Mrs. M. C. S. Williams and D. Wesley Stewart left Wednesday in their baby Lincoln for New Jersey.

UNION NEWS

Children's Day exercises at Clinton Chapel A. M. E. Zion church were successfully carried out. Mrs. M. E. Lomax was chairman of the program committee. Mr. J. R. Jeter, superintendent of the Sunday school. The force of teachers under his leadership is bringing things to pass.

Dr. Lomax is the untiring, wide awake pastor, and his sermons are all inspiring and helpful.

News of the demise of Rev. Dr. R. W. Mance of Columbia, was received here with deep regret. Many had heard nothing of his illness.

The funeral of Mr. Drummond was held at Corinth Baptist church a few days ago. Pastor Baten was in charge of the services.

Rev. and Mrs. Clayton of Greer attended services at Corinth Baptist church Sunday morning. Rev. Mr. Clayton is representative of the National Baptist convention, incorporated.

Mrs. Clayton is sister to Mrs. W. E. Brown, and is pleasantly remembered by many here as, Etta Jane Smith; she being the home of her childhood.

Rev. Dr. Baten, pastor of Corinth, continued his series on "Railroad to Heaven," subject "The Passengers."

Mrs. Addie Sanders, member and faithful worker of Corinth, is still quite ill at her home. Children have been summoned to her bedside and with friends are giving earnest attention with the hope that she will be delivered of her suffering.

A few days ago Mrs. Tobin was dinner guest at the home of Dr. L. A. Sutor on Wallace street. A well prepared dinner was served by Mrs. Sutor, with Dr. Lillian and Miss Bernice assisting. Mrs. Tobin enjoyed the dinner and thanks these friends and neighbors for their remembrance.

Miss Dora A. Hardy, is confined to her bed, and under the care of a doctor. Miss Hardy is one of the young workers of Bethel A. M. E. church, and a successful teacher. Many here and elsewhere regret hearing of her illness and are praying for her recovery.

Mrs. Alice Gregory was called to visit her father, George Jones, of Simpsonville, S. C. Mr. Jones died and was buried while his sister was here.

News has reached Union of the death of Mrs. Pearl Hardy, nee Washington, being the hometown of the family.

Many friends regret her passing. Mr. James Lala Rosborough and Mary Tally are off to Rock Hill at ending summer school.

Mrs. Lottie Bolden on N. Pinckney street, returned from Asheville on account of her illness. She is somewhat improved at this writing.

Mrs. Salonna Rice is suffering with rheumatism.

Mr. Walter Farr is somewhat improved.

Mrs. Sallie B. Young and Miss J. M. Bowman are delighted with meeting and courteous reception given by members and friends attending the convention in Chester. Mrs. Tobin was much gratified upon the receipt of invitation from Miss Julia Dobson, who graduated from Dunbar high school in Washington. An acknowledgment of the same has been sent.

Misses Julia and Ruth Freeman left a few days ago for the state of New York and Connecticut where they will join their mother, Mrs. Permetta Freeman.

Mr. David Nicholas also Miss Louisa are in the city of New York.

Misses Rose and Russes Nicholas are at home spending vacation with home folk.

Mr. J. W. Nicholas, Jr., student at Howard university, Washington, called at home of Rev. and Mrs. Tobin. This young man has had a successful school year and friends in Union are pleased to note.

Miss Ellen Gregory spends the week end in Union her home town. She is still rendering efficient service as a clerk in the office of the North Carolina Mutual Insurance company, in Spartanburg. Mrs. Ruth Weeden has charge of the office work in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Washington, Miss M. Gist and others from Maple Ridge church attended services at Corinth on Sunday evening.

Rev. J. C. Tobin was invited to speak at Majority Baptist church, of Spartanburg, Sunday evening, June 29th. The services were well attended and much enjoyed.

The young men of the junior choir are not attending as well as a few weeks ago. We hope they have not grown faint by the wayside.

Pulpit Aid club of Corinth will meet on Sunday morning, July 6th afternoons. Members are requested to attend. Please bring envelopes. Thank you.

Mr. Flyeres Smith gave your scribe a pop call, also Mr. Arthur Benson. These young men are students of the State college at Orangeburg. Mr. Smith spent some time in Orange, N. J., accompanied by his mother on his return trip.

Miss Fannie M. Becknell was a member of the graduating class of June 1930 in Detroit where she finished a course in stenography and is a prospective stenographer in that city.

Bethel A. M. E. Church

The missionaries of Bethel A. M. E. church met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. Jeter, Friday evening. The meeting was very good and largely attended with the members of the Javonile and Mother Pearl societies and visitors from the other churches. Collection of the evening was \$2.90. We were royally served by the hostess with chicken salad, cream, cakes and iced tea.

Mrs. Ellen Jeter, age 65, died on June 25th and was buried Sunday, June 29th at Mt. Olive Baptist church being funeralized by Rev. Diggs of St. Paul. The funeral was largely attended. She was a faithful christian and one could not help but love her. She was a member of the Christian home benefit burial aid society, lodge 126.

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