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Senate candidate, Thos. P. Stoney says in one of his personal campaign speeches "I was born and raised in the sticks and I know Negroes. I have nothin against them." What a decision this man would be if he really had something against them! The trouble with Mr. Stoney, we fear is that his knowledge of the Negro has never gone beyond that he learned about them in the "sticks" some few years ago. Really, Mr. Stoney we'd be a different man, if he would go on a voyage of discovery in regard to the Negro is concerned.

The United States has been a for her laurels in the Olympic events in which Eddie Tolan, Ralph Metcalf, and Fred Wilt are entered. Great athletes are these colored lads.

The speech of Attorney Harold L. Ickes of the Interior department at the 27th annual conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People held in Baltimore was said to be a real man and statesman to man and was a stiff in democratic character. He charged the lynchers and lynchers and paid the new leadership developed among Negroes.

Cotton Talmadge of Georgia is a candidate for U. S. Senate. He says that he will "reorganize the Constitution of the U. S. and remember my oath of office to uphold the Constitution of every vote cast in the senate. Now who ever has read a statement that Governor Talmadge has read the U. S. Constitution and knows that the Governor if he is elected senator forgets that the 14th and 15th Amendments are a part of the Constitution.

DANGEROUS SPEAKING

If there be any in the state who lynchings, mob violence, hatred and intolerance in the state, let them read The News and Courier and Mr. Thos. E. Stoney of Charleston and Col. Wm. C. Hallett of Lilbington must bear the responsibility for such. Those who deliberately day by day, say these things which can do nothing else but cause hatred. They are doubtless trying to undo the fine work of these splendid men and women who are building up inter-racial good will tolerance and fairplay. They know or ought to know that the effect of their daily tirades against the Negro can have no good effect and certainly cannot redound to the peace, happiness and welfare of the state. But all South Carolinians do not think as these gentlemen or all newspapers as The News and Courier, happily to say. That this is true is shown by the following editorial from The Columbia Record:

Unwise and Unsafe.

Race prejudice is like the "unloaded" shotgun—a dangerous thing to play with.

"Because the Democratic party in the South is predominantly and above all things the white man's party," the Greenwood Index-Journal warns, "for the mutual safety of both races, it is highly incumbent that its leaders deprecate any attempt to inject the race issue into any question. If there be danger, let the danger be faced fearlessly but always with discretion not with flaming emotionalism.

"Because the bitter and bloody experiences of Radical-Carpetbagger days makes this solidarity of the whites imperative in the maintenance of government control it is doubly a duty to be fair, just and considerative of the colored citizen who dwells among us.

"The white man who plays with the race question is a very unwise man and an unsafe man."

THE PRAYER THAT CAUSED SENATOR SMITH TO TAKE A WALK

It will be remembered that two weeks ago, the National Democratic convention was in session in Philadelphia, the city of "brotherly love." Senator Smith of South Carolina does not believe in this brotherly business, that is, if one of the brothers happen to be of dark hue. He doesn't believe in even prayers by sucha brother. The following is the prayer offered by the Rev. L. Marshall Shepard, a colored divine:

"Most Holy and Wise God, our Heavenly Father, we worship and adore Thy name for the manifold blessings that Thou dost bestow upon the children of men.

"We pray Thy blessed benediction upon this convention; officers, delegates and visitors. Grant them a realizing sense of Thy presence that they may be guided by Thy wisdom, and supported by Thy ever failing strength.

"Bless the President of the United States and all the officers of our government. We are, indeed, thankful for the significant contribution that both President and Mrs. Roosevelt have made to the general welfare and happiness of the masses of citizens throughout this nation.

"May our country be an agent of good-will among nations of the world to the end that righteousness, peace, and true holiness shall cover the earth as the waters cover the bosom of the mighty deep. Now as we sall proceed with the work of this convention, and the words of our mouth and the meditations of our hearts, be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, our strength and our Redeemer. Amen."

Would Senator candidate Thos. P. Stoney and retired Col. Wm. C. Hallett say that they too would have taken the walk with Senator Smith had they been there and are trying to make an issue of the fact that Senator Byrnes was seen as they are constrained not also "eat a hoe". Evidently these two candidates are afraid so. They must think that the convention in Philadelphia was a South Carolina county convention instead of a National convention. But after all, maybe the God above heard the prayer of the dark divine.

Kampbellgrams

Stephen C. Campbell

I am now at Battis Academy teaching Methods in the Institute of the Home Mission S. S. convention, Rev. J. W. Mines, president. This is a great convention. They are the only once and appropriated money for the institute. The climate of school is in session, and summer school for teachers. Prof. and Mrs. Nicholson, two very great souls are doing their part to make us at home. Battis is a great school.

Last week, Dynamo Crimpton put the day in Greenville with the white Baptist in their Assembly and noted what they were doing. He also spent several hours in conference with Rev. Gandy who plans to retire as president. It is great to serve with Rev. Gandy. I hope that fitting tribute and token of appreciations will be presented to him. Let every member of the board come thinking of a fitting tribute or to approve one that shall be suggested.

Who will be the next president of the convention? Will the Baptist elect a superintendent? Will they reward a board member or will they elect Prof. Lawson acting president? The sentiment is that all eyes are turned on a certain minister to head the convention. The next president will be required to measure up to the order of things and will have to pick up where Rev. Gandy is leaving off. I suggest that we not have any candidates running. I suggest that we elect the best available man, whether he is a minister or layman or woman, let us look over the field and name one who can be head and shoulder with the presidents of the Men and Women conventions and who has the ears of the powers that be.

The year closes with the meeting of the S. S. and B. T. U. convention, the Baptists Assembly, and The School of Methods at Sumter, July 15-18. Baptist have no program, is no longer the cry. They are saying, Watch the Baptist and their wonderful program of denominational development. We are no longer the tail of the kite but we are head and shoulder with any denomination. I pause to thank the three conventions for allowing me to be one of the factors and for letting me be among the many who brought about this new day in Baptist affairs. When you see the School of Methods in operation, and hear the reports from the various boards, I know you will be more than pleased.

Our Special Guests

All presiding elders, heads of colleges, moderators of associations and unions, presidents of S. S. conventions, presidents of women conventions, presidents of fraternal societies, ministers of all denominations, public schools teachers, doctors and lawyers, directors of any kind of an organization are invited to be the guests of the School of Methods for observation and suggestions.

Special Features

Every day will be a big day. Every session will be a great session. It is the plan of the Dean to compile all lectures in a book and let the world see and read, who helped to make the 1935 School of Methods the best in the 30 years existence of the convention. Field Day on Friday and the graduating exercises on Saturday will be the two crowning features. Certificates will be given for the general courses and the group work.

The $8,000.00 Rally

Yes as director of the drive, I am asking all school and unions and conventions to report by conventions. We want one dollar from every teacher and officers in the S. S., B. T. U. and conventions. There will be public rallies, group rallies and class rallies. We must raise more than any other convention in the state. Our reports must be better because we are the CREAM of the state and all three of the conventions are coming to meet with us. Come paying some praying, come and see what Negro Baptist are doing in the field of Leadership Training. Be sure and visit the Poster Display Room. Send or bring your pastor, Sunday school from your school or union to represent in the field day. Everything will be demonstrated. I shall be in the office of the Dean Wednesday morning to help in the selection of courses. What ever the denomination wants me to do I have no objection. I am here to serve. Let the voice of the people speak.

MEN AND THINGS

By J. S. BENN, Jr.

"The Layman and the Church"

A philosopher, mathematition, general or special scientist you not be required to define the functions of the layman in the Christian church. In the Bible the command to preacher is: "As ye go preach," and in the same book the direction to the layman: "The harvest truly is great but, laborers are few, go ye into my Vineyard and work," therefore Jesus recognized and both the preacher and the layman, and has defined their work. He (Jesus) is the great source; the laymen contribute to the means and, are the objective and end of the whole religious scheme; and the preacher his spiritual administratior and supervisor. All working to-gether for the spread of the Master's Kingdom and the salvation of souls. By no means should there ever be a division between the laity and the ministry. There is plenty of space for all, and work for all to do.

Joshua—the first judge of Israel suggested to his brethren at or near the close of his life, "Let there be no strife among you," his position was regarded as golden. The laymen of the church in general have been loyal, faithful and true, and in many respects more trustworthy in the handling of the monetary affairs of the church than many preachers proved to be. They come at every beck and call that is made by the ministry, as a rule they are willing to work wherever they are placed in the church and school; they willingly reverence and respect the preacher, whether he is learned or unlearned; in many cases they sacrifice the comforts of their homes, the pleasures of their families to sponsor the cause of Christ and the church. They, in one way or the other, pay the whole operating expenses of the church and school; now, when it comes to sharing the honor, it seems reasonable that he get the consideration that is due him. Before money was the standard of success in the Christian church, ministers were not so interested in handling the monetary affairs of tthe church, but now that the demands of the church are so great, and misappropriation equally as great, preachers are often forced to assume responsibilities and positions that bring to them grave criticisms, but I believe that if the church would change the emphasis from money to souls, and let the laymen handel more of the temporal side of the affairs of the church, while the preachers preach the gospel, initiate plans for the operation of the church and supervise spiritually the same, there is no question about it, it will be better for all parties concerned.

MOUNTAIN CITY ECHOES

By "CAP JIM"

Well the 4th of July has come and gone—one thing we noted that there was more talk of "Freedom on the air—than any thing—even after sundown—programs were being broadcast—and groups were singing the old national stand bys.—Some thing has got America aroused as never before—on this"—freedom business. Let us continue to sing "My Country tis of thee," etc.—I will admit the words may not carry the full meaning to a large part of our race—but lets keep singing, and claiming the country as ours—Why not?

Quite a few churches put on entertainments on that day—several report having a fine day.—we at Laurel Creek for years have pulled off one—infact it is so well established—that no advertizing is done.—The people just watch the Calendar. If they find July down, and the month having a 4th, they know to come to Laurel Creek Saturday they were there by the hundred.. Everybody—happy—not a cross word—Two fine ball games—The committee sold every bloom ing thing in sight; the sun was at least 1 and 1-2 hour high—when the last knickle was handed out for the last glass of lemonade.—Gee what a day—Then Sunday the Laurel Creek Lodge No. 17 W. B. S. held its usual annual Thanksgiving service.—The yard and church were full—people—people from far and near.—The services were enjoyed by all. The offering was over $25.00. Dinner was served and every thing passed without a single cross word—Now come clean—and admit with me that it takes a mighty fine neighborhood to be able to pull off 2 big days in succession—and both a howling success.

Strange thing happen or rather come along—as we don't have much faith in this—"happening" business—We read books and papers and hear fine discourses on life and health.—Do this or that, be happ ylive to a ripe old age. But careful about this—Don't do that—shun this dodge that—and on and on—it goes. Every body most want to live a long time and enjoy health as they go—But sometimes we see a living contridiction—to all this fine stuff handed down—Every day there are those being planted in graves—who have had from birth to death—every thing that money and kindness could bestow—and yet, just a few years is thessum total of their life—On this side of 50 most all of them have a flat. Then now and then we run up on one—some time its a man—then a woman—that lives a life that is the dead opposite of oll the teaching of "how to live, of health and sanatation," and every thing we find in the book, and yet they round out their 3 score and 10 years—Last week we funeralized such a character known to every body in Greenville—and other parts—as "Prophet"—His real name was Prophet Lindsey, but few knew of the Lindsey—but many of the Prophet, for the last 40 or 50 years on the streets and around the homes were he seen, truly with him as the Savior said. The birds have nest, the fox have holes—but he had no where to claim as his, to lay his head—Old out house—car boxes—Depot Stations—large dry goods boxes—sheads—any where He could crawl in after dark—was home sweet home—Old clothes, shoes and hats he picked up and wore very often he would have on 2 old suits, 2 hats an over coat, and carrying an extra pair of old shoes—as fire wood, any thing he could get his hands on in a honest way—from any where—he ate—Hot or cold—wet or dry, sleet or snow—you could see him out. About 1-2 normal in the upper part, yet he had plenty sense, enough to stop out of trouble to be honest, to hold the respect of both races to make friends with children—to hold membership in a Christian Church, to live without working to go to the funeral of dozens of those that had figured to out live him and at the end of his long life—to spend the last days in the W. B. Hospital, with the best medical skill and trained nurses to administer to all of his want. Then a large crowd out through the rain to pay the last respects—with beautiful floral designs—The choir out in full, rendering appropriate selections. The pastor, Rev Davis of Isreal Chapel C. M. E. church delivering such a strong and fealing discourse. The body laying there in a nice attractive casket—After all its strange to me—how things end. Prophet said "If there be a Heaven—I am going to it"—Amen.

Now dozens have expressed themselves to me about a white Southern Democrat, refusing to stay in the National Convention and listen to a Negro preacher pray. Some riped him up the back and down the front. Some seem to think that it was an insult to God for any one to walk out during prayer. Now to start with knowing about Political Conventions—especially the big one—where all kinds of tricks bury, under handed works falsefying—are engaged in lining up delegates—especially where the men want to stay in. It is mockery, or an insult to God to call on him to forget that—he is a righteous one—and to lend approval—for that—is what you ask God to do, when you are praying for—as I see it—It is just as befitting to open a prize fight, Base ball series—Public Dance Kentucky Durby—as a Political Convention as formed and fashioned now a days—Now I may be dumb—or blind—or narrow—or ignorant—or just a plain "I am fool"—but to save my life, I can't see how a self respecting race loving—history reading—Negro can pray and ask God to keep in control an organization, th a large and important part of that organizatioon—possessing with in the same spirit that was shown by the senator who stands high in the Council of his party. It makes no difference if hundreds of Negroes are beng bought like cattle—to go out and profess to be democrats—When the test comes—They will find that the race has no real heaven within that organization. What a Party has stood for over 100 years cant be changed in 3 long years or 3 short ones—as or that. The Northern and Western Democrats following in the foot steps of the Republican Party—which makes them open their doors, and the Southern Democrat whose doors are shut tight to the Negro Democrats is a mixture—that will explode as sure as the sun rise.

MT. MORIAH CIRCUIT NEWS

The third quarterlly conference of the above charge convened on Sunday, July 6 with Dr. E. A Adams, presiding elder, in charge. Sunday School began at the usual hour with superintendent R. L. Dominick at his regula post of duty. The lesson was beautifully discussed by the various classes and reviewed by the superintendent. Remarks were made by the pastor afterwhich the pastor along with Rev. W. W. Wise. Bros. David Boyd and Mack Stevens went into the pulpit and the morning service began. The morning message was brought to us by our pastor who used as his subject, A King's Highway, taken from Isiah 35:8. He electrified the great audience that was present. Truly our hearts were made to burn within as he talked to us by the wayside. After a liberal offering had been taken the congregation was dismissed to await the arrival of the presiding elder. Dr. Adams.

Promptly at 3:30 p. m. the congregation reassembled to go into the quarterly conference. After the usual preliminaries, our pastor, Rev. T. E. Harper, in well chosen words presented Dr Adams brought us a message as only he can give. Subject was How To Be Strong. We are always glad to have our presiding elder bring us a burning message filled with information and inspiration All reports weere made by the various boards showing that our church is still on the upward march under the leadership of this young giant, Rev. Harper.

Evening service took place at 8:30 o'clock. Our pastor gave us a wonderful sermon.

We are looking forward to the popularity conteest in which three leading pastors in this section will particpate. They are Revs. T. H. Weathers of Shiloh; Rev. M. F. Wilson of Antioch and our pastor.

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UNION NEWS

Presentation of certificates and prizes was held in McBeth school building for Night and Adult school pupils. Those receiving congratulatory certificates were: Greer Jeter, Buela Houston, J. D. Boyd, Eugene Johnson, Lazarus Holland, Pearlie Mae Meador Mattie Minter, Millie Bates, Sonia Norris, Erelena Kelly, Alice Gregory, Anne Long, Emma Perry and Annie Manningan Those receiving certificates for the most perfect attendance were: Alice Robinson, Sarah Hughes, Ella Jeter and Mattie Minter, Mrs. Pearlie Mae Meador received a prize as winner of the spelling bee in May. The following people won prizes from the home economics group: Comelia Rogers, Sarah Hughes, Leola Worthy, Maggie Crenshaw, Addie Rice, Alice Gregory and Rena Brandon, Mrs. Alice Gregory was awarded a prize from the literary group for having the best attendance for the three years.

Mrs. W. A. Hodges, teacher in the literary department received a gift from her pupils. Mrs. M. E. Hemphill, was also given a floor lamp by the pupils of the Home Economics group. The school continues indefiently.

Mrs. Rachel Rice arrived here Friday from Stamford, Conn. visiting her aunt, Mrs. R. Jeter on O'shield St.

Miss Maude Lillian Jeter left Sunday, July fifth for Asheville, N. C., to visit relatives.

There will be a Gilbert supper given for the benefit of Bethel and Zion churches on the lawn of Mrs Sims, given by Mr. President Rice and Mrs. R. Sims. You are invited to come; a good time is instore for all.

On the sick list: Miss Martha Tucker, Mr. William Rochell.

On the improved list are: Mrs. Sumter Henderson, Mrs. Dora Pressly, rs. Ida Sims.

For the Palmetto Leader, see Mr. P. Rice, 65 McBeth St.

Sunday, June 25, was a glorious day of worship at Thompson Chapel. Sunday school began on time with the superintendent and teachers in charge.

We regret very much that Mrs. Pearl Salter is indisposed at her home on Starks Ave.

Mrs. Emma Jeter who has been ill at her home on Scott St. for the past three weeks is reported not resting well at this writing.

The small son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sims is somewhat better at this writing. We are delighted to hear this.

Mr. and Mrs. William Rice (Clara Bell) 24 Monroe Ave. wish to announce the birth of a son to be called William, Jr.

Mrs. Hattie E. Brandus left Sunday for Detroit, Mich. where she will visit her daughter, Mrs. Vicie Tucker, for the summer months.

Mrs. Irene Tinsley and small daughter, Doris Teen spent the week-end in Jonesville, S. C. with her sister. She reported a delightful stay.

Mr. James Tinsley left several days ago for Philadelphia, Pa. Hope him a pleasant stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Young of Jonesville, S. C. were the guests of their mother, Mrs. Carrie Jeter 27 Stutts Ave. for the week-end.

Miss Florence Mattor of Detroit, Mich. was the guest of Mrs. Etta Thompson at her home, 20 Stutts Ave. She left Friday for Cincinnati, Ohio, where she will visit her sister before returning home.

The following selections of sayings and poems is for the purpose to bring courage and resolution to men, when in need of new confidence.

HILCALL NEWS

July 5, 1936—Sunday school was called to order by the Supt. Bro. John Golden at his post of duty. We are happy to say that we had a wonderful lesson.

Rev. J. W. Davis preached a wonderful sermon this morning; he took his text from St. John 12:32. If I be lifted up from tthe Earth I'll draw all men unto me. Subject "The Drawing Power of Jesus." He really preached a soul stirring sermon.

At 8:00 o'clock the night ser-

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