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Bishop Grace in an interview in this city expressed the opinion that Father Divine of New York "was possibly suffering from delusions of grandeur." That's a very nice way of saying Father Divine is insane or in commot parlance, a fool.

All of that stuff in and around the Veterans Facility at Tuskegee has a rather bad smell. It does seem as many say, a concerted and well planned effort to discredit the Negro officials so as to have them displaced by white officials.

Earl Browder is the presidential candidate of the Communist party. He has the right to be anything he pleases, Democrat, Republican, Communist or what not. He also has the constitutional right of free speech, but Chief of Police Yates of Terre Haute, Ind., seems not to know a thing about Mr. Browder's rights and privileges. When he appeared in Terre Haute, the chief arrested him so as to prevent his speaking on a false charge at that. Terre Haute simply needs a sensible chief of police.

WILL SOUTH CAROLINA DEMOCRATS RESENT THIS?

Senator Smith showed his resentment of Negro participation in the Democratic National convention. So great was his resentment that he walked out on a Negro minister while praying. Of course Mr. Farley and other leaders knew what they were doing, even if the senator and the few who applauded his action did not. But passing over this, since the convention quite a number of prominent and influential Negroes have announced their support of the reelection of President Roosevelt. Many are actively campaigning for him. One of the latest embracing the New Deal is Bishop W. J. Walls, one of the most powerful figures of the A. M. E. Z. church. Heretofore a Republican he now announces himself a supporter of the President. South Carolina Democrats may resent that and some maybe would "take a walk" if there was but someone else to go. Not so the campaign generalissimo, Mr. Jas. A. Farley. He was delighted and showed just what importance he placed upon it by issuing the following public statement: "I am very happy to receive the announcement by Bishop W. J. Walls of the A. M. E. Zion church connection, that he has enlisted in our belt. The thing that impresses me, efforts to re-elect President Roosevelt, about Bishop Walls is his sincerity. I particularly admire his way of studying the issues and the candidates before deciding whom he would support. This is what every serious minded person usually does. We considered the announcement of Bishop Walls as an indication of the growing sentiment throughout the country in favor of our great President."

The statement of Bishop Walls giving the reason for the present "faith that is within" him is an able analysis of the conditions confronting the nation and the accomplishment President Roosevelt is coping with them.

WHAT A CAMPAIGN? Perhaps the present campaign for the Presidency of the United States has no parallel in the history of the country. A most peculiar quirk is the switching of

important men from one party to the other, and colored men are numbered in the changes. Many deserting the Republican party for the Democratic party. That is most unusual. From the standpoint of white switching, the Republicans seem to have the edge. The latest and perhaps the most important change is that of former Governor Al Smith of New York. Then comes George Peck former adviser to the President and AAA administrator. A few outstanding Democratic newspapers too have declared against the New Deal and will support Governor Landon. The Democrats realize that they have a fight on their hands and are fighting as they never had before. That they realize what they are up against is shown by the fact that the President is making more speeches and traveling over the country to a greater extent than any president in past years. Who will be the next president cannot be predicted although less than 30 days remain before election. But whoever is successful, the old U. S. A. will still exist.

Kampbellgrams

Stephen C. Campbell

The Literary Digest's poll is supposed to indicate the sentiment of the nation on the coming election. I am asking all who read these Kampbellgrams to write me the following information: 1. Who are the 10 most outstanding Baptist preachers in South Carolina? 2. Who are the 10 greatest laymen among the Baptists? 3. Which is the largest Sunday school? 4. Who are the 10 most outstanding women among the Baptists? 5. Name the 10 largest Baptist churches in the state. 6. Name the best organized Baptist church in the state. 7. Name the largest rural church in the state. 8. Name 10 outstanding Sunday school superintendents of Baptist schools. 9. Who is the leading Evangelist of the Baptist denomination in South Carolina?

A Baptist Want Ad

Some one to write a history of South Carolina Negro Baptists. Some one to write a book on Church School Methods. Some one to write a book on B. T. U. Methods. Some one to write a book on Vacation Bible School Methods. Some one to write a book on Missionary Methods. Some one to write a book on Food and Fun in the Church. Some one to write a book on Dramatics in the Church School. Some one to write an article on A Dictator or Duty Doer. Dear Dynamo Campbell: What was the issue at Laurens in the Baptist state convention. I have read a recent article on you that I want answered. Signed W. T. K. W. T. K. there was no issue at the State Convention at Laurens. 22 of my personal friends thought that I had too many paid jobs in the state work and that some others ought have one of the jobs. 26 of my personal friends said: "Dynamo Campbell is doing a great work for the denomination and ought be let alone to complete the program entrusted to his hands by vote of the convention." I accepted the decision of the 92, and am now busy organizing the School of Methods for the S. S. and B. T. U. convention. As to whether I was a Dictator to President Butler, Vice-president G. G. Daniels and to the other 95 board members, write any of them. I always took dictations and carried out orders in the Campbellistic way. I was guilty of always planning for the office of secretary and as fast as new ideas came to me, I submitted them to the boards. I did what was my duty as an officer of both conventions and I did my whole duty. W. T. K. you may have a copy of all program and records of both conventions and compare what was done from 1932-36 when I tried to be the best secretary the convention ever had. No, I am not a Deposed Dictator, Detracting and Deteriorating and Disintegrating thru Debilitating Deigning. Like Cabel, I am a strong this day as I was in the day that the Baptists promoted me to be both secretary of the E. and M. convention at Columbia and corresponding secretary of the S. S. and B.Y.P.U. convention at Georgetown; as my strength was then, even so it is now, for plans to raise money and for time to go over the whole state and carry the message of the Negro Baptist denomination in South Carolina. I plead guilty to trying to cooperate with both Presidents Gandy and Butler, and doing what they told me to do. I plead guilty to helping both boards make new advances, greater progress year by year. Yes, I am guilty of going all over South Carolina into sections where they had never seen one of the elected officers of either conventions. I am guilty of locating every association and convention in the state and making a Directory so all the world would know what the Baptists were doing. I am guilty of having the minutes out and in the hands of all pastors and associations by time they started meeting in August. If doing what I was told to do were acts of a Dictator, if my will was the will of 74 moderators, 18 elected board members,

and 9 other elected officers, if they adopted the suggestions that were offered, I was some DICTATOR. Read the records of what "This Your Own Dynamo Campbell labored to do and you will say HE WAS ONLY A DUTY DOER and NOT A DICTATOR."

MOUNTAIN CITY ECHOES

By "CAP JIM"

(Continued from last week) We now continue our say about our district Sunday school, etc. convention. Now just why our good friend and Bro. Rev. N. W. Green thought it necessary to come up and take up about an hour of mighty precious time in making a detailed report of his doings as a delegate to the General Conference of the M. E. church—and his mental attitude toward the different legislation presented and passed—then and now, which have become in most instances Law of the church is a puzzle. The Sunday school convention of Greenville district had out little to do with electing him as a delegate—in fact as a convention had nothing to do with it—some of the pastors may have voted for him at the last annual conference, but it always seemed to me that it was in keeping with appreciation when a body elects a delegate to go some place as its representative that on return the proper place to select for making a report would be, before the body that honored him by sending him. And in keeping with this idea that I hold, I snail at next annual conference petition the chair to allow time to each delegate to come forward and report. If perchance I fail to be there, I shall write the request. Then I hope that the brethren will speak and concern, as vigorously the work of the General conference and those that did not think as he thought, speak as he spoke and act as he acted. As he did at our convention. I glory in anyone that thinks and acts independently, that's a man. I glory in a man that has an honest conviction and contends for it. But when a fellow reaches the point where to him all that do not think, see and act as he does, become weasly, treacherous, deceiving, un-christian, betrayers of the great principle as practice, by the church, then I conclude regardless of his good points, that he is becoming affected with that dreadful disease known as the "Big Head." I think it was Paul that entreated the brethren thus, "Think not too high of one's self." Now as to unification which seems to have the honored divine "so set up." That is to be discussed in every annual conference of the M. E. church in the connection—so now we pass on to another phase of the work done at General conference that seems to set to disagree upon the stomach of the dear brother. That as he said the laymen of the church from now on will be recognized, and have almost equal power in the church as the preachers with but 2 exceptions, I think he said, "Well suppose that the church has placed the laymen in such an exalted position, what's wrong with that? Now you can snort a much as you please, but the folks that plank down the "dough" what it takes to support a church salary are the laymen. Every Buffalo nickel, dime and dollar come straight on up and out of the laymen's pocketbook. Nowadays any where you go and to everything you go from prayer meeting up—just before the curtains fall—its a collection—from who? I am not kicking or giving. I realize that it takes money to make the mare, the church or anything else go—and realizing this, I practice what I preach. I wonder what kind of eye glasses a preacher can get hold off and wear to see things as such a damnible thing for a church discipline to have in it rules that allow a laymen to have a voice in the running of the organization of which he is a full fledged part and of which he supports in full, with his time and cash. The divine very reluctantly admitted that from now on the laymen would have a strong voice as to the appointment of the preachers—amen! Now for other laymen that attend the annual conference I cannot say, but as for the "captain", from now on when he is at the conference, no sorry 1x1 1/2 preacher will ever get a peep-in at our place of business—and most all laymen appreciate good, clean, honest pastors. Now there is one consoling thing about it: the 1936 discipline has the good tidings in it and it will be freezing day in the middle of August when it comes out. Laymen vote now 50-50.

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JOHNSTON NEWS Bethel C. M. E. Sunday school opened at the usual hour with superintendent and teachers at their post of duty. Those on the sick list are: Mrs. Lucy Jackson, Mrs. Rhoda Mobley Francis and Mr. P. Lewis. We hope they will soon be well again. Miss Hattie Miles entertained at a tea Friday nite the Misses Helen Gains, Sarah O. Simkins, Lillian M. Gary members of the Edgefield county training school faculty, also Mr. and Mrs. Harry Quattlebaum and Mr. Walter Mason of Aiken, S. C.; Mr. U. C. Johnson of Statesboro, Ga., and Mrs. Oliver Scott of Philadelphia. All enjoyed a very pleasant evening.

Rev. A. W. White has returned to his home in Savannah, Ga., after a visit to Rev. and Mrs. W. M. Singleton's home.

Mrs. Emma Raiford of New York City is visiting her daughter, Mrs. West Peterbox.

Miss Alberta Myles spent last Sunday in Augusta, Ga., with her friends and relatives.

Miss Alberta Myles was hostess to a card party sponsored by the B. S. club. Several prizes were awarded to different ones, after which refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Noah Amos, Rev. Blassegame, and Miss P. Eagles motored to Heart Spring. All reported a very nice trip.

Miss Amilia McIntosh, a student of Benedict college, Columbia was the guest of Miss Eagles Sunday.

The Edgefield county training school opened September 30th at 9:30 A.M. under the efficient leadership of Prof. Robert N. Smith of Raleigh, N. C. The City Supt. Mr. S. Lott was present and gave encouraging remarks for a successful school term.

A large number of patrons and trustees were present. Three new teachers were welcomed to the faculty, in the persons of Misses Helen V. Goins, Lillian M. Gary both of Washington, D. C. Miss Priscilla Eagles of Columbia.

All gave encouraging remarks stating that they came to give service not only in the school but church and community activities.

We were happy to welcome some of the old ones back in the persons of Mrs. C. O. McIntosh, Johnston; Mrs. E. D. Hooper, Saluda and Miss Sarah O. Simkins, Greenwood. A large number of students were enrolled for the year.

Mrs. Noah Amos, president of the P. T. A. is asking that all members be present on the third Monday at 3:00 P.M.

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PHILLIS WHEATLEY LIBRARY REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER

Adult circulation 396, Juvenile circulation 358, from 2 other points of distribution 46, making a total of 800 books, 27 magazines and 3 pictures. New patrons 17. 67 books returned from the Binery with beautiful new covers and 10 books added for circulation.

New books are: Gone With the Wind—by Margaret Mitchell, Six Proud Walkers—by F. Beeding, Beverly of Graustark—by G. B. McCutcheon, Mrs. Red Pepper and Red for the Redfields—by Grace Richmond, Sister Sue—by E. H. Porter, Mistress of Shennstone—by F. L. Barclay and 3 Negro Books.

During the month 15 overdue books of long standing were collected and returned to the library. A special drive is on to collect all overdue books and to get old borrowers to re-register and to take advantage of the opportunities offered. New borrowers are especially invited.

All county school teachers who wish to use the library books in their schools will please let us know as soon as possible. Depositors are ready for some of the schools.

J. W. Talley, Librarian

EMANUEL A. M. E. CHURCH

Rev. J. E. Thomas, Pastor

Last Sunday was indeed a big day at Emanuel. Promptly at eleven o'clock services convened. Long before the preliminaries were ended, a very large audience was comfortably seated. It was quite evident that this large number of members and friends of Emanuel came out to greet and to hear the prelate of the Seventh Episcopal District in the person of the Rt. Rev. J. S. Flipper, bishop of South Carolina. Immediately following the devotional, Rev. Thomas presented Rev. T. F. Nichols, presiding elder of the Edisto District, who in turn introduced and presented the bishop. Bishop Flipper, after greeting the audience took his text from the eleventh chapter of Romans at the thirty-third verse—"O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God." It was a sermon that sent a thrill of spiritual enthusiasm through the hearts of his hearers. The sermon was great and powerful. An enormous crowd partook of the Lord's Supper.

It was during these activities that a rain drenched the city and at the close of the services access to the street was almost impossible because of the down pour.

Owing to the inclemency of the weather we did not have but a small gathering during the Sunday school period. Bishop Flipper came, but had to leave in order to fill another engagement.

The pastor preached at the evening hour of worship. His text may be found in the third chapter of St. John at the third verse—"as answered and said unto him: 'Verily, verily, I say unto thee,' etc. This evening message was stirring and uplifting. Our senior choir rendered fine music all day.

Miss Frances Thomas, the daughter of our pastor has been called to Lang School, Mt. Pleasant, S. C. to teach Home Economics. Mr. Clinton Young, one of our young men, has accepted the position as principal of the Walterboro Grade school.

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Poetic Meditations BY HERBERT ELI DICKSON PLAINLY SPEAKING! You marvel that I've shown the least expression of regret! It's just because I haven't found much time to feel at yet! I sympathize And make the very best of love I can! But dear you must Remember—I'm a very busy man! A THOUGHT OR TWO Little children like a story Filled with daring deeds, and glory, Brimming with the gallantry That makes a man a model man! And I don't see how they couldn't, And I won't see why they shouldn't— For those early years of youth Ought to be a fair exciting span!

WHY EVERY BAPT. PREACHER SHOULD ATTEND THE STATE CONVENTION By Rev. R. A. Fishbund Georgetown, S. C.—For one thousand years the Chinese inclosed themselves within the inclosure of their gigantic walls surrounding China, shut off from the world. While they remained secured and undisturbed from the attacks of other nations during that period, they made little or no progress or development. They have no contact with the outside world. They practiced the same old customs for centuries. Despite the fact that the battling ram of the lights of Christianity and civilization have battled down the Chinese walls and entered China, the Chinese are still one of the most backward nations in the world today. Contact is one of the greatest means of progress and development. The National Baptist Convention of America has adopted this slogan: You can not teach what you do not know; you can not lead where you do not go. This should arrest the attention of any one who wishes to make life worth while. There are a large number of Baptist preachers who never attend the State convention. Some don't even know, perhaps, that such exists. Ministers, Deacons and members make up the local church. The association and organization of the local churches in an organized form make up the convention in a given territory or state. Every Baptist preacher, of South Carolina, especially, should attend the convention—First, for his own benefit. To teach others, one must first know. To know, one must learn and be taught by others. At the State convention the Baptist preacher can not but be benefited by the information and inspiration given out by the Convention from time to time in its annual assembly. He will greatly enrich himself by the fine religious contact and Christian fellowship that the convention affords. Attending the State Convention, will broaden the preacher's vision, stimulate his interest in his work and inspire him with greater zeal and determination to struggle for the advancement of the kingdom of God on the earth. Secondly, every Baptist preacher should attend the convention, in order that he may be kept abreast with the movements, working and operations of the convention in Kingdom building, and thereby be in position to properly inform his church or his people, if he has any, of the same, for the preacher is the connecting link between the church and the convention. Thirdly, every Baptist preacher should attend the State convention for its objective. The convention has a great program to execute. Its success depends very largely upon every Baptist church and preacher in the State in the act of co-operation in putting over this program. The objective of the convention is clearly stated in its constitution—Article II Object—"The object of this convention shall be to promote the cause of Christ in general, and most especially in South Carolina, by aiding the cause of missions, by establishing

ALLEN TEMPLE A. M. E. CHURCH Rev. R. I. Lemon, Pastor

One of the biggest hits of the season was the "Coal Contest" sponsored by the Men's club of the church, which came off last Monday night, Sept. 28, 1936. Three prizes were offered, 3 tons of coal to the person raising the highest amount over \$25.00, 2 tons second prize and 1 ton the third prize. The winners were 1st prize \$70.00 by Miss Florence Lykes, 2nd prize—\$41.83 by Mrs. Cora Burton and the 3rd prize \$37.41 by Mrs. Ruby Lee Moore. The total amount raised was \$175.83. This club was organized by the pastor. It is composed of men only and they are doing a great work under the leadership of the President, Mr. Thomas Johnson. Sunday school opened at 9:45 a. m. with a large attendance. The lesson was interestingly taught by classes. We had a fine review by the Asst. Supt. If our Sunday school increase as much in this quarter as it did during the last quarter, we'll have a record breaking attendance. We had some timely remarks by Mrs. M. M. Calhoun and Rev. Lemon. Morning service began at 11:15 a. m. The pastor was at his best and delivered a strong, soul stirring message, using as a subject, "Christ The Power And The Wisdom Of God." 1st Cor. 4:21. The Holy Communion was given to a large number. The A. C. E. League met at 6:30 p. m. A very interesting meeting was held. Night service began at 7:30 p. m. The pastor again came before the congregation and delivered a very inspiring message. His text was found, St. Matt. 14:29-32. Those who did not commune in the morning were given an opportunity to do so. The congregation and collections were good throughout the day.

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