

"CHARLIE" SPEARS 'EM UP

By Charles Spears
"THE ROVING REPORTER"

Baptists Rapped Race Discrimination

And removed from its congress hall all signs denoting seating sections Monday at the sixth international congress of the Baptist World Alliance in Atlanta, Ga., after some of the colored delegates had protested signs denoting separate sections for white and Negro delegations.

Secretary J. H. Rushbrooke of London announced the alliance "knows no racial discrimination" and ordered removal of the signs. He explained that the signs had been put up "simply to enable the members of some of the larger delegations to find their friends easily".

Dr. H. M. Smith of Chicago and R. C. Barbour, of Nashville, Tenn., editor of The Voice a Baptist paper shortly afterward made the following statement, which caused wide spread comment among colored citizens and delegates.

"Everything is absolutely satisfactory now. We are not here to but in on or socialize with white people. We don't want to go to white hotels, white theatres, white restaurants or white homes. But we don't want to be set apart in this alliance. We are on equal terms with any one else... Japanese, Chinese, Italians or any other group. They are not segregated. Neither do we feel that we should be."

Atlanta Too Small For Congress of Baptists

Was proven time and again during the congress, there were delegates from the far corners of the world... The Belgian Congo, Philippines... South America... Japan... China... Burma... Ceylon... Germany... England... India... and other far-flung corners of the mission field.

At an afternoon group meeting of young people all color lines were disregarded in the seating.

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FLORENCE NEWS I. M. Stokes, Reporter The city was shocked last week when news reached here about the death of Miss Edna Bernice Williams. She was only 11 days old and in Davidson hospital, Lumberton, N. C., Aug. 9. Miss Williams was born in Augusta, Ga., 1920. After which her parents moved to Florence. Here she attended Wilson Hi school and graduated with the class of '38. She converted and joined the church and was baptized by Rev. Will six years ago. The funeral was held Sunday Aug. 13. Trinity Baptist church. Her

de Leon Ball Park. At a beautiful and impressive pageant at Powee de Leon Park Monday evening every square foot of ground in the park was filled, and ten thousand people were unable to get even standing room.

The pageant was in pantomime with narrators off-stage providing the voices so that every word might reach the huge audience over the amplifying system. The succession of episodes moved down an era of more than 300 years and depicted stirring moments in the history of the denomination... combining excellent costuming, striking color effects, spectacular tableaux and a number of dramatic episodes. It was written by an Englishman, the Rev. E. A. Payne, of London, and executed by citizens of Atlanta.

Whippin' Dust On Numbah Wun

Coming South from New York last Thursday night we stopped in the little City of Chester, Va., nine miles north of Petersburg. On the Richmond and Petersburg Pike... Being hungry and thirsty we walked into the first cafe, we saw an excellent roadside inn, sat down and ordered a meal and a cold bottle of wine, and it was served and enjoyed. It was a white place of business, there were no colored to be found. Bit by bit... slowly but surely the South is changing... or maybe? It was the press plates they saw on the car... You never can tell... ? And they won't. The building happened to be just across the road from the Winfree Motor Co., Ford dealers, where the State Highway Police usually "hang out". Before we were there, twenty minutes they received a radio call to investigate a wreck two miles on the road... We went along also and found that a high powered car traveling at terrific speed had side swiped a five ton New York-Miami transport truck hit two telephone poles and slammed into a tree... Only pieces of the driver's head could be found... Within 24 hours six other deaths occurred within sixty miles of this spot on the same road. We remained in Virginia two days and covered them all... They whip dust in high powered cars on Number One... So, take it easy.

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ST. JAMES A. M. E. CHURCH Rev. C. A. Stroud, Pastor Asheville, N. C.—We are in the midst of the second week of our revival which is being ably conducted by Mrs. Kathryn R. Player, noted evangelist. For several months St. James has made upward strides in spiritual development. Members and friends are finding their way to the house of God as in by-gone days. Sister Player seemed at her best Sunday morning. She preached from the subject: "A Sure Foundation." As she pictured the Christ as the basis of all spiritual blessings, the hearts of the hearers burned, amid shouts of joy and praise. Sister Player conducted a noteworthy men's meeting Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, and a similar one for the women one hour later. The evening was outstanding as an outpouring of the spirit, and an overflowing audience. The Evangelist spoke from the subject "Carry your burden with a smile." Three persons accepted Christ and joined the church.

CHESTERFIELD NEWS

Mrs. M.L.F. Johnson has been indisposed for the past few days, but is improved. Miss Leola Seagurs of Pageland is visiting Mr and Mrs. Albert Johnson. Mrs. Howard Jackson spent Sunday afternoon in Cheraw. Mrs. Sallie Baucum and Mr. and Mrs. Hardeson formerly of this place, but residing in New York are visiting relatives in the city. Dr. and Mrs. Cook and children of Hamlet, N.C., were visitors on Saturday here. Mrs. Lugenia McAdams of Asheville, N.C., is visiting her daughter and son, Rev. and Mrs. H. Robinson. Dr. J.H. Toatley was the pulpit guest on Sunday at Pee Dee Baptist church Dr. Prince is pastor of the church. Revival services were held last week at the 2nd Baptist church, Rev. C. Marshall had charge. Mrs. Jessie Sammers is slightly indisposed at this writing. Revival services are being held this week at Mt. Tabor M. E. church, Rev. Hiddleston, pastor. Rev. Stewart of Charlotte will assist in the meeting. Rev. Rodgers of Salem Baptist church occupied his pulpit Sunday and delivered a helpful message to a large congregation. The Sunshine Band of Grand View Pres church meets each Friday afternoon and interesting programs are held. Master Girard Foster is the president and Mrs. J. H. Toatley is advisor. Mr. Levan Edwards of the Veterans' camp at Hamlet spent the week end with home folk. Mrs. Sallie Coe and daughter Dorothy of Charlotte are visiting Mrs. Sindyay Coe.

HIGH LIGHTS OF THE UPPER PEE DEE DISTRICT SUMMER SCHOOL

Darlington, S. C.—The opening was very encouraging and indicated a good summer school as usual. Prof. H. C. Brewer of the Butler High school, Hartsville was director of the summer school and handled the office like a veteran. He has been connected with this summer school since its organization and knows its standard and ambitions. The teacher-students manifested unusual interest in their work. This inspired the instructors to greater effort, everybody worked hard. Because of the "Ban" placed by the State Board of Health, preventing children gathering in groups the "Model School" was not held at Cherry Grove school as planned, but was conducted in the Home Economic building of Mayo High school—the teacher-students taking the place of children. Mrs. Webber of the Orangeburg County School system, was in charge of this school again this year. Prof. Brewer, director had charge of the courses in Elementary Arithmetic, Civics and S. C. History. Mrs. Perkins of Wilson high school, Florence; Mrs. Haile of Camden, Miss Morris of Tomlinson high school, Kingstree and Mrs. Cain of Mayo high school conducted the courses in Advanced English, Elementary English, History and Nature Study; Rural courses I, II, III and Geography; Health courses and Rural Home and Farm Life Problems; Advanced Arithmetic and Library Registrations, respectively. The Library was open every period and those not engaged in classroom work would make their way to the Library, using all of their extra time in study and reading. The teachers are learning with the poet that: "Reading makes a full man". The Library room was a busy place during the summer school. The County Health Department under Dr. Corrigan and Nurse Felix gave the teachers the Tuberculin and Wassermann Tests and Typhoid inoculation. The County Board of Health has always given full cooperation in helping to put over the Health program. We were favored with very instructive lectures by Miss Craig, Pee Dee District Nurse; Drs. Simmons and Wilkinson and Mrs. Modjeska Simpinkins of the State Health Department. Special stress was put on Tuberculosis, Syphilis and some other social diseases. We were favored with a visit by Dr. M. F. Whitaker, president of S. C. A. and M. college. His parting words were: "Education must be made functional". Mr. Seymour Carroll represented the Owens Publishing company giving the teachers an opportunity to get professional books and magazines. The citizens of Darlington extended every courtesy possible to make the visiting teachers comfortable and happy. The Town Council and the Chamber of Commerce made their usual contributions towards the success of the summer school, expressing in a tangible way their greetings and desire to have the honor of the summer school, express themselves as being highly pleased with the work being done. This paved into history another session of the Upper Pee Dee District Summer school carrying the commendations of state and county educational officials and sends to their respective fields of labor a well pleased, grateful and better prepared group of teachers. The indications at the opening for a successful summer school became a reality.

NEWBERRY DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION NOW OVER

On July 20th the Newberry District Sunday school convention convened in Shiloh church, Prosperity, S. C., of which the Rev. E. A. Adams is presiding elder and the Rev. S. J. Johnson is pastor. Promptly at the hour stated on program the convention assembled with Presiding Elder E. A. Adams in the chair. The devotional exercises were conducted by the Rev. L. G. Bowman, pastor of Miller Chapel station, Newberry. After some remarks the elder asked that the convention now proceed to organize, and the organization resulted as follows: Miss Vivian Reff, secretary; Miss Inez Boyd, assistant secretary; (Rev.) J. S. Martin, reported to the papers; Miss Mazzi, Butler, and Miss Ernestine Butler, ushers.

The elder then tendered his annual message which was timely and very fitting. At this point visitors were introduced as follows: Rev. Nash of Columbia district; Mrs. P. B. Brooks of Orangeburg district; Prof. Riggins of Lancaster district; Rev. McMorris of the Baptist church; Mrs. Edna Ramsey wife of Elder H. D. Ramsey and Rev. H. B. Butler, a professor and teacher in Allen university.

Miss L. M. Harris, district A. C. E. League president was introduced and she taught the first course listed on the program for study which was the "Bible". She taught the subject without a book or manuscript. The convention highly cheered her for her womanly stand. The Rev. L. G. Bowman also taught the same subject with pride and dignity. At this point Elder Ramsey, the newly appointed presiding elder of the Columbia district was asked to say a word to the convention. Another high point of the convention was Prof. Butler of Allen university who accompanied the presiding elder to the seat of the convention and remained throughout the session, was introduced to give some practical methods in teaching. He did as only a man of his type can do. In this convention every station, circuit and mission made a report. Something beyond the ordinary. The convention voted and unanimously endorsing the Presiding Elder, Rev. E. A. Adams, candidacy for the bishopric. A. D. Dawkins of the Edgefield circuit brought greetings from the Columbia district. The annual sermon was preached by the Rev. I. M. Williams of the Silver Street circuit. He used as a text the second chapter of St. Luke and part of the 10th verse. For I bring you glad tidings of good news which shall be to all people.

Another important feature of the convention was the "Model Sunday School and Model League" conducted by Prof. Richard of Prosperity and Miss L. M. Harris of Newberry, respectively. Rev. W. M. Brown preached the Educational sermon using as a text the 6th chapter of St. Matthew and 10th verse. Theme: The second portion of the Lord's Prayer. Rev. I. D. Gamble being present brought greetings from the Georgetown district and Rev. T. E. Robinson of Union brought greetings from the Spartanburg district. Thus on Sunday after a very fine service the convention adjourned, having had a very fine convention. (Rev.) J. S. Martin, reporter.

BROOKLYN, N. Y. NEWS

Sunday, August 6, there was a silver tea given by the ushers at the home of Mrs. Theodosie McGahee, 1713 Dean street. Mrs. McGahee acting as chairman, and Miss Victoria Boatwright a faithful and loving new member joined our church some months ago and afterwards was connected to the women's usher board, was elected by the board to act as secretary. At the tea a short program was rendered by the following: Mrs. Mesheh, solo; Mrs. Myers, reading; Mrs. Montgomery, selection; Miss Boatwright, recitation and Mrs. Pool the president, a solo. There were around (55) fifty-five present. Among them were visitors from Georgia, South Carolina, Philadelphia and West India.

At this tea the delegates to the United-Ushers Benevolent League Inc., that was held in Stamford, Conn., was asked to report so the friends could hear what went on. The delegates were Mrs. Isabelle Pool, Mrs. Theodosie McGahee and Miss Victoria Boatwright. The other delegates refer the honor on Miss Boatwright to make the same. She made a splendid report and a rising vote of thanks was given her for such a noble and intelligent report. The total amount that was raised amounted to \$13.05.

OAK GROVE A.M.E. CHURCH Rev. B.L. Guiles, Pastor

Sunday school opened at 10 o'clock, Bro. J. D. McFadden, Supt. the officers at their posts. The lesson was discussed and reviewed by the pastor. After which the pastor ascended the rostrum with Rev. Burgess and Rev. McFadden. After which the pastor took his text from II Cor. Everyone enjoyed the message. The spirit ran high. After which the invitation to joiners; three connected themselves with the church. After which a collection of \$20 was taken. Sister Alice McFadden was funeralized today by the pastor. The big rally came off in the afternoon. The reports were good. A grand total of \$67.00 was collected.

THE CHURCH IN WORLDLY FULLNESS.

We note Psalms 17th chapter, 10th verse as saying, they are inclosed in their own pot, with their mouth they speak proudly. For witness Jeremiah 6th chapter, 28 verse. We find the law to a shadow of good things to come and the prophesy pointing to the things that would be ministered by the gospel ministers. Ezekiel said, behold this was the iniquity of your Sister Sodom, Pride fullness of bread, and abundance of idleness was in her daughters. Neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy. The Savior said in Luke 6th chapter, 25th verse, woe unto you who are full for ye shall hunger. The church should be one and not many. The church should also be a shining light to worldliness and not a racket to encourage idleness. We should be an example and a pattern to every one we come in contact with, for Godliness and not for worldliness. If the supposed church of today would slow down, they could see their condition. Every man is striving to be some great man, and the Savior settled this question by setting a little child in the midst of the church and said, he that humbleth himself as this little child shall be greatest in the kingdom. This same desire for greatness has sapped the spiritual life out of it and has left it of no effect. It has also left the church with no financial support to the widows, needy and orphans. Let us pause. If there be a church with a membership of one hundred, and three of the one hundred members were indisposed or poverty stricken, could not the ninety-seven financial care for the three? Only one with love of God in his heart can answer this question—Yes. I John 2nd chapter, 15th verse says, if any man loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. We know that anyone with a worldly fullness can't love his sister or brother—I John 3rd; 17 verse. Please read this beloved: We need to read the word of God ourselves, because we are far from the rules and regulations of the Savior concerning the church. The widows and orphans are least considered in the church of nowadays. The reason for this is the church in worldly fullness is like unto salt when it has lost its savor. We can't see any chance of retaining it under present conditions. The church reminds me of the ancient church in B. C. 1171 when the leaders had defiled the entire congregations and when war came against them, they carried the Ark of the Covenant to the battlements. Still they didn't have the presence of God. So is the condition of the average church of today. They have a worldliness and a form of Godliness which leaves us without power, I Sam. 16th chapter; Romans 13th chapter 11th verse. Let us wake up and try our God.

CONWAY NEWS

Rev. A. M. E. Church Rev. M. F. Robinson, Pastor Services were excellent Sunday. Rev. Robinson's subject "A Call to Decision". He preached a wonderful sermon. Sunday school opened at the usual hour with the Gunt. W. E. Moore and teachers at their post of duty. After a beautiful and brief discussion of the lesson we were given a splendid review. Adult class 1 holds the banner. Everyone is looking forward to the S. S. convention which will be held at Bucksport, S. C., August 24-27. Mr. C. M. Moore was elected delegate and Miss Virginia Carter, alternate. At 8:30 the pastor spoke, masterfully to a large audience from the subject: Making a Sacrifice. After which we had a rally. Collection for the day \$87.50. Rev. A. L. Rainbow and P. J. Horace Johnson were pulpit associates.

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THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIAL AND THRIFTY CLUB

The club met at the home of Mrs. Mary Johnson, 1616 Gregg street. The meeting was called to order by the president, Song, I'm Working on the Building; prayer by the chaplain; song, One More River to Cross. The Scripture lesson was read by Miss Ernestine Ross. Song, I'll be Waiting Up There. The secretary called the roll and each member answered to their names. Total collected \$1. Refreshments were served and everybody enjoyed themselves. The next meeting will be at the home of Miss Eddiedine Leaphart, 1906 Gregg street. Mrs. Leathor Smokes, Pres.; Mrs. Ross, Sec.; Mrs. Henrietta Butler, Treas.; Mrs. C. G. Watts and Mr. David Outen, reporters.

MISS ANNA THOMPSON PASSES

Miss Anna Thompson of Appleton, passed away at the home of her brother Mr. Thomas Thompson Savannah, Georgia, July 20th, after a very brief illness. Funeral services were conducted at Bentley Hill church Sunday, July 23. Appleton, with the Rev. B. C. Steward officiating, assisted by Rev. B. J. Sanders. Sister Thompson was an outstanding young woman in her church and community who worked earnestly for the development of her church; a faithful daughter and sister. She leaves to mourn her loss her father, five brothers, seven sisters, two nephews, three nieces and a host of relatives and friends.

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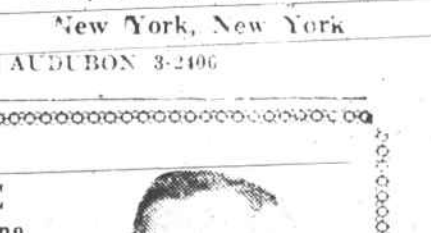
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