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## Civic Welfare League Holds Interesting Meeting

### Importance of Registration Emphasized

During the last regular meeting of the Civic Welfare League of Columbia, held at Bethlehem Baptist Church, the Rev. E. A. Davis, pastor, Dr. O. J. Champion spoke on the importance of voting. Dr. Champion urged that all Negroes register to vote and thereby become qualified citizens. C. H. Danerly, member of the registration committee of the League and its former chairman said that the registration books are open the first Monday and Tuesday in each month and that he would be glad to even go up to the courthouse with person who desire to register.

Mrs. Andrew W. Simkins made a full and interesting report on the North Carolina Conference on Negro Affairs held recently in Durham. Mrs. Simkins stated that many of the aims and problems of the Civic Welfare League are the same as those of the state organization in North Carolina. The speaker said that Negroes in our sister state are putting on a state wide registration drive.

It was also brought out that North Carolinians are giving attention to such problems as parent education with special emphasis on the provision of recreation, the reduction of illegitimacy, the provision of department store rest rooms for Negro women, better pay for better training on the part of Negro domestics, and the development of a civic consciousness and a sense of unity among Negro people.

Mrs. Simkins quoted Miss Latham, Girl's Dean, in the high school for Negroes at Raleigh as saying in her address, "Our young people may not put up with the things we have accepted. Lack of education cause failure in the Reconstruction period. In our home and schools we have created attitudes and concepts which children expect to meet with when they go out. Education, as we have it, is a magnificent but incomplete job."

A report of matters concerning facilities for Negroes at Columbia Bus Terminal was followed by a general discussion from the floor.

### Bachelor of Arts

\*John Edward Barkdale, Gary West Virginia; Elsie Janet Belton, Camden, S. C.; Frontis Brooks, Ridge Springs, S. C.; Richard Brown, Edisto Island, S. C.; Mamie DeLois Carter, Great Falls, S. C.; James G. Chapple, Chester, S. C.; Odom Newton Coker, St. Matthews, S. C.; Celestine Dorothy Dukes, Allendale, S. C.; \*John Arthur Garrison, Anderson, S. C.; Harlish Vernal Gear II, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Henry Balas Goodlett, Greenville, S. C.; \*Eva Myers Handy, Sandford, Fla.; Anna Lee Isaac, Orangeburg, S. C.; Golden Gloria Jenette, Georgetown, S. C.; Ladeveze Wilson Johnson, Aiken, S. C.; Alpha Omega Josie, Clairton, Pa.; Hale Wendell Clyde Kennedy, Columbia, S. C.; Allen Lee McKellar, Jr., Abbeville, S. C.; Louise Leola Mattaway, Darlington, S. C.; \*Lea Ethel Momet, Union, S. C.; \*James Oliver Powell, Greenville, S. C.; Milburn Fulton Riburg, Chester, S. C.; Bertha Lee Sawyer, Darlington, S. C.; Davis Otis Scott, Hardeeville, S. C.; Malissa Theresa Smith, Columbia, S. C.; Talmadge Wedgemore Sutton, Camden, S. C.; Johnny Ruthena Taylor, Abbeville, S. C.; Reginald Thomasson, Orangeburg, S. C.; Wesley Macco Wylie, Lancaster, S. C.

### Bachelor of Science

Francine E. Carr, Charlotte, N. C.; Marion Garvin Day, Anderson, S. C.; John Earl Dewberry Clifton, S. C.; William Dicks, Jr., Montmorenci, S. C.; Leroy William Dimery, Kingstree, S. C.; John Wilkinson Dupree, Dillon, S. C.; \*Reed Poindexter Johnson, Aiken, S. C.; \*Solomon Johnson Orangeburg, S. C.; Luther Eric Lum, Charleston, S. C.; James L. McDew, Orangeburg, S. C.; Daniel Wearing, Laurens, S. C.; Jefferson Augustus Williams, St. Matthews, S. C.

### Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Isaac Cornelius Bracey, Sumter, S. C.; Marion William Braddy, Jr. Marion, S. C.; Jesse B. Bright, Columbia, S. C.; \*Richard Brook, Manning, S. C.; Romeo Cleveland Dudley, Clifton, S. C.; Elizabeth Lawrence Mills, Charleston, S. C.; \*Martha Vernola Owens, Seneca, S. C.; Priscilla Juanita Shelton, Cross Anchor, S. C.; Juanita Funchess Taylor, Orangeburg, S. C.; Mildred Ethel Thompson, Greer, S. C.; William Wilkins Washington, Greenville, S. C.; \*John T. Whitman, Columbia, S. C.

### Bachelor of Science in Education

Glady's J. Ballard, Rock Hill, S. C.; Willie Beatrice Calhoun, Orangeburg, S. C.; Florence Waterrnann Dickson, Orangeburg, S. C.; Julian Riley Dugas, Aiken, S. C.

### LEEDS NEWS

The many friends of Miss Pauline Feaster will regret very much to know that she returned to Augusta, Saturday, May 24th and will undergo an operation on her leg, that was broken four months ago.

## Gets Complimentary Bishopric Vote



REV. DANIEL D. DAVIS

By Julia Braxton Clark

New York City Among those of the recent AME General Conference at Detroit, Michigan, who were thought of in terms of the Bishopric, was the Rev. Daniel D. Davis, pastor of Bethel A. M. E. Church of Stamford, Conn., as a delegate of the First Episcopal District. In view of the fact that Rev. Davis said "I will be a candidate for the bishopric the day after the conference closes," he was given a complimentary vote for the bishopric at the Detroit conference. He most certainly will be before the church four years from now for the Episcopal recognition.

Rev. Davis is a native of Marion, South Carolina, the son of the late Dandy Davis and his wife, Eliza J. Davis of Mullins, S. C. Graduating from high school with first honors, Mr. Davis entered State A. and M. College of his native state at Orangeburg, S. C. at which place he received his B. S. degree. He also studied at Harvard and Boston Universities where he received both his S. T. B., and M. A. degrees at the latter institution. From Boston University he entered Columbia Theological Seminary, New York City, where he completed residence for the S. T. M. degree.

While a student at South Carolina State College, he was licensed to preach under the late Dr. Eugene McGill at William Chapel A. M. E. Church of his college city, and later, was admitted to membership into the Central Conference of South Carolina. But up on entering northern institutions to further his education, he transferred to the New England Conference where he has pastored successfully in Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut. Rev. Davis is closing his sixth year as pastor of Bethel A. M. E. Church of Stamford, where he is active in religious and civic activities of both races. He visits South Carolina frequently. His latest trip to the Palmetto State was in March of this year when he was the Founder's Day Speaker at his Alma Mater, State College at Orangeburg, S. C.

### SECOND BAPT. CHURCH

Aiken, S. C.—Second Baptist church will begin its spring revival Sunday night, June 2, 1940. The Rev. Turner an able minister of Atlanta who is a student at Morehouse college, will preach the sermons each night.

Rev. J. W. Miles the pastor of Second Baptist church, wishes to thank the officers, members and friends for the splendid cooperation and spirit of Christian fellowship demonstrated throughout the five nights celebration of the 26th anniversary of the church and 20th anniversary of the pastor.

At the close of the anniversary a gift that was given to the pastor by the officers as a token for the service he has rendered to the church was presented by Mrs. Lillie Jenkins.

### Cumberland A. M. E. Church

Sunday was another high day in Cumberland AME church. S. S. at 10 a.m.

Sunday was another high day. S. S. at 10 a.m. 11 a.m. Morning service. Rev. B. C. Scott preached an inspiring sermon using as a subject Unrest Within. Evening service, Rev. J. A. Brown of Bettis academy brought the message from the subject Universal Kingdom. Visitors for the day Mrs. Evelyn Horry Dudley and Mrs. Staplefoot of Wadesboro, N. C., visiting Miss S. M. Horry. The former is a sister of Miss Horry. These ladies are public health workers. Mrs. Luggage Milligan was the subject of Schofield and Miss Isabelle Robinson of New York City.

## All Interested in Registration and Organization Invited

### COMMITTEE TO REPORT PRECINCTS AND CHAIRMEN 1:00 P.M. SATURDAY JUNE 1 MASONIC TEMPLE

L. S. Levey county chairman of the Republican Party of Richland county reports great success at the first meeting in the Masonic Temple last Saturday May 25th. A large gathering of interested citizens from every walk of life, ministers of the gospel, mechanics and business men and tradesmen assembled and from their earnestness and eloquent speeches that rang out over the noisy business district of a Saturday afternoon week end shopping. It was exemplified that there are more persons interested in registration and qualifying to vote in the city, county, state and national elections than ever before. Chairman Levey appointed a committee to bring in a map of the city and county showing every ward in the city and every precinct in the county, and a suggestive leader or chairman for each. The committee will report to the body 1 p.m. Saturday June 1st at the Masonic Temple, 1121 Washington street. All men and women interested in organization and registration are invited and urged to be present.

### A PAGE FROM THE RECORDS OF SECOND CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

MR. MICHEL J. WATSON Obituaries for Mr. Michel J. Watson were held at the Second Calvary Baptist church of which he was an officer, Thursday, May 16, 1940 at 4:00 o'clock p.m. Rev. Chas. H. Brown, pastor, officiating.

Mr. Watson was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Watson of Ridge Spring, S. C. He was educated at Benedict college. After graduation he taught school. During this time he married Miss Ida C. Jenkins of Anderson, S. C. Two daughters were born to them, Almy and Ruth. He engaged in business in Anderson for a number of years, then moved to Columbia. Here he became a partner in the Imperial Drug store for nine years. Following this he was engaged in the insurance field for three years. Up to his illness and death he was employed by the Firm of Claude E. Creason, Real Estate agent. He handled all the colored work for this firm with efficiency and skill.

Mr. Watson was a faithful member of Second Calvary Baptist church for the entire nineteen years he lived in Columbia. He was well liked and well known by the people of Columbia in all walks of life.

He was a devoted husband and an understanding father.

Surviving him are his widow, Mrs. Ida Watson; two daughters, Mrs. Alma Williams, Columbia, S. C.; Mrs. Ruth DeLorme, Sumter, S. C. Two grand children, one brother, Mr. J. J. Watson; Mrs. Lizzie Hazzard; Mrs. Alice Hammonds of Ridge Spring; several nieces and nephews and other relatives and a host of friends.

Mr. Watson died as he lived, in peace and harmony with God and mankind.

Funeral services: "Nearer My God to Thee", choir Scripture lesson, Rev. S. S. Young blood

Prayer, Dr. J. E. Briges "Lead Kindly Light", choir Obituary, Mr. J. A. Roach Remarks, Mr. Claude E. Creason. Solo, "Eleg as a Bird", Miss Daisy V. Roach

Message, text Heb. 11:16, Rev. C. H. Brown, pastor Solo "I've Done My Work", Mr. Jno. Hughes

Prayer, Rev. M. M. Peace, former pastor Organ Voluntary, Mrs. M. E. Russell

Benediction Committal at the cemetery.

pall bearers: Cooper, Moses, Hutton, Enos; Gibson, Cleve; Roach, J. A.; Simkins, A. W.; Wakefield, J. P.

Let us turn from the west, the sunset of gloom, the dusk of night and darkness and face the East, the Sunrise of Eternal Day. There God's own are working out their infinite desires. "I shall be satisfied, when I awake with thy likeness." Ps. 17:15.

### FLORENCE NEWS

Mr. J. B. Buchanan was elected from the Florence Branch of the NAACP as a delegate to the National convention which convenes in Philadelphia, June 18th. Miss Lillian Lawrence spent the week end in the city with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Person.

Mrs. Mable Gandy of Dunn, N. C., is in the city visiting Mrs. R. H. Holloman's family. Mrs. R. H. Holloman has returned from Dunn, N. C., after spending awhile with friends.

Rev. C. F. Ferguson of Spartanburg was in the city on business.

## Prof. R. L. Hickson of Sterling High Succumbs



Greenville, S. C., May 25th—

Professor R. L. Hickson, principal of Sterling high school died in the Working Benevolent hospital, Tuesday at 6:45 a.m., following a lengthy illness. Mr. Hickson was born in Aiken county, August 14, 1889. He received his education at State A. and M. College, Orangeburg, and Hampton Institute, Virginia. He has done special work at Atlanta University, and has been director of the Greenville Summer School for Teachers for the past ten years. He was formerly principal of the Greenfield academy, and Schofield Institute, Aiken.

During his administration, which extends over a period of ten years, Sterling has grown by leaps and bounds. The student body has increased from a few hundred to exceed the 600 mark. Likewise the faculty has grown from eight teachers to twenty. The extra-curricular activities have expanded to the extent that Sterling high school can boast of being one of the three high schools in the state which has a school band; one of the most outstanding musical groups, and the only debating club in the state, which displayed its forensic ability in the Georgia-Carolina Tournament held at Paine college this spring. The program includes other expression groups, as well as athletics, in which Sterling has also been outstanding. A new addition this year is the art department in which students are given instruction in various phases of art.

Mr. Hickson will always live in the minds and hearts of the hundreds of boys and girls, men and women whom he taught. He was never too tired to do a favor for anyone. Sterling high school has lost a wonderful principal, Greenville has lost a worthy citizen, the State of South Carolina has lost an outstanding educator.

Funeral rites were held Thursday afternoon from Springdale Baptist church, amidst a bank of beautiful florals, with the Pastor Rev. Chas. F. Gandy, officiating.

Among the representatives present were: Dr. J. L. Mann, Supt. Greenville City schools and several members of the trustee board: Mr. J. F. Whatley, county Supt.; Dr. J. B. Randolph, president Clifton college; Prof. Blanche and quarter, State college; Prof. J. T. Sims, principal Bell St. high school; Clinton; Prof. Riley, principal Lancaster and a large number of other friends, S. C. Franks and Son, Funeral home was in charge of arrangements. The interment in Hill Crest cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Anna Hickson, two brothers and three sisters and a host of relatives and friends.

### BRIDGE PARTY

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Webster entertained with a bridge party on Monday. There were three tables. The out-of-town guests were Mrs. McFarlin of Aiken the mother of Mrs. Webster; Mr. and Mrs. Gray of Spartanburg, Miss Isabelle Robinson of New York; Miss Mintie Benjamin of Aiken; Mrs. Kathrine Nobbles, Aiken; Mrs. Winnie B. Jones, Aiken; Mr. Willie Thomas, Aiken, and Mr. Pickens Blakely, Aiken. They reported a very pleasant and enjoyable time.

### BINGO PARTY

Thursday afternoon, May 24, at 2:15 the play ground Supervisors of the Howard Elementary school Miss Hattie Waiters and Mrs. Namie Ransom entertained the members of the faculty with a Bingo party in the library.

The library was beautifully decorated. These ladies had solicited some very lovely gifts from some of the leading stores and florists of the city.

Miss Ransom and Miss Waiters have worked cooperatively with the principal and teachers of Howard school in helping to make all the activities a success.

We wish for these ladies success in all their undertakings.

## Brooklyn Pythians Thanksgiving Sermon

By Julia Braxton Clark

Brooklyn, New York The Annual Joint Thanksgiving Sermon of the Brooklyn Lodges and Courts of Calantho, Knights of Pythias, N.A., S.A., E.A., A.A. (Jurisdiction of New York State) was held Sunday evening at the People's Institutional Methodist Church, Greene Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

The Annual Sermon was delivered by Rev. C. W. Stewart, D. D. pastor, Dr. Stewart's remarks encouraged as well as inspired the congregation.

Appearing on the program Grand Chancellor Leo Crawford and Grand Worthy Counsellor Rosa L. Blocker, who in turn introduced their grand officers. An address on Pythianism was made by Harold W. Clark, Grand Lecturer. Mrs. Marie Sears spoke on Calantho. Other speakers were Sir Henry R. Newbie, Rev. E. L. Haywood, Sir C. J. Crowder, Music selections were rendered by Mr. Albert Matthews, Mrs. Enda L. Haynes, the People's Institutional Church Choir and Gospel Chorus with Mrs. Florence J. Mills at the organ. Also the Fireside Harmonizers, Mrs. Lillian J. Johnson was Mistress of Ceremonies.

Invited guests were: Brigadier General Peter S. Jackson and staff, Capt. Maude Scott, Nurse and staff, Sisters Estelle Boone, B.D., D.; Gertrude E. Hawkins, G.D.D.; M. E. Obey, P.G.W.C.; Babe Jones Pearl Griffin, Hattie Bastian and Jennie Coppedge, Levi Briggs, G.I.G., Henry Dejan, G.A.; Benj. F. Butler, James E. Greene, G.D.; W. W. Fletcher, G.I.G.

The Lodges represented were: Excelsior No. 22, Unity No. 28, and Ben Hur No. 25; Courts: Naomi No. 6, Unity No. 38, Ben Hur No. 43 and Pythagoras No. 55.

### RIDGE SPRING NEWS

Services were splendid at Ridge Hill Sunday. Rev. Jones to be getting better and better in handling a sermon.

The Calendar Rally (May) was incomplete as two churches didn't report. Ridge Hill won the 1st first prize \$1.00, amount raised \$4.06; 2nd prize \$50.00, amount raised \$1.00. Total \$3.75. Total \$8.81. Watch the leader for the final report in June, Mrs. M. E. Crawford, sponsor.

Mrs. Charlotte Peterson is still very sick in the Columbia Hospital.

Glad to report that Mr. J. S. Raiford and Miss Marie are able to go to Church again.

Sorry that Mrs. Mary Wise is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Hammond and little daughter, Mazie, Mrs. Alice Hammond and Labrone, Doran motored to Orangeburg last Wednesday to get Miss Jesse Hammond, who has been under the doctor for several weeks. At this writing she is much improved.

Mr. F. T. Hammond motored to Orangeburg Monday for Mr. Jas. D. Hammond who has been attending school at State A. & M. College.

Mr. Willis Watson who graduated from Bettis Academy, is at home.

Mr. Frontis Brooks has rec'd his degree from State A. & M. College.

The sad news came to the church Sunday that Mrs. Smith Kenner had passed and will be funeralized at the Jerusalem Baptist Church Thursday. The family has the community's sympathy.

### BETHEL A. M. E. CHURCH

Rev. W. B. I. Clark, Pastor

The Sunday School was very well represented. A new life is taking place to our proudest. The lesson was reviewed by Mr. James Woodbury, which was well taken by all.

The pastor delivered two splendid sermons for the day. We were indeed gratified to see so many visitors to our services Sunday morning. Come again, you will always find a cordial welcome awaiting you at all of our services. The text was taken from St. John 11:28. The message was well delivered. The night message was from Psalm 8:4. The music by both choirs was inspiring at both services.

### NEW BOOKS! NEW BOOKS!

Yellow books, Green books, Pretty books, Big books, Sad books, Happy books, Mystery, Romance, Travel, Biography, everything you can possibly think of. Books to delve into, to smuggle into, to lose one's self into. They are here at the Waverley Branch Library. Come and be the first to glide far away into new worlds of enchantment.

## Bettis Academy Commencement

By Richard F. Boulware

Trenton, S. C.—The Commencement Exercises at Bettis Academy and Junior College proved to be the best in the history of the institution. The closing exercises started Sunday, May 19, when the Rev. H. C. Scott, prominent pastor of Cumberland Methodist Church, Aiken, S. C., delivered an inspiring baccalaureate sermon in Quinly Auditorium to the 66 high school seniors and 63 junior college seniors and to many other students, friends and visitors of Bettis Academy. The auditorium was over packed, practically all the students had to give up their seats to the many visiting friends.

The Rev. Scott delivered a most interesting message. He used as a subject, "The Insufficiency of the Wisdom of Man." The sermon was a very informational one and everyone present was greatly benefited.

Monday, May 20, the Grammar School presented its graduation exercises in speaking. The speakers were: A. B. Ashley, whose subject was "The Country Boy, Why He Wins"; Johnnie W. Reardon, "The Black Man's Plea for Justice"; Naomi Tompkins, "Man, God's Masterpiece"; and Samuel Rubens, who made the highest average in his class. He gave the Valedictory oration. Elesta Tillman gave the Class Will. Prof. W. C. Lewis, Prin. of the Grammar School, and his faculty deserve praise for the splendid training of the children.

Tuesday, May 21, the Senior High School presented its graduation Exercises in the form of a play, "The Attorney for the Defense." The play was very successfully staged and everyone enjoyed its presentation. The play was directed by Richard F. Boulware. The characters were Warren Ross, Gonzales Moore, Hartford Perriek, Manuel C. Edmond, James C. Davis, Zach Simmons, Juanita Edney, Eunivesta Fuller, Willie Mae Graham and Thelma Alston. The Class Poem and Farewell address was given by Laura Hill.

Three prizes were given: Fannie Mae Jackson received a prize for having the highest average in Mathematics of the girls; Gonzales Moore received a prize for having received the highest average in Mathematics of the boys; Clinton H. Hallman received a prize for being the best typist in the Senior Hi. Class.

Wednesday, May 22, The Junior College seniors presented their Class Day Exercises with much fun and enthusiasm.

Thursday, May 23, at 2:00 P. M. the primary classes from 1st through 6th grades gave a wonderful program. The children had been well trained and directed by the Grammar school faculty. At 6:00 P. M. the Bettis Alumni Association had its annual meeting and entertainment with much success.

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## GREAT REVIVAL TO BE CONDUCTED

Rev. G. S. Boyd of Jehovah Baptist Church will leave June 1 for Columbus, Ohio, where he will conduct a ten night meeting for the Rev. G. C. Clark at Mt. Zion Baptist Church. Following this, he will conduct a five night meeting in Baltimore, Md. We, the friends of Columbia, wish this young minister much success in both meetings and a safe return home.

### A. P. Murray

## MT. OLIVE A. M. E. CHURCH

Rev. H. C. Andrews, Pastor

MYRTLE BEACH, S. C.—9:30 a.m. Sunday school opened with the Supt., Mrs. Jeff Bellamy and teachers at their post. 11:30 the us presented Rev. Leroy Judge to a large congregation. He delivered a soul reviving sermon.

4:30 p.m. the Junior choir rendered a musical recital under the direction of Mr. John Thomas.

5:30 League opened with ex-chargé, T. H. Hemmingway in charge. The lesson was beautifully discussed. 7:30 prayer service was spiritually conducted by Mrs. Scott Simmons and Mrs. L. Hemmingway.

8:15 Rev. Andrews ascended the rostrum and spoke masterfully to a large audience from the subject The Gospel of Jesus Christ. We are glad to have Rev. Andrews back from the General conference. He reports an enjoyable trip.

Elder A. P. Spears, Mrs. Lillie Lattimer and Miss Catherine Williams were visitors here Sunday afternoon enroute to Atlantic Beach.

Mr. Johnny Williams of Sumter is here to spend the summer. Mrs. Mary Spivey, Mrs. Nora Straw and Master Isaiah Spivey, Jr. spent the week end on Atlantic Beach.