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Good Shepherd Re-elects Board For Coming Year

All members of the hospital board of the Good Shepherd Hospital were re-elected for the coming year, it was announced this week by John C. Dunn, Jr., chairman.

Addition of three new members to the nursing staff of the institution was also announced. The three new members are Miss Mamie Phillips, Miss Willie Mae Scott and Miss Dorothy Gamble.

Miss Phillips is a graduate of the Community Hospital School of Nursing at Wilmington, N. C. Prior to appointment to the staff of Good Shepherd she served for nine months at Lee County Hospital at Sanford.

She was employed also for 26 months as operating room supervisor at the Asheville colored hospital.

She will serve as operating room supervisor at Good Shepherd.

Miss Scott and Miss Gamble are both graduates of the Waverly Good Samaritan Hospital of Columbus, S. C.

The institution's annual Board meeting was held on January 11. Superintendent O. T. Faison reported physical improvements at the institution which included the addition of several new pieces of equipment and the installation of asphalt tile throughout the building.

Although a financial deficit was reported for the year, no action was taken by the board toward the increasing of rates at this time.

Members of the board re-elected in addition to Mr. Faison included: John G. Dunn, Jr., chairman; W. C. Chadwick, vice chairman, and T. H. Smith, secretary-treasurer.

BLALOCK-BROWN NUPTIALS HELD

ANGIER — Mrs. Clara Blalock Angier wishes to announce the marriage of her son, John R. Blalock, to Miss Lenora Brown of Durham.

Mr. Blalock served in the U. S. Army for 4 1/2 years, spending 34 months in Pacific Theater of operations. Since his return to civilian life in 1945 he has been employed by the Liggett and Myers Tobacco Company at Durham.

The bride hails from Eastern North Carolina and has lived in Durham for several years. They have taken up residence at 563 Price Street, Durham.

Mr. Blalock is a member of the Masonic Order affiliated with the American Legion Post, and attends the White Rock Baptist Church of that city.

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Speaker Cites Cause Of Church Decline In Dixie

BUCK HILLS, Pa. (APN) — The steady decline in rural churches is being caused by an underpaid, poorly trained, over-age, aging ministry," declared the Rev. Ernest T. Dixon, Jr., director of religious extension service, Tuskegee Institute here, last Wednesday. He was addressing the 33rd annual meeting of the Home Missions Council of North America, Protestant body comprised of 23 denominations.

In support of his statement, the Rev. Mr. Dixon listed the following facts revealed in a survey he conducted among southern Negro rural ministers:

FROM OTHER FIELDS
Prior to entering the ministry, 50 percent had been farmers; 30 percent, school teachers; and 10 percent cooks, day laborers and like.

The average minister lived more than 19 miles from his church. Only 20 percent occupied regular parsonages.

Over half of the ministers made less than \$100 a month; 30 percent less than \$40 a month and the highest salary, \$175, is being earned by a 25-year-old college and seminary graduate.

Seventy-five percent of the ministers work at occupations in no way connected with church activities. One minister who serves two churches with a membership of 650 operates a combination grocery store and gas station.

The noted educator wrote City Commissioner R. S. (Suney) Waters that these wild beasts would cost \$1,000 to \$1,200 for a fair collection. If the needs of the local zoo are supplied him, Reddix said, he will bring the animals with him on his return in March or April.

Prof. Reddix is supervising the Bookert T. Washington Institute in Kakai, Liberia, while studying at the University of State Robert A. Lovett and Ambassador Joseph D. Charles of Haiti. The agreement covers a period of four years and may be extended upon request beyond that period. The air force detail, like details from the army, navy, air marine corps in other American republics will serve as advisors to the armed forces of Haiti.

BOARD NEEDED

He also recommended the creation of rural boards or departments in each denomination, and the elimination of "cut-throat" competition by denominational groups with churches in rural areas.

In too many instances, he pointed out, one finds three or four small, struggling, dilapidated churches of different denominations competing in a community where one church would be sufficient.

Earlier Dr. Mark A. Dawber, executive secretary of the council, New York, delivered an address in "Prophecy Statement on Home Missions," in which he touched upon the outlook for missions among the minority groups — nationality, racial and special groups like migrants, sharecroppers, etc.

He said: "In the cases of all these groups, there are several things they we should be concerned to achieve in the coming years."

"We should insist upon the protection of the civil rights of all racial groups. . . . Wherever possible, we should assimilate these minority groups into the established churches without regard to race or class. The time has arrived when we should cease using mission funds to provide separate churches for many of these groups."

Newly elected president of the council is Dr. Truman Douglass, executive vice president of the home missions board, Congregational Christian Churches, New York. Dr. Douglass is also member of the trustee boards of LeMoyne and Tillotson College. He succeeds Mrs. J. D. Bragg of St. Louis, Mo., chairman of the Foreign department of the Women's Society of the Methodist Church.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lannie Davis of West Street have recently returned from a trip to New York City.

Henry Carter of Norfolk, Va., was visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Carter and family of Nor. Harlows.

Mrs. Letitia Payton of Kinston, N. C., was visiting friends and relatives for the week end.

MO. CHURCH COUNCIL HEARS DR. JACKSON

JEFFERSON CITY (APN) — Dr. J. H. Jackson, pastor of Olive Baptist Church of Chicago, shared the platform with Dr. C. T. Craig, professor of the New Testament at Yale University, during the Missouri Council of Churches at its meeting held here in Jefferson City January 12-13.

The Missouri Council of churches includes all of the representative protestant denominations in the State of Missouri at its interracial gathering. The meeting was held in one of the downtown, white churches. Both speakers delivered three addresses during the two day session.

Dr. Craig dealt with some new trends in new testament interpretations. Dr. Jackson spoke on some of the aspects in the nature of man. He pointed out that the source of greatest fear of modern man is man himself. The most dangerous enemies of our democratic way of life, he told the mixed audience assembled, "are those American citizens who set themselves and their party notions against the federal constitution of the United States of America."

Dr. Becker, executive secretary of the council remarked that this was one of the greatest sessions of the Missouri Council in all of its history. Since Missouri is considered by tradition and in many cases by practice, a southern state, the meeting must be considered a most significant one.

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BRIEFS

GIVEN MILITARY FUNERAL

RICHMOND, Va. (APN) — Pfc. Abner B. Belie, who died at Rouen grace, November 12, 1944, was given a military funeral service in East End cemetery here yesterday. Belie is survived by three brothers, one sister and several other relatives.

REACTIONARIES "SMEAR"

JAMAICA — KINSTON, Jamaica (APN) — According to reactionary elements in the U. S. Jamaica is a lawless place, "crime abides at a high pitch, makes one's person and property unsafe." This is part of a smear campaign being conducted aboard ships bringing tourists to the island. Recently Pianist Hazel Scott and her husband, Congressman Adam Clayton Powell Jr., were told by travel agencies cruise directors and ship's officers of vessels arriving in Kinston that it was not safe to come to the island.

OFFERS PLANT TO STATE

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (APN) — Floyd Brown, founder and president of the 33-year-old "Fargo" Negro Agricultural School in Monroe County, appeared before the legislative council's budget committee here recently to ask restoration of a \$3,000 annual appropriation for support of the school and to offer the entire school to the state for use as a training school.

HATI TO GET U. S. ADVISORY MISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C. (APN) — An agreement providing for the detail of officers and enlisted personnel of the U. S. Air Force as an advisory mission to serve in Haiti was signed here recently by Acting Secretary of State Robert A. Lovett and Ambassador Joseph D. Charles of Haiti. The agreement covers a period of four years and may be extended upon request beyond that period. The air force detail, like details from the army, navy, air marine corps in other American republics will serve as advisors to the armed forces of Haiti.

Reddix Offers Rare Animals To Miss. Zoo

JACKSON, Miss. (APN) — Jacob L. Reddix, president of Jackson College, now in Liberia on a fellowship study, offered last week to bring back with him rare animals for the Jackson city zoo.

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SOUTH AFRICAN COLLEGE

QUEENSTOWN, So. Africa — The longest continuous lighting installation in the world to which four jigsaws of fluorescent light will extend almost two miles has been designed.

GIVEN PUPPY IN TORNADO-STRIKEN ARKANSAS

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (APN) — Lam McClinton, Negro worker, received a small white puppy as a present from a white woman whose home was destroyed during the tornado visiting this section last week that it was publishing in the name of the pup "Tornado."

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QUEENSTOWN, So. Africa — intended as a training place for native Africans who want to become Catholic priests, St. John's Seminary has been formally opened here.

Most Rev. Martin Lucas, Apostolic Delegate to South Africa, presided at the opening ceremonies.

Archbishop Lucas is the personal representative of Pope Pius XII.

Follow The Job Through'

Successful Man Advises

WILLIAMSTON — "It's not the man that starts his pasture first who always gets the best stand but the one who follows all the steps required in preparing the seeds at a good time," says Romas Lee Martin County Negro farmer of Route 1.

And Lee should know, for he has achieved good results in his own pasture program, according to R. M. Edwards, Negro County agent for the State College Extension Service.

UNTIL END

Lee says several of his neighbors started preparing their pasture land before he did, but for some reason they stopped to do something else. He carried out his program on schedule, however, and has a good stand.

The first thing Lee did was to have his soil analyzed. While waiting for the report to come back, he scattered 34 wagonloads of straw manure and disked under a heavy crop of soybeans on the two acres which he planned to seed to permanent pasture.

The soil report showed he needed three tons of lime and 800 pounds of 2-4-12 fertilizer per acre to grow Ladino clover. He applied this material the next day, disked the lime and fertilizer into the soil.

Lee seeded his pasture on September 27, using 2 1/2 pounds of Ladino clover seed and 12 pounds of orchard grass seed per acre. The seeds were covered lightly with a peanut weeder.

Lee believes his pasture will cut down on his livestock feed costs considerably.

Another Wage Cut

Minimum Sugar Cane Wage Rates Now Hitched To Falling Sugar Prices

\$1,000 Prizes Open To Miss. 4-H Club Members

STATE COLLEGE, Miss. (APN)

A "Happier Living Contest" for Negro 4-H Club girls of Mississippi with awards totaling \$1,000 for improved family living conditions was announced last week by L. I. Jones, extension director.

The contest, sponsored by the Gulf, Mobile and Ohio Railroad in cooperation with the extension service, will begin at once, and is open to all Negro 4-H club girls of two year or more membership. Prizes include a \$200 high school or college scholarship to the state winner, \$50 scholarship awards to winners in five extension districts and \$10 awards to county winners.

Judging will be based upon the degree of improvement of "general housekeeping," according to H. S. Johnson, state 4-H leader. Points will be given for improvement in the outside appearance of dwellings, outbuildings, yards and fences, and for healthful and comfortable living conditions in the home.

In addition to paying the minimum wage as provided under the Sugar Act, growers must also provide their workers suitable housing, medical care and similar services.

Within the indicated raw sugar range, the basic minimum wage rates are as follows: Adult males doing ordinary unskilled work, \$2.90 per