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REV. GILMORE'S FAREWELL SERMON

LARGE CROWD GATHERED AT BAPTIST CHURCH.

On Sunday Night to Hear Last Sermon—Suitable Resolutions Adopted.

Quite a large number of our people of all denominations attended services at the Baptist church on Sunday night to hear the farewell sermon of Rev. Walter M. Gilmore, who has served this church for the past six and one-half years in a most acceptable manner.



REV. WALTER M. GILMORE.

his sermon Supt. Mills was called to preside when the following resolutions were offered:

"The pastoral office is the first office in the church of God, whether it be the church of Jerusalem, or the church at Corinth, or the church at Louisville. And the principle functions of this office are Leadership, Ministry, Preaching. The pastoral office is of divine appointment as is also the pastor of divine choice—made a minister according to the gift of the grace of God."

"For he who leads us in our worship of Almighty God, and directs our spiritual devotions; who brings our loved ones into a saving knowledge of the truth, buries them with Christ in baptism, teaches them to observe—all things whatsoever God has commanded ministers to all their spiritual needs, and watches for their souls, as one who must give account at the great judgment; he who is with us in our homes in the seasons of our rejoicing when the glad sunshine is falling and the bells of merriment are ringing; he who is with us on the occasions of our sorrow, when the clouds are lowering and all is darkness and desolation—holding here with one hand hers as she is about to cross the bar and holding here with the other hers whose heart is breaking with anguish, as she is having to give up one who is dearer to her than her own life—bearing with one ear the subdued sobs that are wrung from broken, bleeding hearts, while with the other ear he takes from pale and quivering lips the rapturous songs and glad 'Hallelujahs' as she views the other shore, all bright and glorious; he who gently closes the eyes of her now fallen asleep and, when the farewell hymn has been chanted, speaks the earth to earth, dust to dust, ashes to ashes; and then returning with the sorrowing to the vacant place and the empty chair, he as a true son of consolation, speaks that blessed 'Let not your hearts be troubled.' Oh, the delicate, interlocking network that exists between the pastor's heart and the hearts of his people. There is nothing like it. Nothing like it in all the walks of men. Nothing like it under God's stars."

"Six and a half years ago, this relation was formed between this church and this pastor. It was then he became our leader, our minister, our preacher. And your committee ventures to believe that no former pastorate of this church has ever surpassed this one in its loyalty to God and his kingdom and in its faithfulness to every duty growing therefrom. His life and character have been above reproach as he has gone in and out before us 'diligent in business, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord.'"

"The intent of this writing is to present to this church and the larger brotherhood, at home and abroad, our appreciation of this consecrated man

of God and his elect body who on account of her faithfulness and her helpfulness to him in all his pastorate is entitled to share equally with him in every honor and every word of praise that may come to him; also to assure them of the high esteem in which they are held by this church and all the churches and peoples of this community; and to offer to them as they go to their new field of labor our love for their love; our sympathies for their sympathies; our prayers for their prayers. And may God's blessing follow them ever more abundantly useful in your new field.

Mrs. Emma C. Allen, Mrs. Florence E. Underhill, Geo. H. Cooper, Henry C. Taylor, W. B. Morton, Committee.

Before the vote was taken Rev. N. H. D. Wilson, of the Methodist church arose and after a very pretty tribute to the retiring pastor, asked that the privilege of voting on the resolution be extended to all who were in the church as he knew it would be a pleasure to all to show their personal appreciation of one who was so universally loved and revered which was granted and after a few appropriate and fitting remarks from Supt. Mills as Chairman of the Board of Deacons, a standing vote was taken, and a most enthusiastic unanimous approval was recorded.

Rev. and Mrs. Gilmore in their stay in Louisville have made staunch friends of all their acquaintances regardless of denominational differences and there is a town full of people here who regret that the time for this friendship to be severed has arrived. We part with him in sorrow, and congratulate Sanford in the fact that they are so fortunate as to get Rev. and Mrs. Gilmore as their citizens, and the membership of the Baptist church there, as their pastor.

Our hearty good wishes go with them and the latch string hangs on the outside for their return at any time.

SEN. STONE, OF MISSOURI, DEAD.

Chairman Foreign Relations Committee and for Many Years one of Most Prominent Democrats in Nation.

Washington, April 1.—Senator William J. Stone of Missouri, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and for many years prominent among Democratic leaders, died here today after a stroke of paralysis suffered last Wednesday.

Senator Stone suffered the stroke while on a street car on his way to the Senate office building. A slight cerebral hemorrhage affected his left side, rendering him helpless, but he did not lose consciousness and a few hours later rallied and began to talk about getting up. His family and friends were very hopeful until yesterday, when there was a decided turn for the worse.

IMMEDIATE CAUSE OF DEATH Today there was a second cerebral hemorrhage and the Senator fell into a state of coma. Death came at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon, but the physician made no announcement until an hour later because twice before the patient's pulse had become so weak that the family thought the end had come. At the bedside were Mrs. Stone and their children, Federal Judge Kimbrough Stone, of Kansas City; Mrs. John W. Perkins, of St. Joseph, Mo., and Miss Mabel Stone, and a niece Miss Margaret Winston, of St. Louis. All the members of the Missouri delegation in Congress were at the home during the day and there were scores of callers among officials and members of Congress.

Solicitor Herbert E. Norris.

The Herald is gratified that Solicitor Herbert E. Norris is a candidate to succeed himself as Solicitor of this District.

Solicitor Norris has been repeatedly urged to make the race for Congress, but he could win easily, but his many interests at home would make that impossible at this time. But the time is not far distant when he will be one of our representatives at the Capitol, and our readers may watch this prediction.

But among the Solicitor's numerous friends there has been a storm of protest that he even considered laying down the reins as Solicitor for a seat in Washington City, so that now there is general rejoicing that we are to have four more years of the fearless Herbert Norris as Solicitor of this District.

There will probably be no man opposing Mr. Norris. There should not be. It would be a useless race for the other fellow. The Solicitor has made an ideal officer, has at all times prosecuted his Dockets without fear or favor, standing for what he felt was right. He talks 'straight from the shoulder,' and the chips fall where they may.

Again, he is always on the job, giving every case his closest attention, never omitting the smallest detail. The publisher of this paper has had many dealings with Solicitor Norris in a professional way, and has been impressed with the able manner in which he has handled all affairs pertaining to his office.

Because of his able conduct of the people's affairs he will be returned a 'winner' no matter who should aspire to the office, but as stated there will probably be no contest. We hope there will not be.—Union Herald.

FIGHTING CONTINUES IN FLANDERS

MOMENTUM OF GERMAN ATTACK BETWEEN LENS AND YPRES BROKEN.

American Soldiers' Valor Again Demonstrated; Days War News From all Battle Fronts—Allied Counter Attacks Expected to Recapture Towns.

April 16.—Seven days after the Germans launched their gigantic assault against the British lines between Lens and Ypres, the momentum of their attack has been broken and the waves of the Teutonic forces are receding before the rock of the British defense. While the Germans have made gains of ground and have driven a wedge into the allied lines to a considerable depth, they seem to have failed in their attempt to break through or take important railroad junctions.

MULTIPLICITY OF BATTLES. During the last day there have been bitterly fought engagements at four places, all on the northern side of the salient to the south of Ypres. Seven assaults against the British trenches at Merville near the apex of the triangular dent in the British line have been hurled back by the British. Neuveglise on the extreme southwestern spur of Messines Ridge, has been taken by the Germans after a struggle which will go into history as one of the greatest of the past week.

The British, however, have not retired far and it is probable that they will at once organize a counter attack to force the Germans out of the town, which, if held, might be a 'kicking-off' point for an attack which might outflank and make untenable Messines Ridge, the key to the British positions about Ypres. Ballul and Wulverghem, between Neuveglise & Merville, also have been the scenes of hard fighting, but except for Neuveglise, the northern side of the salient has stood firm. On the southern side of the salient, according to Berlin, fierce struggles have been fought.

LOCATION OF NEXT ATTACK. It has been the German plan of campaign since March 21, when the great offensive started, to strike hard at some particular sector. If that blow was parried, to turn powerfully against some new point. This procedure probably will be followed in the next few days by a new assault somewhere south of Arras. An attack north of Ypres is hardly possible for the low lands of Belgium are as yet too waterlogged to permit active operations.

An attack on Arras would be the hurling of troops against Vimy Ridge, the Labyrinth and other formidable military works protecting that city. It may be that the savage fighting reported of Hangard-En-Saneierre, south of Albert and on the center of the line facing Amiens, may mark the beginning of a new attempt to sweep westward toward Amiens. So far the fighting has brought the Germans only losses in men and ground. Further south, near Montdidier, there has been intense artillery firing, but the Germans have not attempted infantry operations in this important sector. German troops have entered Helzingers, the Finnish capital. It was reported last week that the Russian warships which have been there had made their escape and had reached Kronstadt, the great Russian naval base.

AMERICANS STANDING FIRM

American forces near Toul are standing firm here before heavy attacks by the Germans and have held their lines in tact in spite of all the weight of men and metal the enemy has loosed against them. The Germans have lost heavily.

The constant German attacks in this sector may have some bearing on the development of the German offensive campaign, and much interest in the situation throughout the region held by General Pershing's men is evidenced by the allied leaders.

ANOTHER OUTBREAK

Coincident with the report of the acceptance of the resignation of Count Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian Premier, comes a report of a serious outbreak of the Czechs at Prague, which for many months has been reported to be seething with anti-pan-Germanism. Bohemians, or at least the Czech minority in that country, object to the creation of a German government there, but the incident may be more significant than has so far appeared. The Slavic races of Bohemia have long been standing out against the Germanization of their country and the outbreak at Prague may be only another indication of the deep-seated opposition to the war aspirations of the Central Powers.

QUIET ON ITALIAN FRONT

Nothing out of the ordinary has been reported from the Italian, Macedonian, Palestine or Mesopotamian theatres of the war.

AMERICAN VALOR AGAIN DEMONSTRATED.

With the American Army in France, April 15.—(By the Associated Press.)—The German attack against the American positions on the right bank of the Meuse, north of St. Mihiel, yesterday was made by a force of 400 picked troops who were recently brought

there from the Russian front.

Although the Americans were outnumbered more than two to one, they completely repulsed the enemy, driving him back to his own trenches. The known enemy casualty include 64 dead, many wounded and 11 prisoners, besides a number of wounded who were dragged back to the German lines by their comrades.

ATTEMPT TO DECEIVE FAILED. The Germans attempted to deceive the Americans by appearing in front of the trenches and speaking French and English, and also by yelling "gas." The deception, however, was soon discovered and cost the enemy dearly. The American casualties were comparatively slight.

Numerous stories of individual bravery poured into the headquarters today. A young American, born in a Pennsylvania coal mining town, of Italian parentage, killed one German and captured three. He saw eight Germans walking in a communication trench ahead of him and, although alone, he shot and killed one and ran after the others, capturing two and wounding some of those who escaped. He then returned to the American line and turned over the prisoners to a non-commissioned officer and coolly asked for a match.

WENT AFTER ANOTHER GUARD AND GOT HIM.

The officer jokingly said: "I'll give you a match if you bring in another prisoner." The Italian who is only five feet 4 inches tall, took him at his word and went back over the parapet. He returned in less than five minutes, walking with drawn bayonet behind a six-foot German who was yelling "Kamarad, Kamarad."

A few minutes later it was reported that ten Germans were lying in a machine gun nest in No Man's Land. The Italian started for the spot alone, but he was ordered back by the commander of the unit who later sent a detachment of men to rout out the enemy, which they did.

The Young Woman's Missionary Society.

On Tuesday evening April 16th, 1918 the Young Woman's Missionary Society met at the home of Miss Minnie Brickell on Sunset Avenue, in a business meeting.

In absence of the President, the Society was called to order and conducted by Mrs. Mortimer C. Pleasants, the program was as follows:

Devotional Exercises—Judges 4—Deborah—Mrs. M. C. Pleasants.

Prayer.

Minutes—Recording Secretary.

History of Oriental Immigration—Miss Sue Alston.

Present Life and Occupation of California Orientals—Miss Louise Thomas.

Results—Miss Lydia Inscoc.

A Japanese Story—Miss Hodgie Williams.

Prussian System—Mrs. M. C. Pleasants.

This concluding the program, matters of important business was discussed, among which was, the Society volunteering to aid the Red Cross in sewing for the Belgian babies.

In behalf of the Society I want to welcome our new members, who are Mrs. J. A. Harris, Miss Neva Rowland, and Mrs. E. F. Thomas.

Those present at the meeting were: Mesdames M. C. Pleasants, O. J. Hale, J. A. Harris, E. F. Thomas, and Misses Lillian High, Hodgie Williams, Minnie Brickell, Aline Webb, Neva Rowland, Lydia Inscoc, Julia Barrow, Sue Alston, Lonie Meadows, Louise Thomas.

We were indeed glad to have with us as a visitor Miss Jessie Connelly, of Blackstone, Va.

At an early hour the Society adjourned to meet on Tuesday evening April 23rd, 1918, at the home of Miss Julia Barrow, on North Main Street in a study circle meeting.

Recording Secretary.

To Operate Riverside Warehouse.

Mr. J. P. Dryke of Castalia, was in to see us Wednesday, and informed us that he and Mr. G. D. Taylor had leased the Riverside Warehouse and would operate it this season. Both of these gentlemen are expert tobacco men and are well known to this market, having been connected with it before and we are sure they will receive a nice patronage from the tobacco growers of the county, whose interest they inform us they will do everything in their power to promote. Watch for their announcement.

Honor Roll Liberty Loan.

The list of names for honor roll is by no means complete. Franklinton has sent in report of \$7,500 of Bonds subscribed, though names were not given. A full report has not been received from other townships. The total amount reported for the county is \$13,550. The names as received are as follows: W. C. Strickland, Louisville College, R. O. Bissett, P. A. Reavis, M. S. Clifton, Mrs. R. F. Yarborough, Mrs. M. S. Clifton, Miss Aline Webb, Dr. R. F. Yarborough, Rev. N. H. D. Wilson, Mrs. N. H. D. Wilson, D. M. Barrett, Mrs. Ivey Allen, H. G. Harrison, Miss Minnie Brickell, E. N. Dept, James B. King, John B. Yarborough, J. J. Barrow, Thos. J. Hicks, W. L. Tharrington, E. H. Malone, R. H. Jones, Miss Mary Harvey Love, Cornelius Clegg Love, J. B. Wilder, Farmers and Merchants Bank, W. R. Mills.

SATURDAY, MAY 18, IS LAST DAY

FOR CANDIDATES TO MAKE DEPOSIT.

And File Notices—Amounts of Deposits for Candidates—No New Registration—Other Election Information.

The Primary Law provides that all candidates for county offices shall file, with the Board of Elections of the County at least two weeks before the primary, notice of their candidacy for the office they seek and pledge to support the party in whose primary they desire to be candidates. Form of notice and pledge can be obtained from the Chairman of the county Board of Elections. At the time of the filing of the above mentioned notices, each candidate for the office of Sheriff, Clerk of Superior Court, Register of Deeds and House of Representatives must deposit with the Board of Elections the sum of \$5.00. Each candidate for the office of surveyor, Coroner and County Commissioner must deposit the sum of \$1.00. Candidates for Constable and other Township offices will not be required to make any deposit. You will note that the last day upon which these notices can be filed and deposits made will be Saturday, May 18th.

The Primary Law also requires that each candidate for the county offices must file with the Clerk of Superior Court, at least ten days before the date of the primary election, an itemized statement of all moneys spent by him or, with his knowledge, for him by any person and that within twenty days after the primary election such candidates are required to file with the Clerk of the Court a sworn itemized statement of all moneys, or other thing of value—expended by him or for him by any person to his knowledge, also all contributions to him made by any person or corporation, with the name of such contributor and the amount contributed, and further that he has neither promised directly nor indirectly to give anything of value to any person for his support nor promised to support any person in return for their support. You will note that the first statement above referred to must be filed on the 26th day of May and the second statement on the 21st day of June.

Reference to the matter of registration, it is required that the registration books be opened just as is required under the general election law, that is for twenty days (Sundays excepted) preceding the day for the closing of same and in this case the Registrars will be required to have the registration books open from the 26th day of April to the 15th day of May. No new registration will be required of those voters already on registration books except where such voter has changed his voting precinct, in which case he will have to register in his new voting precinct. All persons not on the registration books who will be qualified to vote in the General Elections to be held in November, will be permitted to register for the Primary Election and General Election at the same time.

Mrs. S. J. Parham Hostess.

Mrs. S. J. Parham entertained the Tuesday Afternoon Book Club on April 9th. This club has as its subject for study this year "American Life and Letters," and most interesting programs have been given at each meeting. Mrs. Parham read the opening paper, "Current Events and War Summary." Mrs. J. L. Palmer read "How Frances Scott Key wrote the Star Spangled Banner," and Mrs. J. Turner read a paper on "Mary Lyon, the Educator." Mrs. E. S. Ford gave a voice selection, and Mesdames White Fleming and Miss Williams sang a vocal trio, "Springtime." At the close of this entertaining program, Mrs. Parham served a delicious salad course and coffee.

Miss Turner Gives Recital.

Miss Mary Burt Turner, of Louisville, gave a certificate recital in piano music at Louisville College Monday afternoon at 6 o'clock. Miss Turner, who is a pupil of Miss Nellie Clapp, the director of music, was assisted by Miss Emma Hooker, of Aurora, in two voice numbers, and Miss Elizabeth Allen, daughter of Mrs. Ivey Allen, dean of the college, in a reading. Quite a large crowd was present to enjoy the delightful program, and each number was rendered with unusual skill. Miss Turner gave beautiful selections from Beethoven and Mendelssohn, but possibly was at her best in Jensen's "Will O' The Wisp." The marshals were Misses Ruth Hall, Frances Barrow, Elizabeth Allen, of Goldsboro, and Martha Dixon, of Grifton.

List of Letters.

The following is a list of letters remaining in the Post Office at Louisville, N. C., not called for April 19, 1918: Mrs. Eula Harris, Miss Mary M. Hardy, Miss Elna Manning, Mrs. Vick McV, Mr. Robert Thomas, Mr. Jammie Watkins.

Persons calling for any of the above letters will please state that they saw them advertised.

Important Information on County-Wide Tax.

Supt. Best gives us the following important information in regard to the effect of the county-wide tax: Q.—If there is not a majority of the registered vote in the county cast for the county-wide tax, but any township has a majority of its registered vote cast in favor of this tax, what effect will this have on the township so voting?

A.—This bill provides that such a township would have the special tax, but this special tax could only be used for the schools in this township. For illustration, if the county-wide tax did not carry, but Dunn township did, then Dunn township would have a special tax, and this special tax could not be used for any schools in the county except those of Dunn township.

Q.—What about the schools in a township that already has a local tax?

A.—The Board of Committeemen of such a district would have the power to eliminate its local tax; such a district would have a township special tax instead of a local Special tax. Any information desired will be furnished any voter who provides for the conduct of

We Must Win the War!

The war cannot be won by our soldiers at the front unless the people at home work. This year every farmer must do his utmost. Many of the boys are gone; that means more work for all who stay; the children must help and will; the women, God bless them, have always helped and will do more this year than ever before. More food and crops must be produced and more must be saved. We must concentrate our lives to the task before us, that of winning the war.

All of us must give freely to the worthy cause of suffering humanity; all of us must invest liberally in the securities offered, by our government, to provide funds for the conduct of the war. NOW we have opportunity to do our fullest share, for NOW the Nation asks again that we loan our money to the government in the Third Liberty Loan Bonds. The request is not for a gift. It may mean some sacrifice to invest at once, but that is small service compared with that of our boys at the front. The investment in Liberty Loan Bonds and War Stamps is the safest and best investment we can make, and at the same time it is the quickest way we can help our boys. They are going a hard road; going over the Top and across No Man's Land, under the hellish fire of enemy guns. They are going to die for us. They are going bravely and willingly. They are happy and unafraid. If we accept the sacrifice made for us and refuse to help, we are worse than slackers, and will get our punishment either in this life or the other.

It is urgent that the Third Liberty Loan \$3,000,000,000 in the United States be subscribed quickly. That long casualty list which appeared this week should force upon us the realization of what our own are facing these days and it should make every man and woman of our big "Liberty Loan Family," in North Carolina proud that she is enabled to have a part in making possible victory for America!

Heavy Sales of War Savings Stamps.

The sales of War Savings Stamps continue heavy throughout the county. Most of the township committees have fine reports to make and April is expected to prove the banner month thus far in the campaign.

Funeral of W. H. Pleasants.

The funeral services of the late W. H. Pleasants, which were held from the Methodist church on last Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock and conducted by Rev. N. H. D. Wilson, his pastor, were largely attended by the friends of the family. After the services at the church, the remains were tenderly laid to rest in Oaklawn cemetery in the presence of a large concourse of friends and relatives, where they rested under a huge bank of beautiful flowers. At both services musical selections were sung by a choir. The pall bearers were as follows: Honorary—Messrs. G. W. Ford, R. P. Taylor, W. M. Person, F. N. Egerton, J. B. Yarborough, W. R. Mills, L. P. Hicks, C. K. Cooke, Dr. J. E. Malone, Rev. W. B. Martin, Capt. P. G. Alston.

Mrs. J. L. Palmer Hostess.

Mrs. J. L. Palmer delightfully entertained the Tuesday Afternoon Book Club at her home this week. After the business session of the club a very interesting program ensued. Mrs. Palmer read a splendid paper on "Current Events and Summary of the War."

Mrs. W. H. Yarborough's paper.

Intellectual Awakening (1820-1840), with General Jackson as a Type was most interesting and Mrs. W. R. Mills' sketch of Life of Margaret Fuller, the Woman of Intellect, charming. At the conclusion of the program the hostess served a delicious ice course.

Let every patriotic American carry the badge of a true patriot—A LIBERTY BOND!