

CONFERS DOCTOR DIVINITY DEGREE

ON REV. W. E. BURRELL, PASTOR BAPTIST CHURCH

Lanier University of Atlanta, Ga., Honors the Pastor of Louisburg Baptist Church.

At a recent convocation of Lanier University of Atlanta, Georgia, an institution of higher learning and having such Departments as Arts and Science, Law, Music, Religion, Pharmacy, Journalism, etc., and a member of a large association of colleges and universities, the honorary Doctor of Divinity degree was conferred upon the Rev. William Richard Burrell, A. B., Pastor First Baptist Church, Louisburg, North Carolina.

Dr. Burrell stands high in academic circles, being an alumnus of Seattle (Washington) University and McMaster University. Dr. Burrell has a record for service of which any one might well be proud. He has been pastor in Orange, New Jersey, Richmond, Virginia, Ontario, Canada, Williamston, North Carolina, and in his present work at Louisburg, North Carolina. During the world war, Dr. Burrell travelled and lectured for the British Army in England, France, Italy, Egypt, India, Mesopotamia, Persia, Armenia, Palestine, China, Japan, and the Pacific Islands. He was vice president of the New Jersey State Baptist Convention in 1907. He is author of "From Out the Flames," the modern Ben Hur, published by the American Baptist Publication Society.

Burrell is a Canadian by birth and about fifty years of age. He is a man of strong personal magnetism, and one of the most delightful pulpit orators in the South. He is worthy in every way of this signal honor and distinction at the hands of Lanier University.

POSSIBILITY OF FOUR IRISH LEGISLATURES

One Each for Four Great Provinces of the Island—Reported That Valera Will Not Fight for Independent Republic if Unification Problem Is Settled.

London, July 27.—The possibility that four legislatures may be established in Ireland—one each in the province of Ulster, Munster, Connaught and Leinster—under a Central National parliament, is hinted at this morning by Sketch, which says:

"It need not be assumed, as is done in some quarters, that under unification there would be only two governing authorities under a federal Irish parliament. It has been almost overlooked that there are four great provinces in Ireland, each with an historical individuality."

In relation to Sketch's information, which, incidentally, reiterates some earlier reports, the statement is made, somewhat disconnectedly, that, subject to a satisfactory solution of the Irish unification problem, Eamonn De Valera has intimated that he will not renew the campaign for an independent Irish republic, and also that he will not seek to raise an army or navy or the right to enter into relations with foreign powers, except to the same extent as these privileges are enjoyed by the self-governing dominions of the British Empire.

While Sketch learns that real progress is being made in the Irish negotiation, other reports, evidently influenced by utterances contained in the Irish bulletin last Monday indicate doubts regarding the discussions in Dublin agreeing to a settlement, and suggest that the question of unification is a provoking one.

The Daily Mail, however, mentions "reports of a closer understanding between the North and the South" which, it says, "diminished the doubts respecting the ability of the rival Irish leaders to meet and contrive a ground for common action. This newspaper adds:

"It is understood that some Sinn Fein leaders agree to the government's terms and it is anticipated that an agreement for general acceptance will be reported. In any case, Mr. De Valera is expected to return to England shortly, and in the meantime he continues in harmonious touch with all concerned in Ireland."

SCHOOL EXTENSION SCHEDULE.

This week the School Extension presents an unusual program consisting largely of King Lear one of Shakespeare's plays. Although written over three hundred years ago, Shakespeare's plays are never out of date so brilliant are they of human interest. This picture sticks closely to the original. The playing and the costuming are good and those who see it will not only enjoy a good story but they will get a good insight into methods, manners, and customs in English court life during the life of the great dramatist.

Schedule Friday, July 29th—Wood. Saturday, July 30th—Mapleville. Tuesday, August 2nd—Cedar Rock. Wednesday, Aug. 3rd—Seven Paths. Thursday, Aug. 4th—Sandy Creek. Friday, Aug 5th—Bunn. Saturday, Aug. 6th—Roberts.

U. S. DEMANDS RELEASE OF PRISONERS

NO RELIEF FOR RUSSIA UNTIL DEMAND IS MET

Sharp Note to Soviet Russia From State Department Follows Failure of Red Cross To Secure Release of American Citizens From Dirty Russian Jails; 8 or 10 Americans Are Held Prisoners.

Washington, July 27.—Formal demand for release of American prisoners in Russia has been made on the Soviet authorities by Secretary Hughes. The State Department was advised today that the communication had been handed to the Soviet representatives at Reval yesterday by Consul Albrecht.

The text of the communication has not been made public. It is understood, however, to be a brief insistence that the Americans be released before there can be any thought of better relations between the United States and Russia. The action was taken in the name of humanity and because all efforts to secure the release of the Americans made through Dr. Nanesen of the Red Cross have failed.

What course will be taken by the United States if the Soviet authorities ignore or refuse to accede to the demand was not indicated. The communication was sent to Consul Albrecht July 25.

The curt demand made upon the Russian authorities for the release of American prisoners is the first official representation made upon the subject, although Lenin and Trotsky and their associates have been previously advised informally of the determination of the United States not to consider closer relations with Russia until this was done.

The dispatch of the communication was timed so it would reach the Russians at approximately simultaneously with the message sent by Secretary Hoover in response to the appeal made by Maxim Gorky. The State Department's message is regarded officially as wholly independent of the Hoover Gorky correspondence, although it is admitted that it will serve to strengthen the attitude taken by Secretary Hoover, who made it clear in his message that any relief by the United States for the suffering Russians would depend largely upon the manner in which Americans in Russia are treated.

There are now held as prisoners in Russia eight or ten Americans. A larger number are believed to be detained within the borders of Russia, some of whom are restricted to limited areas within those areas they are permitted to come and go, but always under surveillance and with the understanding that efforts to extend their movements will result in closer confinement.

More than a score of Americans still are being held prisoners in Soviet Russia, according to the latest news received by the state department in Washington from that country. Principal among them are Mrs. Marguerite E. Harrison of Baltimore, a newspaper correspondent; Capt. Emmet Kilpatrick, of Uniontown, Alabama, Red Cross worker; Royal C. Keeley, an engineer; William Flick, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Dr. Weston B. Estes, motion picture photographer, and J. B. Kalamatiano of Racine, Wis.

TWO NORFOLK MEN KILLED WHEN CAR IS OVERTURNED

Attempting to make a sharp turn in the road at a railroad crossing about three miles north of Franklinton, H. L. Jones and S. B. Hutchins, both of Norfolk were killed Sunday morning shortly after midnight when the car in which they were riding turned over. A third passenger in the Singer speedster was C. B. Poole, of Clayton, who escaped uninjured. The other two men were caught under the car and crushed. The failure of the car to take the turn was attributed to the high speed at which the automobile was traveling.

The three men were on their way to Sanford, where the sale of the former Cumberland Power and Light Company was to be confirmed Monday. Mr. Jones was president of the company. He bought its holdings at the receiver sale July 2, and in his pocket at the time he was killed was a check for \$75,000 to be used in payment of the judgment of the court.

Mr. Poole summoned assistance from Franklinton after the accident, but Jones and Hutchins were dead before help could reach them. Their bodies were taken to Raleigh and prepared for burial and accompanied by Mr. Poole were shipped to Norfolk Sunday morning at 6 o'clock.

Mr. Jones, who was thirty years of age is survived by his widow and two small children. Mr. Hutchins, who was thirty-five years of age, is also survived by a widow and several children.

Anything to Oblige.

Are you sure you can prove my client is crazy? Why, certainly, replied the eminent alienist. And what is more, if you are ever in trouble and need my services I'll do the same thing for you.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

BASE BALL TODAY

Louisburg and Justice will play a double-header at the Fair Grounds this afternoon. The first game will start at 3 o'clock promptly. Louisburg also plays Spring Hope on the local diamond Wednesday, August 3rd.

TAR RIVER LEAGUE.

Table with columns: W. L. Pct. Rows: Justice (3-1-750), Spring Hope (3-2-600), Castalia (2-3-400), LOUISBURG (1-3-250)

CASTALIA BEATS LOUISBURG.

In a slow and ragged game of ball Louisburg lost to Castalia here Wednesday by the score of 10 to 9.

The features of the game were the hitting of Ford and King for Louisburg and Parrish for Castalia, each getting three hits apiece.

Louisburg is on the bottom in the Tar River League but after the double header here today with Justice they will be a different tale to tell. If Castalia beats Spring Hope today and Louisburg takes two from Justice all teams will be tied with 3 won and 3 lost.

Score: R. H. E. Castalia 000 500 014—10 12 6 Louisburg 320 405 000—9 10 2 Batteries: Louisburg, Pace, Roberts, and King; Castalia, Taylor, Lancaster, Delbridge and Green.

SPRING HOPE WALLOPS JUSTICE.

Spring Hope, July 27.—In a one-sided game Spring Hope worsted Justice this afternoon, the score being 8 to 1. Harris, pitcher for Justice, was knocked out in the fourth inning and was relieved by Hagwood. The features of the game were the pitching of Alford and the fielding of Morgan, both for Spring Hope.

Score: R. H. E. Spring Hope 8 13 2 Justice 1 3 5 Batteries: Spring Hope, Alford and Brantley; Justice, Harris, Hagwood, Flow and Edwards.

GETS NOSE HURT.

Dr. A. H. Fleming suffered a painful accident Tuesday afternoon at the Fair Grounds in a game of ball, when the ball, after having been struck foul by himself as batter, struck him on the nose breaking same. He was given medical attention immediately and is doing well at this writing. The ball was pitched by Mr. Malcolm McKinne, who was none in the least to blame as it was an accident that through its peculiar happening, was unavoidable and could not be helped.

MRS. WHITE ENTERTAINS.

On the evening of July 20, 1921, the Wesleyan Daughters and their lady manager Mrs. W. E. White, entertained the Young Women's Missionary Society at the attractive home of Mrs. White. The house was tastefully decorated with Japanese draperies, lanterns, pictures, etc. Other guests were Mrs. W. R. Burrell, Miss Eleanor Turner, Miss Blanchard and Mrs. G. F. Smith. Delicious punch was served by Misses Sacatami and Fucashima. In the tea-room, with smiles and bows the girls in their kimonos invited us to sit or kneel on cushions arranged around the floor. Miss Sacatami sang a sweet little Japanese love song. Japanese jokes and stories were told in pleasing Japanese style. Each was given a bowl of rice which we ate with chop-sticks of course, and each tried to finish before the others. While Japanese music was played on the victrola we were served delicious tea and sandwiches. Just before we left Geraldine Smith, the president, presented Mrs. Burrell the Baptist minister's wife, with a beautiful Japanese picture and tray-cover, because she finished her rice first.

TO CELEBRATE ARMISTICE DAY.

At a meeting of Jambes Post No. 105 American Legion held Thursday evening, July 21, the Post passed a resolution that the people of Franklin County be asked to join with the Post in celebrating Armistice Day, Nov. 11, 1921.

The Post elected a committee of five to take charge and plan for this celebration. The committee is composed of Major S. P. Boddie, Chairman, assistants, H. W. Perry, Messrs. W. D. Egerton, J. E. Malone, Jr., and Dr. H. H. Johnson.

The chairman of this committee informs us that he expects to make this the biggest festival day that Louisburg has seen since the Centennial.

It would take seventeen guardian angels and half dozen policemen to keep some men out of trouble.

DROUGHT BLIGHTS EUROPE'S FIELDS

WIDE AREAS ARE THREATENED WITH FAMINE, SAYS HOOVER.

Secretary Points Out Farmers Face Unprecedented Demands for Their Crops—Russia, Germany, France and England See Plantings Parched in Long Dry Spell.

Washington, July 24.—Prolonged droughts, virtually worldwide, promise the American farmer prosperity unparalleled for several decades. Government officials let it be known here today.

While Russia's frantic appeals for assistance on the score of food supplies wiped by lack of rain for months have centered public attention on that country, Secretary Hoover made plain that other countries as well face famine because of droughts.

"Only Italy seems to have escaped the blight," Mr. Hoover asserted. "As a result," he continued, "the problems which the American farmer has had to face during the past year by reason of inability to market surplus products seem now not only to be solved, but with bumper crops promised here, prosperity for all seems assured."

The Department of Agriculture also has been following crop conditions in other countries with great interest, and Secretary Wallace indicated that steps are now being taken to assist American farmers to bring to harvest crops which are sorely needed.

"It is a duty to humanity as well as opportunity which confronts the American farmer today," the Secretary declared in reviewing the situation.

Meanwhile reports pour into the Department of Commerce from consular representatives everywhere detailing the suffering caused by lack of rain.

With minor exceptions confined to small territory, the United States has escaped the blight according to Edward H. Bowie, forecaster for the United States weather bureau, but our neighbor Canada has not been so fortunate.

According to a report received from the Department of Commerce, representative at Quebec, that whole province is in the grip of a drought so severe that public prayers and religious processions have been ordered.

Crops are not only destroyed beyond hope of saving, but wells are drying up, livestock and forest fires so prevalent that thousands of many districts have had to flee to the cities for their lives.

In Europe, the havoc in Russia has been adequately described, but it has been lost sight of that Germany, France and England also face serious conditions as a result of lack of rain.

According to a report of the American commission in Berlin, the drought in Germany promises to undo all that has been accomplished by the industries of that country toward rehabilitation.

Dispatches from London received in official circles here today describe similar conditions in the British Isles. Farm and garden crops are being destroyed everywhere, it is stated, and the soil is so baked that cracks have appeared "in which it is possible to put a walking stick down for more than a couple of feet."

The European droughts came as a heavy blow to American relief organizations, which have been preparing cessations of their efforts in food relief with the belief that Europe was at last on the way to feed her own people.

Such an announcement was recently made by Secretary of Commerce Hoover, as head of the American Relief Administration, but it is now known that relief work will have to be continued perhaps another year.—New York Commercial.

IN HONOR MISS EMMA PAGE WILDER.

Tuesday afternoon at 4:30 Mrs. J. B. Yarborough and her daughter, Miss Eleanor, gave a Rook Party in honor of Miss Emma Page Wilder, who is visiting Miss Catherine Bobbitt.

After four games of progressive Rook were played Miss Margaret Turner won the prize for the highest score which she presented to the guest of honor. Ice tea and sandwiches were then served; after which the guest departed each declaring both Mrs. Yarborough and her daughter most charming hostesses. Those present were Misses Max Allen, Maud Ashley, Lucy Allen, Annie Willis Boddie, Catherine Bobbitt, Mary Exum Burt, Elizabeth Clifton, Jessie Elmore, Louise Griffin, Annie Harris, Mamie Hayes, Polly Jacobs, Emma Lawrence Joyner, Elizabeth Morton, Annie Perry Neal, Alma Parham, Katharine Pleasants, Alma Perry, Ruth Perry, Betty Reavis, Geraldine Smith, Effie Taylor, Margaret Turner, Mary Wilson, Emma Page Wilder, Temple Williams, Mary Wyatt Yarborough, Eleanor Yarborough.

Looking Backward.

How did you get that scar? I got that jumping through a plate glass window in London on armistice night. What on earth did you do that for? Oh, I don't know. It seemed a good idea at the time.

ROAD QUESTION CLOSED

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REVERSE ACTIONS.

Pass Resolution Settling Aside Former Action and Re-approve Louisburg to Nashville Route—Mr. Hill Accepts and Closes the Question.

The County Commissioners in an adjourned meeting on last Friday voted to re-open the question of abolishing the Nashville road and taking over the Halifax road and to re-affirm their first action approving the Nashville road for the State Highway. The following resolution was passed by the Board.

Pursuant to call and waiver of notice Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County met to their office in the Courthouse, Louisburg, N. C. on this the 22nd day of July, 1921, at 10 o'clock A. M. The following members present: A. J. Joyner, Chairman, J. P. Timberlake, C. C. Hudson, W. C. Wilder.

Motion by W. C. Wilder that the vote by which the resolution relative to change of place for State construction of roads by which the roads from Louisburg to County line near Castalia be abandoned and in lieu thereof adopt for construction road from Louisburg to Centreville and from Centreville to Wood and on to County line connecting with road to Halifax be reconsidered. Motion seconded by J. P. Timberlake. Motion carried.

Motion by W. C. Wilder that resolution be tabled. Motion seconded by J. P. Timberlake. Motion carried.

Motion by W. C. Wilder that road from Louisburg to Nash County line near Castalia be reopened for State construction in accordance with plans heretofore submitted by State Highway Commission and accepted by the Board of County Commissioners. And that the Clerk to the Board be directed to notify the State Highway Commission or Mr. Sprunt Hill, District Manager immediately of this action, with the request that said road from Louisburg to Nash County line near Castalia be taken over as soon as possible for construction or maintenance in accordance with its plans. Motion seconded by J. P. Timberlake. On roll call vote, the following members voted Aye: A. J. Joyner, J. P. Timberlake, C. C. Hudson and W. C. Wilder. None voting No. Motion declared to be carried by the Chairman. Board adjourned.

On Wednesday Register of Deeds S. C. Holden received the following letter from Highway Commissioner J. Sprunt Hill, of Durham, accepting the final action of the Commissioners and closing the road question:

Durham, N. C., July 25, 1921. Attention: S. C. Holden, Register of Deeds.

Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County, Louisburg, N. C. Gentlemen:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of July 22nd enclosing Resolutions revoking order for road from Louisburg to Centreville and approving, for maintenance and construction, road from Louisburg to Nash County line near Castalia. Your action in this matter is entirely satisfactory to me, and I will consider the controversy closed.

Kindly ask your Townships to put the road from Louisburg to Nash County line near Castalia, in good, passable condition as quickly as possible so that it can be turned over to the maintenance engineer and the County be relieved of this burden.

I want to assure the Board of County Commissioners, however, that I have not changed my opinion as to the tremendous value and importance of opening road from Louisburg to Halifax, and I hope your Board will take such action as may be necessary to build a good gravel road from Centreville over to the Halifax line and cooperate with the County Commissioners of Halifax county in the construction of bridge at Ransom's Crossing so that travel in Northeastern North Carolina can commence to come through from Halifax to Louisburg. I feel sure this road will prove of very great importance, from a commercial standpoint, to your people.

Yours truly, JOHN SPRUNT HILL, Highway Commissioner 4th District.

CAPTURES STILL

Also Take Whiskey on Search and Seizure.

Chief of Police D. C. High and Constable J. E. Thomas report finding two quart jars and four Coca Cola bottles full of corn whiskey in a search of Sid Davis home Sunday under a search warrant. Davis was given a trial Monday morning before Squire A. W. Alston and was bound over to Court under a \$200 bond.

Sheriff H. A. Kearney and Constable J. E. Thomas report the capture on Monday of a complete still outfit on the lands known as the Gene Foster land about four miles west of town. They also destroyed about two hundred gallons of beer.

Wages of sin are the same. What a reform movement seeks is to prevent you from working for them.

MEMORIAL SERVICES AT FRANKLINTON

REMAINS OF SERGT. SHEN COOKE, WORLD WAR VETERAN.

Rev. T. A. Sykes, Mr. B. W. Ballard, Maj. S. P. Boddie Make Addresses. Flag Presented to Hall of History.

In the presence of large numbers of people the Memorial services to Sergt. Shen Cooke, who gave his life for his country on the battlefields of France, was held in his home town, Franklinton, on last Sunday.

The body arrived on the early morning train and at 4 o'clock the services were held from the Methodist church. The first service was the usual Methodist burial service, and was conducted by a former pastor, Rev. T. A. Sykes, now Associate Editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate. Dr. Sykes made a most beautiful reference to the deceased and his sacrifices for his country. Following this service and still at the church the Memorial services were begun with a most touching address by Mr. B. W. Ballard, who held the undivided attention of his hearers for some time following the terrible pictures of war and the beautiful pictures of Sacrifice and service, pointing with pride to that part of history made by Franklin County boys in company with others in North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee, when they broke the invincible Hindenburg line, bringing peace to the world and glory to themselves and their country.

Following Mr. Ballard, Maj. Boddie gave a brief sketch of the military service of Sergeant Cooke showing that when war was declared he was employed in Richmond, Va., and in July 1917 he returned home and volunteered with home troops in the Medical detachment of the Third Battalion of the 120th Infantry. He was soon commissioned a Sergeant in charge of the enlisted personnel of the Medical Detachment Headquarters of the Third Battalion. He was wounded on October 19th, 1918 on the front near St. Martin Revere and sent to a hospital at Rouen, France, dying in the latter part of November. Maj. Boddie's presentation of this sketch was especially interesting and touching.

In compliance with a request from Col. Fred A. Olds, the family through Mr. W. H. Ruffin presented the flag that draped the casket to the Hall of History, through Mayor S. C. Ford. The presentation speech and the acceptance were gems of eulogy for the boys who went "over there."

Special music was rendered by the Music Committees throughout each of the services and at the grave.

Leaving the church the party proceeded to the cemetery where the remains of Sergt. Cooke were gently laid away in an impressive Military ceremony conducted by the American Legion, which is composed of his comrades who were with him across the seas. The floral tribute was especially pretty and unusually large, speaking a love and loyalty beyond the power of language. Taps being sounded the guard was dismissed which ended another services the object of which is to cement the loyalty and devotion to our Country of each one and to all.

WINS 15 GAMES OUT OF 18.

We are informed that the Louisburg Tar Heels, a colored baseball organization here, has won fifteen games out of eighteen played—the three lost being the first three played, two of which went to Warrenton and one to Henderson. This gives them a record of fifteen straight games. This team has been playing some good ball and has been having splendid attendance.

THE PUBLIC INVITED.

We are requested to state that a special invitation is extended the people of Franklin County to meet with the Board of County Commissioners on Monday afternoon, August 1st, 1921 at 2 o'clock to hear an important paper on Pelagra to be read by Dr. J. E. Malone, Health Officer for Franklin County. This is an important subject at this time as the spread of the disease through the South this fall is widely predicted.

ALABAMA WOMAN WALKS 500 MILES TO SEE DYING SISTER.

Jacksonville, Fla., July 26.—How a mother and her two sons, 14 and 16 years old, walked nearly six hundred miles in order that the mother might for the last time see her sister, fatally ill here, was revealed today after the funeral of Mrs. W. C. Chambers, of this city.

Mrs. Chambers became ill several months ago and physicians said it was impossible for her to recover. Her sister, Mrs. Estelle Morse, of Attalee, Ala., advised of her condition determined to see her once more but could not afford to make the trip by rail. Three months ago Mrs. Morse and boys began the journey afoot and ten weeks later finished the approximately 550 miles between Attalee and Jacksonville. They were with Mrs. Chambers two weeks before she died.

Many a man curses his luck who never had any.