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AN IMPRESSIVE PREACHER

In the death of Dr. I. H. Russell the Presbyterian Church has lost one of its most effective preachers. He magnified the work of the ministry. Many who remember him as a young man will recall how he rejoiced over his first adventures in preaching. He possessed fine natural gifts as a speaker, and was always easy to listen to. He was very original and striking in his manner of presenting Bible truths, and familiar stories as retold by him took on new meaning. He could be humorous or pathetic as the occasion required, and was always impressive. His work is done and he has gone to his reward. It is the task of his fellow-workers who remain to carry on.

A KING'S ROMANCE

In Europe, where it is traditional that royalty must not marry outside of royalty, the infatuation of King Edward VIII of England for a beautiful American woman, Mrs. Wallis Warfield Simpson, and the fear of Englishmen that he will marry her, is causing a national disturbance. The British government, through the Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, is using all the powers of State, under existing law, to break up the romance. So far the King seems bent upon marrying the woman of his choice, which is the right of his humblest subject.

Public opinion in England is divided. There is opposition to the proposed marriage for traditional reasons and also on the ground that Mrs. Simpson has been married twice and is a divorcee. There are those, however, especially among the English middle class, who feel that the King should be free to marry whomsoever he pleases. The matter will be decided one way or the other within the next few days.

NATIONAL MISSIONS BOARD MEETING

(From Monday Morning)

The semi-annual meeting of the Board of National Missions was held in New York City, Nov. 12 and 13. The new president, Dr. Louis H. Evans, pastor of the Third Church, Pittsburgh, presided.

Present: 37 out of 49 members.

Elected: Dr. Conrad Hoffman, Jr., Director of the International Missionary Council's Committee on the Christian Approach to the Jews, as Assistant Secretary of the Board in charge of Jewish work to succeed Dr. John S. Conning, term of service to begin Sept. 1937; Rev. Robert L. McLeod, Jr., to succeed Dr. John A. Rodgers (retired Oct. 1) as Secretary for Annuities and Special Gifts, term of service to begin Jan. 1, 1937.

Approved: Policies and Standards for Educational and Medical Work; two seminars in the Southern Mountain field from July 28 to Aug. 1, one for pastors and other adult leaders at Asheville Normal and Teachers College, the other for leaders of young people at Farm School, Swannanoa, N. C.; cooperation with the Delta Cooperative Farm at Hillside, Miss., through the appointment of a nurse who will be under the direction of the Board's Unit of Educational and Medical Unit Work (this action not to be interpreted as an endorsement of the theory of the organization or management of the Cooperative Farm); the policy of using services of contractors, mechanics, and other labor of the area and pop-

ulation to be served by the building being erected; appointment of Dr. James Speer as Synodical Executive of the Synod of Minnesota; a budget of \$424,693.00 for Building Aid Loan Fund.

In view of the necessitated withdrawal of Dr. Louis H. Evans as chairman of the Committee on Jewish Evangelization, Dr. George W. Arms, of Brooklyn, was appointed chairman; Dr. Henry Little, Jr., of Kirkwood, Mo., vice chairman; and Roland B. Lutz, of Abingdon, Pa., as a new member of the committee.

WHITE EDITOR EXTENDS GREETINGS TO NEGRO PRESS

New York—(C)—Honorable Percy B. Scott, editor of The American Press, (an independent magazine for the makers of newspapers), 225 West 39th street, sends greetings to Negro editors of the United States as follows:

"To the Negro Press of America:

"Greeting:
"I have had the opportunity, through the courtesy of Calvin's Newspaper Service of New York City, to note the present status of the Negro press in the United States. I am glad to say that the newspapers by and for colored people, on the whole, make a very creditable showing, both as to mechanical make-up, and the manner of editorial treatment giving news and current events. Certain of the papers show marked initiative and enterprise in the variety of news and features presented, and in the unique and attractive typographical treatment.

"The Negro Press is to be congratulated on the rapid progress it is making, and on the constructive service it is rendering in the development of the Negro group and the Nation."

DR. I. H. RUSSELL—HE SLEEPS

By Rev. J. E. McMillan

The ministerial ranks were once more broken by the silent reaper death, when at twilight on Wednesday, Nov. 8, that great soul, Dr. I. H. Russell, was ushered into eternity. We could not say it was a surprise, for we all knew that he had been critically ill for about ten months, but the sense of our loss caused a great shock to every one.

Dr. Russell was born in Union County, N. C., Jan. 1, 1873, and spent most of his early life in Charlotte and Mecklenburg County. He attended school at Biddle, now Johnson C. Smith University. After having finished the seminary he became one of the most eloquent ministers of the colored Synods and pastored some of the most outstanding churches of the Catawba and Yadkin Presbyteries. He spent ten years as an evangelist for the Catawba and Atlantic Synods, and many souls were brought to Christ under the influence of his Gospel preaching. He was held in high esteem by the general Church of the Presbyterian denomination. With an unusual mixture of humor and pathos, he won his way into the hearts of the people of all denominations.

At the time he was stricken, Dr. Russell was pastoring the Presbyterian churches at Graham and Mebane, N. C.

The last rites were observed in the Pine St. Presbyterian church, Durham, and attended by many of his fellow laborers and friends. Those participating in the ceremony were Dr. G. P. Watkins of Martinsville, Va.; Rev. T. C. Graham, representing the Durham Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance; Dr. H. W. McNair, Principal of Ingleside-Fee Memorial Institute, Burkeville, Va.; Dr. C. H. Shute, of Johnson C. Smith University; and Rev. J. E. McMillan of Sanford, who presided and was the principal speaker.

Dr. Russell is survived by his wife, Mrs. Cora T. Russell; a son, Mr. Isaac Henry Russell, Jr., and a daughter, Miss Cleo Russell.

The remains were laid to rest in the new city cemetery of Durham.

Mrs. David M. Thomas, of Los Angeles, who is connected with the Board of National Missions, visited Charlotte and Smith University one day last week.

BARBER-SCOTIA COLLEGE GIVEN SIX HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS

Contribution Designated For Single Beds—Total Contributions for this Purpose From All Donors Eight Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars

Several months ago Barber-Scotia College launched a rather quiet campaign for single beds for the girls' rooms. When Miss Kitty Sanson of Somerville, New Jersey, learned of this project, she and her mother immediately assumed the responsibility of meeting the difference between the amount that had been raised and the amount needed to provide this necessary equipment.

This gift comes as a direct response to efforts of Dean Cozart and the quartette to present the needs of Barber-Scotia on their recent trip.

Gifts for single beds have been received also from Mrs. A. C. Corley, of Titusville, N. J., \$18.00; Mrs. William J. Sloane, of New York City, \$18.00; Dr. R. F. Farber, pastor of the Fourth Presbyterian church, New York City, \$18.00; Hobby Club and Home Economics Classes, \$10.00.

The first contributions for single beds were made by members of the Alumnae Association at our last commencement, and the total received from Alumnae is \$124.00. Total amount from all donors is \$838.

It is most gratifying to report that we are now able to provide the single beds. We shall continue our campaign, however, to furnish the dormitory comfortably. We are in need of bureaus for the girls' rooms. In fact this need is most urgent, it being next in importance to single beds in the matter of simple furnishings for the girls' rooms. It is our aim to bring the entire plant into a state of good repair and, with united interest and effort, to keep it that way. We believe that beautiful, yet simple surroundings have their effect upon character development of the youth in our schools. Gifts, then, to meet these physical needs represent investments that help to build better and more beautiful lives.

FREEDOM CHURCH NEWS

Our church has been doing some splendid work since we wrote you last. Freedom had a church rally sometime ago, and raised \$58.30. We hope that the next time we will do even better.

Thanksgiving day was appropriately observed. We had with us Rev. W. L. Metz, D. D., of Edisto Island, S. C., and he preached a very inspiring sermon to us and our visitors.

Our program began at 1:30 P. M. There were selections by the choir, prayer by Mrs. Sadie P. Murdock; Scripture reading by Roy Summers (95th Psalm); and papers, recitations and songs by a large number of young people. The address of the occasion was given by Dr. Metz. He made a wonderful talk on "Young People of Today." The offering at this service was \$2.07. The morning collection was \$2.10.

Our Sunday school lesson, Nov. 29, was very beautiful, and we studied it with smiling faces. Officers present, 3; teachers, 4; number of scholars, 39. Total, 46.

We are always glad to have Rev. and Mrs. Sullivan with us and we believe they like to come. We greatly enjoyed having Dr. Metz with us. He was here three years ago.

We are sorry to hear of the death of Miss Rebekah Ellis.

DARRAH FREEDOM, SELENA BRUNER, Statesville, N. C.

TO SPEAK AT BARBER-SCOTIA

An address by President H. L. McCrorey, of Johnson C. Smith University, will be the feature of the vesper service at Barber-Scotia Junior College next Sunday afternoon.

A large crowd witnessed the foot ball game between Smith University and Livingstone College, ancient athletic rivals, at Sanders-McCrorey field in Charlotte on Thanksgiving day. Smith won by a score of 25 to 6.

A LOVELY HOME MARRIAGE AT HARTSVILLE, S. C.

By Jennie E. Young

The spacious home of Mr. and Mrs. William Addison was transformed into a veritable flower garden on Thursday, November 26th, at six o'clock in the evening, when their daughter, Miss Sennethia Campbell, became the bride of Dr. Edward Henry Allen, son of the Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Allen of Irmo, South Carolina.

Chrysanthemums, palms, and numerous lighted candles furnished an unusually lovely setting for the impressive ring ceremony which was performed by Rev. H. H. Butler, and witnessed by members of Hartsville society as well as many out-of-town relatives and friends.

Mrs. S. C. Dishar, Mrs. Walker, and Mrs. James Cooley furnished the wedding music. Mrs. Cooley, accompanied by Mrs. Dishar, sang "At Dawning," and Mrs. Dishar, accompanied by Mrs. Walker, sang, "Ah Love, 'Tis But A Day," and "Because."

Miss Otto M. Allen, sister of the groom, was the bride's only attendant. She was lovely in a rust dress of moire fashioned on princess lines, with which she wore gold slippers and a head-dress of gold flowers. Her flowers were a bouquet of Talisman roses.

The bridegroom was attended by Mr. Andrew Rollins as best man.

Preceding the bride was the flower girl, lovely little Alta Mae Johnson. Her dress, which touched the tip of her toes, was of green moire, fashioned on princess lines and she wore gold sandals and a gold bow on her hair.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She was exquisite in a gown of slipper satin, fashioned on princess lines, with a high neck, the neck line being studded with pinpoint pearls. The bride's veil of tulle and lace was held to her hair by pearlized orange blossoms and she carried a bouquet of bride's roses showered with lilies of the valley.

Following the ceremony an informal reception was held. Centering the lace covered bride's table, which was lighted by white tapers in silver holders, was the three tiered wedding cake topped with a miniature bride and groom.

Miss Beatrice Brown presided at the punch bowl. The color scheme of green and white was beautifully carried out in the refreshments which consisted of a salad course, individual bell shaped cakes and white blocked ice cream centered by a green leaf.

During the evening Dr. and Mrs. Allen left for a wedding trip to points East, and upon their return will make their home at 1506 Sixth Street. The bride traveled in a swaggar suit of gray wool, with gray fox collar and gray satin blouse. Her accessories were black.

Mrs. Allen is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Addison. She was graduated from the South Carolina State College and since then has been employed as teacher of Home Economics in the schools of the State.

Dr. Allen is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Edward Allen of Irmo, South Carolina. He is a graduate of Johnson C. Smith University and of Meharry Dental College. He enjoys a lucrative practice in Hartsville.

Out-of-town guests were present from Charlotte, N. C., and Irmo, Beaufort, Orangeburg, Sumter, Bennettsville and Darlington, S. C.

"GOOD NEIGHBORS" WORK TO CONTINUE

Passaic, N. J.—(C)—Frank R. Kent, in a syndicated column appearing in The Herald-News here Thursday, headed "The Swing of the Negroes," gives much credit for Democratic success among Negroes in the recent campaign to Dr. Stanley High and The Good Neighbor League. Mr. Kent says: "In one way and another, the editors of most of the Negro newspapers were enlisted under the New Deal banner and they were joined by many influential Negro ministers. The speeches of Mr. Ickes urging mixed schools and denouncing segregation ordinances were a big help, but the extremely ef-

fective work was done by the Rev. Mr. (Stanley) High, who arranged the remarkable series of Negro meetings on Emancipation Day which helped establish Mr. Roosevelt with the Negro voters as an emancipator, along with Mr. Lincoln. Interest to it is added by the announcement yesterday that the Rev. Stanley High would continue and not disband his Good Neighbor League, which is financed by the Democratic National Committee. One of its purposes, it was stated, is to break down racial prejudices."

ST. JAMES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, GREENSBORO NORTH CAROLINA

By Mrs. R. E. Favors, Reporter

Sunday morning, November 19, Dr. Miller preached from Eccles. 3:19, taking as his subject "Conscience." This subject was treated in a unique way, and the sermon was greatly enjoyed by the congregation. In short, he said that conscience is the faculty by which we judge moral acts of ourselves and others. It is the voice of God in the soul, and this voice is supreme amidst the activities of the human soul, from which there is no appeal. Conscience, that monitor within us whose voice is raised in the breast of all creatures, is a witness for God and immortality. Whether we rejoice in the prospect of that new life or shrink from the dread reckoning—yet conscious forces this truth upon us. The being called the soul is distinct from any function of the body and will survive in undiminished vigor when the body shall have fallen into decay.

Thanksgiving Service

Thursday morning at 10:30 o'clock Dr. Miller preached a short but inspiring sermon on "Giving Thanks." The congregation was large, including members, friends and visitors. Among those home for the holiday were Misses Cecelia Miller, Mary Etta Mears; Messrs. Walter McNair, and Bruce Miller. Mrs. Alexander and Mrs. Williams visited Mrs. Rhucell Black during Thanksgiving.

Visitors at the morning service November 29 were: Misses Betty Evelyn Best, Geneva Holloman, Ida Scurlock, and Cornelia Jefferson; and Messrs. Richmond and Hampton Finger. Visitors are cordially welcomed at all services.

The Lucy Laney Circle met Tuesday, Nov. 23, at 7:30 P. M., with Mrs. Cooper on Lindsay Street.

Dr. Miller attended the three-day preaching mission of Catawba Synod at Charlotte, November 17, 18, 19.

Sunday, November 29, Dr. Miller and congregation attended the one-day preaching mission of the Yadkin Presbytery convening at the Grace Presbyterian church, Winston-Salem. Dr. Miller preached at 3 o'clock.

GIBSON CHAPEL CHURCH NEWS, SPRINGFIELD, MO.

Mrs. Howard Denton, Reporter

Fellow Presbyterians, we are happy to send you greetings from the Ozarks. As you may recall, we lost our church by fire almost a year ago. We immediately rolled up our sleeves to rebuild. In the midst of our building program, our pastor, Rev. J. T. Douglas, whom we all loved, resigned. We were then bewildered and distressed over the loss of our good shepherd; however, we managed to carry on.

Through the leadership and guidance of the Holy Spirit and the help of friends and members of the church, we have rebuilt, and we have rededicated our new church. Now we are looking forward to the breaking of ground for a new manse for our recently called pastor, the Rev. J. A. McDaniel, who comes to us from the Ebenezer church at Rome, Ga. We feel that we are quite fortunate in securing the services of the Rev. Mr. McDaniel. He comes to us well recommended and has been received by our congregation as one of our most gifted and efficient ministers. He possesses a dynamic personality and natural gifts that are destined to make him one of America's foremost preachers. We feel that the program of our church will go over in a big way through the leadership of our new pastor.

The following program was given Sunday, Nov. 22:

Dedication Program, Sunday, November 22, 1936, 3 P. M.

Processional—"God of Our Fathers"

Doxology

Invocation, Rev. A. B. Simmons

Chant Response

Hymn—"The Church's One Foundation"

Scripture, Rev. Talbert

Response

Anthem—"My Faith Looks Up to Thee," Choir.

"The Life of the Church," Mrs. Mary Ann Jarrett

"The Relation of the Session to the Church," Howard Denton

Solo—"Just For Today," Mrs. Juanita Rooker

Dedication Charge

Standing of Membership

Song, Choir

Sermon, Rev. J. A. McDaniel

Spiritual—"Somebody's Knocking"

Presentation of Guests and Ministers

Offering

Announcements

Recessional—"Steadily Marching On"

Benediction

Mr. and Mrs. John Winfield entertained our pastor and family, Nov. 19. A delicious turkey dinner was served. The tables were decorated with seasonal colors and flowers.

The Brotherhood and the Art Club were guests also of Mr. and Mrs. Winfield.

THE HOME MISSIONS COUNCIL

The Home Missions Council and Council of Women a few years ago decided to make a thorough study and hold discussions on some one important phase of home missions in connection with the Annual Meetings of the Councils. In January, 1935, a National Conference on the Rural Church was held in connection with the Annual Meeting, which proved so successful that another National Conference on the Rural Church in the mid-west was held the latter part of November of this year.

At the January, 1937, Annual Meeting there will be held a National Conference on the City Church on January 13 and 14 at The Berkeley-Carteret, Asbury Park, N. J., when addresses and discussions will be held on problems of the city church, such as, The Urban Process; The City, a Field for Social and Religious Adventure; The Social Ministry of the Urban Church; The Interdenominational Approach to the Modern City.

All secretaries, ministers, religious workers and laymen who are engaged, or interested, in the city church and work in cities, are cordially invited to attend the Conference.

FRUIT TREES ENHANCE BEAUTY OF FARMSTEAD

Fruit trees on the farm can be ornamental as well as useful, said Earle Brintnall, Catawba County farm agent of the State College extension service.

Fruit trees placed in strategic places can help landscape the home and make the entire farm more attractive, he added.

Trees can be set out in fence corners, around buildings, and in other places where they will not interfere with the production of other crops.

Apple, peach, pear, cherry, and plum trees are good for landscaping the home. Pear trees do well on the lawn. Apple and peach trees make a pretty background for farm buildings.

Cherry, peach, and plum trees can be set in the chicken yard. The birds will help fertilize the fruit, Brintnall stated.

A row of grapevines can be used to form an arbor in front of certain buildings, or the vines may be entwined in a fence to give it picturesque charm, or they may help balance one end of the garden.

Raspberries can be set in a border along one side of the garden where they will not interfere with the vegetables. Fig trees should be grown in sheltered nooks.

Fruit trees and berries thus set out will supply the farm family with all the fruit it can use at home. For commercial purposes, however, it is advisable to have formal orchards.