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**FAITHFULNESS THE KEY WORD.**

**Tribute of Rev. T. C. Bales, of Mount Airy, N. C., to the Memory of Prof. Ira T. Turlington.**

At the funeral of Prof. Turlington held here Wednesday, the sermon was delivered by Rev. T. C. Bales, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Mount Airy, whose words so fittingly expressed what so many of the friends of the deceased feel are so appropriate that we are giving the substance of the discourse as our principal article in today's paper.

**Tribute By Mr. Bales.**

Rev. Mr. Bales began his talk by reading the first Psalm and stating that it was a most fitting expression of the life of the deceased. He then spoke of Prof. Turlington's work in this midst and told of Sir Christopher Wren's epitaph at St. Paul's, London. Sir Christopher was the architect of that great edifice and when he died the following inscription was placed on a tablet on its walls: "If you seek my monument, look around you." Such an expression might with appropriateness be spoken of Prof. Turlington today.

In Revelations 2:10, we read "Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life." In these words we have what might be called the life motto of Prof. Turlington. He was too modest to say so, but his life showed it. These words were spoken to the church at Smyrna and to the individuals in that church. In these words we have a great call to faithfulness.

Beneath the city of Rome there is a long succession of subterranean streets and galleries quarried from the rocky strata of the soil. They are called the catacombs and are the burial places of the martyrs of the young church for their faith in Christ. Along these streets and galleries are found many touching inscriptions, telling of the fidelity of the early Christians. The words of this text are found there.

This call is not a call to perfection. It is not even a call to be successful. It is not a call to be brilliant, but only to be faithful. Prof. Turlington, whose memory we honor today, was successful in the truest sense, but the thing we love to remember most is that he was faithful. He was faithful in little things—in service, in worship, in giving, and in obeying his Master.

**The Measure of Faithfulness.**

Among men there are several standards for measuring faithfulness. There are those who will be faithful to the point that it interferes with their personal ease and comfort.

There are others who will be faithful to the point where it interferes with their business and pleasure.

Others will be faithful even to the point of self-denial.

And again there are those who will be faithful to the point of suffering.

The supreme test is to be faithful unto death. Polycarp, the pastor of the church at Smyrna, to whom the words of the text was addressed, was a striking example of one who measured up the highest standard. Polycarp, it seems, was the pastor of Smyrna church. In A. D. 168, the persecution of the Christians broke out in great fury in Asia Minor. Polycarp, found hiding for a time, but a child was tortured until it told of his retreat. When captured he was given time to pray; then he was urged to save himself by offering sacrifice to the Emperor, but he refused. He was then thrown from a carriage and dragged through the streets and taken to the amphitheatre and threatened with lions. Again he was offered his freedom if he would recant. He answered, "Eighty and six years have I served Christ and he has never done me wrong. How, then, can I curse my King and Saviour?" A fire was built about him but the wind blew it to one side and finally he was released by a thrust of the sword. The measure of Polycarp's faithfulness was the measure of the text, "Unto death."

Faithfulness was the key word of the life of him we honor today. He

was faithful in all the relations of life. He was faithful to his own home. He loved the fellowship of his home, and enjoyed having others share in that fellowship. He was faithful to his friends. No man ever had a more faithful and loyal friend than was Mr. Turlington. He was faithful to his work and when a task was given him we knew that it would be carried to completion. While in Mount Airy his work was largely educational and to that he gave his very best. In serving as superintendent of the city schools he had many problems hard and difficult to solve. In this capacity he came in contact with the whole community and no man ever poured himself out more unselfishly than he.

In his relation as a citizen, these words might well be used to describe him:

"He built no palaces high and proud,  
He owned no acres fair and broad,  
And when he passed, the busy crowd,  
Was not expected to applaud.

"He won no fortune, gained no fame;  
No ships of his put out to sea,  
But free from dread and free from blame,  
He did his work from envy free.

"No other sighed because he won  
A little triumph now and then.  
The creed imparted to his son,  
Was "Deal thou fairly with all men."

"He took no others' rights away;  
He lent the weak a helping hand,  
And deemed it manly to obey  
The laws provided for his land."

He was faithful to his church. He always attended the meetings of the session. He was a superintendent of the Sunday school and a teacher in the Sunday school. He was always found at the services of the church.

Just here Mr. Bales read the tribute paid Prof. Turlington by the Session in a letter to Mrs. Turlington:

"We, the members of the Session of the Mount Airy Presbyterian church, wish to express to you our deepest and sincerest sympathy in this, your great sorrow. Our long association with him as a member of our Session was always most delightful—his eminent piety and consecration was a great inspiration to us at all times—his wise advice and counsel was always sought after and gladly received and greatly missed. We never meet without thinking of him and very often speak of him and of his work in our church. Not only do we miss him in our Session meetings but in the Sunday school, the prayer meeting, the church service and in fact, all of the activities of the church. He was a most faithful member.

"While we mourn his loss, yet, we rejoice in the fact that he is now enjoying the companionship of the blessed Master, whom he so delighted to serve on earth. We commend you to Him who said, "I will be a husband to the widow and a father to the orphans."

(Signed)  
"W. F. CARTER,  
J. H. CARTER,  
"D. E. HOFFMAN,  
"W. W. BURKE,  
"T. C. BALES."

His life was so permeated with the teachings of Christ that I say without the least hesitation that I think it was impossible for him knowing'ly to do a small or wicked thing. His spirit was not one of compromise, and all that we've been saying might be summed up in the words, He was faithful to his God, for after all fidelity to the home, and to friends, and to one's work and to the church means fidelity to the King of Kings.

We shall miss him here and we look forward to meeting him hereafter. The crown promised to the life that is faithful is the crown, the Crown of Life.

**THE CAUTIONS RURALIST.**

Now and then statements appear to the effect that the farmers as a class have not done their full duty toward helping finance the war; that they do not buy as heavily of Liberty bonds and war savings stamps as other classes.

The farmer, by heredity and environment, is very cautious and conservative when it comes to investing money. Every Saturday is not pay day with him. The worker in town knows that even if he is "broke" today it will not be long before the welcome pay envelope arrives. Not so with the farmer, who seldom sees any great amount of money oftener than once a year. All his hereditary instinct, all his acquired caution warn him not to be too precipitate in parting with money. While his reason tells him that any funds he may lend his government are safely and wisely invested, old subconscious caution, the heritage from foreparents who kept on hand a years supply of home produced rations, and hung strings of red pepper from the rafters of their houses, tell him that he may

need the money before it would be available should he invest it in war savings.

In the past years he has needed it. Not until the last few years has farming been so very remunerative. The farmer of 10 years ago nearly always was short of ready money. He managed to get along without many things that he needed, labor saving machinery, pure bred livestock, and other improvements, because he did not have the money to purchase them. Past necessity, has taught him that he just must be careful when it is a matter of spending money. He cannot well help feeling that way, for one cannot easily in a few months throw off the habit of a life-time.

In addition there always have been so many middlemen keen to take toll of the farmer. He had to be watchful of every cent when dealing with these gentry. Again, all his life he has been building up mental resistance against the importunities of those who would sell him something that he did not want. There were

"agents," who expended vast amounts of energy while trying to sell the agriculturist stoves, new fangled machinery, stereopticons, patented rolling pins. Just think of the book agents and their wares: "The Complete Horse Doctor," "Every Man His Own Lawyer," "The Compendium of Human Knowledge."

All this simply is an attempt at an explanation as to one reason why the farmers have not lent more of their money to their government, if, indeed, they have not done as much as other classes.

It is not an excuse. Just because the farmer, as a general thing, has been self educated to resist all attempts to separate him and his money is no reason at all why he should not buy liberty bonds and war savings stamps. He most emphatically should buy them. He is prosperous now, and he is buying and will buy them in constantly increasing quantities. In this case the salesman is his government and is selling a good and necessary article.—News and Observer.

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SMITHFIELD, North Carolina

**REPORT OF THE CONDITION  
THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK,**

At Smithfield, N. C., in the State of North Carolina, at the Close of Business on March 4th, 1918.

Resources:	
Loans and discounts .....	\$482,461.62
Overdrafts .....	8,428.28
Liberty Loan Bonds, 3½ and 4 per cent. unpledged....	45,800.00
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank (50 per cent. of subscription) .....	2,700.00
Value of banking house .....	\$15,000.00
Equity in banking house .....	15,000.00
Furniture and fixtures .....	4,715.00
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank .....	40,149.01
Cash in vault and net amount due from national banks.	181,380.27
Net amounts due from banks, bankers, and trust companies other than included in items 13, 14 and 15. ....	3,304.30
Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items .....	1,974.23
War Savings Certificates and Thrift Stamps actually owned .....	20.23
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$785,932.95</b>

Liabilities:	
Capital stock paid in.....	\$ 75,000.00
Surplus fund .....	15,000.00
Undivided profits .....	\$6,647.78
Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid ..	3,704.70
Interest and discount collected or credited, in advance of maturity and not earned (approximate) .....	4,907.77
Amount reserved for all interest accrued .....	3,803.29
Individual deposits subject to check.....	483,828.61
Certified checks .....	696.85
Cashier's checks outstanding .....	1,868.46
Dividends unpaid .....	5.00
Total of demand deposits (other than bank deposits) subject to eserve, items 34, 35, 36, 37, 3 8,39, 40 and 41 .....	\$486,398.92
Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed..	197,879.89
Total of time deposits subject to Reserve, items 42, 43, 44 and 45 .....	\$197,879.89
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$785,932.95</b>

State of North Carolina—County of Johnston, ss:  
I, R. N. AYCOCK, Cashier of the above named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

R. N. AYCOCK, Cashier.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of March, 1918.  
W. M. GASKIN, Notary Public.

My Commission Expires January 15, 1919.  
Correct—Attest:  
W. H. AUSTIN,  
T. R. HOOD,  
J. D. SPIERS,  
Directors.

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