

NOT HONOR BUT SERVICE. A CORRECTION.

By T. J. Moppins

After reading the many extravagant statements and the "Who is Who" respecting the Tercentenary program and collection of money, I take this method of testifying to a truth with a record, that Union Wesley church, Washington, was the first congregation to subscribe and pay in full its quota for the Tercentenary. The apportionment at first was three hundred and seventy five dollars; they paid five hundred and thirty dollars. They gave their pastor for one month to assist the General Committee in the Tercentenary campaign. We served the Committee, Bishops and brother ministers in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Ohio, Virginia and Missouri. At the last annual conference held in Washington, D. C., the pastor of Union Wesley church, Washington, was transferred to the Missouri conference and stationed at Metropolitan church, St. Louis. One of the first things claiming our attention was the payment of a loan at one of our city banks, a loan of twelve hundred dollars by which we paid our Tercentenary apportionment of eight-hundred dollars last year. We have paid this and are now at work on plans to raise this year's quota. Personally, we are not interested in but one thing, the progress of the Master's Kingdom and the uplift of suffering humanity.

I am certain this will not be done by camouflaging and stating half truths intended to deceive. They are hungering for truth, even in Church papers.

St. Louis, Mo.

NOTES FROM THE WEST.

By Rev. C. E. Baker, D. D.

"For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus, for we are all one in Christ."—Paul.

The writer is in error when he says that all of Bishop's Phillip's conferences voted against organic union. Bishop Phillip has always been against organic union, even before he was made Bishop; and so was the late Bishop Alstork. But Bishop Alstork came over, and no one worked harder for organic union than he. If the churches would carry out their plans, union would come itself. At the joint Board of Bishops in Pensacola, Fla., the Bishops all agreed that whenever and wherever it was practical they use each other's ministers and change them around. The same was agreed and reaffirmed at the joint meeting in Birmingham, Ala. This would go a long way toward union if carried out. It takes work, not talk to effect organic union with three great denominations like ours, etc.

But it can be done, and that very early if we go at it right.

I am pastoring a church with one-fifth A. M. E.'s, and C. M. E.'s and four-fifth Zionites. The first year the A. M. E. Presiding Elder held two quarters and Zion two quarters. But our good Bishop Wallace ruled that where Zion had no church and no possibility of getting one those few Zion members go in the A. M. E. or C. M. E., and make one strong Methodist church. We are in hopes that Bishop Brooks will do the same.

When the union comes we will be five years ahead. We are in the advance of all the Methodist churches in America, in this respect, and are teaching the Methodist world the lesson of economic progressiveness and union.

Our work in this state is gradually improving; and we are becoming more and more encouraged. At Okmulgee, Okla. Rev. G. W. Hubbard is sweeping. He has gotten hold of the people and is bringing that church to the front ranks.

Rev. D. C. Smith, D. D., at James Chapel, is going beyond himself. The longer he stays there the better the people like him. He is a good man and a great preacher.

Rev. Graham is still on the job at Vernon, Okla., and is doing well. Rev. I. S. Malone, the eloquent and polished pastor of McAlister, is pushing things to the front. Revs. Allen and Dudley are doing well on their work.

Rev. G. W. Hubbard is a transfer from the Alabama conference, and is a good preacher, fine pastor, and a Christian gentleman, and will suc-

ceed anywhere.

Rev. J. H. Arrington, of Pine Bluff, Ark., is from the North Carolina conference. He is a fine musician and a good preacher.

Rev. J. W. Carter, D. D., our old true and tried friend, at Little Rock, is a transfer from Jacksonville, Fla. He is one of Zion's biggest men, a leader, a preacher, a pastor, a speaker and a master of men. Little Rock honors herself by having him in her city.

But still we want more men, strong men, educated men, Zion men, men that can pray, preach and sing, and do everything else.

The Lord is still blessing us on this work, our membership continues to increase.

Luther, Okla.

STICKING TO OUR BUSH UNTIL WE GET THE BERRIES.

Rev. W. M. Anderson.

After nearly five years' silence, we grasp our pen to inform the many readers of the brilliant Star of Zion, which in my mind has never shone with so much effulgence since the days of the late Bishop Smith, when he served as Editor, before being exalted to the Bishopric. In expressing myself thus I am not in a class to myself. Thousands of others are saying the same. We are serving the Southside A. M. E. Zion church the sixth year as pastor, and to say the Lord has blessed us wonderfully would be expressing it in the mildest form. Six years ago this church was advertised for sale under a heavy mortgage. When we first came here we found a discouraged membership, 45 in number. But the Lord was with us. As a result we have received into the church 371 members. The church paid them as their pastor's salary \$575. Now the amount paid is \$1,200.00. (twelve hundred dollars); amount paid Presiding Elder, \$15.00 per quarter; now it pays \$25.00 per quarter; paid \$80.00 General fund; now it pays \$145.00. With a large following we are pressing on to the goal. January 30th was our first quarterly meeting for this conference year. Our Presiding Elder, Dr. G. W. Maize, was not present. Drs. C. W. Simmons, of Biltmore, and D. D. Moore, of Varrick Chapel, with their congregations, were with us, and rendered splendid service. Dr. Moore preached a strong gospel sermon to the delight of all present. His splendid choir rendered sweet music. Total amount collected, \$529.58. Truly the Lord is with us. We are praying for a revival, and an ingathering of souls to labor in the vineyard of the Lord.

Dr. S. J. Howie is bringing things to pass at Hopkin's Chapel. The apostolic fire is burning on the altar as in the days of Fenderson, Sides and others.

Rev. D. D. Moore, the black Sankey of the Blue Ridge conference, is singing, preaching and shouting at Hill Street, bringing Zion's forces together.

Rev. C. W. Simmons, of Biltmore circuit, Moses-like, is leading his people on to certain victory.

Rev. S. L. Leak, A. B., of Hendersonville station, has things well in hand, and is loved by his people. He is moving on by leaps and bounds. The Church can depend on Leak.

Rev. Otis Clemmons, of the Swannanoa circuit, is lining up his forces to eclipse all previous records. Rev. Clemmons knows how to do things. Rev. C. C. Martin, of Brevard circuit, is succeeding grandly and is monarch of all he surveys.

Rev. M. C. Carson, of Old Fort station, is a teacher as well as a preacher. He is on the job and assures us that a \$5,000.00 is sure this year. He has the people to do big things.

Rev. W. R. Lovell, pastor at Union Mills, is very acceptable among his people. He is a strong gospel preacher, and is serving as one of the city teachers. Rev. Lovell has a bright future.

Dr. S. J. W. Spurgeon, of Marion, N. C., the writer of fame and profound theologian, is having things his own way.

Rev. J. H. Vaughn, of Burnsville circuit, is in the hearts of his people. You can depend on Vaughn. He is a strong gospel preacher.

Rev. Ellis, of Blue Ridge, is bringing things to pass, and will appear at the roll call with victory perched on his banner.

Rev. M. J. Horne, of Morganton,

thus far has broken all previous records, and is all smiles. Watch Horne.

Rev. G. L. Williams, of North Wilkesboro, is serving this charge his third year, and is idolized by his people for his Christian fidelity.

Rev. J. B. Miller, the diplomat and logician, is serving Denny Grove circuit to the delight of his people.

The new accession, I know not his name, of Taylorville, I am informed, has given marching orders, and marching must be done.

SPECIAL TO THE STAR OF ZION.

By Editor of Senior Class.

Like out of winter's cold hand came the mild spring weather so out of the deep profundity of scholastic life when seniors busy themselves with those things that make for the betterment of those who are soon to become actors upon the world's stage, there came upon the dear old campus of Livingstone, Mrs. G. F. Hall, a senior of Talladega, and the newly wedded better half of Mr. G. F. Hall, a senior Livingstonian. Mrs. Hall being a member of the senior classical department of Livingstone by social hypothesis the class saw much to be thankful for. Three years having found the group laboring from one classical hal to another without that wonderful inspiration found only in classes that are graced by the finer fabric of femininity. And for such a visitation these co-eds for just a while made ready the fatted calf for a celebration. The 7 o'clock bell found them in evening dress assembled in the reception room of Goler Hall where the little bride rendered in a masterly way selections from musicians of conspicuous distinction. From thence they retired to that portion of the dining hall where varied dim colored lights resembled the awe-beholding rainbow, where inspiring music tickled the soul with greetings, and where the orange and blue colors of the twenty ones flaunted to the merriment and long life of all.

Then after partaking of the elaborate courses prepared by those high in the culinary art. Toastmaster W. T. Darden presented those who toasted the bride and groom.

At the parting hour the seniors gently escorted their angels back to Mother Tucker from whose care morpheus guided them to sweet repose where were dreams of an evening well spent and of an occasion long to remain in the hearts of those present.

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Livingstone College,
Salisbury, N. C.

THE MARTIN PLAN ENDORSED.

By Rev. C. J. Stevenson, A. B., D. D.

I am writing to heartily endorse Dr. J. W. Martin's plan, presented at the Bishops' Council, for the training of young men for the ministry. I have regarded for a long time a call to the ministry meant a call to "preparation." Now, we have the "Martin plan." Will the Church take a hold of it eagerly? Brethren, we need trained men, perhaps worse than anything else in the Connection right now. I struggled along on a mission district for years and gave encouragement to two young men, pursuing their education for the ministry. One of these young men, Mr. Lewis Rutledge, at Greenville College, will finish this year with credit to himself and to the Connection. And now it is suggested under the "Martin plan," to pick them up here and there and put that part or a portion of the Tercentenary set aside for education behind worthy aspirants for the ministry. Isn't Zion moving forward. Let us during the "Drive" for money and souls," add "a Drive for ministerial students" also and when the general drive closes that we may have a sufficient number of young educated ministers holding diplomas from our own institutions of learning, to greatly strengthen our recruits. Let these men come from our schools so we may get the men trained our way of thinking, so they will not have to be trained all over again. Our schools will get the credit both for the men and the work. The money will surely help the schools that stand so greatly in need of money and the Church the men.

Tuscaloosa, Ala.

FINANCIAL EFFORTS AT SNOW HILL A. M. E. ZION CHURCH.

By Rev. R. T. Hunter.

On Friday night, January 21, 1921, in a unique way, the members and friends of the above named church raised more than \$150.00.

The rally was to cancel all outstanding obligations.

The reports were as follows:

W. E. Houser, \$5.00; Nancy Reel, \$10.00; Minnie Rudisill, \$10.00; Sarah Bailey, \$8.50; Mary E. Houser, \$8.10; Hattie Ikerd, \$7.20; Lula Hooper, \$7.00; Alice Duncan, \$6.00; Gladys H. Hunter, \$5.50; Cora Sims, \$5.25; Etta Lutz, \$5.10; Laura Bennett, \$5.00; Katie England, \$5.00; Alberta Mullin, \$5.00; Cassie Wilson, \$5.00; Lizzie Sherrill, \$5.00; Mattie Hooper, \$3.25; Alice Wilson, \$3.02; Vanda Fry, \$3.00; Missouri M. Wilson, \$3.00; Jessie Stewart, \$3; Alice Wilson, \$2.35; Rosa Simms, \$2.25; China Ramseur, \$2.25; Mattie Coulter, \$2.10; Alice Bennett, \$2.00; Ella Coulter, \$1.25; Effie Setzer, \$1.25; Florida Wilson, \$1.25; Emma Ellison, \$1.10; Rhoda Bess, \$1.10; Beulah Ramseur, \$1.00; Hattie Roberts, 55 cents; Young men's Service Club, \$4.50; Stewardess Board, \$2.00; Trustee Board, \$3.00; King's Daughters, \$2.75; Sunday School, \$1.00; Public collection, \$2.73.

Newton, N. C.

CALL MEETING OF STATESVILLE DISTRICT.

By Rev. R. T. Hunter.

On Saturday morning, February 19, 1921, the ministers of the above named district, met in Center St. church, Statesville, N. C.

The Presiding Elder, Dr. S. T. Hawkins, presided. All pastors on the district, except three, were present, and each was presented a Tercentenary chart. Other matters of business were brought forward.

The District Missionary President and the Secretary of Young Woman's Department, were present. Both Mrs. Annie W. Robinson, and Mrs. Barbara Jones made inspiring, interesting and encouraging addresses.

Dr. Hawkins is indeed a God-given leader. He possesses a peculiar power of injecting into those with whom come in contact a desire to do "Things Telling."

Mr. Hawkins is a pigmy in stature, but is indeed a giant in intellect. His address was pithy. He energized the men by reminding them that all must be done to keep the great spirit of Him who has placed us in this field of labor.

Dr. E. O. Cowan, the polished pastor, at Statesville, with the unstinted assistance of his good people, entertained us hospitably.

ST. PAUL A. M. E. ZION CHURCH NOTES.

By Miss Gustava Robinson.

St. Paul church in Hendersonville, is going by leaps and bounds.

On the first Sunday in November, 1920 Rev. S. L. Leak, formerly of Marion, N. C., took charge of St. Paul church, being sent by Bishop L. W. Kyles, D. D. There was no mistake in the appointment. He took hold of the church with an iron grasp, and soon the crowds began to fill the auditorium, until now standing room is at a premium, at almost each service, to hear the red hot sermons that deal more or less with daily living.

He is interested in every department of the church, and seeks to put life in them. His untiring energy has caused the Sunday School to over double itself, and we might say triple, until we have now twelve teachers.

There is a hearty cooperation existing between the pastor and the trustees and members, all are pulling together as one body.

In a few days we are expecting to go into the new church that is now almost completed. Rev. S. L. Leak understands how to manage building propositions.

Our first Quarterly conference presided over by Dr. G. W. Maize, of Asheville, N. C., was a grand success. Seventy six dollars was raised and five accessions to the church. Dr. G. W. Maize preached two excellent sermons.

The church had raised, one thousand one hundred dollars, up to the first quarter.

When the church is completed it will be second to none in this section. Hendersonville, N. C.

NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE.

By Mrs. M. Georgie Powell.

The second quarterly missionary mass meeting of the Boston district, New England conference,

Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary society, Young Woman's H. and F. M. S., and Buds of Promise, convened at the First A. M. E. Zion church, Winter Street, Providence, R. I., Rev. R. A. Carroll, D. D., pastor, on Wed., Feb. 2nd, 1921. The President, Mrs. Florence A. Auten, opened and directed the convention. The hymn, "On Christ, the Solid Rock, I Stand," was sung, followed by the organization of the convention. Mrs. Cora F. Saunders, of Boston, was elected Secretary, and Mrs. M. Georgie Powell, of Boston, press correspondent. The following committees were appointed:

On Resolutions: Miss Daisy Cole, of New Bedford; Miss Lillian C. Bishop, of Boston, and Mrs. Isadora Freeman, of Cambridge, Mass.

On Recommendations; Mrs. R. A. Carroll, of Providence, R. I.; Mrs. Fannie Cisco, of Providence, and Mrs. Jeffries.

Mrs. Matilda A. Cartwright, of Boston, conducted the morning program, which was memorial to the late Mrs. Adella Turner, of Providence, as follows:

Hymn, "Father, I Stretch my hands to Thee."

Scripture, 127th Psalm.

Prayer.

Miss Eva Taylor, of Providence, spoke beautifully of the life of Mrs. Turner, and of her great interest in the missionary work of the church. She related an instance when Livingstone College was in need of special help, and Mrs. Turner, Mrs. Anderson, of Worcester, and Miss Eliza A. Gardner, of Boston, saved the situation by the assistance of our missionary women in the New England conference. In her youth, Mrs. Turner remembered God, and in her old age God did not forget her. Other personal tributes followed from the delegates.

The afternoon session was presided over by Mrs. Rhoda Stanley, of Worcester, district secretary of the C's. Miss Daisy Cole led the song service. Department reports were received. The Missionary Rally Song, "The Call to Service," composed by Mrs. Florence Randolph, was sung. The welcome address was given by Mrs. Annie E. Latham, representing the local W. H. and F. M. S. Response by Mrs. Cora Saunders. Papers were read by Miss Artie Lingrim of Providence, and Miss Dominis, of Worcester. A pleasing program was rendered by the local Buds of Promise, including recitations by Ruth Richardson, Helen Richardson, Catherine Richardson and Audrey Williams.

The President, Mrs. Florence A. Auten, presided over the evening session. Prayer by Mrs. F. C. Van Buren, of Worcester, followed the 23rd Psalm in unison; after which Mrs. Ida Stewart of Worcester, rendered a piano solo, and a paper was read by Mrs. R. A. Carroll, Mrs. Rhoda Stanley and Mrs. Stewart sang a duett. The principal evening feature was Five Imaginary Trips Abroad as follows:

To the Philippine Islands, Mrs. J. B. Wallace, of Attlesboro, (read by Mrs. Cora Saunders); To India, Mrs. M. Georgie Powell, of Boston; To Africa, Mrs. Jessie Gray, of Providence; To Japan, Mrs. F. C. Van Buren of Worcester; To China, Mrs. Alice Scott, of Cambridge, Mass.

Miss Ware, director of the pageant, "The Open Door," related the history and progress of the pageant.

An inspiring address was given by Rev. E. K. Nichols, of Providence. The music rendered by the choir added greatly to the inspiration of the service. The reception and entertainment by the members of the local society, Mrs. H. B. Walker, president, was enjoyed by the delegates and friends. Resolutions of appreciation were read by Miss Daisy Cole.

Receipts for the day, one hundred and twenty-seven dollars and seventy cents (\$127.70.) The convention closed with singing, "God be with you till we meet again."

Benediction by Rev. Nichols.

NOTICE.

To the Brethren of our Zion I wish to say that I have been appointed by Bishop Caldwell to the Evangelist field, and that is my natural work and calling. I am ready at any time to go into the Devil Skinning Business. Will help anyone in their work. When you want me always give me ten days notice, and when I tell you I am coming I mean to come. I have thoroughly recovered from my nervous break down, and I am now ready for the firing line. "One Hundred Thousand Souls for Christ" is the watch word.

J. C. Coln, Spartanburg, S. C.