

VICINITY ITEMS.

The many friends of Mrs. C. H. Ramseur, of E. 5th Street will regret to learn of her death which occurred Monday afternoon, Nov. 27th.

A fine baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Johnson, of E. 8th Street, last Wednesday afternoon.

The missionary society of Little Rock church will serve dinner to the old people Thursday after the service.

The first ward club was entertained Monday evening at the home of Mrs. A. E. Spears, of E. 7th St., Misses Standfield and McKenzie, hostesses.

Mrs. Minnie Pearson, of Durham, N. C., is in the city visiting friends. She made an excellent address at the Sunday School Union Sunday afternoon at Friendship Baptist church.

The missionary society of Gethsemane church met at the home of Mrs. Addie Little Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Dr. Worth Williams, who is practicing in New Bern, N. C., arrived in the city Monday. Dr. Williams has not been so well recently and is home with his parents recuperating.

Dr. and Mrs. French Tyson of S. Brevard St., left the city Monday evening for Washington, D. C., to spend Thanksgiving with Dr. Tyson's parents and to witness the Howard Lincoln game.

Mesdames Freeman, of Boston, Annie Morris and son Russell, of Washington, D. C., were in the city last week, having attended the funeral of a relative, Mrs. Morris Walker, of E. 7th Street.

Miss Ernestine Jordan, accompanied by Misses Shepperd and Carson, spent the week end in the city. They are teachers in the Gastonia high school.

Mrs. J. Francis Lee, of N. Myers Street, attended the Durham and Goldsboro conferences last week, and is expected to attend the conference at New Bern, N. C.

Mr. J. E. Crawley left the city Thursday for Wilmington, N. C., to spend a while with his parents.

The Biddleville choral club sang at Mt. Carmel Baptist church Sunday evening.

All of the city pastors returned to their respective places Sunday, except Clinton chapel, Middle Street and Gethsemane churches.

Mr. William Moore, of South Caldwell St., is still confined to his bed.

The members of Gethsemane were well pleased with their new pastor last Sunday.

Miss Beatrice Stewart, of S. Alexander St., is getting along fine, after meeting with a slight accident.

The Hospital Drive was in full swing last Sunday at Friendship Baptist church. A neat sum was raised.

Mrs. Mattie Lee, of Salisbury, spent a few hours in the city on last Saturday.

Misses Julia Wyche, Beatrice Locke and Irene Dawkins will spend Thanksgiving in Washington, D. C. They will witness the Howard Lincoln game.

The December meeting of the Christian Endeavor Union will be held at Stonewall A. M. E. Zion church, Sunday, December 10th, at 3:30. A very good program has been arranged. Don't forget the date. T. J. Johnson, president.

CARD OF THANKS.

Mrs. E. M. Freeman and Mr. B. B. Church wish to thank the many friends for their kindnesses during the illness and death of their aunt, Mrs. Morris Walker.

We are very grateful to the many friends of Mrs. Morris Walker for their kindnesses during her illness and death and wish to thank them through these columns.

Mrs. I. A. Morris, Mr. Russell Morris.

SCHEDULE OF FALL CONFERENCES OF THE A. M. E. ZION CHURCH.

Table with columns: Conference, Date, Church, Place, Bishop, Pastor. Includes entries for Philadelphia and Baltimore (Mid-year) Dec. 7, South Florida Dec. 6, West Alabama Conf. Nov. 29-Dec. 3, South Miss. Conf. Dec. 6-11, New Jersey (mid-year) Dec. 12.

The following pastors have sent notices asking that the visitors write them now so that they will be able to secure your homes: Rev. W. J. Gillespie, 352, S. Union St., Canton, Miss. N. B. This condensing is done to conserve space.

LEADING WHITE WOMEN PLEDGE RACIAL GOOD WILL.

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"The right of childhood to health and safety, to the training of body in right purposes, is unchallenged. The childhood of every race must be safeguarded, for races move forward on the feet of little children."

"A foundation for social security for all races the family ideal must be made possible by economic justice, by religious sanction, by legal safeguards and a single standard of morals."

"We believe that violence has no place where people tend their support and mind in right habits and the soul in every possible way to the agencies constituted by the people for the apprehension, trial and punishment of offenders against society. We resent the assertion that criminality can be controlled by lawless outbreaks, and woman's honor protected by savage acts of revenge."

"We believe it our highest duty to pursue these methods toward harmonious racial adjustment."

"We believe that bitterness, resentment and strife will yield to mutual trust only as we steadfastly cultivate in both races these attitudes and this faith in our common humanity."

"To these ends we pledge ourselves."

Similar organizations of women have been effected during the last year in Georgia, Alabama, South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee and Texas. The enlistment of the women is generally regarded as one of the most significant phases of the good will work that is being done throughout the South by the Commission on Interracial Cooperation, which came into existence in 1919 and now has branches in every Southern State and in 800 counties.

PLANTING CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES.

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moral condition there. Their answer is unanimous. Not one of the conceptions stated is correct. The foreign missionary is busy planting Christian communities in pagan lands. And his task is a most important part of the process of establishing the Kingdom of God on earth.

The process of planting these Christian communities is simple in theory. In actual practice it encounters all the customs and prejudices which the people ministered to have inherited from all the ages. But the missionary of the Cross in foreign lands knows no such word as defeat. He has been commissioned to a task and he intends to make good. The church at home has sent him forth. He arrives on the scene of his labors. What next?

A Process of Kingdom Building.

As soon as the necessary mastery of a new language is accomplished, the missionary starts in to make personal contacts, by teaching or healing or direct preaching. He establishes a home in the midst of the people to whom he ministers. This home is the great illustration of the power of Christ in human lives—the message he has come to teach. For a Christian home is vastly different from a non-Christian home, especially as found in pagan lands.

As men and women accept his teaching, which at first bears down the Gospel on the individual life, they strive to imitate the missionary's home. These new homes multiply, and themselves become illustrations of the power of Christ. Many who do not yield to the missionary's teachings are convinced by the new type of home of their neighbors. When a goodly number of such homes are established, a new attitude towards social customs becomes the theme of the teaching.

The African must be taught the

necessity of having but one wife. The Chinese must be taught the iniquity of foot-binding. Womanhood in India must be lifted to a higher plane. The evil of industrial peonage must be pointed out. Healing of the sick must be encouraged. The value of human life must be propagated. Life becomes a new thing in every sense of the word in every village to which the missionary has come.

What If The Task Is Not Done?

The missionary is able to meet only a small part of the demands made upon him. One of these unsung heroes recently stated that it would take him over a year to spend a day in each of the preaching appointments in his parish. Yet he knows that he should live in each village awhile if he is to be much of an influence in making the community Christian. He also knows what it will mean to the land that sent him forth if the task is not done thoroughly. The old distinction between East and West has largely given way under the pressure of modern international relationships. Whatever evils are allowed to last in the religious or social systems of Oriental nations bear fruit for the farthest removed peoples of the Occidental world.

So the foreign missionary works hard at his task. For he knows that wherever the Christian community is established it is the means of changing the whole outlook of life of the non-Christian masses. Though he live in a grass hut beside a ditch, and work his garden patch with a crooked stick, the Christian's life is in advance of the best in non-Christian lands, and the fruits of such living eventually come to the fore to be the pattern taken by those who have not yet subscribed to the teachings of the Gospel. And the Christian attitude toward life has a tendency to national as well as community betterment. Officials find a new set of ideals arising and find a spirit of independence and progress which is exactly contradictory to the time-honored subservience and conservatism inculcated by pagan faiths.

The foreign missionary is planting Christian communities in pagan lands. He is seeing character and vision develop under the teaching of the Word of God, and peoples long dead in trespasses and sin becoming alive to the new order of the Kingdom of God.

FINANCIAL BOARD MEETING.

The Financial Board will not meet in Philadelphia as heretofore, but will meet at Newark, N. J., Tuesday, January 9, 1923, which is the day before the Bishops' Meeting. All financial matters coming before the board will be reported then and there.

Signed: J. S. Caldwell, chairman finance board.

Y. W. C. A. PHYLLIS WHEATLEY NOTES.

The committee set-up of the Phyllis Wheatley Branch, Nov. 16-21 under the direction of Miss A. F. Ruffin, City secretary of 600 Lexington Ave., was well attended and brought much inspiration to the members and others interested in the work of the Branch. Eleven committee meetings were held with an attendance of 170 women. The city standards adopted by the National Board at the National Convention in Hot Springs, Ark., last April were outlined and defined. The measuring rod was used in setting up our several committees and only standardized work is expected in the future.

Three cottage meetings were held with an attendance of 36 women.

Miss Ruffin was entertained by a group of 18 High School Girl Reserves and greeted with cheers and songs. The Girls Work committee with 11 young ladies also served cream in her honor. The Choral Club led by Miss Ann Hayes and Miss Morease Chisholm rendered the music for the service of worship on Sunday at Friendship Baptist Church. More than 200 persons were present at this service. A trip was made to Kings Mts., by Miss Ruffin accompanied by Mesdames F. P. Sanders and M. J. McCrorey of Bidde University and the Branch Secretary, Mrs. Hucles with a view of securing the use of Lincoln Academy for the Girls Conference next Summer. The membership party at night closed a most successful five day's session when 60 persons were present and served cream and cake.

The Class in Typewriting and Stenography is now open. Miss Celia Stanfield, Teacher. A course of 8 lessons for \$2.50. Lessons every Monday and Friday night from 7 to 8 o'clock. Bible Study every Thursday from 4 to 5. Basket Ball every Wednesday and Friday, Clubs for girls every day from 4 to 8 o'clock. Employment Bureau open every day from 10 to 12 a. m.

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