



Correspondents' Department



DISTRICT CONFERENCE DIRECTORY.

Washington District, Farmville, June 16-18.
 Durham District, Burlington, June 16-18.
 Rockingham District, Aberdeen, June 24-27.
 Elizabeth City District, Edenton, July 1-4.
 Warrenton District, Windsor, July 6-8.
 Raleigh District, Selma, July 6, 7, and 8.
 Wilmington District Conference, Rose Hill, July 21, 22, 23, 1915.

HONOR ROLL.

The following charges have secured the number of new subscribers apportioned to them for the year:
 Kobeson Circuit, B. E. Stanfield, pastor.
 Buckhorn Circuit, L. H. Joyner, Pastor.
 Four Oaks Circuit, R. F. Taylor, Pastor.
 St. Pauls Circuit, A. J. Groves, pastor.
 Weldon Station, J. A. Hornaday, pastor.
 Louisburg Station, A. D. Wilco pastor.

NOTICE.

The last Annual Conference appointed President W. P. Few, Rev. J. M. Ormond and myself a committee to arrange for a Country Church Conference to be held some time during the year at Trinity College. This committee met and discussed the matter thoroughly, but were not able to agree upon any plan whereby a successful conference of this nature could be held during this year. We feel that such a gathering would be of great benefit to the pastors and laymen of the country churches and trust that the idea of holding it will not be permanently abandoned. This notice is given for the sake of those who might have been looking forward to the occasion.

Sincerely yours,
 H. M. NORTH.

A NOTE FROM ELM CITY.

Elm City is a very quiet place. The people rarely ever go in a rush, yet they do go. In Church affairs we move on even lines. Not very demonstrative, but generally so as to reach the goal aimed at without much bustle or noise. Our congregations are increasing some for the past few months. The Sunday-school work is also looking up some as to attendance. The Church finances are not quite up to the high water mark owing to the war pressure, but at this point there is no fear of any failure. We have just about gotten in hand our moneys for home, Conference and foreign missions. Will send it to the treasurer in next few days. Our Presiding Elder was with us last Sunday afternoon at Mt. Zion and gave us a most excellent sermon on the subject—"Go Forward." He is a great favorite with these people. This was his first charge in Conference.

This pastor got a genuine surprise on returning from prayer meeting Wednesday evening. The good folks in our absence had visited and banked about our front door their various useful articles, such as flour, meat, meal, sugar, coffee, lard, canned goods, rice, etc. The best speech we could make was to say,

Thank you. May the Lord help us to fully repay this kindness in spiritual service.

J. M. ASHBY.

RIDGEWAY CIRCUIT.

Dear Advocate:—Will you tell the boys that "poundings" are still in fashion over on Ridgeway? Several days ago Mrs. Rosa Machin and Miss Helen Ricks, of my Union congregation, surprised us with a pounding to make one's heart glad, especially in the spring, and war times too. I shall not attempt to tell what they brought except that the gifts ranged from county hams down to coffee and abundance of sugar to go in it. It was thoughtful and kind of those good Union folks to remember us so abundantly. And I take this way of thanking every one of them. We are now living in our new parsonage and eating those nice things, and are happy.

J. E. HOLDEN.

CLAYTON REVIVAL.

Dear Brother Massey:—The greatest revival in the history of Clayton, closed last night. There have been 201 conversions reported. We have received into our Church sixty-four members, of which seven were transfers and the rest are on profession. The Baptist Church will receive twenty-nine additions.

There have been some remarkable reclamations, of deep dyed sinners. Two young men from the convict camp among them. Several whole families have come in who were living away from the Church and God. And yet we cannot estimate the good in figures. The entire town came together by it. Denominational lines were eliminated. The people of all walks came to one standard of Christian endeavor. Many prayed in public for the first time. Prayer meetings were held at different homes each day, and one for men each day in some store.

The great eternity alone will unfold what God has done. Rev. Thomas P. Jimison, of Knoxville, Tenn., who did the preaching, did it forcefully and fearlessly. He is a gifted man of God. His singer, Mr. A. N. Fisher, of Newport, Tenn., is quite an asset to any meeting.

To God be all the praise!

GEO. S. BEARDEN.

ABERDEEN AND BISCOE.

Dear Brother Massey:—We feel constrained to tell the brethren how the Lord has dealt with us of late. On May 10 Brother J. H. McCracken came to us and for ten days preached to us the old-time gospel. It was good to hear this earnest man proclaim the beautiful gospel in such a manner as he did.

We feel that a goodly number of our people were greatly benefited by the meeting. A great number of Church members took a new stand for their Lord. So far we have had no accessions as a result of the meeting.

On the fourth Sunday we began a meeting at West End. On Monday Brother B. P. Robinson came to assist us and preached for us through Friday night. We had at this point an old-time Methodist meeting. Brother Robinson preached the gospel in a simple but strong manner without any effort at emotionalism, and sinners came to the altar and were saved.

Thursday and Friday nights are

times long to be remembered by all who were present. On Thursday night there were nineteen young men and boys at the altar seeking pardon for their sins. Young and old worked in the Church and out of it and about forty souls professed faith in Christ.

On Sunday afternoon we baptized ten children and received into the Church on profession of faith fifteen and by vows one. We sold several Disciplines and secured two subscribers to the Advocate.

We are building a Church in West End and we now have it framed and storm-sheeted and at the rate it is being built it will soon be shut in. Our folks are putting the best timbers in this Church that I have seen put in one for many days.

We are now planning for the District Conference, which is to meet with us on the 24th inst. We want to give everybody a good home for that occasion, but we cannot unless they send in their names.

Enclosed please find check for two new subscriptions.

Sincerely,

W. H. BROWN.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT.

The sixty-seventh annual commencement of Greensboro College for Women, which came to a close Tuesday, marked the completion of one of the most successful years in the history of the institution. The commencement program was of the highest order of excellence throughout, and great interest was shown by the public in the various exercises of this annual occasion.

The commencement began Sunday morning with the baccalaureate sermon, which was preached by Bishop McCoy in West Market Methodist Church before a great congregation. The sermon was an earnest and effective appeal to the hearts of the graduates for the following of Christ in the common walks of life. The texts was Isaiah 40:30, 31: "Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall; but they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; they shall walk, and not faint." The theme of the sermon was the glory of the commonplace when transfigured by the love of God.

Sunday evening Bishop James Atkins preached the annual sermon to the Young Woman's Christian Association of the College. His appeal was for greater and more personal service in the Kingdom of Christ. He used for his text Matthew 10:8: "Freely ye have received; freely give." The Bishop spoke in a plain and direct manner, and delivered a sermon admirably suited to the occasion, and one which will have its effect on those who heard him.

Both the Sunday services were accompanied by special music, furnished by a large chorus of college girls, vocal soloists, and by the Church orchestra, and the organist. Especially attractive and impressive was the processional hymn sung by the student body of the college on entering the Church Sunday morning.

Monday afternoon the class day exercises were held on the college campus before a large gathering of students and friends of the college. These exercises are prepared by the graduates themselves and are always

original and entertaining. The program this year was unusually attractive, and highly creditable to those who participated.

Monday evening the dramatic recital was given by students of the department of Expression. The program was well varied and entertaining throughout; it gave evidence of considerable ability on the part of the students, and of efficient work by this department of the college.

The graduation exercises proper were held Tuesday morning. After the invocation was given by Dr. Chas. W. Byrd, chaplain of the college. Dr. S. B. Turrentine, President, presented the diplomas and certificates, and conferred the degrees.

Those receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts were: Misses Aleez Aycock, Laura Clement, Sybil Cox, Hilda Crawford, Hazel Denny, Anna Neal Fuller, Jennie Hunter, Jeanette Pearce, Ina Pegram, Edith Petree, Hettie Rochelle, Lucy Belle Totten, Helen Weaver, Vada Wynne.

The graduates of the School of Music were: Misses Ethel Barbour, Martha Clement, Hilda Crawford, Lillian Pritchett, Alma Richardson, Myrtle Sherrill.

Those receiving diplomas in Domestic Science and Domestic Art: Misses Katheryn White, and Edelwiss King; certificates in domestic science were presented to Misses Katheryn Crowell, Temperance Aycock, and Elizabeth Andrews. Certificates in stenography and typewriting were given Misses Clara Glenn, Martha Rawls, Dolores Miranda, Grace Price, Mary Melissa Eldridge, and Lottie Brockman.

Rev. W. M. Curtis presented the Bibles to the graduates, following which the literary address was delivered by Dr. Henry Louis Smith, President of Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Va.

The subject of Dr. Smith's address was "The Expanding Life," and the address was a clear, forceful and scholarly warning against narrowness, shallowness and pettiness of life, and an exhortation to a life of rich fulness and of unimpeded and unprejudiced vision.

Following the address by Dr. Smith, the portrait of Dr. Frank L. Reid, former president of the institution, was unveiled and presented to the college by the Alumnae. Mrs. Hill Parham, of Henderson, read the speech of presentation, a fine appreciation of the life and service of Dr. Reid; Miss Marion Gilmer, of Greensboro, grand-daughter of Dr. Reid, drew away the veil from the portrait, and Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, pastor of Wesley Memorial Church, High Point, accepted the portrait on behalf of the trustees of the college.

At the close of the meeting the President of the College announced the pledge of \$500 by the A. B. graduates to be used in furnishing the directors' room of the proposed new music building; the gift of \$500 by Mr. J. W. Harris, of High Point, a member of the Board of Trustees of the College, which will be used toward building a dormitory for the college; and the gift of Mr. B. L. Duke of Durham, of \$1,000 to be used toward the erection of the new dormitory. Announcement was also made of the fact that because of the growth of the music department of the college, it had been found advisable to establish a preparatory department of music for the coming year.

The annual business session of the Alumnae Association was held Tues-