

J. M. CULBRETH TO LOUISBURG

S. E. MERCER RETURNS TO FRANKLINTON

North Carolina Methodist Conference Concluded Its Session In Raleigh Friday; Appointments for Raleigh District; Rev. F. D. Hedden Goes to Dunn

The adoption of general objectives for 1945, the reading of appointments, and the completion of reports Friday brought to an end the 1944 North Carolina Annual Conference of the Methodist Church.

The selection of the 1945 conference city was left to a committee for future determination. It was moved and passed that the 1945 conference period include a Sunday, if possible.

A committee was named to study the type of entertainment to be offered at the 1945 conference. Committee members are: the Rev. Robert B. Taylor of Greenville, chairman; the Rev. B. B. Slaughter, Rockingham; Mrs. H. O. Lineberger, Raleigh; Mrs. A. M. Gates, Durham; W. J. Smith, Bethel; Dr. E. C. Childs, Durham; the Rev. C. P. Morris, Rockingham; the Rev. Leon Russell Goldsboro; and Dr. H. C. Smith, Durham.

Objectives of the 1945 conference year, adopted yesterday, ask for the inauguration of all objectives of the "Crusade for Christ;" call upon the leaders of Christian education to use every available means to support the objectives of the crusade; urge the Woman's Society of Christian Service in every church to lend its full support; call upon every agency of the church for full participation; asks for all ministers and members to pray constantly for a Christian peace for the nations of the earth and for a sense of Christian obligation to the peoples of the earth; asks for increased interest in the North Carolina Christian Advocate and The Advocate, and states that "We are determined to develop a sense of Christian fellowship with one another and with Jesus Christ."

Bishop's Concluding Message Concluding the conference, Bishop W. W. Peete of Richmond, Va., who presided, declared that he was thrilled with the great results of Methodism that came out of the conference. "We are going to have a splendid year and a great quadrennium for fulfillment," the bishop said. "That means that we should be on our knees a great deal."

"I would like for the church to be a well of living water; not flowing in spurts and jerks, but a constant stream of living water, a stream of life and power. This is the quadrennium for us to realize the great aims of Methodism."

Appointments in this section were made as follows:

RALEIGH DISTRICT H. B. Porter, district superintendent. Apex-Macedonia, J. W. Bradley, Bailey, D. A. Petty, Benson, C. B. Culbreth, Cary, R. S. Harrison, Clayton, C. W. Barbee, Creedmoor, D. D. Traynham, Dunn, F. D. Hedden, Erwin, J. A. Martin, Four Oaks, F. A. Lupton, Franklinton, S. E. Mercer, Fuquay, E. D. Dodd, Garner, E. B. Craven, Granville, H. H. Cash, Henderson—First Church, H. K. King; City Road-White Memorial, J. W. Sneedden, Lillington, W. N. Vaughan, Louisville, J. M. Culbreth; Louisville circuit, to be supplied, Marners, J. R. Regan, Millbrook, H. B. Baum, Moncure, J. E. Spontenburg, Newton Grove, R. L. Hethcox, Oxford, D. A. Clarke; Oxford circuit, J. L. Smith, Princeton, W. J. Watson, Raleigh—Edenton Street, A. J. Hobbs; Fairmont, H. H. McLaugh, Hayes Barton, R. L. Jerome; Jenkins Memorial, O. W. Dowd; Trinity, R. G. Dawson, Selma, G. W. Blount, Smithfield, B. H. Houston, Stem, J. K. Bostick, Tar River, R. G. L. Edwards, Vance, O. W. Mathison, Zebulon-Wendell, C. E. Vale, President Louisville College, Walter Patten.

Superintendent Methodist Orphanage, A. S. Barnes, Superintendent Oxford Orphanage, C. K. Proctor, Religious director, State prison system, L. A. Watts, Chaplain, U. S. Army, L. M. Hall; chaplain, U. S. Army, M.

TO RECEIVE EAGLE AWARD



Scout Nick Perry

METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. J. M. Culbreth To Preach Sunday

Rev. J. M. Culbreth, who was assigned to the Louisville Methodist Church at the Conference held in Raleigh last week will conduct services at the usual hours Sunday, the TIMES is informed. He comes to Louisville from Chapel Hill.

The sermon subject Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock will be "Vitalizing Change." All are invited to attend.

Who's Who says of Rev. Mr. Culbreth: "As a child of the parsonage, lived in many towns in eastern Carolina, among them Elm City, Rocky Mount, Weldon, Warren, Kirtrell, Raleigh, "Trained in Trinity College, Yale and Vanderbilt Universities.

"Served fourteen years as traveling and editorial secretary with the General Education Board at Nashville; one year as Executive Secretary of the St. Louis Church Federation; and the rest of my ministry to the present in the pastorate in North Carolina and Missouri, except three years in the Presiding Eldership.

"Author of a volume of sermons, a short history of Methodism, magazine articles and editorials.

"Of four children in the family, one is in the Navy, one in the ministry, and the other two in essential occupations. Married Ada Trawick, of Nashville, Tenn."

LOUISBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School—9:45 a. m. Morning Worship—11:00 a. m. B. T. U.—6:45 p. m. Evening Worship—7:30 p. m. The pastor will preach at both services and a most cordial welcome is extended to all, to come and worship.

ST. PAUL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Sunday morning services at St. Paul's Episcopal Church will be at the usual hours, 8:00, 9:45 and 11:00, with the Young People meeting at 7:00 p. m. The Sunday morning sermon will be upon the subject of "Christian Action," announces Rev. H. S. Cobey, rector. All are invited.

KILLED IN ACTION

Pvt. James W. Vaughan, 27-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Vaughan, of Nashville, N. C., Route 2, who has previously been reported as missing in action in Germany, now has been declared killed, according to information received by the family. Pvt. Vaughan entered service Sept. 19, 1942. Surviving are his parents, three sisters, Nellie, Helen and Kay Vaughan, of Nashville, four brothers, Albert, Wilbert, Ellis and Ollis Vaughan, of Louisville, Route 1.

RED CROSS KNITTING

Have you knit a sweater for the Red Cross? Headquarters are asking us to complete garments on hand to fill the immediate need in liberated countries as well as for the Army and Navy. Since 1939 Red Cross chapters have made 29,384,780 garments of which 21,776,280 have already been shipped. The remainder will go forward as rapidly as shipping facilities are available. There is still a great need for warm clothing—so help us finish the knitting on hand so we will be prepared to help on a New War Relief Program.

MRS. R. W. SMITHWICK, Prö. Chairman for American Red Cross.

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SCOUTS COURT OF HONOR

Nick Perry To Receive Eagle Award; FBI Agent To Speak

On Sunday, Nov. 19th at three o'clock in the Franklin County Court House, Boy Scout Troop No. 20 will hold its Court of Honor. Quite a few boys are coming up for advancements and ranks. The main feature is the presentation of the Eagle Award to Nick Perry, Louisville, Route 2. It is to be remembered that the Eagle Rank is the highest step in Scouting and to accomplish this rank a person must be unusually good in Scouting.

The speaker for this occasion will be Mr. James W. Coan, a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He will discuss the work of the FBI along with information pertaining to sabotage violations in the country. This should be very interesting in getting this first-hand information from a person that has actually worked on many sabotage cases here in the United States.

Mr. Cecil Webb, the hard-working Scout Executive, will be on hand for his usual part in the program.

The public is most cordially invited to attend this Court of Honor.

Mrs. J. H. Uzzell Dead

News of the death of Mrs. J. H. Uzzell, in her 80th year of her age, died at St. Luke's Home in Raleigh, early Thursday morning, brought sadness to her many friends in Louisville. Mrs. Uzzell was resident of Franklin County's oldest and was loved and esteemed not only by her acquaintances and neighbors in her home community, Mapleville, but elsewhere for her kindness, courtesy and beautiful Christian life. She was preceded to the grave many years ago by her husband, Mr. John H. Uzzell, and also a son, Joe Uzzell, who was just completing a doctor's degree in medicine.

Funeral services will be held at the graveside in Maple Springs Church Cemetery at 11 o'clock Friday (today) morning, and her remains will be laid to rest between those of her husband and son.

Civil Court

Franklin County Superior Civil Court resumed the work of the November term on Monday morning with Judge Rudisill presiding and disposed of the following cases up to our report closed yesterday morning:

James Foster was granted a divorce from Goldie H. Foster. Catherine Bailey, minor, by her next friend A. D. Tant, was awarded an agreed verdict of \$1250.00 against Anthony Podobensky, trading as A. M. P. Shows, and Michael Hornack for damages received on a riding device.

Nannie Burr vs Willie Carter, an order was made that the immediate custody of the child, Joseph Burr, be and it is hereby awarded to the said Nannie Burr, mother.

The case of Mailey Perry vs E. Y. Cashion, et al, after a hearing of more than two days, resulted in a verdict of no damages to Perry, but awarding a judgment of \$494.63 to the defendant for damages to their truck.

This is only a two weeks term and will come to a close this week.

O'HENRY BOOK CLUB

Mrs. George Weaver entertained the O'Henry Book Club on Tuesday, Nov. 14, at her home on North Main Street.

Miss Marjorie Gardner and Mrs. Ethel Scarborough read papers. A delicious salad course and coffee was served by the hostess. Club members present were Misses Alberta Davis, Marjorie Gardner, Vivian Lucas, and Mrs. Earle Murphy, Mrs. George Davis, Mrs. Ethel Scarborough, Mrs. John Williamson, Mrs. F. L. O'Neal, Mrs. R. W. Smithwick, and Mrs. Dick Yarborough. Guests for the meeting were Mrs. Edward Griffin, Mrs. E. C. Jernigan, Mrs. Numa Freeman and Mrs. George Bruton.

Do you realize that your government is now spending as much every 4 days to fight this war as we spent in 4 years to fight the Civil War?

So many women walk the streets frowning and scowling that I'm beginning to think that it's fashionable to be there's something about me they dislike.

—On Pay Day, Buy War Bonds—

6th War Loan

The Sixth War Loan Drive begins Monday. Franklin County's quota is \$249,000. The committees have all been appointed and are at work. They propose to sell Franklin County's quota by December 1st and they call upon all citizens of Franklin County to begin buying bonds immediately. We must not let our boys down.

To the People of this Community

The Victory Volunteer goes by many names in the Sixth War Loan. Sometimes he or she is called a Gallant, sometimes a Blue Star Brigadier or perhaps a Bondholder.

Whatever the designation, he or she is performing a practical patriotic service. In this community in the next few weeks you will meet many of them at work, in the banks and in your home.

Remember one thing: you do not do them a favor when you buy an extra War Bond. You help your country, your fighting relatives and friends and yourself. The Victory Volunteer gives his time as an enemy in a great cause. Or she makes it easy for you to do your duty by buying at least one extra \$10 War Bond over and above your regular bond purchases.

THE EDITOR.

AAA ELECTIONS

To Be Held On November 24th, 1944

The election of the AAA Community Committeemen throughout Franklin County will be held at the central meeting place in each community on November 24, 1944 at 8:00 p. m., according to Mr. Ira T. Insooe, Chairman, Franklin County AAA Committee—the meeting place for each of the twenty-five communities in Franklin County has been announced in the communities.

Mr. Insooe stressed the vital importance of these elections to each farmer in Franklin County. He said, "The farmers elected at these meetings will be responsible for insuring maximum benefits to farmers of the community from the many programs and activities of the Agricultural Adjustment Agency. The work of local AAA Committeemen includes explaining the AAA practices to their neighbors, certifying the report of performance of AAA conservation practices, assisting the Storage and Loan programs, and working on the many emergency programs assigned to the AAA."

Mr. Insooe, on behalf of the County Committee, urges every eligible voter in each of the twenty-five communities to go to the designated meeting places and vote for the best men possible to fill these community jobs. He pointed out that these elections gave the individual farmer an opportunity to take part in their own farm program for the coming year.

On November 25th, the day after the community elections, the delegates chosen at the community meetings, will meet in the Agricultural Building in Louisville for the purpose of electing the County AAA Committee for the next year.

SUPPER AT MAPLE SPRINGS

The Woman's Missionary Society of Maple Springs Baptist Church is sponsoring an oyster and chicken supper, Nov. 24, 1944 at the home of Mrs. Oliver Perry. Will begin serving at 5 p. m. until 7 p. m. The public is cordially invited. Come and bring your friends and help a worthy cause. The proceeds will go to our building fund.

SOLDIERS NAMES WANTED

Several firms in Louisville, including Leggett's, is desirous of receiving the names and addresses of all Franklin County boys in service overseas. If you have a boy in this service send the above information to the Secretary of the Louisville Lions Club, who will see that all its members and others interested, may get them.

NO COLLEGE MERGER

PLAN VOTED DOWN BY BAPTISTS AT CHARLOTTE

All Classes at Wake Forest Opened to Women; Convention Favors Expansion

Charlotte, Nov. 15.—The North Carolina State Baptist Convention turned thumbs down upon a proposed merger of Wake Forest College and Meredith College in a harmonious session late today at which an erstwhile strong proponent of the merger took the lead in sidetracking it.

Without a dissenting vote, the some 1,500 members of the convention adopted a resolution offered by Rush S. Dickson, Charlotte financier, providing that Meredith College for women at Raleigh and Wake Forest College at Wake Forest, 17 miles distant, be maintained as separate institutions.

The resolution pledged the convention to support the extension of both institutions. It also stipulated that young women could enter any class at Wake Forest that they might wish. Heretofore they have been restricted to the junior and senior classes.

In addition, the convention voted for an enlarged Council on Christian Education which, Dr. Zeno Wall of Shelby explained, would be charged with the details of carrying out the convention's decisions.

Resolution Approved Dickson, head of a committee formed to promote unification of the two colleges, read the resolution which he said had been approved by proponents and opponents of the merger after many lengthy and prayerful conferences. After reading it, he moved its adoption.

Talks were made by Dr. Wall, Dr. William Harrison Williams of Charlotte, a trustee of Meredith who explained he was speaking as an individual and not for the college trustees, Dr. John A. Oates, president of the Wake Forest Board of Trustees, and W. H. Weatherspoon, chairman of the Meredith Board.

None of them opposed the Dickson resolution. At intervals the convention showed signs of impatience, some members calling out, "Question."

HOME ECONOMICS GIRLS SPONSOR DANCE

The Mills High girls who are taking Home Economics this year have been working hard recently on a magazine campaign. The second and first year girls, known as the red team, with Nell Rose Lancaster as their captain, were competing with the eighth grade girls, known as the blue team with Caroline Cobey as captain. The blue team won the contest, with a total of \$412.75, with the red team bringing in a total of \$200.25. An offer of a \$25 War Bond, or a handsome watch was made to the person selling the largest number of subscriptions. Sarah Bailey, the prize winner, brought in sales amounting to \$109.

The Home Economics Dept. received \$234.83 profit from the campaign. The girls were also offered a party of any type at the expense of the company, if their sales reached the amount of \$300. They more than doubled their quota. The girls decided to have a dance in the high school gymnasium on Friday night, Nov. 10th. A picnole furnished the music and hot chocolate, potato chips, crackers, and a variety of cookies were served by the refreshment committee during intermission. A grand march began the dance. Just after intermission the couples formed a circle, while two couples stood in the center holding red and green crepe paper streamers going out to each couple. During intermission Jackie Word sang "I'll Walk Alone." Miriam Rose Marks and Jackie O'Neal sang "Cow, Cow Boogie," and Mrs. Bailey led in singing "Down at the Station." For the couples dancing the best, the prize went to Peggy Jernigan and Elliott Matthews. The dance was very much enjoyed by all.

HOSPITAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. David Lee Wilder, of Castalia, announce the birth of a son in Louisville Hospital on Nov. 12th, 1944. Mrs. Wilder was the former Miss Lela May of Louisville. Misses Joyce Turner and Mary Ann Richardson had tonsillectomies last week. Master Jimmie Foster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Foster, of Louisville, R. 2, has successfully recovered to return to his home.

On Pay Day, Buy War Bonds

NOW READY

O'Neal Drug Co. Announces Formal Opening For Saturday Morning

The formal opening of the O'Neal Drug Co., located on Main Street between Rose's and Production Credit Co., is announced in a half page advertisement on another page of this issue, for Saturday morning. The new fixtures which will reflect much credit upon this section arrived the past week and have been placed, the new stock well arranged and displayed and the business is ready. The prescription department is in charge of Mr. D. S. Chapman, of Durham, an experienced and well trained pharmacist, and Misses Louise Burnette of near White Level, and Sarah Collins of near Cedar Rock will join in welcoming and serving their many friends and visitors.

Mr. F. L. O'Neal, one of the partners, will have charge of the store. He is well known to the people of this section having been with the Scoggin Drug Store a number of years. He is a very popular citizen, and a World War I veteran.

They are extending a cordial invitation to everybody to visit and see their New Store.

Tighten Seige Around Metz

Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces Paris, Nov. 15.—American Doughboys bypassed bloody Fort Driant today and bolted in close to the suburbs of Metz from three sides, clamping the great fortress city in a death grip, while in the north British troops drove five miles through the boglands of eastern Holland to within 37 miles of the key German industrial center of Duisburg.

A dispatch direct from the field said the French First Army also had launched an attack, advancing four to five miles on a 25-mile front covering both banks of the Dubs River on the approaches to the Belfort gap on the easternmost part of the front.

Long Front Ablaze The American Seventh Army, with which the French First is teamed, as the Sixth Army group, already was in action in the Vosges mountains, so that the Allies now are on the offensive on a large scale from Holland to Switzerland, with the exception of the American First Army sector which has been comparatively quiet since the fall of Aachen.

Both Fort Driant and Fort Jean D'Arc—two of the nine major bastions ringing Metz—were neutralized by Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's 95th Division, which captured two smaller forts, Hubert and Jussy, as it smashed toward the outskirts of the city from the west. Fort Illance, 14 miles north of Metz and just south of Thionville, also was stormed and its Nazi garrison killed or captured.

Driant's Guns Silenced Driant's guns, which barked spasmodically yesterday when the Yanks began pushing past it on the north, were silent today, suggesting that the Germans had abandoned the mighty mile-and-a-half-long structure on the west bank of the Moselle River as they previously had evacuated Forts L'Yser and L'Aisne after only small-arms resistance.

Due south of Metz the American Fifth Division inched forward to within little more than a mile of the city while beating off some of the most determined counterattacks the Nazis have raised since Patton's forces opened their winter assault eight days ago.

Peltre, two and a half miles southeast of Metz, was cleared of the enemy, and German counterattacks were beaten off along nearby Pouilly Ridge, from which American guns command the enemy's main escape route from Metz eastward to the Saar frontier.

Nazi Attack Stopped The Germans, employing their first substantial force of armor since the American attack began, also struck back viciously against an infantry division south of Remilly Forest, southeast of Metz, but the Yanks stopped them cold, and pushed within four miles of the city of Falkenberg (Faulquemont) which is only 10 miles from the German border.

(Possibly preparing the German people for the imminent loss of Metz, Capt. Ludwig Sertorius, leading Nazi military commentators, observed that the famous fortress city "represents only an outer position, for holding of which one does not wage decisive battle but engages only a smaller amount of forces—just enough to force the enemy to strong wear and tear of strength.")

Maize is proving an excellent feed crop in some areas of Eastern Carolina. Yields of 60 bushels per acre have been reported.

CLOSING TRAP ON JAPS

Bitterest Fight of Philippines Campaign Is Raging in Jungles of Leyte

Allied Headquarters, Leyte, Thursday, Nov. 16.—U. S. 24th Division troops, in a double flanking drive, have almost completely encircled a regiment of Japanese at the northern end of the Ormoc corridor and the Seventh Division in a two-mile advance up the west coast of Leyte, has pushed to within 10 miles of the last enemy stronghold port of Ormoc, it was announced today.

Maj.-Gen. Frederick A. Irving's 24 Division forces, fighting almost three weeks without relief in the steaming Leyte jungles and mountains, all but snapped the trap shut on a Japanese regiment—3,000 to 4,000 men—by driving toward the corridor road from both east and west at a point slightly south of the town of Limon, 20 miles up the highway from Ormoc.

Savage Fighting The Japanese were fighting stubbornly from caves and hill positions around Limon, at the western end of a two-mile hairpin turn in the road running from the north coast of Leyte south to Ormoc, but the Americans slowly were annihilating them in savagely hand-to-hand fighting, front dispatches reported.

"Units of the 24th Division, by a double envelopment have practically severed the Ormoc road in the rear of enemy defense positions at Limon," Gen. Douglas MacArthur's daily war bulletin said.

A United Press front dispatch said that the 24th had neared "if not in fact, reached the Ormoc road," in its drive to cut the last escape route for the Japanese defenders of Limon, a major bastion in the enemy's so-called "Yamashita Line."

The 21st Regiment of the 24th Division meanwhile continued to maintain heavy frontal pressure along the road north of Limon, reaching to within three-fourths of a mile of the town and killing 1,000 Japanese on Tuesday.

MILLS HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS

The Mills High School football team defeated the Epsom High School team by a score of 18-0 last Thursday afternoon. The game was played on the college football field.

After playing thirteen minutes and three seconds, the game was called off due to rain. Jimmy Finch led the winners in honors with a very nice job of receiving several long passes. The teamwork of the whole squad was excellent.

Mills High has scheduled for Friday, November 24, an interscholastic contest with Edward Best High School. This event is to be held at Edward Best. Competitive sports to be played are:

- (a) Track. (b) Throwing the putt (8 lbs. and 12 lbs.) (c) Chinning the bar. (d) Jumping (broad and running).

CAN YOUR BEEF

The Gold Sand Cannery is announcing dates for canning beef. If you are interested make your engagement for one or more of the following dates, Nov. 23, 28, and 30th, Dec. 5, 12 and 15th. Write W. F. Marshall, teacher of Agriculture, R. 2, Louisville, N. C., for appointment. If the date you select has been taken before your request is received he will write you so you can change to another date.

Pork production at federally inspected plants was 168 million pounds for the first week in November, or 42 million pounds less than a year ago.

PROGRAM AT THE LOUISBURG THEATRE

The following is the program at the Louisville Theatre, beginning Saturday, Nov. 18:

Saturday—Wild Bill Elliott and Little Beaver in 'Tucson Raiders' also Chap. 14 'Haunted Harbor' and comedy. Late Show Sat.—Roy Acuff in 'O My Darling Clementine.' Sunday—Humphrey Bogart, and Joe McCrea and The Dead End Kids in 'Dead End.'

Monday-Tuesday—Lana Turner, James Craig and John Hodiak in 'Marriage Is A Private Affair.'

Wednesday—Richard Travis and Eleanor Parker in 'The Last Ride.' Also 1st Chap. 'The Black Arrow' and New March of Time. Thanksgiving Day—Eddie Bracken and William Demarest in 'Hall The Conquering Hero.' Friday—Jimmy Lydon and Charles Smith in 'Henry Aldrich Plays Cupid.'