

**SEVENTH STREET CHURCH NOTES.**

Miss Hallie Q. Melton.

On last Sunday morning we enjoyed an excellent sermon delivered by Dr. C. H. Shute, of J. C. S. University. His subject was: "Paying Our Debt of Praise to God," based upon Psalm 150:6.

Mrs. J. S. Williams and daughter, Miss Altonia, of Seneca, S. C., were visitors in our church and Sabbath school on last Sunday. They will remain in our city for the commencement exercises at J. C. S. University and are the guests of Mrs. Lillie Belle Russell of Myererville.

Miss Lizzette Houston, of Winston-Salem, was a visitor in the Volunteer class on last Sunday.

Mrs. A. D. Maxwell and little son of Paterson, N. J., were worshippers at our morning services and in the Volunteer class on last Sunday. They are guests in the home of Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Martin, the latter the aunt of Mrs. Maxwell.

The Gray Brothers from the Congregational church rendered a musical concert on Monday evening in our Sabbath school auditorium. The proceeds were for the Building Fund.

Mrs. Mae Wilson Jones reported \$8.00 to the treasurer of the Building Fund on last Sunday. This amount was realized from the entertainment given at the Y. W. C. A. on last Thursday evening.

The many friends of Mrs. M. E. Muldrow will regret to hear that her son Leonard is suffering from a fractured limb, as a result of a fall from a truck on which he was riding last Thursday.

The members of the D. J. Sanders Memorial Bible Class and the Beginners' Department of the Sunday school are now occupying their new individual class rooms. Miss Janie E. Wallace, who is Superintendent of the Beginners' Department, has associated with her four other teachers for this Department. They are Misses Claude Cathey, Alwilda Means, Catherine Martin and Mrs. Mae Wilson Jones. Miss Frances Adams is the organist.

Her friends will regret to hear that Miss Maude Cowan, 622 So. Mint Street, is very ill.

Mrs. R. P. Wyche, 316 West 6th Street, was confined to her bed several days last week on account of illness. She is somewhat improved now and is able to be about in her room.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Smith and Misses Frances Sampson and Marion Gilliard motored to High Point on last Sunday and spent the day with Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Washington. The latter is Mrs. Smith's sister.

Mrs. E. B. White will serve supper at her home today (Thursday) from 5 to 11 o'clock P. M. The proceeds are for the Building Fund.

**TWO COLORED POETS TO PUBLISH BOOKS OF VERSE NEXT FALL.**

Books of verse by two young colored poets are to be published the coming fall, it was learned today. The two poets are Langston Hughes, recently awarded first prize in the "Opportunity" contest for his poem, "The Weary Blues;" and Countee Cullen. The title poem in the Langston Hughes volume will be the prize winning contribution to the recent poetry contest, and the volume, to be published by Alfred A. Knopf, will be known as "The Weary Blues." A foreword for the book is to be written by Carl Van Vechten and the jacket designed by the Mexican caricaturist, Miguel Covarrubias. Countee Cullen's book of verse will be named "Color," and is to appear under the imprint of Messrs. Harper and Brothers in the early Fall.

**JOHNSON C. SMITH UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT**

MAY 29TH—JUNE 3RD.

Dr. Craig, of Latrobe, Pa., to Preach.—Dr. Daniel Russell, of New York, to Speak.

The commencement exercises at Johnson C. Smith University will begin Friday evening, May 29th, and will end Wednesday morning, June 3.

There are 59 members of the graduating classes, 42 in the high school, 16 in the college and one in the theological seminary.

The program as announced by Dr. H. L. McCrorey, President of the University, is as follows:

Friday, May 29.  
8:30 P. M.—High School exercises with the annual address delivered by Mr. John E. Smith, of Washington, in the federal bureau of printing and a trustee of the college.

Sunday, May 31.  
3:30 P. M.—Baccalaureate sermon by Rev. Dr. W. R. Craig, of Latrobe, Pa.

Monday, June 1.  
10 A. M.—Meeting of the Alumni association in the Y. M. C. A.  
8:30 P. M.—Junior Prize Contest.

Tuesday, June 2.  
10:30 A. M.—Class-day exercise.

2 P. M.—Annual meeting of the Board of Trustees at the library.

8:30 P. M.—Annual address to the Alumni association by Rev. Dr. J. L. Hollowell, of Statesville.

Wednesday, June 3.  
10:30 A. M.—Commencement exercises, comprising three student addresses, two college and one theological; presenting of diplomas, announcement of degrees, and address by Dr. Daniel Russell, of New York City, member of the Board of Trustees.

HON. ARMOND W. SCOTT, PROMINENT WASHINGTON ATTORNEY, TO ADDRESS JOHNSON C. SMITH UNIVERSITY CLUB, INC.

Hon. Armond W. Scott, alumnus of Johnson C. Smith (formerly Biddle) University, Charlotte, N. C., will be the principal speaker at the Memorial Services in honor of the first Negro President of Johnson C. Smith (formerly Biddle) University, Dr. Daniel J. Sanders, Sunday, May 31st, 1925, at St. James Presbyterian church, 137th St., West, New York City.

The musical program will be under the direction of W. Astor Morgan, President of the Arrow Music Publishing Co., Inc., at 2305 7th Avenue. Miss Eloise Uggams and W. H. Richardson will sing spirituals arranged by Mr. Morgan, and Mrs. Celeste Sampson will render a piano number. There will also be numbers given by the Scotia Chapter of New York.

The club invites all college clubs, fraternity and civic clubs and the public in general to be present at 4:00 o'clock sharp, Sunday afternoon, May 31st. The club president, Mr. J. Egert Allen, especially urges all "Smith Men" to support the movement on foot to honor one of the greatest educators of his day.

Mrs. Fannie P. Sanders, widow of the late Dr. Sanders, will give a few personal incidents in his life that will be interesting to all club members as well as to all lovers of education.

J. EGERT ALLEN, '16, Pres. W. ASTOR MORGAN, Cor. Sec.

**CLASS IN TEACHER-TRAINING GIVEN DIPLOMAS.**

The Sunday School Teacher-Training Class of Johnson C. Smith University, (the course is pursued three years by these classes) held its final commencement last Sunday evening in the chapel. The course studied was "Thoroughly Furnished," a standard course. The Rev. F. C. Shirley, supervisor of the Sunday School work in the Synod of Catawba, delivered an address to the class and presented the diplomas to the 13 members of the class. This course has been operating for six years in the school and Dr. Chas. H. Shute is the teacher.

**INTERESTING SERVICES AT EMANUEL.**

Sunday, May 24th, Prof. I. M. Martin, the newly appointed Sabbath School Missionary of Catawba, Presbytery, visited Emanuel Sunday school and church, and his visit was very helpful and inspiring. Prof. Martin spoke to both of the above named activities, giving much sound advice to the young people especially.

Emanuel Sunday school is ably superintended by Mrs. A. T. James, who is a sister of the Sabbath school Missionary. Her education and general fitness make her a valuable asset in this capacity. She willingly serves, though she is not a member of the church, and the congregation gladly accepts her services. It is through the kindness of Elder W. M. Massey that she gets to and from the work.

The services happily concluded with a solo, "Back to My Father and Home," sung by Prof. Martin, with Mrs. James at the organ, and a solo, "He Will Hold Me Fast," beautifully sung by Mrs. James, with Prof. Martin at the organ. The work of Prof. Martin in Catawba Presbytery as Sabbath School Missionary should mean great things for us, and we hope to see him as often as possible at Emanuel.

Mrs. Lee Reed, one of our loyal members, has been indisposed for some few weeks, and has not been able to be present at our services. We are glad to state that she is at present much improved.

C. P. P.

**PINE STREET CHURCH NOTES, DURHAM.**

Sunday, May 17th, was known as "Twine Day" at our church, in honor of Rev. L. D. Twine, D. D., founder of the church. Rev. Twine was present and preached a wonderful sermon at 11 o'clock, after which he administered the Holy Communion.

A special program was rendered at 4 o'clock, on which a number of leading Durham citizens appeared. President C. C. Spaulding, of the N. C. Mutual, and Prof. W. G. Pearson spoke briefly of the splendid impression made by Dr. Twine while laboring in Durham. There were solos by Mr. W. D. Hill, of the N. C. Mutual, and Miss Minnie Carwin, a city teacher, and a selection by a Quintet from Groveland Presbyterian church added to the pleasure of those present.

Dr. W. G. Avant, our pastor, though present, was not feeling well, and Rev. J. L. White presided in his place.

The reminiscences of the church organization by Dr. Twine were very interesting. He told very vividly of the early struggles and hardships of the faithful few who pioneered the work that has grown into a substantial church, that is destined to be self-supporting before many years hence. His reference to the four members left here of the group that started the work with him, and especially of their sacrifices that have made this church possible, was especially encouraging. Many favorable comments have been made of this occasion of "giving flowers to the living." The work of our church is progressing under the leadership of our energetic pastor and his co-workers.

**DANVILLE HIGH SCHOOL CLOSING.**

The commencement exercises of the Industrial High School, Danville, Va., will be held Thursday night, May 28th, at the Hippodrome Theatre in that city. The annual sermon was preached Sunday, the 24th, by Rev. A. Kendrick, of South Boston, Va.

The closing exercises of the Primary, Intermediate and Grammar Grades were held Monday evening, May 25, and the industrial exhibit was held Tuesday, May 26th.

Dr. W. E. Carr, pastor of Holbrook Street church, is superintendent of this school, and Prof. R. S. Hairston is Principal. The school has had an unusually successful year.

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The General Assembly which convened in Memorial Hall at Columbus, Ohio, last Thursday, adjourned yesterday, (Wednesday), after the shortest session of an Assembly in many years. Dr. Charles R. Erdman was the Moderator. We hope to give an account of the proceedings in next week's paper.

**NOTES FROM GASTONIA.**

On last Sunday morning, our pastor, Dr. J. A. Rollins, preached an interesting sermon. His text was taken from Isaiah 41:10. The theme of his discourse was "Fearing God."

The members of the Woman's Missionary Society had a popular meeting last Sunday night.

Misses Sarah Costner, Odett Goode, Hettie Stover and Cecelia Rollins have returned from Scotia Woman's College.

Mrs. Mamie Pharr Brown, of Pembroke, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Mary Pharr on West Walnut Ave.

Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Cowan, of Monroe, were visitors in the city last week. They were at the home of Mrs. Cowan's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Norment.

Mr. Andrew Rollins, of Johnson C. Smith University, spent this week-end with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Rollins.

Mrs. Louise Washington, of Ridgewood, N. J., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Glenn Gaither.

The commencement exercises of the Highland Graded School were held Monday night, May 25. Ten persons received certificates from the tenth grade. A large number of certificates and prizes were given for leadership in the grades, and perfect attendance. Twenty received certificates from the seventh grade.

The commencement address was delivered by Dr. F. J. Pretzman (white) of the Main St. Methodist church, Gastonia. A large audience greeted him. As a token of appreciation for services rendered during these years, Principal J. A. Rollins was given a white gold watch and chain through the efforts of Miss Mattie Peeler, teacher of the second grade.

Miss Myrtle Pryor entertained the teachers of the Highland Graded school on last Thursday evening.

(MISS) CECELIA ROLLINS.

**OAKLAND CHURCH NOTES.**

Those who witnessed our Sunday School Hour Sunday, May 24, can testify that our school is not asleep. We were glad to have home again Misses Grace and Creola Holt who have been in school at Scotia College, and Miss Lucile Holt, who attended Ingleside Seminary. The girls made some very interesting and inspiring remarks at the opening exercises.

Much enthusiasm and lively discussion was shown throughout the service. Several young men pledged themselves to be more earnest Sabbath School workers during the year.

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