

SEVENTH STREET CHURCH NOTES.

By Mrs. Hallie Q. Mayberry.

Our congregation was rather small on last Sunday morning. This was due to the inclement weather. Dr. Yorke Jones, of J. C. S. University, delivered an interesting and very forceful sermon.

The Synod is now a thing of the past. A rising vote of thanks was extended the women of the church for the splendid manner in which they attended to the delegates, prepared the meals and arranged for their entertainment while at the church. Dr. Wyche also thanked each member from the pulpit for cooperating and responding to the church's call in caring for the delegates during their stay in our city.

A retrospective church meeting was held on Wednesday evening in the Sabbath school auditorium. Dr. J. D. Martin and Messrs. W. E. Hill and E. M. Dixon were the committee appointed to arrange the program. A resume of the work done by each organization of the church for the past six months was given by a representative of that organization. At the close of the program an ice course was served.

Mrs. Bella Young, of Chester, S. C., the mother of Mrs. Martha Johnson, was a visitor in the Sheaves Gatherers' Bible class last Sunday.

Mr. A. E. Spears, of Durham, is spending several days in the city this week.

Miss Ruth Cowan, of Mooresville, spent last Wednesday in our city as guest of Miss Blanche Melton. Miss Cowan was enroute to Albion Academy, Franklinton.

Dr. Field Russell spent the week-end in Washington, D. C., where he witnessed the Johnson C. Smith-Howard football game.

Her many friends will regret to know that Miss Annie Mae Stowe had to return home from school in Washington last week on account of illness.

Their friends will regret to know that Mr. Wm. Brown, Jr., and Mrs. Hattie Smith both continue ill at the residence of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brown, 717 E. 8th St.

Miss Ella J. White, the President of the Volunteer class, left the city on Wednesday evening for Pittsburgh, Pa., where she will spend the winter with her sister.

Mrs. Ada Andrews, of N. Davidson Street, is entertaining the members of the Westminster Guild this afternoon (Thursday.)

THE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE CLUB DOING FINE WORK

The Florence Nightingale Club held its first monthly meeting beginning a new year at the Y. W. C. A., 405 S. Brevard St., October 5, 1925. Miss Blanche Hayes, the President, expressed her gratitude for the hearty cooperation of the members during her administration. Miss Eunice Douglass, the Secretary, read the annual report, in which she told of some of the work done by the Club. The Club had given to the Associated Charities one dozen sheets, one dozen pillow cases and one dozen gowns; was responsible for the removal of two school children's tonsils in the Good Samaritan Hospital; sent flowers to three sick members of the Club, and floral designs to three members' families and to the family of Dr. J. T. Williams, also furnished hot lunches and milk for an underweight child.

Five representatives of the Club went to the meeting of the State Nurses' Association, held at Durham, May 8th and 9th, 1925, two of which read splendid papers on nutrition and communicable diseases.

The Club gave its annual Spring party at the City Auditorium, realizing the neat sum of \$147.00. After this entertainment it furnished a private

ward at the Good Samaritan Hospital.

The amount of money collected for the year, \$257. Disbursements, \$200. Amount of money in the treasury at the close of the year was \$57.

We were glad to have our ex-president, Miss Elizabeth Miller, present after a short period of illness.

At this meeting there was an election of officers for the ensuing year as follows: Miss Hallie French, President; Mrs. Edson E. Blackman, Vice-President; Mrs. William E. Wheeler, Secretary; Miss Eva L. Matthews, Asst. Secretary; Miss Nellie McKensie, Treasurer; Miss Ella Louise Mason, Reporter.

Three new members, Mrs. Edson E. Blackman and Misses Lizzie Crittenden and Manila D. Shoffner, the new school nurse, were gladly welcomed. The club.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Miss Bertie Beatty, Irwin Street, Greenville.

MR. FRANK B. ALEXANDER DIES IN CALIFORNIA.

(From Los Angeles, Cal., paper)

California lost one of her finest characters when Frank B. Alexander died almost suddenly at El Centro, Imperial Valley, last Friday. The remains were accompanied to Los Angeles by the grief-stricken widow, and funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Westminster Presbyterian church.

"A Prince Has Fallen" was the theme of the Rev. H. B. Hawes, who delivered the eloquent funeral eulogy; it was the thought of Rev. Holman, and of the Resolution of tribute offered. That a "Prince had fallen" in the loss of Mr. Alexander seemed echoed in the thoughts of the great congregation of sorrowing friends who filled the church, and wept as song and sermon offered solace and extolled the virtues of the departed. A leader in church and in civic affairs here, a leader likewise at El Centro for the last eight years, where Mr. and Mrs. Alexander became the leaders also in business, the "Prince Has Fallen."

Francis Brevard Alexander was born near Charlotte, N. C., in the trying period of reconstruction, Feb. 2, 1870. He was born at a time when sectional prejudice was burning with an uncontrollable passion and threatening at any moment to culminate into a roaring, destructive conflagration.

At an early age he imbibed a desire to enter the political conflicts that were prevalent every where. Being a boy of high sense of honor and integrity, he embraced the Presbyterian faith and joined the church at the age of 16. He rose rapidly in the confidence and the esteem of his fellow members.

After spending several years in Biddle University, he was appointed letter carrier by Hon. A. Brady, postmaster at Charlotte, and also one of the foremost politicians in the Piedmont section. He served the government in various capacities for 13 years. He resigned his position in 1903 when he moved to Los Angeles. In this city he took an active part in religious, political and civic affairs. He was one of the promoters of the First Presbyterian church for colored people in the State of California. Being an elder of the church he was sent as a Commissioner to the General Assembly which convened in Chicago in 1914.

In 1901 he was united in marriage with Miss Sarah Davie of Chester, S. C. As a lady of culture and refinement, and also possessing wonderful executive ability, she was truly a helpmeet and a stimulus to his ambitions.

Death came to him in the city of El Centro, where they have resided during the past eight years. When the call to the Great Beyond came, it found him, as always, busy planning and doing something for the advancement of the cause of humanity. He was one of the pioneers among Negroes in Imperial Valley, and by his Christian deportment and sterling integrity, he had endeared himself to all classes and races. He had served most actively in the Douglass League and the N. A. C. P., and of the latter organization he had been presi-

dent during the past five years. He died at 7:35 A. M., Friday, September 11, 1925. The widow, near relatives and myriads of friends and admirers mourn his going. But there is assurance to the "Blessed who die in the Lord, that they may rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

JOHNSON C. SMITH UNIVERSITY NOTES

By A. H. Prince

Vespers on last Saturday evening were conducted by Prof. R. L. Douglass, Ph. D. On Sunday evening Messrs. J. D. Wilson, R. J. Johnston, D. A. Costner, J. R. Dungee, Jr., and Dr. Yorke Jones, delegates to the "Y" conferences which met at Kings Mountain and Shaw University, Raleigh, made their reports. Mr. E. A. Armstrong presided.

Quite an appreciative audience heard Nell Hunter, noted soprano, in recital last Monday evening in the University auditorium. Loud and long applause was given her in almost every selection rendered, which is indicative of her ability as an artist.

Miss Maud Kinniburgh, dean of Barber College for girls, was a very pleasant visitor to us on last Thursday morning and spoke to us at chapel devotions. Miss Kinniburgh was attending the Synod of Catawba which was in session at Seventh St. Presbyterian church, city.

President H. L. McCrorey is attending the Conference on Colored Work of the Young Men's Christian Association which is in session at Washington, D. C. Messrs. E. A. Armstrong and J. R. Dungee, Jr., are also attending this Conference.

The football team has returned from Washington, D. C., where it played Howard University last Saturday, the score being 9-0 in favor of Howard. The superior showing that the team made at Howard is commendable, when conditions are considered. The team was highly entertained by the J. C. Smith Club in Washington.

It is gratifying to note the splendid way in which the Superintendent of our Boarding Department, Rev. A. P. Corley, is conducting the affairs of this Department. All of the students are giving him their individual support because of their regard for him, and the fine manner in which he regards them. He, together with Mrs. Spaulding, Mrs. Poe, and others, are improving this side of the work very much.

For the information of the public it may be stated that Johnson C. Smith University football team will not play Livingstone College in football on Thanksgiving Day, but, instead, Durham State College will play us here in Charlotte.

Quite a number of friends and alumni visited the institution while in attendance at the Synod of Catawba which met at Seventh Street Presbyterian church in the city last week. Of the alumni we noted Drs. J. L. Hollowell, Z. A. Dockery, G. S. Leeper, Revs. J. H. Sampson, P. W. Toney, H. T. McFadden, C. A. Washington, J. W. Smith, O. E. Sanders, J. E. McMillan, Hon. R. W. Williamson, Prof. H. Liston; of friends, Drs. J. A. Savage, L. L. Downing, G. T. Dillard, Revs. T. G. Williamson, W. G. Anderson, W. H. Freeland and Mr. R. W. Kornegay.

\$500,000 CHURCH IN NEW YORK.

New York, N. Y.—More than 7,000 worshippers attended the opening last Sunday, of the new \$500,000 church of the Mother African Methodist Episcopal Zion congregation at 140 West 137th Street, of which the Rev. James Walter Brown is the pastor. All but \$165,000 of the cost of the church has been paid, and cash and pledges taken in Sunday's collection amounted to \$5,000. This is the oldest Negro congregation in New York City. It was organized in 1796 as an offshoot from John Street (white) Methodist church. The Negro congregation has occupied four sites, each time moving further uptown with the Negro colony. The first site was Church and Leonard Streets. The church has about 3,000 members.

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It was the best of times in the halls of Brainerd Institute Saturday night, October 10. It was the night of wisdom. It was the hour of inspiration; it was the season of joy; it was the realization of happiness. We all had everything before us and our hearts and minds were directly on the coming events of the evening.

Our program was opened with a musical selection, entitled, "The Storm," which was given by Miss List, the music instructor, who has been with us several years. She is from Franklin, Ind. Miss List has worked faithfully, and has met with much success during her years of service in our midst.

After this most excellent selection we were led in prayer by the former President of the Y. M. C. A., Mr. D. W. Ashley. Then the President of the Y. M. C. A., Mr. F. D. Hall, gave some interesting remarks concerning the work of the Association. He closed his remarks by extending a welcome to the new students, and making a plea that they become members of the Y. M. C. A. or Y. W. C. A.

The young women's organization was ably represented by Miss Mamie Perry of the Senior class. She discussed at length the question of how the older students should govern themselves in order to have the right influence over the new students. Miss Perry closed with a poem of welcome as follows:

"We welcome you, we welcome you,
With songs of joy we greet you;
Our hearts are free,
And happy are we—
Happy are we to greet you."

At this time we were highly favored with an address of welcome by our honored President, Prof. J. S. Marquis. After extending words of greeting to the old as well as new students he mentioned the fact that he was proud that there was such a large attendance in school this term, and that so many had taken up the work with eagerness.

A response was given by a member of the Freshman class, Mr. Caldwell Boulware, a new student. He said that he felt sure that all of the new students had already felt their welcome, and would put forth every effort to do their best.

Music entitled "School Days" was rendered by the girls sextette.

A special feature of the evening was a poem entitled "Brainerd," given by the author, Miss Lottie Wilks of the senior class.

We were then favored with some touching remarks by Mrs. J. S. Marquis. Since last we met in these dear halls several members have been added to our faculty. One of these is Mrs. Geneva P. Murray, wife of our beloved pastor, Rev. D. T. Murray. Rev. Murray, who did not feel like making remarks, gave his place to his beloved wife, Mrs. Murray. She spoke of how proud she was to be with us, and said that she was a lover of young people and would put forth every

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effort to help in whatever way she could.

Other new faculty members are Miss Elizabeth M. Stewart, New York City; Miss Myrtle M. Burdette, Melrose, Mass.; Miss Mattie L. Smith, Indianapolis, Ind.

Then came the introduction of faculty and new students. The program was concluded by all rising and singing the school song, "Brainerd."

A very delicious course was then served to all present, after which games were enjoyed until time for the grand march and good-night.

LOTTIE WILKS.

LOVED SUPERINTENDENT.

On Sunday morning about 9:30 o'clock, September 13, Samuel Carl Blackledge, Jr., the beloved son of Mr. Samuel Blackledge and Mrs. Cornelia Pearson Blackledge, after an illness of four days, passed away into the endless beyond. He leaves a father, a mother, two sisters, Mrs. Carrie Blackledge Houston and Miss Willie G. Blackledge; one brother, Master George Blackledge and a host of other relatives and friends to mourn his death. He was a devoted son, a loving brother, and loved by all who knew him.

Samuel, having connected himself with the church when quite a young boy, was, for a number of years, an active member of Ebenezer Presbyterian church, New Bern. Two years ago he was elected Superintendent of the Sunday school, and since that time he had served the Sunday school faithfully. By his cheerful and affable disposition he had endeared himself to his co-workers and members of the Sunday school and church at large. He would always willingly lend a helping hand wherever his service was needed. He was also made a deacon of the church.

Although he had not reached his 21st birthday he was owner and proprietor of the "Champion Shoe Shop," and proved to be quite industrious. He will be greatly missed in the Sunday school, and at his post of duty.

He has now ceased from his

labor, toil and suffering and has gone home to receive that blessed and eternal reward that awaits all those who have been faithful and loyal to their trust.

A FRIEND.

Resolutions

Whereas it has pleased our heavenly Father to remove from our midst our beloved Superintendent, Samuel Blackledge, Jr.; and

Whereas he has been a member of Ebenezer Sunday school from infancy and has served in the capacity of superintendent for nearly two years; and

Whereas our hearts are full, we cry out in the language of Job, "Lord, make me to know my end and the number of my days that I may know how frail I am." But we must bow to the will of our heavenly Father who doeth all things well. Therefore, be it

Resolved, that we extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy in this their hour of sore affliction; and

Resolved, also, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family and placed upon the minutes of our Sunday school records.

Life metes out a share of weal, Alike a share of woe; And seems not to discriminate To whom these shares shall go— But shrewdly does she watch to see

How we respond to things that be.

From sorrow may grow bitterness Or sweetness—as we will, So gold and kingdoms add their worth.

Or leave us poorer still— It's not so much what life imports As how it's dealt with in our hearts.

So bring she weal or bring she woe It's left for you and me To use for good or ill what comes,

Our choice is wide and free— The lily blooms in spotless white Because she left the mold for light.

Respectfully submitted,
LOUISE SAWYER,
EVA D. ANDERSON,
L. L. FOY, Chairman.