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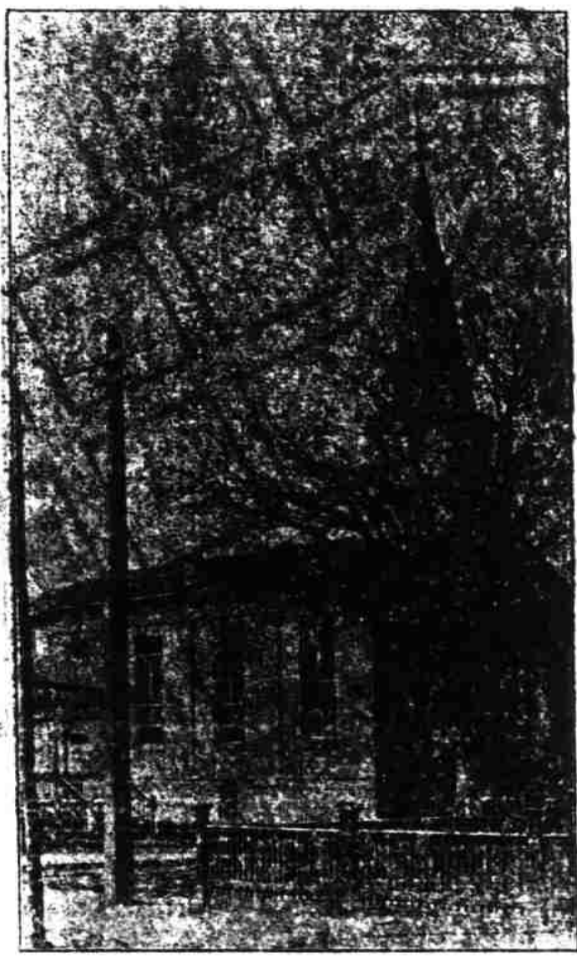


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GREAT HOST OF METHODISTS  
HERE IN CONFERENCE

BISHOP HENDRIX PRESIDING.

Interesting Sessions held each morning. Much business transacted. Committees appointed and Reports of the Pastors received.



FIRST METHODIST CHURCH  
Where Conference is Holding

The 74 Annual session of the North Carolina Conference convened Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock in the First Methodist church in this city with Bishop Hendricks presiding. The opening witnessed a large assemblage of prominent Methodist preachers and laymen. The work of effecting the formal organization was quickly done and in a very short time the conference was down at the regular business.

The roll was called and the attendance of the delegates recorded. The session was consumed in appointing the various committees and receiving the reports of the officers of the various departments of the church work.

One of the most interesting features of the opening exercises of the conference was the lecture of Bishop Hendricks. His subject was the "Shrunken Ideals". The discourse was interesting and instructive. These lectures each morning will be special features of the conference. Immediately after the conference was formally opened this morning the sacrament was administered to the clergy and laymen attending the conference.

Bishop Hendrix requested Rev. W. L. Cunningham the secretary of the last session of conference to call the roll and a large percentage of members answered to their names. Rev. W. L. Cunningham was elected secretary this being for the nineteenth session consecutively. Rev. N. H. D. Wilson, assistant and G. T. Simmons recording secretary.

On motion of Rev. M. C. Thomas the name of Bishop J. C. Kibbe was

During the past year the following members of the conference have died: Rev. R. A. Willis Rev. W. S. Davis Rev. B. E. Holder and Rev. N. H. Guyton

Standing committees appointed during the morning session. Books and Periodicals.

Clerical.—M. Bradshaw, H. M. Jackson, T. J. Dailey, J. B. Hurley, R. W. Bailey, H. A. Humble, S. E. Mercer, M. T. Plyer, Y. E. Wright, Laymen—O. R. Hunton, J. J. Ferebee, Dr. J. H. Judd, J. A. Edwards, Jr., T. B. McKimmie, R. T. Poole, Dr. Ballou

Conference Relations. J. A. Hornaday, T. A. Sykes, H. M. Eure, G. C. Perry, T. H. Sutton, N. E. Coltrane, D. N. Caviness, H. E. Tripp, K. D. Holmes.

CHURCH PROPERTY. Clerical—N. C. Yearby, C. P. Jerome, L. H. Joyner, J. P. Pate, G. B. Starling, N. L. Seabolt, G. B. Bradshaw, E. C. Sell, J. M. Lawdser. Laymen—W. C. Thurston, L. W. Parkers, Dr. R. T. Spence, Daniel Lane, B. B. Adams, W. J. Everetts, W. A. Ellison, C. B. Keech, R. I. Durham.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS. C. R. Ross, R. A. Bruton, W. E. Trotman, F. B. Nobbitt, J. W. Bradley, N. W. McDonald, L. G. Singleton, B. H. Black, W. E. Brown.

TEMPERANCE. Clerical.—E. N. Simpson, P. Bradley, A. L. Ormand, J. M. Wright, A. D. Wilcox, E. M. Hoyle, S. T. Hoyle, R. L. Davis, J. T. Standfield.

Laymen—B. F. Stanfield, C. P. Aycocks, A. D. Muse, W. J. Hales, W. S. Stevens, G. W. Whitefield, W. E. Moss, J. F. Bruton, F. W. Hargett.

SABBATH OBSERVANCES. Clerical—J. A. Dailey, J. W. Potter, L. E. Thompson, R. D. Daniel, P. D. Woodal, J. M. Ashby, D. L. Erhart, J. L. Burd, J. C. Whedbee. Laymen—Dr. W. P. Few, A. O. Gaylord, R. F. Wrenn, L. S. Brinson, E. T. White, H. E. Gibbone, J. F. Flythe, J. F. Edwards, A. M. Benton.

MEMOIRS. J. D. Bandy, T. A. Bishop, J. D. Pogram, W. W. Rose.

BISHOP STRANGE INTRODUCED.

Communications relative to the various interests of the church were announced and referred to the committee, mostly without reading.

The call of the 20th question was begun: "Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?"

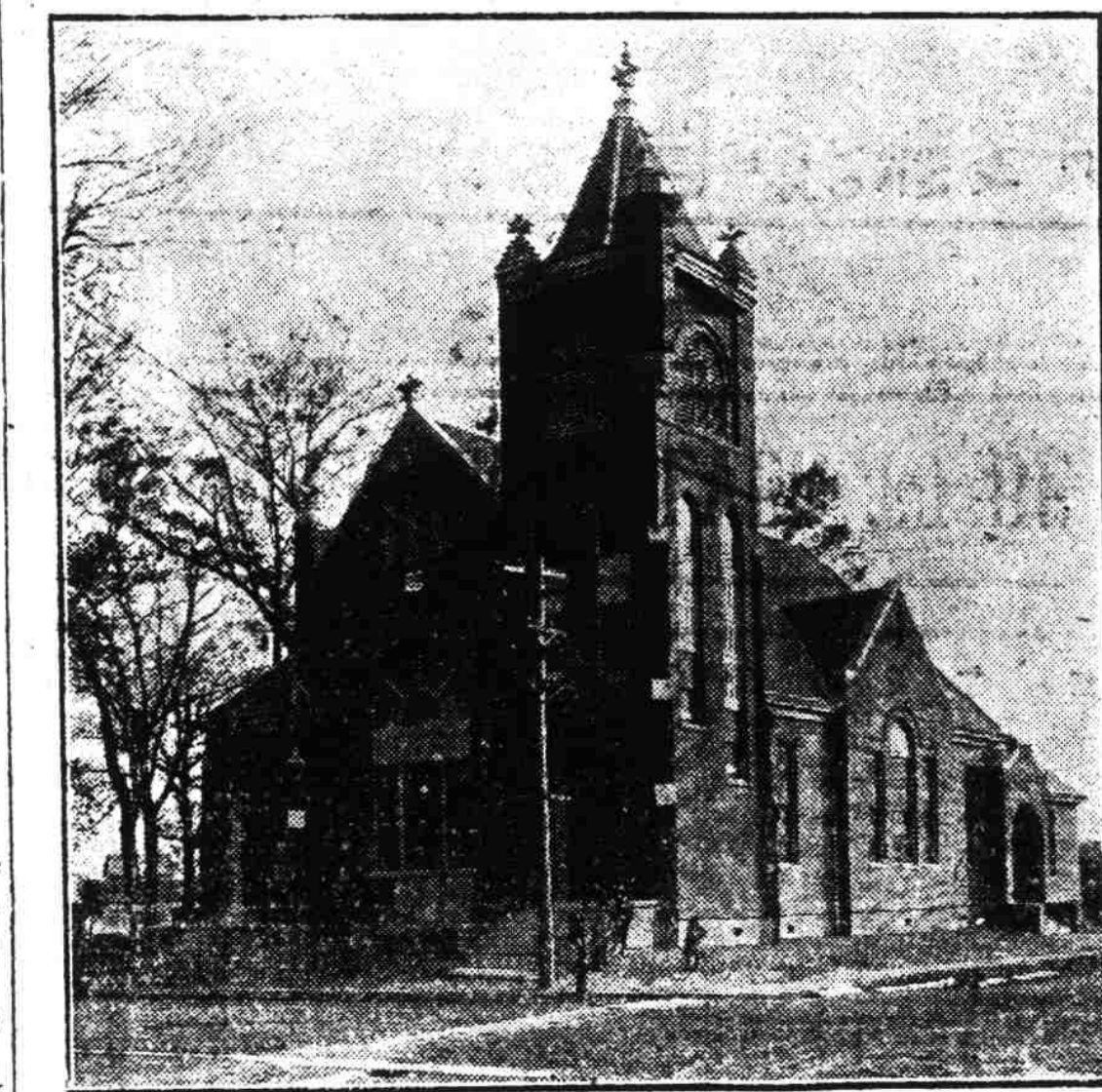
The characters of the preachers sustaining superannuated and supernumerary relation were passed.

Dr. W. P. Few, president of Trinity College, was introduced. He addressed the conference, his subject being the "Chief Object of Education Being the Formation of Character." He showed a character needs more than training and environment to develop it, that back of it must be the highest intellectual endeavor. He illustrated with incidents of poets, authors and statesmen. Different members commented the address highly.

Bishop Robert Strange, of the Protestant Episcopal church, was introduced. He expressed himself happy in being able to speak to the conference of the great Methodist church. He referred to the oneness in endeavor and in work of all denominations. He said Methodism was the daughter of the Episcopal church and went off under protest. He would welcome her return. He commended highly John Wesley his work in England and America, also the work of the Methodist circuit rider and the missionary endeavor of the entire church.

Bishop Hendrix is president of the federation of church councils and in cordial response to Bishop Strange, referred to the work of all denominations in council.

Revs. T. N. Ivey, L. L. Nash, H. B. North were appointed a committee to nominate delegates



CITY ROAD METHODIST CHURCH

to the Federal Council. The hours of the conference session were fixed at 9 a. m. to 1 p. m.

The report adopted by the Western North Carolina Conference concerning the recommendation of the board of publication of the North Carolina Christian Advocate was read to the conference. This report was relative to the recommendation of the appointment of a commission from each conference to consider the advisability of consolidation of the North Carolina Christian Advocate and the Raleigh Christian Advocate giving the two conferences one organ instead of two as at present.

On motion of Rev. R. B. John the report was referred to the committee on books and periodicals.

The conference adjourned at 1 o'clock. Rev. A. D. Betts pronouncing the benediction.

The afternoon was occupied with committee meetings, no afternoon session being held.

In the evening Rev. M. Bradshaw of Durham preached the annual sermon to the conference. He was heard by a congregation that packed the church from the chancel to the door.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETS.

Proceeding the convening of the conference the annual session of the Historical Society was held Tuesday night in the First Methodist church. It was very largely attended. The proceedings were very interesting. Hon. L. L. Smith, of Gates county delivered the annual address which was a literary masterpiece.

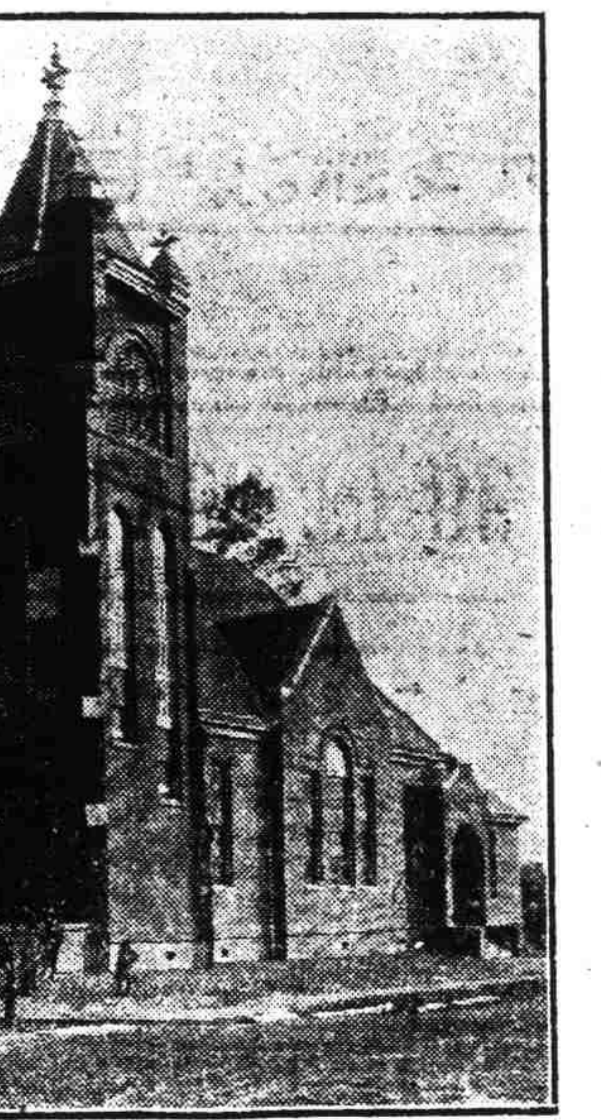
The officers elected for the society are: W. W. Rose, president; R. B. John, first vice president; C. P. Jerome, second vice president; J. D. Bundy, third vice president; M. L. Plyler secretary; T. A. Sikes treasurer; L. S. Massey, historian.

Music was furnished by the conference quartette, Messrs. C. E. Vale, J. H. Frizzelle, A. J. Parker and R. N. Phillips.

SECOND SESSION.

The second days session of the 74th annual meeting of the North Carolina Methodist conference convened Thursday morning at nine o'clock with Bishop Hendricks presiding. The session was opened with devotional exercises conducted by the Bishop. This was followed by his lecture on "Shrivelled Ideals." His subject was "Lot."

The minutes of Wednesday's meeting was read and approved. Then the call of the classes of young men who are to be admitted into the conference by ad-



ancement, ordination trial and transfer was made. The number of additions will be 16.

The report of the committee that were appointed at yesterday's session were read to the conference and were referred to the various board. These reports will come up at subsequent session of the conference for discussion.

Rev. J. L. Gunnyham of the general board of education of Nashville, Tenn. was present and at the conclusion of the reports of the committees made an address to the conference upon Methodist education.

Rev. Mr. Rawlins missionary of the Virginia conferences and Rev. Mr. Boyer missionary of the western conferences were then introduced to the conference

Thursday afternoon at three o'clock the representatives of the Laymen Movement held a meeting in the First Methodist Church in which the movement was discussed. This meeting was led by Dr. Zollieffer who is the president of the Laymen movement in this conference. At this meeting a leader will be elected for the ensuing year.

MANY DUPED BY MONEY MACHINES.

It is said that there is nothing new under the sun, but in this case the saying has gone wrong.

Judge Sawyer certainly unearthed something new last week. The like of it has never been seen in these diggings before. It was a money finding machine and for ingenuity in contriving it, its inventor deserves a medal. Mysterious parties have been operating around here for several months, but little could be known about what they were doing. It leaked out last week that these parties were hunting for money. One of the purchasers of these machines discovered that his machine was a fake and he went to law about it in a hurry to get his money. He did not get his money back but he got the inventor and promoter of the machine in jail in a hurry.

Two white men named John Hetrick and Daniel Webster, alias D. Johnson formerly of Richmond were defendants in the case and they were easily convicted of practicing fraud. The prosecuting witnesses' story revealed their plans of operation which was to select a possible buyer and approach him with the machine and offer to test it. Generally the testing experiment proved satisfactory. The reports of their finding of money leaked out and it was not long before there was great demand for them not only here but in adjoining counties.

All of these expeditions to hunt for money generally proved failures unless they were operated by the inventors.

Judge Sawyer had the machines brought into court and examined. They were ingeniously contrived, likely to fool the ignorant and superstitious. They were small boxes covered in blue flannel and had a number of electric bills, wires and such things around the box, but when the box was opened, it was found to be filled with pieces of bricks. This gave the trick away and showed that it was a fraud and that the inventors knew it was a fraud.

Both Hetrick and Webster were sent to jail in default of bail in the sum of \$250. Now their dupes are getting a great deal of satisfaction out of incarceration in the jail.

One colored man who was fleeced out of a hundred dollars stated that he had prayed to the Lord to help him to get even with the rascals and that the Lord had answered his prayers.

DISCUSSED THE STREET PAVING.

The Aldermen and the Board of Control held a joint meeting last Monday night for the purpose of discussing the street paving. Owing to the illness of several members of the Board no official action was taken. The matter was discussed at length and the Board will meet again in the near future when steps will be taken to begin the work of street paving. Those in charge of the street paving have gone at it in such a manner as to inspire confidence and the people feel hopeful that the work will begin at an early date.

FOLEY'S URINO-LAXATIVE

CIVIC LEAGUE DEPARTMENT

Look! Look!! Look!!! That is what the Civic League most earnestly desires you to do.

We know it is not the lack of DESIRE of our people to have more attractive surroundings, but the lack of REALIZATION as to how much can be accomplished with very little labor, time or expense, in improving our INDIVIDUAL surroundings. Beautifying a town—like charity—should begin at home. So—let's begin.

Then, when we show, by individual effort, that we really wish to have a town beautiful, we shall have the right to appeal to our Town Authorities for aid in condemning ALL unsightly spots.

Elizabeth City is not without these. Look at the Trash Heap that adorns the lot across from our Primary School Building! How much will THAT contribute towards giving to our children a taste for order and neatness and an appreciation for the beautiful—to say nothing of good health. How much better, in every way it would be if the piles of trash were spread out evenly and disinfected with lime. How far are we from the systematic efforts of so many cities to transform their school grounds into parks or at least, to throw around school premises that ornamentation suggestive of the park. Look again—at some of the tumble-down fences—ORNAMENTS. TRULY—on some of our principle streets.

If there ever was an EXCUSE for vandalism they seem to offer one. Many of them surround places that appear to belong to no one.

Look at the one on Main St. Between our handsome Public Building and McMorine Street, Isn't THAT a "thing of beauty?" And—there are others that you must see unless you go out with your eyes shut. Let us AWAKE and LOOK—and then let us "GET BUSY."

HELP THEM NOW.

The cold wave according to the predictions of the Weather Bureau arrived last night. The weather has been so pleasant all the fall the cold snap finds many poor people in Raleigh today without wood. The call is to every man today who has warm fires for himself and his children to send a check to Bishop Stephenson who is the representative of the Associated Charities of Raleigh. Of the work that benevolent organization is doing the Biblical Recorder says "The Associated Charities of Raleigh is an organization which has done excellent work by combining the efforts of the charitable people of the city and directing them to the intelligent relief of the worthy poor, wise aid to the unfortunate, and the elimination of unworthy beggars who are parasites upon the public bounty. We commend this excellent organization for the good it has done in our city, and we hope it will become increasingly popular and effective."

It needs money today to carry on its blessed work and the appeal for help is placed at the door of all who read these lines.—News and Observer.

Mrs. Hester H. Belange the wife of S. Belange of Jarvisburg N. C. died on November 13th at 9 o'clock Sunday, age 76 years 8 months and 16 days. She is survived by two children.