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What is the Unpardonable Sin?

This Will be Dr. Vines Subject at First Baptist Church This Evening—Interest Continues to Grow—Revival is Expected to Close Wednesday Night.

GREAT MEETING FOR MEN YESTERDAY AFTERNOON

Interest continues to grow in the revival services at the First Baptist church. The meeting began Monday evening of last week and it is expected that it will close Wednesday evening of this week. Services are held twice daily—11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. Dr. W. M. Vines, pastor of the First Baptist church of Norfolk, Va., is preaching sermons of power, and large crowds are attending. Besides preaching three sermons yesterday, Dr. Vines addressed the Sunday school yesterday morning. All the services yesterday were attended by unusually large crowds, the record attendance of the meeting so far being at the evening service.

On account of this revival there was no service at Chestnut Street Methodist church last evening.

Dr. Vines' subject this evening will be: "What is the Unpardonable Sin?" Tuesday evening his subject will be: "What is Saving Faith?"

Repentance
"Repentance" was the subject of Dr. Vines' sermon last evening. His text was: "And he arose, and came to his father"—Luke 15:20.

The steps of repentance, as outlined by the preacher, are: 1st, thoughtfulness; 2nd, regret; 3rd, fear; 4th, confession; 5th, decision; 6th, action. Dr. Vines likened the return of the prodigal son to the return of the Gentile race to the Father.

Good Works Will Not Save You
"Good works will not save you," declared the preacher. "Nothing saves but Jesus." You must repent before you are saved. Christianity starts in the brain. One must think in order to become a Christian—must realize who God is and appreciate the Father.

The need of warning sinners was stressed by the preacher. Jesus warned men, he said, and added that he would be afraid to go to sleep without Christ. The man who lives in God's world and enjoys his blessings and turns his back on God is ungrateful.

Some say they will not become Christians and join the church because there are hypocrites in the church. Dr. Vines likened such a person to a man who would say that he had known one woman who was not what she ought to be, and therefore he would never marry; a man who because he had known a lawyer, a doctor, a business man or a farmer who did not succeed in their line to refuse to become either. Such a person would go to hell because there are hypocrites in the church. The trouble with such a person is that he is a sinner.

In dealing with the step of decision, Dr. Vines said that will has much to do with one's life. Action was defined as the culminating step of repentance—a turning from the road to hell to the road to heaven. Regeneration is God's side and God always attends to His part, said the preacher. If you'll do your part, God will do His.

Special Sermon to Men
Man as God made him, man as sin made him and man as he may become by accepting Jesus Christ as his personal Saviour, was pictured by Dr. Vines in a special sermon to men yesterday at 4 p. m. The service, though not announced until Saturday morning, was attended by around 500 men, many from out-of-town being present.

Dr. Vines' text consisted of a question and the answer—"What is man?"—Hebrews 2:6. "Behold Jesus"—Hebrews 2:9.

Christian: Son of God

Man, who was created in the image of God, has been degraded and demoralized by sin, said the preacher in beginning his powerful and stirring sermon. Though man was made a little lower than God he may be lifted upon a level with Jesus Christ, the son of God. To become a Christian gives a man royal knowledge, royal power, a royal mission and a royal destiny. When a man becomes a Christian he becomes a son of God. A Christian knows that Jesus Christ is the divine son of God.

Great Leaders Christians

"The great leaders of the world were Christians," said Dr. Vines. He mentioned General Robert E. Lee, former-President Wilson, President Harding and Lloyd George and declared that these leaders were and are Christian men. Continuing he said, "It takes a man with common sense to accept Jesus Christ and become a Christian." Jesus Christ was held up as a guide for the lives of men. Man can overcome sin and master himself through Jesus Christ. Man can do right if he wants to.

Denounces Double Standard

In denouncing the double standard, Dr. Vines declared that it was born in hell. Men should live as clean lives as they expect their wives to live. Cursing and swearing were declared

Annual Field Day At East Lumberton

July 1 Will be Big Day—Interesting Program is Being Arranged.

Saturday of this week, July 1, promises to be a big day at East Lumberton. The annual field day and picnic will be held on that day. An interesting program is being arranged. Two ball games will be played. One in the morning will be staged by the young ladies of the Lumberton and Dresden mill villages and the East Lumberton team will cross bats with a strong visiting team in the afternoon. Besides the ball games there will be races of various kinds and other field exercises. It will be an all-day affair and a picnic dinner will be served at the noon hour. A great time is expected.

by the preacher to be unnecessary. Men don't have to swear. Evil doings come from yielding to influences.

Dr. Vines pleaded for the family altar in the home and took a shot at the bootlegger. Law enforcement and public sentiment can drive the bootlegger out of business, he said.

In closing Dr. Vines declared that it pays to be a Christian, and said that if one is not a Christian it is his own fault. If one is lost it is his own fault.

Practically every man present pledged himself to live a cleaner, more Christ-like life.

Importance of Right Choosing

The importance of right choosing was the theme of an address delivered by Dr. Vines to the First Baptist Sunday school yesterday morning. Declaring that only human beings can choose, the speaker made plain the fact that every person can choose and must choose. You must either choose to serve God or the devil—to be a Christian or a sinner. There are only two to serve—Jesus Christ and the devil. You are on your way to heaven or hell at your own choice. He warned against waiting too late to choose for the Christian life and for God.

Fundamental Thing in Religion

Belief in God, was pronounced the fundamental thing in religion by Dr. Vines in his sermon Sunday morning. The gospel, he said, is based upon the reality of God. Nature itself proves the reality of God. If you believe in God, then you cannot but take the next step and believe on Jesus. It was through Jesus Christ, the Son, that God revealed his goodness. God is infinitely good. God touches the world through His Son.

Dr. Vines told of the atonement of Jesus for mankind. In closing he said, "If you want to be a Christian you are a Christian. The moment a man says in his heart that he wants to be a Christian he becomes a Christian." His text was: "Let not your hearts be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me."—John 14:1.

Methods of Reaching Sinners

"And the Lord said unto his servants, go out into the highway and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled."—Luke 14:23. Using this as a text Saturday morning, Dr. Vines told of the best methods of compelling men and women to accept Christ. The church was described as the indispensable force for reaching out after sinners. The preaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ was another method outlined for reaching sinners. "The well-organized church," he said, "must be a compelling power." Too many churches are not linked up with the divine power and not in touch with God, the preacher continued. When the church wakes up the Kingdom of God comes. Only a small per cent of church members are working for the Kingdom. Prayer reaches God's throne and moves the souls of men.

The need of personal work in bringing about a revival of religion was stressed by Dr. Vines. Too many lack personal endeavor. In closing he told of the great good that a Christian may do by personal effort.

What Constitutes Success

Usefulness, character and heaven make up success as defined by Dr. Vines in his sermon Friday evening. His text was: "*****And thou shalt have good success."—Joshua 1:8.

In beginning his sermon, he declared that everyone can make a success in life and pictured the calamity of a failure in the only life one has to live. Some have the idea that success is making a great display in this world, but this is not real success. It pays to be sincere and just what you are. To live for pleasure is not success. Life lived for money alone is a failure. Success consists of living for the eternal, being useful and doing the will of God. Character is success. Your character is what you really are and it will live forever. If you live to an old age and go to hell your life has been a failure. Jesus Christ has given the rules of success. Follow Him and you will never fail.

The various classes of the Sunday school attended the service Friday evening in a body and the large church auditorium was filled to overflowing, many finding seats in the balcony.

What it Means to be a Christian

What it means to be a Christian (Continued on page four.)

Tobacco Growers Negotiate Loan of 30 Million

War Finance Board Advances Credit Which Assures Safe and Orderly Marketing of Co-operative Association's Crop.

With a loan of more than thirty million dollars from the War Finance corporation, the Tobacco Growers Co-operative association of North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia is now prepared to pay its members cash advances upon the delivery of tobacco and is assured of the same orderly marketing that gave to the organized burley growers of Kentucky increased profits on their product.

The announcement of the loan negotiated Wednesday, was made from the Raleigh headquarters of the association which represents seventy five thousand tobacco farmers in the three States, Thursday, states the Raleigh News and Observer. And this clincher to the elaborate plan of marketing tobacco through the giant association wiped away all fear of failure on the part of most growers, continues the Raleigh paper, which gives the following additional facts:

In addition to the loan of \$30,000,000, the War Finance corporation has agreed to rediscunt loans secured by green or soft order tobacco for local banks throughout the Virginia, Carolina tobacco belt. The loan itself is to be secured by more than 350,000,000 pounds of tobacco owned by the members of the association now under a five year contract. This tobacco represents a value of over \$70,000,000 in the first year of operation.

Opens Up States Banks

Following the example of the Burley Tobacco Growers' association of Kentucky, which after securing a similar credit from the War Finance corporation was enabled to gain all necessary funds from State and local banks, and to repay their 90 day loans of \$6,000,000 within 40 days, officials of the Virginia-Carolina association are confident of obtaining the support of State and local bankers for whom the offer of the War Finance corporation opens a new field of profitable co-operation with tobacco farmers throughout the belt.

For the organized tobacco growers and the thousands of farmers from three States who are joining the association every month, the action of the War Finance corporation assures the safe and orderly marketing of tobacco which resulted in largely increased profits and a new source of credit for Kentucky farmers whose organization has now sold 70,000,000 pounds of tobacco for highly satisfactory prices, during one month receiving an average of 29 cents a pound for tobacco sold through the association, while that sold outside the association brought less than 21 cents per pound upon the auction warehouse floors.

Eighty Per Cent Complete

Close to 80 per cent of the tobacco farmers of Virginia have joined the marketing association, and North Carolina growers are nearing a 75 per cent sign up following the recent statewide campaign for members.

STATE CAN'T COLLECT TILL CASE IS DECIDED

Railroads Get Stay on Collection of State Franchise Tax. Greensboro News, June 24: Judge James E. Boyd in the United States court early yesterday afternoon announced his decision to concur with Judge Edmund Waddill, Jr., of Richmond, Va., in granting the stay against the collection of the state franchise tax sought by the Southern, Seaboard, Atlantic Coast line, Norfolk Southern, and Atlantic and Yadkin railroads pending their appeal to the Supreme court of the United States on their ad valorem, franchise, and income taxes in North Carolina.

The effect of the decision is that North Carolina can not collect franchise, amounting to approximately \$210,000 for the year 1921, from the five railroad until their appeal for an interlocutory injunction against the collection of ad valorem, franchise, and income taxes has been heard by the United States Supreme court. This hearing has been set for the first Monday in November.

Free Typhoid Vaccination

Dr. E. E. Hardin, county health officer, announces the following dates for free typhoid vaccination: Tuesday, June 27—Rowland, 10 a. m. and 3 p. m. Wednesday, June 28—McDonald, 11 a. m.; Baltimore, 2 p. m.; Fairmont, 4 p. m. Friday, June 30—St. Pauls cotton mill, 10 a. m.; St. Pauls, 2 p. m.; Raft Swamp 5 p. m.

First Watermelons of the Season

The first home-grown watermelons offered for sale on the local market were brought in Saturday by Mr. J. R. Taylor, who lives in Wishart township.

A chicken-eating rat, almost as big as a cat, is reported from Elizabeth City.

Legion Picnic At White Lake June 29

Galloway Post of Fairmont Expects to Have Record Breaking Picnic Thursday—Funeral of Mrs. Ferrell Jennings—Other Fairmont Items.

By H. V. Brown

Fairmont, June 26.—At a special picnic meeting of the George Galloway Post No. 112 of the American Legion in their hall Friday night plans were definitely laid for a picnic which will in all probability surpass anything that has ever been held by the young people of Fairmont. At a regular meeting sometime ago it was suggested that the post stage a picnic during June for two purposes, first to get a day of full enjoyment and pleasure, second to encourage ex-service men who are not members of the American Legion to join post No. 112. A committee was appointed to make plans and decide just where the picnic would be held and just when. Their report last night stated that the grand Legion picnic would be held at White Lake, Bladen county, on Thursday, June 29, and that Mesdames D. W. Galloway and E. J. Chambers be invited as official chaperones, they being mother and sister of Pvt. George Galloway, deceased, for whom our post was named.

The meeting was well attended and it is thought that over 50 cars will leave Fairmont early Thursday morning for White Lake with a crowd of ex-service men and their lady friends to spend the entire day in fun and recreation. All ex-service men in lower Robeson county are most cordially invited to attend this affair and an effort is being made to get each one a special invitation. They do not necessarily have to belong to the American Legion for the officials believe that after the picnic they will all put their names on the adjutant's roster. The party will leave Main street in Fairmont at 7 o'clock sharp and return just when the chaperones see fit. This is to be made an annual affair during the membership campaigns.

Funeral of Mrs. Ferrell Jennings

The funeral of Mrs. Ferrell Jennings was held Saturday afternoon in the cemetery of Bethesda church, a few miles south of here, the Rev. W. F. Trawick conducting the services. Deceased had been in ill health for several months and was taking treatment in a hospital at Florence, S. C., when the end came. Mrs. Jennings was living with her husband at Bingham, S. C., where Mr. Jennings holds a position with Beaufort County Lumber Co. Besides her husband she leaves several brothers and a 6-months-old infant. She was about 24 years of age and a member of the Methodist church. A large number of friends and relatives paid their last respects Saturday. Before her marriage to Mr. Jennings she was Miss Reby Floyd, sister of Mr. David Floyd of R. 2, and had a host of friends who held her in high respect.

Mr. A. S. Thompson and daughter-in-law, Mrs. C. B. Thompson, and son, Master Billie Thompson, spent last week in Virginia visiting Mrs. Thompson's relatives near Washington. Master Billie remained with his grandparents and will return in the early fall. They made the trip in Mrs. Thompson's car from her home in Maxton. Mr. Thompson stated that crops did not look much better in the sections through which they passed than they do here.

Little Miss Julia Vinson entertained several of her little friends Saturday afternoon at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Vinson, on North Main street, honoring her 3rd birthday. At 5 the guests arrived and spent 90 minutes of fun, playing many amusing games and enjoying delightful refreshments.

Good Home-Talent Show

The entertainment given last Thursday night in the school auditorium by the young people of the town was a surprise to those who attended. Being entirely home talent, it can truthfully be said that this was by far the best home-talent entertainment held here in a long time. A special feature of the entertainment was a play, "The Mouse Trap," which was greatly enjoyed. In this, especially good were Miss Lillie Kyle and Mr. Victor Hayes, who took the leading parts, and who acted as if they had, had years of experience on the stage. This little play was given by the expression class of Greensboro College for Women during the spring.

Other features included a male quartette but the writer is unable to tell just who composed the quartette as they evidently were afraid of stage fright, and would not allow the curtain to rise during their act. But the voices were good and their selections were thoroughly enjoyed. A duet, "I'm Not Jealous," sung by Miss Margaret Lassiter and Mr. Victor Hayes was received very favorably by the audience. Other songs and specialties were included in the entertainment which made the show a very great success. The stormy night caused many who wanted to go to stay away and it is thought that the entertainment will be given again here. The manager states that the play will be given in St. Pauls and Rowland at early dates.

REMAINS OF MRS. A. WEINSTEIN TAKEN TO BALTIMORE

Funeral and Interment Took Place There Friday.

The funeral of Mrs. A. Weinstein, whose death Thursday at 1:30 p. m. was recorded in Thursday's Robesonian, was conducted Friday at 2 p. m. from the Pakroyer Jewish synagogue, Baltimore, Md., and interment was made in the cemetery near by. The remains were interred near the grave of Mrs. Weinstein's father, the late Mr. Katzen. Those accompanying the remains to Baltimore were the husband, Mr. A. Weinstein; Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Israel, son-in-law and daughter; Miss Mildred Weinstein, daughter, and Messrs. Max, Israel and Robert Weinstein, sons of deceased; Mr. and Mrs. H. Weinstein and two sons, Masters Raeford Lee and Morton Hanna, of Fairmont, Miss Bessie Feldman and Mrs. A. Feldman of Aholkie. Mesdames H. Weinstein and A. Feldman are sisters of deceased. Mrs. Gertrude Katzen, mother of the deceased, lives in Baltimore. A large crowd attended the funeral.

Mr. H. Weinstein and family returned Saturday from Baltimore, while the husband and children of the deceased will remain in Baltimore for a week. As was stated in Thursday's paper, Mrs. Weinstein's death followed an operation for cancer of the large intestine, the operation having been performed a week before at the Thompson hospital.

Mr. L. W. Paul of Purvis

Mr. L. W. Paul, 43 years old, died at his home at Purvis on June 18th. Deceased had been in poor health for 10 years. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. John McCall of Purvis, and one brother, Mr. C. R. Paul of Florence, S. C. The funeral was conducted by Rev. Mr. Merritt of Rowland at 11 a. m. Monday at the family cemetery, near the home, where the remains were interred. Deceased was a bachelor and a member of the Purvis Methodist church.

Mrs. C. A. Wilkins

Mrs. C. A. Wilkins, aged 79 years, died Friday afternoon at her home near Bellamy, of the infirmities of old age. Deceased is survived by several children.

LUMBER BRIDGE NEWS ITEMS

B. Y. P. U. Elects Officers—Rev. J. L. Powers to Wed—Personal and Other Items.

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Lumber Bridge, June 24.—The B. Y. P. U. of Lumber Bridge Baptist church is doing nicely. Sometimes we only have a few out but our meetings seem to be very helpful and uplifting. We elected new officers last meeting as follows: President, Mr. Sam McGowan; vice president, Mr. Thornton Cobb; secretary, Miss Thelma Tolar; treasurer, Miss Lillie Usher; group leaders: Mr. Cullin Brooks, Mr. Frank Tolar, Miss Lina Chason, Mr. Stamps Sikes, and others. We cordially invite all the young people to come every Monday night at 8 o'clock.

Mr. William McMillan of Laurinburg spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gibson, returning home Sunday p. m. It was a treat for all who attended the services at the Presbyterian church Sunday a. m. and night, as the church had been without a pastor for some time. We all hope to secure a pastor in the near future and pray that God will send us a man fully consecrated for this work. We also enjoyed the lecture on Christian Endeavor work given Tuesday night by Mr. Jones, State president of Christian Endeavor, but sorry to learn he will not be our president for another year.

Mr. Frank Sikes of the U. S. navy spent last week with his mother, Mrs. J. D. Sikes, of this place. It is good to have our boys come back to see us after being away so long. Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Ammons expect to leave here Tuesday, June 27, to attend the wedding of Mrs. Ammons' brother Rev. J. L. Powers of Dunn, N. C. The wedding will take place Wednesday a. m., June 28th. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. B. Townsend, state evangelist, uncle of the groom. Mr. Powers is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Powers of Lumberton, N. C.

Miss Elizabeth Sikes returned last Thursday from Clio, S. C., where she has been visiting her sister Mrs. J. L. Doggett.—Miss Mary Baggett, who has been away in college for the past year, returned home last week. It seems that the ladies of Lumber Bridge are planning already for another trip to White Lake, and the men have been planning too.

Hear a Kentuckian at Lumberton Tuesday, June 27, 3:30 P. M. on Tobacco Co-operative Marketing Everybody Come.

COTTON MARKET

Middling cotton is quoted on the local market today at 19 1-2 cents the pound.

BRIEF ITEMS OF LOCALS NEWS

—Mr. N. A. Jacobs of Wilmington has accepted a position in the Lorraine barber shop.

—Circle No. 1 of the Woman's auxiliary will meet at the Presbyterian church Wednesday at 8 p. m.

—Called communication St. Alban's lodge No. 114, A. F. & A. M., Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Recently elected officers will be installed.

—The condition of Mr. Stephen McIntyre Jr. who last Tuesday underwent an operation at the Thompson hospital, is reported as favorable.

—Mrs. J. W. Prevatt of R. 4, Lumberton, entered the Baker sanatorium today for treatment. She was accompanied to Lumberton by her husband.

—The auto driver's license levied by the town is now due and payable to Mr. J. P. Russell, town clerk and treasurer. The tax levied this year is \$1.

—Full-grown cockleburrs are reported by Mr. A. S. Wishart at the Wishart place 3 miles west of town. He says this is the first time he has ever known them to mature so early.

—Mrs. T. C. Johnson returned this morning from a trip to Richmond, Va., and Baltimore, Md. Mrs. Johnson attended the Confederate veterans' reunion in Richmond and went from there to Baltimore. She was away one week.

—A block of about two acres is being added to Meadowbrook cemetery. The ground is being cleaned off and streets opened up. Mrs. Alf H. McLeod and Messrs. Geo. L. Thompson, D. W. Biggs and J. L. Stephens compose the cemetery committee, which has the work in charge.

—Messrs. A. S. Wishart and Isham Lamb returned Friday from Richmond, Va., where they attended the annual Confederate Veterans' reunion. Mr. Wishart said that reunion beat anything he has ever seen, and he has attended a good many of them. He said there were more accommodations there for veterans that he ever saw before.

—The following officers were elected yesterday by the Baraca class of the First Baptist Sunday school: President, E. R. McIntyre; first vice-president, J. L. Spivey; second vice-president, F. Eli Wishart; secretary-treasurer, Louis Stovall; teacher, L. R. Varner; assistant teacher, W. B. Crumpton, Jr.; class reporter, F. Grover Britt.

LEE STONE IS EXPECTED TO JOIN LUMBERTON CLUB WEDNESDAY

Has Been Released from Shreveport Club—Is Expected to Pitch First Game for Lumberton Thursday—Another Star Pitcher Expected Tomorrow.

Mr. Ed J. Glover, manager of the Lumberton club, received this morning from Mr. Lee G. Stone a telegram stating that he had been released from the Shreveport, La., club of the Texas league and was leaving for Lumberton. He expects to arrive here Wednesday and pitch Thursday's game for Lumberton against Laurinburg. Mr. Stone has pitched ball for several of the "big leagues", but his being a Lumberton man makes it possible for him to pitch for Lumberton. Another star pitcher from one of the leading universities of the South is expected to join the local team tomorrow.

Around 400 Children Examined.

Around 400 children living in the mill villages about Lumberton recently have been given a physical examination as provided by the State Child Welfare Commission. Mr. D. R. Markham, a representative of the commission, is assisting Miss Elizabeth Frye, county welfare officer, and Dr. E. R. Hardin, county health officer, in the work. Out of the number examined about 100 were found to have physical defects. Among the defects noted were tuberculosis, diabetes, hookworm, affected tonsils and adenoids, and malnutrition. The Federal child labor law having been declared unconstitutional, the State law is being put into practice.

Crops Looking Good—Open Air Service.

Correspondence of The Robesonian. Lumberton, R. F. D., June 23.—Crops are looking good in this neighborhood. There is a lot of cotton blossoms around here. People are hilling corn and planting peas.

We are looking to having preaching at our home on the Dr. Rozier place July 2nd, at 3 p. m., conducted by Bro. N. A. Harrell and his co-workers from St. Pauls. Open air service under large trees in the yard. Everybody invited to come.

J. E. PALSTON.

Children's Day Exercises at Mt. Airy July 4.

There will be children's day exercises at Mt. Airy (Indian) Sunday school, near Buie, Tuesday, July 4. It will be an all-day affair, the exercises beginning at 10 a. m.

Mr. W. R. Powell, Lumberton R. 6, was among the visitors in town Friday.