

## M. E. CONFERENCE CONVENED TODAY AT FIRST M. E. CHURCH

(By Susan Iden.)

The opening session of the N. C. Methodist Conference, which is in session in the Methodist church in this city, was attended by a large congregation today, many of the men and women of the city being present and finding the session extremely interesting. Bishop Waterhouse, who is presiding, is adding interest and inspiration by his words of advice and counsel.

**Historical Society.**  
This afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the church the annual meeting of the Conference Historical Society is being held, the address being made by Dr. W. H. Moore on "Reminiscences."

**Sunday School Anniversary.**  
The anniversary of the Sunday school board will be held in the church this evening, the address being made by Dr. H. M. Hamill, of the Sunday school board.

The public is invited to all the services.

**Opening Session.**  
"And are we yet alive, and see each other's face," the time honored conference hymn, opened the seventy-eighth session of the North Carolina Methodist Conference in the Methodist church of this city this morning at 9:30 o'clock.

Following the beautiful custom of the Conference the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was partaken of amid the singing of the well-known gospel hymns, led by the great body of men's voices. With the great business of the week awaiting them and the uncertainty of where their next year's field of labor is to be, it is a beautiful observance and an appropriate opening to the conference.

A large crowd filled the church and the communion was large, an unusual number of women being present and partaking in the service. J. T. Gibbs, J. E. Underwood, J. N. Cole and R. F. Bumpass assisted in the communion.

Bishop Richard Green Waterhouse, of California, the presiding bishop, was in the chair and called the conference to order, asking first for the singing of "And are we yet alive and see each other's face."

After the third verse, the Bishop called for the continuation of the hymn, assuring the "Brethren" that they were "doing well."

Presiding Elder J. E. Underwood led in prayer, thanking God especially that the active ranks have not been invaded this year, only one member, a superannuate, having died.

Bishop Waterhouse read two selections from the scriptures from both the Old and the New Testaments, bearing on the communion service which followed.

**Organization.**  
Following the opening devotional service and communion the conference entered upon the business of organization, Rev. R. H. Willis, secretary of the last conference, called the roll of both clerical and lay delegates. Mr. Willis was then elected to succeed himself as secretary of the conference. Rev. J. L. Cunningham was elected assistant secretary and Rev. C. J. Harrell statistical secretary.

The bar of the conference was placed at the cross sises, including the main body of the church.

The hours of the morning sessions were placed at 9:30, opening and 1 p. m. for adjournment.

**Committee Public Worship.**  
Dr. J. T. Gibbs, presiding elder of the Washington district; Rev. E. M. Snipes, host of the conference, and Rev. W. K. Jacobson were appointed a committee on public worship.

Dr. J. S. Hunter, representing the Methodist Publishing House; and Dr. Biggs, representing the American Bible Society, both of the Virginia Conference, were introduced and spoke in the interest of the work they were representing.

The name of Rev. A. W. Price, of the Elizabeth City district, was referred to the committee on conference relation for the superannuate relation.

The reports of Loula College, Littleton College and Greensboro College for Women were received and referred to the committee on education.

The following committees were elected:  
Books and Periodicals—A. L. Ormond, B. B. Craven, H. E. Spence, N. H. D. Wilson, C. H. Culbreth, J. A. Lee, L. T. Singleton, M. Bradshaw, W. A. Stanbery, Lay—W. P. Few, J. B. Leigh, A. D. Mace, Y. T. Ormond, R. T. Surles, E. H. Gibson, J. G. Hardy, J. F. Bruton, C. D. Koonce.

**Conference Relations**—R. C. Craven, G. W. Fisher, C. W. Robinson, E. H. McWhorter, J. C. Wooten, W. E. Coltrane, R. C. Beaman, J. W. Autry, G. T. Adams.

**Church Property**—J. A. Daily, C. A. Jones, L. M. Chaffin, C. O. Durant, L. H. Joyner, B. E. Stanbery, Marvin Self, J. B. Atwater, J. P. Pate, Lay—E. W. Atwater, S. P. Hatch, W. J. Hales, W. W. Brothers, Z. V. Snipes, R. D. Gibson, W. V. Woodruff, W. K. Jacobson, H. R. Safferton.

**District Conference Records**—J. A. Martin, J. E. Blalock, T. C. Eilers, J. W. Bradley, J. G. Johnson, O. W. Dowd, J. T. Stanfield, W. T. Phipps, E. C. Bell.

**Temperance**—J. J. Boone, C. W. Smith, T. H. Sutton, D. W. Caviness, G. W. Starling, E. H. Davis, R. W. Halley, J. L. Rumley, B. H. Black, J. B. Atwater, Lay—Allan Browning, L. T. Houston, Daniel Lane, Dr. A. Anderson, L. S. Covington, R. B. Boyd, A. B. Swindell, R. P. Ralford.

**Sabbath Observance**—S. F. Nicks, T. M. Grant, G. B. Starling, F. B. McCall, G. B. Bearden, J. B. Hurler, E. N. Harrison, C. L. Read, T. C. Yickers, Lay—J. T. Ware, Z. W. Evans, P. S. Cooper, Richard Johnson, F. B. McKennie, B. S. Barnes, Dr. D. B. Zollieffer, J. C. Braswell, C. D. Koonce.

**Memoirs**—J. T. Gibbs, J. N. Cole.

**Resolution by Mr. Plyler.**  
Rev. M. T. Plyler, presiding elder of the Elizabeth City district, presented the following resolution, which was passed without objection:  
"Since we deem it wise at the present time that the most careful consideration should be given to the matter before the assessments are laid upon the conference; therefore be it  
"Resolved, That one member from each board charged with handling an assessment, said members to be named by the board at its first meeting, be constituted a committee to ascertain the sum total of all assessments and report its findings to the conference not later than Friday morning's session."  
M. T. PLYLER,  
F. B. NORTH,  
J. C. WOOTEN.

**The Twenty-Second Question.**  
The calling of the 22nd question is always one of the most interesting and important of the conference: "Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?"  
The presiding elders of the various districts were first called. The usual "nothing against him," was heard and the elders gave the report of the work on their districts. The reports of the ministers on the districts followed with the exception of the undergraduates who will report later.

Rev. H. M. North, of the Durham district, who is serving his first year in the presiding eldership, made the first report and one which called forth the interest and commendation of the Bishop. Mr. North reported a great revival spirit in his district and a wave of spirituality. More than 700 have been received during the year on profession of faith, more than have been received in many years in this district. The secret of this was doubtless found in Mr. North's report that out of 324 lays in the presiding eldership he had preached 336 times. He found that against the financial stringency he had found a spirit of humility and spirituality among the people.

Rev. M. T. Plyler, presiding elder of the Elizabeth City district, made a splendid report. More than 400 had been received on profession of faith.

Rev. R. B. John, of the Fayetteville district, reported the work progressing on his district, 492 having been received on profession of faith. Two churches are soon to be finished.

Rev. J. H. Hall, Raleigh district; Rev. A. McCullin, Rockingham district; Rev. J. T. Gibbs, Washington district; Rev. R. H. Willis, Warrington district, and Rev. L. E. Thompson, Wilmington district made their reports. There was not time for the reports of the ministers on their districts. These will be taken up on Thursday.

**Credentials Surrendered.**  
The credentials of Rev. W. E. Hocutt, of the North Hampton circuit of the Warrington district, were surrendered. Mr. Hocutt had been accused of immorality during the year and a trial had been deemed necessary.

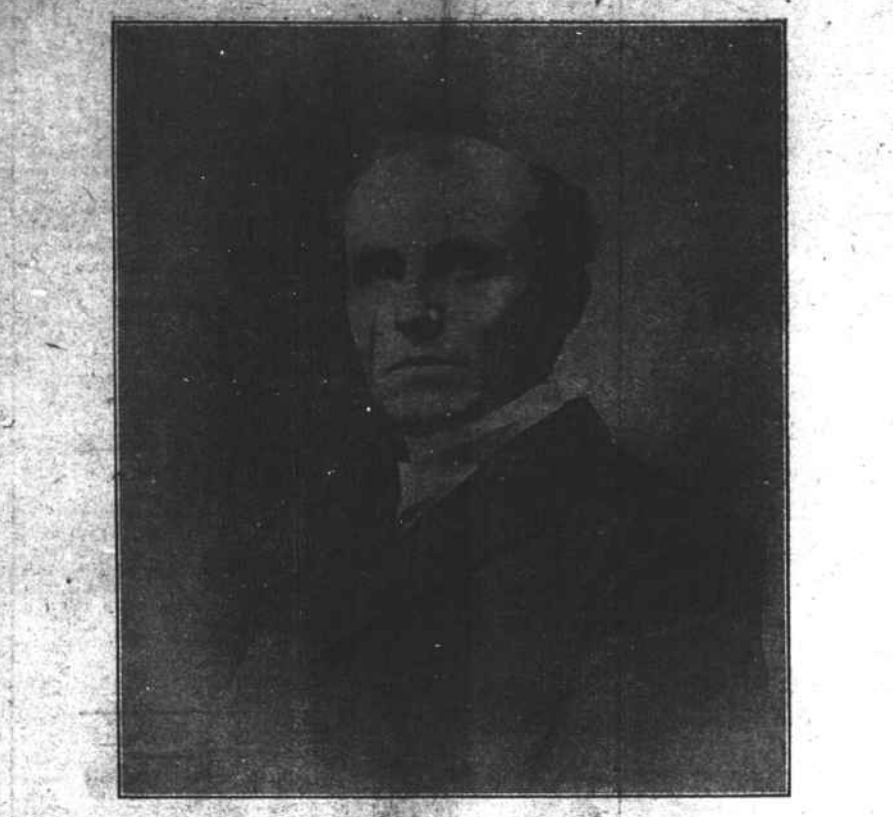
Dr. T. N. Ivey, editor of the Nashville Christian Advocate, made his report. The Bishop commended Dr. Ivey's work on the Advocate, and thought the N. C. Conference should be the banner conference in subscriptions.

Rev. S. B. Turrentine, president of Greensboro College for Women, was introduced and it was announced that he would conduct the opening devotional service on Thursday morning. The Bishop announced that he wished to place an emphasis on worship.

The following were appointed assistant statistical secretaries: J. M. Ormond, T. M. Grant, H. B. Porter, C. B. Culbreth, W. V. McRae, L. D.

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## PROMINENT CHURCHMAN.



Bishop John C. Kilgo, D. D., of Durham, N. C., Who is Expected to Visit the Annual Conference This Week. He Will be the Guest of Judge Stephen C. Bragaw.

## DELIGHTFUL AT HOME ON MONDAY NIGHT

Society had another enjoyable evening on Monday, November the 16th, when Mr. and Mrs. A. D. MacLean were at home to their many friends in honor of Miss Mattie Laughinghouse and Miss Frances Dockery, both of these charming young ladies being prospective brides. Miss Laughinghouse is to be married to Mr. George Horace Rowland on November the 25th, and Miss Dockery is to wed Mr. Cornelius Waddell early in the new year.

The spacious home was a scene of unparalleled beauty on this occasion. At the door to receive the cards stood little Misses Martha MacLean and Señora Jennette, while on the stair way Misses Sallie Cowell and Mary MacLean directed the guests to the dressing room. The guests of the gentlemen were attended to by Master Angus MacLean, Jr. and Mrs. A. M. Dumay welcomed the incoming guests in the most beautiful in its artistic decorations of green and white.

Capt. and Mrs. Geo. Leach greeted them at the parlor door. Here Hon. and Mrs. John H. Small, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Gorham and Miss Lida Rodman graciously introduced the gay throng of beautiful women and gallant men to the receiving line. The charming hostess and her genial husband welcomed each one in a warm, cordial manner and introduced the honor guests, Miss Laughinghouse and Miss Dockery. Next in the line stood Mr. Tom Laughinghouse, Miss Maude Windley, Miss Annie L. Worthington, of Bel Air, Md.; Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. M. Worthington, Mrs. W. S. Martin, of Asheville, N. C.; Col. and Mrs. W. H. Williams, Miss Mary Virginia Bonner and Judge and Mrs. Stephen Bragaw. Misses Annie and Jennie Cox piloted the guests to the dining room, which was a bower of beauty with its decorations of red and green, beautifully carried out in the holly and red candles.

Mrs. Frank Moss, Miss Bettie Harvey and Miss Eva Ballard, assisted by a bevy of maidens fair, did the honors in this room.

At the entrance to the library Mr. Charles Cowell and Miss Mary Cowell pointed the way to another delightful rendezvous, the festive punch bowl, presided over by Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Jennette, Mrs. Frank H. Short and Miss Bess Boyd. One stopped to quaff this delicious nectar, and remained to enjoy the witty conversation and sprightly humor of those gathered around it. Pink and white were the prevailing colors of the decorations of this room. Miss Elizabeth Warren skillfully manipulating the victrola, delighted the assembled crowd with many choice selections.

After lingering long and enjoying all these things, the guest bade their hosts good night, and returned home full of praise for the charming manner in which they had been entertained.

## NEW BISHOP CONSECRATED IN SEE CITY

Rev. T. C. Darst, Bishop-elect of the Diocese of East Carolina, has decided to be consecrated to his office in the See city of the Diocese, Wilmington, N. C. The consecration service will take place in St. James' Episcopal church in that city either in December or January. It was hoped that Bishop Darst would choose Washington, inasmuch as he was elected by the special council which convened here in October. He thinks otherwise, and, of course, while regrets are being expressed that the bishop-elect did not select Washington as the place of his consecration it is gratifying to know that the consecration will take place in the diocese of East Carolina.

## The Program For Tonight Of Interest

A most interesting service is billed for tonight at the First M. E. church at 7:30 o'clock. The speaker of the evening will be Dr. H. M. Hamill, of Nashville, Tenn., who has an enviable reputation throughout the Southern States in his line of work.

The Sunday School Board will have charge of the services and such men as Dr. Hamill and others, who are connected with this work, means that the program will not only be interesting as well as profitable. All the citizens of the city have a cordial invitation to attend.

**NO PRAYER MEETING.**

On account of the meeting of the North Carolina Conference in this city this week, Rev. R. V. Hope, pastor of the Christian church, announces that there will be no prayer meeting service in his church this evening.

## GIFT FROM AFAR FOR BELGIANS

The Belgium Fund took a big jump today toward the one hundred dollar mark.

A gift of special note comes from Mr. O. J. Peed, of Aurora.

The following letter, which accompanied the check, shows such a fine spirit that the Daily News takes pleasure in publishing it. The letter follows:  
"Mr. J. G. Bragaw, Jr., Treasurer:  
"Dear Sir: Enclosed you will find check for \$1.00 as a gift to those homeless Belgians. I wish that I was able to give more; I don't feel able to give this. But I know that times are hard with us and is much more so with these homeless souls. I wish that every one that could would help them."  
"O. J. PEED,  
"Aurora, N. C."

The Address Book Club has donated \$5.00 to the fund. This is a great help so far as the contribution from Washington is concerned.

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## THE CROWNING ATTRACTION OF THE SEASON

Without doubt, Oliver Merosco will have the mantle of "premiere producer" placed upon his shoulders in the near future. By his painstaking method of choosing plays and players he has given to the American public unusual attractions of superior merit, and has jumped into the theatrical limelight in the past few years with such rapidity that today he stands alone as America's foremost producer. Two years ago he produced at the Cort Theatre, New York, J. Hartley Manners' comedy of sweetness, "Peg O' My Heart," with Laurette Taylor in the title role, where it continued for 604 consecutive performances. Nearly half a million dollars have been poured into Mr. Merosco's coffers during the past year from the success of this play. He will have fifteen attractions on the boards, including "Peg O' My Heart," with Doris Moore as "Peg" and the same perfect cast that charmed us here last season. "Peg" and "Michael" are coming to the New Theatre in the very near future.

## A. G. SHAVERDER FELL DEAD YESTERDAY

Mr. A. G. Shavender, who resides on his farm near the town of Pantego, N. C., fell dead at his home yesterday. The funeral will take place at Trinity church cemetery, Chocowinity, N. C., tomorrow morning and will be conducted by Rev. N. Harding, rector of St. Peter's church, this city.

The remains will arrive here tomorrow via the Norfolk Southern from Belhaven and will be taken immediately afterwards to the cemetery. Mr. Shavender was one of the best known citizens of Beaufort county and at the time of his death was 73 years of age. He was a brave Confederate soldier and fought all during the four years of the war. He leaves a widow and nine children to mourn their loss. The news of his sudden death will be learned with regret.

## ENTERTAINS IN HONOR OF BIRTHDAY

Miss Louise Henderson delightfully entertained a number of her friends at her home on market street Tuesday evening in honor of her fifteenth birthday.

Those present were: Misses Cassie Lewis, Gladys Allgood, Blanche Allgood (Reva Jefferson, Mary MacLevitt, Clara Burgess, Mildred Smith, Kathleen Jackson, Helen Henderson; Messrs. Harvey Burgess, Robt. Cole, James McKeel, Clarence Dillard, Johnnie Wilkinson, R. Willis, Len Dowdy, Frank Lewis, Bill Bailey, Bonner, Jefferson and Robt. Henderson.

**ACCEPTS POSITION.**  
Mr. J. D. Oneal has accepted a position as salesman with the firm of Powell & Ellsworth, where he will be pleased to see his many friends.

## SPECIALS For All This Week

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| Armour's Star Hams, per lb. . . . .             | 19c     |
| Morgan & Gray F. F. V. Hams, per lb. . . . .    | 19c     |
| Pure Sweet Print Butter, per lb. . . . .        | 35c     |
| Arbuckle's Coffee, Per Pound. . . . .           | 20c     |
| Filson's Club Coffee, worth 50c lb. at. . . . . | 40c     |
| Full Cream Cheese, Per Pound. . . . .           | 20c     |
| Borden's Eagle Brand Milk, per can . . . . .    | 15c     |
| Monogram Corn, per can . . . . .                | 10c     |
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## DAUGHTERS WILL MEET TOMORROW

The annual meeting of the Pamlico Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock in the rooms of the Public Library.

The election of officers and the payment of dues for the year 1915 and other important business will be transacted. Every member of the chapter is urged to be present.

**GUEST OF W. H. RUSS.**  
Rev. R. E. Pittman, of Bridgeton, N. C., who is attending the M. E. Conference, is the guest of Mr. W. H. Russ on East Second street.

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