

ORDINATION SERVICES AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Splendid Sermons Sunday—Thirty New Members Received—
The Church Greatly Strengthened Spiritually.

A splendid congregation participated in the celebration of the Lord's Supper at the Presbyterian church Sunday morning, using for the first time the handsome individual communion service, the gift of Dr. F. R. Wilkins. Three new members were received into the communion of the church and many new faces were in the congregation.

At the conclusion of the morning service a congregational meeting elected Messrs. S. E. Blackburn and Thomas G. Stone, as Ruling Elders and Messrs. W. P. Hall, Jr., H. R. Camnitz and J. H. Crawford as Deacons. These new officers were ordained and installed at the evening service, Rev. J. S. Wood assisting the pastor. Mr. Wood delivered a sincere and earnest charge to officers-elect and his timely message was enjoyed by another large congregation. Stanley C. Hall and Thomas Griffin were appointed ushers for December.

At the conclusion of the night service the board of deacons, consisting of the three newly elected officers and Dr. F. R. Wilkins, was organized and Mr. J. H. Crawford was elected chairman, Mr. W. P. Hall, Jr., secretary-treasurer. An "Every Member Canvass" was inaugurated at the morning service and large numbers of the cards were filled and returned at night.

Miss Claire Reid submitted a Christmas Pageant which will be produced the night before Christmas by the Sunday School. This will be a "Giving Christmas" and the gifts brought to Jesus will be turned over to the Family Welfare Association.

Thirty new members have been received into the church since September, an Auxiliary with 14 members and Christian Endeavor with 20 members organized. It is hoped after January 1 to install a full-time resident pastor.

Services at this church next Sunday will be held at the Sunday School hour, 10 a. m., with classes for all ages. The Christian Endeavor Society will meet immediately after Sunday school. Prayer meetings will be conducted by the pastor Wednesday evening followed by meeting of the Session and Board of Deacons.

MR. B. H. WILKINS RETURNS TO FOREST CITY

Mr. B. H. Wilkins has sold his interest in the Harris Supply Co., at Harris and is returning to Forest City, where he will again be connected with the Cyclone Auction Co.

Mr. Wilkins also recently sold his interest in the Moss Furniture Co., building to Mr. Chas. Moss.

BOX SUPPER

There will be a box supper at Floyd's Creek schoolhouse Saturday night, Dec. 17, at 7:30 o'clock. The proceeds will be used to pay on the new church piano. Everybody invited.

BASKETBALL

The basketball season will open Friday night, Dec. 11th, at 7 o'clock at Cool Springs High School building. The first game will be played between the High School and Forest City town team. Every one is invited to attend and no admission will be charged at this game. On Tuesday night, Dec. 15th, Forest City will play Gastonia here. The games will be played in the High School building and the admission will be 25c.

MRS. CHARLOTTE MAY DIES AT RIPE OLD AGE

Mrs. Charlotte May, aged 92 years, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. M. Kendrick, in this city, Sunday morning. Her death was caused from heart trouble and the infirmities of old age.

Mrs. May had been a widow since the Civil War. She leaves two children, J. P. May and Mrs. F. M. Kendrick.

The burial took place at Concord Monday following funeral service by Dr. W. A. Ayers.

COMMUNITY SINGING AT HIGH SCHOOL

Class Basketball Championship
Decided — Kiwanis Club
Gives Silver Loving Cup.

Friday night, December 18, will be a great day for the music lovers of Cool Springs Township and surrounding communities. It has been arranged for all the choirs of Forest City churches to be present with the grammar grade and high school glee clubs at the high school building to sing Christmas carols and folk songs. Miss Mary Wilder, the music supervisor, will be in charge of this work. All members of church choirs and glee clubs are requested to meet at the high school building Friday evening at 8 p. m., for practice.

The Cool Springs High School will play the Forest City Athletic Club a game of basketball Friday, Dec. 11, at 7 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend this game. There will be no admission to this game. After the game the practice of the choirs and glee clubs will take place.

The inter-class basketball championship series which has been put on by the athletic management at the Cool Springs High School has proven a marked success. The four grades in the high school were each represented by strong teams that put up some scrappy games considering the fact that no practice previous to the games was had. In the first game the freshmen defeated the sophomores 26 to 20. The seniors defeated the juniors 36 to 14 in the second game. In the third contest the seniors were again victorious over the freshmen by a score of 21 to 11, while the sophs trounced the juniors by a 37 to 14 score. In the fifth game the freshmen scored 18 points to 8 for the juniors. The seniors secured 13 points in the sixth while the sophs were running up 12. Each team having played every other team the winner was decided on a percentage of games won and lost.

The seniors have been declared winner on their record, will be awarded a silver loving cup given by the Forest City Kiwanis Club. This will be kept in the school and the winning class will have its name and date of winning engraved upon same. The cup will be formally presented at chapel at some suitable date in the near future. In presenting this cup the Kiwanis Club has taken another step in carrying out its motto, "We Build," which will not only stimulate the building up of better athletic teams in the school but will serve notice to the boys that the club is interested and backing up their physical as well as mental development.

PADGETT-NORRIS WEDDING

The following account of the Padgett-Norris wedding is taken from the Hendersonville News:

Miss Nell Padgett and Wesley Norris were married on December the first at the First Baptist church, Dr. E. E. Bomar reading the ceremony before the immediate families. Miss Padgett wore a becoming afternoon gown fashioned of black velvet, with becoming hat of same lovely material. These young people are associated with Laurel Park Estates, the bride as the soloist for their concerts and the groom the pianist in the Fulcher orchestra. Just now they are at home at the Marlborough with the happiest wishes for a successful wedded life from many friends made during their short residence here. Mrs. Norris is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Padgett of Forest City, an attractive young lady possessing an unusually pretty voice. Mr. Norris is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Norris of Augusta, Ga.

SUCH IS THE FAITH OF MEN

By A. B. CHAPIN



DEATH COMES TO MRS. J. H. FRANCIS

End Comes Dec. 2, After Several Months' Illness.

Caroleen, Dec. 7.—The community was saddened last Wednesday to hear of the death of Mrs. J. H. Francis, which occurred at her home in Coopersville Wednesday morning, December 2, 1925. She had been seriously sick for several months. Everything possible was done to relieve her suffering. Funeral services were held in the Caroleen Baptist church and she was laid to rest in the Henrietta-Carleen cemetery. Services were conducted by her former pastor, Rev. W. T. Tate and Rev. A. R. Waters. Rev. Tate read the 31st chapter of Proverbs beginning with the 10th verse: "Who can find a virtuous woman: for her price is far above rubies." "I feel that this scripture in most every verse is applicable to sister Francis."

Members of the mothers class sang "Beautiful Land."
Mrs. Onnie L. Watson Francis was born forty-nine years ago. Joined the church when she was a small girl. Twenty-five years ago she married J. H. Francis. To this union seven children were born. Three of the children died while babies. The other four are living. One boy, three girls. Besides four children she leaves a husband, father, two sisters and two brothers.

"She has been connected with every department of our church. She has been leader of the Woman's Missionary Society; leader of the Sunbeams; leader of R. A.'s and G. A.'s; leader of our organized work on special occasions. She has been much concerned about our teacher training courses. She wanted to complete her course while in bed under my direction. Said she did not expect to get well, but wanted to keep working. She wanted all our organizations to grow and she rejoiced in church activities. Some folks do not go to church when they are well. She would do the reverse. She made herself believe that she was able to go to church when she was not expected to live. She has left you with a wonderful heritage. More is expected of son and daughters.

Rev. A. R. Waters closed the services with appropriate remarks on her consecrated christian life.
Mrs. Francis leaves a host of sorrowing friends. Our sympathy with the bereaved family.

Do your Christmas shopping at the Fair Store and save money.

MT. PLEASANT NEWS FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

Forest City, R-2, Dec. 8.—We still continue to have cold weather.

Mrs. Jane Lovelace, of Boiling Springs, spent a few days last week with Mr. C. M. Holland.

Mr. A. G. Randall and daughter, Miss Mamie, spent Sunday with Mr. L. D. Wilkie and family.

Misses Mallie, Reba and Pauline Matheny spent Sunday with Misses Dee and Pauline Toms.

Mrs. L. M. McSwain and daughter, Miss Minnie and Mrs. K. P. Hamrick were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Holland one day last week.

We welcome Mr. Sumner and family into our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Randall spent the week-end with Mr. A. G. Randall and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Randall visited at Mr. T. J. Tom's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hicks Hamrick and children were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. K. P. Hamrick last Wednesday. Mrs. J. O. Toms is on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chivous Tate spent Sunday with Mr. Tate's father near Ellenboro.

BOSTIC NEWS

Bostic, Dec. 8.—Mr. Frank McKeithan is building a new house out on the highway near Mr. Joe Padgett's.

The people of Bostic were glad when the county road machine came over to work out the streets of the town. The town is doing additional work towards tpoising the roads.

The people of Bostic will be glad when the new barber shop building is completed here.

A large audience enjoyed the "Old Maid's Club" play given at the school auditorium Saturday night, Dec. 5, 1925.

We are looking forward with pleasure to the time when Professor J. G. Michael will be a resident in our town again.

Mr. J. M. Hollifield is doing additional building to his garage in Bostic.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Catham have moved from Johnson City to Bostic.

Mr. Frank McKeithan's baby has been in the hospital at Charlotte. It is now at home doing nicely.

Mr. Handy Phillips, of Bakerville, is visiting his brother, Mr. Wate Phillips of Bostic.

Mr. George Wright and Mr. Fay Doty and wife and children of near Ellenboro were visiting relatives in Bostic Sunday.

Miss Eunice Hollifield spent the

Many Are Tithing

Those who attended the service at the First Baptist church last Sunday witnessed a most unusual scene. About seventy-five members of the church stood and declared their purpose to give one-tenth of their incomes to the cause of Christ through the church. Many of the members have been tithing for the past year and this accounts, in part at least, for the fact that the church raised more money last year than in any previous year of its regular work. The spirit is spreading and others are entering the ranks of the tithers.

The Glee Club

That was a fine piece of work which the senior B. Y. P. U. did in bringing the Wake Forest Glee Club to Forest City. Those who attended the entertainment and the attendance was large, were enthusiastic in their expressions of appreciation. The B. Y. P. U. wishes to thank the people of the city for their liberal support.

A reception was given by the B. Y. P. U. to the Glee Club at the Cafeteria of the new High School building. The senior class of the high school, the hostesses of the young men of the club and the Senior B. Y. P. U. and others were present. A refreshing punch course was served and everybody had a most delightful time.

New S. S. Building

The new Sunday School Building will be erected. Some surprising facts will be given out Sunday. All the members are asked to be present to hear these surprising statements.

The regular services will be held Sunday as usual. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Preaching by the pastor 11:00 a. m. and 7:00 p. m. Junior and Intermediate B. Y. P. U.'s 2:30 p. m.

Senior B. Y. P. U. Tuesday night 7:30. Mid-week service Wednesday night at 7:00 o'clock. All are welcomed to these services.

The piano pupils of Miss Louise Wilkie will be heard in a recital at the school auditorium on Tuesday, Dec. 15, at 7:30. No admission will be charged. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Miss Cary Johnson and Velsie Fouch went visiting to Toe Cave, N. C., during Thanksgiving holidays.

Miss Ruth Hollifield spent the day Sunday with Miss Vernie Hefner at Bostic yard.

FAMILY WELFARE ASSOCIATION WORK NOW UNDER WAY

Over \$1,500 in Money and
Pledges Secured in Drive—
Activities of Association.

The executive committee of the Family Welfare Association met in regular monthly session Monday night in Kiwanis Hall. Those attending were Mrs. G. P. Reid, vice-president; Mrs. J. H. Thomas, chairman district No. 4; Mrs. S. V. Hooker, chairman district No. 3; Mrs. C. E. Alcock, chairman district No. 1; Mrs. Miller, Mr. J. W. Webb; sec.-treas. and Rev. G. R. Gillespie, president.

The secretary-treasurer submitted a tabulated report of what had been accomplished on Tag Day and Canvas Day which was received and adopted. The report follows:

Mrs. J. H. Thomas, Dist. 4	
Pledges and cash	\$ 637.26
Mrs. S. V. Hooker, Dist. 3	
Pledges and cash	129.45
Mrs. C. E. Alcock, Dist. 1	
Pledges and cash	129.45
Mrs. B. B. Doggett, Dist. 2	
Pledges and cash	369.48
Mr. E. G. Lee, High School	
Pledges and cash	20.97
Mr. A. C. Finch, Gram. mar school	13.59

Total amount cash and pledges \$1,300.20

With at least \$200 more to be reported the final figures of the drive for the poor and needy of the city will be about \$1,500. This does not include the large quantities of food stuffs donated on Thanksgiving Day by the Grammar and High Schools of the city, which was distributed to needy families.

One hospital case and one home patient in need of aid were reported and the necessary relief ordered.

The president was instructed to appear before the next meeting of the City Council and assure the city fathers and police of the hearty co-operation of this organization in law enforcement and any effort of theirs which will clean our town of vagrants, loafers, gamblers and liquor peddlers. The organization also endorsed the inaugurating of a Recorder's Court, provided the right man was elected or appointed recorder.

The president commended very highly the untiring and efficient efforts of the chairmen and their helpers in the city-wide canvas for funds. These splendid women of our town should be accorded the appreciation and gratitude of all Forest City for the magnificent work they have done, not only in the interests of the poor and needy, but for the real satisfaction they have brought to the entire city by their zeal and faithfulness. We owe them the full sympathy of all our citizens and public opinion should so back up law enforcement that their work shall have not been in vain, that bootleggers and vagrants can not share in the charity they have worked so hard to make possible. The men who protect, patronize and harbor these vicious petty criminals are far worse than the culprits themselves. The policeman can arrest the criminal but he is powerless to reach the "higher-up" who protects him, unless, the good citizens of Forest City want him to. Forest City is going to be no better or no worse than the citizens want it to be and it is time to say to these undesirable clean-up or clean-out.

All Sunday school classes or other organizations giving Christmas cheer to families who are in need are requested to either make their contributions through this Association or to use this Association as a clearing house and report the names of those so helped, in order that there may be no overlapping on the part of the Association and these other organizations. The "hit and miss" plan of giving will give all to some and nothing to others. Get your names from Mr. J. W. Webb and report those so helped to him.

If it is a bargain you want in a good dress, coat, or suit you will find it at The Fair Store.