

HISTORY OF BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Constituted in 1847—Present Building, Which is Third Since Organized, Dedicated Sunday.

The following sketch of the Bethel Baptist church, of Ellenboro, was read last Sunday by Hon. G. B. Pruett, as a part of the dedicatory program of the church:

Bethel Baptist Church.
Bethel Baptist church was constituted in the year 1847 at Ellenboro, N. C., with nineteen members, namely: George Hamrick, W. H. Harding, Levi Vevins, John Huckaby, Thomas Dowe, Jason Hamrick, Jesse Wright, Jeremiah Webb, James P. Webb, Jessie O. Webb, Jessie Walker, Drilla Webb, Artimissia Hardin, Adrilla Wright, Elizabeth Wilson, Sarah Prichards, Mary Hamrick, Mary Wilson and Mary Hardin.

A presbytery representing the following churches constituted Bethel: Sandy Run, Concord, Camp Creek, Double Springs, High Shoals and Walls.

The first deacons of Bethel were G. R. Hamrick and W. H. Hardin. The first clerk was W. H. Hardin. This church was organized through the labors of Elders Dove Pannell and William Harrill.

The first church was constructed of logs.

Pastors.
Elder William Harrill was first called to the pastorate for a few years. In 1855 Dove Pannell had charge for a time. Then William McSwain for a year. Then Pannell again until 1860. Then Elder J. H. Yarboro was pastor in 1867; Pannell in 1868; T. J. Campbell until 1873; J. J. Jones until 1874; Pannell again in 1875. A. A. McSwain served in 1879, 1880 and 1881; T. Dixon in 1882; A. A. McSwain again in 1883 and 1884. A. P. Hollifield was pastor in 1885 and 1886; Z. D. Harrill in 1887, 1888; G. M. Webb in 1889; Z. D. Harrill in 1890; 1891; G. W. Rollins in 1892 and

1893. B. M. Bridges served in 1894, 1895 and 1896; R. L. Limrick from 1897 to 1902; Z. D. Harrill 1903 to 1909; B. M. Hamrick 1909 to 1910; J. M. Hamrick in 1911; B. M. Bridges again in 1912 and 1913; R. L. Limrick, 1914; D. J. Hunt from 1915 to 1923, followed by Z. D. Harrill from 1924 to 1928. I. D. Harrill, the present pastor, was elected in 1929.

The second clerk of the church was D. N. Hamrick. The third clerk was G. B. Pruett, followed by the present clerk, G. L. Jones.

This church built its second house of worship in the year 1881, which was a frame building.

Bethel was a member of the Broad River Association and later joined the Kings Mountain Association, and in 1890 the Sandy Run Association was organized in this church of which it is now a member.

The third house of worship was built in 1921. It is built of brick. This church now has 455 members on its books and a Sunday school enrollment of 287 members.

The present board of deacons of Bethel are: G. B. Pruett, J. T. Wilson, A. M. McKinney, W. C. Stockton, C. O. Hamrick, J. M. Jones, S. A. Pruett and G. F. Blanton. The present pastor is Rev. I. D. Harrill, and the present clerk is G. L. Jones.

"EAST IS WEST" AT HORN'S THEATRE

One of the popular offerings at Horn's Theatre this week will be "East is West," which will be shown Friday and Saturday. Featured in this great picture will be Lupe Velez, Lewis Ayers and Edward J. Robinson. The fiery Lupe Velez as "Ming Toy," the geisha girl, is sold into bondage as the love boat sails. Lewis Ayers finds forbidden love in the little stranger's eyes and reaches the climax in this wistful, exciting romance with a tremendous surprise climax.

Horn's will offer a super program for the Christmas season with an extra attraction for midnight show on the 31st.

Q. S. STORES UNIT ELECTS OFFICERS

Enthusiastic Meeting of Cleveland-Rutherford Unit Held Here Monday Evening.

About forty representatives of the stores included in the Cleveland Rutherford Unit of the Quality Service Stores of America met here Monday evening in the city hall in an enthusiastic meeting. Plans for the new year were laid, and closer organization and co-operation of the stores in the unit were urged.

At a meeting held Tuesday evening, December 9, at Ellenboro, new officers for the unit were chosen, as follows: president, John S. McKnight, wholesale groceryman, of Shelby; vice-president, B. D. Wilson, wholesale groceryman, of Rutherford. A temporary advertising committee was chosen at this time, consisting of J. Cal. Williams, of Rutherford; R. B. Keeter and T. B. Mauney, of Shelby.

Agents Conference Was School Of Economics

The economics of farming and the outlook for the year 1931 was the theme of all discussions, studies and speeches before the annual agricultural extension conference held at State college last week.

Particular emphasis was placed on the need to reduce the acreage of cotton and tobacco. The agents not only heard of the world economic situation from one of the Nation's leading experts, Dr. L. H. Bean of the Department of Agricultural Economics at Washington; but, they also heard of the need readjustment from North Carolina's agricultural Governor O. Max Gardner, and from representatives of the Federal Farm Board and State college experts.

A new idea in the live-at-home program was voiced by President E. C. Brooks when he said the cost of maintaining the huge army of persons who live by exchanging or dealing in farm commodities had

grown so great that for them to live meant for agriculture to die. He therefore urged the agents to help their farmers in growing less of the things which must be sold or exchanged for cash and to reduce the cost of this exchange by co-operation in buying and selling. He urged a further development of curb and local markets.

W. F. Schilling, dairy representative on the Federal Farm Board, made one of the great speeches of the conference, in the opinion of the agents. He told a graphic story of the dairy development in southern Minnesota and gave facts about the 642 co-operative creameries of that section to show how the owners and producers make money and save money through growing and milking cows. A. F. Lever, former congressman from South Carolina, and author of the Smith-Lever Extension Act, was another outstanding speaker who urged a reduction in cotton acreage next season.

LEADER STORE OPENS.

Jack's Leader store, closed temporarily, re-opened Wednesday of this week. Jack's many friends are glad to see him back in the old stand. They are busily engaged now in getting ready for the holiday trade.

Why Red Ink Is Used

The use of red ink by many banks, particularly savings banks, to note the interest is simply a matter of convenience, the interest being more easily distinguished from the principal sum by being written in colored ink. Any color preferred may be used, or it is not necessary to use a different color.

Why "Sons of Han"

The Chinese people are sometimes called "sons of Han," from Han, the founder of the twenty-sixth Chinese dynasty, with which modern history begins.

Why Sun Causes Sneezing

Gazing at the sun causes a person to sneeze because the gazing stimulates certain nerves in the eyes and perhaps in the nose.

Thanks! Willis Towery Post

The Family Welfare Association is the recipient of a check for \$50.00 from the Willis Towery Post, No. 74, American Legion, of Forest City. Although the drive for funds, clothing, etc., was not put on until Thursday (today) this check was received by Mrs. C. E. Alcock Monday through the mail and it made her as happy as though the check was for her personally.

The Welfare Association is already having calls for aid, but until this check came, there being no funds in the treasury, it was impossible to help any one until after the drive on Thursday, Dec. 18. We were informed today by a prominent business man that a lady came into his store Monday asking for aid and he informed her of the Welfare Association and where its headquarters were, but this was not what she was looking for, but went to each place of business begging. Now let each business man come forward as the Willis Towery Post has done and then they too can in all freedom and fairness direct those asking for aid to the Family Welfare Association. Willis Towery Post No. 74 "our hats are off to you."—Thanks.
—D. C. A.

Why Red Paint Was Popular

Red paint was a favorite medium of prehistoric artists who painted animals and men on cavern walls, probably because red was identified with life blood and therefore had a significance in magical rites.

Why "Private" Soldier

A "private" soldier is so called from the time when civilians not in public office or employment were private persons, and the term was extended to soldiers without rank.

Why Road Is Turnpike

Turnpike is another name for toll-gate, and the name was applied to roads upon which tolls were collected.

Why Iron Is Colder

Iron feels colder than wood because metals are good conductors of heat, whereas wood is a poor conductor.

How to Restore Glass
A glass dish ruined by having hard water stand in it continuously may be cleaned by filling with sour milk and allowing to stand a day and a night, discloses a correspondent in Successful Farming. The glass should then be washed, after which it will be found that the original luster is restored.

How Error Gave City Name
Translated, "Rio de Janeiro" means River of January. An early explorer, De Sousa, sailed into the bay upon the first of January. He thought it was a river and gave it the name. The city took its name from the bay.

How to Clean Fine Glass
Use eggshells to wash bottles or vinegar cruets. Crush them fine, put them into the cruets with warm, soapy water and shake well. This will clean the finest glass without scratching it.

How "Henri" Became "Harry"
The name "Harry" evolved from Henry through our ancestors' difficulty with the French nasal "n." Thus Henri, or Henry, became Harry; then Harry.

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GIFTS "HE" WILL PRAISE

- FOUNTAIN PEN SETS
- CIGARS
- SMOKING SETS
- CIGARETTES
- PIPES
- BILL FOLDS
- TOURISTS SETS
- KEY CASES
- PIPE SETS
- FLASHLIGHTS
- TOBACCO POUCH
- SHAVING SETS
- PARKER PEN SETS
- MILITARY BRUSHES
- RAZORS
- THERMOS BOTTLE
- CIGAR CASE
- LUNCH KIT

GIFTS "SHE" WILL APPRECIATE

- IVORY TOILET SET
- KARESS PERFUME SET
- FIANCEE PERFUME SET
- LADIES' HAND BAG
- COTY'S PERFUME
- HOUBIGANT'S PERFUME
- MOTTOES
- LADIES' PEN AND PENCIL SETS
- MANICURE SETS
- COMPACTS
- BATH POWDER
- PERFUMIZER
- BRIDGE SET
- HOT WATER BOTTLE
- CHRISTMAS CARDS

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