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PLAN CAMPAIGN OF MISSIONARY EDUCATION WORK

Pastors And Missionary Committees Will Get Busy.

As Result of Two Days' Conference It Is Decided to Push Every Member Canvass, Have Special Sermons by Pastors and Addresses by Laymen and To Hold Anniversary Service Next January—Also Decided to Put Secretary in Field—Closing Session of Conference.

As a result of the two days' conference of pastors and missionary committees held in this city, which closed last night, it has been decided to push the every member canvass with the view of enlisting every church member in the city in foreign mission work and to conduct a large amount of educational work between the present time and the first of the year, when it is planned to hold an anniversary conference. It was also decided last night to put a secretary in the field, nearly \$800 having already been subscribed for this work.

As was announced yesterday morning the subject last night was "The Best Method of Missionary Education." This was taken up and a large number of the laymen and pastors present made suggestions as to the things a member of a missionary committee should know in order that he can do the work assigned him. After a short discussion Mr. J. Campbell White called on Mr. C. H. Pratt to take charge and he brought out many interesting facts, these coming largely from the men present. The work this year is one of education. Mr. Pratt said, and we must make this work more productive than the work of last year. He compared the work of the great conference as with the following of ground preparatory to the planting of the crop, the educational work being likened to the tilling of the soil after the crop has been planted in order to secure the largest possible yield. We have not to get this matter wedded into the heart and life of the church if we would make it a success, he said. He took up the matter of holding monthly missionary meetings and after a discussion practically every one present agreed to endeavor to convert one prayer meeting each month into a missionary meeting. It was also decided to try to organize mission study classes and to hold quarterly meetings conducted by laymen in all the churches. He then took up the several kinds of literature to be used and many suggestions were made. Mr. Pratt urged that each church patronize the church publication and also use "Men and Missions."

It was pointed out by one of the laymen that one of the fundamental principles in the work is that one must be acquainted with the subject he is speaking about and must have the conviction that what he is saying is true. Another great principle is that of prayer. Another thing was that he must practice what he preaches. Then the use of charts is a great advantage for, said Mr. White, men are taught a great deal through the eye. The charts and maps carried by the workers were suggested as a forcible means of enlightening the people.

The executive committee here made its report, which was unanimously adopted. Mr. Sam Browne suggested that it would be a good idea to have several laymen from here to nearby towns to tell the laymen of those churches what had been learned during the conference here. Mr. White then spoke a few words of encouragement to the workers, laying especial stress on the importance of everyone going about the work prayerfully. The conference was closed with a brief prayer by Mr. White.

The report of the executive committee follows:

"The Conference of Pastors and Missionary Committees Men to the number of nearly one hundred, assembled for the consideration of the best methods of disseminating and extending the missionary spirit among our churches, record our deep gratitude to God for his signal blessing upon our efforts during the past year and solemnly resolve to continue

the work as God may give us wisdom and strength.

The Laymen's Missionary Conference in Greensboro last January led to an increase in the subscriptions of our churches to Foreign Missionary work from \$7,304 per year to over \$20,000 per year, or from an average of \$1.20 per church member to an average of \$3.28 per member. Alongside of this work there has been splendid increase in the contributions to various other causes. We believe that the Laymen's Missionary Conference also prepared the way for the remarkable success of the canvass for a new Y. M. C. A. building in Greensboro, for which \$85,000 was subscribed within a single week. This one object has thus secured more than three times the total amount contributed by our churches for Foreign Missions annually, and illustrates afresh the principle that with an enlarged missionary spirit every Christian enterprise is substantially benefited. In view of the fact that the churches of Greensboro expend annually for Christian work in America about \$100,000, we reiterate our conviction expressed at the convention that their contributions to the evangelization of the vast non-Christian world should be still further increased until they are equal at least to one-fourth of the total amount contributed for all church purposes.

"We find on careful examination that even now, after the special efforts of the past year, not over 60 per cent. of our church members are systematic contributors to the work of missions. For the sake of our church members themselves, as well as for the sake of Christ and the needy world, we believe that our efforts should be earnestly and prayerfully directed to securing definite subscriptions from the remaining 40 per cent. of our church members, together with as many adherents of our congregations as can be enlisted. We call very serious attention to what we regard as a great and fundamental mistake, viz: for the heads of families to subscribe for their whole families, instead of each member of the family being led to make a definite personal subscription, to the work of evangelizing the world. The grace of giving and the habit of giving should be cultivated and developed in every individual life. This grace and this habit can be developed far more easily in childhood and youth than in maturer years. We therefore set before ourselves the purpose of enlisting absolutely the whole church membership as individual, systematic and proportionate givers according to the Scriptural principles enunciated in 1 Corinthians 16:2.

"Out of our experience during the past year, we desire to endorse strongly the characteristic features of the Standard Missionary church as emphasized by the Laymen's Missionary Movement, viz:

1. A missionary pastor.
2. A missionary committee.
3. A missionary Sunday school.
4. A program of prayer for missions.
5. Systematic missionary education.
6. An every-member canvass for missions.
7. The weekly offering for missions.
8. As an immediate working policy, we recommend

- (1). That a serious attempt be made by the missionary committees of all our churches to complete their canvass for individual subscriptions to missions, with the definite aim of enlisting every member as a subscriber.
- (2) That as a preparation for this work, a farther campaign of education be conducted in all our churches, before the anniversary of the convention in 1911, including sermons by pastors, interchange of pulpits where practicable, public addresses by laymen, midweek services for conference and prayer, distribution of literature, etc.
- (3) That this conference recommends most earnestly to men the mission study class method of becoming informed about missions, and undertake to organize at once as many men's mission study classes as possible.
- (4) That we emphasize anew the importance of each missionary committee spending one evening every month in the prayerful discussion of the work, including not only the missionary finances of the congregation, but the promotion of missionary intelligence and habitual prayer for missions among the whole church membership.
- (5) That three times a year, at times to be selected by the executive committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, a conference be arranged of all pastors and missionary committees, with carefully arranged programs, for discussion and prayer concerning the supremely important interests committed to our leadership.
- (6) That a suitable anniversary of the great convention of last January be arranged by the executive committee.

"(7) That an executive secretary be employed to assist in extending the methods and spirit of this movement in North Carolina, and that at least \$800 be contributed by Greensboro to the support of this extension work, the hope being that other cities will join in making the work continuous for at least one year."

The Pastor's Conference.

At the pastor's conference yesterday afternoon the chief topic for discussion was regarding the kind of literature the pastor should read in order to better equip himself in the work of furthering the cause of missions. There was a general discussion in which practically every pastor took part, some suggesting the best books on the subject and other suggesting other ways of educating the ministers in this work. Before the meeting closed the following resolutions were unanimously adopted by the ministers:

"That we, the ministers who have been identified with the work of the Laymen's Movement from its beginning in this State; who have followed closely the development and have seen the results of this movement in the lives of individuals and in our church life, wish with the utmost emphasis possible to declare that the fears entertained by some that the Laymen's Movement will impair the influence of the ministry and tend to supplant the minister in his legitimate sphere of activity are without foundation and not warranted by the facts ascertained by our experience. On the other hand we believe that the full and more perfect development of lay activity is at once one of the chief aims of the church's life on earth and the greatest present need. We furthermore assert our conviction that the Laymen's Movement is one of the best means that we know of to reinforce the efforts of the minister in accomplishing this end."

ENJOYABLE SOCIAL GATHERING.

Ladies' Aid Society of Friends' Meeting At Home To Westminster Ladies.

Yesterday afternoon in the Bible school rooms of the Friends' meeting house, Asheboro street, the Woman's Missionary and Aid Society of the meeting entertained the ladies of Westminster Presbyterian church as an expression of appreciation of the hospitality extended the Society of Friends when they were without a home by Westminster church.

Golden rod and autumn leaves and a number of beautiful mountain beauty roses were used in decorating the rooms for the occasion, this being under the direction of Mrs. S. A. Hodgins.

Mrs. Priscilla B. Hackney, president of the society, greeted the guests at the door and ushered them into the rooms. Here a delightful program was carried out, consisting of songs and a study of South American missionary work. This was most interesting.

Each guest was made to feel perfectly at home and the event proved to be a most enjoyable one to each one present to partake of the hospitality of the ladies.

Following the regular program refreshments, consisting of cream, cake and coffee, were served.

BOYS' EXHIBITION.

Interesting Affair To Be Held At Library In November.

The public library will have an exhibition of a novel variety early in November—one that will be open to all ages as visitors, but only boys from 10 to 16 years old will be invited to contribute exhibits.

These exhibits will consist of collections of various kinds owned by boys such as minerals, natural history, Indian curios, etc., and also of articles made by boys, the latter to include among other things any piece of scientific apparatus which they have been able to construct. Boys interested are asked to call at the library for further explanation and as soon as plans are in definite shape prizes will be offered by several friends of the enterprise.

The committee in charge of the exhibition will be: Mr. E. P. Wharton, chairman; Prof. W. C. A. Hammel, Mr. A. T. Vernon, Mr. J. W. Armfield, Miss Bettie Caldwell.

Dedication Deferred.

The new Lutheran church at Burlington will be dedicated on the fourth Sunday of October, instead of the second Sunday as previously announced.

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ERADICATION OF HOOKWORM

Educational Crusade Against Disease.

County Medical Society Tenders Services To Superintendent of Education In Work—Hearty Co-Operation of County Teachers Pledged by Supt. Foust—Able Discussion of Disease by Medical Men Yesterday Afternoon.

Hookworm was the subject for discussion at yesterday's meeting of the Gullford County Medical Society and for more than two hours the disease was discussed from all viewpoints. In addition to the members of the society there were present a number of prominent citizens, including Messrs. Sternberger, Ceasar Cone, Prof. T. R. Foust, and a number of the teachers. The session proved quite interesting and all present, even the laymen, gleaned a store of information that will no doubt prove useful to each one in the future.

As a result of the meeting County Superintendent of Education Thos. R. Foust pledged the hearty co-operation of the public schools of the county in the work of eradicating the disease and the medical society by a unanimous vote proffered the services of each member to Prof. Foust to visit the schools, make lectures at any of the schools and to examine any of the children if necessary. This means that from now on there will be a vigorous crusade against this disease throughout the entire county by educating the people to the necessity of ridding the county of this infection that is sapping the energies of a fourth of the citizenship, according to carefully collected statistics. Already this educational work has been commenced as will be seen from a letter being sent out by Supt. Foust and there is no doubt but that great good will result.

Dr. John A. Ferrell, assistant secretary of the state board of health for the eradication of the hookworm disease, was the first speaker and before delivering his stereopticon lecture made a short address in which he outlined the causes of the disease, the manner in which the body becomes affected by the disease, some of the symptoms and the cure and prevention of the disease. Four waves are spreading over our state, he said. The first, the wave of education, began when Aycock was elected governor. Then there was the wave of temperance and the wave of good roads building. Then came the wave of health and sanitation. While all of the waves were productive of great good and their effects are being felt more and more each day, he said, the wave of health and sanitation, in his mind, would be productive of more good than any of the other three. He then pointed out the fact that the hookworm disease has been discovered in all but two counties in the State and these two have not yet been entered. He spoke of the work already done by the Rockefeller commission and what it hoped to do in the future. A number of slides were used in the stereopticon, showing the worms and eggs in various phases and situations. The lecture was thoroughly entertaining as well as instructive.

Dr. G. F. Ross, of Greensboro, read a paper on "Symptoms, Diagnosis and Treatment of Hookworm," which was heard with interest. He had four subjects before the society and the effects of the disease was plainly visible to the trained eye. In one case even a layman could discern something radically wrong with the patient.

"Personal Observation of Hookworm Disease in Richmond County," was the subject of a paper by Dr. W. F. Cole, of this city, and this was quite instructive, the physician citing a number of cases that had come under his care during his professional career.

Dr. C. S. Grayson, of this city, read a paper on "The Significance of Hookworm Disease." He pointed out among other things that hookworm augments other diseases, especially mentioning typhoid, pellagra and tuberculosis. The disease does more harm in the South than the cotton boll weevil, he said, taking the question from a viewpoint of dollars and cents. He caused an uproar when he said: "Why is it that the South has had no presidential timber for the past several years? It is because the timber is wormeaten."

Then followed a round table discussion, led by Dr. W. P. Beall. He pointed out the fact that the people have

got to be educated to the fact that there is such a thing as hookworm; that many yet hoot at the idea. In this work the country school teacher and the country doctor have got to act as missionaries, he said. Mr. Ceasar Cone was called on and he said that he had learned many things regarding the disease by coming to the meeting and he was sincerely glad he had been given an invitation. Everyone should feel an interest in the eradication of the disease, he said, not only from the standpoint of humanitarianism but from a business standpoint as well. Prof. Thos. R. Foust made a short talk telling of what the Board of Education was already doing and what it proposed to do. He pledged the hearty support of the county teachers. Dr. M. F. Fox thought a physician should be deputized to visit the schools with the county superintendent. Father Vincent Taylor thought it would be wise to enlist the aid of the ministers.

Before adjournment it was moved that the members of the society tender their services to Prof. Foust as stated above.

Following the meeting the nurses of St. Leo's Hospital served a delightful luncheon to the doctors and visitors.

At the next meeting of the society in November "Well Water" will be the subject discussed. In December "Pellagra" will be the subject.

PLEA FOR MORE LIBERAL GIVING TO FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Able Address By J. Campbell White Yesterday Afternoon.

Yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the First Baptist church J. Campbell White, secretary of the Laymen's Movement, delivered an impassioned appeal in behalf of more liberal giving to foreign missions. He was introduced by Rev. Dr. Edmund Harrison.

It is very rarely that one gets the opportunity to hear a speaker of Mr. White's power. A man of fine physique, he has a commanding presence. He is a real orator, his eloquence being the best and most moving kind of all, the eloquence of intense earnestness and conviction.

He began his address by showing that there is but one adequate religion and that is the Christian religion. His comparison of the Christian religion with the Mohammedan, Hindu and Buddhist religion was masterly.

The platform of the Laymen's Movement—the evangelization of the world in this generation—was explained by the speaker. This did not mean, he said, the conversion of the world, but the giving of every person in the world a chance to accept Jesus as his savior. It was no chimerical scheme, he declared. He cited the instance of missionaries in India saying that if their number were quadrupled they could reach all of India in this generation and similarly that it would only be necessary to treble the number of missionaries in China.

Now was the time to act—not one of the millions in darkness could afford to wait.

Greensboro had done nobly, he said, better in fact than any other city, other things being equal and he congratulated this city, but there should be no spirit of self-satisfaction. This city had pledged \$20,000 to foreign missions. It was giving \$100,000 to other benevolences. He said he thought that one fourth of everything given should go to foreign missions.

Mr. White was a lay missionary in India from Ohio for ten years, but came to the conclusion that he could be more effective in America.

He made a deep impression. At times he is dramatic and at all times when he is speaking, his audience listens with the intentness which ability and fervor combined with oratorical gifts of a high order invariably command.

MOTHER OF JUDGE BYNUM DIES AT GERMANTON

Was In Her Eighty Fourth Year and Had Been In Feeble Health For Some Time.

A telegram received yesterday by ex-Judge W. P. Bynum, Jr., brought news of the death, yesterday morning at her home in Germanton, of his mother, Mrs. Charity H. Bynum, widow of the late B. F. Bynum.

For a number of years Mrs. Bynum had made her home with her son, Dr. W. H. Bynum at Germanton. She had been in feeble health for some time, so that her death was not unexpected. She is survived by four children—Judge Bynum, of Greensboro, Dr. Bynum, of Germanton, B. F. Bynum and Mrs. J. L. Hill, the latter of Elon College. She was in her 84th year.

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CASES IN WAKE SUPERIOR COURT

Six Months' Sentence For Abandonment.

J. M. Burton Goes To Roads For Leaving Family—Tom Carr Gets Ten Years For Killing His Sister—Argument In Remarkable Case in State Supreme Court In Which Man Sues Railroad For Being Put Off After Having Tendered Mileage Book.

Raleigh, N. C., Oct. 4.—Judge Cook, in Wake Superior Court this morning gave J. Mitchell Bruton six months on the county roads for abandoning his wife. He was brought here Sunday from Chesterfield, S. C., to answer this charge. He was for some time a conductor on the Raleigh street cars. He pleaded today that he did not abandon his wife, but went away seeking employment. Furthermore that he wrote her to come to him with the family and he never received an answer to his letter. He told the judge that he was married to this woman when he was 18 and she 37 years old; that they had three children and that she had one daughter fifteen years old when he married her. The wife denied the difference in their ages, charging that Bruton is at least ten years older than he claims to be. There was evidence that he had left his family without support several times before, this being the special reason the judge had for giving him the road sentence.

Judge Cooke sentenced Tom Carr to ten years in the penitentiary for killing his sister at their home several miles in the country. Carr pleaded that he was playing with his sister at the time and did not intend to kill her.

There was argument in the Supreme Court today in a notable appeal in which Thomas Harvey, a traveling man, is the plaintiff against the Atlantic Coast Line involving a judgment in the Wayne county court in Harvey's favor for having been put off the train between Wilson and Goldsboro because he would not pay cash fare when he had repeatedly tendered his mileage book at the Wilson office for ticket, the agent being too busy to attend to the matter each time. Harvey insisted that the conductor must pull the mileage for the transportation. The jury had rendered a verdict for \$5,000 and the judge cut this to \$2,500, and still the railroad company appealed. W. C. Monroe represents the railroad company and Aycock & Winston, W. T. Dortch and L. R. Varsler the plaintiff.

The secretary of State charters the Waxhaw Furniture Co., capital \$6,000 by C. S. Murray and others for making and selling furniture of all kinds.

For the Eastern North Carolina district for the collection of internal revenue the records of the collector's office, here show \$278,622 collections from all sources for Uncle Sam's treasury.

The statement is made that the assistant marshals for the North Carolina State Fair, October 17 to 22, will be announced within the next few days and that the list will include many of the most prominent young men in every section of the State. The list is being made up by Chief Marshal E. B. Lyon, who with Mrs. Lyon, has just held a conference with Col. Joseph E. Pogue, secretary of the State fair. The social side of the fair promises to be exceptionally attractive.

Rev. Melton Clark To Lecture.

The pastor, Rev. Melton Clark, will lecture on his trip abroad at the Smith Memorial building Friday night at 8 o'clock. A feature of the lecture will be stereopticon slides showing the Passion Play as seen by Rev. Mr. Clark at Ober Ammergau. There will be no admission fee and a cordial invitation is extended the public to attend. The Telegram is requested to state that no collection will be taken.

Big Auction Sale of Lots In Charlotte.

Messrs. D. A. and Arthur Bodenhamer Monday in Charlotte auctioned the Oates property selling \$64,535 worth of lots. They state that this is the biggest auction sale of real estate ever held in the State.

The Euterpe Club will meet next Saturday afternoon, Oct. 8, at four o'clock in Miss Woodall's studio. This is the first study meeting of the year. An interesting program is being prepared and all members are urged to be present.