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Christmas Mission

Finlator to Speak Here Next Week

The Christmas Preaching Mission at the Zebulon Baptist Church will be held from Sunday evening, December 6, through Wednesday evening, December 9. The Reverend Mr. W. W. Finlator will be the guest pastor during these days, and he will preach and lead discussions on the meaning of the coming of Christ.

Mr. Finlator is well qualified to do this work, he is one of the finest Baptist ministers in this state. *The News and Observer* recognized him as the "Tar Heel of the Week" on November 8, and this attests to his capability and prominence.

Mr. Finlator was born in Louisville in 1913, and he received his education at Wake Forest College and at Southern Seminary. He has held pastorates in Pittsboro, Liberty, Bonlee, and Weldon.

Since 1945, he has been pastor of the First Church in Elizabeth City. "Bill" Finlator is well known throughout the state and is a regular contributor of articles to the *Biblical Recorder*. He is a member of the General Board of the State Convention, and he is on the Council of Christian Education and the Committee of Social Service of the Convention.

Sermon topics for the special services are:

Sunday evening: "Do We Look for Another?"

Monday evening: "Majestic Sweetness."

Tuesday evening: "For Love's Sake Only."

Wednesday evening: "Three D Religion."

At three-thirty on each afternoon he will meet with the intermediates and young people for a discussion period in the Baraca Room.

Following the services each night a discussion period will be held with the adults.

Christmas Program

A Christmas program on Thursday, December 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Wakelon School Auditorium will be given by Mrs. H. C. Wade's Dancing Class and E. G. Hill's Glee Club. A small admission of 25¢ and 35¢ will be charged.

SPEAKER



W. W. Finlator

Mr. Finlator, prominent Baptist minister, will be the speaker at a Christmas mission at the Zebulon Baptist Church next week.

Legion Turkey Shoot Winners Are Listed

We had the list, but somehow we failed to publish it until now, so those readers who have been wondering who were the sharpshooters at the two American Legion turkey shoots held in November can look over the names here.

On November 7 turkeys were won by Willard Gill, Ayden Wall, Carl Kemp, John Hilliard, Willie Griswold, and Dennis Renfro.

On November 21 the big birds were awarded to Joe Cunningham, Malcolm Martin, Russell Moss, Willard Gill, W. M. Brown, P. W. Flowers, Pete Bryant, John Hilliard, Frank Creech, and Cecil Carlyle.

One Week Remains For Annual Orders

Only a week remains for orders to be placed for the 1954 Wakelon High School annuals, according to Norma Pearce and Reginald Pearce, circulation managers for the yearbook. The price for the *Wak-igh-an* is \$3.00 a copy, and the deadline for orders is Friday, December 11.

Katie Joyce Eddins is editor in chief of the annual this year, and Faye Pearce is business editor.

Sheriff Pleasants Names Earl Duke To Succeed Massey as Local Deputy

Earl Duke, who was elected as constable of Little River Township without opposition in 1952, was named yesterday to succeed G. C. Massey as deputy sheriff by Wake Sheriff Robert Pleasants.

The action came after about a month of investigation of applicants and local sentiment by the Wake official, who was advised earlier of G. C. Massey's decision to retire because of ill health.

Massey, who is eligible to receive disability payments during the continuance of his incapacity, had served over 20 years in the deputy's post, succeeding his father who lost his life in the line of duty.

Sheriff's Statement

The text of Sheriff Pleasants' announcement of the appointment of Duke follows:

After due investigation and careful consideration, and having most sincerely endeavored to interpret the will of the majority of the citizens of Little River Township, it is my decision to appoint Mr. Earl Duke as a Wake County Deputy



Earl Duke

Sheriff. I am indeed hopeful that Mr. Duke will faithfully and satisfactorily serve your community.

I was indeed fortunate in having good men apply for this vacancy. I am confident each would have

been satisfactory to me. However, there was only one vacancy; consequently only one could be appointed.

Mr. Duke for the past year has been your township constable and during this period has demonstrated his interest in and potentialities to perform the duties of a Law Enforcement Officer. The availability of Mr. Duke for full time duty as an officer, without other business responsibilities, was of great importance in his selection.

Mr. Duke has assured me and you also that he will enforce the law to the best of his ability — honestly, fairly, impartially, without fear or favoritism; that he will consider service to the people as a Deputy Sheriff his primary duty and responsibility.

I gratefully appreciate the assistance and advice of all the kind citizens who have been so considerate as to give me time for consultations relative to this matter. Even though many fine citizens may have favored and recommended some one other than Mr. Duke, I want them to know that I appreciate their interest and sincerity of purpose and community spirit.

I want all the folks to know that my intentions are sincere, and in this appointment I assure all that my intentions have been to do what I believe to be the best for all concerned.

Robert J. Pleasants, Sheriff of Wake County

Deputy's Statement

Deputy Sheriff Duke made the following statement after being notified of his appointment:

At a time like this a person just does not know exactly how to express one's real feelings. I am grateful for this opportunity to serve as a Deputy Sheriff of Wake County.

I am well aware that it will be an extremely hard task for me or any one else to replace my friend, G. C. Massey, as this community's Deputy Sheriff. I know that G. C. Massey has performed his duties faithfully and efficiently for many, many years, and has won the respect and admiration of us all. I sincerely regret that G. C. has retired and wish for him a complete restoration to good health.

I recognize law enforcement as an honorable profession and shall always consider the responsibilities entrusted to me as a sacred trust. I shall always give my loyal and faithful attention to the duties of the office. In the performance (Continued on Page 8)

BTU Rallies Planned for Raleigh



Bennett Straughn

Bennett Straughn, Director of the Training Union Department of The Raleigh Baptist Association announces that Rev. Charles Wellborn, widely known throughout the south for his Baptist Hour Radio Messages will be the speaker for

two youth rallies scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday nights, December 9 and 10.

The Wednesday night meeting will be held in the Meredith College auditorium with the Meredith College Choir bringing special music.

The Thursday night rally is scheduled for the Wake Forest college auditorium with the Wake Forest College Choir bringing the music for the program. Each rally will begin at 7:30.

BTU Project

The Baptist Training Union of the Raleigh Association is bringing Rev. Wellborn to this area for these two important nights.

Each year in December such rallies called "M" (Mobilization) nights are held throughout the south. The purpose being to receive plans and the program for the coming year's work, as well as inspiration.

Representatives from the 78 churches of the Raleigh Association will attend the service nearest their church.

LOCAL RURAL FIRE TRUCK WORKERS ON TV



Here are leaders of the Zebulon Rural Fire Department as they appeared before the television cameras of Station WFMY-TV in Greensboro recently to tell their

success story to an estimated 200,000 rural TV viewers. They are, left to right, George Perry, farm director of the station; Willie B. Hopkins, Zebulon rural fire chief;

M. L. Hagwood, Rural Fire Department president; Grady Miller, Wake County farm agent; Robert Ed Horton, Rural Fire Truck Project chairman; and T. E. Hales,

chairman of the Finer Carolina steering committee. Photographs of the new fire truck were also displayed during the telecast. (Photo by Bill Hannah)

Last Rites Are Held For Bismark Price

Funeral services for Bismark M. Price, 64, were held yesterday afternoon at 2:30 from the Hales Chapel Baptist Church, with the Rev. A. D. Parrish, assisted by the Rev. Theo. B. Davis, officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery.

The community was shocked and saddened Tuesday morning when Mr. Price took his own life with a shotgun. He was reported dependent over his bad health.

Surviving are his wife; three daughters, Mrs. John Roy Davis of Westminster, Md., Mrs. John Tippet of Zebulon, and Miss Yvonne Price of the home; seven sons, P. G., Stanley, D. R., and Alton, all of Zebulon, Askew and Agnew, both of Raleigh, and Thomas Price of Ft. Bliss, Texas.