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In and About the City

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS HELD ANNUAL BANQUET THURSDAY

Banquet Was Attended by More Than Eighty Members of the Class—Dr. McGeachy the Speaker.

Members of the Men's Bible Class of the First Presbyterian Church staged their annual banquet Thursday night, the new house of the Cabarrus Country Club offering the setting for the meeting which was featured by a talk by Dr. A. A. McGeachy, pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church of Charlotte.

Tables were placed in the large living room of the club house, places being reserved for more than eighty guests. Captains were in charge of the various teams and it was announced at the meeting that the team with the best percentage of attendance would be given ten points on the year's average.

J. A. Cannon, president of the class, presided at the banquet, and sitting with Mr. Cannon and Dr. McGeachy were Rev. J. C. Rowan, pastor of the church; C. F. Ritchie, superintendent of the Sunday School of the church, and W. G. Caswell, teacher of the class.

"America" was sung as the opening number of the banquet program and the invocation was delivered by Mr. Caswell. While the turkey dinner was being enjoyed many excellent musical numbers were rendered by Mrs. J. B. Womble, Mrs. Gales Pickard, Mrs. Leslie Correll, Miss Laura Gillon, Sam Goodman, R. E. Hidenhour, Jr., and R. C. Crooks.

Dr. McGeachy was introduced by Mr. Rowan who expressed unfeigned pleasure at the opportunity of introducing "to this class of which we are justly proud," a man "without a peer" in the Southern Presbyterian Church as a personal worker.

Dr. McGeachy told his hearers, at the beginning that he brought the formal address with him. "This will be more in the nature of a clinic than a formal meeting," he explained, adding that various cases were to be discussed and studied. He again described the meeting as a "conference," adding that results and not effects were desired.

The speaker is recognized throughout the Southern Presbyterian Church as an unusually successful and inspiring personal worker and he described in his talk many of the experiences he had had in his efforts to win souls for Jesus Christ. With each point stressed in his talk Dr. McGeachy would follow with an illustration taken from his rich experiences and this manner of utterance found much favor with those who heard him.

Dr. McGeachy said he never tried some of the methods other ministers said they found successful in their personal work, and he included in this the plan of wearing a sash and carrying a Bible in one hand and a Crucifix as it were, in the other, when they approached a person with whom they desired to talk who Christ. "I don't favor this plan," he readily admitted, adding that many laymen would not undertake personal work because they felt they should follow such tactics.

"I try to approach a man in a jocular fashion," Dr. McGeachy said. "When two men meet in the ring they usually begin by sparring. That is the way I work. I get serious step by step but once I get serious I stay with my man until I get a decision."

Dr. McGeachy told his hearers that the minister cannot do it all. "In my church I have been successful because I have had willing workers. They have co-operated with me. Every man cannot get fish from the pool but he can help just the same by pointing out the fish to some one who can get them out. That is where the layman has his greatest field. If he can't talk to people about their hopes, about joining the church and about giving their souls to Christ he can investigate and report to his pastor or some one else who can carry out the personal work."

The speaker said he talked in a business-like method to men when he went to see them about salvation. "The business man is accustomed to business methods," he said. "Don't waste his time and don't wait all day for an opening. And if he is busy let him alone until he has time to talk."

It is best to talk to a man alone when you try to "sell" him Christ, Dr. McGeachy said. "If persons are around it makes him conscious and unnatural," the speaker declared. "It is especially wise to get men away from women when discussing such questions with them."

Dr. McGeachy said he thought his methods were "not unlike those of Christ." When Christ was walking by the sea and met the men who were to be his disciples, the speaker said, he didn't tell them to "take up the Cross and follow me." "He did say 'follow me,'" Dr. McGeachy pointed out, "but he waited until he had talked to them longer before he said anything about 'taking up the Cross.'"

"I am a salesman, selling the Gospel and Jesus Christ," Dr. McGeachy said in closing, "and if I had to choose between the pulpit and personal work I don't know which I would take. In both I try to 'sell' the saving grace of God. I love to get hold of men, men who are careless and indifferent. I like to take these men to the feet of Jesus Christ and leave them there."

His closing thought was a plea to the men of the class to co-operate with their pastor. "We added 190 new members to my church last year," he said, "and this was possible because of the co-operation given me by members of my church. The preachers can't do it all and you men must help. If you can't take the fish from the pool you can at least find them in the pool for your pastor who can do the fishing."

Turkey, dressing, rice and gravy, sugar peas, cranberries, celery, rolls, coffee, angel food cake and whipped cream were served in abundance during the evening to the class members and their guests present.

In some parts of England the practice prevails of displaying a flag from a schoolhouse roof when every pupil is present. The children take great pride in this and the rivalry between schools is found to improve the attendance.

RADIO BROADCASTING NEWS

(By the Associated Press)

WGR Buffalo (319) 6 music. WLS Chicago (344.6) 7 entertainers; 7:30 barn dance, Harmony Aces, Isham Jones, harmonica; 8:15-11:45 variety. WEBB Chicago (370) 7 religious, concert, Riviera theater; 9 dance, readings, vocal; 11 dance, solo. KYW Chicago (545.5) 7 concert; 8 musical; 9:35-11:35 classical program; 12-1 popular; 1-2 frolic. WMAQ Chicago News (447.5) 6 announced; 8 orchestra; 8:30 photologue; 9 Chicago theater. WLW Cincinnati (422.4) 6 concert, lafalone. WFAA Dallas News (475.9) 8:30 banquet; 11 entertainers. WOC Davenport (484) 7 Sandman; 7:30 religious; 9 orchestra. KHA Denver (323) 9 dance. WJZ Detroit News (352.7) 6 orchestra. KXN Hollywood (337) 8:15 music; 9:30 organ; 10 features; 12 orchestra; 1 popular songs. WDAF Kansas City Star (365.6) 6 school of the air; 11:45 frolic. KHL Los Angeles Times (404) 8 concert; 8:30 children; 9:45 talk; 10 features; 12 orchestra; 1 Los Angeles frolic. WHAS Louisville Times (360.8) concert. WMC Memphis Commercial Appeal (400.7) 8:30 concert. WCCO Minneapolis-St. Paul (416.2) 8 philosophies; 8:30 surprise; 9:30 dance. CKAC Montreal (437) 6:30 concert; 7:30 varied; 9:30 orchestra. WEAJ New York (401.5) 6 trio; 6:30 stories; 8:30 blind entertainer; 9 tenor; 9:20 pianist; 10 orchestra. WJZ New York (501.2) 6:30 health talk; 6:35 dance; 7:30 orchestra; 8:10 music; 10:15 entertainers; 10:30 dance. WJZ New York (453.2) 6 dance; 7 talk; 7:15 soprano; 8 talk, players; 8:45 songs, trio, orchestra. WNYC New York (526) 6:35 Chateau five; 7:30 police quartet; 8 songs; 8:30 instrumental; 9:10 talk. WOR Newark (405.2) 7:30 pianist; 8:45 piano. KGO Oakland (200.8) 6 concert; 10 "Eljah," soloists, address; 12 dance, soloists. WOAW Omaha (526) 6 dramatic; 6:30 announced; 6:45 program; 9 program; 11 Nighingales; 11:30 organ. WFI Philadelphia (395) 6 talk; 7 recital. WIP Philadelphia (500.9) 6 talk; 7:15 concert; 8:15 concert; 9 orchestra; 10 recital. WCAB Pittsburgh (401.3) 6:45 movie chat; 7 roads; 7:30 jamboree. KGW Portland (402) 12 Melody men. PWX San Juan (400) 7:30 concert; pupils. WGY Schenectady (370.5) 8:30 dance, songs. KFQX Seattle (238) 10 orchestra; 11 concert; 12 dance. WBZ Springfield (331.1) 6:15 history; 6:30 trio. KSD St. Louis Post-Dispatch (544.1) 8 symphony. WRC Washington (400) 6 music; 7 Bible talk; 7:15 soprano; 7:30 talk; 9:30 dance; 10:15 organ.

HUNT'S WASHINGTON LETTER

BY HARRY B. HUNT NEA Service Writer

WASHINGTON - Weird tales of buried treasure of international conspiracies involving former diplomats, of clandestine romance in high society and of a vast subterranean labyrinth leading to a bootleggers' rendezvous, held Washington breathless for three days last fall following the discovery of an elaborate maze of underground passageways in the heart of the better residence section of the city.

All sorts of wild stories were started as to the origin and use of the tunnels.

Then the bubble of speculation, which had clothed them with the romance of intrigue and mystery, was burst by an announcement by Dr. Harrison Gray Dyer, custodian of lepidoptera in the National Museum, that he had built the tunnels by way of getting exercise.

Now, however, folks are wondering whether perhaps there was something to the "buried treasure" story after all. For Dr. Dyer appears as purchaser, for a price of \$2,300,000, of one of the largest and most elaborate apartment properties in the capital.

Anyway, all admit that as a "digger" Dr. Dyer seems to have got somewhere.

A CELEBRATION of first rank, designed to give a rebirth to American ideals and new stimulus to American achievement, is proposed for Washington in 1925. The occasion would be the two hundredth anniversary of the birth of George Washington.

Pentative plans for a fitting national celebration of Washington's bi-centennial already have been discussed by President Coolidge with the congressional members of a commission which will have the arrangements in charge.

Historical and patriotic organizations, as well as leaders in American progress in art, science, industry and finance, have been given places on the body which will plan the celebration.

GENERAL ISAAC SHERWOOD of Toledo, O., who at 90 is the oldest member of Congress, sang his "swan song" to the House a few days ago in a speech contrasting the life of a congressman in Washington today and 62 years ago today.

As an index of the comparative cost of government today and then, when General Grant was just starting his second term, Sherwood said:

"I remember the appropriation for salaries, clerk hire and upkeep of the White House that year was \$42,800. This year we give our president the tidy sum of \$500,000."

General Grant had no body-guard, no military staff, no White House police. I remember meeting him many times walking down Pennsylvania avenue alone.

Members of Congress got \$5000 a year salary. We were allowed no secretary. We had to rent our offices out of our salary and we had to take our pen in hand to answer kicking letters from our constituents.

"We had no Department of Agriculture, hence the farmers were contented and reasonably prosperous."

Audacity. Aggressively fighting against odds, courageously and audaciously and continuously, is essential to big success in life, says George Sinclair Hurst, who though blind, is the successful advertising manager for a big soap concern.

In spite of the greatest discouragements and the severest handicaps, Hurst fought through to success against a fate to which most people would have surrendered. For Hurst the curtain fell eleven years ago, shutting out the light.

His inspiring, heroic philosophy is given in the March issue of the combined Hearst's International and Cosmopolitan. "The most horrid vision of all to me was that of going for life into an inky blackness," he says. "It isn't like that at all. Not a bit of it. It is like a great colorless shell which may be dull and forbidding or glowing and luminous with light and hope, according to the soul each man puts into it."

Hurst demonstrates that no matter how serious the affliction there will be plenty of things worth living for still left.

In front of the apartment houses in Spanish cities it is no unusual thing to see three young men standing side by side in the street, looking up and pouring out impassioned protestations, each to a girl on a different floor.

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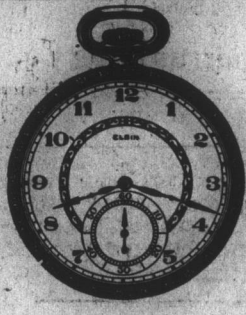
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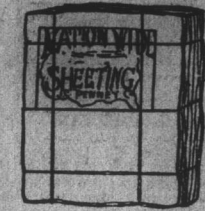
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Labor Situation in State About Normal. Raleigh, Feb. 19.—Six hundred and sixteen applicants for work were placed by the six officials of the State and federal employment service, according to the weekly report of the department made public yesterday by Frank D. Grist, commissioner of labor and printing. Of this number 476 were men and 140 were women.

Labor conditions throughout the state are practically normal, according to the report, although the registrations for the week exceed the number placed by the department. The registration for the week totaled 819, of which number 608 were men and 211 women. Requests for help numbered 757 and a total of 694 applicants were referred.

The placements for the week are classified as follows: Skilled, 87; unskilled, 376; clerical and professional, 29; industrial, 0; domestic, 124; total, 616.

In reviewing the situation throughout the state, the report is summarized as follows: Asheville: The supply and demand for skilled and unskilled labor is well balanced. Few floaters were in evidence during the week.

Charlotte: There is a noticeable surplus of clerical workers and domestic

help. The supply and demand for skilled and unskilled labor are about equal. Greensboro: Construction work during the week has been resumed to a considerable extent, affording work for much idle labor. The number of calls from out of town for skilled and unskilled labor far exceeds the supply. Fewer calls for clerical and professional help have been received. The domestic help situation is about normal.

Raleigh: The situation for both skilled and unskilled labor is much improved. The usual surplus of clerical workers and stenographers is noted, owing to the seasonal dullness in several state departments. The demand for domestic help is good.

Wilmington: The demand for unskilled labor is very good, considering the weather. A surplus of white boys from the country is apparent, as there is no demand for this class of labor. The domestic labor situation is about balanced.

Winston-Salem: The demand for unskilled labor is good. A number of workers have been sent to Badin. A surplus of boys from the country is noted. The domestic help situation is well balanced.

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