

ST. AGNES
Episcopal Church
 Franklin, N. C.
Rev. Norvin C. Duncan
 Priest-in-charge

SUNDAY
 All Saints Day
 9:30 A. M.—Holy Communion.
 Sermon, Church of Incarnation,
 11 A. M.—Morning Prayer and
 Sermon, Church of Incarnation,
 Highlands.
 7:30 P. M.—Evening Prayer
 and sermon, St. Agnes Church,
 Franklin.

TUESDAY
 10 A. M.—Prayer Service.

BY REV. NORVIN C. DUNCAN

In a few days Hallowe'en. And what is Hallowe'en? It is the name given to the Eve before All Hallows, or All Saints Day. Hallowe'en is shortened to Hallowe'en. From very early times the Church commemorated the saints, especially the martyrs, in special services. Certain days were set apart to commemorate certain saints, such as St. Peter, or St. John, or others of the post-Apostolic period, such as Polycarp. But there could not be a special day for every saint, so there was a day set apart to commemorate all the saints, those faithful Christians, no matter what their station in life, who fought the good fight, and furnished a good example.

Ancient Customs Retained

But naturally the question will arise as to all the merriment. Why the and hoggoblins, etc., on the eve of a day so specifically religious? It is a blending of pagan ideas and customs with the Christian view of life. As Christianity replaced paganism it was only natural that some of the pagans' ideas should linger, especially if there were some truth in them as a basis for their existence. For example, the ancient Druids in England believed that on the night of the thirty-first of October the lord of death called together the souls of the wicked, who during the past twelve months had been inhabiting animals—hence the hoggoblins represented by the Jack O'Lantern. Then the Romans had a feast at this time, and nuts and apples were used, so here comes in the game of bobbing for apples, and the custom of roasting nuts.

In the year 610 the Roman pantheon, a heathen temple, was transformed into a Christian church, and dedicated to St. Mary and All Saints, and a special day for celebrating All Saints was later fixed on November 1. And while Christianity gradually replaced paganism, some of their customs would linger on, and the glory of it has been that the best of their ideas have been transformed and caught up in the Christian view of life. The Christian doctrine of the Communion of Saints has replaced the pagan ideas of the spirits which inhabit the unseen world.

Significance of Day

To my mind there is no greater day in the Church calendar, excepting of course, Christmas, Good Friday and Easter, than All Saints Day. On that day we go to our churches for the most solemn and comforting of all her services. The Holy Communion, which is the sacrament of fellowship, is celebrated, and there we bring to mind the mighty company of all those who, having finished their course in faith, especially our own beloved, do now rest from their labors. We remember them as they were with us; we recall our association with them, and here comes in the beautiful idea of the Communion of Saints. In our Christian belief they have not passed into forgetfulness, but are with Him, and in Him who redeemed them. While in this life they were members of His body, too, and so still members one of another. The whole church is not a lot of separated fragments. In Christ Jesus it is one. He is the center of our life and theirs. In Him we still have fellowship one with another. All are one in Christ Jesus. The comforting thing about it is that in the Communion of Saints we are not far apart. "O blest Communion, fellowship Divine, We feebly struggle, they in glory shine, Yet all are one in Thee, for all are thine." Alleluia.

This is the time of year to watch out for trichinosis, the disease caused by small parasites known as trichinae which may occur in pork and pork products. Cook pork thoroughly. Don't eat it raw.

Most of the farmers in Rutherford county who secured seed loans last spring have paid in full and the others have made the initial payments.

Presbyterian Notes

During this period of drought and longing for refreshing showers, the members of the Presbyterian Auxiliary feel that they have been abundantly showered with social and spiritual blessings during October.

The two circles met with Mrs. C. A. Lowry on October 1, and all enjoyed this "Carpet-Rag Ball Party." While all hands were busy tacking strips to be woven into a rug the program was being presented as the ball was gaily tossed to someone, who would unwind it until her part was found. After the 16 parts were heard, the weighing of balls disclosed the fact that the only home department member present had the heaviest ball and all felt that she deserved that honor. Good "old-time" refreshments were served as the ladies observed the antiques on display.

On October 8 the Auxiliary members enjoyed a rare treat, in having the Rev. R. Riddle conduct the regular monthly Bible study in James, at the same meeting. Rev. Mr. Riddle made a splendid talk on "Religious Education" and "Young People's Work."

Then came the long-looked-for day of the group conference, Oct. 20. At this time friends from Murphy, Hayesville, Andrews, Bryson City, and Slagle Memorial were welcomed and a noon social hour enjoyed. At the last moment, it seemed that illness and unavoidable delays would play havoc with the well prepared program but by rallying forces and pressing into service very able substitutes, the capable president, Mrs. Gus Leach,

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presented the following program: Prayer—Rev. R. S. Eskridge Hymn—"Jesus Calls Us" K-41 call of churches Minutes of Group Conference at Andrews Sept. 25, 1931 Report of Secretary of Foreign Missions—Mrs. Lancaster "Young People's Work—Kingdom Highways" by Miss Myrtle Weatt Prayer—Rev. J. A. Flanagan Welcome—Mrs. J. A. Flanagan Devotional—Rev. J. A. Flanagan

McIntire Adjournment for lunch—1 hour Hymn—"I Gave My Life for Thee" Prayer—Mrs. Gus Leach Reports from Auxiliaries "Round Table Period" "Reasons Why Maxwell Should Carry On" by Rev. S. R. Crockett Business session "Home Missions"—Miss Louise Lemon of Rabun-Gap-Nacoochee school Mizpah Benediction

The greatest spiritual shower was shared with the men of the church and members of all the other denominations when Rev. R. Riddle conducted evening services for one week. The spirit of cooperation was splendid and we feel that much good will be the result of this bringing together of these workers. Now is the time to "Be still, and know that I am God." Psalms 46:10—Mrs. J. E. Lancaster, Secretary of Auxiliary.

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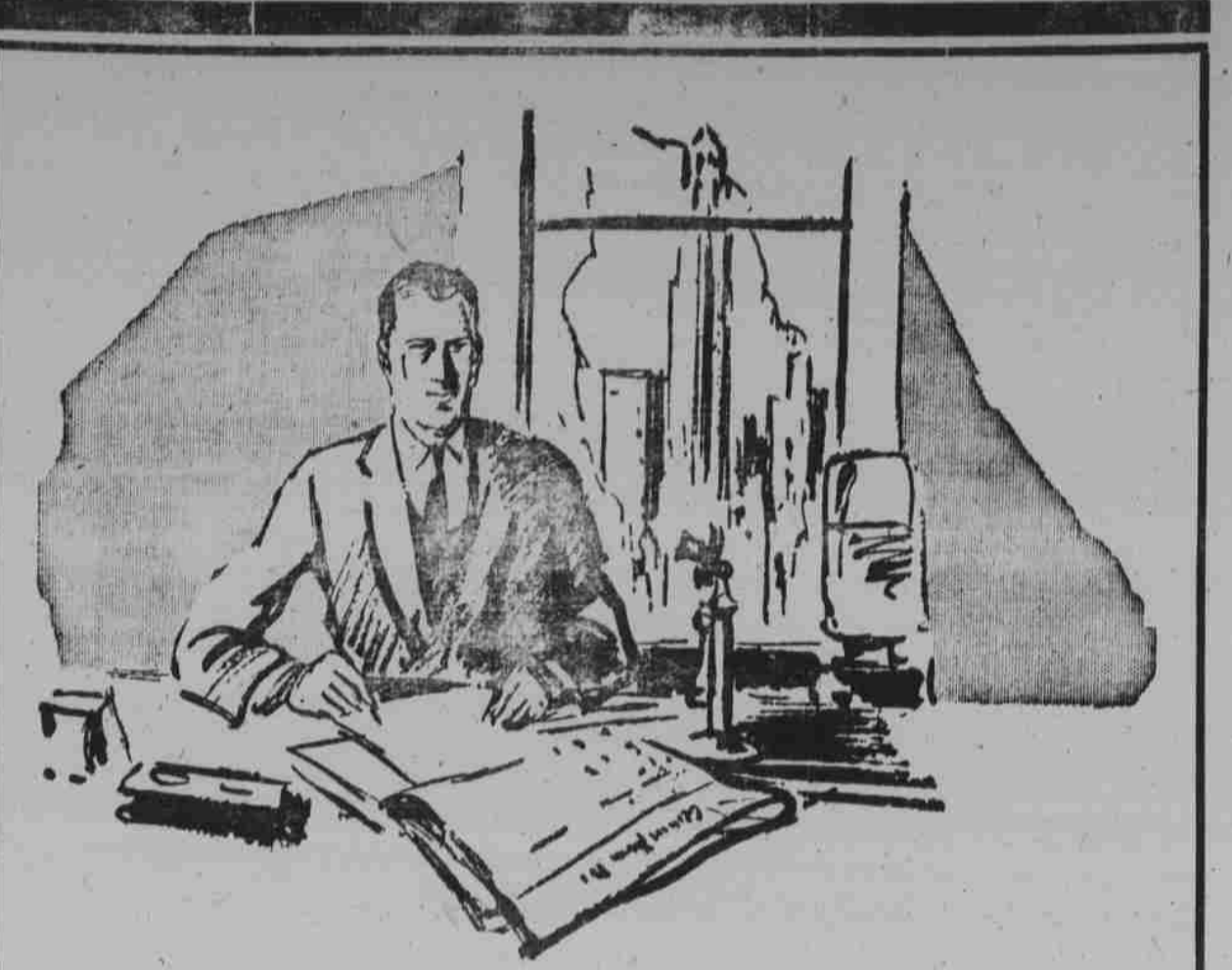
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