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Bishop Scores Evils As M. E. Conference Closes

Makes Plea for Members to Keep Themselves Pure and Unspotted from World

Greenville, Nov. 23.—With Bishop Mouzon's plea that "they keep themselves pure and unspotted from the world" ringing in their ears, between five and six hundred delegates of the North Carolina Methodist conference were on their way home today to take up where they left off or to go into new fields of service.

The closing session here last night was marked by the ordination of deacons and elders and the reading of appointments, always one of the most important things connected with the annual gathering.

The spacious church building was packed to overflowing when Bishop Mouzon made known the changes for the present year. The appointments were broadcast from the radio station at Raleigh simultaneously.

Numbers of preachers found themselves going into new fields of service and there was a distinct change in the presiding elder field by reason of the redistricting plan which eliminated Washington and Weldon districts. Rev. J. H. McCracken, presiding elder of Washington district, was sent to the New Bern district, and Rev. L. B. Jones was transferred from the old Weldon district to the Rocky Mount district.

The closing day of the conference was filled with intense activity for both ministers and lay delegates beginning with a love feast at 9:30 o'clock, followed by a sermon at the East Carolina Teachers college by Bishop Mouzon. Memorial service at 3 o'clock and the reading of appointments and ordination service at 7:30.

Between two and three thousand persons heard Bishop Mouzon at the morning service in what was described as one of the most masterful sermons ever delivered here. The campus building was packed as it had never before, and Dr. R. H. Wright, president of East Carolina Teachers College, welcomed the conference visitors, and commenting on the size of the crowd, said he was gratified indeed that the largest audience in the history of the building should have been composed of representatives of Christianity.

The vested choir of the local church under direction of Prof. Frank Hurfy, of Wilson, rendered an inspirational program before the sermon.

Bishop Mouzon rapped the modern picture show, which he asserted, was one of the most demoralizing influences of the present day. He also scored other forms of evil claiming the attention of the public and causing them to forget the high ideals as enunciated by Christ during his visit to earth.

"Religion is the deepest and most widespread of all human interests, and it appears in different forms and degrees all over the world, Bishop Mouzon declared.

His text was taken from twenty-seventh verse of the first chapter of James, "Pure religion and undefiled before God and Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows."

The bishop quoted many authors' definition of religion, but said that in the final analysis it is the proper adjustment of all human interest with God.

Continuing, the speaker declared that "Jesus did not attempt to define religion but tied it up with the Old Testament." Pure and undefiled religion as the bishop defined it, is active charity and purity of heart.

He said that Jesus brought into the world enthusiasm for humanity. That was a most remarkable experiment in creating a brotherhood, the one and last hope of the world. There is no national flag in religion. It is universal. There is no sectionalism and no race is shut out. That was something new. The Jews had no use for the publicans, but Jesus went home with a publican. The Jews had no use for the Samaritans, but Jesus talked to the woman at the well.

In speaking of man's duty to needy men, the preacher said, "We have at least got to an organization of charity, but we have got to get beyond that, we should go deeper down than to help those who are without work, but get them places to work. We must seek out causes and find a cure. The cause of the ill of life must be cured. We found out a half century ago that the liquor traffic was a most fruitful influence in creating poverty and crime. The motion pictures have become very charitable. They say let us run on Sunday and we will give the proceeds to the poor. I wonder if they think we are going to sell our Lord for thirty pieces of silver. The motion pictures have done more to demoralize our young people than any other agency with which we have to deal."

Business is run today without reference to God, and the same thing can be said about politics, he continued. Organized pleasure has no reference to God. There is no economy in pleasure and it is a sign of

Farmville Market Has Heavy Sales

Prices Remained Firm Despite Record Break; Market Reopens Monday, November 30

One of the heaviest sales of the season was experienced by local warehousemen Monday, when offerings amounting to 475,944 pounds sold at an average of \$9.16.

Prices remained firm and another big break was sold on Tuesday with Wednesday holding its record of the lightest sales day of the week.

The market closed after Wednesday's sale for the Thanksgiving holidays, but will resume business Monday morning, and though the bulk of the crop has been sold warehousemen believe that sales will continue fairly heavy for several weeks after reopening.

DESIGNS PLANE TO FLY 1,000 MILES AN HOUR

Cleveland, Nov. 24.—A long all metal monoplane designed to fly 1,000 miles an hour through the stratosphere and keep pace with the clock is being tested in Germany.

Construction of the plane, conceived by Dr. Hugo Junkers, famous aircraft builder of Dessau, was revealed here by C. S. von Heydekamp, research engineer of the Baldwin-Southwark Corp., of Philadelphia.

The plane, built of duralumin, was finished last August and since then has been given preliminary tests, Von Heydekamp said. At 15,000 meters, or about ten miles, it is expected to reach its maximum efficiency.

Two passengers will be sealed in an air tight cabin, which is insulated against the cold, and designed to resist internal pressure when the plane climbs into the stratosphere.

A compressor will supply oxygen and carbon dioxide exhaled by the occupants will be disposed of by the special apparatus. The cabin will be electrically heated. The all-important problem, that of ice formation on the outside as the ship reaches the altitude of extreme cold, is yet to be solved.

decadence when we see a people pleasure mad as our people are at this time.

At 10 o'clock a memorial service was held in memory of the ministers who died during the last year.

Shoals Issue to Stage Comeback

Norris, Quin and James Plan to Revive Measure Rejected by President Hoover

Washington, Nov. 23.—Plans for starting toward the White House another Muscle Shoals bill, very like that President Hoover vetoed last session, are gathering momentum.

Senator Norris, Republican, of Nebraska, and Representatives Quin, Democrat, of Mississippi, and James, Republican, of Michigan, have joined in an effort at final disposal of the \$150,000,000 project. Either Quin or James will head the House Military Committee. The three probably will confer tomorrow.

Government operation of the huge plant on the Tennessee river, just across the Alabama line, which twice has failed of presidential approval, again will form the backbone of efforts to settle the 12 year old controversy.

Present plans, to be polished at informal conferences, contemplate the introduction of an identical bill in each house. In general, this bill will be virtually the same which President Hoover returned last session without his signature.

Quin predicted the Shoals project will take a permanent place in the Democratic program and is confident of speedy passage of the bill. James still favors the plan Mr. Hoover vetoed as the strongest that can be proposed.

The last House passed this bill 216 to 153. The Senate voted, 39 to 34, to override the President's veto, falling short of the necessary two-thirds. "If the President gives this bill another veto," Quin said, "I think there are enough votes in both houses of the new Congress to pass it over his veto."

Statistics are always interesting when they go to prove your argument.

There are always lots of master mechanics ready to work on a political machine.

Mary Pickford Enlists President's Support



Mary Pickford, America's Sweetheart, presented President Hoover with the first two tickets of the ten million that will be sold by the nation's movie houses to aid the unemployed during National Motion Picture Week.

Japan Asks League For Help in Making Chinese Leave Chinchow

Tokyo Wants Chinese Troops to Withdraw Behind the Great Wall

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As a result of this situation, Japanese reinforcements probably will be sent to Tientsin soon.

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State Pays Six Per Cent Interest on \$3,800,000

First Tax Anticipation Notes Issued Since '25. Only 40 Counties Have Paid Anything

Raleigh, Nov. 24.—With the State finding it necessary to borrow in anticipation of taxes for the first time since 1925 State Treasurer Nathan O'Berry announced yesterday that it had been necessary to pay the very high rate of six per cent on \$3,800,000 in six months notes, that rate contrasting with the two and one-half per cent rate paid by the State in July when it last borrowed money.

Captain O'Berry had hoped for a much lower rate, but on taking the matter up with New York bankers, was informed that many states had been refused similar loans on any terms, and the six per cent rate, the legal maximum the State can pay, was lowest bankers would consider.

Of the notes sold yesterday, \$3,000,000 were taken by the First National Bank of New York, \$500,000 by the American Trust Company of Charlotte, and the other \$300,000 will be taken by banks within the State, the names of which were not announced yesterday.

In addition to the notes sold yesterday the only State notes outstanding are two issues sold in July, \$2,230,000 to fund the deficit carried forward from the past biennium and \$272,370 to fund advances made to institutions under the emergency building act. Both of those issues were bought by the First National Bank of New York and carry interest at 2-1/2 per cent.

Captain O'Berry stated yesterday that he hopes to pay these notes on maturity but that the amounts will have to be refinanced.

The large amount of yesterday's borrowings, which may be supplemented before the end of the fiscal year, was due partly to the delay of the counties in turning over proceeds from the tax of 15 cents on 1930 valuations which was levied by the 1931 General Assembly to pay part of the support of the six months school term.

Although the law makes it mandatory that this tax be turned over to the State Treasurer, as collected, in semi-monthly payments, the State Treasurer has received nothing at all from 52 of the 100 counties so far, despite the fact that attention has repeatedly been called to the matter by letter.

The 48 counties that have made remittances have paid in only \$657,235.33 of the more than \$6,000,000 that is estimated to become due during the year from the 15-cent tax combined with the \$150 poll tax on each male over 21 years that the counties are also required to turn over to the State.

Due to the habit of large taxpayers of taking advantage of discounts in the payment of taxes, four counties have paid more than one-half of the total so far received. These counties are Gaston, Guilford, Forsyth and Mecklenburg. Two of the large counties, Wake, which is estimated to owe the State \$22,000, and Buncombe, have paid nothing, and two others, Durham and New Hanover, have paid only small amounts.

The largest payment, one of \$100,000, was made by Forsyth, the round figures indicating that the payment of roughly one-third of the 15-cent tax, has been only approximated. However, much the largest percentage payment is the \$88,000 turned in by Gaston, representing more than one-half of the total due on the 15-cent tax for the year and indicating a very heavy collection of 1931 taxes, a heavier percentage than the collection of 1930 taxes to date by some agricultural counties.

The following counties have paid nothing: Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Beaufort, Bertie, Buncombe, Burke, Caldwell, Camden, Catawba, Cherokee, Chowan, Clay, Columbus, Craven, Currituck, Dare, Duplin, Edgecombe, Gates, Graham, Greene, Harnett, Haywood, Henderson, Hertford, Hoke, Hyde, Johnston, Jones, Madison, Martin, Montgomery, Moore, Nash, Northampton, Pamlico, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Person, Polk, Randolph, Robeson, Scotland, Surry, Transylvania, Tyrrell, Vance, Wake, Washington, Wilkes and Yadkin.

The period of discounts expires on December 1 and collections by counties from that date until just before the penalties begin to accrue on February 1 are expected to be very small.

Some of the counties which have paid nothing have collected very little, due to delay in placing tax books in the hands of sheriffs and business conditions, but it is understood that some collections have been made in all the counties, although more than half of them have made no reports.

A New York court decided that a person couldn't be bitten by a chicken. But many a man has been stung by the other kind.

Fifty Per Cent Cut For Next 2 Years Is Planned

Scouts Hold Honor Meet

Scout Master Ford A. Burns Held in High Esteem by Troop and Its Friends

One of the best and most enthusiastic meetings held by the local Scout Troop since its organization, was that of Friday night, when a Court of Honor meet was held in the Hut by D. E. Oglesby, the chairman of that committee, assisted by W. A. McAdams and Leslie Smith, who represent the Rotary Club in this service.

The executive secretary, Jack Cordrey, of the Wilson Area Council, was present and addressed the troop, expressing himself as gratified and encouraged with the work of this group, several of which qualified for merit badges and one applied for the honor of Eagle Scout.

The troop is at present endeavoring to raise the sum of \$100, which will enable it to continue its affiliations with the national organization and enjoy the privileges afforded thereby. Without this, members of the troop would receive no credits and merits would not win due recognition.

The principal factor in the life and spirit of the Farmville Scout Troop is its Scout Master, Rev. Ford A. Burns, who immediately accepted this position after becoming pastor of the Baptist church here three years ago. He was well qualified for the post, having been constantly associated with, and devoting most of his life to, young people previously.

Since taking this work in charge he has labored in a simple and straightforward manner to raise the standard of the troop and instill high ideals of fine, clean, strong manhood in its members.

Mr. Burns possesses the rare faculty of inviting confidences, and has used this to the distinct advantage of the boys who come to him daily seeking his wisdom and counsel, being actuated by the most laudable motives. High tribute has been generously paid him by his co-workers, and the boys themselves hold him in high esteem.

Somewhat retiring and modest by nature there has been little seeking by him after effect on the outside, but the public is beginning to recognize and appreciate the invaluable service he has rendered the community for Farmville will go a long way before it will find a man to take his place in the development of its young boyhood. May his tripe increase!

Indict Widow on Murder Charge

Lexington Woman Accused of Poisoning Her Own Child

Lexington, Nov. 24.—Mrs. Lola Pickett, 44 year old widow, was this afternoon formally indicted on the charge of murdering her 6 year old daughter, Elizabeth, on September 16, by a grand jury in Davidson county superior court. The bill of indictment merely charged her with murder in the first degree. A coroner's jury had formerly returned a verdict that the child's death was caused by arsenic poisoning. In the case of Virginia Pickett, 10 year old daughter of the accused, an autopsy and chemical analysis indicated death also resulted from arsenic poisoning, but the coroner's jury has not yet filed formal report.

Mrs. Pickett, however, will not stand trial next week as had been tentatively planned by the State. Wade H. Phillips and John C. Bower, local counsel for the defense, this morning moved for a continuance of the case to the term beginning January 25, and Judge Warlick granted the motion. In the motion it was set out that Carter C. Lee, of Rocky Mount, Va., leading counsel retained by realives of Mrs. Pickett there, is engaged now in his duties as commonwealth's attorney for Franklin county. Local counsel were not retained until shortly before the preliminary hearing last Friday; and it was set out that neither had had time to make adequate preparation. Solicitor Younce announced readiness for the State but did not strongly oppose the motion for continuance in view of the circumstances stated.

The motion for continuance did not include request for bail.

Staffs do not include a pocket in his wardrobe. Probably he prefers to spill his coffee on his shirt.

Southern States Definitely Align Themselves Behind Acreage Reduction Move

Jackson, Miss., Nov. 24.—Southern States have definitely aligned themselves behind a movement to bring about a fifty per cent cut in cotton acreage for the next two years to stimulate prices.

Delegations from ten of eleven states represented at a southwide conference here yesterday voted favorably on a resolution calling for a general adoption of uniform laws to slash cotton plantings in half in 1932 and 1933. One delegation was not empowered to vote.

States that have not yet taken legislative steps to restrict cotton acreage were called upon by the conference to do so before January 20 and the governors were urged to convene the legislatures at once to take action.

Three of the states represented at the conference, called by Governor Theodore G. Bilbo, of Mississippi, and Harvey Parnell, of Arkansas, already have adopted acreage reduction laws while two others, Louisiana and South Carolina, have gone on record for a complete abandonment of cotton planting in 1932.

The conferees were told by Governor Irba C. Blackwood, of South Carolina, that Bernard Baruch, New York financier and wartime head of the government's finance corporation, informed him the federal government would remove another 4,000,000 bales of American cotton from the market if drastic restrictive legislation is enacted by Southern States. Mr. Baruch was recently in Washington to confer with President Hoover. Governor Richard B. Russell, Jr., of Georgia, also spoke at the conference.

State delegations voting for the resolution were: Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma, North Carolina, Tennessee and Texas.

North Carolina's delegation did not vote as it had come powerless to ballot. The votes of Georgia and Alabama were conditioned upon the ultimate outcome of the movement.

The following committee was designated to have charge of the movement to urge immediate legislative steps by the other Southern States.

Dr. Trait Butler, of Memphis; E. F. Creekmore, New Orleans, vice president and general manager of the American Cotton Cooperative Association; Henry D. Wilson, Louisiana commissioner of agriculture; W. H. Hodges, Elm Grove, La., and J. E. McDonald, commissioner of agriculture of Texas. The committee headquarters will be Atlanta.

"Stock market pale and listless today."—Headline. So are the buyers.

FIFTH DISTRICT LEGION AUXILIARY MEETS IN SCOTLAND NECK, WEDNESDAY, DEC. 2

The Fifth District of the American Legion Auxiliary which will meet with the Scotland Neck Unit on Wednesday, December 2, will bring together a large crowd of women interested in the varied program of the Legion and the Auxiliary. This is one of the largest districts in the state, including organizations in Wilson, Rocky Mount, Tarboro, Greenville, Spring Hope, Littleton, Farmville, Weldon and Scotland Neck. The State president, Mrs. Hugh Perry, of Louisville, and Mrs. George Isley, of Raleigh, will speak on the various activities of the unit. The meeting will be presided over by the district committee-member, Mrs. Norfleet McDowell, of Scotland Neck. Members of the various units are urged to attend this meeting and women interested in the work of this organization will find the program instructive and entertaining and will be heartily welcomed by the membership.

A college president states that one per cent of the people run the United States. The other 90 per cent hold government jobs.

PROMINENT DENTISTS MEET IN GOLDSBORO

Goldsboro, Nov. 24.—Twenty-five prominent dentists of Eastern North Carolina met with the Wayne Dental Society in the Wayne National Bank Building at 7 o'clock Monday night.

Following a barbecue supper, Dr. J. W. Whitehead, of Smithfield, read a paper. Brief talks were made by Dr. Dennis Keel, of Greensboro, president of the State Dental Society; Dr. Wilbur Jackson, of Clinton, president-elect, and Dr. Paul Jones, of Farmville, who was president last year.

Dr. E. E. Williams, president of the Wayne Dental Society, presided at the meeting. Dr. G. Lee Overman is secretary.

New York reports a "guillotine party." A cure for the headache has at last been discovered.