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Methodist Appointments Announced at Conclusion Annual Conference

North Carolina Conference Hears Final Reports and Appointments

Goldsboro, Nov. 11.—The seventh annual session of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Church ended here today with the reading of appointments of preachers by presiding Bishop Walter William Peele.

The reading of appointments followed the conference business session. The final day's program began with the traditional Love Feast with the Rev. E. H. Davis of Louisburg, the Rev. J. I. Draper of Warrenton, and the Rev. C. P. Jerome of Raleigh, all retired ministers, in charge.

Dr. Albert E. Day, of the General Board of Evangelism of the Methodist Church, preached the final conference sermon this morning, climaxing a series of five addresses. Following the worship hour, deacons and elders were ordained as follows:

Deacons: The Rev. L. B. Couch, the Rev. B. F. Musser, the Rev. R. H. Sales, the Rev. J. H. Hamm, the Rev. Z. V. Cowan and the Rev. D. W. Durham.

Elders: G. W. Crutchfield, J. E. Carter, L. C. Vereen, E. G. Purcell, Jr., N. G. Preston, Jr., J. C. Chopin, C. M. Mitchell, J. E. Sponenberg, R. L. Bame, W. B. Petteway, S. G. Boone, O. K. Ingram and B. M. Waggoner.

A memorial service was held for preachers who died during the year. Dr. J. M. Culbreth of Louisburg delivered the memorial address. The service was held for the late Rev. J. W. Autry, Chaplain E. G. Overton, the Rev. J. G. Johnson and the Rev. W. F. Trawick.

The Rev. W. A. Cade of New Bern was elected executive secretary of the Methodist College Advance. His work will be to promote the cause of Methodist colleges in the State.

A record crowd of ministers and laymen attended the conference, which was held at St. Paul's Church. Bishop Walter William Peele, presiding, of the Richmond District, read the following appointments of preachers for the North Carolina Methodist Conference at the close of the Conference's seventh annual session in Goldsboro.

RALEIGH DISTRICT

H. B. Porter, superintendent. Apex-Macedonia, J. W. Bradley, retired.

Bailey, I. T. Poole, Benson, C. B. Culbreth. Cary, R. S. Harrison. Clayton, C. W. Barbee. Creedmore, D. D. Traynham. Dunn, F. D. Hedden. Erwin, J. R. Regan. Four Oaks, F. A. Lupton. Franklinton, S. E. Mercer. Fuquay, E. D. Dodd. Garner, N. P. Edens. Granville, Paul Carruth. Henderson—First, C. D. Barclift; City Road—White Memorial, J. W. Sneed.

Kipling, F. R. Dail. Lillington, W. A. Tew. Louisburg, J. M. Culbreth. Louisburg Circuit, J. E. Sponenberg.

Mamers, O. C. Melton. Millbrook, H. B. Baum. Moncure, to be supplied. Newton Grove, R. L. Hethcox. Oxford, D. A. Clarke. Oxford Circuit, J. L. Smith. Princeton, W. J. Watson.

Raleigh: Edenton St., A. J. Hobbs; Fairmont, A. L. Thompson; Hayes Barton, W. S. Potter; Jenkins Memorial, O. W. Dowd; Trinity, R. G. Dawson.

Selma, G. W. Blount. Smithfield, H. K. King. Stem, J. A. Auman. Tar River, R. G. L. Edwards. Vance, R. E. L. Moser. Westover, Herman Winberry. Zebulon-Wendell, C. E. Vale. Professor, Hendrix College, Conway, Ark., M. R. Chambers. President, Poulisburg College, Walker Patten.

Superintendent, Oxford Orphanage, C. K. Proctor. Director, Wesley Foundation, State College, Raleigh, J. M. Hamm. Executive secretary, Methodist College Advance, W. A. Cade. Chaplain, U. S. Army, M. M. Walter.

District missionary secretary, W. S. Potter. District director of evangelism, R. G. Dawson. Retired: J. W. Bradley, J. A. Daley, E. H. Davis, E. M. Hall, C. P. Jerome, J. W. Potter, N. C. Yearby, E. B. Craven, E. C. Durham, A. S. Barnes, J. A. Martin.

Pennsylvania crude oil producers have outlined an extensive research program on the secondary recovery of oil from old fields, that have been virtually exhausted by primary methods.

Important Notice To Rural Boxholders

In order to facilitate the collection and dispatch of mail matter on rural routes, all first- and third-class mail matter deposited in rural letter boxes for collection by the carrier should have stamps affixed at the proper rate of postage.

Postmasters at offices from which rural service originates are requested to see that rural carriers are provided a credit of stamp supplies sufficient to accomplish this objective.

So far as practicable, both postmasters and rural carriers should inform patrons of the desirability for their cooperation to the end that mail be handled as expeditiously as possible.

(The provisions of par. 1, sec. 1020, Postal Laws and Regulations of 1940 are not modified by the foregoing.)

A. V. Driver, Jr., Dies In Raleigh Hospital

A. V. "Snake" Driver, Jr., died Friday in a Raleigh hospital. Funeral services were held from the Baptist Church here Sunday at 3 p. m., conducted by the Rev. J. Wade Baker. Burial took place in the local cemetery.

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Surviving are his mother, Mrs. A. V. Driver, Sr.; three brothers, James Driver of Richmond, Va., Raymond Driver of the Army in Germany, and Edward Driver of Portsmouth, Va.; a sister, Mrs. J. G. Salmon of Selma; five half-brothers, S. R. Duke of Portsmouth, Va., A. R. Driver of Selma, Elbert Driver of Walton, Ky., Charlie Driver of Raleigh, and Douglas Driver of Smithfield; and two half-sisters, Mrs. Bessie Gregory of Atlanta, Ga., and Mrs. Cary Pusser of Savannah, Ga.

Victory Loan Drive Gets Off To Good Start

E Bond sales in the Victory Loan drive in Johnston county total \$48,206.25, or about one-sixth of the \$300,000 quota, states R. P. Holding, chairman of the war finance committee in Johnston.

The drive is just ten days old, and with seven weeks more to go to the 31st of December—Johnston county should put this last war loan over the top in a spirit worthy of the 5,000 or more men and women who have served, and are still serving, their country in the ranks, declared Mr. Holding.

The same township committees that have served in other war loan drives are leading the Victory Loan campaign and their experience is proving an asset.

The overall quota for Johnston county is \$495,000.

Selma Township Lags In Victory Loan Quota

Mr. Raleigh Griffin, chairman of the Victory Loan bond drive for Selma township, says the sale of bonds in Selma township is not keeping pace with sales throughout the county. Johnston County's quota is \$415,000 and approximately \$300,000 of this quota has been reached.

Inasmuch as the drive comes to a close in December, Mr. Griffin urges the people of Selma township to keep on buying bonds in order that Selma may do its part.

Tobacco Market To Close November 22

The Smithfield tobacco market will draw the curtain on the 1945 season at the close of sales on Tuesday, November 20, it was announced this week by the tobacco board of trade.

The market's sales have lightened considerably recently, but Friday's volume was fairly heavy with an estimated 400,000 pounds auctioned.

Sales Supervisor G. Willie Lee stated that Friday's poundage brought the total for the season to approximately 27 million.

Noah Williams Will Head Paralysis Drive In Johnston County

Noah Williams, operator of the Smithfield Hog Market, has been named county chairman for the 1946 Fight Infantile Paralysis campaign scheduled for January 14-31.

Announcement of the appointment was made by Dr. Ralph McDonald, state chairman of the drive which seeks to raise funds for the prevention and treatment of infantile paralysis.

Chairman Williams already is at work laying plans for the county campaign. He expects to announce a list of local committee chairmen and workers at an early date.

Last January Johnston county, under the direction of Chairman Ben Baker, raised \$6,126.34, for exceeding the assigned quota of \$3,614. The leaders are hoping that Johnston in 1946 will even top that fine record.

North Carolina last year contributed more than a half million dollars to the cause, leading all states in the percentage of state income given to the advancement of the fight against infantile paralysis.

Part of the money raised by the Johnston county infantile paralysis chapter remains in the county for use in aiding victims of the disease. The treatment of infantile paralysis is expensive and many of those who are attacked by the disease are members of needy families.

From January 1, 1935, through August 31, 1945, Johnston county had 49 cases. During that same period, there were 2,540 cases in North Carolina.

A substantial part of the money contributed in the infantile paralysis drives goes to finance research work designed to prevent the disease.

Four Injured Here In Wreck Sunday Night

Last Sunday night about 6:30 P. M. a 1934 Ford driven by Matthew Marlowe, of Selma and a 1937 Oldsmobile driven by Susie Belle Moore, colored, of Princeton, N. C., were involved in a wreck at the point where the Watson's Mills highway enters highway 301.

Susie Belle Moore and Glenn Atkinson sustained injuries that necessitated their being taken to Saint Agnes hospital at Raleigh. Pauline Moore, colored, had minor cuts that did not require hospitalization. Her eight year old daughter, Mary, escaped injury.

Matthew Marlowe, who had a bruised shoulder and a cut over his left eye, received first aid at the Johnston County hospital. He employed an ambulance to take the injured ones to Raleigh.

Marlowe was placed under a \$750.00 bond. Officers A. C. Bobbitt, Hugh Lamm and Charlie Straughn conducted the investigation.

Smithfield To Get City Bus Service

Smithfield is to have city bus service, beginning the first of the year, Mayor W. J. Massey, has announced.

The board of commissioners last week granted a franchise to H. J. Baumgardner of Goldsboro for operating a city bus transportation system in Smithfield. The franchise gives Baumgardner, who is at present superintendent and general manager of the Goldsboro Transportation Company, exclusive rights in furnishing bus service in Smithfield for a 10-year period. Under the contract the bus system cannot charge more than five cents a trip within the corporate limits of town and not more than 10 cents beyond the city limits. The vehicles to be operated will be 28-passenger street buses.

RATIONING GUIDE

MEATS & FATS: Red Stamps—F1, G1, H1, J1, K1, now valid, expire November 30. L1, M1, N1, P1, Q1, now valid, expire December 31. R1, S1, T1, U1, V1, now valid, expire January 31. W1, X1, Y1, Z1, and Green N-8, now valid, expire February 28th. SUGAR: Sugar Stamp 38 now valid, expires December 31.

MEMORIAL BOOK FUND DRIVE FOR COUNTY TO BEGIN NOV. 19

McMillan Principal Speaker At Legion Supper Monday Night

The Selma Post of the American Legion held its annual supper at the Legion Hut in Selma Monday evening at six o'clock. A very interesting and entertaining program was presented which was greatly enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Lillian Louise Woodard Herren, Legion soloist, was introduced by E. G. Hobbs who stated that Mrs. Herren is one of the most accomplished singers and entertainers in the United States. After listening and seeing Mrs. Herren sing and act, all present readily agreed with Mr. Hobbs' opinion. Mr. Raymond Woodall played several selections on his singing saw. Mrs. Leon Woodruff was the pianist for the occasion.

R. L. (Roy) McMillan, former National Vice-Commander of the American Legion, was the main speaker. Mr. McMillan is nationally known as a patriotic speaker. The speaker gave a history of the Legion and its work and the part played by the American fighting man in World War I and II. He said that the American Legion is the most powerful organization in the United States for aiding the interests of all veterans. "The Legion now enjoys the largest membership in its entire history and is growing by the thousands and there is no organization that can compete with the Legion in rendering better service to the community, State and nation," said McMillan. We must keep prepared. We must not ever be found unprepared as we were when the Japs struck Pearl Harbor. Mr. McMillan spoke for thirty minutes.

The Legion had many guests including members of the Town Board, the Chief-of-police, Mr. Pearce, Major Williams, Colonel Daly, Captain Lloyd, Bob Ray, Leon Woodruff, Cpl. Colones, and many others.

The entire post joined in singing several songs, being led by Mrs. Herren over the loud speaker while Mrs. Woodruff performed at the piano in her usual incomparable way.

The Selma post has one of the finest Legion buildings in the State and now has the largest membership in the history of the post.

Mr. C. B. Fulghum is the Commander of the post and made a talk on the work of the Selma post. Mr. E. G. Hobbs was chairman of the Program Committee and Committee on Arrangements and also presided as toastmaster. He was ably assisted by C. A. Bailey, B. A. Henry, Charlie Grant, Jim Corbett, John Jeffreys, Fred Woodard, Newton Branch and others.

Dr. E. N. Booker was introduced as the Spark-Plug behind the financing of the \$40,000.00 Hut.

Brief talks were made by Major Williams, Captain Lloyd, Captain Brown and several others. McMillan praised the post for having put on a program that would give credit to any post in the State or nation.

Mr. A. J. Worrell and Mr. Carl Worley furnished drinks for the occasion.

Cpl. Joseph D. Parrish Gets Army Discharge

Corporal Joseph D. Parrish, son of Mrs. Betty H. Parrish, of Selma, was discharged from the service the 3rd of November, it has been announced by the Post Public Relations Headquarters Office at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Corporal Parrish, a doffer before entering the service at Fort Bragg the 25th of January, 1943, served 17 months in the U. S. A. and 15 months in the European theater as a member of the 155 Field Artillery. He is entitled to wear the good conduct, American defense, and European theater of operations ribbons with 3 campaign stars.

Thomas E. Barbee Receives Discharge

Thomas E. Barbee, son of Mrs. W. T. Barbee of Selma, received his discharge from the navy on Sunday, November 11th at the Norfolk Navy Separation Center. He entered the navy in October, 1942. His foreign service began in January, 1943, going to the Aleutian Islands where he spent 13 months. He returned to the States for six months after which he was assigned to the South Pacific Naval forces which participated in operations around the Marianas and Marshall Islands. He wears the Asiatic-Pacific ribbon.

Thomas is now at home with his mother. Before joining the navy he was employed by the Smithfield Electrical Supply Co., Smithfield.

PRESIDENT URGES GIVING OF THANKS

Truman Issues Proclamation Calling for Observance of Thanksgiving Day

Washington, Nov. 12.—President Truman called upon Americans today to observe November 22 as a day of national thanksgiving for the blessing of victory.

The President's proclamation requested that the people "give thanks with the humility of free men, each knowing it was the might of no one army but of all together by which we were saved."

The proclamation follows:

"In this year of our victory, absolute and final, over German fascism and Japanese militarism; in this time of peace so long awaited, which we are determined with all the United Nations to make permanent; on this day of our abundance, strength and achievement; let us give thanks to almighty providence for these exceeding blessings.

"We have won them with the courage and blood of our soldiers, sailors and airmen. We have won them by the sweat and ingenuity of our workers, farmers, engineers and industrialists. We have won them with the devotion of our women and children. We have bought them with the treasure of our rich land. But above all we have won them because we cherish freedom beyond riches and even more than life itself.

"We give thanks with the humility of free men, each knowing it was the might of no one army but of all together by which we were saved. Liberty knows no race, creed or class in our country or in the world. In unity we found our first weapon, for without it, both here and abroad we were doomed. None have known this better than our very gallant dead, none better than their comrade, Franklin Delano Roosevelt. Our thanksgiving has the humility of our deep mourning for them, our vast gratitude for them.

"Triumph over the enemy has not dispelled every difficulty. Many vital and far reaching decisions await us as we strive for a just and enduring peace. We will not fail if we preserve, in our own land and throughout the world, that same devotion to the essential freedoms and rights of mankind which sustained us throughout the war and brought us final victory.

"Now, therefore, I, Harry S. Truman, President of the United States of America, in consonance with the joint resolution of Congress approved December 26, 1941, do hereby proclaim Thursday, November 22, 1945, as a day of national thanksgiving. May we on that day, in our homes and in our places of worship, individually and as groups, express our humble thanks to Almighty God for the abundance of our blessings and may we on that occasion rededicate ourselves to those high principles of citizenship for which so many splendid Americans have recently given all.

"In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

"Done at the City of Washington this 12th day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-five and of the independence of the United States of America the one hundred and seventh.

George W. McCarthy Receives Discharge

George W. McCarthy, A-C, of 101 North Sharpe street, Selma, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. McCarthy, of Clayton, has been discharged from the Army Air Forces after 2 years service as an aviation cadet. His last station was Ellington Field, Texas, Navigation school of the AAF training command. George was a grocer and acetylene burner before entering the service.

T-5 Abdalla J. Abdalla Returns From Pacific

Tech. 5 Abdalla J. Abdalla, of Selma, is among the more than 600 high-point Army veterans whom the "Magic Carpet" is bringing back to the states aboard the USS Belleau Wood. The Belleau Wood left Pearl Harbor on Wednesday, October the 31st.

You Are Asked To Contribute To Honor Someone In Service

The Memorial Book Fund Drive for the Johnston County Library will begin on the 19th of November and continue through the 19th day of December. The goal is \$25,000 and the aim is to give a book in money in honor of each boy and girl who has served their county and country in World War II. Mail your contributions to Miss Virginia Williamson, Treasurer Johnston County Memorial Book Fund, Smithfield, N. C.

Already "OUR BOYS" overseas have heard of this Drive which the people of Johnston County are putting on in their honor. Here is a letter from Isaac Clyde Moxing, stationed in the Southern part of Samar in the Philippines. Clyde Moxing is a graduate of Wake Forest College and a teacher by profession, his home is near Micro:

"Dear Elton: In the September 21st issue of "The Smithfield Herald" that I received today (Oct. 30, 1945) I was very glad to read the article on the Book Drive being sponsored by the County Library. I know that all the service men and women from our County will feel highly honored with this campaign and that the people are coming more concerned with the opportunities for education as well as recreation that can be found in reading good books.

I am stationed in the Southern part of Samar in the Philippines in a small village, Gulan. I have been connected with welfare and recreation work for the navy men here on the naval base since I arrived last spring. My job has been and is at the present working as librarian here at the naval station library. I never really appreciated the full benefit of a library until I came overseas and especially how the younger men in our service use it. We have the largest library in Samar in which we have approximately ten thousand (10,000) books. There has been a steady increase in the use of the library since last spring and especially now that the war is over and men have more leisure time. We also issue books to the ships that stop here. I think the Navy has done a good job in supplying books to us fellows, and every man that has been over here can tell you how much pleasure it is to be able to read good books, magazines and papers.

It might be of interest to the people back home that all the books that the Filipinos had were burned when the Japanese came. Not until the Americans came were the schools reopened and here at this village the Navy built them a new school house. I have visited the school and it is very plain but the teachers say they are making good progress despite the lack of books and equipment. The teacher is the only person who possesses a textbook so this makes the teacher's work more difficult. In the past we have received books donated by people in the States and too elementary for our use in the library so we have passed them on to the school. The average Filipino knows more about us than we know about him. I think it is the desire of every Filipino to go to the States but I can very well understand that after living here these months. The people back home should be very thankful for the many opportunities they have for education in our Country and the potentialities it still possesses.

In closing I wish to say that I know the men and women who are in service or have been feel very proud in knowing that a project of this nature is being carried forth. All my life I have used the library very much at night school and college, and I believe that with increased and better facilities for reading for our people will help us to understand our problems at home better as well as national and international ones.

Best of luck to you in your work and undertakings. Your old friend, Clyde Moxing."

The Memorial Book Fund Drive For The Johnston County Library

Our Future depends upon the Future of our children, and without them we have nothing. The greatest ambition of men and women today is to provide their children with a better opportunity in life to carry "always forward" the moral and spiritual ideals of our democratic way of life. What will prepare our children to "always march forward" and not march backward? One word is the answer — KNOWLEDGE — without Knowledge our eyes and the eyes of our children are blind to forward movements, without knowledge one can see no further than his immediate natural habits to keep one alive in body alone, eating and sleeping — BUT with Knowledge we can reach untold (Continued on page four)