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Dr. David Jones Becomes First Negro To Head Methodist Body

BENNETT COLLEGE PRESIDENT HEADS METHODIST BODY

First Negro to Serve in This Important Church Post

Boston — Dr. David D. Jones, president of Bennett college at Greensboro, N. C., has become the first Negro to head the National Association of Schools and Colleges of the Methodist church.

His election to succeed Dr. Charles B. Ketcham of Mount Union college at Alliance, Ohio, was announced by the association's executive committee.

Other national officers elected were:

Fred B. Holloway, president of Western Maryland college, vice president; Boyd BeKeown, board of education of the Methodist church, Nashville, Tenn., secretary; and Hurst Anderson, president of Centenary Collegiate Institute, treasurer.

PERSONAL ITEMS FROM HARRIS

Evelyn Robinson (Staff Correspondent)

Messrs Othnell Harris and Ervin Camp, students at A. & T. college, Greensboro, N. C. spent a few days with home folks recently.

Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Procter have almost finished their new house and will move into it before long.

Rev. W. L. Goode, pastor Hope-well church spent Saturday night with Miss Mattie McEntire and family.

Wilford J. Camp is spending 30 days at home on furlough. He has been serving in the European occupation zone. He also served about four years in the Pacific theater, before re-enlisting and going to Europe. Mr. Camp also had the misfortune to lose control of his car near Bethany church recently and turned over twice, luckily no one was hurt and the damage done was small.

Mrs. Evelener Harris, Mrs. Carrie Harris and Mrs. Lois Robinson visited Mrs. Ella Mosley at Grahamtown last Saturday. They found Mrs. Mosley greatly improved.

We are happy to see the fine weather that we have now, after having had so much cold weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Shell, Spindale, N. C. visited Editor and Mrs. M. B. Robinson last Sunday.

Co-Operation Is Needed

By Miss Louise Jones, Harris
Co-operation is a wonderful thing. Co-operation among individuals accomplishes what often cannot be done by one person.

The early pioneers of this section co-operated, and thereby developed this from a wilderness to a progressive section of America. The Harris Herald represent a co-operative effort for the good of all the people. With the purpose of giving information to everyone about the opportunities open to them.

The war is over and co-operation along with sacrifice brought victory to us. Let us step forth and make an honest effort to take a part and work hard to improve conditions among ourselves and others.

We need people of action. To help solve our many problems.

Marsh Carpenter Buried On Sunday

Marsh Carpenter, 74, well known local colored man was buried Sunday at 2 p. m. Funeral services were held at St. John's church with the pastor, Rev. A. M. Goodwin in charge. Burial followed in New Hope cemetery. Marsh was a loyal member of St. John's church and is survived by his widow and several children.

He suffered burns some time ago and never recovered. He held the respect of both races in this section.

U. S. Employment Service Gives Its Report For Year

FUNERAL HELD FOR HARRIS MAN

J. H. Camp Dies After A Long Illness

Mr. J. H. Camp, of Harris, died January 15th after a long illness and was buried at Jerusalem Baptist church, January 20. Mr. Camp was a leading citizen of Rutherford county and Harris community. He was also chairman of the deacons board of Jerusalem church for about 30 years, and he was also chairman of the building committee that built the beautiful cement block church last year at Jerusalem.

His funeral was attended by hundreds of friends from over western North Carolina and several other states. The funeral was conducted by Rev. E. O. Bass, pastor, assisted by several ministers. Mrs. Bessie sang a solo. Cards, telegrams and messages of condolence were numerous, attesting to the high esteem in which he was held. The burial was large and beautiful.

The deceased is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mattie Camp, and Clyde at home, also Lee, Asburn, Thomas, Daniel, Wilfort, Ervin, Cornelius, Mrs. Evelener Harris, Mrs. Odessya Lynch, Mrs. Susie Hodges and Mrs. Luvenia Wilkerson. Seven sisters, two brothers and a host of other relatives and friends.

FUNERAL FOR MRS. MARY WILKINS

Henrietta Woman Is Buried at the Zion Hill Church

Mrs. Mary Wilkins, Henrietta, died recently and was buried at Zion Hill A. M. E. church, with Rev. J. D. Gladden officiating, assisted by other ministers. Mrs. Wilkins was the widow of the late Dolf Wilkins.

Mrs. Wilkins was one among the most respected and oldest women in Rutherford county and was for a number of years a member of Zion Hill church. She was faithfully cared for by her granddaughter, Miss Hazel Phillips. Mrs. Wilkins is survived by the following children, Mrs. Ona McDowell; Mrs. Corine Sims; Mr. Will Wilkins, several grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends.

Ellenboro Boy Died Jan. 2

Haywood Ray died January 2 and was buried at Webbs church January 5th. A large crowd attended the funeral. He was a member of the seventh grade of Ellenboro school and was an excellent student.

He is survived by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Spikes, his guardians and a host of friends.

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JURY HOLDS MAN IN WRECK DEATH

T. J. Philson, Forest City Negro, Held For Grand Jury Action

T. J. Philson, Forest City Negro, was bound over to the next term of criminal court for a grand jury hearing, by a coroners jury Monday afternoon, following Willie Boyd's death in an automobile wreck.

Boyd, 21-year-old Forest City, R-1 Negro, died in the Rutherford hospital January 23rd, of injuries received January 21st when the car in which he was riding wrecked near Union Mills.

According to the evidence, Boyd and five other occupants of the car had been to Marion earlier in the evening. It is alleged that Philson was driving the car early on the morning of January 21st, when it was wrecked north of Union Mills. All occupants of the car were taken to the Rutherford hospital for treatment, and all but Boyd were discharged shortly afterward.

Coroner T. E. Hightower impanelled a jury, which visited the scene of the wreck several days ago. The inquest was completed Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the court house. The members of the coroners jury were Russell Nanney, Horace Waters, John Lail, George Bridges, Forest City; Claude Jolley, Caroleen and W. C. Hightower, Jr., Avondale.—Forest City Courier.

PERSONAL ITEMS FROM FOREST CITY

Mrs. Bernice Cannon (Staff Correspondent)

Funeral services were held at New Bethel A. M. E. Zion church, January 7, for Mrs. Johnnie Mac Hilton, of Charlotte, but formerly of Forest City, who died in Charlotte recently. She was the widow of the late Luster Hilton.

She leaves to mourn her loss three sisters, one brother, eight children and a host of relatives and friends. The funeral was in charge of Rev. J. W. Hill, P. E., Statesville district. Burial was in St. Paul cemetery, Dockery Funeral home, Shelby, was in charge of the body.

Mr. Walter Simmons visited his two sons Leonard and Grady in Johnson City, Tenn., recently.

A car driven by J. T. Philson, of Forest City and containing four other persons overturned between Rutherford and Marion Friday, January 10th. All of the occupants were carried to the Rutherford hospital. Three have been released, Lee Carpenter, Homer Robson and Albert Jackson, T. J. Philson has been carried to his home and the fifth member, Willie Boyd, died.

Funeral services for Willie Boyd was held at New Bethel A. M. E. Zion church January 26, with the pastor Rev. W. R. Bomar in charge. Mr. Boyd was the son of Mrs. Lula and the late Tom Boyd, of Forest City. He is survived by his mother, four sisters, two brothers and a host of relatives and friends. The Thompson Bros. Funeral home was in charge of the body. Burial was in Gold Hill cemetery.

Mr. Gill Peeler suffered a broken foot while at work at the lumber plant recently. He is improving nicely.

A birthday party was given for Lee Norris Cannon and L. C. Wright on January 24th, celebrating their 5th birthday. Many children were present and several gifts were received by them.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Watkins visited Mr. and Mrs. Asa Watkins recently.

Mrs. Estel Green, of Knoxville, Tenn. visited relatives here.

Camp Raises Largest Hog

Thomas Camp, well known farmer of the Harris community raised the largest hog grown in this section and killed this winter. The hog was killed at the Harris Brothers vat, and weighed 546 pounds when dressed.

117 NEGROES EMPLOYED IN ARMY THEATRE

Negro Civilians Employed by Army in Europe

Frankfurt, Germany—On January 1, 1947, a total of 117 Negro War department civilian employees were working in Europe with the United States forces, European theater, that Headquarters has announced.

They were distributed among the various commands as follows: Headquarters, U. S. Forces, European Theater 46 Office of Military Government for Germany (US) 6 American Graves Registration Command 16 Continental Base Section 9 Civil Censorship Division 11 U. S. Air Forces in Europe 6 U. S. Forces in Austria 6 Western Base Section 14 Third U. S. Army 3

Over one hundred of the War department employees were men, the majority of them being World War II veterans who had been separated from the service in Europe and had acquired the civilian jobs.

In addition to employing almost half of the Negro civilian workers in Europe, Headquarters, U. S. Forces, European theater, also had many among the highest paid, they included a department manager, an exchange manager and an assistant exchange manager, a shop foreman and a lithograph pressman.

Two administrative assistants were among the nine Negroes employed by the Continental Base Section, in addition to a production expeditor, court reporter and a storekeeper with a CAF (Clerical, Administrative and Fiscal) rating of 6.

Among the 14 Negro employees of the Western Base Section were an administrative and personnel supervisor, a medical technician and a storekeeper. Highest paid Negro civilian employee of the American Graves Registration Command was an embalmer supervisor.

The majority of the Negro employees in the various commands were clerks, stenographers and typists. Their CAF ratings ranged from 2 to 6.

Civilians employed by the War department and serving in Europe receive a 25 per cent differential in their base pay.

GOLD HILL DIST. IN FINE SESSION

Burgin Ledbetter, Presides Rev. Sullivan Preaches

The quarterly convention, of the Gold Hill convention No. 2, met recently at New Zion Baptist church, Spindale, with Burgin Ledbetter, presiding and Rev. H. Carter, secretary. Rev. R. H. Carter preached the opening sermon. A model Sunday school was conducted on Sunday and the morning message was delivered by Rev. R. B. Sullivan. Miss M. K. Costner presiding ministers were present: Revs. D. A. Costner, Kings Mountain; Stewart, Greenville, S. C., E. H. Wood, James Roberts, Beaty and Carter, Spindale, and F. T. Williamson, Ellenboro.

Total amount of money raised in the session was \$25.05. The next session of the convention will meet with Mt. Nebo church March 29-30, with Rev. J. L. Smith host-pastor.

Southern Do-Nut Shop Now Open

R. C. Deal, formerly of Greenville, S. C., opened the Southern Do-Nut Shop, 325 E. Main St., last Saturday, in the building formerly occupied by Home Finance Co. Mr. Deal is originally from Kingsport, Tenn., but has been in business in Hickory and Greenville for a number of years.

Items Of Interest Gathered In County And Elsewhere

WINS 7TH ARMY BOXING CROWN

Member of Parachute Infantry Unit Wins Championship

Fort Bragg—Private First Class Jimmie Jones, of Oakland, California, a member of the 555th Parachute Infantry Battalion, won the 7th Army's Lightweight championship crown in a title bout held here in January and has thus qualified to represent his outfit in the Golden Gloves elimination tournament being fought this month.

The California soldier possesses considerable boxing skill in addition to being a hard hitter. He has knocked out 18 opponents in his last 40 fights.

In the coming months the boxing team of the 555th will tour New York, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Missouri, Illinois and Michigan.

PERSONAL ITEMS FROM ELLENBORO

Eunice Blount Tuggle (Staff Correspondent)

A Christmas program was given at Webbs school by the teacher, Miss Lynch and the children. It was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Amanda King is visiting her sister Mrs. Lela Stevens, Atlanta, Ga.

Mr. Husher Long and Mr. Eddie Roberts are ill at this writing. Mrs. Willie L. Frederick is slowly improving.

Mr. C. T. Roberts is home with a discharge after serving in the South Pacific. Everyone was glad to see him home again.

Mrs. Calinder Gardner is still confined to her bed.

Willie Lee Tuggle, Jr., spent the night with Norman Hill and Margaret McDuffie.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Wright, Atlanta, Ga., spent the holidays with his sister, Mrs. Jessie Laster and relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Bacus.

Mr. and Mrs. James Choats, of Shelby, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lemon Tuggle.

Margaret McDuffie and Norman Hill spent the night with Willie L. Tuggle, Jr.

Killed Many Hogs

The Harris brothers, Goler and Booker T. have had fine success in their hog killing this winter, having killed over one hundred and sixty hogs (160) and the season not over yet.

Gold Hill Sunday School Convention Meets At Ellenboro

The quarterly Sunday school convention met recently at Webbs' First Baptist church, Ellenboro, with Mr. Plato Bridges, presiding and Mrs. Lillie M. Mayse, secretary. The Saturday afternoon session was well attended with many helpful ideas brought to us by several speakers. The following churches enrolled with \$1.00: Friendship, Jerusalem, Webb's First Baptist, White Oak Springs and Oak Grove.

The convention discussed the possibilities of having a Bible school. The proper officials will be seen about it. Teachers were elected for the school that conducted in the afternoon.

A union Sunday school was conducted Sunday that was enjoyable to all. A fine sermon was preached by the pastor, then the following

Mrs. Sarah Jones, of the lower section of Rutherford county is not only a subscriber to the Harris Herald, but she is also a booster for it. Relatives of hers in three sections of the United States are subscribing for the Herald because of her interest and encouragement.

Eunice Blount Tuggle, staff correspondent of Harris Herald from Ellenboro, is fast becoming one of among the many leading correspondents of the Herald. She is not only prompt in her correspondence and news, but she is also securing some subscribers, and boosting the Herald whenever possible.

Miss Pauline Watkins, Forest City, was married December 29th to Mr. Furman Foster, of Spindale. Mrs. Foster is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Asa Watkins, Forest City. Mr. Foster is a brick-mason and he and Mrs. Foster are at home with his parents in Spindale.

Prof. H. H. Hudson, Alexander, supervisor of the Rutherford and Polk county singing convention and also supervisor of the Union Silver Circle convention renders efficient service to the choirs and conventions of this section of Western North Carolina. He is also in great demand as a singing school teacher.

NEGRO HISTORY WEEK PLANNED

We are hoping that you will join us in the celebration of Negro History Week that began February 9, 1947. The theme for the year is "Democracy Possible Only Through Brotherhood." History does not show that democracy has ever been attained by such methods as we are using today. We are holding conferences and passing resolutions and deciding by a majority what shall be done or what shall not be done without laying a foundation on which we can build a new structure. What the representatives of the nations are now doing may be destroyed overnight and soon forgotten in the mad rush for more selfish gains. The thing for which we should now be working is brotherhood. People never live together in peace and will never keep the peace with neighboring nations.

Respectfully yours,
C. G. WOODSON,
Director, Association of the Study of Negro Life and History.

—The New South

Appearing at a theater, Stalin, we read, was "thunderously applauded." Naturally, since he's the whole show in Moscow.

A delightful reception was held recently at the home of Mrs. Mary Wray. Those present were Rev. W. R. Bomar; Rev. C. G. McKinney; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Martin; Mr. McKinley Twitty; Mrs. Wade Hill; Mrs. Earline Whiteside and daughter, Emma; and Mr. Harrison Procter, Harris. Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Foster and daughter and Mr. Charlie Hill, Knoxville, Tenn.; Mrs. Nora Hamilton and daughter, Forest City; and Mrs. Creola Foster, Youngstown, Ohio.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lemuel Graham and children, of Washington, D. C. visited Mrs. Graham's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Brown.

Mrs. Minnie Varner has been visiting her daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. Wells Eaves, in Asheville.

Haynes Grove Church News

Haynes Grove church is getting along nicely. We have a wonderful Bible class and Sunday school. Our enrollment is 75. Mr. E. O. Hamrick is superintendent and Bible teacher. Rev. E. W. Bonner, of Gaffney, S. C. is pastor.

ANNUAL REPORT GIVEN FOR THE YEAR OF 1946

Total of 1833 Days Service Given Negro Patients During Year

Patients Spent Total 17,520 Days in Hospital Says Report

The annual report of the Rutherford Hospital for the year 1946 shows that there were cared for in the hospital 2,763 white and 247 colored patients, a total of 3,010 for the year, says Dr. M. H. Biggs. The number of days of care of these patients, including newborn, was 15,687 for white patients and 1,833 for colored patients, or a total of 17,520 days for the year, he says.

In the maternity department there were born 367 white and 25 colored babies, a total of 392 newborn.

In the out-patient department there were received 6,659 new patients and 7,374 old patients, making a total number of visits to this department of 14,033. In this department there were performed 1,596 operations.

In the X-ray department there were received 1,396 patients and 2,849 films and fluoroscopic examinations were made.

In the Radium department there were received 586 patients and the number of treatments given was 743.

The total number of examinations made in the laboratory was 11,453.

The combined structural bed capacity of the hospital is 59, including white and colored. In January, 1947 the daily average number of patients was 55, which represents over 93% occupancy.

On one day recently there were in the hospital 70 patients; 10% above the rated bed capacity, says Dr. Biggs.

PERSONAL ITEMS FROM BOSTIC

Mrs. Earline Whiteside (Staff Correspondent)

Watch night meeting was held at the home of Mr. Charlie Lattimore, for New Vernon church.

Rev. Surratt preached a fine sermon at New Vernon church recently. A song service was also rendered by the Glee club led by Mrs. Hester Brown. Also a topic was discussed "What Can We Do to Put More Christianity Into Our Young People." Mr. Edgerton led the discussion and Rev. Burgess also spoke on the topic.

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