# MANY CHANGES WILL BE MADE.

## M. E. Conference at Washington Next Week Will Be A Very Busy Session

(Special to The Afro-American Ledger.)

Washington, Mar. 15—Interest among members of the Washington Conference of the M. E. Church is now centered in this city, where the fortyninth annual session of conference begins next Wednesday at Ebenezer M. E. Church, Fourth and D streets northeast. The conference will practically begin Tuesday with anniversary exercises, for the Epworth League. Addresses will be delivered that night by Rev. Edwin, M. Randall, general secretary of the Epworth League; Garland Penn, assistant secretary of the league; and Mr. Grant Countee.

At the opening on Wednesday morning, addresses of welcome will be delivered by Cuno H. Randolph, a member of the Board of Commissioners for the District of Columbia, and Rev. S. H. Brown, pastor of Ebenezer M. E. Church. Responses will be made by Rev. S. M. Beane, of Martinsburg, W. Va., and Bishop William F. Anderson, who will preside over the conference. Rev. R. E. Jones, editor of the Southwestern Christian Advocate, and J. P. Wragg, of the American Bible Society, will be among the speakers at the afternoon session. The anniversaries of the Sunday School Board and Temperance Society will be observed at night. Revs. C. C. Jacobs and Alfred Smith will speak. Rev. L. A. of Baltimore, will preside.

Revs. J. O. Spencer, E. C. Clemans and M. C. B. Mason are among the speakers at the anniversary exercises for the Freedmen's Aid Society next Thursday night.

The lay electoral college will meet next Friday morning to elect delegates to the General Conference, which meets at Minneapolis in May.

Bishop Anderson will probably read the appointments next Sunday night. The presiding elders of the conference met here a few days ago to agree upon a slate, it is said. For the post of Rev. M. J. Naylor, whose term as presiding elder of the Baltimore district expires, Revs. W. A. C. Hughes, J. A. Holmes, who is now winding up his fifteenth year as pastor of Metropolitan Church, and D. W. Shaw, whose return to Centennial Church is uncertain, are mentioned. Should Rev. Hughes be chosen as a presiding elder, it is probable that either Rev. M. J. Naylor, W. C. Thompson, presiding elder of the Alexandria district, Rev. M. W. Clair, of this city, will be selected for pastor of Sharp Street Memorial Church, Baltimore. Rev. S. R. Hughes will give up the superintendency of the Staunton District, and a number of men are mentioned as his successor. Quite a number of changes are expected, and some of them will be in the larger charges. Among these will be the probable sending of a sucessor to Rev. S. H. Brown at Ebenezer Church, this city.

### Notes From Crisfield, Md.

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Crisfield, Mar. 12—Miss Mamie Harmon, daughter of Mr. Thomas and Adie Harmon, is very ill.

The oyster shuckers, that have been away all the winter, are returning home.

The ladies of St. Paul's A. M. E. Church have arranged for a leap year social in which Mrs. Annie M. Hern was elected president. and Mrs. Annie Daniels, secretary.

The newly elected trustees of St. Paul A. M. E. Church elected for treasurer, Wiliam Daniels; for financial secretary, Chas. E. Hern, and for recording secretary, Peter Broughton.

The Sunday School of St. Paul's Church was largely attended Sunday with 74 scholars and the collection was $5.03. Class No. 5, Rev. C. T. Williams teacher, holds the offering banner; class No. 1, Chas. E. Hern teacher, holds the attendance banner.

### A New Household of Ruth

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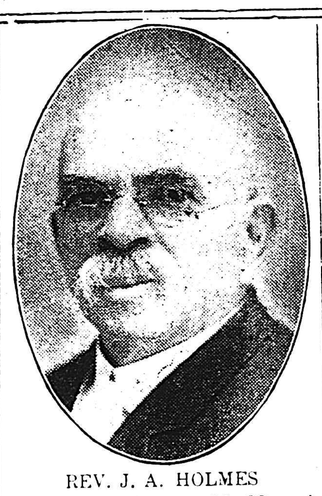
Cumberland, Md., Mar. 14—A Juvenile department of the Household of Ruth of Odd Fellows has been organized here. The organization was effected at the suggestion of Mr. Richard E. Davis, the district supervisor. Mrs. Louis



REV. J. A. HOLMES

Who is round ng out his fifteenth year as paster of Methodist Episcopal Church, and who may be retnrned for another year.

Ashby presided and Mrs. Alice Campbell acted as secretary.

Brief addresses were delivered by Patriarchs R. T. Trent, Charles E. Ashby, George Palmore, Edward Clark, Jonh Campbell, James Monroe Sayles, and Rev. G. W. M. Lucas.

The following children were enrolled as members: Ethel Trent, Pearl Lucas, Manilla Hawkins, Myrtle Chatman, Alice Campbell, Elizabeth Peck, James Peck, Aaron Lucas, Andrew Lucas, Moses Lucas, Edith Edmonson, and Goldina Lucas.

## Mrs. Peterson Visits Denton.

### And Organizes Local a Branch of the Women's Christian Temperance Union

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Denton, Md., Mar. 15—Mrs. Eliza Peterson, of Texas, national organizer of the work of the Women's Temperance Union among the colored people, has been here in the interest of her work. She organized a local W. C. T. U. The officers are: Mrs. A. M. Bailey, president; Mrs. Adaline Lewis, vice president; and Mrs. Lily Tucker, secretary.

Mrs. Sarah Carter entertained at dinner Rev. and Mrs. Joseph G. Bryant and Miss Myrtle Bryant.

Miss Cornelia Fountain is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Walter Dixon, of Baltimore.

The meeting of the Women's Missionary Society was held last Wednesday at the parsonage of Bethel A. M. E. Church. Following the meeting, Mrs. Joseph G. Bryant served hot waffles and cocoa.

Miss Hattie Frazier is recovering from an attack of the grip.

Mr. Armstead Williams is quite indisposed.

### Snow Hill News

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Snow Hill, Md., Mar. 14—Mary Watson, who swallowed a lapel button, has returned from Salisbury, Md., after having the button removed at the Peninsula General Hospital.

Mrs. Mary E. Nelson, of Baltimore, is here for an indefinite stay, after spending two weeks in Philadelphia.

Rally services were held at the Coll Spring M. E. Church. Rev. J. W. Gillispreached, after which a collection of $50 was taken. Rev. I. D. Paine is pastor of the church.

Mr. Peter L. Henry gave a successful entertainment at the Odd Fellows' Hall for the benefit of the M. E. Church.

Miss Mildred Palmer, of Baltimore, is visiting here.

Mr. Samuel Duncan, who has been on the sick list, is able to be out again.

### Chestertown Happenings

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Chestertown, Md., Mar. 14—Boys' Day services were held at Bethel A. M. E. Church Sunday. An attractive program was presented. Messrs. Edward Matthews Thomas Rigby, Michael Cotton, Henry Murray, John Gillam, Emanuel Cann, Charles Frisby, and John W. Broadway have been elected trustees of the church.

Woman's Day services were held at Janes M. E. Church Sunday morning and afternoon. Rv. W. C. Jason, president of Deleware State College, at Dover, Del., delivered an inspiring address to the ladies at night. The collections during the day were good.

# EDITOR WHITE GETS YEAR IN CHAIN GANG

## Georgia Crackers Resent Article Published In the Broadax—Also Fined Heavily.

Atlanta, Ga., Mar. 14—George St. Julian White, editor of the Georgia Broadaxe, who was arrested last November charged with libel in publishing an article that had previously appeared in the Chicago Defender, has pleaded guilty and been sentenced to twelve months in the chain gang and fined $400. A white man named Hollingshead, who lived near Augusta, was shot and killed by a colored man named Walker for an alleged assault on the latter's wife. Walker was arrested and convicted of murder in the first dergee. The Chicago Defender published the article and the Broadaxe published the same. Editor White was arrested and taken to the jail nearest the home of the dead man, and the whites prepared to lynch him. He was carried to the jail at Augusta, thus preventing a lynching at the hands of the crackers. Friends secured his release on $700 bail.

It has been freely asserted that White was slated for the chain gang, and his plea of guilty is said to have been due to the desire to escape a heavier sentence. The plea of guilty was entered by his attorney and the fine immediately paid.

The Atlanta Independent said, editorially last week, that White got off lightly, but it does not dare to claim that white editors who publish wicked untruths about colored people should be punished.

### Work of the Virginia Baptist Seminary

Lynchburg, Va., Mar. 12—The work of the Virginia Baptist Seminary and College is expanding and the school is reaching a larger number of people than ever before. The seminary may be regarded as the life work of the late Gregory W. Hayes. It is supported mainly by the colored Baptist of this State. The president, Rev. R. C. Woods, has recently returned from the North, where he conducted a campaign in the interest of the work. He is well known in Baltimore, where he formerly served as president of the Clayton-Williams University.

### A Prosperous Bank.

Atlanta, Ga., Mar. 14—The Atlanta Savings Bank is regarded as one of the most flourishing race enterprises in the city. It has on deposit naerly $60,000 and has paid-up capital stock of nearly $18,000. J. O. Ross is president of the bank. William Driskell, secretary-manager of the Union Mutual Insurance Company, has been elected a vice president of the bank.

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REV. STORER S. JOLLEY

### Delivers Lecture on Socialism

Cambridge, Md., Mar. 15—Rev. Dr. Storer S. Jolly, pastor of Waugh M. E. Church, delivered an interesting address on "Socialism" a few evenings ago. His address was a revelation to many, as he took up one by one many of the cardinal principles of that creed. A large number of the white residents were in the audience.

### Baltimoreans Give Concert at Winchester

Special to the Afro-American Ledger.

Winchester, Va., Mar. 15—A successful concert was given for the benefit of the school fund by the Educational School Club. Those on the program included: Mrs. Marie L. Williams, Miss Consuela Williams, Mrs. E. L. Bruce, and Miss Lillian Stewart, all of Baltimore.

Rev. A. D. Balfou, of Galilee Station C. M. E. Church, was a visitor to Rev. J. L. Sales.

Mr. Jack Henderson is very ill with rheumatism.

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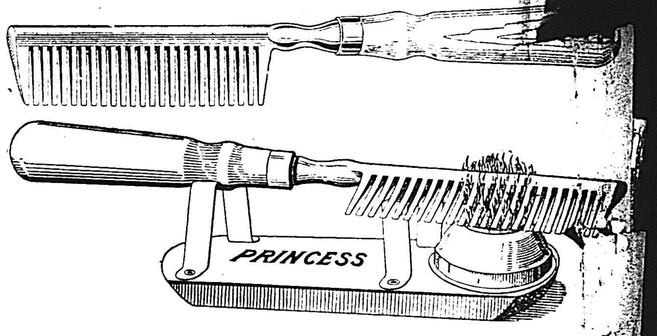


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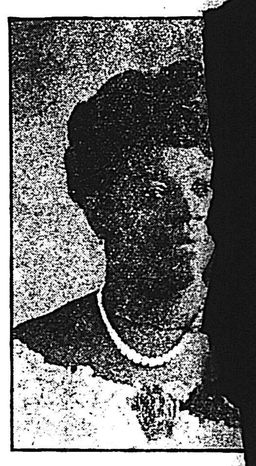

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