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PASTORS ASSIGNED BY M P CONFERENCE

Ministers Given Posts for Year at Closing Session of Salisbury Meeting

RACE TRACKS PROTESTED

Salisbury, Md., April 8.—Pastors were assigned for the year by the Methodist Protestant Conference at its closing meeting last night. Conditions in Washington with respect to Sabbath observance and lack of respect for law were declared "deplorable" in resolutions adopted by the conference. A congressional bill to further better observance was indorsed.

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The resolution, which was part of the report of the committee on Moral Reform and Social Service, declared that "at the capitol of our nation we should find all that is for the advancement and preservation of our nation recognized and helped up in the very best way."

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The conference adopted, with a few minor amendments, the report of the Rev. Dr. G. I. Humphreys, its presi-ent thus disposing of the Susquehanna-Havre de Grace church matter. The conference voted to give the president and his official advisors its moral and financial support as to the pastoral supply and in whatever legal steps may be needed in the prosecution of the rights of the body.

The electoral college, after six ballots, completed the roster of delegates of the general conference. In addition to the list published Sunday, it includes the Revs. C. P. Nowlin, J. M. Sheridan, F. C. Klein and E. A. Sexsmith.

Additional Laymen

The additional laymen chosen were J. P. Doge, W. E. Sheppard, Russel Smith and E. E. Wooden.

Alternates selected were: Ministers, W. H. Litsinger, E. D. Stone, L. A. Randall, W. A. Melvin, P. W. Crosby, W. B. Judefind and G. E. Brown, Lay men, F. W. Whittaker, E. B. Fenby, J. H. Roberts, J. B. Jones, E. G. Cover, F. W. Munroe and R. J. Goerke.

The matter of group life insurance was referred to the superannuate fund society for consideration and to report to the next conference F. E.

The appointments follow:

Alnut Memorial—Louis Randall.
Brooklyn—H. B. Jester.
Bethesda—G. M. Clayton.
Calvary—H. O. Keen.
Chesaco Park—C. L. Dawson, supply.
Christ Church—J. L. Ward.
East Baltimore—G. A. Ogg.
Edmonson Avenue—J. McLain Brown.
Eutaw—W. P. Roberts.
Evergreen—F. T. Little.
Grace—G. E. Brown.
Graceland Park—H. A. Kester.
Hampden—E. D. Stone.
Keen Memorial—A. S. Beane.
Lauraville—P. F. Warner.
Linthicum Heights—E. T. Kirley.
Lowe Memorial—W. A. Melvin.
North Baltimore—W. H. Litsinger.
Payson Street—T. C. Mulligan.
South Baltimore—W. F. Wright.
Starr—G. W. Haddaway.
St. John's—L. F. Warner.
St. Paul's—F. D. Reynolds.
Trinity—R. W. Right.
Violetville—W. B. Judefind.
West Baltimore—J. M. Gill.
Wilton Heights—F. G. Holloway.
Baltimore Circuit—S. F. Cassen.
Accomac, Va.—W. F. Bauscher.
Amelia, Va.—J. W. Gordon.
Bedford—C. M. Jenkins.
Belair—C. P. Nowlin; associate to be supplied.
Bivalve—J. R. McKeawn.
Buckeystown—J. W. Kirk.
Cambridge—R. Y. Nickolson.
Cambridge Circuit—D. W. Anstine.
Cannon, Del.—R. W. Sutcliffe.
Caroline—C. F. Cummings, supply.
Carroll Circuit—S. R. Martin, sup-

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OUR NATION

By THE CRACKER

On we, the plain people, its foundation rests. We are its buttress and wall, and in our bounden duty we must not fail, lest with shame we shall blush at its fall. For our nation is not of the mighty and great but just the plain folks around home, and by our conscience is measured its fate—our will is the great corner stone. If we will that its tenets forever shall stand, unsullied by forces malign, no power of evil can prevail in our land or shadow its glory sublime. Unto us is the honor to hold and protect, bequeathed by our sires, now dust; and if by cause whatsoever 'tis wrecked, then unfaithful are we to our trust. Among those chosen for guardsmen may be some unfitted to watch o'er their tasks; and to punish the guilty we must all agree—against others not kindle our wrath. The unfaithful sentry must pay for his act and face the grim rifles at dawn; to the valiant and faithful no wrong shall be taxed, his honor no man shall impugn. And those who would level a lance at the just, with malice his honor to harm, are at par with the sentry betraying his trust and must bask in the wrath of our scorn. For if the just perish, then gone is our strength, and our nation shall fall to decay; for justice must never be held to contempt, or by hysteria swayed.

SAYS NEW ROAD WILL OPERATE IN 2 WEEKS

Rosenfeld Expects No Interruption to Service During Incorporation

GASOLINE MOTIVE POWER

Service on the Maryland and Delaware Coast Railroad will not be interrupted pending the filing of articles of incorporation and adjustment of affairs of the new company, Jesse Rosenfeld, president, said yesterday.

"We expect to take over the road and begin operation of three units of gasoline-driven equipment within two weeks," Mr. Rosenfeld said. The road will operate from West Denton, Md., to Lewes and Rehobeth, Del.

"Total outlay for the railroad and new equipment is put at about $300,000. It was necessary to go outside the State to find men to finance the purchase of the road," Mr. Rosenfeld said.

Officers of the company who have been named thus far are Mr. Rosenfeld, president; Harry E. Karr, vice president and general counsel, and J. W. Muessen, general manager. Mr. Muessen formerly was manager of the Washington, Brandywine and Point Lookout Railroad, Mr. Rosenfeld said. Other officers of the company will be named today.

Steam Power Considered

A conference was held yesterday with representatives of the Baldwin Locomotive Works relative to purchasing a unit of steam-driven equipment to haul freight in the busiest seasons. Until this equipment is obtained the road will be operated entirely with gasoline-driven cars.

Letters of appreciation have been received, Mr. Rosenfeld said, from residents of the State who are affected by the plan of the company to operate to and from Rehoboth.

FARMERS SUPPLY CO. RE-ELECT OFFICERS

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers Supply Co., Incorporated, last Saturday afternoon, April 5th, in the Court House, a large attendance of the members of this company was present and considerable interest was shown by the stockholders in the success of the company.

At this meeting the same stockholders and officers were chosen for the coming year as served during the past year and the method of conducting the business took up the greater part of the time in discussion.

Satisfaction was expressed by the assemblage on the manner of conducting the business under the present manager, Mr. W. A. Cawley and the meeting endorsed his methods and promised support for the coming year.

The Rector's Aid Society of Christ Church, Denton, will hold a benefit card party at the home of Mrs. Dawson O. George on April 21st in the afternoon.

Lenten Pictures

"It is finished!"—John 19:30

Out of the weird darkness that fell upon the earth on the day of the crucifixion come four words of the dying Jesus: "My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken me?"— the cry of a spiritual desolation; "I thirst!"—the utterance of natural need and physical distress; "It is finished!"—the triumphant word of achievement reached and purpose fulfilled; and "Father, into Thy hands I commend My spirit!"—the tranquil and unafraid word of confident committal. It is the third of these that presents itself to our minds at this time.

What is finished? The earthly life and ministry of Jesus; the purpose for which the Father sent Him forth; the long preparatory stage of type and symbol, of prediction and shadow; the plan of redemption which had been in the mind and heart of God from eternity; the reconciliation of justice and mercy whereby God "might be just and the justifier of him that believeth in Jesus;"—all this was finished. Not one part of the work had been overlooked or left undone!—not one item of the debt ignored or neglected! Jesus can now stand before the throne of His Hather in the victorious consciousness of a purpose fully achieved and a work completely done. "I have finished the work that Thou gavest Me to do."

The word comes to us with a suggestion of assurance, rebuke, caution, inspiration. With respect to the Lord its lesson of finality, completeness.

"Nothing, either great or small,
Remains for me to do;
Jesus died and paid it all,
Yes, all the debt I owe."

But when we turn the thought toward ourselves it wears a different aspect. How much of our work is unfinished through lack of purpose and consecration, through indolence and cowardice! There are so many beginnings that never come to any finishings. For us all there is abundant encouragement and inspiration in the thought of Him who would not, could not, be discouraged or dismayed or turned from his purpose by whatsoever of difficulties and obstacles might interpose themselves, but who endured even the cross, despising its shame, until He could come before His Father saying, "I have finished the work that Thou gavest me to do!"

REV. DUDLEY MOVED TO ALEXANDRIA, VA.

Rev. J. A. Dudley, who for the past four years has served the Methodist Protestant Church at Denton, was assigned Monday by the annual conference to the church at Alexandria, Va., and will leave about next Thursday to take up his new work.

During the four years' pastorate here, Mr. Dudley has grown very close to the hearts of his people and it is with great regret that they will see him leave. Both he and his wife have taken a great interest in the work of the church and the community and have been very enthusiastic and wide-awake to the needs of the congregation.

On Sunday, services will be held as usual, with Mr. Dudley in the pulpit, both morning and evening.

Rev. G. J. Hooker, of First Church, Washington, D. C., has been assigned to the Denton church and will have the Harmony church in addition to Denton. From what we can hear of Mr. Hooker, he is also a very wide awake young man and both he and his wife take a great amount of interest in the social work of the church.

SLIGHT FIRE IN LAW BUILDING SUNDAY

At 11:15 Sunday night Dentonians were awakened by the sound of the fire siren which blew three separate times and the populace began to think the entire town was on fire, yet no one could see any flames.

The cause for the disturbance was a small blaze in the office of W. J. Rickards in his law office in the rear of the Law building.

Earlier in the day Mr. Rickards had been in his office finishing up some legal matters in preparation for court which opened here Monday, and as it was a little cool, had a fire in the open hearth. When he left the office the fire seemed to be going out, with a small log still smouldering.

During the evening this log dried out and brightened into a blaze and sparks flew out onto the floor.

The fire was discovered by Mr. Melvin who lives near and who turned in the alarm. The operator called Mr. Rickards, first, however, and he looked out his window next door and confirmed the alarm as the entire room was lighted up with the blaze.

He immediately rushed to his office and had the fire under control before the firemen reached the scene.

Pie Social At Howards

There will be a pie social at Howard's School on Thursday evening, April 17. The main feature of the evening will be a play, entitled "Deacon Dubbs," a rural comedy drama in three acts, given by the young people of the community. Come out and enjoy a good laugh!

Easter Cards at The American Union.

DR. C. T. WILSON TO SPEAK AT DENTON M. E. CHURCH

Dr. Clarence True Wilson, of Washington, D. C., is internationally known as one of the best platform orators of the present generation. It is an unusual thing that a community like Denton has the opportunity of hearing so renowned a speaker.

The Men's Bible Class of Denton Methodist Episcopal Church has secured Dr. Wilson to speak in the church on Wednesday evening next, April 16, and a cordial invitation is extended to every one to be present and to hear his message and enjoy his eloquence and the inspiration he will offer.

No charge of admission will be made, and the Men's Bible Class will feel fully repaid if the people of the community will respond to this invitation and fill the church to its capacity.

Dr. Wilson's subject will be, "Is Uncle Sam a Christian?"

BOY RUNS IN FRONT OF AUTO; HEAD HURT

Wilbur, young son of Mr. Wayne Cawley, manager of the Farmers Supply Company, was knocked down on Main street, Tuesday morning by an automobile, while running across the street with another boy.

Spectators, who saw the accident, say that the driver of the car, a traveling salesman, was not at fault, as he was driving but 10 or 12 miles an hour, when a boy ran directly in front of his machine, narrowly being missed, and followed a second later by young Cawley, who was knocked down and the machine passed over his body, although the wheels did not run over him. When the first boy ran out, the driver threw on his brakes, but had no escape from hitting the second boy.

The little fellow was knocked unconscious for a few minutes but soon came to after being carried in the store of James H. Nichols & Co. He complained of pain on top of his head which was probably hurt when he struck the concrete road, but otherwise, he seemed to be all right and did not show any marks or scars.

The driver of the car immediately stopped his car, got out and remained with the boy until it was determined he was not seriously hurt.

PRESIDENT WASH. COLLEGE VISITS DENTON

Dr. Paul E. Titsworth and Mr. Hoffsommer, of Washington College, were in Denton yesterday in the interest of the endowment fund for Washington college, Chestertown. In company with Mr. W. I. Norris, county chairman of this fund for Caroline county, these visitors called on various people during the day in an effort to raise a portion of the necessary endownment in Caroline county and generally met with very favorable success.

6TH GRADE ENTERTAIN P. T. A. MONDAY EVE.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Parent Teacher Association Tuesday evening at the high school building, the largest attendance of patrons and scholars crowded the small assembly room to its utmost, many persons having to stand during the entire evening. The program was in charge of the sixth grade and was as follows:

Song, "Liza Jane," Russum Orem (7th grade), William De Ford
Piano Solos—Frances Lee Cooper, Frances Wilson, Margaret Beck, Kathryn Hirs.
Recitation, "Tommy's Dream," Parker Stone.
Farce—"In the Doctor's Office."
Mrs. Snap, Margaret Beck
Mr. Saylittle, Guy Faries
Mrs. Swell, Julia Wilson
Mrs. Swell's Son, Wilson Dennis
Mrs. Swell's Maid, Kathryn Yeoman
Mrs. Gabmore, Jane Wine
Mr. Gabmore, Burton Parker
Miss Gusher, Kathleen Moore
Mr. Jocose, Philip Helsby
Doctor's nurse, Edith Towers
Quartette, "The Game of Tag," Misses Margaret Beck, Kathleen Moore Unity Cooper, Julia Wilson
Pantomime, "The Coquette,"
The Coquette, Julia Wilson
1st Admirer, Thomas Baynard
2d Admirer, Alan Goldsborough
3d Admirer, Philip Helsby
4th Admirer, William DeFord
Trio, "Spring Greetings", Julia Wilson, Margaret Beck, Unity Cooper.

The musical selections and recitations were especialy good and the characters in the two skits took their parts in regular professional style.

Following the program the business was held with Mrs. Pickering in the chair, due to the absence of the president, Mrs. William Wooters, who is confined to her home with sickness.

Reports of several committees were called for and then the subject came up concerning athletic grounds for practice place for the children for this spring and a committee was appointed to secure suitable grounds for this purpose.

Prof. A. L. Leary took up the subject of a questionaire which had been sent out some time ago to the parents concerning certain phases of school work and gave a summary of the replies. He also stated that the percentage of tardiness had decreased greatly in the past month.

Mrs. Lee Jefferson, president of the Federalsburg Parent Teacher Association was present with several other members of that organization and she was asked to give a short talk which dwelt upon co-operation of the various parent teacher associations of the county for the common good of the children and urged that more visiting be done among the different associations of the members.

Mr. W. I. Norris called for the naming of fifteen delegates from the local association to be present at the County Parent Teacher Association meeting which will be held in the Court House in Denton on Thursday evening, May 1st. As this is the last meeting of the county association this year a large attendance is urged.

Refreshments were served and the meeting adjourned.

EASTER EGGS PLENTIFUL AT THE CANDY STORE

Denton Candy Company is surely prepared for the Easter rush, having over 1000 chocolate covered Easter eggs for those who have a sweet tooth and to please the kiddies on Easter morning.

Easter eggs are surely in season at this store and can be found in any size from the tiny jelly eggs to large eggs costing several dollars. Baskets of various kinds and filled with an assortment of eggs of which any Easter bunny would be justly proud add to the attractiveness of the store and await the pleased looks of the children on Easter morn.

To add a personal touch to a gift egg the name of the wee child will be added to the egg which will make it much more highly prized when received.

Holy Week Services

Holy Week services at Christ church Denton, will be observed on Wednesday, at 4:30 at which time a children's service will be held. A communion service will be held at 7:30 p. m. on Thursday. On Good Friday a three hour service will be held from 12 noon until 3 p. m.

Large Court Docket

At the regular term of Circuit Court for Caroline county an extra large number of cases were docketed, consisting of 108 trial cases, 16 presentments, 11 appeals, 10 criminal cases continued, 11 criminal appeals, 13 recognizants. A number of cases which should have been tried at this term of court have been continued and the following cases were heard:

Edwin Rosser vs. State, criminal appeal, the charge being that he killed a fox pursued by hounds. Not guilty.

Reba Vincent vs. State, criminal appeal, charged with selling intoxicating liquor. Pleaded guilty. Sentence, 10 days in jail.

State vs. Percy Ricketts, presentment, forgery. Pleaded not guilty. Verdict was returned guilty, and a sentence of 18 months in the penitentiary was given.

State vs. Pliny Lewis, presentment, selling intoxicating liquor. Pleaded not guilty. Verdict guilty. Sixty days in jail.

State vs. William H. Boyd, presentment, larceny. Pleaded guilty. Sentence two years in penitentiary.

State vs. Lawrence Scotton, presentment, burglary. Pleaded guilty. Sixty days in jail.

At this term of court there will be three transfer cases, the first one on Friday, and is the case of J. Hero Kelly vs. J. Townsend Anthony, which is a transcript case recorded from the Queen Anne county court and is a suit for debt.

Second trial transfer case is that transferred from Cecil county court in the matter of Catherine R. Francles, infant by father, vs. Victory Sparkler & Specialty Company for damages.

The third case is that of Dr. James A. Stevens vs. John S. McDaniel, which was transferred from Kent county, and is for damages for alleged libel.

CAROLINE COUNTY SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION TO HOLD CONFERENCE

On Friday, May 2, the young people of the Caroline County Sunday School Association will hold a conference in the new Baptist church at Greensboro, at which it is hoped that the young people's department of every Sunday School in the county will be represented.

Preparatory to this conference a meeting of the executive committee of the young people was recently held in Denton M. E. Church, when the following committees were named: Publicity, John Alderson. Meeting place, Edgar Shockley. Entertainment, Susan Zackaria. Games, Marian Hemmons and Henrietta Swann, Thomas Clapper and Mervin Pentz. Registration, Addie Nuttle. Conservation, Selby Groff, chairman; authorized to name his helpers. This committee is expected to visit Sunday Schools and see that delegates attend the conference.

Two boys, two girls, ages 16 to 24 years, and one adult from each Sunday School in the county may attend this conference. It being the purpose of the conference to train young people for Christian leadership, every school should select its most energetic and earnest young people as its delegates. The adult delegate should be a Y. P. superintendent or a teacher, or a leader of young people. All pastors and Sunday School superintendents, county and district officers are especially invited to attend this conference. However, all who attend must register and pay the registration fee of $1, which defrays the expense of the banquet and other items incident to the conference. Sunday Schools will be expected to choose their delegates not later than Sunday, April 20, and make a report of same immediately thereafter to the registration committee.

EXPERT POULTRY MAN TO TALK AT FEDERALSBURG

One of the foremost poultry specialists of the United States will be in Federalsburg Tuesday evening, April 22, to talk to the poultry raisers of this section of the country

He is Mr. Joseph Burger of St. Louis, Mo., and is being brought here by W. T. Eddington & Son, of Federalsburg. His talk will be along strictly educational lines and will be at the Masonic Temple at 8 o'clock sharp, Tuesday night, April 22.

Admission by card only. Those interested and who are now raising poultry can secure admission cards at W. T. Eddington & Son's flour mill, Federalsburg.

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