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Dr. Smith Exposes $2,200 Discrepancy at Virginia Seminary; Manager Resigns

WASHINGTON, D.C.—An open letter to the Rev. C. C. Scott, pastor of Fifth Street Baptist Church, Richmond, Va., chairman of the board of trustees of Virginia Theological Seminary at Lynchburg, was made public by the Rev. C. H. Smith, pastor of Metropolitan Baptist Church here, this week.

The letter reads as follows:

Having talked with Rev. L. E. Jackson, business manager of the Virginia Theological Seminary and College, Lynchburg, Va., who informed me of a meeting held by a few trustees at our school December 11, 1930, at which meeting his resignation as manager was accepted, and because of certain irregularities connected with both the meeting and the affairs of the school, I am interested to know if you, as chairman of the board, make these questions, which I shall welcome your public answer.

1. Was not a meeting of the Board of Trustees held at the school November 29, 1930, and at such meeting encroachments to the amount of $2,200 were reported to the board by the manager, Rev. L. E. Jackson?

2. In the face of this situation, did not the trustees confer with Jackson, and under pressure attempted to force the manager's report, for which you made him apologize to the board?

3. Did not the board authorize an investigating committee, and you appointed the following: Revs. C. A. Lindsay, L. W. Waire, C. E. Jones, M. C. Allen, C. C. Harvey, A. L. James, and yourself?

4. Was not this committee instructed that no time be made investigation, and report its case to the Trustee Board in a session to be called by you?

5. Did not this committee meet December 1st and after deliberating realized itself into a trustee board meeting and proceeded to accept the manager's resignation and exonerated the president?

6. Do you consider this a legal meeting?

7. Can you account for the present A. L. Treasurer, Rev. Lewis Jones, of Roanoke, Va., Rev. Ashby Jones, of Norfolk, who are not members of this committee on investigation?

8. Do you feel, as a minister of the gospel, that it is fair to take advantage of your fellow trustees whose interest in the work is as great as yours?

9. Do you purpose to call a meeting of the board to have the authorized committee to make its report?

Mission of Funds

10. Do you think that you can answer these questions in a way that the board will have confidence in you as chairman of the board of trustees, and that you will remain in office as one of what the business manager and president of the seminary and the people generally are there to support the school?

When you have answered these two questions satisfactorily to the public and me, I shall ask you to make, if I am confident that the privilege not be taken to ask the other questions, which are facts as fate and come out with the truth.

This is our Only Century

May I ask this closing word while I await your answer? The public will not be asked for the existence of public institutions to continue to exist, if they are allowed to be run as those they are conducted under the power as the Seminary is being operated.

This is the 20th century, and the public does not believe in taxation without representation, donation without donation nor damnation without explanation. The greatest endangerment of the Seminary needs to throw all these into the teeth of the Scribes and Pharisees, and Sanhedrim, and come out in the public to charge this question that the chairman of the Board of Trustees of Virginia Theological Seminary and College.

Yours to save the Seminary,
Fellow Trustee,
E. C. Smith, Washington, D.C.

West Virginia

CHARLESTON

CHARLESTON, W.Va.—Entertainments for the holidays will begin this week-end, with the arrival of students, who will come home to spend the Christmas holidays.

A dance, given by Blue Irving, William Spriggs and Samuel Bennett, combined with a basketball game between the Comets and Lincoln Colored school will begin the fun.

Misses Neville and Lelnie Wall will entertain with a dance and a bridge tea party, certain to be attended by many who arrive home this week end. Misses Ruth Thomas, Regina Thomas, Frances Webb, Revella Webb, Margaret Wooster, Mary Crosley, Sugland Davis, Ella Watson, Maude Johnson, Cornelia Williamson, Amanda and Catherine Brown, Carrie Phillips, Maxine Bee, Lettie Branch, Ruth Holmes, Dorothy Brown, Hermore and Florence Bain, Florence Harper and Virginia Mendola.

Messrs. Lawrence Parker, James Bush, George Williams, Benjamin Brownlee, Troy Walker, Albert Banks, Willard Brown, Robert Holmes and Lavern Hawkins, all of West Virginia State College.

Miss Mary A. Mosley, Wilberforce University; Miss Beatrice Morris, Howard University; Miss Margaret Webster, Lincoln Hospital.

Marcelle Preston, of Lincoln University, Miss Edna Holland, Union University; Miss Elizabeth Brooks, Ohio State University; Herbert Cole, Reid Axton, Earl Gaskins, Albert Saunders, and Polly Graves, of Bluefield Institute; Misses Mary McCoy and Alice Robinson, also of Bluefield.

Mrs. Archie Le-mon (nee Christine Webb) of New York, will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Webb, of 1331 Kanawha street.

Miss Lucy Johnson, of Pittsburgh, Pa., a student at West Virginia State College, will spend the holidays in the city.

Miss Louise Webb will visit her uncle, the Rev. M. M. Lewis, in Ardmore, Pa.

James Watkins, of Pittsburgh, Pa., arrived Friday afternoon, to take his sister, Miss Mary Watkins, home for the holidays.

McDOWELL

McDOWELL, W.Va.—Times on the sick list are Mrs. Lucinda Bailey, Mrs. Bertha Bernard, Claude Fuller, Mrs. Lizzie Pressley and Mrs. Rosie Davis.

Among those who went to South Port to spend Christmas with relatives are Mrs. Ida Stephenson, Mrs. Ada Bailey, Mrs. Alice Griffin, Mrs. Mattie Holland, Mrs. Marvin Scott, Mrs. Viola M. Doyle and her little granddaughter.

The M. J. H. Community Club of Greenbrier met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Hairston, Sunday. Business was transacted, and refreshments served. A Christmas program and Christmas tree will be given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Holmes, Friday, December 26, at 8:00. The lucky that spinner the box recitation will be crowned as "Queen."

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BAPT. MINISTERS STRIKE BACK AT DR. POWELL

Pastors of Rich Charges Shouldn't Advise their Poorer Brethren.

PASTORS GIVE Whole Life is Continuous Sacrifice

The suggestion of Dr. A. Clayton Powell of New York, that 30,000 ministers should give from 50 to 100 per cent of their salaries for the next three months for the relief of the unemployed was severely criticised by Dr. J. W. Wade, president of the Baptist Church, speaking on current events before the Baptist Ministers' Conference, Monday.

His address was endorsed by the body. Dr. Powell's suggestion was made in an article printed in last week's AFRO-AMERICAN.

Observers point out that Dr. Powell's salary is $6,000 a year and his congregation has given him a home. In addition to his magnificently furnished living room alone is a $1,000 suite of carved mahogany, it is said.

In his address to the ministers, Dr. White said:

If many thousand preachers should follow Dr. Powell's suggestion, and receive nothing else for three months, how are to live on what they have already saved, twenty-five thousand of them, or how would get something else, instead? They would get a place in the poor house or on the charity lists, or in the bread line, or at the free soup kitchens. Surely one poor preacher out of a thousand gets more than enough to carry him from one Sunday to the next.

The Lodger.

Dr. Powell says further that churches not lodges should assume some of the money they have in action from the people, who, he says, they have had received it gratuitously, or had received more than was worth.

Well, this possibly may be said of the lodges, for the people do pay their lodge dues, and they must pay them, or else. But this is not true with the churches and the churches are sustained and always have been sustained at a great sacrifice.

The churches take up two and give out more, and divide it more. The lodges have paid their money back and have to do it, because people as a rule are single and have no dependents. The church, generally in paying the job claims upon them by virtue of their membership, thereby the burden is on the shoulders of a faithful few who by sacrifice, make it possible just to keep the doors open. The lodges may receive money in abundance, more than their just due, but not so the churches.

Green Pastures.

And as for the preacher, we admit that it does sometimes happen that a minister falls in extremely green pastures and maybe gets more than his share. Now and then we find a few with big salaries in New York and Chicago and there and then we find some one commentating on his influence and favoritism with the people and getting more than is his just due, and in such cases, are the exceptions to the rule.

But as for me, I have not accepted what I am now getting, and don't one minister only anything.

As other ministers, I am willing to give of my honestly earned wages to help relieve this situation, and I am willing to give till I feel it, and so are the great majority of other ministers. I do not know either that I could not give a few months without a salary.

But why should a minister be singled out to give three months of a year's salary per salary? Why be more than any one else? Why be more than any one else? Why should a minister be called upon to give and contribute, when the little pitiful amount given to him is not given to him as an act of charity and a minister is not and ought not to be an object of charity. God never intended that his ministers should be singled out because living on the dole and charity of his brethren.

The intelligent congregation want their minister to be a cringing beggar.

Let Him Know Kinder.

Let the ministers have an honest being and quit cringing to that end that he grudge is by trying to make it appear that the minister is getting more than his just due. The preacher is God's hired servant instead of his bite.

I am sick of the sickly sentimentality that the minister to be good must suffer for others to nothing that his family, and that he must be a beggar, that God's poor boy wife and our daughter have a much right to dress well as any other wives and daughters. I am sick of the sickly sentimentality that for a minister to be to be good grace of his people, he must be a pauper. Hint hand back to the people his earnings to be call-good.

We are helping the unemployed, and we are going to go to the last ditch helping, but I for one have nothing to resign that I secured fraudulently. We are sick days of Baltimore proud and pulled of sentimentalism.

The address of the day was given by Lieut. Lawrence A. Oxley, of the North Carolina State Welfare Department, who spoke on "Life at Home." His advice to the farmer was to produce what you eat first, and then your money crop can be used for buying necessities other than food crops.

Miss Ethel Schuyler, the writer, visited Voorhees, December 15.

The campaign of Christmas seals is being pushed by the Public Health Association through Principal Manion as chairman.

The governor's committee on the relief of unemployment is uniting with Bethel, Hilton and Rosemary Counties cooperating. Mr. Jesse Jones, of Hilton, Mr. Jesse J. D. Mackey, M. J. Mackey and Prof. Jed Blanton, for Allendale County, T. R. Ben and Mrs Louise Calhoun for Colleton County, Robert Adams and Mrs. Fannie L. Calhoun.

North Carolina

GREENSBORO

GREENSBORO, N. C.—Tuesday evening, the Greensboro Men's Club, an organization composed of professional, business and other citizens, met at the Foreign Inn to one of its meetings. Prof. J. A. Tarpley, principal of the Colored Graded School, gave a very interesting address on the work of the Greensboro Men's Club to allow itself to go on record as being in sympathy with and encouraging a parent-teacher association among the Negro people of Greensboro.

Sunday evening at 8:30 p.m. the Glee Club of the college for women, under the direction of Miss M. L. Jackson, director of music, presented a melody play, entitled, "The Coming of the Prince of Peace." Bennett College for Women announced the following students who qualified for the honor roll: Misses Ethel Bailey, Ruth Mirtle Pipes, Charlene Sandifer, Berthena Johnson, Frances, Dorothy Bullock, Leonora Wade, Lillie Lee Sandifer, Beatrice Mitchell, Ruby Jones, Frances Cooper, Grace Coulbourne, Virginia Simmons, Gladys Robinson.

VIRGINIA

LYNCHBURG

LYNCHBURG, Va.—The Granville Art Club met Friday, December 19, at the home of Mrs. Blue Jackson.

Among the students who have arrived home for the Christmas holidays are: Robert Stewart of Howard University; Rosa Lee Hunter, Ruth Hunter, Ruth Scott, Misses Naomie Wade, Ruth Wade, Elma Parker, of Virginia State College.

Henry Greene of Addison High School, Roanoke, is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Greene.

James G. Hughes spent Christmas Day visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Hughes.

Miss Gwendolyn Scott, domestic science teacher of the schools of Bedford, is spending the Christmas holidays visiting her mother, Mrs. Rosie Scott.

Miss Ethel Mae Blakmore delivered the address on the historical morning held by the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, Sunday evening, December 21, at the Eighth Street Baptist Church. It was announced by Old Dominion No. 181.

Miss Clade Meders is spending her Christmas holidays visiting in Charleston and Beckly, W. Va.

The Dance which was set Wednesday evening, December 17, at the Revelers' hall, was postponed to Friday evening, the 19th, instead of Wednesday, on account of the Christmas holidays.

The Social set and Entertainers of Virginia Theological Seminary and College, presented their annual dance at the Dunbar Hotel, on Friday, December 19.

Quite a number of Lynchburgers and Seminarians have received invitations to the Christmas dance given by the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority, Washington, D.C.

Mrs. Elise Scott Jackson is planning to have part of her Christmas holidays visiting relatives and friends of Richmond.

The Rev. Mr. Bailey, pastor of the Christian Church, spoke Sunday morning on "God in the Child." His subject at 8 o'clock B.Y.P.U. was a "Mirror."

The B.Y.P.U. of Court Street Baptist Church presented their annual Dramatic Club "Beautiful" Tuesday evening, in the church auditorium.

The Dramatic Club of Virginia Theological Seminary and College, presented a play entitled "The Servant in the House."

The Rev. Mr. Brockenbrough is in charge of the Sunday services at the C.M.E. Church this month.

The Rev. Reid was in charge of the Sunday services at Mt. Zion Church, Sunday.

Deaths.

Mrs. Ella Wilson, 816 Amherst Street.

December 16, Ella E. Jones, 1409 Rock Street.

December 17, James Miller, 2024 Holiday Street.

SALEM

SALEM, Va.—Services at the First Baptist Church Sunday, were well attended. The Rev. Johnson preached two sermons. At 8:45 a.m. the Rev. Mr. Johnson gave an interesting talk on the "High Points of Christ's Sermon on the Mount."

The Rev. J. T. Johnson was called to Charlottesville last Monday night to preach the funeral of Mrs. Matilda Morris. The friends of Union Ridge Baptist Church.

Christmas tree exercises at the First Baptist Church Wednesday night were well attended. Many valuable presents were given to the children and adults.

Mrs. Ella Mae Jones, of Roanoke, was recently in the city.

Mrs. Martha A. Johnson, a student at Virginia Seminary, is visiting her father, Dr. J. T. Johnson.

The annual hog killing Christmas arrived Thursday at the usual hour (seven o'clock) which held services at 7 a.m. The Rev. H. M. Stephen is to Clifton Forge to-morrow the burial service of the brother, the Rev Henry A. Stephen, pastor of Second Baptist Church.

Misses Virginia Joiner, Dorothy Holmes, Ella Mae Johnson and Pearl Jones, of Bluefield, Bluefield, Va., spent Christmas with their parents. Miss Ella Mae Johnson returned to Manor, Va., last night.

The Rev. D. B. Powell, pastor of Mill Street Baptist Church, Roanoke, preached a sermon at Bethel A.M.E. Church Sunday afternoon. Rev. Powell was accompanied by his choir and others.

WHITE STONE

WHITE STONE, Va.—Sermons were well attended at Mt. Vernon Church Sunday. The pastor preached a sermon from the subject, "The Rounded Circle."

On Christmas Day there will be a special service with preaching by the pastor. After the sermon, baskets will be distributed to the less fortunate people of the community.

The Ladies' Club of Mt. Vernon gave a Christmas party Monday night, in the auditorium, Weams wing.

The James Wheat quartet, consisting of Messrs. Bottenham, Mills, Moss and Brittain, gave a successful recital at the Lancaster Training School last week.

Luther Jones is very sick.

M. Williamson is visiting his family, at Lynchburg.

All of the members of the Bethel Sunday school faculty have left for their respective houses to spend the Christmas holidays.

Miss Blandie Smarks, and her mother, Mrs. Susan Smarks, left Friday for New York to spend the holidays with friends and relatives.

BLUEMONT

BLUEMONT, Va.—J. H. Thomas was a visitor in the city last week.

Miss Marie Gibson and Miss Helen Lee spent Christmas with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lee and sister, Miss Allene Steven motored to Winchester, Monday to shop.

Mrs. Alfred Thomas of Purcellville, was Saturday guest of her sister, Mrs. George Lee.

Mrs. Henry Williams of Berryville returned to her home here Monday after two weeks' visit.

The Mt. Zion Baptist Sunday School will entertain at the Christmas tree Friday night, December 26.

Three on the sick list are George Lee and Will Jackson.

SOUTH HILL

SOUTH HILL, Va.—South Hill County Training School had a vaudeville, Friday evening, December 19. Prof. Jackson, who came to bring a phonograph, given to the school, also brought the highest number of the week's sale.

Mrs. Susie Fields and her daughters, Misses Maggie and Sarah Fields have returned to their home in Washington, D.C., after spending the summer in Newport News, Va., and Norfolk, Va., where they visited in our town. Mrs. Maggie Taylor, and spent several days here.

Mrs. J. C. Herbert visited there, while they were here.

A. C. Richardson, principal of the county training school, is planning to see that Santa Claus brings presents to all the children in town, whole parents are not able to get presents for them. The Red Cross has opened a store to help all the people. The children of the school are doing their tree.

PURCELLVILLE

PURCELLVILLE, Va.—The Rev. R. L. Mickens preached here at 11 o'clock.

B. W. Moore spent Wednesday in Washington, D.C.

The Berryville Browns of Blue Mill, Maine, and Charlie James of Washington, D.C., arrived Sunday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Brown.

Mrs Louise Sands spent Thursday in Washington, D.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Gazette Stewart were guests of Mr. Wilmore Mundor.

Miss Greta E. Brown, Miss Maxine E. Clarke, and Miss Clark were visitors in Leesburg, Saturday.

The Rev. R. L. Mickens preached memorial sermon to Captain Denson Lodge of Elks at 4 o'clock, Sunday night.

Mrs. Philip Sellers was a visitor Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Brown.

Oliver Pott was satisfied at the home of his father Sunday.

Those on the sick list are Fred Jackson and Mrs. Luther Stewart.

ROANOKE

By "Hooky" and "Ike"

ROANOKE, Va.—J. Warren Whiteley, formerly of this city but now attending Howard University in Washington, D.C., is reported in the city for a few days.

Marshall Lee, of Howard University, Howard University Medical School and Law, a freshman at the Medical School, are home to spend the holidays with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. Lee.

Miss Mary Ford and Miss Mary Wilson entertained the Epi-o-Whyl Bridge Club at the home of Mrs. Washington Thomas, Monday, December 15. Four tables engaged in play, after which the guests of Mrs. Bessie Coles, Wilmer Dillard and Miss Anne Johnson.

A delicious repast was served.

Those present were Mesdames Ruby Means, Josephine and Rebecca Clark, Wilmer Dillard, Frances Williams, Bessie Coles, Ann Maggie Minor, Mrs. Bessie Coles, Mrs. Mamie Thomas, Mrs. Henry Green, Arnette Mitchell, Gertrude Lee, Wilmer Dillard, Ashley Deal, Norvel Clark and Ballard Moore.

Grafton Mitchell of Wilberforce University, Ohio, is spending the holidays.

Miss Minnie Burwell of Virginia State College, has returned home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Burwell of McDowell Avenue.

Miss Vivian Brown and Miss Ruth Dale, left for Washington, D.C., Miss Brown to attend Howard University, Miss Dale to be a student at Howard University.

Edward Dudley and Robert Taylor are home from Johnson C. Smith University to spend the holidays with their parents.

The beautiful Royal Queen Club Number Two, the scene of a snappy musical party Thursday, December 18, which was given by the Silver Bell Club, held at the home of Mrs. Lucy Coles, Mr. Ar-

MANASSAS

MANASSAS, Va.—The Manassas Industrial School for Negroes, Mr. Ashby Jones, principal. The football team was defeated Friday night, the score 13 to 0. Manassas pulled off the game, which was attended by a large crowd. R. C. Lewis, Jr., a student at the Virginia Union University, was a caller by the All-Star Committee of Colts of C.A.A. Lewis played with Virginia State.

The pastor will deliver the Christmas sermon at 11:30 Christmas day. The choir will sing class. There will be a sermon at Holy Communion not Sunday, and a sermon at 8 o'clock.

Special treats for the Sun. Sch. Tuesday night will be, "Things 1930 Taught Us." At 11:30 the pastor will preach a religious song and the educational, economical and social. Sunday night at 8 o'clock will be discussed in the program by the B.Y.P.U. at 4 o'clock p.m. Music by the B.Y.P.U. chorus.

Miss Annie Taylor continues very ill at her home near Manassas.

The Rev. Mr. Jones, of Ft. Powell, on Liberty Street, was the scene of one of the most perfect parties of the pre-Christmas season Friday night, when Miss Ethel Mae Jones, Eighth gave the seventh birthday party to her little sis, Adriene.

After an afternoon, spent in playing games and eating delicious refreshments, everything good to eat was served to the guests, the table with all of the colors of Christmas, even to the "large cake" which was, green and red with the number 7 on it.

WAYNESBORO

WAYNESBORO, Va.—A program was given at Union Grove Church Sunday, with four ministers speaking a minute each, the Reverend Esser, subject, "Does Thou Faithful Unto Death," The Reverend Wilson spoke on the subject, "Repentance"; the Reverend Wilson, of Grottoe, on "What Shall I Do to Be Saved?" and the closing sermon was by the Reverend Howard, Primary Mark Has a Mark."

Solections were rendered by the Shiloh Quartet, the Mt. Zion Quartet, the Union Quartet, the Pleasant Grove Quartet, the Silverdale Quartet, the Mt. Zion Quartet, Refreshments were served.

A lighted match dropped into some gasoline at the home of Mrs. J. A. Jones, on her son was cleaning, caused a fire which did considerable damage, Friday.

CROSS ROADS

CROSS ROADS, Va.—Services were well attended at Bethel Church, Sunday. Visitors were present. The pastor used for text, "Christmas Gifts Over Everything."

The pastor, Deacon and Mrs. T. G. Taylor had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Reckless.

Services will be held at 11 o'clock Sunday morning, and at 7:30 p.m. Sunday.

Christmas exercises for the children will be given at 11 o'clock for the children, will be given at 11 o'clock Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor will be present Sunday morning and made remarks.

North Carolina

GOLDSBORO

GOLDSBORO, N.C.—The Peter Pan Club was entertained Friday night, at the home of Miss Pulson at her home on Griffin Street. The guests were members and guests of her hall, they were greeted by a beautiful Christmas tree. The other rooms were decorated with holly. The high score prize was won by Miss Lillie Baker, the second by Miss Sadie Grantham, and the guest prize was won by Miss Esther Cooper.

The guests of the evening were: Mrs. Ella Pulson, Misses Esther Cooper, Ella Frederick, Mrs. Roberta Wright, Mrs. M. L. Jones, Mrs. Esther Carter, Mrs. Valeria Jones, Mrs. Ella Jones and Mrs. Ella Jones.

After a delicious salad course was served, the Peter Pan pin was out. Miss Gertrude Parker received a beautiful lamp. Mrs. Ella Pulson, Misses Lillie Mae Baker, Whitley, Ingerie and Rose; Mrs Rose Atkinson, Mrs. Ella Jones, Mrs. Ella Jones, Mrs. Gertrude Miss Virginia Pulson, Mrs. Mae Wilson, Jones received lingerie; Mrs. Sadie Hardy received a beautiful lamp; Mrs. Catherine Bond, dusting powder; Miss Pauline Hardy, hose; Miss Esther Cooper, hose; Lillie Baker, a trench doll, and Mrs. Vivian Williams, an electric toaster.

SALISBURY

SALISBURY, N.C.—The boys' social club of Salisbury organized under the name, "Les Grands Quatrace."

During the first week of December, Dr. Walter J. Hughes, popular physician of this city, spoke to the "Les Grands Quatrace." On some of the ideals of true manhood, the duties of manhood, the value of the moral and social guidance received from the youth of today. W. Vernon Jones, the club advisor, spoke in glowing terms of Dr. Hughes, and the work which he is doing for the betterment of the Negro in the South. E. P. Bakers spoke, "the good work of the club in the school and community. The master of social session, S. L. Jones, presided. After the meeting, the club and the guests were delightfully served from the refreshment department of the club.

The city schools closed December 17, on account of the heavy snow which lasted the city and Principal Hall stated that they will reopen, December 29.

The Salem's Social Club gave their opening dance in the "Thrill Room" of the Central Drug Store, Friday night, December 19. Those present were: Misses Ethel Lee Allison and Mary Lee Allison, Ethel and Colemon, president; M. M. Miller, vice-president; Mervin Burton, secretary; Mr. L. Lively, assistant secretary; L. M. Simpson, Ernest Mitchell, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Fleurs.

Misses Irma Kyles, Julia Duncan, Anna M. Frazier, Lillie M. Bandon, Mrs. Cora Kirby, Prof. and Mrs. E. P. Bakers, Prof. W. Vernon Jones, Dr. J. D. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Clark, Mrs. Ethel Mae Mitchell, Mildred Sharpe, Janet Hanne, Mr. Mitchell.

Mrs. Ethel Mae Mitchell, Mrs. Mae Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kimm, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. F. Bailey, Messrs. E. V. Weldon, Charles McCrorey, A. Clinton, Eneiro Morris, Precious Worthy, Edgar Bond, Mrs. Mamie Caldwell, Mrs. Ethel Mae Mitchell, Mrs. W. A. Hoke, Jessie Johnson, Misses R. Torrence, Miss Clarkie Mitchell, Mrs. Mae Chase Dockham, Mrs. G. Mosley, Mrs. Lillie Mae Dial wes from Greer; Hester King, second prize, and Roter Taylor, third.

King M. Thomas, of 400 Gale Street, who was run over by J. Pulliam, on the second day of November, does not improve much.

Miss Katie Burton has planned to take her sister, Mrs. Lucy Coles and New Hampshire Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Chase Dockham. They will spend a week in the north.

Miss Mary Johnson and daughter, and son-in-law were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Burton.

North Carolina

LINCOLNTON

LINCOLNTON, N.C.—John Middleton and John Middleton of East Main Street, are still on the sick list.

Grandma Conner and Victor Summer, Miss Geneva Gaither are here for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Nettie Cline to E. Pine Street, spent Christmas in Charlotte.

The play which was held at the Lincolnton High School, Friday night, December 19, entitled, "The Intermediate Pupils" was a success. The Old Virginia Hoe, which was rendered Cudwell, Catherine Cline, Lucille Pinson, Hermione Hoke, Russell Gaither, a Herndon and Hugh Marcoux was the spokesman.

Miss Grace McLeod of East Main Street, spent the week-end in Salisbury. Home for the Christmas holidays; also Misses Rose Gaither and Ruth Summer.

Mrs. Nettie Lattimore and Mrs. Helmick of East Main Street were in Charlotte on a visit to the Misses Lattimore.

Marbelle Jones, Harvey Ramseur, Miss Ruth Jones and Miss Mamie Jones, motored to Pinehurst, N.C. to see her sister Mrs. Catherine Hamilton, who is being treated in the Pinehurst Hospital. The company is having nice weather.

Mrs. Olivia Giles, of Charlotte, N.C., was in the city Tuesday to attend the funeral services of her father-in-law, Calvin Giles.

KING'S MOUNTAIN

KINGS MOUNTAIN, N.C.—The streets of the town are now being paved. The work is being done by the Negro convicts. Quite a number of men are unemployed to work on the streets. Many of the men, both white and colored, are employed here.

John Payne was instantly killed by a hit-and-run driver, near Kings Mountain, last night. The driver was apparently drunk and threw the broken bits on his machine, and blood on the body.

MORGANTON

MORGANTON, N.C. J. Mike Matthis L. Mayor of Hickory, N.C. has been for quite a time here in the hospital was able to return home Saturday.

Jack Stokes and Chas. Scott, who are in Charlotte, spent Christmas here for the holidays.

Miss Anna Frazier, a student at Livingstone College, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frazier, Green Street.

John Clemon and Oliver Fleming of Smith University are spending the holidays with their parents here.

Miss Nettie Scott, M. S. Scott and Mrs. Ethel Scott motored to Hickory Saturday.

Mrs. Goldman Harrison of Lincolnton, is visiting the Misses Harrison and Mrs. Harrison for the holidays.

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MARYLAND

HAGERSTOWN

HAGERSTOWN, Md.—The services were fairly attended at Bethel A.M.E. Church, Sunday. The senior and junior stewardess board had a special program, conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Mr. Jones. Bishop Jones was present for the day. They turned over to the stewardess board the offering dollars. Mrs. Mollie Robinson is the president of the stewards. Mrs. Arline Jones has been the acting president since Mrs. Robinson was taken ill. Mrs. Arline Jones is the president of the ushers.

Mrs. Phyllis Johnson gave a play with the children last Monday night, and a dinner party on Tuesday night. Many were the recipients of all. The play was for the benefit of the church.

Mrs. Annie Clark is visiting relatives in Martinsburg, has returned home after a visit to her daughter, Miss Ethel Brown, of Lincoln Cemetery, Winchester, Va., is visiting friends in Hagerstown.

MONROVIA, MARYLAND

McDANIEL, Md.—Sunday was observed as mother's day at 3:00 class with the pastor, Mrs. Trout, with a sermon by the pastor, Rev. J. W. Derrickson, John H. Brown, presiding. At 3 p.m., Charles H. Trout, presiding. There were many distinguished visitors on the program for Berlview, Wilmington and Monrovia.

At 8 p.m., Samuel Wright, presiding, services were led by Perry Cooper, of Wilmington, who is secretary of the Sun. Sch. of Mrs. Trout, who is secretary of the Sun. Sch. of Monrovia, Mrs. Mary Wright, presiding. Collection for the day was $24.20.

Those on the sick list are Mrs. Ella P. Trout, Mrs. Carrie Roberts, Mrs. Derrickson. She is improving nicely. Mrs. Mooers was dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Trout.

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Mrs. Lavia Palmer and Mrs. Mary Smith were guests of Mrs. Mary Smith Jones, Mr. and Mrs. James Thomas and daughter, were the guests of Mrs. Rachel Murray.

The Junior League received a treat Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Mary Cooper was the singer guest of Mrs. A. Cook, Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Cooper and Mrs. Laura Palmer were guests of Mr. Wm. Mooers and Mrs. Grace, Sunday evening.

Charles and Hannah Trout are home for the holiday, from Bordentown, N.J.

Mrs. Mary Wright and Mrs. Cooper were Sunday night at the church.

Mrs. Mary Wright, Mrs. Cooper, rendered Sunday evening solos. Mrs. Mooers, Mrs. Mary Wright and Robert Mooers, and Mrs. Cooper, rendered a duet.

A pageant from Wilkinson will be given at John Wesley M. E. Church, under direction of Mrs. Mary Warner and Mrs. E. D. Hyman, musical director, Sunday, January fourth.

PORT DEPOSIT, MARYLAND

PORT DEPOSIT, Md.—The Trimbler Gospel Singers, of Philadelphia, rendered a musical concert at Bethel A.M.E. Church, Sunday. Every one present enjoyed it very much.

The concert, given by the Brownskin Dandies, for the benefit of the church, was a success.

Mrs. Annie Wagner, Miss Alice Mason and Miss Virginia Mason spent the week-end in Havre de Grace.

Mrs. Ella Yates, who has been confined to her home for some time, is on again.

The sacred concert, given by the Brownskin Dandies, for the benefit of the church, December 21, was a grand success. The sum of $9.40 was raised.

Mrs. Bertha Brown is still on the sick list.

NEW WINDSOR, MARYLAND

NEW WINDSOR, Md.—The Rev. D. P. Hall, pastor at Mt. Joy Church, received a shower of goodies for his parsonage from friends last week, including meats, eggs, of four, butter, chicken and other eatables. Mrs. Martha Thompson, Mrs. Ella Hill and Mrs. Ida Thompson prepared a chicken and waffle supper. Selections of music were rendered by enlarged choir, rendered. The Strawbridge Club sponsored the affair.

There will be a Christmas concert at New Windsor, December 26.

The Rev. Hall will preach at Mt. Joy at 11 a.m.

The Reverend Hall took dinner at the dinner guests of Simon Murdock and family, Friday, and also at the home of Mr. Miles Clemens Fisher, Sunday.

BELLEVUE, MARYLAND

BELLEVUE, Md.—Services at St. Luke M.E. Church were well attended, Mrs. Mae Carter gave a talk on the Christmas spirit at 9:30 a.m., Mr. Hall delivered a special program. J. M. Mackey presided.

The program consisted of solos from Rainbow, Miss Pearl Hall and Mrs. Mae Laura Turner, and also Mrs. C. N. Mason. A selection from Miss Hazel Tillman, of Rose.

Santa Claus will appear at St. Luke M.E. Church, Friday evening, to give the Sunday School a Christmas tree.

Otis Turner and father motored to Baltimore, N.J., Sunday, accompanied back by Miss Carrie Jackson, who spent the holiday here. Here they will spend the Christmas holidays.

QUEENSTOWN, MARYLAND

QUEENSTOWN, Md.—Class was conducted at Mt. Zion M.E. Church, Sunday, by Wilson. The pastor, the Rev. J. L. Parker, was absent. Mrs. Mae Carter, of Bellevue, was present and gave a talk on organizing Governor Ritchie, raised $24.50 and the Sun. Sch. represented Marie Brown, who raised $40.21.

The Christmas tree thinking will be observed on Christmas night.

The St. Paul Quartet will sing at Bryan's Sunday at 3 p.m.

Meeting of the "Beautiful City" and of the Silver Leaf Club gave their pastor, Rev. Mr. Parker, a surprise Monday night. They presented him with a 14 pound turkey, fruit, vegetables, groceries, pillow, and preserves.

$100,000 Company Owns 32 Busses and Hires 60 Drivers

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C.—The problem of transporting 30,000 persons to their chief occupation, tobacco, has been solved by the Safe Bus Company, a $100,000 organization, owned and controlled by colored interests, which has been granted a municipal franchise with all the privileges of the street railway company.

The street railway system does not operate in the colored districts, and until the advent of the Safe Bus Company, it was difficult for the multitudes living in these sections to secure adequate transportation. The company is serving this community satisfactory satisfaction.

The organization has 32 modern busses with 60 uniformed drivers; also mechanics, traffic officers, legal advisors and liability protection for passengers. The garage and machine shop are also the property of the company, as well as a modern type De-lux bus for special trips.

The vehicles are operated on a systematic schedule which allows variations to meet emergencies. R. R. Morgan is traffic manager of the concern.

LINCOLNTON

LINCOLNTON, N.C.—The sewing class which was held Friday night, at A.M.E. Church, beginning November 7th, and day afternoon, was