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Harvest Of Souls In S. C.

In a recent survey of the statistical reports of churches of the South Carolina Conference, it was found that during the Quarter comprising the three months of June, July and August that a total of more than one thousand definite experiences were recorded on the report blanks. And a total of two hundred and fifty members received in o the churches. This is of course a small increase when considered in the light of the number of churches involved in this survey. There were eighty churches, almost one hundred preacher and 1833 members, participating in this effort. This makes the increase of members seem very small, but when compared to what has been done in the past; it shows a definite improvement. And is a challenge to all spiirtual minded people to enter as never before into this greatest task under Gods heaven: the task of bringing the lost to Christ.

Oak Ridge Chuch Plans Remodeling Job

Rev. Dwight Miles, the new pastor of the Oak Ridge church has started things to moving in a very definite way, by launching a reconstruction job. The plans are to brick veneer the church and build S nday School rooms. The Oak Ridge church has in the past been one of those subordinate places but God always has a man whom He can u e in every place to produce the most possible good. And it is obvious from first hand information that Dwight Miles is the man to do something for Oak Ridge. It is necessary to add that you may expect to be hearing more and better things from this section of the Conference.

Notice To Alumni Chapter

At the last meeting of the Conference Alumni Chapter it was agreed upon that the present drive to raise money for the Taylor Memorial Library should end December 30th. The goal in this project was \$25.00 for every Alumnus of Emmanuel College. This is the minimum Alumni Association at Franklin Springs. You are urged to please cooperate in this matter and lets get this much needed building erected.

The planning committee will submit another project for Holmes Bible College in January, and we certainly hope that every one will pay their allotment to the Emmanuel project so we can all concentrate on the Holmes drive.

Please send all contributions to Miss Virginia Elliott, Pinewood, S. C. Sec etary or to Rev. H. W. Brown, treasurer, Box 243 Darlington, S. C.

H. W. Brown, Treasurer

Bible Class Has Squirrel Supper

The Men's Bible class of the Darlington church are having an outing at the home of Mr. Fulton Norris, president of the class, Saturday night October 26th. outing will be in the form of a prominent, squirrel supper. A faithful member of the class, Mr. Jasper Weaver, is arranging the supper. Each member of the class will invite one other person to the supper, for the purpose of christian fellowship spreading among the people of the community and for increasing the attendance of the class.

The pastor of the church, Re:. H. W. Brown, is the teacher of this class.

Ministers, The Acception to The Rule

A person, not too well informed as to the proper classification of creatures of the Mammel strain said that human beings fall into three groups: Men, women and preachers. This of course is serious error and is unjust to put us preachers, in a category monstrosities all to ourselves. But it is an outgrowth of a traditional attitude handed down for many generations. I do not know when or where it began unless it had its origin with such men as Anthony of Thebes, who separated himself from all society and lived in isolated seclusion for almost one hundred years, participating in unethical tut not immoral practices during this time. Be that as it may, the attitude still remains and many people think that preachers are different from any body else. I do not deny that the attitude has some virtures and might serve a purpose in some cases. But this is not the approach to the question that I am interested in. The thing that concerns me is the attitude that the minister takes himself. when he considers himself as an acception, or a person with special previledges.

The minister is not immune to environment, and the fact that some well meaning people make allowances for and give special attention to some preachers is contageous, and has a marked effect upon them. That is, he begins to feel that everybody ought to look out for him and grant him a sort of ministerial priority over others. He pets to the place that he uses his office as an alibi to get a district of the place of the place of the place and the uses his office as an alibi to get a district of the place of t

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By H. P. ROBINSON

In the study of philosophy one is often confronted with the words: Intrinsic and Material. Both of which are types of value so classifi ed because of their usefulness and the place of importance they hold in the world of reality. A thing of material value pertains to the present and is void of the properties which associates it with the eternal. It is limited by its close proximity to those things, which because of their nature, can come into and go out of existence. This characteristic thus lessens its value, and places it in the category of the passing. In a word a thing material may be said to be the opposite of intrinsic. By intrinsic is meant that classification of reality which possesses inherent quality. Thus placing a thing of intrinsic value over and above anything material. The intrinsic belongs to the ages, it is not limited by having to come into existence, or of being forced cut of being. It is eternal, and it alone of all of earths values is capable of lasting forever. It can die no death, fill no grave, and is incapable of decay or deteriation. The great Apostle Paul, Christianities chief philosopher, was very apt at classifying values, and was striking the high water mark of such discrimination when he penned those immortal words in the thirteenth chapter of first Corinthians: "And now abideth Faith, Hope and Charity, these three but the greatest of these is Charity." According to his analysis, all things worth while, in time or eternity, are condensed into these wonderful words. No man who has ever lived, since the Christ Himself, has been more capable of making such an as ertion. It was the result of years of research, and careful examination of Platonic and Aristotlean thought, coupled with a thorough understanding of the mind of God and an unprecedented insight into the teachings of Jesus Christ.

Hence we may do well to pattern our scale of values after this solated authority of the Holy Scriptures. To say the least of it, no man has ever improved upon it, and the very character of the things he valued most are identical with the attributes of the God himself. And the adoption of such intrinsic properties, as a mode of conduct in this world will identify mortal beings, whose destiny is to return to the dust, with the Divine, and will make them eternal.

One of the must difficult things at all is to harmonize man's basic desire to live forever and the way he spends his time occupied with the material, perishable things of this world. There is a serious conflict of patterns here; a contridiction of purposes and ideals, a clear case of mans persistent effort to "finger in the mud with

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A Testimony

A TESTIMONY

I am happy today because I can say with the writer, "I have been redeemed." I praise God because two years ago He saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost, and I have been led by His spirit since then. The sunlight of God's love has been shining even at the darkest hour. When I went to the Youth Training School, at Lake City, last summer I had no plans for the future, but while there God placed a call upon my life, and I willingly responded to His will.

I was definitely impressed to attend Holmes Bible College, and immediately upon feeling thus led I for entrance. made application Though all of the Dormitories were full, Bro. Beacham informed me that he would be glad to have me as a day student, and God opened up the way for a room and through the cooperation of a girl friend of mine I now have one of the nicest rooms in town, just across the street from the College, This room came as a result of much fasting and prayer. Praise the Lord. He always does what we ask Him if we are in his will and are willing to work for His great cause.

I do not have words to express the deep appreciation I have for Holmes Bible College, and I desire the earnest prayers of every christian that you will pray for me that as I go out from this place to work for God that I will be able to win many souls to Him.

Annie Lee Joy *
Johnsonville, S. C.

Pastor McGee Received Well At Laurel Hill

The re-orte- from the Spring-field church writes that they have received their new pastor Rev. T. O. McGee with great enthusiasm. They are well pleased with him and are making plans for great progress during the year. The church have pledged their whole hearted cooperation. This of course is the first prerequisite to su cess in any pastorate.

Mrs. Troy Perkins, Reporter

Conference **Great Success**

The second annual conference of the Womens Auxiliary of the South Carolina Conference met in the Tabernacle in Lake City, S. C., on Sept. 13th. at 9:00 o'clock. In the absence of our president, Mrs. J. W. Berry, Mrs. Blanche Leon King presided, and did a wonderful job of it. It was our first time to have Mrs. King visit our conference and we all thoroughly enjoyed her. We us to put on a program to comsincerely hope she will favor us again soon with another visit.

president, conducted the early morning devotion, reading from Prov. 30; 24-229 and gave us a short helpful lesson on the four small people mentioned in the er the afternoon session we gathscripture, thus:

- in the proper time.
 - (2) The Conie builds in the rock.
- (3) The locusts work together though they have no king.
- (4) The spider lays hold with her hands and cannot be stopped. She even enters kings palaces.

There were thirty Auxiliaries represented by delegates and sever- are: al by letter. Everyone seemed to be in good spirits, and the interesting reports showed great progress made during the year.

At eleven thirty Mrs. King brought us a wonderful message from II Kings 4:26 which will be long remembered by both the wom-

en and the men who were there. Auxiliary Annual some of us were glad because our husbands were there but one woman said, "I'm glad my husband didn't hear that". It was surely inspired by God and we accepted it as from

> Rev. G. H. Montgomery spoke to us in the afternoon session, of the prospects of our launching a project to help promote a nation wide radio hookup for the broadcasting of the gospel. This is a great need and a great opportunity.

> We believe that it can and should be done, and we hope that something will be done about it soon.

Rev. Mantgomery a'so encouraged bat juvenile delinquency that is abounding so today. May God Mrs. Thurman, our conference help us to do something here too.

God graciously supplied our needs and helped us to get our new kitchens ready to dedicate, so aftered in the kitchen and amid great (1) The ant does the proper thing rejoicing we dedicated it to God for His use and glory. This was a precious hour and God seemed very near and real, as we gave to him that which He had given to us.

> We have chosen a larger project for the new year and we are trusting Him to help us put it over.

> Our ofifcials for the new year

Mrs. J. R. Cohn-Vice president Mrs. Carl W. Thurman-Mrs. Mary Sue Evans-Secretary-Treasurer Mrs. M. L. Moore-Board member Mrs. Harry Bartholf-

Board Member.

Mary Sue Evans, Sec.-Treas.

to us preachers ar all consumeing passion, that we with Paul may not glory, save in the cross of Christ, and know nothing among men but Jesus Christ and Him crusified. May He set our sould onfire with the message of holiness. And touch our tongues with the flames that fell at Pentecost. And may we feel our debt to all men to preach the everlasting Gospel, and be driven into the highways and hedges by the eternal woe that is attached to the gifts and calling of God.

When this has been arrived at, we may be sure that material things will lese their attraction for us, and the things of intrinsic value will so take hold of our lives that we like the two travelers of the Emmaus road, can say at the close of the day, "Did not our rearts burn within us as He walked and talked with us in the way."

Tis only a half truth the poet has sung Of the nouse by the side of the way, For the Master had neither a house nor a home But he walked with the crowd day by day.

Darlington Church Thrives Under New Leadership

Pastor Brown of the Darlington church states that they have had an average of one experience every Sunday since the Annual Conference. This is a clear indication of the spiritual conditon of the church and we may be sure that as long as the spritual tide is running high that every other department of the work is doing fine. One member reports that the church as a whole is in the best condition it has been for some time.

The PHYS are launching a campaign to raise money to attach a cooling system to the heating plant The Darlington of the church. church still proudly holds its position as one of the leading churches of the South Carolina Conference.

HOPKINS-EVANS

Rev. William R. Hopkins and Miss Esther Evans were united in marriage at the home of Rev. and Mrs. T. O. Evans, the bride's parents Friday evening, Oct. 4th at seven thirty o'clock. It was very impressive ceremony attended by the parents of both the bride and groom, and a few friends. The Rev. H. P. Robinson was the officiating minister.

Rev. Horkins is a minister in the South Carolina Conference and is at the present pastoring the host church of the conference at Lake City, he is also employed on the faculty of the Scranton High school Rev. Hopkins took his degree from Piedmont College in Georgia.

Miss Evans is the daughter of Conference Supt T. O. Evans and Mrs. Evans, and is the third daughters to marry preachers. She is a graduate of the Holmes Bible College, Greenville, S. C. The couple will make their home in Lake City for the time being.

Class In Public Speaking To Begin

Pastor Brown of the Darlington church, announces that he plans to begin a class in public speaking for the young people of the church. in the near future. This is a very endeavor and thoughtful prove very beneficial I am sure.

By H. P. ROBINSON

one hand and reach for the stars with the other." This is not a prevailing circumstance that holds sway only among the men of the world, but it is fast becoming the order of the day in the Church of Jesus Carist. And may I be more specific by saying that it is daily gaining momentum in our own Pentecostal ranks. The ministry is becoming a profession and not a passion. A position not a calling. Men are not saying, "Woe is me if I preach not the gospel", but how much will it pay, and what do I get out of it? That clearline between the concrete and abstract, the material and intrinsic is dissappearing. Men are almost wholly thinging in terms of the material, of dollars and cents. The church is threatened with the deceptive attitude that possessed the young lawyer who came to Jesus with the question, "Who is my neighbor"? This question was not asked in the interest of others but it had a selfish motive. He did not ask it to find out who he might help but rather who he could eliminate from the charity list. He was not interested in helping the needy, but in finding out now many folks he could get by without helping. He did not want to know how much he could do but how little.

The answer that Jesus gave to him was not only a withering retuke to the religious leaders of that day but it was a beautiful picture of Christianity in action. The Priest and Levite were so intent upon a salfish mission, that had to do only with custom, conventionality and material gain, that they failed to see the value of participating in the one great cause for which Jesus died. They journeyed that dangerous road from Jerusalem to Jerico but their purpose miscarried, their mission was a failure, they missed the mark. They had not compild with the rules of the road, thus it was all in vain.

At the time of this writing, a small ship, laden with fugatives from another land, lies at anchor in the Harbor of Miami, Florida To them has been born the sad message that they cannot come ashor. Fram war turn Europe they have come, many months ago they set sail for America, to escape the terror of the Germans and then the Russians. Long weeks they battled the stormy Atlantic, to finally, in August, past, land at Miami. They made application for entrance into this country, where they had hoped to find a home, but alas their request was turned down. They had failed in some way to comply with the rules of the immigration committee. When hey received this sad message they wept in dissappointment. The Skipper made the reply: "We have come a long way, the journey has been rough, and this is a sad message, we know that others are being admitted, there must not be room for us."

What a sad thought, "No room."

How easily one may go under the guize of religion, and yet miss the mark. How feverishly one may toil with the wrong motive in mind and finally be condemned. How easily one may substitute the material values that pass with time, for those things intrinsic that alone belong to the ages.

Never before has this old world needed men of the caliber of the Good Samaritan, as it does today. This man put first things first. When he started out on his journey he was equipt for any eventuality, he was prepared to help. When he came to where the poor man was he went to him, and had compassion on him, and thus helped him. In these words are found the art of discrimination between values. May God give to us this insight, that we may cease to hollow Him for the loaves and fishes, but, that we may enter the conflict with a do or die attitude, with a conviction that knows no sperifice, and love that knows no bounds. May God give (See H. P. Robinson Page 4)

P. H. Y. S. Board

Holds Meeting

The PHYS board held its first meeting in the home of the Sect, and Tres. Miss Virginia Ellott, Saturday, October 5th. The following are some of the decsions of the board:

The revision of the financial plan adopted by the Annual Conference was effected and the decision to ask each Society to send 25 percent of all of the regular offerings into the Conference PHYS Treasurer was ratified. Under this plan it will become absolutely necessary for every society to cooperate one hundred percent. This money will be used to pay the full time presidents salary and to finance the young peoples page in the Builder, also to pay our share to the General Treasurer.

According to the provision of the Convention, the board elected six Districts presidents as follows:

- Rockingham District— Miss Hazel Coats.
- (2) Camden District— Mr. Archie Dennis.
- (3) Columbia District— Mrs. J. R. Cohn
- (4) Georgetown District— Rev. M. L. Moore
- (5) Charleston District— Rev. Leo Edwards
- (6) Lake City District— Rev. H. W. Brown

A measure was adopted to divide each district into circuits of from three to five churches in each circuit and have a rally in each circuit every quarter. These rallies will be held on Friday night, two each time with the District president presiding at one and the Conference President at the other. This procedure will be followed throughout this year with the conference president alternating, each time with the District President. The dates and places of these rallies will be announced later.

Tragdy of the Empty House

When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man he walketh through dry places seeking rest and findeth none. When he saith I will return to the house whence I came, and when he is come he findeth it vacant. Matthew 12; 43.44.

Here is a story of a moral tragedy. It tells about a man who had won a great battle, but who lost the war. Jesus had quick eye for these things. Men felt instinctlively that he would understand their case. So they came to him when things went wrong. It is something for sinners to that there is one who knows and understands our struggles and our failures. It argues the possibility of Divine help. What strikes us first about this man with the unclean spirit is that his battle for freedom was a hopeless case, that he was satisfied to keep on in his wicked course and that there was no good in him.

Only Christ knew that it was not so. That man had stood at the gate of freedom once. He had played the man against tryrnnous vices. He had cast them out and cried to God to help him. He had breathed liberty and tasted the joy of a free man the demons had been driven out and there was a thorough house cleaning. But the ousted tenant came back and brought with him all his relatives. The house of the soul was empty, so the evil company moved and took possession.

THE UNUSED VICTORY

This is the story of an unused victory. Most men do not fail because they have never had a chance to do better, but because they have not used their victories. This man in the parable did not fail because he had never won, but because he did not follow up his victory. There was a day when his heart was clear, and he said, "ALL IS WELL". He forgot his weaknesses, he grew careless, and then came the old temptations strong, subtle, and doubly attractive and his last estate was worse than the first.

That is the tragedy of the empty house. His soul stood vacant. It stood empty and open to every wickedness. It is not enough to purge our hearts. If we drive out the demons we must fill our hearts and minds with something better. That is what Paul was praying for when he wrote to the Ephesians; For this cause I bow my knees unto the father, that he would grant you according to the riches of his glory, that ye may be strengthened with power through his spirit in the inward man; that Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith' (Eph. 3; 14.17).

Have you ever asked yourself why man fails who has resolutely shunned temptation, who sincerely desires to live a new life, who hates the life he has been living, who resolves earnestly that it shall end? You say that appetites were too strong, or that his habits had thoroughly enslaved him. But the real reason is that his soul was like an empty house at the mercy of the elements. He has driven out the demon, but no occupant in his place.

ONLY HE SHOULD DWELL

THERE

Here we come face to face with the mystery of the indwelling Christ. It is Christ in your life that saves you from the peril of an empty soul. The Gospel is intensely practical. It does not merely say to you, "You must give up this sin and that wrong habit." It does not bid you empty the house of your life and leave it vacant. That is what Samuel Rutherford called "negative holiness!"

It knows well the danger of an unoccupied soul, and is therefore prepared to tenant your life with the Lord Jesus Christ. He is the only tenant who will keep out evil thoughts and evil spirits. And he is always at hand, 'Behold I stand at the door and knock, if any man will open the door I will come in.'

"Where the spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty." The life sin is slavery and death. Jesus said, "If we abide in my word then are ye my disciples indeed, and ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free—If therefore the son shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed."

Ministers

feels like he ought to be forgiven old debts, simply on the basis that he is a preacher. I think that in this issue is found the reason why so few preachers can get anywhere in business. They expect people to make allowances for them, treat them as an exception and honor the man because of his of-

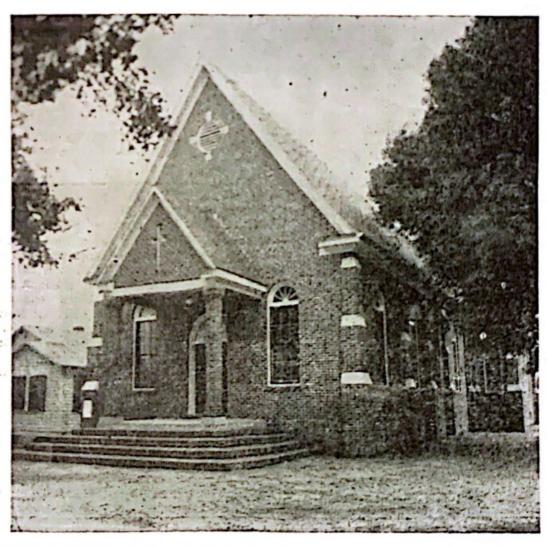
No honest preacher will use his office to secure material gain. He will not expect any advantage over another or will he try to escape the toils of life that come to every man. He will be willing to stand with the common man and walk with the crowd in the road. In a word he will be willing to pay his full fare and ask no odds of any man. He will not spend his time working for himself and accept a living salary from the people to whom he preaches when all that he gives to them is the time he spends in the pulpit. A man who pastors a church consisting of a membership who toils forty hours a week and faithfully brings tithes into the storehouse should spend equally as much time for them in the discharge of his pastoral duties. should be available people of his parish every hour, day or night. I feel sure that v.hen every preacher, takes the position of Ezekial when he went down to the banks of the rivers of Babylon and beheld the woes a heart broken people. wrote, "I sat where they sat" then will they learn to appreciate the kir.dness of men towards them and will try to show that appreciation by a full time service for them.

Edwards Jubilant Over New Assignment

Rev. Leo Edwards, who was given a new charge this year is very much pleased over the assignment. He reports great services at both of his churches, Sandy Bay and Oak Grove. The attendance in Sunday School is nicreasing appreciably, and the revival fires are burning brightly in the regular services. Rev. Edwards reports two conversions in a recent Sunday night service at Oak Grove.

He also reports that the folks at Sandy Bay are getting warmed up to the idea of building a new more commodius church.

The Pentecostal Holiness Church Of Georgetown Makes Great Progress



From a small beginning of only eight members, worshiping in an improvised shacks. The Penetecostal Holiness church of Georgetown has grown, over a period of light years to this beautiful brick edifice. The membership has also grown in proportion. Mss Natilee

Carnes is the present pastor. Rev. H. P. Robinson was the first pastor of the church.

All Out For Christ At Great Falls

Evangelist Fannie Mae Jones has just closed a great revival at the Great Falls church. It was marked by an annual increase in the attendance in Sunday School and church services. On the last Saturday night of the meeting Mrs. Jones put on an "All Our For Christ", service among the young people. This was a great service, attended, and participated in by several of the pastors and repre-

sentatives of the neighboring Pentecostal churches. The Lancaster pastor and several of his congregation were present, also the pastor with some of his people from the Winnsboro church. Rev. Cohn was ever from Columbia with his quartet, who rendered several fine special songs. A total of nine ministers were present to add to the attraction of the service.

The Conference PHYS president. Rev. H. P. Robinson was the main speaker. He brought a very inspiring message entitled "The cup that holds out to every man"

The service was typical of many

Lee Preaches At Hartsville

A report has come in by short wave that Ernest Lee is preaching in a meeting at the Harts ille church. Information is brief about the results of the meeting. And the news is not first hand. But from previous records and all present indications they are hiving a good meeting. Rev. Frank Williams is pastor of the Church. He is serving the church his second year, and is doing a good jub of it.

such services that are planned by the young peoples president for this year.