



ST. JOHN'S BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. E. D. Johnson.

The tenth anniversary of the pastor and church, was held on the 7th day of May. Services continued throughout the week, and everyone reported a wonderful time, rejoicing and thanking the Lord for his goodness. As usual, there was a large attendance at Sunday school, morning and evening service. The Eager to Work Missionary Society, is spreading and doing remarkable work. The ladies have formed two circles, namely the Ruth and Rebecca. The ladies are doing their best to make each circle the better.

There will be a kid's party Monday night at the church sponsored by Mrs. Madeline Henry. Mrs. Harold King, reporter.

ST. LUKE'S BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. J. C. Crowder, pastor.

Sunday School, 9:30.

Morning Service, 11:00

B. Y. P. U. 6:30

Evening Service 8:00

Sunday school was opened at 9:30 by the Superintendent. A nice attendance was present, and a wonderful lesson was enjoyed by those present.

Morning service was conducted by the pas.or. The subject for the morning was, "The Passionate Savior." It was beautifully outlined.

Sunday afternoon was a very promising day for St. Luke's, Rev. J. P. Price, pastor of Pleasant Green Church and his congregation were our guests. The church was filled to its capacity.

B. Y. P. U. was opened at 6:30 by the president. The lesson was educational as well as interesting. The subject was, "The Invincible Good-Will of Jesus." The Bible drill badge is still in the hands of Miss Lucille Renfrow.

Evening service was conducted by the pastor. The subject for the evening was, "He is Coming." Everyone is welcome to St. Luke's. Alexzenia Johnson, reporter.

The pastors' aid of the Metropolitan church, are sponsoring a slab town convention play at the church in the near future. Anyone wishes to take part in the play, see Mrs. Varner at 2422 Erskine, or call WE-3964.

ST. JOHN'S A. M. E. CHURCH
"The Friendly Church."

Rev. L. P. Bryant, pastor.

The services at St. John's last Sunday was very impressive. It is to be regretted very much that Bishop Gregg could not stay over for Sunday, as was expected, but due to other urgent business and the illness of Mrs. Gregg, he had to leave Friday night after the banquet.

Sunday was another day when the young people took charge of the Sunday school. They are doing very well in the line of teaching. The Sunday school will be pleased to see the young people grow up to become full-active teachers.

Rev. Bryant preached a very strong sermon Sunday morning and the choir had its regular 4th Sunday night all request program at the time for regular service Sunday night.

Those who were not present Friday night to hear Bishop J. M. Gregg, missed a fine treat. The banquet was a very nice affair, but not as well attended as the one held previously for the Bishop.

The church wishes to take this opportunity to express their sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. White in the passing of their son, John Lowe.

It was very touching to see so many young people who were such close associates of this young man. Let us hope that they will take the matter serious and give it much consideration for the benefit of their own lives for which they may be called to render into the hands of God at a moments notice.

WESTERN DISTRICT OF THE IOWA-NEBRASKA SOUTH DAKOTA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Mrs Estella Watters, popular club woman of the Pleasant Green Baptist church, has returned from Sioux City Iowa, where she attended the Mission Convention. Mrs. Watters is Treasury. Those accompanying Mrs. Watters to Sioux City, were Rev. P. J. Price, pastor who is vice-moderator of the association, Mrs. Ida Austin, Rev. W. E. Fort and Mrs. Lattie Keyes. All report a very nice time while in this city.

ST. BENEDICT'S NOTES

St. Benedict's church was filled to the capacity Sunday afternoon, when more than 300 people gathered to witness the annual ceremony of the crowning of the "Queen of May." The entire program was one of beauty and solemnity. The altar was decorated with a bank of lovely cut flowers and ferns, in a color combination of pink and white, with the same predominating color adorning the altar of the Blessed Virgin Mary. A beautiful and impressive sermon was preached by the pastor, Father Preuss. Twelve altar boys led the procession of over one hundred children dressed in gleaming white with wreaths and veils, as they marched from the assembly room in the school building to the church. Much credit is due the faithful and patient efforts of the teachers, under the competent direction of the principal, Sister Mary Edith.

At the nine o'clock mass last Sunday morning 18 children received their first Holy Communion. As the procession of little children entered the Sanctuary, the majority of the congregation was moved to tears at the deep piety and sincerity of the little ones, as they received their God for the first time. A beautiful decorated table with an excellent breakfast was the surprise that awaited the little group following mass, with the gracious presence of their pastor, as the guest of honor. Each child received a beautiful gift from the sister, or a rosary and a medal.

The service was sponsored by the Altar Society.

Preparations are underway for the annual picnic for the parish and school children and their friends at Elmwood Park, Monday June 3.

METROPOLITAN SPIRITUAL

Rev. R. W. Johnson

Sunday school opened at its usual time, the fire was burning all day. Rev. Johnson preached from St. Luke, 13th chapter, 31st verse.

The Truelite Gospel Singers rendered a beautiful musical program Friday night, each captain represented a different state. Mrs. Peoples represented the state of Texas, her home state. She received a beautiful electric make-up mirror as the prize. Everyone was pleased to think that Texas was able to win the prize.

Mrs. Peoples, who has been ill from injuries sustained in an accident, is doing very nicely.

MUSICAL FESTIVAL AT SALEM

A quartette program is being sponsored by the Omaha City B. Y. P. U. and will be held at the Salem Baptist Church, 22nd and Seward Streets, on Tuesday, June 4th starting at 8 p. m. This program will feature the following quartettes: Zion's Harmony Four, Gateway Quartette; Salem's Mystery Four; Mt. Nebo's Truelite Gospel Singers, Camden, Arkansas's Loving Four, Pilgrim and Bethel's Jubilee numbers and special recitations by Mrs. Irene Morton, of Zion, and Thomas Jones, Baritone. Admission Free. Mr. William Cooper, president. Miss Emily Williams, secretary.

Proverbs and Parables

By A. B. Mann

(For The Literary Service Bureau)

GIVING VS. RECEIVING

This quotation is from the writings of the Apostle Paul and the verse runs "It is more blessed to give than to receive." A modern rendering is "There is more happiness in giving than in receiving." A little retrospection will convince that more happiness has come from giving than from receiving. Selfish, self-serving, miserly persons may doubt the truth of this aphorism but there are thousands who will testify to its truth.

Even a casual study of human history and of the world's benefactors will demonstrate that those who have made the largest and most beneficial contributions to human progress and human happiness have been those who were constantly giving. For the most part, they were poor as to material things, but in service, in sympathy, in love, in comfort to the distressed and relief to the needy, they were unstinting givers. And a pole of such contributors would bring the acknowledgement that their chief happiness came from giving rather than from receiving.

WEEKLY SHORT SERMON

By Dr. A. G. Bearer
(For the Literary Service Bureau)

A FORMULA FOR PEACE

Text:—Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end.—Isaiah 9:6.

By the Jews this text was misunderstood. They had in mind an earthly government; a temporal, political government, while the prophecy refers to the spiritual dominion of the Christ. The text gives us the only means by which peace can be attained. Note the connection—"The increase of his government and peace," meant that the progress of peace is to be coextensive with the increase of His government.

HIS GOVERNMENT emphasizes good will which will mean the elimination of malevolence, hatred, malice, racial and national bitterness, and of their affiliates and concatenates which produce war.

HIS GOVERNMENT stands for human brotherhood which is tersely set forth in the motto, "God our Father, Christ our Redeemer and Man our Brother."

This recognition of universal fatherhood and its concomitant principle, universal human brotherhood will do much to bring about peace.

HIS GOVERNMENT is founded on LOVE, the "greatest thing in the world," and love inspires men to deal fairly, honestly and generously with their fellows. It postulates interdependence and reciprocal helpfulness.

HIS GOVERNMENT minimizes the material, the coveting of which and striving for which are responsible for antagonisms and conflicts, and it exalts the things of the Spirit, such as inspire self-sacrifice in the interest of others.

THE INCREASE OF HIS GOVERNMENT means the increase of these principles which alone can supplant and eliminate those which are responsible for war. Therefore, the increase of peace is dependent upon the increase of the government, the influence, the dominance of Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace.

Expert Clock Mechanic

New York, May 30—ANP—

The most unusual job a colored clock maker has had fell into Peter L. Huffstead's lap the other day. He was sent a chronometer from an official at the New York University for repairing. How this man had heard of Huffstead is a mystery, but he sent his chronometer valued at \$250, up to Harlem to have the master clock mechanic overhaul it and put in in shape. Huffstead says even after the job is complete, he will have to hold the thing for two weeks to see that it keeps good time. Used on a yacht, the chronometer remains at a level no matter how the boat pitches or rocks.

Burned to Death in Playing Prank

Philadelphia, Miss., May 30 (ANP)

Ben Wheeler was burned to death here last Monday as the sequel to a prank indulged in by a friend. Wheeler was working on the air filter of an automobile on a raised platform when he fell down a ladder into the pit below. He dropped a bucket of gasoline in his hands and saturated his clothing. One of the other workmen lighted a match and threatened to throw it on Wheeler, just to frighten him. Although the match was not thrown, the gasoline ignited from a distance of several feet, Wheeler's clothing caught fire and before he could be rescued he was dead.

Call Trade and Fair Exhibit Big Success

Atlantic City, N. J., May 30 (By Mary J. Washington for ANP)—

The third annual affair of this type, the trade exhibit conducted by the Atlantic City Northside Board of Trade, was called a successful event here after it was concluded last week. The trade and fair exhibit was conducted for the purpose of further stimulating a general interest among Negroes of Atlantic City toward businesses operated by members of the race. Major R. E. Wright, William A. Dart, president of the board of trade, C. M. Cain, S. Coles, Drs. L. D. Wright, A. Williams, S. A. Williamson, William J. Simpson, John P. Freeman and Dr. J. Hurlong Scott took an active part in the exhibit.

Announce Drama School

New York, May 30, (ANP)—

The Negro Players' Guild of Princeton, N. J., announce that plans for the establishment of a Summer Theatre and Training School have been drawn up and organization is now going forward under the general direction of Ann C. Hardy and Wilson Williams. An Acting Company will present from five to nine plays including some of Negro life. Students will play

minor parts in these productions whenever they are qualified. The Summer Theatre and Training School are the first steps in the organization of what is hoped will be a permanent producing Group for Negro plays in New York City.

A Plea For Universal Peace

By R. A. Adams
(For The Literary Service Bureau)

On each Memorial Day, 'Tis well that we should pay On debt of honor, due Our heroes, loyal, true, Who died to make it sure This nation shall endure.

And honor let us give To those who yet may live, And who fought, side by side, With those who fighting died, All willing thus to fight For Justice, Truth, and Right.

But let us, here and now, Renew our solemn vow, That cruel wars shall cease And come the reign of peace, Then, those in battle slain Shall not have died in vain.

Gershwin at New York "Y"

New York, May 30.—ANP— During the past Music Week celebration at the 135th Street Y. M. C. A. notables in that field were thick all over the place. How-

ever, two outstanding artists were recognized in the hurly burly, Monday night, George Gershwin attended the program of African Music held in the Little Theater, while on Friday night, Mme. Lilian Evanti was the guest at the symphony concert.

This symphony, directed by Dean Dixon is one of the wonders of the city. Composed of forty members, white and colored, male and female, it has elicited more than favorable comment wherever it has played.

New Book Praised Highly

NEW BOOK PRAISED HIGHLY—New York, May 27, (ANP)—The Loyola Educational Digest, Catholic publication specializing in abstracts of current educational literature, gave high praise to Horace Mann Bond's "Education of the Negro in the American Social Order", in a recent review.

The reviewer stated that "Here we have the work of a real scholar. The history, the present status, and the problems of Negro education in the United States are presented with a wealth of detail which is admirable. We find too, a thing most rare in scientific presentations—a certain undercurrent of feeling that makes itself felt without being obtrusive and which enhances rather than mars the technical aspects of the work. The chapters on the capacity and achievement of Negro children are admirably done and show familiarity with the latest literature on the subject. All in all, this is an outstanding work."

Colorado Governor Names Delegates

Denver, Colo., May 30.—ANP—

Governor Ed Johnson in giving consideration to the program of the California Pacific International Exposition which opens on May 29 in San Diego, has named a group of representative citizens to be present on National Negro Day which has been set aside by the officials of the Exposition and at which time colored citizens from all parts of the country will join in a huge celebration which has been planned for.

The delegates named are: Dr. J. S. Cobb and Mr. Sam McClure of Pueblo, Mr. Chas. Hayden and Rev. L. H. Smith of Colorado Springs and Lieut. E. W. Mann, Rev. R. S. Brown, Mr. Maceo A. Rutherford and Mr. Dritz Cansler of Denver.

Virgin Islanders Demand Higher Pay

St. Croix, May 27, (ANP)—

Labor trouble developed on the docks here last week. At the West Indian Company dock, the coal trimmers demanded more money. They received it. The Longshoremen did likewise and secured a raise. Prior to this the coal carriers became discontented and were given an additional half cent per basket of coal. The West Indian Company increased its landing charges 25 per cent.

Memorial to Our Warriors

By Selma Gordon.

The bugle called some years ago, Our land of freedom heard. To the Western Front our boys did go, There many warriors stirred.

They fought on foreign battle-fields, Amid the shot and shell. So to keep this country safe and free, There many warriors fell.

The bugle sounded. . . Armistice! The noise of war did cease, Alas! when the battle's strife was o'er, Some warriors slept in peace.

Today their graves are strewn with flowers, By loved ones who do mourn. But poppies shelter in Flanders Field, Where warriors brave were borne.

Birth Rate Low in Cincinnati

Cincinnati, Ohio, May 30. (ANP)—

The number of deaths among Negroes in Cincinnati during 1934, according to Dr. Owen C. Fisk, acting commissioner of health, was 1,137, and the number of births only 888. White births exceeded White deaths in the same proportion that Negro deaths exceeded Negro births.

UP GOES THE COST OF GOVERNMENT DOWN GOES THE COST OF ELECTRICITY OF ELECTRICITY

Yet . . . GOVERNMENT PROPOSES TO TAKE OVER YOUR ELECTRIC SERVICE

attention to the cost of government. While electric rates were being decreased 39 per cent, government costs were increasing 500 per cent. While the electric bill for the average family was \$33.48 last year, the cost of federal, state and local governments was \$700 per family. It is interesting to note that the cost of electricity is constantly coming down while the costs of government are constantly going up. The cost of government this year will be \$1,000 per family.

—From an Editorial in the Red Oak, Ia., EXPRESS, April 4, 1935

▲ A strange situation is presented by this editorial from an Iowa newspaper.

The cost of conducting the business of Government has increased 500% since 1913. Over the same period, the cost of electricity to the homes of the nation, under private operation, has decreased 39%. In other words, while the average cost per family of governmental spending has grown to the staggering total of \$58.33 a month, the cost of your electric service has decreased until it amounts to only a few cents a day.

Yet, under the terms of the Wheeler-Rayburn bill now pending in Congress, it is proposed to destroy utility holding companies, deprive operating companies like the Nebraska Power Company of their invaluable services, and substitute Government supervision, control and, in effect, management of your electric service.

The situation is strange because, while costs of government have increased year by year,

the Nebraska Power Company has been enabled to improve its service and decrease its rates steadily since 1917 largely through the aid of its holding company. Our customers have saved many hundreds of thousands of dollars through rate reductions brought about by this aid.

Will the Government furnish this kind of aid and service under the Wheeler-Rayburn bill? No. The bill not only provides no substitute for these services—it offers nothing but rigid regulation for the operating company.

Is Government qualified to run the utility business? Look again at the figures above.

The people of this community have nothing to gain from such a bill, and everything to lose!

J. E. Davidson
President
Nebraska Power Company

You can help to defeat the Wheeler-Rayburn bill. Write to your senators and representatives in Washington, and tell them you are opposed to it. Act Now.