

LA GRANGE, TEX.

The biggest attraction at La Grange last week was the session of the executive board of the La Grange district association. It held its session in the Ebenezer Baptist church, Rev. S. A. Tillman, pastor. Nearly all of the pastors of the district were here. The women's convention board of the district, also held its session here, with a full board and many messengers for both boards.

Unusually good and intelligent sermons throughout the sessions kept the spiritual fervor at a high pitch. Financially it was a success, both boards raising good sums. Moderator Ruffin said La Grange went over the top, both spiritually and financially.

Misses Elliott May Dobbins, Delphine Oakes and Sallie Williams will try for the first time the teachers' road.

Mrs. Lizzie May Jetson and Miss M. V. Adams, Schulenburg, were in the city last week.

Mr. Isaac Preston, Sr., of Sandy Point and Mr. Max Cato, Warda, each took out one year's subscription to The Monitor. Who will be the next?

Mrs. Mollie G. Schermack left last week to resume her school work near Angleton.

Messrs. Henry Clarkson and Deacon James Peyton were here visiting and attending to business matters.

A great many people returned last week from the cotton fields near East Bernard.

Revs. R. H. Littleton, Henry Williams, P. R. McGriff, H. J. Wormley, G. T. Burley, H. W. Guster and F. R. Ruffin preached excellent sermons at

the meeting of the board here last week.

Sick—Mesdames Julia King, Anna Moten and Mr. Vernal Franklin.

Rev. William White, P. C., M. E. church here, has just returned from a trip to Austin on business.

Mrs. Clemantine Riley left last week for El Paso, accompanied by little Allan Fields, where she will visit her brother, Mr. D. L. Sanford and wife.

PALESTINE, TEX.

All the churches had good services on Sunday, as the weather was pleasant.

The Rev. D. J. Crawford went to Oakwood to fill his appointment last Sunday, and he reported having a good success down there and he returned home to day.

Mrs. D. E. Hilburn died Saturday and the funeral was held at Mt. Vernon A. M. E. church Sunday night. She was a member of that church. Her remains were shipped to Kilgore today.

Mrs. Amanda Jackson died on last Saturday and was buried on Sunday.

Mrs. Sara Marshall died on Sunday and will be buried today.

Mr. M. M. Hanes, the editor of the Austin Herald, was a visitor in the city last week on his way to the association Thursday.

Thirty-six of our boys left for Camp Bowie at Fort Worth and all seemed to be in good spirits.

Mr. Wright C. Price left for Wiley university for government training, as that school is now a government training school.

Rev. B. T. Reese was in the office today.

Mrs. Lueller Anderson was a visitor to the office today.

The Monitor still grows in this country.

The city schools have all started with a good attendance.

The pay cars did business here last Saturday and all the boys had a good batch of money as the railroad has raised the wages.

Mr. C. S. Johnson says that he likes to read The Monitor.

Mrs. J. E. Carter has returned home from Houston county where she went to attend the funeral of her father.

QUALIFICATION OF CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP

(Continued From Seventh Page) must be saved." The obligation was upon him. It was his duty, his privilege, no matter what others might think or do, this was his business, the justification and joy of his life.

It was this that inspired the great missionaries of the middle ages like Boniface to leave home and country and friends to carry the Gospel to heathen lands and it was this in our own time that sustained Bishop Hannington to lay down his life in the heart of darkest Africa. "The love of Christ constraineth us." Aye that immeasurable, irresistible love of Christ wherewith He loved us, may grip and hold and drive a man to deeds of heroic self-sacrifice for those who are his brethren in the Lord. This is the quality of leadership that makes every man and woman a leader and exalts the lowliest and humblest life, making each individual feel the responsibility of active service for the cause. It is this that our country is appealing to today, the sense of responsibility in each one of us to do something, to give something, to surrender something, to win the war. And, brethren, we must pray for it. It is a gift of God. A man may have a keen intelligence and certain conviction and real sympathy, but the compelling sense of personal responsibility is a grace that comes from heaven. It is the attribute of great souls like Washington and Lincoln and Wilberforce, who in dull and stupid times have broken through the barriers of safe conservatism and inaugurated movements for reform; who in days of distress and danger have stood up for principle in the face of loss; who have esteemed the reproach of Christ greater riches than all the treasures of Egypt. In the beginning the world gave them no honor. It never knew them, but the world is better for their having lived and they being dead yet speak to us with power.

Let us pray God this morning that to all of us may be given the grace, that each of us in his time, according to his ability and opportunity may see and accept the obligation of loyal service; and that in full measure it may be granted to this brother of ours, who is commissioned for the completest self-offering on the altar of his people's hopes.

And now, my brother: It is my duty and privilege to address to you some words of personal advice and counsel. What shall I say?

You have been chosen to be a bishop and leader among your people. You will be invested with authority. You will be charged with grave responsibilities for your words and deeds. Indeed the Church puts her honor and good name in your hands to protect and defend. And who is sufficient for these things—to be a guide and pastor—to feed and to teach the church of God?

Surely, it is a solemn and tremendous obligation; but it has power to create courage and to make manhood. For it is not our ability that counts after all. As St. Paul says it is the grace, gift the charisma that God bestows by the laying on of hands and, if we are faithful to the trust, He will take care of the results. Let this then be in your mind and heart always: You are above and before all else, the servant, the minister of the Lord Jesus Christ. He is your leader, your model, your ever-present friend and counsellor; and you can try to live close to him daily, more and more, united to him and loving him and whether men listen to you or care for your sermons or not, they will see and understand your life and it is the life that tells. Sermons are forgotten, but personal character remains. Learning and eloquence and with and wisdom, argument and doctrines vanish like shadows, but what a man is in his daily conduct abides forever and is reproduced in the lives of others.

"Virtue alone outlives the pyramids. Her monuments shall last when Egypt's fall."

May God give you this grace and may He, the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

When dark clouds gather be your own little sunbeam.

South Side Notes

Mr. George King and Mrs. Bogan handed their many friends a surprise when it was announced that they had been quietly married on Saturday, September 28, at the home of the bride's son, Willie Bogan. All their friends wish them a prosperous future.

A drill was given in the Touissant Dramatic club hall, under the management of Mrs. Dinman, for the benefit of the Starlight Band Mission Circle. Aside from the grand display by each participant it was a complete success. Notwithstanding the fact that all churches were ordered closed, Bethel had a very large attendance in an open air meeting held on their grounds. Not one service was omitted. The Sunday school at 9:30 o'clock, morning and afternoon service, were well attended.

Mrs. Tennell of Kansas City is visiting her sister, Mrs. Moberly, 4414 South Twenty-fifth street.

National Race Congress Convened

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this granted, Rev. J. C. Austin, D. D., Pittsburgh, Pa., breathed a word of fervent prayer. Judge Harrison then stated completely the case and the cause of the Negro to the president in language chaste, lucid, sympathetic, positive, forceful and replete. As bold as Paul on Mars Hill, he pointed out the many discriminations against his race in this nation and, appealing to the Christian virtues of the president of the nation, prayed that these injustices cease. Assured the president as a matter of repetition that the race was with him in winning the great war and in doing any and everything else that was catholic in spirit and democratic in purpose, operation and effect. The president was moved to tears as the judge plead the cause of his race.

In response the president assured the delegation that the spokesman had interpreted his spirit and said that he would do everything that was in his power to right all wrongs complained of and would hasten as fast as he could the kind and sort of democracy that he stood for and that the spokesman mentioned.

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