



St. Benedict's News
Rev. Fr. J. C. Daly, Pastor
Madoline E. Sterling, Reporter

A meeting of the P. T. A. last Sunday afternoon, was a pleasant feature of the week's activities. A very interesting talk, on Home and Hygiene, was given by one of the visiting school nurses. A beautiful duet was rendered by the Anderson young people, and at the close of the meeting a delightful repast was served by five little girls, sponsored by the hospitality committee.

We were delighted with the singing of the children at the early Mass. The innocent purity of their childish voices was a sincere and very becoming offering, and Mrs. James who is training the little folks in this work, is to be highly commended for her effort.

The Altar society, held a very successful meeting, last Wednesday afternoon, at the home of the President, Mrs. Geo. Jackson. Almost every member and officers were present and after the opening prayer, many interesting discussions followed. The first venture of this group, for the New Year, will be a whist Tournament, given in the School recreation hall, on January 25th, everyone is invited, and urged to attend. The proceeds of this entertainment, will go for sponsoring a "St. Benedict's Bazaar", to be given later in the season. The blocks for a beautiful star quilt were cut and passed out to the members present, and work will be started immediately, and when the piecing is finished they plan to give an old-fashioned quilting party. Remember, don't fail to attend the card party, three valuable prizes will be given away, refreshments served, and all for a very, very small charge.

Monday night was the first "After the Holidays" meeting of the "St. Peter Clavers" Guild, and a large percentage of the members were present. The Resignation of the former president was accepted, and Mrs. Glass was elected President for the remainder of the season. Many lively activities are planned for the future, and the first event will be a ladies play—a three act Comedy drama—to be given before the Lenten season begins. Mrs. Sterling, who is chairman of the entertainment committee, will direct the play.

The secretary, acted as hostess, for the evening, and served delicious toasted coconut bars, and tea. The service was highly praised, and everyone expressed delight in the new treat, and demanded the recipe, which was graciously given. We were glad to welcome the addition of two new members to the Guild, and hope they will bring others.

Miss Minnie Freytor, a popular member of the "Crusaders", is reported on the sick list. We sincerely hope she will be with the young people again soon, as her pleasant smile, and cheery greeting is greatly missed by all, and the "Crusaders Social Night" will not be complete without her.

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Pilgrim Church
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Rev. James H. Dotson, Pastor.

Sunday School opened at the usual hour with a very large attendance in spite of the cold weather. Fred Dixon on the Supt. is making a strenuous effort to make the school larger and better this year and with a staff of teachers like we have I am sure he will have success.

Miss Grover Lee Marshal is the organist for 1934. Teachers meeting every Thursday evening at eight o'clock. A large number of our workers are planning to attend the Religious Training school at Calvary beginning Monday evening.

Morning worship began at 10:45. The pastor filled the pulpit using as a subject "Seeing New Things" which was very appropriate. His text was "And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away: and there was no more sea.—Rev. 21:1.

It was four years ago Sunday when our pastor took charge, coming here from Indianapolis, Ind. Every sermon preached since that time has been uplifting, and full of truth, and with hopes of getting sinners to accept Christ and Christians to live the life. More than three hundred persons have been added to the Church either by Baptism, Christian Experience or letter and a large number have passed to the great beyond.

Several visitors were present. Come again. We want you to feel at home at Pilgrim.

Evening service was given over to Communion.

B. Y. P. U. was at the usual hour, a very good meeting. The program was in charge of Group No. 1. J. W. Dacus, president. Don't forget the Young People's Mass meeting the third Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The chorus will sing, speakers will be announced later. The pastor will preach a special sermon to the youth, and the afternoon and evening services will be in charge of the young people. Come and be our guest. Mrs. J. H. Dotson in charge.

The sick—Mrs. Alice Robbins, Richard Ford. Mrs. Vivian Green Jones, Little Hazel Golden. Mrs. Mullins. Robert Jackson. All are home except Robert who is confined to Covenant hospital with a broken leg.

Rev. Anthony of Salem will preach Sunday afternoon at Pilgrim, his choir will sing under auspices of the Deacons board.

SALEM BAPTIST CHURCH

22nd and Seward Street
Rev. E. W. Anthony, Pastor
Minnie Harris, Reporter

The Sunday School was opened at 9:30 a. m., with the new General Superintendent, Brother T. Wesely presiding. Mr. Wesely started out to make good in 1934. He has brilliant ideas. Rev. D. Nicholson was appointed Second Department Superintendent and Mr. P. L. Reagans, Third Department. The lesson was studied for thirty minutes. The Sun-

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day school will elect its other officers next Sunday. The membership of the Sunday School in the past year has increased very much.

The B. Y. P. U. opened at 5:30 p. m., with President Cooper presiding. Mr. Lorenza Rosenbaum was elected vice president, succeeding Mr. C. Williams and Mr. James Hansib second vice, succeeding Mr. S. Porter.

At 11 a. m., our pastor, Rev. Anthony brought to us a burning message. The text read as follows: "Let not your heart be troubled, you believe in God believe also in me." 14 chapter of St. John 1-3 verses.

The "Lord's Supper," was also taken.

At 8 p. m., he brought another soul searching message, subject "Abiding Companionship," text Exodus 33-14.

We are sorry to announce that Sister Brown and Sister Nannie Belt are both very ill. There was an old fashion candy pulling at the home of Sister Grandberry's Thursday, January 1, 1934.

Brother Cooper, President of the B. Y. P. U., will celebrate his Fifth Religious Anniversary. Monday, January 8, by fasting and praying all day.

The clubs and auxiliaries will start back to work, since the holiday season is over. Mrs. L. Harris will head the Mission Society for 1934.

METROPOLITAN SPIRITUAL CHURCH

Rev. R. W. Johnson, Pastor
Georgia Peoples, Reporter

Rev. R. W. Johnson preached a wonderful sermon Sunday, in spite of the cold weather, we had a large congregation. His text was "Pay Day", and when he was through, the whole house was filled with spirit.

The Metropolitan Church is growing stronger, and we hope to still grow stronger.

The Progressive Club entertained their club at the residence of Mrs. Payton, 3117 Burdette Street, Monday night, and the hostess served a delicious luncheon.

MRS. BETTIE WILLIAMS PASSES AWAY

Mrs. Bettie Williams, age 72, of 2606 Hamilton, died January 4, 1934, at 12:45. Mrs. Williams was born in Newport, Miss., and had been married 34 years, and is the mother of twelve children, one set of twins, six boys and six girls, 26 grand children and 7 great grand children.

She leaves to mourn her death all of her children:

Mrs. Emma Chambers, of Omaha. Mrs. Janie Hayden of Omaha. L. E. Williams of Omaha. Zella Williams of Omaha. Marie RRoby of Sallis, Miss. Mark Williams of McDams, Miss. Roy McCoy, of Sallis, Miss. Elzy Williams of Mobile, Ala. Otto Williams of Birmingham, Ala. Mary Peoples of Greenwood, Miss. John Walter Williams of Miss. Zella Bessie McWilliams and Roy McWilliams, twins.

ST. JOHN'S A. M. E. CHURCH

THE FRIENDLY CHURCH
22nd and Willis Avenue
Rev. L. P. Bryant, Pastor

The First Sunday of the New Year, brought great encouragement in many ways. In spite of the cold day, all regular services were well attended. The spiritual side of the service ran very high. Rev. Bryant was at his best. He took his text from St. John 4th Chapter, and the sixth verse. From this text he preached a great sermon in which there was much spiritual food. Other ministers present were: Rev. E. Z. McDonald and Rev. Thomas Rucker.

The Sunday School was very pleased to see such a good attendance on the First Sunday of the year. Let us sincerely hope both teachers and students will make even greater efforts to get to Sunday School on time, at 9:30 a. m., each Sunday. Just think how fine it would be for all students and teachers to be pre-

sent at the opening of the devotional exercise.

Dr. Craig Morris of St. Phillips Church brought the message at the afternoon service. Dr. Morris gave many valuable thoughts for those who are trying to live a Christian life. He said that religion consists in living a life rather than trying to keep a set of Rules. He made it very plain that a Christian should always try to help rather than furnish, and anytime one can show mercy by releasing human suffering, he should do so. The Christian life should be such that the one who is not a Christian could see the beauty in living such a life to the extent that he would be anxious to become a Christian. Many other good thoughts were brought out, but space will not allow it to be mentioned.

The Clock Rally is still making fine progress. Let every member and as many friends as will, help their captains turn the hands of the clock.

The envelope system now being installed, shows great signs of success. The Pastor and the Officers wish to thank all for their splendid assistance in trying to put the system into operation.

The visitors last Sunday were: Dr. Craig Morris, St. Phillips, Miss Ethel Jones, Zion, Mr. George Watson, of the Christian Church, Mr. W. S. Matthews, Clair Chapel, Mrs. Bertha Dorsey of St. Joe, Mo., Elizabeth Emerson of Kansas City, Mo., and Mr. Clayter of Omaha. Visitors are and will be welcome to St. John, and invited to make it their church home, while in the city.

Sunday School 9:30 a. m., preaching 10:45 a. m., Endeavor 6 p. m., evening service, 7:45.

BETHEL A. M. E. CHURCH

25th and Franklin Streets
Rev. J. W. Williams, Pastor

The minister, Rev. J. W. Williams, spoke from the Fifteenth chapter of St. John, then a general class of testimony was held. After a testimony by Mr. Jim Woods and Mrs. Maggie Smith, the two aforesaid members examined the class as a whole, proceeding up the two aisles of the church. At the conclusion of the service, the Holy Communion was administered.

January 7, being Trustee Day, the church was divided into three sections. The young having the section received the greater contribution.

The congregation is indeed delighted to have in its midst, Mrs. Katherine Piggue, who is the daughter of the minister, Rev. J. W. Williams. She will remain with her parents a week or two longer, thereafter returning to her home in Coffeyville, in the southeastern part of Kansas, near Independence.

Lloyd L. Lee, reporter

CLAIR CHAPEL

W. Smith, reporter
Rev. Alfred Clay, Pastor

Sunday School, both morning and evening services, and the Forum was well attended. The new order of service was used in taking communion, which was very impressive. We have many things to be thankful for, and will continue to pray and thank the Lord.

Visitors are always welcomed to Clair Chapel.

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

29th and T Streets
Rev. J. H. Jackson, Pastor
Mrs. J. C. Collins, reporter

The Sunday School met at 9:30 o'clock, with the usual number in attendance.

The worship services began at the usual time, 11 o'clock. This period of worship was devoted to the individual songs, testimonies, and experiences of our Christian members and friends.

This being the first Sunday in the New Year, many told of their gratitude to God for his goodness and mercy for taking care of them thru out the year of 1933, and asked for his guidance, love and grace for 1934. In the absence of our pastor, Rev. J. H. Jackson, our chairman, Deacon H. C. Garner, took charge of the services.

B. Y. P. U. began at 7:30, after which the evening services began at 8 p. m. We had as our guest speaker, Rev. F. S. Goodlett. His subject was "The Shoals and Depth of Life." It was taken from Luke 5-4. His message was short, but very interesting and helpful heart to heart talk with the members.

Visitors and friends are always welcome to worship with us at the Bethel Baptist Church.

ST. PHILLIP ELECTS OFFICERS
The Annual Parish meeting was held by the St. Phillips Episcopal Church, January 8, and it was largely attended. The following board of vestment was elected:
W. G. Haynes, Sr., Wardman

H. W. Black, Jr., Wardman
Mrs. Anna Longan
Mrs. Dora Donley
Mrs. Ione Hanger
Mr. E. P. Pryor
Mr. C. T. Smith, Treasurer
Mr. Charles W. Dickerson
Mr. B. B. Cowan
Rev. Victor E. Holly, Rector, presided over the meeting.

WEEKLY SHORT SERMON

By Dr. A. G. Bearer

(For The Literary Service Bureau)
Text: I was press toward the mark for the prize—Phil. 3:14.

Little is accomplished without an objective—a goal. In this text Paul speaks of the "mark," the objective. He declared "I press"; meaning I put forth effort, I strive; I contend; I urge myself forward toward the mark. The incentive was the "prize." This is a good New Year's resolution; and Paul's life was a good illustration of perseverance—of pressing.

This is a good lesson for the New Year. Have a goal. Have an objective as the old folk used to say, "Git your meg sot." With some, the goal for this year will be greater material accumulations; with others greater store of knowledge; but the most worthy goal will be human helplessness. A good wording would be, "In efforts to help others, to brighten other lives, I press toward the mark—for the prize. The prize will be expansion of our own natures and increase of human happiness.

Tag—Maxie Miller Writes

(For The Literary Service Bureau)

Husband neglects and "other man" enter in—wife still love husband, repents and confesses—wife has done no more than almost every married man does—let husband swallow his medicine as penalty for neglect—only sensible thing to do.
Note: For advice, write to Maxie Miller, care Literary Service Bureau, 516 Minnesota Avenue, Kansas City, Kansas. For personal reply send postage. Maxie Miller.

Maxie Miller: My home is about wrecked and I'm about crazy. I think I can save the home if I can find courage to do what I think I ought to do. I am a professional man and I neglected my wife like the husband in "Madam X". She warned me that my neglect and her loneliness might bring serious results, but I had much faith that I laughed at her. It happened in a weak moment she yielded to another man. She is sorry; she confessed; she says she does not love this man; she still love me; and she swears she will go straight. I still love my wife and believe she will do all she promises, but I hate like hell to know another man has shared what I believed to be mine only. What would you do, Maxie Miller, were you a man? Poor Mike.

Poor Mike: You are not so poor after all. You have an honest wife and should be thankful. The average wife would have said nothing and you'd been none the wiser. This tells you she is far above the average and a prize worth holding on to. You confess you neglected and that you are responsible, to that extent. Now, swallow your medicine and profit by the experience. This matter of "sharing" seems so serious, but it is generally believed that few men come to the marriage altar without having known a woman—and perhaps few indeed live their live out true to their marriage vows. Forgive her? Yes! Perhaps you'd not find another as good and as honest in a thousand years. You are rich, Mike! Maxie Miller.

OPPORTUNITY

By R. A. Adams

(For The Literary Service Bureau)
Who says that Opportunity
Knocks only once, at every door,
And, if neglected, angrily,
Will turn away to come no more.
Speaks falsely! More the truth to
say,
The oft denied, and turned away,
It comes each day the whole life
thru,
To every door, and knocks, anew.

"There is a tide in men's affairs,"
That should be taken at the flow,
But flase the dictum that declares,
And erring, who pretends to know
That, if neglected, even then,
The tide will never rise again;
For, oft resurgent as the sea,
Is tide of human destiny!

"There is but once to every man"
Is gross, unfounded fallacy!
That once, and only once he can
Lay hold of opportunity
Is arrait lie! With every morn.
With every new day that is born,
Comes Opportunity, and cries:
"If you would win, awake! Arise!"

NEW YEAR AND NEW OPPORTUNITIES

By R. A. Adams
(For The Literary Service Bureau)
Turning in thought from the old year to the new one just ushered in, entitled "Opportunity." Mr. Ingalls' I am reminded of a poem written by J. J. Ingalls, a Kansas senator, and Opportunity" is a cruel, heartless,

exacting, in exorable thing. The poem begins, "Master of human destinies am I." There is the assertion, I knock unbidden, once, at every door; and there comes the caution, "If sleeping, wake; if feasting, rise; and "This is the hour of fate." This heartless thing ends with cruel fatalistic manifesto:
"Those who doubt or hesitate,
Condemned to failure, penury and woe,
Seek me in vain, and uselessly implore;
I answer not, and I return no more."

In refutation of this theory of "Once to every man," the writer submits the poem which precedes this article and in which "Opportunity" is a more generous, merciful, humane thing—and a more reasonable thing. Yes, the New Year comes to us laden with many golden opportunities. Let us utilize them!

A NEW YEAR'S DREAM

In the quiet of the living room, I sat listening to a New Year's program. Eddie Cantor was speaking of the birth of 1934, and suggested calling the infant "The New Deal." He assured Uncle Sam, a much distressed father, that everything would come out alright, that the prospective mother, Stars and Stripes, was being attended by the world's greatest physician, Franklin D. Roosevelt, who ranks in ability with George Washington, and Dr. Abraham Lincoln, that the physician would save both mother and child.

Deeply impressed by this program, and thinking of what the future would bring us, I wrapped the draperies of my couch about me, and lay down to pleasant dreams, long ere the whistle had ushered in the new year, and such pleasant dreams they were, variegated forms transporting the dreamer into a perfect Utopia of radical cooperation, economic recovery, racial business—advances and success, general prosperity and racial political solidarity, and its attendant results.

Wheels of industry were again running full force; men were going to and fro from work, whistling, laughing and talking, walking with a measured tread of confidence, hailing a neighbor with a merry hello, the hollow eyed, gaunt look having deserted their faces, replaced by merriment, happiness and contentment; four years of want, poverty, and misery having made each more concerned about his neighbors welfare; each constantly on the alert to direct a friend to a job, work and independence; wives with babies in their arms, joyfully waiting at the gate for the home-coming of the happy, smiling father, happiness, contentment, and love abounding on all sides radiating new breath, new life, new hope and new charm, with the ushering in of a "New Deal."

Racial business enterprises were moving at a clip hardly conceivable. Our grocers were serving the many thousands of our people in a most capable manner, through cooperative buying, they were meeting all competition as to prices, quantity and quality, services were courteous, delivery prompt, stock was plentiful, stores crowded with customers, telephones ringing, and orders coming into virtually beehives of activities. Our drug stores were enjoying a healthful and profitable activity. Pharmacists were busy filling prescriptions, clerks smilingly, helping waiting customers; telephone orders were coming in, and delivery boys promptly taking out the orders. The Dean of our Drug Stores was holding a three way conversation on the telephone, with the two younger

ROOSEVELT'S VALET PETED FOR HUMANE EFFORTS

Washington, Jan. 8.—(O.N.S.—rev't) McDuffy, valet to the President, and his wife who is maid to the First Lady, were entertained at the Howard Theater the night of December 27, by a group of citizens in appreciation for McDuffy's efforts to have the president commute the death sentence of Charles Edward Washington.

Washington was recently executed at the District Jail for murdering a taxi driver.

business men; thusly: "Boys there is plenty of business in Omaha for three of us, we have to pull together. There is no room for petty jealousy. Our doctors are crowded with work, and are looking to us to hold up our end. Are we ready? (Coming back over the phone I hear the point answered) "This is a new day and a new deal. Let's go."

Further on I found the professional men of the city in a group meeting, comes such phrases from Doctors, Dentists, Lawyers and Ministers, as inauguration of movements for racial patronage in all lines of endeavor, Doctors solidly backing racial drug enterprises, Dentists and Doctors pledging a healthy and happy Community; Lawyers advising the reclamation of mortgaged property, and mentioning the Real Estate buying wave; Ministers beaming and jubilant over a happy, healthy and religious Community, following their guidance to a closer and a more concentrated effort toward mutual racial cooperation and patronage.

Various shops are busy and happy, attendants are busy and smilingly serving their customers. A new shuffle and a new deal has taken place at the City Hall, Court House and State Capitol. Persons to whom we were wont to see and greet socially with a "good morning," we may now greet in these places with a cheery "good morning." Their number had increased appreciably, likewise responsibility has increased. Bailiffs, clerks, inspectors, juvenile officers, assistant prosecutors, welfare and domestic relations attaches, State Representatives and many other appointees attest our place in the sun.

There is in the air a spirit of general understanding politically. The various leaders are advocating continued solidarity, pointing with pride at general success and recognition thus far. I hear a general exclamation, "One for all and all for one!" "Let us make the most of this New Day and New Deal."

Living in the Utopia of dreams was as thrilling as the tales of Aladdin, when as children we placed ourselves side by side, with the characters, actually living the stories. Dream though this is, day dream or otherwise, its realization in such measures, as possible, would change our fair city into a virtue Eden.

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