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THE MIRROR OF PUBLIC OPINION

LIFE AND PROGRESS

Some one must go first. There must be that courageous individual who braves sternity and eats the first tomato, takes his life in his hands and gulps the fearsome and so called sacred bivalve, sails the wine dark sea aboard the cockle shell Santa Maria and descends first in diving armor.

We fancy it is the majority that progresses; surges on with a common impulse. Wrong. It is the brilliant few. We only follow along after them, commending ourselves for our fortitude as soon as we discover that each forward step is safely taken and shuddering in suspense if there is the least doubt.

The inventor of the locomotive was regarded as a trifling idiot, but we haven't the slightest apology now that railroads are safe. We creak contentedly and regard ourselves as the benefactors of posterity for having contributed so liberally to the progress of the world. We didn't progress at all. Only hung on the tail of that first man's kite and we were hoist by it.

Some day we will be flitting freely through the air with large and conscious self-assurance that we did it. Nothing for the bold men who went into the air when there was some question about its utility, and not a little question either.

Thousands scurry past the monument to the victims of the Fort Dearborn massacre. They took the chance. We didn't. It was they who pushed on through the forests without a thought of returning. We followed after; when it was safe.

The pioneer is the true progressive because he doesn't think about coming back. He crosses Rubicon, burns bridges behind, crosses continents in a prairie schooner and endures the scorn of the safety first multitude. Langley was right in principle and we now applaud him, but that didn't keep us from breaking his heart with ridicule. We had our tongues in our cheeks when the gentle old man tried to go aloft in the airplane we dubbed "Langley's Folly." We gaped in shame and amazement when the Wrights made the "Folly" take the air like a bird.

Had the Wright brothers failed we would have heaped them with our all too ready sarcasm. But they made their objective, so we take the credit for advancing the cause of aviation. How many of us would volunteer to cross the plains to California with nothing in prospect? How many with mountains of gold and silver uncovered, the Langley and the Nesses sailors, etc? We are a sure thing race.

We have too little consideration for the Daniel Boones and the Pulitons. Perhaps the sting of defeat only emphasizes the glory of victory, but if all those upon whom we depend for the act of discovery were to be deterred by the fear of scorn we should not get far. The majority is not progressive.

Men must die in air machines because only their sufferings will we achieve the perfection of their ideas. It is difficult to penalize men for the fault which is incidental to the greater advantage. Men who take their lives in their hands, counting no cost to themselves, in order that they may prepare a safe place for the skeptical majority, should have their reward in applause for the valorous deeds they perform and not odium because of the details they neglect.

Some must go first else we would never move. Because a dozen fall where one succeeds it does not follow that they are lacking in spirit or purpose. Their pioneering is as essential and their motives as clear.—Chicago Tribune.

AN IRONY OF FATE.

What must be called an irony of fate is to be seen in the manner of death which came to Jean Navarre, an ace of aces among the aviators of France. Navarre made a brilliant career during the war, in which he brought down more than a dozen German machines, according to French official reports, and displayed heroic qualities leading to his promotion and the bestowal upon him of a number of decorations. He was about to land at an airfield near Paris the other day and in trying to avoid a collision his airplane crashed and fell to the ground. Navarre died a few hours later. It is of the essence of irony that a fighting man should, after surviving a number of victorious collisions with enemy planes, lose his life in trying to avoid collisions with friends. Life shows us many such strange contradictions as this, amounting often almost to absurdities when viewed in their relation to the ordinary courses of events in human affairs. The uncertainty of life is, and always will be, the subject of many homilies revolving around the oft-quoted truth in the midst of death we may, at times, be safer than in the midst of life, through sheer forces of that courageous activity which comes to brave men surrounded only by oblation or dangers, and under no obligation but to come to close quarters with them. Fatalities and casualties in peace are less frequent than in war because peace is organized for the conservation and war for the destruction of life, but the irony of the fate which was overtaken Jean Navarre is eloquent of the uncertainty of life everywhere.—St. Louis Globe Democrat.

PERHAPS THEY STRETCH THE TRUTH

So detailed are its stories that Congress is hearing about the ill-treatment of our soldiers in disciplinary camps and prisons that they cannot be dismissed as altogether false, and certainly, wherever such abuse of power has existed, severe punishment of

the guilty officers, commissioned and non-commissioned, is deserved. Presumably it will be inflicted. Indeed, the infliction had already begun before the congressional investigation started. Before getting too much excited, however, by these terrible tales of cruelty, it is well to consider the possibility that there is something of exaggeration in them, and that they are told, after all, only about a few of the many places where insubordinate or delinquent soldiers were sent. To be remembered, too, is the fact that all of these witnesses belong to a class the members of which are not models of military propriety. Their evidence is not of the highest quality, and in every instance it needs corroboration, preferably by witnesses not of their own number. That some of the men have real grievances is more than probable, but that is no excuse at all for assuming that the mistreatment of American soldiers, in prison or out of it, was common—was anything else than highly exceptional. Offenses that in time of peace are trivial often become of the utmost gravity in time of war, and that is a truth which the critics of army punishments are strangely inclined to forget.—New York Times.

FIXED INCOMES

The hundreds of thousands of persons with fixed incomes know that true words were spoken by the bank official in New York City recently, when he told a convention of jobbers that there is something delusive about a rise in prices caused by depreciated currency, since the situation thus created merely looks like prosperity. "This doesn't mean that we are not going to have a good trade this fall," he said. "The prospects are excellent for that. But it does mean that the present situation is artificial and abnormal and that it will be well to be cautious in making calculations for the future. Sooner or later a readjustment will have to come." Few will dispute that. And what the fixed incomes are hoping is that the readjustment comes sooner rather than later. Depreciated currency, or high prices, as you please, are responsible for shrinkage in the value of savings in the form of life insurance policies, bank deposits, bonds and mortgages, which will reach into the billions of dollars unless the present level of prices and wages is reduced. Owners of such investments know full well that the interest on which they plan to live has a purchasing power of one-half or less compared to that of the original savings. To many who by reason of age or other infirmities can not add to the provision which had been made for their declining years, the burden is a serious and oftentimes painful one.—Buffalo Commercial.

AN EASY MATTER

When we can go to Europe and get back the same day, as the aviators predict, we shall be able to manage European affairs without being away from home so much of the time.—Philadelphia Press.

THE USUAL WAY

Whenever we cannot think of any other way to refute a Democrat's arguments we say he is dealing in generalities and look proudly around as if all questions had now been decided in our favor.—Ohio State Journal.

A DISTINGUISHED PRECEDENT.

The treaty doesn't satisfy everybody. Neither did the Constitution of the United States when it was drafted, but it has since gathered a respectable following.—Atlanta Journal.

GENEROUS HANDY

(New Orleans, La., Times-Picayune) Generous Handy signs himself "Handy" and proceeds to object to any effort of whites and Colored people holding conferences on the subject of Race adjustment. Handy tells us what he ought to have and then steps as suddenly as a ball hitting a brick wall. Listen to Handy: "We do not need columns to state a working plan between us and the Negro. Give him his church and his religious and his rights to worship in his church unmolested. Give him good homes to live in, good water to drink. Give him plenty of work to do, and pay him for the work he does. Give him the market price for his produce, honestly measured and weighed. The close." Handy this stop is so sudden.

"ARE YOU READY FOR THE TEST?"

The Irish question continues to addle the British Empire and embarrass the American Republic. In a lengthy editorial, The Chicago Tribune brings the question to the fore, tells of all the extenuating circumstances, from the assistance of the Irish in helping to form the American nation, to the possibilities of becoming involved with Mexico and Japan, concluding by saying: "We can establish the Irish republic by fighting for it. We cannot establish it by declaration, resolution, and cable message to London. "Are you ready for the test?" The American people cannot consistently involve themselves in the troubles of Ireland and England, without running into the snags of American color adjustment. The 12,000,000 American Colored people have grievances just as serious and oppressive as Ireland. This fact England knows, and knows well, and it will not be long until England will very frankly remind America that it is time to clean house at home. America must clean house, and clean well, or stand before the world as a hollow mockery of the principles so loudly proclaimed and fought for in France.

MEDICATED FINEST NEGRO CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES

Cleveland, Ohio, July 31, 1919.—This was a big day for the C. M. E. Church here, made so by the formal opening of the Lane Metropolitan Church which is said to be the finest Negro church in America. Bishop C. H. Phillips of Nashville, who has charge of this conference, directed the services. Bishop Isaac Lane of Jackson, Tenn. preached at eleven o'clock. At the afternoon meeting address were made by Editor J. A. Hamlett of Jackson, Tenn., and Bishop R. A. Carter of Atlanta, Ga. Dr. H. S. Stout of Louisville, Ky., spoke early in the evening, then Bishop N. C. Cleaves of Memphis, Tenn. preached the closing sermon for the day. Other noted men present to take part on the program which will last two weeks are: Drs. J. A. Bray, J. E. M. Jenkins, W. J. Turner, R. M. McKenzie, P. A. Bailey, L. M. Mitchell,

Maahaw and C. J. Nicholas of Ala., T. H. Copeland, G. W. Jones of Ky., W. I. Smith of Missouri, J. A. Winters and F. A. Bryson of Illinois, W. S. Ferguson of Wisconsin, and Prof. W. R. Banks of Texas. The collection today was \$1260, and thirty members added. There were several thousand people in attendance during the day.

A NEW WEEKLY FOR PHILADELPHIA

The Philadelphia Thrift Provider, a weekly newspaper published by the Thrift Race of the world, will make its first appearance this week. Offices have been established in a building recently purchased by the Thrift Race at 728 So. Broad St., this city, with Mr. J. S. Tibbitt acting as editor-in-chief, and at the head of the publishing department.

SOME TOWNS IN TEXAS

WE COVER THE STATE LIKE A BLANKET

HEARNE.

Hearne, Texas, July 31.—Prof. T. A. Taylor and R. A. Atkinson, Mrs. L. E. Osborne, A. B. Phillips and Miss Besie Jones, have returned from Caldwell normal.

Miss C. Milligan from Waco normal.

Mrs. R. L. Stewart and R. B. Lewis from Conroe normal.

Miss I. E. Carter, returned from Longview.

Mrs. T. A. Taylor has returned from the M. T. of A. Grand Lodge at Galveston.

Mrs. L. Pickens, R. L. Stewart and A. Wilson have returned from K. and D. of T. at Waco.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Sutton, Master Cecil and Wayman Taylor have returned from Galveston and Houston where they visited relatives.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bacon Jeff, a boy, Mrs. Ida Littleton left Sunday for Houston.

Mrs. Ida Massey of Kosse is visiting relatives.

Mrs. Lula Coffield of Calvert is visiting her sister, Mrs. Kimbrough.

Mr. Matkin Butler has returned from Austin.

Mrs. E. A. Webb is in Austin visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Haynes.

Little L. D. Littleton, is in Crockett, visiting grand parents.

Mrs. Ida Hatcher of Bryant is in the city visiting parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Griffin.

Mrs. R. A. Webb is in Austin visiting Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Haynes.

Little L. D. Little is in Crockett, visiting grand parents.

Miss Viola Dancer and Mr. Mays were married Thursday morning.

Mrs. Rubie Booker has returned from San Antonio to see her husband who is from over seas.

Mrs. L. E. Osborne left Saturday for Kossay.

Sick listed: Mrs. Mary E. Lewis, Mrs. Bee Malone is recovering from several weeks' illness.

The Odd Fellows and Household of Rutha had a high day Sunday, noble sermon by Rev. S. S. Frazier and members and visitors served food. Grand reception was given at "West End" Thursday night in honor of the soldiers.

Mrs. Owens gave a barbecue in honor of the return of her son Priv. Lullen Booker from France.

Mrs. Ammie D. Percy is in the city visiting father, Mr. M. Dorsey.

Messrs. Henry Battle, Bur: Little, Arliel Clarke and Carl Granger returned from France this week.

Prof. T. A. Taylor visited Editor M. M. Haynes and family in Austin where royally entertained.

Mr. Chas. Sutton left Sunday for San Antonio.

BONHAM.

Bonham, Texas, July 31.—Mrs. V. A. Johnson have returned from Bastrop.

Mrs. Frankie Alexander of Gainesville is visiting her daughter.

Miss Ophelia Pearles of Oklahoma City is visiting Mrs. Violet Cowen.

F. S. Stephens was at his church at Denison Sunday.

Mr. Baile Lightfoot and wife left Saturday for Detroit, Mich.

Mr. Pete Johnson, Prof. W. E. Johnson, Mr. W. M. Coleman, Mr. B. K. Johnson left Monday for Paris to attend the W. O. W. Grand Lodge.

Miss Ophelia Blackman is in Cleburne.

Rev. T. E. Higgs has returned from the Baptist convention at De Kalb.

Quite a crowd of Benhamites attended the picnic at Wolfe City last week.

J. D. Locke was in Ravenna, Saturday to attend the funeral of Mr. Smith.

Rev. Washington and family passed through in their auto Thursday night to Hugo, Okla.

Mr. Jones at Gainesville was the guest at Mr. J. B. Bedlock last week.

Mrs. Edgar Reales is quits ill.

Mr. John Caldwell accidentally got some of his fingers cut off while working at the Round house last week.

Mr. Willie Lony and wife left last week for Ohio.

Mr. Calvin Nickerson and wife of Honey Grove were in the city Sunday.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Lizzie Runnels to Mr. Bishop Darnell.

MR. CLIFTON DOUGLASS OF SHERMAN

is in the city Sunday.

P. E. A. G. Winn was in the city Monday.

Mrs. Seay and Mrs. Brown have returned from Denton where they went to attend the funeral of their brother Charlie Pratt.

Mrs. Mosely has returned from De Kalb, where she has been attending the Sunday school convention.

Mrs. M. S. DeJournette has returned from the District board.

Mr. Arch Johnson has returned from Dallas.

Rev. Melton was in the City Saturday.

The 21 Marchal Niel club met with Mrs. Guss Stull, Friday evening a luncheon was served.

The 22 Amuser club met with Mrs. John Dall Thursday night at which time they entertained their husbands.

The Clover Leaf club entertained their husbands Friday night.

Mr. Buss Person was in Sherman, Sunday.

Mr. Henry Wilson left Sunday to Wichita Falls.

SAN ANGELO.

San Angelo, Texas, July 31.—Another San Angelo church go-over-the-top in a big rally with Rev. E. M. Clemmons, pastor of St. Paul Baptist church the effort was to raise the sum of \$500.00 and they raised three hundred and fifty seven dollars. Mrs. Edna Strickland of Pittsburg, Texas, who is at the head of the Auxiliary to B. M. and E. Convention of Texas. The newly called pastor was installed at the night service, Mrs. Edna Strickland officiated. Rev. N. A. L. Garner is making things look good around his home. He had his home repaired and placed \$325.20 two hundred and thirty-five dollars and twenty cents, the large Colored center is on at the St. Paul A. M. E. church of which Rev. J. M. Johnson is P. C. Mr. Chas. Carlock and wife are in the city from Kansas City and are the guest of her sister B. H. Lott, Mrs. R. W. Lewis is here visiting her mother.

ABELENE.

Abilene, Texas, July 31.—Mrs. Levenia Brown is very ill. Her recovery is doubtful at this writing.

Mrs. Berry Smith and Little Cleo Townsend are improved.

Privates Howard Townsend and Harry Branch arrived last week direct from France. The boys report a pleasant stay, good treatment and a nice time.

Mrs. Edna Marshall is visiting friends here. Mrs. Hattie Tramble of Ft. Worth is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Fannie Alexander.

Mr. Alex Alexander was called to Temple last week to attend the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Alice Stiff who died Friday, July 25th.

A Card of Thanks.

We take this method of thanking the many friends of Temple and sisters Delight Court No. 67 for their courtesy and many beautiful floral offerings.

(Signed) Tom Stiff, Husband.

A. Alexander.

Geo. Alexander, Brothers.

Annie Bowen, Niece.

KEITYS.

Keity, Texas, July 31.—The R. L. District Sunday school convention opened in our little city, July 24-27 which held a grand session with the Mt. Calvary Baptist Sunday school opening Thursday evening at 4 o'clock p. m. The president S. Fisher being absent Superintendent of Mission C. H. Patrick opened session by reading Eph. 6-1 prayer led by Rev. W. T. Reagor, pastor of the M. E. church. The convention and delegation proved quite inspiring to us financially, spiritually and intellectually, money raised \$83.27. The Mt. Calvary choir was donated \$2.00 by the convention. Sunday school was well attended Sunday morning with all officers present preaching at 11 o'clock by Rev. Allen, who preached a soul stirring sermon also preaching at 3:00 o'clock and night service was good. Many visitors were present. Mrs. Letha Charlton, who has been visiting mother, father and other relatives for the last two weeks returned to her home in Dallas. Mrs. Annie Penson who has been attending the summer normal at Prairie View

returned home on the 20th.

Mr. Gus Stephens is visiting his Grand mother for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. Dean Roberts are visiting their mother for a few days. Mr. Laurie Clayton visited his cousin, Mr. Hollie Clayton, Sunday. Miss Beatrice Gordon is visiting Miss Fannie Castle. Mrs. Fannie Castle of Pollock visited her son, Mrs. Henry Castle Sunday. Mrs. Minnie and Mrs. Fannie Mallard are visiting their mother and sister. On the 25th of July the only child of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Felt Fansons departed this life. Was buried on the 26th at Keltys cemetery.

WACO.

Waco, Texas, July 31.—Grand Lodge Knights and Daughters of Taber concluded a very peaceful session. Most of the Grand officers and representatives have gone to their respective homes. Waco, Tex. shows her greatness in caring for the delegation. Editor W. E. King, Dr. Conner and others of Waco, left over the Katy for Victoria to attend Grand Lodge U. B. of F. An association convened in East Waco Baptist Tabernacle. Rev. Bowers, Moderator. Many people in attendance. Mrs. W. S. Willis left last Sunday for Chicago and other points. We wish her a very pleasant summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Alice Thompson who is spending the summer with her father in Washington. Dr. Mitchell went to Houston as representative to the Medical Association which convened in Houston. Mrs. Vanda Sorrelle and Mr. Hickman was a flying trip to Houston.

A party as follows went to Ennis, Waxahachie and Corsicana: Dr. Vanda and wife their sister, Mrs. Valentine of W. D. C. Dr. Sorrelle and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Hickman and Mr. R. C. Smith. They returned Sunday night and reported a very pleasant time. Mr. Henry A. L. Giddens, formerly of this place, but now of Washington is here visiting his mother brothers and sisters. Will be here a week longer. Prof. Kelly Miller will speak at the Baptist Tabernacle Tuesday evening. He is a forceful speaker. St. Paul A. M. E. church is in the midst of their 3rd quarterly conference. P. E., D. S. Mogen, D. D., preached two very forceful sermons Sunday to a large and appreciative audience. Rev. J. F. Williams, pastor was granted a vacation of one month by the church and a neat sum of money was donated to help his expenses. He and Mrs. Williams will journey in Colorado and California for an indefinite trip. We wish them a pleasant trip.

Rev. Fred Williams of Dallas will fill the pulpit during his absence.

ROSEBUD.

Rosebud, Texas, July 31.—Services were good at all churches Sunday. Rev. W. B. Wheaton of Waco, preached a strong sermon at the Independent Baptist church of Rosebud, Sunday, July 27th. Mr. and Mrs. Bunk Johnson have two sick children and also Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shield have three ill children and Mrs. A. B. House.

Mrs. Mary Millow was out of town two days attending to business. Mrs. Harriett Moore and daughter, who has recently moved to Plano is visiting their mother and family. Miss Ruby Lee Adams of Plano is visiting her father and mother-in-law. Mr. A. R. Anderson, who has been visiting the bedside of his mother of Willis Point.

CAMERON.

Cameron, Texas, July 31.—After spending several weeks out of the city at Caldwell, the reporter is back on his job in the interest of the Express.

Mrs. James Anderson and her two children have returned from Oklahoma. Mrs. J. C. Colman of San Angelo is here visiting her mother. Miss Lillie Davis is here visiting friends. Master A. R. Jefferson, Jr., left for Austin last week to visit his grand mother.

Mr. Eddie Newsome made a trip to Caldwell last week. Mrs. Newsome returned with him. Miss Lyla Johnson and Mrs. Lizzie Boulden of Belton spent a few days here last week visiting friends. Mrs. W. C. Johnson started a swell reception at her home Sunday evening in honor of her son, returning from France. Mr. Elzie Roberts was toast master. Dr. Linard preached at Lehigh Chapel, Sunday night. Dr. Littleton and Rev. Smith are attending the La Grange Association at San Antonio, this week.

Dr. J. Gordon McPherson conducted high services here Sunday. He is in a great meeting at Rosebud, this week. The Cameron Grove Sunday school and B. Y. P. U., has on a thirty-day campaign to raise \$150.00. Mr. M. B. Brown is manager. Watch him raise it. The recital at Bethel on last Friday night was excellent. All persons who are behind with the Express man will please pay up at once. If not the paper will be stopped. You will find the paper at Kelley's and Anderson's shops every Saturday. Call for it and leave the price.

CALVERT.

Calvert, Texas, July 31.—Mr. and Mrs. Sam Rodgers of Mart are in the city visiting Mr. Rodgers' mother.

Mr. Peter McDaniel is back from over sea and is shaking hands with old friends.

Miss Vada Washington was called from Houston to the bedside of her sick mother, Mrs. M. B. Washington, Thursday night.

Mrs. Gertrude Adams is again indisposed and we pray for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. Willie Washington was called from Ft. Worth to the bed side of his mother, Thursday.

Bethel Baptist church is nearing completion and the membership hopes that in our little city, by three Sundays.

Miss Mabel Washington of Prairieview and Mr. Fannin Washington came in today to the bedside of their sick mother.

Private Jas. Willie Williams in back from over sea, looking well. He re-joined and will leave in a few days for Camp Upton, where he will report for the 24th.

Mr. Geo. Holmes of Elroie was in the city a few hours the guest of Mr. Rodeson.

Rev. A. G. Glass of Hearne is in the city to hold the Quarterly Conference for St. James A. M. E. church.

Mrs. Mamie Wilson of Oak Cliff is in the city visiting her aunt, Mrs. Sadie A. Bush.

Mrs. D. L. J. (Fields) Roberts of Calvert Junction died this morning at her home, she leaves two daughters and one son and a loving husband and brother to mourn her loss.

Miss Lola Crawford of Oak Cliff, Dallas passed through the city Saturday en route to Branchville, Texas, to visit her uncle, Mr. Isaac White.

Miss Elzora Terrell left Wednesday for Seguin.

Mrs. Carlie Mae Fisher Harvey gave a box party at St. James A. M. E. church, Saturday night which was a success.

Mr. M. S. Fare left a few weeks ago for the Mountain of Arizona for his health, but had to stop in El Paso, Texas.

The remains of Mr. Rally Gentry was brought down from Mexia, where he died Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Watts of Calvert Junction was at St. James A. M. E. church, Sunday.

Mrs. Rose Lee Creeks, wife of Mr. Joe Creeks passed away at her home at 3:30 p. m. Sunday evening. She leaves two sons, a husband, a host of relatives and many friends to mourn her loss.

Mrs. Creeks was a member of St. Paul M. E. church of a member of Mt. Taber K. and D. of Taber.

Mrs. Catherine Luke left Sunday for Gainesville, Texas, to visit her uncle.

Miss Darkins Monson of Snot was in our city Monday.

Rev. P. A. Armstrong, Missionary for Good Hope Western Association was in the city Monday on his last round. The association will meet at Jericho on August 6.

St. James A. M. E. Church. Sunday school was opened at usual hour with Bro. A. C. Stewart. The lesson was taught by the Superintendent, reviewed by the pastor. H. C. Brisby and Rev. A. C. Glass, acting P. E., collection was over the top. Mrs. Carlie Mae Harvey reported \$5.65 raised in box entertainment Saturday night at 11 a. m. Rev. Glass preached a powerful sermon and at 3 p. m. he again preached to a large crowd at night. Rev. Glass administered the Lord's supper assisted by the pastor, Rev. H. C. Brisby and Rev. Simmon's, a Baptist minister.

Rev. A. Lewis of Rockdale passed through to Rockdale Monday having preached at Hammond, Sunday.

Prof. A. H. Mims, D. G. D., and Mr. R. Ordeson will leave Sunday night for Sherman to attend the Odd Fellows Grand Lodge.

CALVERT. Calvert, Texas, July 31.—Mt. Zion have blended their Pleasant Grove and Mt. Zion has organized a N. A. A. C. P. under the jurisdiction of Rev. Lee Alexander of Waco.

Rev. Alexander preached a sermon Friday night at Mt. Zion. The remains of Mr. Raleigh Gentry was shipped from Mexia to Mt. Zion for enternment, followed by his Bro. Ernie Gentry and family and Mrs. Raleigh Gentry. Mr. Gentry leaves a wife, mother and three brothers, two sisters and many friends to mourn his loss. Rev. G. Partis and wife were over Sunday attending the funeral, which his wife was a relative. Prof. Homer L. Williams is here from Ft. Worth at the bedside of his mother, Mrs. L. M. Williams, who is very ill at this writing.

Services were good Sunday. Receipts \$40.00, pastor Humber delivered two soul stirring sermons for the day. Sick listed Lily Mae Garner, Mrs. L. M. Williams, Mrs. Annie Ward.

Bethel Notes. Rev. M. L. Covington, Pastor Sunday school was sublime and well attended. Sunday with Supt. Harris and his corps of teachers present.

The lesson was well taught and beautifully reviewed by Supt. Harris. Immediately after Sunday school pastor Covington spoke with power from John 21-27. Night services were hindered at night it being too wet under our tabernacle. Collection for the day \$17.50.

PARIS. Paris, Texas, July 31.—Rev. J. W. Glider will leave for South Texas, in a few days to visit his old home in Beaumont, Texas from there he will spend some time in Houston and Galveston.

Dr. B. L. Boswell and Dr. J. H. Bell have just returned from Houston, where they attended the Medical Dental and Pharmaceutical Association, while there they made a side trip to Galveston and Fort Worth.

Mrs. Magnolia Pierce Pickens and Mrs. Odessa Troupe Griffis are in the city.

Mrs. Sallie Bray and daughter, Willie Mae left for Kansas City, Friday. Misses Alvina Fobbs and Fannie Granville left for Kansas City, Friday, also Miss Juliette Silder. They are spending the summer in South McAlester. Mr. and Mrs. Dee Steward have moved to Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Dee Cooper have moved to Houston, also Mr. James Wortham returned from St. Louis Sunday. Mrs. Gertrude Casen and Miss Callie Deadman left for Hot Springs, this week. Lieutenant N. B. Roe has returned from France. He addressed a large audience at St. Paul Baptist church Sunday night.