

TO DR. ALEXANDER S. JACKSON, On His Twenty-First Anniversary as Pastor of New Hope Baptist Church.

We honor thee, thou man of God, Thou pious sage who 'mong us trod; Fearless exemplar of the right, Leader of men who dare to fight Crime and sin wherever found, Courageous, rock ribbed, safe and sound, Friend, adviser, constant, true— Oh, man of God we honor you!

We praise thee, oh man of God, For with thy gospel chaunting rod, Thou leadest on through darkest night, To truth and love and shining light— Thou art a watchman on the wall, Answering duty's every call— We sing a song of praise to thee, Exponent of sweet charity!

We reverence thee, thou man of God, Who walketh upright, 'bove the sod; Thou messenger of truth divine, Teacher, erudite, refine— Pastor, gentle, full of grace, Fighting error face to face— We honor, praise and reverence thee, For thy true Christian piety!

This is the burden of our song— Oh, man of God live you long, To cheer our hearts, to calm our fears, To soothe our griefs, wipe 'way our tears— To guide us through life's devious way, And point to Him who taught to pray When souls distressed need comfort, light— In Him alone, are strength and might—

This is the burden of our song— Oh, man of God, live long, live long! Dr. Richard Theodore Hamilton, Jan. 18, 1921.

EDITOR'S NOTE—

The above poem composed by Dr. R. T. Hamilton was inspired by the recent celebration of the 21st anniversary of Dr. A. S. Jackson, as pastor of New Hope Baptist Church. The long residence of Dr. Jackson among us and the quality of service rendered by him to his people and the city generally make this poem appear as singularly fitting and appropriate. As such we give it to our readers.

SOME TEXAS TOWNS

Marshall, Jan. 27.—When in Marshall, Texas, visit Stein Ice Cream and Chili Parlor, 30 years' experience with Colored trade, 115 West Austin Street. The District Court tried the following murder cases: George Woolard, verdict "Not guilty"; Will Harris, "Not guilty"; Lanie Johnson, "Guilty," sentenced 3 years with a suspended sentence. Mr. John M. Harris died at his residence after a long illness. Funeral was attended from Bethesda Baptist Church. Rev. J. H. May attended. Mr. Harris was a member of East Texas Lodge No. 2153, G. U. O. of O. F. and was buried with Odd Fellow's honors. Interment was made in Oakwood Cemetery. Rev. D. D. Scott has been conducting a

Bible Class of Sunday Schools here for the week. He is meeting with great success. Rev. D. A. Scott is one of the leading Baptist ministers. Grand Master Weatherford of the Mosaic Templars of America visited the Temples and Chambers. He made the members feel good. Madams Lula Gilmore, Emma Rosboro and Misses Grace Gilmore and Leaste B. Rosboro were called to Denison to attend the funeral of their brother-in-law, Mr. James Jones, who was killed by an automobile accident. Old Father Willis Barnes, after a journey in this transitory world for more than 90 years, entered the Great Beyond. He was a member of the Mosaic Templars of America. On account of the contagious quality of

the disease, small-pox, he was denied a lodge burial. His funeral will be held at Mallen M. E. Church, the First Sunday night in February. Mrs. S. Garrett is spending a few days at home from her school. Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sanford are here from Okla. City. Mr. James Bennett is ill this week. The brick church for the C. M. E. church is planned to be a beauty. The members are pleased with their efforts. They raised \$1,000 on short notice and stand ready to duplicate it. Where is the next Dr. Shepherd with his \$1,000? Call at the sunny South Cafeteria. Will have a first class turkey dinner on Jan. 30. Everybody is invited. Mrs. Emma Busby, proprietress. Subscribe and read the Dallas Express, delivered at your door at 40 cents per month and \$3.00 per year. Phone 833.

Ahlene, Jan. 27.—Sunday was a very high day with all the churches. All pastors were at their posts. Rev. F. P. Thornton is a wonderful speaker and worthy of being heard by any one. Rev. W. M. Guy, First Baptist Church, Chicago, Ill., Rev. Chas. Steward of Chicago, Ill., Rev. Chas. Steward of Chicago, Ill., with us Monday night and spoke at the A. M. E. Church to a full house. Every one enjoyed his talk. The Board meeting of the First Baptist Church, Rev. Jackson's two daughters from Chicago are in the city visiting parents. Please keep the Express coming. Eddie Jackson reporter.

Calvert, Jan. 27.—Hon. R. H. Evans of Waco spent Wednesday in the city and lectured at Independent Baptist Church in interest of Wonderful Workers of the World. Hon. W. S. Willis, G. C. of K. of P. made his annual visitation to the lodges of Calvert on the 11th instant. On account of bad weather few met him, yet the lodges are in good shape. Rev. A. C. McKinney is in the city to visit friends and keep the Masonic Lodge No. 300, P. and A. M. Mr. Luke Nobles, an old citizen of Calvert and a member of Holloway Chapel A. M. E. Zion Church, pass d away Thursday. Mrs. G. E. Stator received a telegram from Cincinnati, Ohio, announcing the death of her father. She left on the first train. Calvert and Mexia met in a match "Basket Ball Game," Friday, Jan. 21. Of course Calvert held her own. The scores were 3 to 2 in favor of Calvert. Mr. E. Scott aided in keeping lines. Mr. Grant Wash and W. W. Nash of Waco and Wm. Nash of Muskogee, Okla., visited their brother, Mr. S. Nash and family. Mr. Wm. Nash had not visited his old home in 17 years. Mrs. Laura Morgan was seriously burned with gasoline on Saturday night while rubbing her arm with gasoline. Mrs. Lilly Royal of Fort Worth was called to the bedside of her sick sister, Mr. Monroe Mitchell of Andados, Oklahoma, in the city guest of his son, Mr. Alex Mitchell. For the first time that the reporter can remember, wood was offered for sale on the streets of Calvert last Sunday. Mr. Ed. Manter bought a fine load. Stringer Lodge No. 26, K. of P. installed her officers on the first Thursday night in January. Prof. A. H. Mims presiding. The following were installed: R. B. Walton, C. C.; James Kennard, V. C.; F. T. Coleman, K. of R. and S.; S. N. Nash, Me. Ex.; S. Branch, M. of F.; A. Mitchell, Mat.; A. Geo. Hyman, Pres.; A. Thornton, O. C.; Doggett, W. H. Witaker, trustees. Prof. A. M. Mims M. of W. and G.

G. Mrs. Rebecca Perkins is still ill. Mr. Bob Oderson is still confined to his room and is slowly improving. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Asberry have moved back home from Dallas. Rev. A. Y. Sharp passed through the city Saturday enroute to Mt. Zion, where he is pastoring. Baileyville and Jones Prairie.

Pleasant services were sublime Sunday and Sunday night. After the sermon 4 happy souls came forward for baptism. Tuesday night dance came and claimed Mrs. Louisa Knight who has been sick a long time. She was a faithful member of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, one that will live long in the hearts of the people. A splendid memorial program was rendered. Mrs. E. A. Williams presiding at the piano. Rev. J. T. Atkinson officiated. She leaves 5 sons and one daughter. Rev. Harold Calvert was present. Miss I. D. Nelson is ill this week.

Masca, Jan. 27.—The Bethlehem Baptist Sunday School opened on time Sunday morning, although Supt. Winn was absent. Pastor Burton preached a soul stirring sermon at 11 a. m. B. Y. P. U. was alright. The lesson was well taught by the various teachers. Mrs. A. E. Carter in on to her job alright. At night she had another soul stirring sermon. Rev. Burton was at the church. Addition was made to the church. Mrs. R. L. Scott returned from Kosse, Monday. She was accompanied by her daughter, Vera. Dr. Humphries of Fort Worth spent Sunday with us. Quite a number of our people consulted him, here. Mr. G. G. Winn was called to Mailkoff last week. Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Bridgewater are now in their home. Mrs. Belle Norman and daughter, Lilly, left for Waco and Valley Mills, Saturday to visit relatives. Grandma Oliver is still very sick. The Little Bethel A. M. E. Sunday School has a class rally Sunday; about \$12.00 was raised. Mrs. N. S. Taylor's class won, raising \$5.62.

Greenville, Jan. 27.—All the churches of the city had excellent services Sunday. Rev. McNeorgan of Amarillo preached Tuesday and Wednesday nights at New Hope Baptist Church. Miss Nina Hall of East Texas College is visiting here. Rev. T. V. Monston of Denison was at New Hope Baptist Church Sunday night. The return engagement of the musical recital that was on the 18th will be had on the first of February. Everybody is invited to come. Miss V. G. Murrell, directress. To be held at Clark Street Christian Church.

Gainesville, Jan. 27.—The Cook County Afro-American Mutual Association held their annual meeting Jan. 10th. After several talks, the secretary and treasurer made their reports. The amount paid in was \$565.55; Paid out on claim No. 9, \$168.00; Claim No. 10, \$113.00; Claim No. 11, \$114.00; Total paid out \$335.00. Balance on hand \$227.55. Number of members enrolled, 133. A Board of Directors, consisting of nine persons was elected as follows: Boyd Stone, W. Martin, Jessie Marshall, Mrs. L. B. Davidson, Robert Riddle, Carl Moore, Cephas Stone. Officers elected were: Jessie Marshall, president; Cephas Stone, Vice-president; Robert Riddles, Treasurer; L. B. Davidson, Secretary. Mrs. Minnie Lawson and her two daughters, Amalgene and Evelene, returned to their home in McKinney after a two weeks visit with Mrs. Josie Robinson. Rev. F. K. McPherson left Saturday morning for Wichita Falls. Miss Sadie Blackman has returned to take up her studies in Houston Academy. Mrs. Nancy Sumpter is in the city. Mr. L. H. Grover was down last Monday evening, Jan. 17. Mr. Marshall Crawford, who has been away quite a while is a visitor among his friends of Gainesville. Mr. Crawford now in El Paso.

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BROTHERS KILLED BY POLICEMAN WHILE DEFENDING SISTER. (By A. N. P.) Millidgeville, Ga., Jan. 27.—Ben Travick and Gene Travick, two Negroes, were shot and killed by policeman in Hancock County, a few nights ago. The men were killed defending their sister in a raid by the police on their home. The affair has created a big excitement among the Negroes in this section of the state.

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