

SOME TEXAS TOWNS

Mineral Wells, Feb. 17.—Rev. A. Johnson, P. C. of the A. M. E. Church attended the Bishop's Council in Dallas last week. Sunday School is largely growing at all the churches. All pastors filled their pulpits Sunday. Rev. Allen P. C. of the M. E. Church preached a strong sermon Sunday at 3:30 p. m. for Rev. A. Johnson, P. C. of the A. M. E. Church. Rev. P. E. Smith of the El Paso District was here Sunday holding his first quarterly conference, which was a grand success. Rev. W. T. Pat Jackson, good services all day Sunday. Prof. Walls and wife of Sherman, Texas, are in the city looking for a location through the advice of Mr. Ira Cass. Prof. Walls and wife are teachers and instructors of all instruments. Rev. T. M. Taylor, pastor of the M. E. Church, a fine baby. Mother and baby are reported doing fine. Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Franks spent several days in Fort Worth visiting their sister. On Monday evening, Feb. 7th, Mrs. Perry Back, formerly of Gainesville, Texas, entertained with a luncheon honoring Mrs. Chas. Glenn and Mrs. O. C. Strong of Gainesville. Menu: Fruit punch, chocolate cake, sandwiches and black coffee. Those present were as follows: Mrs. H. Anderson, Mrs. Jones, H. Sanders, P. Gilmore and Miss Simmons. The Tackey Party given under the auspices of the Bethel Y. W. C. A. services were a splendid success. One accession to the church Sunday night. Mrs. Greigs made a trip to Dallas Saturday and moved her things here. Rev. J. S. Sutton is in Paris conducting a revival. A delightful evening was spent at the home of Miss Maggie Simmons honoring Messrs. Strong and Glenn of Gainesville, Texas, Tuesday evening Feb. 8th. The reporter dropped in Monday at the Public School and Mrs. Rucker, Miss Stenette and Mrs. Shelton, teachers, were on their jobs. Mrs. M. L. McMillan and daughter left for Fort Worth to witness the Smart Set show. Mrs. Ada Brown of Oklahoma City visited her mother, Mrs. W. T. Tally. She was accompanied by Mrs. Manlins, Mrs. M. L. McMillan entertained with a Dutch luncheon in honor of Mrs. Dr. C. A. Strong and Mrs. N. Glenn of Gainesville; an enjoyable evening was spent. Guests as follows: Mrs. (Dr.) C. A. Strong, Mrs. Norman, Glenn, Mr. and Mrs. Black, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Johnson, Mrs. Ida Shepard, Mrs. Kirkland, Miss Simmons, Mrs. Vivian Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Smith, Mr. George Bates, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Harris, Mr. Henry Johnson, Sick Hated, Mrs. Gertrude Gordon and Mrs. Cannary Alexander. Mr. Van Mason and wife passed through enroute to Seymour, Texas.

Cleburne, Feb. 17.—The Valentine Social given by Mrs. Lillie Mae Thomas Saturday evening at her home for the little folks was a success. Rev. S. L. Clark preached the sisters' Missionary sermon at Salem Baptist at Dallas last Sunday. Mr. Albert Kay who has been very sick is convalescing. Miss L. Dessie and Mr. Oscar Granberry are improving their home. Mrs. Pearl Tolbert of Dallas is in the city visiting relatives. Miss Manning of Fort Worth sang at Shiloh Baptist Church recently. She was the guest of Mrs. Annie Johnson. Miss Besie Jay is very sick at her home. Mrs. Sandy Kendall is visiting relatives at Ardmore, Okla. The five thousand dollar damage suit that has been pending against the Colored Masons for three and a half years was settled last Thursday in the district court by defendant and the lodge. They agreed to straighten him up in the lodge and both to pay the cost of court and to go fifty-fifty. Mrs. Antheine Thomas left for Denver, Colo. Miss Leta Chandler has been very sick is improving. Mr. and Mrs. Dave Griffin of Duncan, Okla., are in the city visiting relatives. Mrs. Efna Beasley of Muskogee, Okla., is in the city visiting relatives. Mr. Charlie Sabberry of Meridian spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Bell. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Kelly, a baby boy. Mrs. Fannie Wilburn is very sick at her home. Mrs. Jimmie Bell visited relatives at Meridian last week. Mr. Will Phillips of Stephenville is in the city visiting his family. Mrs. D. Hunt and Mrs. Annette Green spent Sunday in Hillsboro on church business. Miss Alesia Sims is very sick at her home. Mrs. Mary Day has returned from Jefferson. Mrs. Helen Hall of Fort Worth presented her mother a pig recently. Mrs. Pigeons returned from Waxahatchie. Mr. Hammond of Mineral Wells was the guest of Miss Pressie Chandler last week. Rev. Graham, pastor of the M. E. Church is progressing nicely with his church and Sunday school work. Readers of the Express please have your change ready when the reporter comes around. Mrs. Mary Cozine has opened an Ice Cream Parlor. Mrs. Fannie Gates, who has been sick is improving. Mrs. Charlotte Brown spent Sunday in Morgan. Mr. Cyrus Griffin of Dallas is in the city visiting relatives. Mrs. Marie Bagby and Mrs. Spann who have been on the sick list are improving.

Athens, Feb. 17.—Services well attended at A. M. E. Church all day Sunday. Rev. Peel of Brown's Circuit filled the pulpit for Rev. Pugh Sunday night. He preached a noble sermon to a large congregation—three additions—total amount raised from Vanguard book for Jan. \$574.8, closed Sunday February 4th. Rev. J. C. Vanguard book Sunday night, being on 2nd series, \$50.84. The A. M. E. people hope to begin the completion of the church within the next ten days. Rev. U. S. Franks and relatives spent the week end with relatives and friends. Mrs. Pugh made a short trip to Waco on business. Josie Jessie and Margaret Hannah was made to rejoice over a \$30 bill sent to them by their lost father, who now lives in Detroit. Mrs. Louisa Miller presented little Richie F. Fisher with a pair of gold link pins as a birthday gift. Prof. W. S. Wilks, G. C. of K. of P. made his annual visit to the brave boys. He also visited the High School while in the city. He was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Walker. Sick listed: Mr. Tom Taylor, Mrs. Samantha Davis, Mrs. M. L. Snowden, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Murphy gave their daughter, Gille, a birthday dinner—large attendance and an enjoyable evening spent. The household of 8th St. 808, gave a public banquet which was a success. Arrivals: Mrs.

Denton, Feb. 10.—(Delayed)—Mr. Ernest Milan was in Sherman last week. Rev. J. B. Swager, the pastor of 1st Baptist Church was with his people again Sunday and held services all day. Rev. Jones, P. E. of Fort Worth District held his first quarterly conference with Rev. A. G. Scott at St. James A. M. E. Church beginning with Love Feast Friday night. Services were splendid all day. At 11 o'clock Presiding Elder preached one of his soul stirring sermons as usual, and all went away rejoicing. Rev. Mass, pastor of C. M. E. Church together with his people, was present at 3 o'clock, at which time Rev. Mass delivered quite an interesting sermon, which was well taken by all. He pictured to the audience the different kind of Christians, viz: lazy, weak and sleepy Christians. Special mention of his choir; He had an excellent choir. Miss Beatrice Griggs, pianist. Sunday night P. E. preached a strong sermon, at which time the A. M. E. choir rendered beautiful selections. The First Baptist Church has organized a choir. Willie Myrabe, Sec. Miss Eva Jeanette Robinson, Sec. Miss Cleo Young, Pianist. They have also purchased a piano. Entertainment given at Mr. and Mrs. E. Milan's was a success; \$6.50 raised for the benefit of piano. Quite a number have planned to visit the Bishop's Council in Dallas this week. The C. M. E. people were very loyal to their pastor when they surprised him with a storm party last Thursday night. Everything good to eat, along the line of groceries, were placed in that box. Madame Rucker and Maddox, managers of affair.

Tyler, Feb. 17.—Grand Chancellor W. S. Willis, was in town on the 8th instant; met the two lodges in joint session at 8 o'clock, from then until 11:30 the Grand Chancellor addressed the lodges and when he got through the boys said he had won the spurs. Many questions were asked him but he seemed to be on top of his job in reply. Some of the best citizens of Tyler met and organized what is known to be a Mutual Association—look for ad next week. Mr. B. J. Blaine of Cuneo, Texas, was in town this week. Mr. Arthur Sap was in town visiting his parents. Mr. Sap is of Port Worth. Mr. Will Sap lost an eye last week while working on the street. Mr. Alex White is some better. Mr. T. Shalkford was in town this week from the hospital where he has been confined for several weeks. Sick listed: Dr. Wright, Mr. Moseley, Mrs. E. W. Moseley. Mr. J. C. Long and others will leave this week from Sherman, Texas. The 32nd degree Mason, Mr. D. Houston, has gone into the poultry business. Services well attended at all the churches. Dr. S. C. Blackburn's class of his Sunday school won the banner by raising \$5.20. We have one of the best Sunday schools in Texas at Bethlehem, Tyler some of the best teachers in the State. Miss Ruth White has accepted a position in the High School of Texas, Texas. Messrs. Earl and Hugh Hill of Chicago, Ill., are here visiting relatives. Miss Mable Love of Galveston, who was here attending the funeral of Mrs. Louise Bayless has returned home. Mrs. Jessie Calhoun is finishing the unexpired term of Miss Ruth White.

THE NEW GAUDALUPE COLLEGE. Seguin, Texas, Feb. 17.—In 1884 inspiration of the Holy Spirit, a few good men of Seguin and vicinity purchased a six acre tract near the public square for school purposes. The success of their venture attracted the attention of Mr. George W. Brackenridge, a multi-millionaire, who believed that it would conserve the interest of all if the school was located on a farm. He purchased a farm of 250 acres on the banks of the historic Gaudalupé River and deeded it to the college. Through the assistance of Mr. Brackenridge, two beautiful brick buildings, a dormitory for four stories for the girls, and one three stories for the boys were erected on the farm in 1914. School opened in the new quarters in October of that year. The buildings are heated by steam and have all the modern conveniences. A campus of ten acres surrounds the building on which is a base-ball plot, basket-ball court and roof for other out-door amusements. The buildings are lighted by our own electric plant furnished with water by our own water system. Two hundred acres are in farm cultivation, and ten acres in garden products under the supervision of the government farm demonstrator. Not many spots surpass in natural beauty the pecan grove on the banks of the river. The school furnishes fishes in abundance to the patient angler. This plant is owned and controlled by the Baptist Convention of Texas. It is conceded by all who visit the school that this is the best location for the state on which to build a Mecca for Christian education. Prof. J. Washington of Marlin, Texas, is serving his fifth year as president of this institution. His success has surpassed the dreams of the most optimistic. Among our latest distinguished guest will be found the names of Congressman-elect Wurzback and Dr. D. S. Moten, Presiding Elder of the San Antonio District of the A. M. E. Connection. Each gave timely and instructive lectures to the student body. Dr. J. W. Bailey of Marshall, Texas, has just closed a five days evangelistic service in which fifteen students of our school and fourteen public school pupils accepted Christ. He departed leaving us with many feelings of joy and sorrow. Though we are three and a half miles in the country, yet we are in speaking distance of you—call us up.

OKLAHOMA TOWNS. Okmulgee, Feb. 17.—Attorney C. E. Carbet of Muskogee was solemn business at the court-house last Saturday. Lawyer W. H. Twine of Muskogee was here Wednesday on business. Mr. I. C. Copeland has finished his second brick building which is a credit to the city of Okmulgee. After an illness of five weeks, Rev. J. C. Williams, pastor of Mt. Olive Presbyterian Church is able to fill his pulpit. Hon. J. Coody Johnson of Wewoka was called to this city Wednesday. Anita Patti Brown, the renoué singer, rendered a recital at Dunbar High School Friday night. Okmulgee race men and women taxed the capacity of the auditorium of Dunbar school to hear this great singer. Mrs. Cornelia Anderson of Little Rock, Ark., and Mrs. Will Ann Smith of Menfée, Ark., were here Friday to attend the funeral of her son, Earnest Smith of 712 West

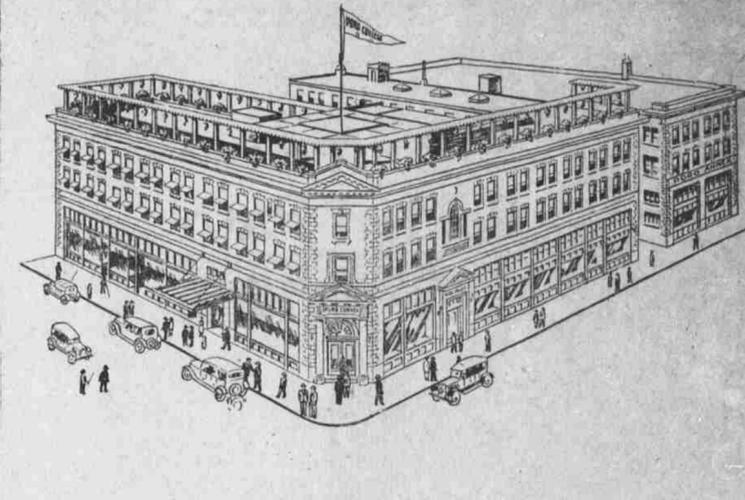
9th street, who died Monday morning. They left Sunday evening for home in Arkansas. Mrs. Jimmie Smith publicly expresses thanks to her friends who were so kind to her in the illness and death of her husband Earnest Smith. Mr. Azila Malborough, one of Okmulgee's pioneer citizens, died Feb. 9th. Was born in Louisiana 76 years ago; was buried Feb. 10th at S. W. Chapel Cemetery. Deceased leaves three sons, one daughter and a host of friends to mourn his death. Prof. Lettwith of the Bookertee Industrial College and Prof. William Sulzer addressed the Oklahoma State Legislature last Wednesday in the interest of the school located at Bookertee. They are urging the passage of a bill for an appropriation for their school. They make a favorable impression on the lawmakers. Representative Tylee of Okmulgee County showed a keen interest in the cause these gentlemen represented. Mrs. Susie Williams died Jan. 30th. Her husband, Friendly Williams, also their son, Commodore and daughter, Sarah are indebted to their many friends for kindnesses shown during her illness and death. County Demonstrator Mann met a number of farmers at the Douglas colored school house at Preston last Wednesday night where he succeeded in organizing the Cotton Growers Association. The organization was perfected by electing the following officers: S. M. Holmes, president, and W. M. Mays, secretary. Quite a few farmers enrolled. D. P. Wilson, News dealer and insurance man, witnessed the launching of this needful organization. Okmulgee County is fortunate in having two Race demonstrators in the county who are doing things. Officers recovered the automobile belonging to Dr. A. C. Wallace which was stolen from the front of the doctor's drug store last Sunday night. The Hoover Lease and Royalty Company is doing a rushing business. Mr. Hoover, the president, is one of the best informants of the county along this line. The public awaits with interest the appearance of the newspaper which will soon make its appearance in Okmulgee. The corporation which was formed some time ago to foster this project believe the time is ripe for the enterprise. Among the churches: Sunday was an ideal day. Services at all the city churches well attended. Mrs. Rose Isham returned from Big Bend, La., last Monday where she spent six weeks, a request of her daughter, Mrs. Horton. The Seventh anniversary of the pastorate of Dr. S. S. Jones of the First Baptist Church will be celebrated by said church in a fitting beginning Feb. 14. An elaborate program is being prepared and several of the persons in the church and church will speak. A very interesting program was carried out by the teachers of the County Association last Saturday. Miss Wofford read an interesting paper on Physical Training, while Mrs. Lula Anderson won her audience through the rendition of a piano number. The Association voted another twenty-five dollars toward the campaign against the present school laws. Steps are being taken for the organization of a school band. Mr. Richard Ross is to be the teacher. The pupils plan to have the school own the instrument and pay for the same from the proceeds of entertainments. Rev. Erath occupied the pulpit at the First Baptist Church last Sabbath morning while Rev. T. W. Stebbins presided at all services. The news company contributes a number of magazines to the history department of Dunbar. This complement is appreciated very much by the pupils who use them in their study of race history. The marriage of Miss Lillian Williams and around the heads of several of the members of the teaching force. Mr. Thomas Bruner is building a neat garage at his home on N. Central. The pupils of the Domestic Science Department gave a school social last Friday night which was well enjoyed by all present. Mr. J. H. Burton is building a residence near his home place. Mr. Lewis, son of Mrs. McGlaughlin, is building two dwelling houses on the East Side.

Lawton, Feb. 17.—Those who heard the Quartet of Roasis at Barnett Crapel witnessed quite a treat. Mrs. L. B. Moore led on the collection, raising \$9.00; total raised \$24.45. Rev. Parker was at his post. Service was good all day—preaching morning and night—five were added to the church. Rev. B. J. Ashley of Oklahoma City preached at Bethlehem Baptist church Sunday morning and night. Both sermons were grand and very soul stirring. Mrs. Manilla Lilly was called to Ardmore on account of serious illness of her mother. Mr. Sidney Moore has arrived from Wichita, Kans., also Mrs. Mabel Campbell has arrived from Texas. Mrs. Lilla Payton gave a party Thursday night for the benefit of her club. Many were present. Mrs. Emma Houston gave a party Friday night for the benefit of the Willing Workers Club. We were glad to see so many young people out. Mrs. Estella Thomas has been appointed teacher for the Junior class. Mrs. Boone was at his post—preaching morning and night. Both sermons were fine. The Teacher and pupils of Vernon school gave an old fashion Spelling-bee and Box Supper. Mrs. Mary Anderson is very sick at this writing, also Mrs. Jones on F. Street is pretty sick. Mrs. N. Williams gave a birthday party in honor of her little grandchild, Ida Mae Williams, Saturday evening.

Willsville Community. The school is crowded and much interest is being manifested. Mr. Freeman Salter hauled the school some wood last week. Rev. J. A. Brown visited the school Friday evening and lectured to the student body. Subject: "Knowledge." Miss Beulah Thomas in a nice way responded. Mr. and Mrs. Hal Griggs bided out quite a large bed of sweet potatoes Friday. Mrs. Ruth Pickard was in on shopping Wednesday. The parents ought to see to it that their children go to school each day and not be tardy. Rev. A. H. Thomas and wife were in the city shopping Friday. Let the Express come. Miss Beulah Thomas, Community reporter.

GEORGIA CITIZENS PETITION GOVERNOR OF INDIANA. (By A. N. P.) Sylvester, Ga., Feb. 11.—A resolution addressed to Gov. McCray of Indiana pleading every protection and impartial trial for Mace Giddens, held in Indiana for murder of a deputy sheriff of this country, was adopted here by a citizens' mass meeting. Gov. McCray had sent a representative to investigate conditions before acting on an extradition application in the case. Gutherie was given a copy of the resolution to carry back to the governor. Attorneys for Giddens in Indiana opposed extradition in the plea that he would be in danger of Lynch law if sent back. The citizens of Georgia are anxious to have Giddens returned, but it is said the opinion in Indiana is that the even if he is returned a trial it will be practically a legal lynching.

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