

Mrs. Virgie Goree-Jones Passes Away at Texarkana, Musician and Teacher.

In the early hours of Saturday morning, Dec. 2, Mrs. Virgie Goree Jones, wife of John J. Jones, prominent undertaker and daughter of H. G. Goree, Grand Master of Odd Fellows passed away.

The entire colored citizenship of Texarkana, feels keenly the loss, and also the citizens of Atlanta, Texas, Mrs. Jones' birth place. This was indicated by the immense number of people that filled the largest church auditorium in the city, Oak Street Baptist church to overflowing. Orders for flowers exceeded the capacity of local florists. The half dozen girls appointed as flower girls had to be reinforced by many times to handle the numerous floral offerings.

The funeral program consisted of: Funeral March—Flower Song..... Miss Dovie Fearance
Song—"It Is Well With My Soul"..... Sunset Choir.
Prayer and Scripture Reading..... Rev. F. W. Westry.
Sketch of Life, Mrs. Anthony Johns "As President of Coleridge Taylor Club"—Dr. B. S. Ingram.
Selection—"Deep River"..... Coleridge Taylor Club.
"As Choir Directress"..... Richard Hill.
"As a Teacher"..... Prof. W. T. Daniels.
Solo—"Flee As a Bird"..... Mrs. Cora L. Jones.
Funeral Oration..... Rev. M. B. Bilbrew.
Master of Ceremonies..... Rev. J. W. Whitaker.

Honorary Pall Bearers: Prof. B. A. Jackson, Prof. W. T. Daniels, Dr. W. T. Thompson, Dr. E. H. Randle, Dr. B. S. Ingram, Mr. A. N. Johns, Acting Pall Bearers: C. C. Bennett, W. S. Welch, B. F. Murphy, Will Crump, J. Weaver, G. C. Mackey.
The funeral oration was delivered by Rev. M. B. Bilbrew, pastor of Salem Baptist church of Dallas. As excellent as was the other portions of the program, this sermon of Dr. Bilbrew was a fitting climax. With out emotion he laid bare the life of Mrs. Jones, whom he knew well, and then pointed out the great possibility of life, even though dead in those who live worthily and a life of service to others.

Following the funeral services the remains of Mrs. Jones, encased in a silver Colored metal casket, was placed in a metallic vault and deposited on the State Line cemetery, Mrs. Jones had not been in good health since the birth of her child, which is also dead, more than two years ago. In her weakened condition she furnished music for the Annual Conference of the A. M. E. church of the state of Arkansas which met in Texarkana during November. For two days she was busy arranging Thanksgiving dinner Thursday night and continued to get worse until death ended her misery about 36 hours later.

Mrs. Jones is survived by her husband, John J. Jones, mother and father, H. G. Goree, brothers, Dr. W. H. Goree of Chicago and V. G. Goree of Texarkana and one sister, Mrs. Gladys Crowe, of Sherman, all of whom were present at the funeral.

Mrs. Jones has been in the service of the public for the past 20 years, though she was only 31 years of age at her death. She started playing for her church when but a child of 10 years. For the past eight or nine years she has been engaged as a teacher in the public schools of this city.

Besides being an educator, she was a musician of great ability. At various times she was a student in the following schools: Bishop College, Prairie View and Fisk University.

Texarkana, Texas, Dec. 12, 1922. To the host of friends throughout Texas, who have sent messages of condolence upon the death of our daughter, Mrs. Virgie Goree-Jones, and in all Texarkana we like the method of expressing our keen appreciation of your sympathy in this dark hour.

The entire colored population of Texarkana, has fastened a hold upon our affection by the whole-hearted manner in which they have come to us in our distress. Your kind deeds and words of comfort go a long way to assuage this pain which cannot be wholly allayed.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Ill., Dec. 21.—John T. Pannell of Morgan Park left the city the first of the week for Richmond, Va., to spend several days in adjusting some business matters. While in Virginia, Mr. Pannell will visit several other cities.

Prof. C. T. Rogers, known in the West for his missionary work, will open up a series of lectures on next Sunday in Cleveland, Ohio. After spending considerable time here, he left the latter part of the week for Cleveland.

The Virginia Society will hold its final meeting of the year on Wednesday evening, Dec. 20th at 3638 South State street. It is hoped that every Virginian will be present and bring their friends.

Wm. H. Terrell and P. A. Glanton, connected with the real estate firm of Anderson and Terrell, 3539 South State street, have returned from St. Louis, Mo., where they attended the session of The National Baptist Convention, (inc.) to help in the election of Dr. L. K. Williams, pastor of Olivet Baptist church as president of the Convention. Dr. Williams was elected and a grand reception will be tendered him on Dec. 15th at the church at which the entire Baptist family and friends are invited.

Mrs. Odell Hughley and daughters spent last Sunday in Morgan Park, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Jenkins, 1121 W. 113th Place, brother-in-law and sister of Mrs. Hughley. Mesdames P. A. Glanton and Ella M. Glanton were also visitors in the park during the day.

The S. M. T. of this city tendered a reception on Thanksgiving evening at The Chicago College of Music, 37th Street, and Michigan avenue, in honor of Mrs. Georgia E. Harding, state grand princess of Illinois, recently elected to this office. A fine program was rendered with Mrs. Serilda Jackson, acting as mistress of ceremonies. Around the banquet table, J. B. Street, president of The Joint Building Association of U. B. F. and S. M. T. acted as toastmaster. Short addresses were made by Mesdames Maggie T. Pryor, Elizabeth Rochon, Eliza Jackson, Rebecca Johnson, Ella Watkins, Gen. (Jimmie) R. W. Wells, M. T. Bailey and H. D. Smith.

Business is growing and much out of town business is being received in the offices of The Bailey Realty Co., and Milton Mercantile Agency, 2623 State street, of which M. T. Bailey is president and general manager. This increase is being brought about through the efficient manner in which representatives of the company handle all business received by them.

YOUNG WOMAN LAME 18 MONTHS DISCARDS COUCH AND WALKS FROM CHURCH.
All of Dallas has been startled by what appears to be an almost miraculous cure of lameness effected during the course of the meeting last Friday morning in St. James A. M. E. Temple by Rev. Jeremiah, evangelist and divine healer recently come to the city.

Miss Effie White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Finley, 604 Good street, was raised from a couch to which she had been confined for thirteen months by rheumatism, unable to move herself or walk, and given strength to walk about the church and to her home unaided.

Spectators Dumbfounded.
Though Elder Jeremiah had been heralded as a healer no particular demonstration of his ability had been manifested during the preceding meetings and the healing of this young lady could hardly be credited by those who observed it.

She had been brought into the church upon a cot. Upon reaching her the evangelist made his usual statement to the effect that if she had faith enough she could step forth and walk unaided. She believed. Slowly, haltingly she drew her limbs to the side of the cot and placed them falling upon the floor; then as slowly she stood up, seeming to doubt that she in reality was using her limbs which for so long had fallen her. He told her to walk believing that she could and she did—down the aisle of the church; down its steps and to her home nearly a block removed from the church while willing hands bore her couch after her.

That her recovery is not purely temporary is proved by the fact that even next day she returned to church unaided and has not retaken her bed.

Says Healing Power is Divine Gift.
Elder Jeremiah makes no pretense of being miraculously endowed himself. Speaking in explanation of certain remarkable cures effected by him he said: "It is no peculiar gift. It came only after much prayer and is, I feel, only a trust in the power of God to show himself through man. I have not always been able to do this. It came to me one day as I was preaching under a tree. I had dismissed my congregation when all at once a voice seemed to tell me to have them return on the next day to be healed. I told them believing that someone would give me power. Next day they came and trusting absolutely I found power to call them to faith in God to cure their ailments."

In his manner Elder Jeremiah is plain, almost ordinary—without the fire and enthusiasm which one would expect in one of his boasted attainments. He speaks simply, sometimes haltingly but with a directness and simplicity which make the truths which he seeks to explain easily apparent.

Has Accumulated Much Property.
If appearances count for anything Elder Jeremiah makes no secret of the necessities of life. Dressed in a long flowing robe of silk, embroidered with heavy silken braid and rosettes he has every appearance of opulence.

His company consists of seven persons beside himself. They came to Dallas from Houston in two new late model cars of high price and standard make. A competent chauffeur and mechanic is a member of the party.

It is reported that in Houston from which the company came that the healer in two years has built and paid for a handsome church, sanitarium and other property to the amount of \$250,000.

Many Others Report Cures.
While the cure of the crippled young woman is the outstanding incident occurring during his stay in Dallas so far, many other sick persons attending his meetings and seeking his ministrations have reported their conditions much improved. Crowds attend all of his services which begin each morning at 9 o'clock.

HOME ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT OF ANDERSON HIGH SCHOOL.
Austin, Texas, Dec. 21.—The Domestic Art department of the Anderson high school under the direction of Mrs. M. E. Durden are making preparations for their annual style show, Dec. 21. Many beautiful gosses of Gingham, Woolen and Silken Material have been and are being made by the girls and will be worn by them in the parade.

Mrs. Durden certainly deserves much credit for her never tiring patience with her girls.
The 11th grade in domestic science, entertained the members of the city school board to dinner, Dec. 15, together with the city Supt. A. N. McCallum as host and Miss M. E. Gandy, supervisor of Home Economics as hostess.

As the Christmas holidays were near, the dining room was beautifully decorated with ferns and Christmas decorations. The table was decorated in the center with red and pink roses and ferns in a low dish; candles were lighted; favors and place cards neatly arranged; covers laid for nine. The girls, neatly dressed in their white nutcracker frocks, with aprons and caps, prepared and served a delicious menu.

Mrs. Ella R. Washington, instructor and the girls received many words of appreciation for such an excellent dinner and were highly

complimented by the members of the board. All expressed themselves as having had an enjoyable good dinner and would accept another invitation at any time.

FAMOUS COMPOSERS WHOSE SELECTIONS WILL BE USED DURING MUSIC MEMORY CONTEST.

Richard Wagner, a german composer and originator of the music drama, was born in Leipzig 1813, although his parents were not musicians. Wagner early showed talent in this line.

In 1830 he entered the University of Leipzig and in 1833 he became conductor of the opera at Magdeburg. At this time composed several operas but "Das Liebesverbot" was the only one which received recognition.

Wagner continued to write and in 1843 began the opera taken from the legend "Tannhauser."
In 1849 Wagner engaged in political discussions which resulted in a warrant for his arrest. He fled to Welmur and during his exile "Lohengrin" was produced under the direction of Liszt, Aug. 28, 1850.

Lohengrin was the hero of the medieval German legend "the Knight of the Swan." He was one of the Knights of the Holy Grail and was sent by King Arthur from the castle of the Grail to the help of Elsa, Princess of Brabant. Lohengrin traveled on a boat drawn by a Swan, overthrew her persecutor and married the lady with the provision that she should never inquire his origin. She disobeyed him and the Swan returned while Lohengrin departed. This legend was the basis of Wagner's opera.

Wagner broke away from the rigid classical form which had long held sway and let inspiration and freedom be the guide in his composition. This important step alone would be enough to make his fame enduring without the added luster of the founding of music in 1868 brings forth true music drama which caused his lasting fame.

Wagner's last work was "Parsifal" written in 1882. Shortly afterward Wagner died in Venice, 1882.

Rubinstein, Anton; born in Wechotynecz (Rhergon) Russia, Nov. 30, 1830.

His teachers were his Mother and Villoing in Moscow. He performed in Paris in 1840, and immediately after went on a tour through England, Holland, and Germany. In 1844-45, he studied in Berlin; in 1848, returned to Russia and was appointed pianist to the Grand Duchess Helena. He organized the Russian Musical Society in 1861, and in 1862 founded the St. Petersburg Conservatory, of which he was director in 1863-1867 and 1887-90. In 1872-73 he made a very successful tour through the U. S. He was among the foremost of piano virtuosos. His works include operas ("Pieramos," "Nero," "Dmitri Donskoi") Symphonies, oratorios ("Paradise Lost,") over 100 songs and much pianoforte music. He died in Peterhof, Russia, Nov. 20, 1894.

DALLAS DISTRICT NOTES.

R. S. Jenkins, D. D., LL. D., P. E. The start for the new conference year, was indeed glorious, beginning at Wichita Falls, Anderson Chapel A. M. E. church, Dr. C. L. Morgan, the much honored pastor, who met us at the depot with official arrival Welch, the law upon our arrival at the parsonage, the rip of the saw and ring of the carpenter's hammer with the rustling of the beautiful wall paper and the painters brush told the news that the good members were repairing the parsonage for the use of the new pastor and his family under the supervision of Mrs. Jessie Polner and her noble committee, viz., Mrs. Gertrude Norwood, Mrs. Eliza Ryan, Mrs. M. Donaldson, Mrs. Lorena Apple, Mrs. Claude Smith, Mrs. Lena Newton, Mrs. Reeder Wallace, Mrs. Sidney Conley, Mrs. Angee Carr, supported by Mr. W. O. Flagg, Mr. Larlar Smith, alias (Big Nigger) Mr. J. N. Norwood and others. These great united members are going to put over a great program. The union service for the benefit of a Baptist church was presided over city sanitarium held in St. Matthew by Dr. C. L. Morgan. The mass meeting was characterized by the following program. Congregational singing led by Rev. G. A. Simpson and prayer. Scripture by presiding elder, R. S. Jenkins. Singing by St. John Baptist church choir. Addresses by Mrs. E. Duckenfield and Mrs. C. T. Welch. The influence of the pulpit by Rev. E. J. McLendon of the Second Baptist church. Sermon by Rev. A. L. Wright, pastor of St. John Baptist church. A large collection was donated for the starting of the new hospital. Officer Harrison Welch with new star gun and club sends the following message to all law violators. "Dash you stay out of my territory or I will run you in" Anderson Chapel has a variety of peculiar named members. A pointer wild cat, "Big Nigger" Bug Flag, etc.

The services and quarterly conference was fully up to the highest water mark along all lines. Dr. Morgan is well received by all the members of his church and very popular with the citizens of Wichita Falls. Mrs. A. M. Welch has done a great work with the Missionary Society of Anderson Chapel, but greater is her program for the ensuing year. The brethren are keeping tab on officer Welch's record to be reported at the next quarter.

XMAS CHEER WORK.

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