

# MINISTER'S CONFERENCE

## Plans Great Things for Wise County—Large Tent Ordered

The pastors of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, who work in Wise county met June 5th, at the Norton Hotel (Norton, Va.), to perfect plans for the extending of the work of the church in this county. Fourteen of the fifteen ministers belonging to this body were present. Many important phases of the work of the church were discussed, and committees brought in reports for the consideration of the body as a whole.

A Wise County Evangelistic Association was formed which will work under the direction of the presiding elder, Rev. E. A. Shuart. It was decided to purchase a large tent, capable of seating from 600 to 1000 people, then move it from town to town until the whole county was covered with revival services. The tent was ordered shipped to Cashburn for the opening campaign. A strong committee of preachers was appointed to have charge of the preaching at Cashburn, and the county quartet will be in charge of the music to be assisted by selected singers from the stronger church choirs of the county. A strong team of personal workers, both lay and clergy will follow this tent campaign to cultivate very extensive religious work throughout the county. A new day is dawning for Wise county in religious work.

Another matter of great importance to every Methodist churchman in the county was the formulation of plans for the organization of a Methodist men's club in the county, and inter-local units will be organized in every local church. This is simply following up the work of the legislation enacted at the recent General Conference which just closed at Hot Springs, Ark. The day has arrived when the lay members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, are coming into their own. They have powers and opportunities extended to them never before offered in the history of the church. Let us watch them make use of it.

Watch the papers for a future statement concerning a big banquet to be given representative Methodist men in the county at an early date in Appalachia.

The young people of the church came in for their share of attention at this conference. Epworth Leaguers of the county will meet Friday evening, July 14, at the Norton Community Center for a great time. Each league will come in a body, sit as such in the meeting, each leaguer will bring a basket lunch, and after the business session there will be a social hour and a big spread. Keep everything off this date, Epworth Leaguer, come to Norton for we are going to have a good time.

A committee was appointed by the chair to work out a plan by which all the Sunday Schools in the county could be brought into a union with the aim of strengthening this phase of the church work.

Another matter which provoked much discussion, was the question of moving the District Parsonage, now located at Big Stone Gap, to some town more centrally located. While this pastors' conference had no power for initiating action in this direction, it likely will be the means of some of the towns located in the district which can offer better advantages than Big Stone Gap taking the matter up with the proper authorities at the next district conference. But they are going to have to hustle if they offer a finer place to live than Big Stone Gap after you get there.

E. B. SHELTON, Reporter.

## There Is No Death

There is no death! The stars go down To rise upon some fairer shore; And bright in Heaven's jeweled crown They shine forever more.

There is no death! The dust we tread Shall change, beneath the summer showers, To golden grain or mellowed fruit, Or rainbow-tinted flowers.

The granite rocks disorganize, And feed the hungry moss they bear; The forest leaves drink daily life, From out the viewless air.

There is no death! The leaves may fall, And flowers may fade and pass away;

They only wait, thru wintry hours, The coming of the May; Born to a state that only life, They leave us but to come again; With joy we welcome them the same—

Except their sin and pain, And ever nearer, the unseen, The clear immortal spirits tread; For all the humbled universe Is life—there are no dead.

—Lord Lytton.

"Did you notice the drawn look about her eyes?"

"Yes, she didn't seem to combine her art to her cheer."

—N. Y. Sun.

# The KITCHEN CABINET

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So we went strolling, Down by the rolling, down by the rolling sea, You may keep your cronk for other folk, But you can't frighten me!

—Kipling.

## GOOD THINGS FOR THE SEASON

Did you ever try breaded pork chops? Order the chops cut thicker than usual, cut out the bone and skewer and press into shape. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Put in a frying pan and sprinkle the top of each with dried cranberries. Pour in boiling water to one-half the depth of the chops, cover closely and bake in a slow oven one and one-half hours. Remove cover, sprinkle with buttered bread crumbs and bake until the crumbs are brown. Arrange on a hot platter and garnish with celery tips. Serve with—

**Tomato Celery Sauce:** Chop one onion, one green pepper and a large bunch of celery. Mix, add two and one-half cups of canned tomato from which the liquor has been drained, one and one-half teaspoons of salt, two tablespoons of all-soft butter and two-thirds of a cup of vinegar. Let simmer one and one-half hours.

**Oatmeal Soup:** Soak over night one cupful of oatmeal in two quarts of onion broth or water; in the morning bring to a boil and place in a pressure cooker until time to prepare the soup. Cook one good sized onion, butter until delicately browned; add four tablespoons of flour, two teaspoons of sugar, a dash of cayenne and pepper to season. Bring to a boil; add one cupful of tomato pulp and serve hot. Strain before serving or if for the children's luncheon, serve without straining.

**Hot Chicken Salad:** Mix one pint of cooked chicken cut in cubes, one cupful of cooked peas, one-half tea spoonful of salt, one-fourth of a tea spoonful of pepper, one table spoonful of onion juice, one pincho and one tea spoonful of lemon juice; set aside in a cool place for at least an hour. Make a sauce, using one-fourth of a cupful of butter, the same of flour, half a tea spoonful of salt, a cupful each of cream and chicken broth. Add the seasoned ingredients and let stand over hot water until ready to serve.

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# Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

by MARY GRAHAM BONNER

## TREE FROGS

"Sometimes we wear green suits and sometimes brown and sometimes gray and sometimes somewhat of a mixture of these," said Master Tree Frog. "We're supposed to be weather prophets. Weather prophets are those who say what the weather is going to be. There are some of my relatives who have boasted they could do this. Some of them have indeed boasted and bragged of this.

"But I don't. I don't want to be a weather prophet because it is too much like work!

"Not that I object to work, but I don't care for that kind of work. No, thank you. I want to work and not be complained of and if one is trying to tell what the weather is going to be one is always complained of if one is not right.

"Old Man Weather himself doesn't know what he is going to do. Sometimes he plans his days ahead, but not always, not always by any manner of means.

"You see we like to come around during damp, wet weather, and we come around before storms. We really are especially fond of damp weather and of wet weather and we like to be about then.

"That is the reason why members of my family have been called weather prophets." He also, you see, when people say some of us about or heard us singing or making our funny little purring sounds they would say,

"There comes a tree frog. It must be going to rain."

"Usually it did too. That is true enough. But to consider one's self a weather prophet is too much of a



"Trees Are So Nice."

cool thing. I don't mind being a kind of half weather prophet but not a whole one.

"I have rather an ugly square head and my body is very fat and dumpty looking. But then I do not care about looks.

"I have teeth on my upper jaw of which I am quite proud. I am not usually proud of them though and why should I be? Teeth are very nice but there are other things in life more wonderful.

"The baby tree frogs have smaller ears than we have, which is nice because it is ladylike, or frog ladylike to have small ears. Then they do not have to listen to too much idle chatter.

"Of course that isn't what we do because we have big ears, but I am telling of the difference in our ears chiefly because the baby and gentleman common tree frogs are so much alike. We have darker throats than they have too, I might add.

"We're fine hunters and we like the night time in which to hunt.

"We can see all the caterpillars and beetles and bugs and insects for we have good eyesight. Some creatures are thankful they have good eyesight because they like to read a lot, but the tree frogs are glad of good eyesight because they can get fine meals that way.

"We move quickly, jumping for the things we want to eat, and catching them easily with our sticky tongues.

"Trees are so nice. All kinds of bugs and insects come to them, ready to be eaten.

"They may not think that way when they come along but after I've eaten them or after some of my relatives have I say to myself,

"Ah, they came just in time for dinner!"

"Then in the trees are ants too and little creatures which like the different parts of the trees.

"There are some which come in bad weather and some which come in good weather.

"So we're almost always apt to have good food.

"It's a great thing to be able to live where there are good markets and good food and the tree frog is one who knows that good food not only makes strong boys and girls and men and women but tree frogs too.

"I must be hopping off now and having a meal. I've spent too much time in chatting and talking.

"Yes I must hop, hop, hop For a bit, bite, bite, bite, I'll sleep like a top, If I eat lots tonight!"

Those College Girls.

Arcthusa—Wilberforce is so erratic One time he buys more candy than I can eat, and the next time none at all.

Arabella—Alexander is more rational. He maintains a mean average all the time.—Judge.

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