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Dr. and Mrs. L. L. Berry Signally Honored on Golden Wedding Anniversary

Mrs. S. L. Greene **Endorsed by Alabama** Conf. for Connectional Recognition



MRS. S. L. GREENE

The Conference Branch Missionary Society, of the Alabama Conference, meeting in Autaugaville, Thursday, September 21st, unanimously endorsed Mrs. S. L. Greene, the wife of Bishop S. L. Greene, of the 9th Episcopal District, for Connectional recognition when the Quadrennium convenes in Memphis, Tennessee, in 1951. Mrs. Greene is the Supervisor of the 9th Episcopal District and is efficient and competent to serve the connection in any capacity.

Believe It Or Not

By V. M. TOWNSEND

Since the General Conference in Kansas City made legal and gave approval to the "Layman's Organization," it has been a question with me of the wisdom of such an act, and the necessity of an immediate repeal. Did and do the masses of the laity desire such an organization? Can the act serve them to any advantage except politics? Is there anything that they can do for the advancement of the church, that they could not do without it? For my life I cannot see anything one can do in the organization, that he cannot accomplish, that he cannot do in his local church.

The claim is, that the organization is to aid in raising money for education, missions, and other him a double opportunity to dis- wards the solution of our most play his talent in so doing. There difficult problems. (Continued on page 3)

Dr. and Mrs. Berry Observe 50th Wedding Anniversary



Dr. L. L. Berry, Secretary and Treasurer of the Home and Foreign Missions Board of the African Methodist Episcopal Church and Mrs. Berry celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary on Tuesday. The event drew more than 1,000 prominent churchmen and citizens to the Missionary head-quarters in New York City.

In the group—left to right: Mrs. Emory Ross, prominent mission worker; the Rev. Dr. Harries of London, England; Dr. Emory Ross, Executive Secretary of the Foreign Missions Board of North America; Dr. O. Clay Maxwell, Sr., Pastor of Mt. Olivet Baptist Church, New York City; Bishop John Andrew Gregg (A.M.E.) Florida; Bishop S. L. Greene of Alabama; Bishop R. R. Wright, Jr., (A.M.E.) of Georgia; and Dr. and Mrs. L. L. Berry, the honorees.—Murphy Photo.

In Memory of Bishop J. S. Flipper 1859-1944



BISHOP J. S. FLIPPER

After four years we are again mourning the loss and recording enterprises of the church, etc. If the estimate of the one we loved sincere to give such aid, the local and the one who was able to church to which he belongs, gives contribute a master's share to-

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NEW YORK CITY

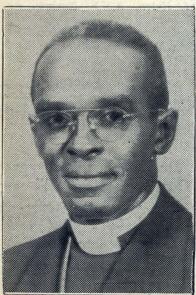
The 50th Wedding Anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. L. L. Berry was celebrated here on Tuesday, September 26th in the Missionary Department of the African Methodist Episcopal Church of which Dr. L. L. Berry has been secretary over a period of years. The occasion was unique, historic and challenging with the spacious rooms of the Department filled to capacity.
The event drew outstanding

churchmen, business and professional men and women from the city and various sections of the country. The ceremony was per-formed with certain deletions and additions sufficient to fit the occasion by Bishop John A. Gregg of Florida, President of the Bishops' Council of the A.M.E. Church; Bishop S. L. Greene of Alabama, Bishop S. L. Greene of Alabama, Secretary of the Council and President of the Board of Missions; Bishop R. R. Wright, Jr., of Georgia, and Dr. O. Clay Maxwell, Sr., Pastor of Mt. Olivet Baptist Church in this city.

Church Leaders Send Greetings

Greetings were expressed by Dr. Emory Ross, Executive Sec-retary of the African Affairs Committee of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, Mrs. Ross and Rev. Harries of London, England. Rev. Charles Stewart, Pastor of Bethel A.M.E. Church of Buffalo, N. Y., read a dedicatory poem and announced the receipt of 200 telegrams and 576 congratulatory cards. Mr. Homer Smith, founder of the (Continued on page 2)

Succeeding



DR. J. E. REESE

Metropolitan A.M.E. Church of Washington, D. C., under the dynamic leadership of Dr. J. E. Reese is rapidly re-establishing itself as the leading church in the Connection and is becoming known to the new generation, as it was to older generations, as the National Cathedral.

This church is the most his-(Continued on page 8)

Holds Great Chautauqua

By JOHN M. COX



BISHOP L. H. HEMMINGWAY

All roads led to Kittrell College September 26, 27, 28, and 29. In a mammoth Chautauqua and Institute, Bishop Hemmingway once again demonstrated his in-(Continued on page 3)

Flash—Extra



DR. WILLIAM HODGE

The Cleveland Plain Dealer, one of the largest metropolitan dailies in the United States, and the city of Cleveland, announced last week that it endorses and will support the candidacy of Dr. William Hodge, Presiding Elder of the Youngstown District, of the A.M.E. Church, to represent the Twenty-first District of the state of Ohio in the U. S. Congress. The election will take place on Tuesday, November 7. This is a significant honor that has come to Dr. Hodge, which he truly deserves and is fully capable of filling to the credit to himself the ing to the credit to himself, the race, and the nation. It is predicted that Dr. Hodge will be elected overwhelmingly and that he will make one of the best congressmen ever elected in the history of the nation. All A.M.E.'s throughout America should be in(Continued on page 4)