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## THE ANNUAL GENESEE CONFERENCE IN SESSION.

### Methodist Episcopal Church Pastors Assigned Places at This Session.

The 114th session of the Genesee Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church opened in the new and magnificent Central Park Church of Buffalo on Wednesday morning, October 3, 1923, at 9 A. M. Bishop William Burt presiding. Rev. H. M. Wilson of Sumner Place Church, Buffalo, is the secretary; Rev. H. A. Reed of Elma, the Treasurer; and Rev. Charles H. M. Whelan of Andover the statistician.

The great fact of interest centers in Bishop Burt. This will be the last time he will preside over Genesee Conference, for next May, by law of the church, he reaches the age limit and retires. The Bishops of the church retire at the close of the General Conference nearest to their seventy-third birthday. Bishop Burt will reach his seventy-third birthday within two years of the last of May next, and consequently retires.

The next great item of business is the election of the ministerial delegates to General Conference which meets in Springfield, Mass., on the first of May, 1924. Six ministers is the quota of Genesee Conference. This year as never before the interest of the ministers is centered upon the election of pastors rather than District Superintendents or other officers of the church. The ministers feel that too much authority has been given to overhead organization and to detached service men, and the reaction is being felt in the elections now taking place. According to the Christian Advocate, in the conferences who have already held their elections, pastors are being elected in larger proportion than before.

Proposals from various conferences looking toward changes in the constitution of the church will be voted upon. The Methodist Episcopal Church has been broad enough in its fellowship to include both liberal and conservative; the church has been fairly free from the fundamentalism which has broken up other denominations. And any movement toward restricting the freedom of ministerial that and action is not likely to be passed by the pastors.

On Friday morning the laymen will meet in the Parkside Baptist Church for two purposes, viz., to organize as laymen to assist the work of the ministers and to elect the six lay delegates to General Conference. The General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church is composed of equal number of ministers and laymen. The Annual Conference has not yet been so organized. The Andover representatives are B. C. Williams, delegate to the Lay Electoral Conference, and H. G. Smith, delegate to the Laymen's Association, the two bodies which do the work of the laymen this fall. The laymen of Olean District, to which district Andover belongs are interested in the election as a delegate to General Conference of Mr. C. W. Rowland, the agent of the Pennsylvania Railroad in Olean. Mr. Rowland has been a member of the Methodist Church for life before his removal to Olean he was a member of the Richmond Avenue Church, Buffalo, and is well and favorably known to the pastor of the Andover Church who approves his candidacy. It will be recalled that Mr. E. E. Stone had the honor of being elected four years ago.

The Official Board of the Methodist Church of Andover met recently to consider the final wind-up of this year's affairs. And the outlook is very encouraging. If everyone does his share, it is expected that the year will be closed with the books in better condition than at the start. All bills will be paid, and all indebtedness, floating and mortgage, incurred before October 1, 1922, will have been paid.

At the Local Conference held it was the wish of the officials, unanimously expressed, that the Rev. Charles H. M. Whelan return to this charge for the coming year. It is hinted by that fickle jade, Dame Rumor, that there will be many changes of ministers on Olean District, and former friends of the Andover people may be involved in these changes. Full report of the changes will be given at another time.

Unless notice is given hereafter, there will be no services in the Methodist Church on Sunday, October 7, which is conference Sunday. On that Sunday Bishop Burt will preach in the morning and ordain the newly elected preachers in the afternoon.

## Tidbits From Our School

The High School register shows that 56% of the girls were neither tardy nor absent during the month of September, while sixty-six and three-eighths of the boys have a perfect attendance record so far. However, the girls won out on total days attended; their percentage being 96.4 while the boys figure at 95.4 of perfect attendance for the month. Tardiness and half days absent are counted in counting perfect attendance of individuals but not in computing total days attended.

Some of the young ladies of the High School seem to think the study hall is a beauty parlor. Ask Mary and Ellen.

Every day in every way the boys are getting fewer.  
They go—Why? Why?  
They look—Why? Why?  
They stay—Why? Why?  
Sweet girls—That's Why!  
In Wellsville.

We have one great vocalist in the study-hall.  
Come and hear her,  
She do beat all.

Due to the carelessness of some parents in their care of the first cases chicken pox there are now eighteen children absent from the first three grades with the disease.

**Senior Party**  
Monday night the Seniors of the High School held a party in the Gymnasium, music and dancing were enjoyed and refreshments served. Miss Wright and Mr. Dawson acted as chaperons.

### MRS. WILLIAMS CONFINED TO BED

A letter this week from Rev. H. B. Williams brings the sad news that Mrs. Williams is confined to her bed and not gaining satisfactory. Mr. Williams wishes to thank the Coterie Club for a post card shower sent his wife, which he writes she enjoyed greatly. Mrs. Williams' address is, Freeport, Ohio.

### LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS MEET

The September meeting of Allegany County League of Women Voters met in the Methodist Church Friday afternoon. Mrs. Charles Sisson of Alfred, president, presiding. The meeting opened with devotionals by the pastor, Rev. Whelan, an organ prelude was played by Mrs. Ralph Burgett. The address, "Are Political Parties a Necessary Evil" by Dr. Norwood of Alfred was of great interest and up to the usual high standard of Dr. Norwood. Representatives were present from several of the neighboring towns.

## Rude Rural Rhymes

IN all the lands beneath the skies are different folks with different eyes, for every race from Japs to Copts has got a special brand of optics. Some eyes are soft, some eyes are stern, some glances melt, some glances burn. Some eyes are shy and seldom raise themselves to meet a steady gaze, while other lamps, I find, by gracious, are mighty naughty and flirtatious. When I behold bright eyes of blue, I swear they are the only hue, but later likely bet my stack upon some snapping pair of black. For whether yellow, gray or green, so be the wearer is a queen, her eyes will suit this bard, I ween; and if a girl knows how to use them it matters not how nature hues them. O when on us those orbs are bent the thrill they send thru every gent exceeds one half of one per cent. Yet when more calmly I consider the eyes of maiden, wife or widder, I quickly reach the wise decision that those of brown best suit my vision. It's very lucky this is so, for Hannah reads these rhymes you know. Yet pretty eyes may not be best; utility's the only test. Your eyes are not a total loss because the same may chance to cross, and bitter tears you should not squander if one looks here and one off yonder. This bard has eyes of greenish gray which serve him well from day to day. One eye's askew the other joggles, but Doc has trued them up with goggles; and as they gaze about by jings, they see a lot of pleasant things. They seem to do good work for me, though one goes haw and one goes gee.

BOB ADAMS.

### SURPRISE VISIT

The ladies of the S. D. Baptist Society gave Mrs. Addie Coleman a surprise visit Thursday evening in honor of her birthday. Dainty refreshments were served and a pleasant evening enjoyed.

## Letter From Dr. J. P. Cleary

Conditions as They Exist in Germany To-day, as Seen by an Andover Man who is There.—The German Mark and its Intrinsic Value.

(Continued from last week)

About an hour after alighting from the train in Berlin I was surprised by a colored man grabbing my arm from the side, and shaking my hand vigorously. Soon a smile spread all over our faces. He was an old friend, Grover Alexander, a musician, formerly a soldier in the 13th Infantry, United States Regular Army, a regiment to which I was assigned for duty some years ago on the Mexican border.

Alexander, with several other men of his race, is touring Europe with a jazz orchestra. Negro musicians with their jazz music are popular in France, where there is no discrimination between white and colored people. It is not unusual to see pretty refined French girls walking, dancing or eating with negro companions. The American negroes here tell everyone they are North American Indians, and not descendants from Africans, usually regarded by many as still an inferior semi-civilized race.

In about the twelfth century, Berlin, like Paris, started its career on a small island, which, surrounded by two arms of the river Spree, afforded it a relatively safe protection in the feuds of olden times. Since then it has grown in size and importance until now it has three million inhabitants and is one of the chief cities of the world.

It is divided into two parts, the old and the new. In the old portion are the narrow streets, with quaint houses and old palaces of the past, while in the newer part are fine, spacious streets, lined on both sides with many trees, and buildings of modern architecture.

The city has many wonderfully fine public buildings and museums, nearly all of which are named Hohenzollern, this Hohenzollern that or Hohenzollern somebody else. In one of the principal parks of the city there is a promenade where for a distance of about a quarter or half a mile the former kaiser erected about fifty monuments to either his parents, in-laws, uncles, aunts, cousins or other relatives. The Kaiser evidently would like to have it appear that no one but a Hohenzollern ever amounted to anything in Germany. To use a slang expression, his goose seems to be cooked in Germany, however. His curt dismissal of the great Bismarck together with his failure to keep England and the United States out of the late war are held by a great many to be responsible for Germany's present state.

In old Berlin I saw many old "Ratskellers" and small old inns hidden in the wee by-streets, where beer, served in broad jars holding about a quart, a real quart, may be obtained for less than three cents in our money. This beer has a real kick, too—6 percent. In days gone by as well as at the present time these old ratskellers were and are headquarters for those inclined to be socialistic, artistic, militaristic and all other kinds of "ies." Many of these old places are being demolished and replaced by modern structures—a change that should be regretted. With its six-foot wide streets, its quaint old buildings, the ancient part of Berlin is interesting and picturesque, but unsanitary. The night life in the numerous cafes of Berlin is active. Crowds gather there every night, drinking, eating, listening to the music or engage in animated conversation. For eating the Germans take the prize. Whether it is in the cafes, or in swimming or any where else they are never without a good-sized sandwich. Liver sausage, large hot dogs and sauerkraut are popular foods. In many of the cafes are heavy classical music, like Faust, other operas for instance, are most often played. Prize-fights, in which, strange to say, the fighters are women, are held every two weeks or so.

The principal street in Berlin is the famous "Unter den Linden." At one end of this street is the world-known Brandenburg gate, or arches. Prior to the war no one but the "divine kaiser" was permitted to pass thru the center arch. At the present time a policeman is constantly on duty there to prevent pedestrians or vehicles from going thru. On the Unter den Linden all the big mass-meetings and demonstrations are usually held. On this street, too, with their beating drums and goose step the soldiers performed their famous march every day when royalty reigned.

On top of the Brandenburg gate is the famous chariot monument, said to be one of the finest pieces of sculpture in Europe. Napoleon "swiped" the statue when he defeated Germany and occupied Berlin years ago. Later on then, in 1870, when Germany threw the hooks, so to speak, into France, it was again brot back to Berlin by the Kaiser.

Berlin is an up-to-date city, attractive and beautiful. It has an underground city railway. During the day the number of surface street cars are reduced to a minimum, the traffic being largely handled by the underground system, in order to interfere as little as possible with the street traffic of automobiles, vehicles and pedestrians. During the rush hours, when the store and factory employees are either going to or returning from work the surface and underground car facilities are worked to their capacity. In the new section of the city the streets are wide and well kept. Traffic is well handled.

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Near the center of the city is the famous Schloss, with its celebrated White Hall, where in the days gone by when the Kaiser was supreme, the most elaborate festivities were held and where seldom a simple citizen was admitted. In this place there are exquisite pieces of furniture of the Middle Ages, the Renaissance, and statues. Here too, one may see many of the paintings which formerly belonged to the private collection of the Hohenzollerns. One room is filled with Rembrandts, while the other rooms have works by Van Dyke, Rubens and other celebrated artists.

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### LEGION COUNTY COMMITTEE MEETS WITH LOCAL POST.

An interesting and helpful meeting of the American Legion was held last Thursday, at the Post room, when the County Committee, together with several other visiting members met with the Thomas M. Lynch Post of the village.

Important matters that are under the Legion's attention thruout the state as well as the county were discussed and many helpful suggestions offered in the way of carrying out the Legion's work, both at the meetings and in its outside functions. At the close of the meeting a fine supper and social time was enjoyed by all.

The out-of-town members present were, Messrs. Burdick, Laidlaw, Nehil, Thomas and Boyd of Belmont, Gorner and Gleason of Belfast, Roos of Wellsville and Potter of Alfred.

### ANNUAL MEETING OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The regular annual meeting of the Andover Chamber of Commerce for the election of Directors will be held Thursday evening, October 18th, at Swinks Hotel.

Luncheon will be served at 50c per plate. All Andover men are invited. W. S. Calhoun will canvas to see how many will attend the coming week.

### W. C. T. U.

The Womens Christian Temperance Union will meet with Mrs. J. H. Backus this (Friday) afternoon. Mrs. Flora Deming, Mrs. Addie Coleman, Directors.

### MISSIONARY MEETING

The Missionary Meeting of the M. E. Church will be held with Lena Theetge, Oct. 8th, at 2:30 P. M. New study book begins, new officers elected, and plans for another year laid out. You are cordially invited to be present.

### Ordered Martial Law in Oklahoma



Gov. J. O. (Jack) Walton of Oklahoma, who placed his entire state under martial law to suppress doggings. He also forbade a special and extraordinary session of the State legislature which would impeach him. He has been severely criticized by newspapers.

## AN AGED CLERGYMAN DISAPPEARS IN BROOKLYN

### Rev. Ira Cottrell, Who Went to Visit Son, Strangely Missing.

The police in New York and Brooklyn were asked today to search for the Rev. Ira L. Cottrell, of Alfred, who went to New York on Sunday to spend a few months with his sons, and who disappeared last night. He is 78 years old and in quite feeble health.

He disappeared from the home of his son, Royal Cottrell in Brooklyn, altho it was another son, John B. Cottrell, of Plainfield, N. Y., who came here Sunday after him. The Rev. Cottrell lives with his wife about half-way between Alfred and Alfred Station. A few days ago his wife went to Michigan to visit relatives and Sunday the Rev. Cottrell, accompanied by his son, started for New York, where he expected to remain for two or three months.

Yesterday some time he wandered away from the home of his son in Brooklyn and when he failed to return this morning an appeal was made to the police. Friends in Alfred say the Rev. Cottrell was quite inclined to get lost and had done so several times there.

Consequently they are inclined to think he has simply wandered away and that he will be easily found unless some accident happens to him. He was for years pastor of the Seventh Day Baptist church at Alfred Station and Independence, but has been retired for eight years.

### PARENT-TEACHERS' MEETING

The regular October meeting of the Parent-Teachers' Association will be held at the High School building, this (Friday) afternoon at 3:30. As this meeting is the election of officers, a good attendance is desired.

### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our deep appreciation of all the kindly help and sympathy which came to us from our friends during our recent deep sorrow in the loss of our loved one. Mr. and Mrs. Hiram D. Smith and family.

## PARTY NOMINATION FOR THE TOWN OFFICES

### Republican and Democratic Parties Place Full Tickets in Field

Politics has been in the air in Andover the past week most of the time. As a result there seems to be quite a split in the ranks of the Andover G. O. P., and it would not be surprising if there were at least one candidate run on an independent ticket.

**Republican Ticket**  
The nominations made at the Republican Caucus Saturday evening are as follows:

Supervisor, E. R. Crandall.  
Town Clerk, Porter Richardson.  
Justice of the Peace, (4 years), H. P. Bundy.

Justice of the Peace, (2 years), Henry Stephens.  
Assessor, (4 years) Lewis L. Bul-lard.

Assessor, (2 years) Ernest Orvis.  
Collector, Mrs. Florence Earley.  
Supt. Highways, Earl Howland.  
Postmaster, C. E. Hann.

Constables: Jett Blodgett, M. F. Wyckoff, Harry Kemp, Thomas Swain, and C. S. Rennells.

The Town Committee: H. P. Bundy, F. S. Potter, and Mrs. Valencia Slocum.

The vote for the Town Clerk was Richardson 63, and Brundage 59.

**Democratic Ticket**  
The Caucus was called to order by W. F. O'Connell. John DeReemer was chosen chairman and C. C. Backus, clerk.

The following ticket was placed in nomination:  
Supervisor, J. L. Williams.

Town Clerk, Leo DeReemer.  
Justice of Peace, (4 years) Grant Sherwood.

Justice of the Peace, (2 years) W. F. O'Connell.  
Collector, Mrs. J. D. Cheesman.

Assessor, (4 years) H. E. Robinson.  
Assessor, (2 years) Harry Joyce.

Superintendent of Highways, Earl Howland.  
Town Committee with power to fill vacancies, W. F. O'Connell, P. M. Swink and Thomas McAndrew.

### MARY SMITH

Miss Mary Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram D. Smith died Wednesday evening, September 26th, 1923, at the Steuben Sanitarium where she had been taken for medical consultation and treatment. Miss Smith was fifty-one years of age and had been engaged in teaching for many years. Last year she taught the Hanover school in Wellsville. She was very successful in her work as an instructor and held in high esteem by a large circle of friends thruout the village and vicinity.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Smith, and three brothers, Raymond, of Altoona, Pa. Franks, of Ohio, and Fred of Andover survive. Funeral services were conducted from the home on Maple Street Friday afternoon and interment made in Hillsdale Cemetery. The family have the deep sympathy of friends and neighbors in their bereavement.

### COUNTY W. C. T. U. OFFICERS

At the 44th W. C. T. U. Institute of Allegany County held at Fillmore Tuesday, the following officers were elected. President, Miss Emma Ross, Wellsville. Vice President, Mrs. Ellen Gallup, Cuba. Recording Sec'y, Mrs. Baker, Angelica. Corresponding Sec'y, Mrs. Crawford, Angelica. Treasurer, Miss R. A. Place, Alfred.

## MONARCH

The Goods of Quality

Canned Goods

Catsup

Coffee

Give These a Fair Trial

MRS. C. W. WILLIAMS