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1889 until 1892 Dr. T. T. Mutchler was the spiritual director of the Falls M. E. Church. In 1892 Rev. J. W. Rudolph came to take charge. During his ministry the choir and organ were moved to the gallery, but on the minutes of the Board of Trustees, under date of Jan. 11th, 1897, it is stated that a request to "move to the rear of the church in the gallery" was refused, so that sometime after being moved the location was found unsatisfactory and the singers and the church musical instrument were moved to the front of the church.

In 1895, Rev. Robert McIlvain was appointed pastor and he served until March 1900. The end of March 1900 saw Rev. J. J. Timanus in charge. In this year \$1,000 was spent on the Sunday School room and \$400 on the parsonage. In 1901 the steam plant was installed in the cost of \$1000.

Rev. S. K. McConnell became pastor in March 1904. During his pastorate the memorial windows were installed and the building renovated and remodeled at a cost of \$3000. The iron fence was erected in front of the church in 1906.

March 1907 began the term of Rev. Richard Turner and in 1910 the Estey Pipe Organ was installed. The instrument cost \$2700. This was paid by the sale of the old organ, at \$200 and the remainder evenly divided between the church and Andrew Carnegie.

Rev. A. P. Hodgson became pastor in March 1911. Mr. Hodgson holds the honor of remaining in charge of the local church longer than any other individual. His term covered a period of seven years.

In March 1918, Rev. F. A. Gacks was assigned by the Conference to minister to the Falls Methodists. The electric lights were installed in 1919.

Rev. Joseph Gallagher, came to the Falls, March 1920. The parsonage was electrified. The entire parsonage and church debts

were wiped out.

The present pastor, Rev. Francis H. Tees was appointed in March 1923. The pulpit was erected to the memory of John F. and Mary Reichardt, the Communion Table to Dr. Rutter, the Communion and Pulpit Chairs to the memory of Sarah Hawk, Martha Hawk, Hazel Clayton, and Joseph Foster; the Floral pedestals in memory of Mabel Leidy and Susan Wilcox; a Baptismal Font in memory of John M. and Ella Shronk and a Hymn Board in memory of John Horn.

In 1924 modern oak collections plates were contributed to the memory of Emma Fertick. A handsome bronze memorial tablet in memory of Elwood Clayton as a loving tribute to his comrades in the World War was placed in the vestibule. A new Pulpit Hymnal was presented to the church in memory of Mrs. Hamit Taylor.

The Sunday School, officials, of the Falls M. E. Church, at the time of this writing (1928) consisted of the following:  
Superintendent: M. Willard Hess; Assistant Superintendent, Harry Clayton; Superintendent Primary Department, Mrs. Wyatt; Assistant Superintendent Primary Department, Mrs. F. H. Tees; Treasurer, Mrs. George Stubblebine; Secretary, William Costello; Assistant Secretary, Harold Clayton; Chroister, Joseph Smith; Pianist, Mrs. Elsie Clayton; Assistant Pianist, Bertha Brown; Missionary President, Joseph Smith; Temperance President, Harry Clayton; Temperance Vice President, George Smith; Violinist, Albert Marley; Supt. Home Department, Mrs. William Mac Fadyen; Superintendent Cradle Roll, Mrs. Wyatt.

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July 3, 1885

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Feb - 18 - 1881

—The glorious Fourth was most gloriously celebrated at this place on Saturday. All the Sunday Schools spent the day in their respective woods, and, so far as heard from everybody enjoyed the day's picnic. One of the features of the day was an inter-school game of base ball, wherein a nine selected from the Methodist School visited the Baptist School, and played a nine selected therefrom, on the latter's picnic ground, Mund's old park. The game was as interesting as it was exciting and ended in a brilliant victory for the Baptist nine. Aside from the Schools the woods and parks in the neighborhood were occupied by numerous small parties from the city; railroads, steam and horse, and steamboats were severely taxed to accommodate the crowds of people, who, all through the day and late into the night, came and went, from the different resorts. Some slight disturbances took place at several of the beer parks and these kept our police busy. Hundreds of our people visited the National Encampment at Belmont, and Buffalo Bill's "Wild West" during the day. Altogether the day was kept in a very satisfactory and creditable way by all.  
7/3/85 R. R. S.

### Grand Sunday School Entertainment

THE FALLS OF SCHUYLKILL

M. E. SUNDAY SCHOOL

Will give an ENTERTAINMENT, for the benefit of the LIBRARY FUND,

IN THE CHURCH,

Tuesday Ev'g, Feb. 22.

The Programme will consist of Recitations, Dialogues, Solos, Choruses, Vocal and Instrumental Music by the School.

PROF. WEBB, of the Ebenezer Church, Philadelphia, the celebrated CORNETIST, has kindly offered his services.

Tickets, 25 Cents.

Doors open at 7 o'clock.

Commence at 7.45.

Manayunk Chronicle  
March 25 - 1881

REAPPOINTED.—To be elected to stay at home is not always considered complimentary, but it is different with the ministers of the M. E. Church under the itinerant system; so that Revs. Joseph Mason, C. W. Bickley, G. G. Heacock and Richard Turner are to be congratulated on being retained to their several charges at the Mt. Zion, Ebenezer, Ridge avenue, and Central Methodist churches—a sentiment which, it is hoped, is shared by their respective congregations.

At Falls of Schuylkill, Rev. P. J. Cox is succeeded by Rev. P. Coombe, who comes to an active, working church.

# Falls Methodist Episcopal Church

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Chronicle, Jan 9, 1885

—The will of Susanna Jungkurth, of Germantown, cancels a mortgage of \$200 against the property of the Falls M. E. Church. 1/9/1885

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Chronicle, Oct 15, 1897

—In presenting a sketch of the late Andrew McGaw to the CHRONICLE readers this week as the second of the series, many who are still living will recall the earnest, devout and unpretentious man.

Mr. McGaw, who was of Scotch Irish descent, came here early in the forties, and for a number of years was employed at Simpson's print works and at the Laboratory. In religion he was a staunch Methodist and took an active part in forming the church of that denomination here. Mr. McGaw had three sons, William, Andrew and James, all of whom were fairly well behaved but very unfortunate boys. William, when quite young, visited the laboratory one day, and while looking about walked into a trap door, receiving such injuries to his left leg that it had to be amputated near the hip joint. Andrew left the Forrest School when about 13 years of age to work in Dobson and Lees' little mill on Scott's lane, but had not been there long when his right hand was torn off at the wrist by machinery. In 1857 or 1858 Mr. McGaw moved with his family to Allegan, Michigan, where he had purchased a large farm. A year had scarcely passed before his youngest son, James, got tangled up in a thrashing machine and had one of his legs cut off.

While at the Falls Mr. McGaw resided with his family for a number of years, in the lower portion of the old Academy Building. On his Michigan farm he worked hard until his death, which occurred about five years ago. This sketch is presented as a memorial of a once humble resident, who while here did what he could for the betterment of the community in the establishing of the Falls of Schuylkill Methodist Episcopal Church.

R. R. S.



Weekly Forecast  
April 7-1904

Weekly Forecast  
May 26-1904

Weekly Forecast  
August 31-1905

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#### Reception to New Pastor.

The congregation of the Falls M. E. Church tendered a reception to their new pastor, S. K. McConnell, in the Sunday school room of the church on Queen lane last evening.

The new pastor was given a cordial welcome, after which a most delightful entertainment was enjoyed, after which a lunch was served. Mr. McConnell was welcomed on behalf of the different organizations of the church by the following ladies and gentlemen in short addresses. Mr. John Bates for the Trustees; Mr. E. O. Smith, leaders and stewards, Mr. Harry Clayton the Sunday school Mr. Ibbotson the Epworth League, Miss Jane Wilcox Infant Class and Miss Verna Minsker the Junior Epworth League. Among those who entertained were Mr. Walter Smith, tenor solo; Miss Verna Minsker recitation; Mr. Thomas West, solo; Miss Jane Wilcox, recitation; Messrs. Thomas West and Walter Smith in a duet, and Miss Carrie Dyson in readings.

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#### BISHOP NEELY.

Well-Known at the Falls—Was at One Time Pastor of Falls M. E. Church.

Methodist preachers throughout the city are jubilant over the election on last Friday by the General Conference at Los Angeles, Cal., of the Rev. Dr. Thomas B. Neely, of Philadelphia, as bishop. Falls of Schuylkill residents are particularly interested in the great honor that has come to Dr. Neely, owing to the fact that he was at one time pastor of the Falls M. E. Church, when it was located on Stanton street (James street).

The Rev. Thomas Benjamin Neely, D. D., LL. D., is a native of Philadelphia, and for the greater part of his life has been pastor of Methodist churches in this city and its vicinity. He has also done much literary work, and has long been editor of the "Sunday School Journal." He is considered one of the ablest theologians and eloquent preachers of his church. He has been a member of five General Conferences and has twice been nominated for bishop, receiving a large vote.

At the General Conference of 1900, in Chicago, he was elected to the important office of corresponding secretary of the Sunday School Union and Tract Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church and editor of the Sunday school and tract publications, with general offices in New York. He has since lived in that city, but has made frequent visits to Philadelphia. Dr. Neely's ancestors for four generations back have been Methodists, and he has been a pastor since 1865. In 1895 he ended a six-year term as presiding elder of the South Philadelphia District.

Dr. Neely is an author of national reputation. His works include "The Governing Conference in Methodism," "Young Workers in the Church," "The Church Lyceum," "The Parliamentary," "The Evolution of the Episcopacy and Organic Methodism," "Parliamentary Practice," etc.

Mr. Neely entered the Methodist Conference in 1865, and served as pastor in the following churches: Ridge Avenue, Falls of Schuylkill, Emmanuel, Trinity, Christian Street, East Montgomery Avenue, Ebenezer, of Reading; Pottsville, and Western Methodist Episcopal. On leaving the last-named church he was made presiding elder of the South District. He then served as pastor of the Union and Rehoboth Churches, and finally was elected secretary of the Sunday School Union.

#### FALLS M. E. CHURCH ELEGANTLY REMODELED.

Special Services Will Mark the Re-opening Event, Which Takes Place September 10.

The auditorium of the Falls M. E. Church has been beautifully transformed by refrescoing in an artistic way, new memorial windows, new carpets, repainting, extensive alterations to back gallery and very pretty intermediate chairs.

A large opening in back wall has been made for a fine pipe organ. Lower hall and stairway have been refrescoed and the canopies have been removed from the stairways. The whole presents a most beautiful effect.

Reopening services will be held in September, 10th to 14th. Sunday, September 10th, 10.30 A. M., sermon will be preached by Rev. J. G. Bickerton, D. D., Presiding Elder of the West Philadelphia district. At 2.00 P. M. a platform meeting will be held and addresses by several prominent Christian laymen will be delivered. 7.30 P. M. the sermon will be preached by Rev. A. G. Kynett, D. D., Presiding Elder of the South Philadelphia District. Monday evening a large Sunday school rally, to which all former officers, teachers and scholars are cordially invited. Some former Superintendents will address the meeting. Tuesday evening a grand musical occasion by the choir. A short address on "The Power of Music in Religious Work," by Rev. George H. Bickley, Jr., Ph. D., pastor of Arch Street M. E. Church, Philadelphia. Wednesday evening a social occasion and inspection of the windows. A short address by the pastor, Rev. S. K. McConnell, followed by other exercises. A silver offering will be lifted at each service. Cordial invitation to all.

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March 29-1895

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—I had the pleasure last week of meeting the Rev. George A. Wolfe, a former pastor of the Methodist Church here, and who is now stationed at Mount Carmel Church, Nicetown. During his pastorate here the Falls of Schuylkill Literary Association and Lyceum was in full "swing" and promised to keep on swinging for years to come. How true it is that in meeting old-time friends pleasant memories are awakened. The Falls never had an institution which would have done more for its intellectual advancement, had not jealousy crept in and smashed the organization. The editor of the CHRONICLE will remember some of the good times experienced in Odd Fellows' Hall while the association lasted, when he, the appointed censor, had his reports ably read by the late Horatio Craven, and so warmly applauded by the audience. Would it not be interesting to have some of the CHRONICLE's reports reprinted? Perhaps some of the younger generation might be benefitted thereby and impelled into starting just such an association for themselves.

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Manayunk Chronicle  
Jan. 8-1897

—The following have been elected officers of Falls M. E. Sunday School for the ensuing year: Supt., Dr. J. S. Rutter; asst., Harry Clayton; Sect., Wm. P. Land; Treasurer, David Taylor; Librarian, Jesse Reggall; assts. Fred. Sherlock and Thomas Hocking; Chorister, Wayne Hawk; Pianist, Sarah Mitchell; Supt. Infant Department, Mrs. Albert Horsefield.

The annual celebration of the school on New Year's night was a decided success. The decorations were charming. The church was packed. A number of rewards were given to those who attended every Sunday in the year.

The infant class held their celebration in the afternoon. The entertainment of the little tots was very good. They presented their teacher with a handsome chair. Distribution of confectionery and oranges to all. The infant class received in addition a book.

A revival service is going on in the church with a good outlook. May the blessing of God be with us.

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Chronicle

Mar. 22, 1896

Wednesday morning's papers were eagerly scanned by others besides Methodists so as to learn who were to fill the pulpits of that denomination in this ward and neighborhood, and to what charges those recently with us had been transferred.

As the list stands now the following will minister to our Methodist brethren in this ward :

Mt. Zion (present pastor), Rev. R. S. DeBow, Ph. D.

Ebenezer (new), Rev. W. Powick.

Central (present) W. H. Smith.

Ridge avenue (new) Rev. Geo. S Broadbent.

Emmanuel (new) Rev. A. E. Bawden.

Wissahickon (new) Rev. T. T. Mutchler.

Of those who leave us Rev. John H. Wood goes to Siloam, Kensington; Rev. F. A. Gilbert to Messiah; Rev. A. I. Collom to Sarah D. Cooper Memorial, Sixty-third street and Girard avenue, West Philadelphia; Rev. E. W. Hart to Harmer Hill. Rev. John Priest, formerly of Wissahickon and supplying last year at Gradyville and Stony Bank, Delaware County, is transferred to Landenburg and Flint Hill.

At the Falls of Schuylkill Rev. J. W. Rudolph is succeeded by Rev. R. R. A. McIlvain, and goes to Tacony.

On Tuesday a resolution was adopted that, while the Conference recognizes the importance of securing the boys for the Church and for Christ, yet they think it a serious matter to turn their minds away from the peaceful nature of Christ's kingdom by fostering in them the spirit of war, and organizing Boys' Brigades in the churches.

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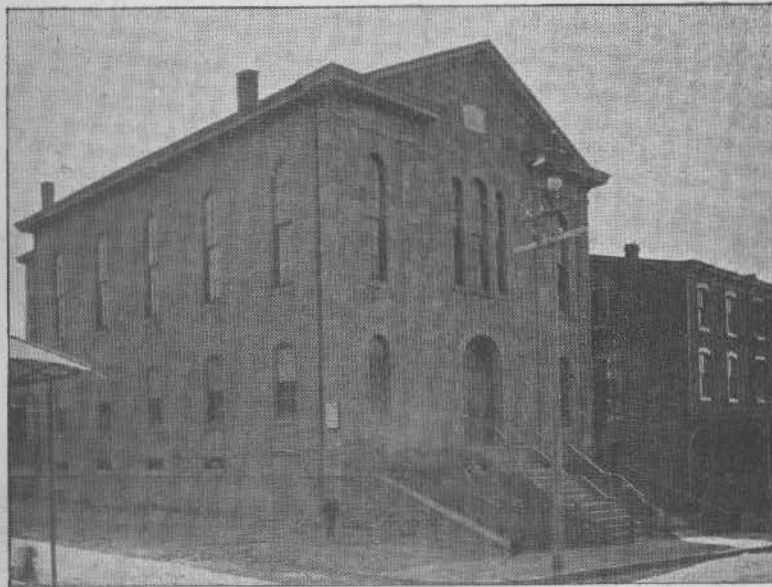
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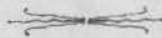
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Queen Lane and Krail Street

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3582 QUEEN LANE.



INTERIOR OF CHURCH

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Should you find mistakes in these pages, be sparing in your criticisms. Some one has worked hard in the preparation of the subject matter amid difficulties unknown to others.

Just a word in behalf of our Zion. Aside from earnest believing prayer for our beloved Church, there should be a deep sense of personal responsibility and obligation.

Responsible for failure at any and every point and obligated to do our best to make mere possibilities glorious realities. Were our Church vows kept and our duty performed, there would never be an empty seat at the Church Services. No financial embarrassment and no department of the work suffering for workers.

May we prove ourselves interested in Zion and by that mightiest force, influence, build up the Kingdom.

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The church was served from 1882 to 1885 by the Rev. Eli Pickersgill. During this time a gracious revival took place in the Sunday-school. During the pastorate of the Rev. Pickersgill the mortgage of \$3,000 on the church property was cancelled and a contract to build a parsonage was given to Charles Bartle, estimate being \$2,200.00. In 1885, and until 1888, the Rev. Nathaniel Turner served the church. The Library Room and stone steps were added. Towards this work the Ladies' Aid Society paid \$350.00; also the walls and fence about the church were put in place at an additional cost of \$225.00. From 1888 until 1891 the Rev. T. T. Mutchler served the church, and the semi-centennial was observed. The walls of the audience room were frescoed and a revival service was successfully conducted. In 1891 the Rev. J. W. Rudolph succeeded the Rev. T. T. Mutchler. In 1895 the Rev. Robert McIlvain was appointed and served the longest pastorate in the history of the church, that of five years. During his term forty persons were converted. From 1900 until 1904 the Rev. J. J. Timanus served the church acceptably. From Sunday, January 15, 1905, for three weeks, revival meetings in charge of Rev. S. K. McConnell were held. Fifty-two persons professed conversion. During the conference year ending March, 1905, improvements were added to the parsonage, costing \$500.00.

Sunday, September 10th, to Wednesday, September 13, 1905, were memorable days, marking the reopening of the main auditorium after being closed since June 1st. Improvements included the placing of memorial windows, frescoing of auditorium and hallways, re-carpeting of main room, renovating of all cushions, altering of the gallery, new chandeliers, opening in back wall for pipe organ, and removal of choir platform to left hand corner, and repainting of exterior of the entire church. Complete cost over and above volunteer labor, \$2,800.00.

On re-opening day, Sunday, Septem-

ber 10th, the services were in charge of the pastor, Rev. S. K. McConnell; morning preacher, Rev. J. G. Bickerton, D. D., Pres. Elder West District; afternoon, the pastor; evening, Rev. A. G. Kynett, D. D., Pres. Elder, South District. Monday evening, September 11th, Sunday-school rally, in charge of the superintendent, Mr. Harry Clayton; Tuesday evening, musical occasion. Thomas West, choirster; Rev. Geo. H.

Bickley, Jr., speaker; Wednesday evening, September 13th, social occasion.

The Rev. Dr. Richard Turner served the church from 1907 to 1911. During this pastorate a revival resulted in 65 conversions. The Estey pipe organ was installed at a cost of \$2,700.

In March, 1911, Rev. A. Percival Hodgson was appointed pastor, to succeed Doctor Turner.



SCHOOL HOUSE WHERE FIRST PUBLIC MEETINGS WERE HELD.

## CHURCH CONSTITUTION OR CHARTER

### ARTICLE I.

This corporation shall be denominated the Falls Methodist Episcopal Church.

### ARTICLE II.

The officers of this corporation shall consist of nine trustees to be composed of lay members only, out of whom shall be chosen a President, Secretary and Treasurer.

### ARTICLE III.

The present trustees to wit: James Mills, Albert G. Marley, William Shronk, William Robinson, Edward Foster, William Booth, John M. Shronk, James S. Fielding and Joseph Beevis, shall continue in office until an election takes place as hereinafter provided.

### ARTICLE IV.

Section 1. On the Second Monday in January, A. D., 1867, between the hours of seven and nine o'clock, in the evening there shall be elected by ballot at the Falls Methodist Episcopal Church aforesaid Nine Trustees, lay members, three of whom shall serve for the term of three years, three others for the term of two years and three for the term of one year, which the trustees themselves shall determine by lot at their first meeting after the election and on the Second Monday in January in each and every year thereafter there shall be elected by ballot at the said Church three trustees, who shall serve three years in place of those whose terms shall have then expired, to the end that there shall be at all times nine trustees, provided, that after the first election no person shall be eligible to the office of a trustee who shall not have been a member in good standing of the Falls Methodist Episcopal Church aforesaid twelve months previous to the said election and shall be twenty-one years of age and a citizen of this Commonwealth; nor shall any one be eligible to the office of trustee who holds office of profit or emolument in said Church; and also provided, that nothing contained in this article or any other article shall be so construed as in anywise to prevent the original trus-

tees named in Article 3, or any other person or persons who shall fill said office from re-election from time to time as they continue members of the Falls Methodist Episcopal Church.

Section 2. Every person shall be permitted to vote for trustees who shall have been a regular male member of the said Church six months previous to the election, of twenty-one years of age and one year's standing in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

### ARTICLE V.

Section 1. Whenever any circumstance shall prevent an election for trustees from taking place at the time herein appointed for that purpose, then and in every such case an election shall be held therefor as soon as convenient thereafter, of which notice shall be given one Sabbath Day previous to said election, and until the holding of such election the trustees previously elected shall be considered as holding over and in office.

Sec. 2. Wherever any vacancy shall occur in the board by the death, resignation, ceasing to be a member of the Falls Methodist Episcopal Church aforesaid or refusal to serve when elected or any of the said Trustees in every such case, the remaining trustees shall have power to fill said vacancy or vacancies until the next annual election, at which time and place any remaining vacancy or vacancies shall be filled by the regularly qualified voters of said Church, and the person or persons so appointed shall serve for the same time as the trustee or trustees whose place or places he or they were chosen to fill would have entitled to serve. The time of holding all elections shall be duly made known in the same manner and way provided for in the first Section of this article.

### ARTICLE VI.

Immediately after an election in each and every year the trustees shall proceed to elect a President, Secretary and Treasurer from their own body; who shall respectively continue during the pleasure of the board.

### ARTICLE VII.

The duty of the President shall be to preside at all meetings of the board,

and on all questions in which the trustees shall be equally divided he shall have the casting vote, and to sign all orders drawn on the Treasurer. In his absence, a President pro tempore shall be appointed, who shall perform the same duties.

#### ARTICLE VIII.

The duty of the Secretary shall be to attend all meetings of the trustees, to take and preserve fair and exact minutes of their proceedings in a book provided for that purpose by the corporation, to countersign all orders upon the Treasurer, and give due notice of meetings.

#### ARTICLE IX.

The duty of the Treasurer shall be to pay all orders drawn on him and signed by the President and Secretary; by order of the Trustees, keep a fair and regular account of all monies received and disbursed by him, in a book provided for that purpose by the corporation and make an annual report of the same to the Society. He shall give bonds with such security as the trustees may require for the faithful performance of his duties, and shall deliver up and pay over to his successor in office or to such person or persons as the said trustees may direct all or any property, money, books, papers and article or articles in his possession belonging to said corporation, within ten days from the time he shall be required so to do by the said trustees or a major part of them.

#### ARTICLE X.

Section 1. The stated meetings of said trustees for transacting the regular business of said Church shall be held once in each and every month at such times as the by-laws may direct.

Sec. 2. Whenever special business shall render it necessary the President or any three of the trustees shall have power to call a meeting of the board, if he or they shall deem it necessary. Five of the said trustees shall form a quorum to transact business.

#### ARTICLE XI.

Nothing in these Articles of Association shall hereafter in any way whatever be construed so as to deprive the ministers or preachers who shall be

appointed from time to time to officiate in said Church in conformity with the rules of the General or Annual Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States, of the spiritual use and privilege of the said Falls Methodist Episcopal Church aforesaid, or any other house or houses for public worship that do or may hereafter belong to the said Church or corporation, provided, nevertheless, that in all cases when application is made for permission to use the Church for any other purpose than that to which it is ordinarily appropriated, it shall require the consent of a majority of the board of trustees to grant such permission and on all such occasions the preacher in charge shall be associated with the trustees and have equal privilege with any other member of the board.

#### ARTICLE XII.

All the estate, real, personal or mixed, of the said corporation shall be vested in the board of trustees and their successors forever and shall be taken and held or enure to the benefit and use and subject to the control and disposition of the lay members of this corporation, as herein provided, and the clear yearly income arising from the said estate, real, personal or mixed and the interest of money by them lent, shall not exceed two thousand dollars.

Sec. 2. The said corporation and their successors are authorized to purchase, receive, hold, use and enjoy to them and their successors all lands, tenements, hereditaments, goods, chattels, sum and sums of money and other property, granted, aliened, given, devised or bequeathed to them at any time or times hereafter, subject to the preceding section.

Sec. 3. The said corporation or their successors shall and may at any time or times hereafter, grant, bargain, sell, convey, mortgage or dispose of any real estate of the said corporation or which may at any time or times hereafter be acquired by them, to any person or persons or corporation, either by public or private sale or sales for the best price or prices that can be had or obtained therefore and upon such sale or sales

or grant in mortgage or mortgages to grant, bargain, sell and convey the same or any part thereof to the purchaser or purchasers, mortgagee or mortgagees, his or their heirs, successors and assigns forever; provided that no such sale, grant, mortgage or conveyance shall be made without first calling a meeting of the male members of said church, of which meeting due notice shall be given on one Sabbath Day previous, and obtaining the consent and approbation of at least two-thirds of those present who shall be convened together in pursuance of such notice or invitation and also provided, that nothing contained in the preceding or any other article or section of this Constitution shall be so construed as in anywise to conflict with or oppose any of the numbers of the Discipline or the Methodist Episcopal Church.

#### ARTICLE XIII.

The trustees in their official capacity shall have power to call a meeting of the male members of said Church at any time they may think proper, of which meeting due notice shall be given on the previous Sabbath Day.

#### ARTICLE XIV.

The trustees shall have power to make such bylaws as shall be necessary for transacting the business of said corporation (not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of Pennsylvania and this instrument), and shall make and use a common seal, the same to break, alter or renew at pleasure.

#### ARTICLE XV.

There shall be no alteration or amendments made to this Constitution without the consent of two-thirds of the male members of said Church who may be assembled for that purpose after public notice given as prescribed in the first section of the 5th Article of this Constitution and which alterations or amendments are to be approved by the Supreme Court or Court of Common Pleas.

JAMES MILLS,  
WILLIAM ROBINSON,  
JAMES SHAW FIELDING,  
WILLIAM SHRONK,  
JOSEPH BEEVIS,  
JOHN M. SHRONK,  
ALBERT G. MARLEY, SR.,  
EDWARD FOSTER,

Petitioners.

BE IT REMEMBERED, that at a Court of Common Pleas, held at Philadelphia, in and for the City and County of Philadelphia, on the 27th day of August, Anno Domini, 1867, the within instrument of writing was presented to the said Court and due notice having been inserted in a newspaper printed in said county, in due conformity to law; therefore, on motion of Thomas Greenbank, it is declared and decreed, that the persons so associated under said articles, shall, according to the articles and conditions in said instrument, set forth and contained, become and be a corporation or body politic in law, and in fact, to have continuance by the name, style and title in said instrument provided and declared, and it is further ordered and directed that the said instrument or charter of incorporation shall be recorded in the office for recording deeds in and for this county.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court, this 16th day of September, A. D., one thousand and eight hundred and sixty-seven (1867).

T. O. WEBB,  
pro. Prothy,

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Appd.

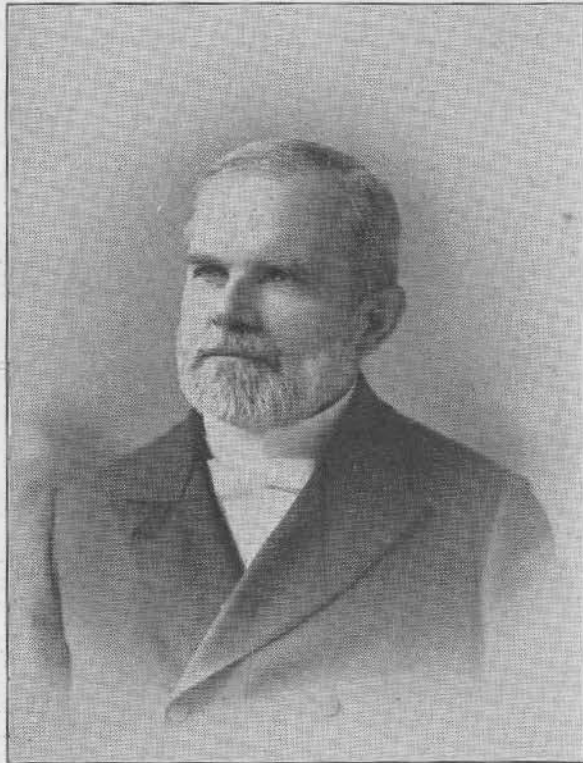
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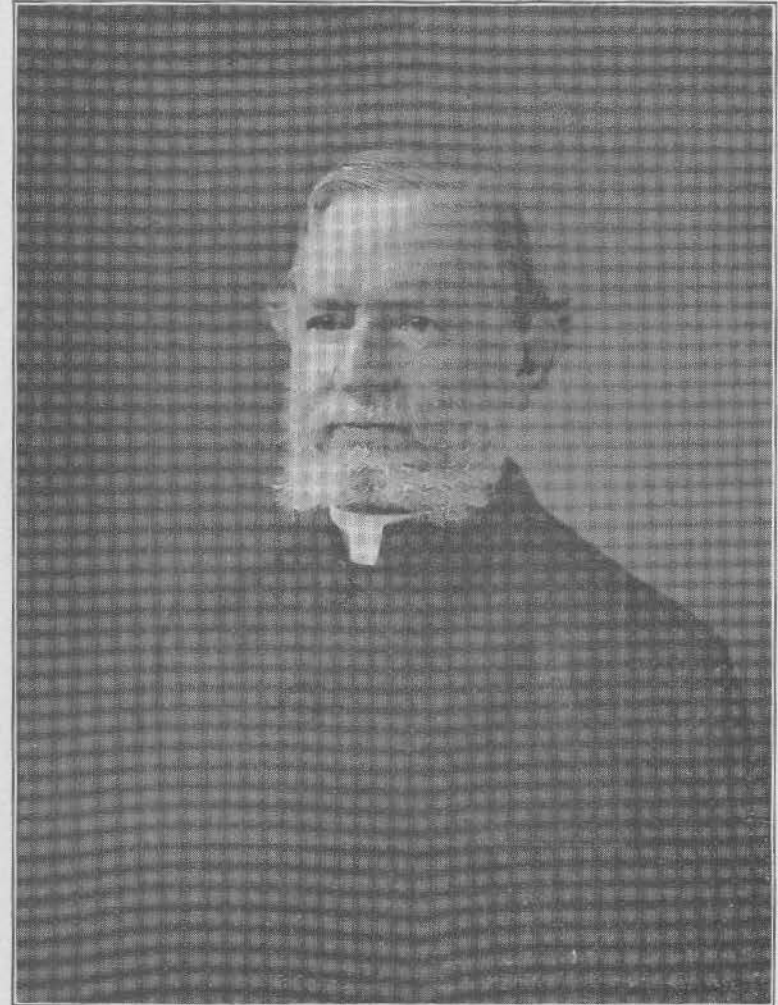
Witness my hand and seal of office this 17th day of October, A. D., 1867.

J. T. OWEN, Rec.,  
Per M. MYERS.





JACOB S. HUGHES. Pastor from 1864-1867.



BISHOP THOMAS B. NEELY, D. D., L. L. D. Pastor from 1867-1869



T. T. MUTCHLER. Pastor from 1888-1891.



S. K. McCONNELL. Pastor from 1904-1907



ROBT. A. McILVAIN  
Pastor from 1895-1900



RICHARD TURNER.  
Pastor from 1907-1911

#### NAMES OF PASTORS AND YEARS OF SERVICE.

1855-1856—Jos. Elree.  
1856-1857—W. C. Best.  
1857-1858—W. Smith.  
1858-1859—S. B. Best.  
1859-1861—J. R. Bailey.  
1861-1863—J. S. J. McConnell.  
1863-1864—Stephen Townsend.  
1864-1867—Jacob S. Hughes.  
1867-1869—Thomas B. Neely.  
1869-1872—Maris Graves.  
1872-1874—George A. Wolfe.  
1874-1876—J. C. Wood.  
1876-1879—Wilmer Coffman.  
1879-1882—P. J. Cox.  
1882-1885—Eli Pickersgill.  
1885-1888—Nathaniel Turner.  
1888-1891—T. T. Mutchler.  
1891-1895—J. W. Rudolph.  
1895-1900—Robt. A. McIlvain.  
1900-1904—J. J. Timanus.  
1904-1907—S. K. McConnell.  
1907-1911—Richard Turner.  
1911—A. Percival Hodgson.

#### CHURCH CALENDAR

##### Sabbath—

10.30 A. M. - Divine worship.  
2.00 P. M.—Sabbath school.  
7.30 P. M.—Divine worship.  
7.00 P. M.—Young People's service.

The Sacraments are administered the first Sabbath morning of each month.

Tuesday:—8.00 P. M., class meeting.

Wednesday:—8.00 P. M., prayer service.

Official Board, fourth Monday evening of the month.

Trustee Board, second Monday evening of the month.

Finance Committee, third Tuesday evening of the month.

Sunday-school Board, third Monday evening of the month.

Ladies' Aid Society, first Tuesday afternoon of the month.

Ushers' Association, third Thursday afternoon of the month.

Young People's Association, Friday evening, every three weeks.

Junior Epworth League, every Saturday evening.

The Sunday-school Missionary and

Temperance Societies meet at the call of their respective presidents.

The Auxiliary of the Methodist Episcopal Home also meets at the call of the president.

#### ROSTER OF CHURCH OFFICERS AND AUXILIARIES

Resident Bishop, Rev. Joseph F. Berry, D. D., L. L. D., 1026 Arch street.

District Superintendent, Rev. William Powick, D. D., 424 E. Walnut Lane, Germantown.

Minister, Rev. A. Percival Hodgson., 3582 Queen Lane.

Exhorter, Albert Lightowler.

Choirmaster, William E. Clark.

Organist, Miss Rachel I. Minsker.

#### TRUSTEES

John W. Bates

Harry Clayton

Joseph F. Smith

Abel Lees

William E. Clayton

John R. Scott

Jacob G. Walker

Thomas J. Davey

M. Willard Hess

#### STEWARDS

Adam Mettinger

Dr. J. S. Rutter, Recording Steward

Harry Clayton, District Steward

A. Roy Dyson

Albert Lightowler

Mrs. Annie G. Sherlock

Mrs. Arvilla R. Bonnell

Mrs. Sarah M. Hawk

Mrs. Theresa Rawnsley

Mrs. Elizabeth Blocker

Miss Carrie Rodgers

Trier of Appeals, Adam Mettinger.

Financial Secretary, William E. Clayton.

Assistant Financial Secretary, Abel Lees.

Treasurer, Dr. J. S. Rutter.

### QUARTERLY CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

#### 1.—Foreign Missions

Harry Sheard  
George Gotwols  
Carrie A. Dyson.

#### 2.—Home Missions and Church Extension

William D. Hall  
Monroe Hess  
William H. Willoughby

#### 3.—Sunday-schools

Abel Lees  
William Clark  
Mary Scott

#### 4.—Tracts

Mrs. Matilda Crawford  
Mrs. Theresa Rawnsley  
Mrs. Mary A. Schofield

#### 5.—Temperance

Harry Clayton  
Dr. James S. Rutter  
Homer Fellows

#### 6.—Education

Lucy Lightowler  
Garfield Edmonds  
Edith Dyson

#### 7.—Freedmen's Aid

George B. Bromley  
Thomas Wilcox, Sr.  
Wayne Hawk

#### 8.—Hospitals

Albert Lightowler  
Mrs. Annie Sherlock  
Mrs. Sarah M. Hawk

#### 9.—Church Records

Joseph Smith  
Abel Lees  
Claude Hampshire

#### 10.—Auditing Accounts

Abel Lees  
Claude Hampshire  
Joseph Smith

#### 11.—Parsonages and Furnishings

Ladies' Aid Society

### 12.—Church Music

Harry Clayton  
M. Willard Hess  
Dr. J. S. Rutter  
Alfred Horsefield  
Abel Lees

#### 13.—Estimating Ministerial Support

John R. Scott  
Adam Mettinger  
Dr. J. S. Rutter

#### SUNDAY-SCHOOL OFFICERS

Superintendent, Dr. J. S. Rutter.  
Assistant Superintendent, Harry Clayton.

Home Department Superintendent,  
Mrs. Annie Sherlock.

Cradle Roll Department Superintendent,  
Miss Lucy Lightowler.

Secretary, A. Roy Dyson.  
Assistant Secretary, Monroe Hess.  
Treasurer, Miss Verna Minsker.  
Librarian, George Gotwols.  
Pianist, Miss Amy Smith.

First Assistant Pianist, Mrs. Bessie Wyatt.

Second Assistant Pianist, Miss Edith D. Taylor.

#### Primary Department.

Superintendent, Miss Lucy Lightowler  
Assistants, Mrs. Alice Clark, Miss Hilda Smith.

Organist, Mrs. Agnes Whitley.

#### Teachers

Rev. A. P. Hodgson  
Miss Carrie Rogers  
Mr. John Bates  
Mrs. Sarah M. Hawk  
Miss Carrie A. Dyson  
Mrs. Teresa Rawnsley  
Miss Annie Smith  
Dr. J. S. Rutter  
Miss Elizabeth Towers  
Miss Mary Scott  
Miss M. Edith Dyson  
Miss Mary Callard  
Miss Verna Minsker  
Miss Ida Leidy  
Miss Amy Smith  
Mrs. Annie Sherlock  
Miss Emma Webster  
Miss Mabel Scott  
Mr. Harry Clayton  
Mr. Albert Lightowler  
Miss Jennie Smith  
Miss Alice Buckley.  
Fred. S. Riggall

### SOCIETY

#### SUNDAY-SCHOOL MISSIONARY

President, Miss Carrie A. Dyson.  
Vice-President, Monroe H. Hess.  
Secretary, Miss Mary Donaldson.  
Treasurer, Miss M. Verna Minsker.

#### SUNDAY-SCHOOL TEMPERANCE SOCIETY—WHITE SHIELD LEAGUE

President, Albert Lightowler.  
Secretary, Harry Clayton.  
Treasurer, Miss M. Verna Minsker.

#### LADIES' AID SOCIETY

President, Mrs. Ellen Mitchell.  
Vice-President, Mrs. Elizabeth Blacker.

Secretary, Mrs. Sarah M. Hawk.  
Treasurer, Miss Carrie Rogers.  
Collectors, Mrs. Arvilla R. Bonnell,  
Mrs. Annie Sherlock, Mrs. Annie Kendall,  
Mrs. M. Alice Smithies, Mrs. Susan Wilcox,  
Mrs. Alice Clark, Mrs. Amelia Koch,  
Mrs. Agnes MacFadyen and Miss Annie Johnson.

#### USHERS' ASSOCIATION

President, Monroe H. Hess.  
Vice-President, George Gotwols  
Secretary and Treasurer, Garfield J. Edmonds.

#### YOUNG PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION

President, George Gotwols.  
First Vice-President, Monroe H. Hess.  
Second Vice-President, Miss Alice Buckley.

Secretary, Miss Irene Ambers.  
Treasurer, Miss Mary Donaldson.

Board of Directors—Monroe H. Hess,  
Claude Hampshire, Miss Marde Edwards,  
Miss Jennie Smith, Miss Emma Webster,  
Miss Mary Donaldson, William Wallace.

#### JUNIOR EPWORTH LEAGUE

Superintendent, Miss M. Edith Dyson.

Helpers, Mrs. Alice Clark, Miss Lillian W. Howarth, Miss Ethel Davey.

Treasurer, Elwood Clayton.  
Missionary Treasurer, Mrs. Alice Clark.

Teachers—Mrs. Annie Sherlock, Miss Elizabeth Towers.

Chorister, William E. Clark.  
Pianist, Mrs. Mary A. Freed.

### AUXILIARY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL HOME FOR THE AGED

President, Mrs. Eliza Reichardt.  
Secretary, Mrs. Arvilla R. Bonnell.  
Treasurer, Mrs. Ellen Mitchell.  
Collectors (in addition to officers)—Mrs.  
Annie Sherlock, Mrs. Susan Wilcox,  
Miss Carrie Rogers.

Salable Articles Committee, Mrs. Eliza Reichardt.  
Needlework Guild, Mrs. Ellen Mitchell

#### THE HOSPITAL LEGION

Secretary, A. Roy Dyson.  
Treasurer, Miss M. Verna Minsker.

#### ROLL OF MEMBERSHIP.

Armitage, Martha, 3115 N. 35th st.  
Ambers, Harry, 175 Haywood st.  
Ambers, Irene, 175 Haywood st.  
Bromley, George B., 3435 Cresson st.  
Bromley, Annie R., 3435 Cresson st.  
Bates, John H., 4173 Ridge ave.  
Bates, Annie M., 4173 Ridge ave.  
Bates, Emma B., 4173 Ridge ave.  
Bates, James M., 2650 Douglas st.  
Bates, George L., 4173 Ridge ave.  
Bates, Robert E., 4173 Ridge ave.  
Bonnell, Arvilla R., 3553 Queen Lane  
Boyd, Annie, 170 Haywood st.  
Bairshow, Dinah, 3461 Cresson st.  
Blacker, Elizabeth, 3568 New Queen st.  
Blacker, Herbert L., 3568 New Queen  
Blacker, Gladys E., 3568 New Queen st.  
Buckley, Fannie, 3427 N. 35th st.  
Buckley, Jas., Jr., 3427 N. 35th st.  
Buckley, Alice, 3427 N. 35th st.  
Budetti, Jean, 3515 Queen Lane  
Brown, John, 5230 Heston st.  
Brown, Sarah A., 5230 Heston st.  
Billman, Laura, 4841 Ridge ave.  
Clayton, Harry, Abbottsford ave.  
Clayton, William E., Abbottsford ave.  
Clayton, Bertha, Abbottsford ave.  
Clayton, Henrietta, 3574 New Queen st.  
Call, Charles, 3319 Cresson st.  
Call, Jennie, 3319 Cresson st.  
Clark, Wm. E., 3606 N. 35th st.  
Clark, Alice, 3606 N. 35th st.  
Chappell, Stephen H., 3551 Queen Lane  
Chappell, Martha, 3551 Queen Lane  
Chappell, Ethel, 3551 Queen Lane  
Callard, Mary, 150 Calumet st.  
Crawford, Matilda, 3446 Sunnyside ave.  
Crawford, Margaret, 3446 Sunnyside av.

Chadwick, Alex., Abbottsford ave.  
 Chadwick, Elizabeth, Abbottsford ave.  
 Drake, Lillian, 164 Haywood st.  
 Dyson, Carrie A., 4028 Ridge ave.  
 Dyson, M. Edith, 4028 Ridge ave.  
 Dyson, A. Roy, 4028 Ridge ave.  
 Donaldson, Christina, 3503 Ainslie st.  
 Donaldson, Mary, 3503 Ainslie st.  
 Davey, Sarah, 3441 Bowman st.  
 Davey, Thos. J., 3439 Bowman st.  
 Davey, Edna M., 3439 Bowman st.  
 Davey, Ethel, 3441 Bowman st.  
 Edmonds, Garfield J., 3513 N. 35th st.  
 Edwards, Maude, Fox Chase  
 Edwards, Beatrice, Fox Chase  
 Fertick, Emma, 3423 Sunnyside ave.  
 Fertick, Murrell, 3423 Sunnyside ave.  
 Fellows, Homer, 3441 Bowman st.  
 Fellows, Mabel, 3441 Bowman st.  
 Fellows, Beatrice, 3564 New Queen st.  
 Freed, Chas. M., 3305 Krail st.  
 Freed, Mary A., 3305 Krail st.  
 Frazier, Robert, Raven Hill, School Lane, Germantown  
 Garlick, Beatrice, 5 Plush Hill  
 Gotwols, Edna, 3539 Sunnyside ave.  
 Gotwols, George, 3539 Sunnyside ave.  
 Hemingway, Louisa, 3305 Cresson st.  
 Hoyle, Sarah, East Park Drive  
 Hoyle, Margaret, East Park Drive  
 Hess, Frank, 3522 New Queen st.  
 Hess, Sarah, 3522 New Queen st.  
 Hess, Jacob, 3530 Sunnyside ave.  
 Hess, Emma, 3530 Sunnyside ave.  
 Hess, M. Willard, 3422 Ainslie st.  
 Hess, Alice, 3422 Ainslie st.  
 Hess, Monroe H., 3422 Ainslie st.  
 Hess, Harry R., 3422 Ainslie st.  
 Hawk, Wayne K., 171 Haywood st.  
 Hawk, Sarah M., 171 Haywood st.  
 Hawk, Martha J., 166 Haywood st.  
 Hawk, Emma, Methodist Episcopal Home  
 Heap, Wm., 3528 Sunnyside ave.  
 Heap, Susan, 3528 Sunnyside ave.  
 Heap, Thomas, 3460 Ainslie st.  
 Howarth, Benj., 3508 Bowman st.  
 Howarth, Ada, 3508 Bowman st.  
 Howarth, Mary, 3508 Bowman st.  
 Howarth, Matilda, 3508 Bowman st.  
 Howarth, Harry, 3505 Bowman st.  
 Howarth, Lottie, 3505 Bowman st.  
 Howarth, Lillian H., 3508 Bowman st.  
 Howarth, James, 3508 Bowman t.  
 Horsfield, Alfred, 3513 N. 35th st.  
 Horsfield, Mary, 3513 N. 35th st.

Hoch, Zilla, 3521 Sunnyside ave.  
 Holmes, Eva, 3628 Fisk ave.  
 Hall, Minerva A., 3441 Queen Lane  
 Hall, Wm. D., 3441 Queen Lane  
 Hopkins, Mary, 3204 Scott Lane  
 Hampshire, Claude S., 3549 Sunnyside ave.  
 Hodgson, Martha M., 3582 Queen Lane  
 Hodgson, Ruth, 3582 Queen Lane  
 Johnson, Howard, 3442 Ainslie st.  
 Johnson, Ruth A., 3442 Ainslie st.  
 Johnson, Annie, 3575 Queen Lane  
 Jordan, Chas. A., 377 Lyceum ave.  
 Jordan, Sarah, 377 Lyceum ave.  
 Jenkinson, Alice, 3453 Queen Lane  
 Jenkinson, Annie, 3453 Queen Lane  
 Koch, Amelia, 3207 Cresson st.  
 Key, Ada, 150 Stanton st.  
 Kendall, Annie, 3315 Cresson st.  
 Kendall, Irene E., 3315 Cresson st.  
 Kent, Myrtle, 3510 ... 35th st.  
 Leidy, Howard, 2967 Ringgold st.  
 Leidy, Mabel, 2967 Ringgold st.  
 Leidy, Ida M., 3405 Bowman st.  
 Leidy, Elizabeth, 3405 Bowman st.  
 Lister, Kate, 3611 Queen Lane  
 Lister, Elsie, 3611 Queen Lane  
 Lister, Grace, 3609 Queen Lane  
 Lightowler, Albert, 3626 Queen Lane  
 Lightowler, Maude, 3626 Queen Lane  
 Lightowler, Lucy, 3626 Queen Lane  
 Lightowler, Eunice, 3626 Queen Lane  
 Lees, Walter, 215 Calumet st.  
 Lees, Abel, 205 Calumet st.  
 Lees, Frank, 205 Calumet st.  
 Mettinger, Adam, 105 Midvale ave.  
 Major, Hannah, 3505 Bowman st.  
 MacFadyen, Agnes, 124 Eveline st.  
 MacFadyen, Esther, 124 Eveline st.  
 Minsker, Rachel I., 3553 Queen Lane  
 Minsker, M. Verna, 3553 Queen Lane  
 Mitchell, Ellen, Abbottsford ave.  
 Mitchell, Mary J., 3440 Queen Lane  
 MacKenzie, Ethel, 3429 Sunnyside ave.  
 MacKenzie, Donald, 3429 Sunnyside ave.  
 McCabe, John, 3575 Queen Lane  
 McCabe, Fannie, 3575 Queen Lane  
 Moorehead, Catharine B., 3596 Queen Lane  
 Matsinger, Jas., 1636 W. Dauphin st.  
 Matsinger, Lizzie E., 1636 W. Dauphin  
 Moorhouse, Edith, 3503 Allegheny ave.  
 Manley, Annie, 3616 N. 35th st.  
 Malone, Charlotte, 3453 Queen Lane  
 Newhall, Clara, 176 Haywood st.  
 O'Donnell, Christine, 3627 Fisk ave.

Ousey, Annie, 3544 Calumet st.  
 Parks, Ellen, 3547 Ainslie st.  
 Percival, William, 3209 Cresson st.  
 Pearson, Irene E., 3569 Calumet st.  
 Rutter, J. S., 3639 Queen Lane  
 Ridler, Emma W., 3419 N. 35th st.  
 Riggall, Helen, 2154 N. 28th st.  
 Riggall, Frederick S., 2154 N. 28th st.  
 Reichardt, Eliza, East Shawmont ave.  
 Rogers, Carrie, 3525 Sunnyside ave.  
 Rawnsley, Theresa, 3534 Sunnyside ave.  
 Roeder, M. A., Ridge ave. & Queen lane  
 Roeder, Emma F., Ridge ave. and Queen Lane  
 Rushworth, Nanny, Methodist Episcopal Home  
 Rodgers, Arinna, 166 Haywood st.  
 Rhoads, Lavina, 3583 Queen Lane  
 Rimmer, T., 3516 Allegheny ave.  
 Scott, Elizabeth, 4129 Ridge ave.  
 Scott, Mary J., 4429 Ridge ave.  
 Scott, Margaret, 4429 Ridge ave.  
 Scott, Mabel, 4429 Ridge ave.  
 Smith, Mary E., 3603 Fisk ave.  
 Stickland, Ann E., 3575 Queen Lane  
 Smith, Ann, 3439 Crawford st.  
 Smith, Joseph F., 3439 Crawford st.  
 Smith, Eliza F., 3439 Crawford st.  
 Sherlock, Annie G., 3596 Queen Lane  
 Sherlock, John, 3596 Queen Lane  
 Smith, Robert, 3536 Bowman st.  
 Smith, Lucy A., 3436 Bowman st.  
 Smith, Jennie L., 3436 Bowman st.  
 Smith, Hilda, 3436 Bowman st.  
 Smith, E. Ellen, 3436 Bowman st.  
 Smith, George, 3436 Bowman st.  
 Shronk, John W., East Park Drive  
 Shronk, John M., 3584 Queen Lane  
 Shronk, Ella R., 3584 Queen Lane  
 Shronk, Ruth, 3584 Queen Lane  
 Shronk, Leroy C., 3584 Queen Lane  
 Shronk, Jennie, 3148 Camac st.  
 Smith, Reuben, 3521 Queen Lane  
 Smith, Martha, 3521 Queen Lane  
 Skilton, Sarah L., 3520 Allegheny ave.  
 Smith, George H., 3515 Bowman st.  
 Smith, Bridget, 3515 Bowman st.  
 Smith, Mary, 3515 Bowman st.  
 Smith, Amy, 3515 Bowman st.  
 Mary E. Smith, 3676 Queen Lane.  
 Smith, Stanley, 3515 Bowman st.  
 Schofield, Mary A., 3319 Cresson st.  
 Smith, Elizabeth J., 3576 New Queen st.  
 Sheard, Harry, 3610 N. 35th st.  
 Sheard, Jane, 3610 N. 35th st.  
 Smith, Edward, 3440 Queen Lane  
 Schofield, Mary A., 3421 Sunnyside ave.  
 Schofield, Sarah A., 3527 Sunnyside ave.

Shaw, George, 9 Wiehle st.  
 Shepherd, Elizabeth, 2503 N. 33rd st.  
 Toomes, Ella, 3421 Clearfield st.  
 Toomes, Lavina, 4256 Ridge ave.  
 Toomes, Wesley, 4256 Ridge ave.  
 Toomes, Ella, 4256 Ridge ave.  
 Toomes, Jennie, 4256 Ridge ave.  
 Taylor, David, 3518 Ainslie st.  
 Taylor, Eunice, 3518 Ainslie st.  
 Taylor, Edith, 3518 Ainslie st.  
 Toomes, Thomas, 2421 Douglas st.  
 Thorpe, Luther, 3110 N. 29th st.  
 Thorpe, Mabel, 3547 Lafayette st.  
 Tatham, Annie, Methodist Episcopal Home  
 Taylor, Louisa, 3305 Krail st.  
 Widdop, Edith, 3507 Allegheny ave.  
 Towers, Louisa, 205 Calumet st.  
 Towers, Elizabeth, 205 Calumet st.  
 Towers, Frederick, 3421 Sunnyside ave.  
 Towers, Ada, 205 Calumet st.  
 Tasker, Mary, 3927 Ridge ave.  
 Trega, Ida M., 3630 Mill st.  
 Trega, Lottie, 3630 Mill st.  
 Wildop, Edith, 3507 Allegheny ave.  
 Whitley, Agnes, 3536 New Queen st.  
 Wyatt, Bessie, 3523 Sunnyside ave.  
 Wyatt, Ruth, 3523 Sunnyside ave.  
 Ward, Ralph, 4046 Ridge ave.  
 Ward, Norman, 4046 Ridge ave.  
 Whitaker, Thompson, 3316 N. 35th st.  
 Whitaker, Mary, 3316 N. 35th st.  
 Whitaker, Venetta, 3316 N. 35th st.  
 Walker, Ada, 3589 Queen Lane  
 Webster, Martha, 3307 Krail st.  
 Webster, Emma, 3307 Krail st.  
 Webster, Harold, 3307 Krail st.  
 Walker, John, 7 Plush Hill  
 Walker, Ruth, 7 Plush Hill  
 Wilkinson, Mary, 161 Hayward st.  
 Walker, Jacob G., 3519 Sunnyside ave.  
 Walker, Bella H., 3519 Sunnyside ave.  
 Willoughby, David, 3612 N. 35th st.  
 Willoughby, Ellen, 3612 N. 35th st.  
 Walker, George E., 4258 Ridge ave.  
 Wilcox, Thomas, Sr., 3532 New Queen  
 Wilcox, Susan, 3532 New Queen st.  
 Wilcox, Emma, 205 Calumet st.  
 Wilcox, Florence, 3532 New Queen st.  
 Wilcox, Nellie, 3426 Queen Lane  
 Walker, Grace D., Abbottsford ave.  
 Willoughby, Wm. H., 3510 N. 35th st.  
 Willoughby, Louisa, 3510 N. 35th st.  
 Willoughby, Agnes, 3510 N. 35th st.  
 Willoughby, Edith, 3510 N. 35th st.  
 Warrington, Arthur, 1636 W. Dauphin  
 Willoughby, Jennie, 3510 N. 35th st.  
 Warrington, Emma, 1636 W. Dauphin

*Eightieth Anniversary*

*and*

*Seventh Annual Rally Week*

*September 16th to 23rd, 1917*

*The Falls Methodist Episcopal Church*

*Queen Lane above Ridge Avenue,*

*Philadelphia.*

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*Rev. A. Percival Hodyson, Minister*

**Sunday, September 16th, 10.30 A. M.**

Organ Voluntary, Miss Rachel I. Minsker  
*Sermon, The Rev. George H. Bickley, D. D. District Superintendent.*  
Music, Church Choir Hymnal, 294 (Lenox)  
Hymnal, 581 (Margaret)

**2 P. M.**

Rally Day Services, Combined Schools, Mr. Joseph Snowden, Supt.  
Music, The Schools.  
*Address, The Rev. Edward S. Ninde, D. D.*  
*Minister First Church, Germantown*

**7.30 P. M.**

Organ Voluntary  
*Sermon, The Rev. Charles M. Boswell, D. D.*  
*Cor. Sec'y Methodist Hospital*  
Music, Church Choir Hymnal 702 ("America")  
Hymnal 415 (St. Catharine)

**Monday, September 17th, 8 P. M.**

Organ Voluntary  
*"The Story of Armenia" Doctor H. Y. Yardumian*  
*Local Armenian Minister*  
Music Hymnal, 636, ("St. George's Windsor")  
Hymnal, 633, ("The Kingdom Coming")

**Tuesday, September 18th, 8 P. M.**

Organ Voluntary  
*Sermon, The Rev. T. T. Mutchler, M. D., Minister, 1888-1891*  
Music Hymnal, 544, (Hankey)  
Hymnal, 420, (True Hearted)

**Wednesday, September 19th, 8 P. M.**

Organ Voluntary  
*"Our American Indian on the New Trail"*  
*Chief Manitowog, "Siwash Tribe"*  
Music, Miss L. Ruth Swartley  
Hymnal, 612, (Ewing)  
Hymnal, 654, (Tidings)

**Thursday, September 20th, 8 P. M.**

Organ Voluntary  
*"To Laugh, to be Cheerful, to be Happy"*  
*Mr. J. Arthur Schlichter, (The Poplar Orator and Lecturer)*  
Music Hymnal, 385, (Caledonia)  
Hymnal, 530, (Meditation)

**Friday, September 21st, 8 P. M.**

Organ Voluntary  
*The Greatest of the Great Oratorios,*  
*"The Messiah," (Handel)*  
Mr. Joseph Smith, Conductor Miss Rachel I. Minsker, Organist  
Hymnal, 631, (Edwinston)  
Hymnal, 180, (Diadem)

**Sunday, September 23rd, 10.30 A. M.**

Organ Voluntary  
*Sermon, The Rev. Freeman D. Bovard, D. D.*  
*Office Secretary Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.*  
Music, Church Choir Hymnal, 704, ("National Hymn")  
Hymnal, 383, (St. Gertrude)  
**2 P. M. The Schools**  
**2 P. M. Men's Rally**  
Auspices The Win-One Bible Class  
*Address, The Rev. Ralhh Welles Keeler, D. D.*  
*Bureau Publicity Board of Home Missions and Church Extension*  
Music, Mr. Joseph Smith

**7.30 P. M.**

Organ Voluntary  
*Sermon, The Rev. William Downey, D. D.*  
*Editor "Eastern Methodist."*  
Music, Church Choir  
Hymnal, "The Voice of Tree Grace"  
Hymnal, 180, ("Miles Lane")

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**DEDICATION OF THE NEW PRIMARY ROOM OF THE FALLS M. E. CHURCH**

The splendid addition to the local Methodist Church was dedicated last Sunday to the use of the Primary Department of the Sunday School at 3.30 P. M. This room opens on the level of the Krail street side of the church building. It is the brightest room of the church, airy and perfectly adapted to the work, with a seating capacity of at least one hundred persons and electrically lighted. The pastor, Rev. A. Percival Hodgson presided. Appropriate hymns were sung. Addresses by former teachers, Mrs. Alfred Horsefield, Miss Carrie Rodgers and the present superintendent, Miss Lucy Lightowler, were made. The pastor read the dedicatory service. This department has at present 83 scholars, fine teachers and a Cradle Roll numbering 45 members.

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**NEW MINISTER IN FALLS M. E. CHURCH**

**Dr. John S. Tomlinson Preached First Sermon There Last Sunday**

**SUCCEEDS REV. F.H. TEES**

Dr. John S. Tomlinson, who succeeds Rev. Francis H. Tees as pastor of the Falls M. E. church, preached his first sermon at his new charge last Sunday, with Rev. Robert McIlvaine as guest pastor.

Dr. Tomlinson comes to the Falls of Schuylkill from the Holmesburg M. E. Church. Previous to serving in the northeastern part of Philadelphia, he labored at East Lansdowne and other churches outside of Philadelphia. He is a graduate of Ursinus College, class of 1900, and also holds the degree of Ph. D. which was conferred upon him by Providence University.

With his family, Dr. Tomlinson moved into the parsonage on Queen Lane, yesterday. Dr. and Mrs. Tomlinson are the parents of four children; two sons and two daughters. The eldest son, Dr. J. W. Tomlinson, is a medical doctor connected with the Philadelphia General Hospital. Their other son and one daughter are students at Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa., while the youngest daughter is a senior at Frankford High School.

The new pastor of the Falls Methodist Church has long been connected with the Rural Work Department of the Philadelphia Methodist Conference, and those who heard him deliver his first sermon have unanimously expressed their delight in having so able a man come to take charge of their church affairs.

**Dr. Watchorn Gets District Appointment**

**West Philadelphia Pastor To Direct Local Methodists**

**POPULAR CHOICE**

**Succeeds Rev. W. Galloway Tyson, Who Served Here**

Dr. John Watchorn, pastor of Cooper Memorial Church, Fifty-third street and Girard avenue, was appointed last Saturday night as superintendent of the West district of the Philadelphia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, which is comprised of congregations in Roxborough, Manayunk, Wissahickon and East Falls.

Announcement of the appointment of the militant dry leader was made public by Bishop Ernest G. Richardson, head of the Philadelphia area of the denomination.

Dr. Watchorn will assume his new duties on October 1, when the present superintendent, Rev. W. Galloway Tyson, a former Roxborough clergyman, takes the pulpit of the Calvary Methodist Episcopal Church, Forty-eighth street and Baltimore avenue.

The appointee has been president of the Conference Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals for many years, and at one time held an important executive position on the Conference Commission on Social Service.

Among Dr. Watchorn's pastorates have been First Church, Lancaster; Central, Frankford; Haws Avenue, Norristown and Oak Lane, Philadelphia.



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## Festival at Falls Church

Epworth League Societies to Have Annual Display at Falls M. E. Church on Saturday.—Will Elect Officers.

Epworth League Societies of the Methodist Episcopal Churches in west and northwest Philadelphia will hold a Booth Festival in the Sunday School Room at the Falls M. E. Church, Indian Queen lane and Krail street, on Saturday next.

Great rivalry exists among the young church workers in obtaining donations for the Deaconess Home, at Sixth and Vine streets, and for the Home for the Aged, and the Orphanage on Belmont avenue. All of the articles which are collected in the West District are displayed in the booths at the festival. The group having the largest collection, and also the one having the best decorated booth, will receive prizes.

Following the display and awarding of prizes, district officers will be elected by the members of the various Epworth League Societies.

Between the sessions, a dinner will be served for distant visitors who care to stay for the evening activities. This will be available at a nominal sum.

Roxborough, Wissahickon, Manayunk and West Philadelphia societies will be represented at the Festival.

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## Revival Services to be Held at Falls Methodist Episcopal Church

Many Prominent Clergymen to Deliver Addresses at Special Exercises Between January 4th and 18th

The time on and between January 4th and 18th will be devoted to a season of prayer and revival at the Falls M. E. Church, at Indian Queen lane and Krail street. A special program has been arranged for the period as follows:

Sunday, January 4th:  
10:30 A. M.—Every-member Communion service. All members of the church, as far as possible, are expected to be present and partake of the Communion.

7:30 P. M.—Dr. Charles Boswell, noted evangelist and hospital worker, will be in charge of the service and bring the message.

The following are expected to preach during the week:

Monday, January 5th—Rev. F. Tees, Epworth M. E. Church.

Tuesday, January 6th—Rev. Howard Hand, The Church of the Advocate, Germantown.

Wednesday, January 7th—Rev. Cornelius Hudson, Conference Chorister.

Thursday, January 8th—Rev. F. Duncomb, Cynwyd M. E. Church.  
Friday, January 9th—Rev. A. P. Hodgson, E. Allegheny Avenue M. E.

Sunday, January 11th—Rev. Meta M. N. Jones will speak at both church services.

Monday, January 12th—Rev. Leon Moore, Wissinoming M. E. Church.

Tuesday, January 13th—Rev. George A. Laughead, Emmanuel M. E. Church, of Roxborough.

Wednesday, January 14th—Rev. D. L. McCartney, A. J. Kynett Memorial Church.

Thursday, January 16th—Rev. Thompson W. McKinney, Miller Memorial M. E. Church.

Sunday, January 18th—Day of Consecration in charge of the pastor, Dr. J. S. Tomlinson.

# The Falls Methodist Episcopal Church

Indian Queen Lane and Krail Street  
Philadelphia, Pa.



REV. JOHN S. TOMLINSON, D.D., Minister

Parsonage, 3582 Indian Queen Lane

Telephone, Victor 2943

Local Preacher, MR. GEORGE SMITH

Chorister, MR. JOSEPH SMITH

Organist, MRS. THOMAS DUNLOP

**SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 1931**

**"THE CHURCH OF THE FRIENDLY HEART"**

### Morning Worship *ten-thirty*

Prelude—Moderato in D Henry Smart  
 Hymn 207  
 The Apostles' Creed  
 Prayer  
 The Lord's Prayer  
 Psalter—11th Sunday  
 Gloria Patri  
 Tithes and Offerings  
 Anthem—Choir  
 Sermon: "Sure and Tried Founda-  
 tion"  
 Hymn 461  
 Benediction  
 Postlude in G Scotson Clarke

### Evening Worship *seven-thirty*

Prelude in G Alexander Guilmant  
 Song Service  
 Evening Prayer  
 Scripture Reading  
 Offertory  
 Anthem  
 Sermon: "Weighed in the Balance"  
 Hymn 248  
 Benediction  
 Postlude in G E. S. Hosmer

12 Noon—Sunday School

6.45 P. M.—Senior Epworth League

Friday, 7 P. M.—Junior Epworth League

Prayer Service—Wednesday, 8 P. M.—Young Women's Auxiliary

THE SEEN AND THE UNSEEN

It is a great day in any man's life when he makes for himself the discovery that visible reality is not the whole of reality, that certain things unseen are quite as real as anything that can be seen.—Ernest Fremont Tittle.

Let Me Keep Lent

Let me keep Lent,  
Let me not kneel and pray,  
Forego some trifle every day,  
Fast—and take Sacrament—  
And then  
Lend tongue to slander, hold ancient grudge,  
deny  
The very Lord Whom I would glorify.

Let me keep Lent,  
Let my heart grow in grace,  
Let thy light shine till my illumined face  
Will be a testament  
Read by all men  
That hate is buried, self-crucified, new-born  
The Spirit that shall rise on Easter morn.  
—Elizabeth Badley Read.

“Unless They Strike Me Down”

A Chinese district superintendent tells this story of a Christian in Kiangsi—one of scores of stories that might be told from many corners of China:

“Rev. Hwa Hsing-tung had done much work among the military men who were living in his compound. Though his church was often occupied by soldiers, he never suspended a single Sunday morning service. Sometimes the soldiers moved out in the morning and in in the afternoon on Sunday. Sometimes Pastor Hwa held his meeting in the girls' school. Mr. Kung, one of his church members, told me one day that one of his friends met him on the way and said to him, ‘Your church is abolished!’ He answered, ‘No, how could that be?’ Then his friend said, ‘Look here! Your church has been occupied by so many soldiers.’ Mr. Kung answered him again, saying, ‘See! I am still here! Unless they struck me down they could never abolish our church!’”

Eager to Prepare for Christian Ministry

“When the news spread that the Bible Training School, closed in 1927, would reopen in Foochow this fall, there was great eagerness to enroll,” reports the Rev. W. S. Bissonnette.

“Ngu Siong Guong, driven away from his post by bandits, has proved himself a real evangelist, and I gladly signed my name to his petition for a chance to train for Christian service. The first-prize students of last year's high school graduation class, and the young brother of Dr. Ciu Do Gieng, killed in service, were also successful.

“Thus we now have four hopeful young men in training for evangelism on the Kutien-Binghu field. After three years of every kind of opposition to the Christian religion the pressure for entrance into a Christian training school is so strong that rigid standards of qualification are necessary to keep the number within bounds.

“It looked like a famine of preachers in 1927, but the inherent power of the personality of Jesus Christ is re-asserting itself throughout the Church.

Mental Diet

Wrong thinking causes more trouble than wrong eating. To think envious thoughts, to allow other people's property to rob us of the pleasures our own might afford, to worry because we cannot have the things we want, to struggle for the things we think someone else thinks we ought to have—all this produces a mental attitude that sooner or later results in serious mental illness.

Paul the apostle was a very modern psychologist when, after listing all the good and beautiful, he says, “Think on these things.” To dwell upon thoughts which invite despair and make serenity impossible is to make the soul fallow ground for mental illness.—Roy L. Smith.

# They Ceased Not to Preach Jesus As the Christ

—Acts 5:42.



Bible Woman Teaching in Wuhu, China

**A** FEW years ago when the missionaries to China were in danger between contending armies and were ordered to the coast, what did the Chinese Christians do?

*"They ceased not to preach . . . Jesus as the Christ."*

When the communists persecuted the Chinese Christians for their faith, did they flinch under the ordeal?

*"They ceased not to preach . . . Jesus as the Christ."*

When bandits possessed whole counties of China, when men were kidnaped for ransom, when churches were raided, when huge taxes were levied, did the Christians go into hiding?

*"They ceased not to preach . . . Jesus as the Christ."*

When the Christian cause was attacked upon every side in China, when government regulations worked hardships, when funds were low, and spirituality seemed waning, did the Christian forces lessen their effort to evangelize all China?

*"They ceased not to preach . . . Jesus as the Christ."* They ordered a great advance in their effort to give China the Gospel. They launched the "Five Year Forward Evangelistic Movement."

The National Christian Council of China, representing practically all the missions and churches, has lined up solidly behind this "Five Year Movement," which is in essence a five years' program of evangelism. The twofold objective of this national movement is: (1) "The cultivation among Christians of a deeper knowledge of Christ, of a more intimate fellowship with Him, and of a more courageous following of Him in all the relationships of life." (2) "The carrying out of a vigorous evangelistic program in the hope that within the next five years the number of Christians will at least be doubled."

**T**HE Christian movement to-day in China is the most stable thing existing. Pray that all Christians in China may always be granted freedom to worship God.—E. C. Perkins, M.D.   ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦ ♦

### ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Annual Conference will be held this week in the Holy Cross Methodist Episcopal Church, North Fifth Street, Reading. The business sessions begin Tuesday evening with the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, and will close presumably sometime during the following Monday with the appointment of the preachers to their respective charges. The 39th annual meeting of the Laymen's Association will be held on Thursday, morning and afternoon sessions in the First Presbyterian Church, Fifth below Penn Street, Reading; the evening session in the Conference Church. Special train on the Reading Road stops at Wissahickon Station at 7.58 A. M. Returning, leaves Reading, Main Station, 9.30 P. M.; Franklin Street, 9.33 P. M. Fare, \$2.25, round trip. Children, half fare. The Young People's Conference will be held in the Calvary Reformed Church, Reading, March 20-21. Epworth Banquet, Saturday evening.

### HOME SERVICES

The services in this church next Sunday: 10.30, the Pennsylvania Gideons—the Christian Commercial Travelers' Association of America, represented by F. P. Hoopes, of Norristown. Rev. George Smith, our beloved local preacher, will be the speaker of the evening.

### PRAYER SERVICE

The prayer service will be in charge of the Young Women's Auxiliary. Be sure to be present.

### THE BROTHERHOOD

Are you interested in this society? If so, you will try to manifest such interest by being present at the regular meeting of the Brotherhood on next Tuesday evening.

### THE CLOSING YEAR

With the ending of this Sabbath ends the work of the local church, although the financial year ended with February. The work of the year has been very encouraging; the attendance at the Church, League and School has showed a noticeable improvement. Despite the industrial depression, there has been such consecrated giving that the obligations of the local church have been met.

In this Lenten season may we be seeking such a deepening of our Christian experience that the new Conference year may witness many spiritual victories and additions to the Master's Kingdom and to the local church.

### THE BOOK OF LIFE

(II Corinthians, 3: 2-3)  
BY A. C. CHADWICK, JR.

Each person's a book, which another may read;  
Each word in it fashioned from some daily deed;  
Each sentence a guide for somebody's life;  
Each page is a story of peace or of strife;  
Each chapter's a sign of the lives that we lead,  
And is open for all who can see it and read.  
Not written in ink, but plain to be seen  
In acts that inspire, or things which demean;  
Not scribed upon paper, or stones, as of old;  
But graven on hearts, is the life-story told.  
So let each epistle be clean, true and pure,  
To influence others—and the book will endure.

Written February 22, 1931, after hearing Bishop Ernest Richardson preach at the Falls M. E. Church.



Members of Ministerial Examining Board and Conference Host—Seated, left to right: The Rev. George W. Henson, Oak Lane, registrar of the board; the Rev. John G. Wilson, Philadelphia, chairman, and the Rev. J. Bond, pastor of Memorial Church of the Holy Cross, Reading. Inset is the Rev. John S. Tomlinson, Falls of Schuylkill.

Conference at Reading, Pa.



**H**ELL WASN'T MENTIONED ONCE at the Sixth Ecumenical Methodist Conference, Foster Eaton, United Press staff correspondent, tells us in the *Atlanta Journal*.

Nor, for that matter, was much said about the pearly gates and golden streets above.

But the Methodists covered a good deal of nearer territory in their recent decennial gathering in Atlanta.

Meeting on the soil where John Wesley planted the seeds of Methodism in the Western world, they set forth the great problems which they see besetting mankind, and offered the truth of religious experience as the supreme solvent.

Representing what is perhaps the most militant religious cult in the world, writes that veteran evangelist and newspaper man, Sam W. Small, in the *Atlanta Constitution*, their suggestions of spiritual conquest "were so intensive and uplifting that they are bound to travel over the globe and put a new and powerful enthusiasm in Methodism for the ensuing decade."

As the great gathering declares in its official statement: "We offer to a confused world the authority of religious experience, and know that it has validity and assurance." And the statement continues:

"We have welcomed in these latter days the new interpretations of the universe by learned scientists, who have discarded mechanism, but we are not in the position of suppliants who would ask science whether religion may speak, for religion has sanctions as everlastingly true as the conclusions of science.

"We recognize the fact that theologies of other days were often too harsh to show forth God's mercy, and too logically consistent to be vital. Religion needs to be humanized, but religion ceases to be creative when it discards God and substitutes a glorified humanity.

"As over against this popular philosophy of our day we affirm our belief in a God Who waits to bless, a human soul waiting to be blessed, and Jesus Christ, Who is the living witness of the union of the two."

It is recalled that the first Methodist conference, presided over by John Wesley, had only six members. But 550 Methodist leaders, representing twenty-five countries, gathered in hospitable Atlanta to consider the state of their Church and to lend their massed influence for peace, righteousness, and good-will. They carried back with them to the four corners of the earth the memory of two urgent appeals to work for peace, the one by President Hoover, the other by Vice-President Curtis, himself a Methodist layman.

**B**UT one opportunity was lost, in the opinion of the *Pittsburgh Christian Advocate*, one of the Methodist organs.

A request of a German delegate, Dr. F. H. Otto Melle, that the Conference prepare a statement absolving Germany of the charge that she alone was guilty of bringing on the World War got no further than a devout prayer that "the guidance and the providence of God will be so disposed as to promote the brotherhood of mankind and permanent peace in the world."

The British delegates, we read, were all for plain speaking. "Their attitude was well put by the Rev. C. Ensor Walters when

he declared for a statement calling attention to the fact that Germany could no longer be held 'blood guilty' before the world." Here, says the *Pittsburgh Advocate*, "World Methodism faltered and lost a great chance."

A notable feature of the Conference, emphasized by delegate after delegate, the *New York Christian Advocate* reports, was the impression left by the British representatives. A discriminating American said, we read: "Those men talked as if they actually believed that Jesus Christ was sufficient for every human need, individual, social, racial, and international."



"It Has Strength, Robustness"

Says Bishop John M. Moore of American Methodism, with its more than 10,000,000 members, 45,000 clergy, and a constituency of 25,000,000.

**A**n interesting summary of the tremendous strength of American Methodism is given in an address to the Conference by Bishop John M. Moore, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, as it appears in *Zion's Herald*:

"Over 10,000,000 church members and a constituency of 25,000,000!

"An itinerant ministry of 45,000, led by seventy-five bishops, preaching to more than 70,000 congregations!

"One hundred and fifty universities and colleges, with plants valued at \$130,000,000, and endowment of nearly \$150,000,000, with a total student body of 75,000!

"Sixty orphanages, worth \$15,000,000, caring for 6,500 homeless children!

"Ninety hospitals that cost \$65,000,000, serving, every year, 325,000 patients!

"Sixteen publishing houses, doing an annual business of more than \$8,000,000!

"That is American Methodism, and its combined task. It has strength, robustness, energy, and movement. Its mission is human service with divine end, and in the language of its founder, 'to reform the continent and to spread Scriptural holiness over these lands.'"

The climax of the ten days' session came when the Conference presented its findings and President Hoover in a nation-wide broadcast from the White House address the great gathering.

Appealing to Methodism to cooperate in helping overcome the present depression and the evils of crime and lawlessness, and stressing the importance of spiritual values in a day of distorted emphasis upon the materialities of life, President Hoover came out in what is termed the strongest denunciation of war he has yet made in any public utterance:

"It seems strange and incredible that after all the centuries of man's experience with war, we still have to discuss it and to argue against it.

"It seems even more strange that with all the crushing burdens resting upon every nation because of wars, we still make progress against them at snail's pace.

"The nations groan under taxation, people of all lands suffer daily from economic depression, governments are perplexed—and yet we go on using incalculable sums in evident dread of those that may come upon us.

"A new mind must be made in the world on this subject; a new spirit must be created within the nations and between the nations. And I appeal to you as representatives of Methodists everywhere to unite with all other lovers of good-will and followers of the Prince of Peace for the making of human brotherhood, in which the peace of God shall prevail in the lives of men.

"I sincerely thank you for this privilege of speaking to you, and wish you all the richest blessings of earth and heaven."

"Help us again," echoed Vice-President Curtis in a personal address, "to believe universally that the precepts of Christ are



# Christmas Services

Sunday, December 27th, 1931

"FOR UNTO US A CHILD IS BORN"



The Falls Methodist Episcopal Church

REV. JOHN S. TOMLINSON, D. D., MINISTER

INDIAN QUEEN LANE AND KRAIL STREET

PHILADELPHIA, PA.





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## Morning Worship

Ten-thirty



PRELUDE—"Adoration"

Felix Borowski

HYMN—"Christians Awake"

Yorkshire

PRAYER

THE APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PSALTER—"Special Reading"

GLORIA PATRI

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

ANTHEM—"Adeste Fidelis"

Novello

SERMON—"The Christian Joy Note"

ANTHEM—"Christians Awake"

Maunder

HYMN—"While Shepherds Watched"

Cranbrook

POSTLUDE—"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Carl Mueller

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# Evening Worship

Seven-thirty



PRELUDE—"Christmas Pastorale" C. Dinelli

HYMN—"Sweetly Sang the Glorious Angels"

EVENING PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING

OFFERTORY

Excerpts from Handel's "Messiah"

CHORUS—"And the Glory of the Lord"

BARITONE SOLO—{ Recit.—"Thus Saith the Lord"  
Aria—"But Who May Abide"

CONTRALTO SOLO—{ Recit.—"Behold a Virgin Shall Conceive"  
Aria—"O Thou That Tellest Good Tidings"

CHORUS—"For Unto Us a Child Is Born"

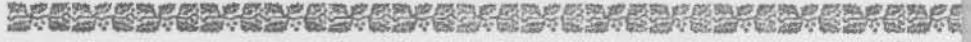
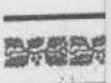
SOPRANO SOLO—"Rejoice Greatly"

CHORUS—"Worthy Is the Lamb"

CHORUS—"Hallelujah Chorus"

POSTLUDE—"Christmas" E. S. Hosmer





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Musical Program Direction of  
Mr. Joseph Smith

Soloists

Miss Velma Godshall	Soprano
Miss Betty MacKenzie	Contralto
Mr. Charles Hall	Baritone

Mrs. Thomas Dunlop, Organist



Falls M. E. Church:

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# Anniversary Week Services

1837 -- 1932

*Falls Methodist Episcopal Church*

INDIAN QUEEN LANE AND KRAIL STREET

REV. HAROLD ST. CLAIR CARTER, PASTOR



[ *Commemorating the 95th Anniversary*  
*of Methodism in the Falls of Schuylkill* ]



October 16th to October 23rd

Nineteen Hundred and Thirty-two

Chadwick Collection

**Church Officiary**

**Resident Bishop**

Rev. Ernest G. Richardson, D.D.

**District Superintendent**

Rev. John Watchorn, D.D.

**Pastor**

Rev. Harold St. Clair Carter, D.D.

**Local Preacher**

George Smith

**Trustees**

President—M. Willard Hess

Secretary—Thomas Davey

Harry Clayton  
Herbert Turner

George Gotwols  
William Clayton  
George Walker

George Stubblebine  
Morris Davis

**Stewards**

District Steward—George Smith

Reserve District Steward—Willard Hess

Recording Steward—Harry Clayton

Communion Steward—Mrs. George Stubblebine

George Bates  
James Buckley  
Theo. MacKenzie  
Joseph Smith  
Joseph Snowden  
John Garbut

Jacob Hess  
Harry Hess  
Harold Clayton  
Albert Homewood  
Norman Wooley  
Harold Webster

Homer Fellows  
John W. Bates  
John W. Davey  
Walter Barrows  
James Howarth

**Chorister**

Joseph Smith

**Organist**

Mrs. Thomas Dunlop

**Sunday School Superintendent**  
M. Willard Hess

**President Men's Bible Class**  
Herbert Turner

**President Ladies' Aid Society**  
Mrs. William MacFadyen

**President of Junior Aid Society**  
Mrs. James Buckley

**President of Queen Esther Circle**  
Miss Mary Rice

**President of Auxiliary to the Home for the Aged**  
Mrs. George Stubblebine

**President of Senior Epworth League**  
William Hutchinson

**Superintendents of Intermediate Epworth League**  
Miss Nellie Smith and Mrs. Harry Hess

**Superintendent of Junior League**  
Miss Elizabeth Towers

**Scoutmaster**

William Clayton

## Services of the Week

Sunday, October 16, 1932

### HOME-COMING SUNDAY

10.30 A. M. Roll Call Communion  
 12.00 A. M. Sunday School  
 6.45 P. M. Epworth League  
 7.30 P. M. Anniversary Night. Sermon Subject, "The Church"

Monday, October 17, 1932

### CHURCH NIGHT

8.00 P. M.

Guest Speaker.....Rev. Francis H. Tees  
 (Pastor, Falls M. E. Church, 1923 to 1928)  
 Music.....Falls Male Chorus

Tuesday, October 18, 1932

### LADIES' NIGHT

8.00 P. M.

Guest Speaker.....Rev. John S. Tomlinson, Ph.D.  
 (Pastor, Falls M. E. Church, 1928 to 1932)  
 Music.....Ladies' Chorus

Wednesday, October 19, 1932

### CHURCH ORGANIZATION NIGHT

8.00 P. M.

Guest Speaker.....Rev. Frederick Gacks  
 (Pastor, Falls M. E. Church, 1918 to 1920)  
 Music.....Church Choir and Soloists

Thursday, October 20, 1932

### MEN'S NIGHT

8.00 P. M.

Guest Speaker.....Rev. A. Percival Hodgson  
 (Pastor, Falls M. E. Church, 1911 to 1918)  
 Music.....Falls Male Quartette; Brass Quartette

Friday, October 21, 1932

### SUNDAY SCHOOL AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S RALLY

8.00 P. M.

Guest Speaker.....Rev. John C. Bieri, D.D.  
 Music.....Children's Chorus

Sunday, October 23, 1932

### ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY

10.30 A. M. Rev. John Watchorn, D.D., District Superintendent.  
 12.00 A. M. Sunday School.

Musical Service

SUNDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 23rd

By our Choir, under the direction of Mr. Joseph Smith, whose years of untiring effort has made the music of this Church an outstanding feature, comparable to the best Choirs in this city.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional

Hymn 91

Prayer

Scripture Reading

Offertory

Anthem—"Beautiful Savior" .....Christianson

Contralto Solo—"Rock of Ages".....Remick
Miss Betty MacKenzie

Anthem—"By Babylon's Wave".....Gounod

Tenor Solo—"Be Thou Faithful Unto Death " Mendelssohn
Mr. James Howarth

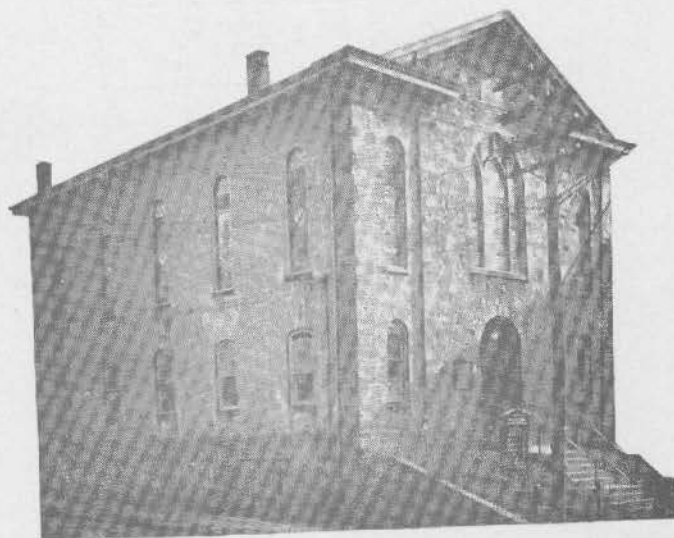
Anthem—"The Heaven's Are Telling," from "Creation".....Haydn

Duett—"My Faith Looks Up to Thee".....Basford
Miss Gladys Smith, Mrs. Harold Webster

Anthem—"Hallelujah Chorus," from the "Messiah".....Handel



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FALLS METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH



REV. HAROLD ST. CLAIR CARTER  
PASTOR

## Historical Sketch

Falls Methodist Episcopal Church originated in a Class Meeting that was held in the home of Andrew Gilmore, on Ridge Avenue, under the leadership of Abraham Asey, in 1837.

Public Services, a Sunday School, and other helpful "Means of Grace" were held in private homes and the School House on Queen Lane until 1851, when the growth of the Society was such that a special meeting of prominent members of the Falls of the Schuylkill Society met with the Pastor and Trustees of the Mt. Zion Methodist Episcopal Church of Manayunk, at which time it was decided to erect a church building.

The first church was dedicated September 14, 1851. It stood on the corner of Frederick and James (now Stanton) Streets.

Until 1855 the Society formed a part of the Mt. Zion Charge. In that year it was made a separate station with Joseph Elree as its pastor. In 1857 it was connected with Roxborough but reverted back as a separate appointment in 1858.

Falls and North Penn were joined in 1864 but the Annual Conference of 1865 placed North Penn in the City Mission and made the Falls once again a single station. Its membership at this time numbered 49 full members and probationers.

In 1871, a new location being found necessary, it was decided to purchase the lot on the corner of Queen Lane and Krail Streets, where the church now stands. The lot was secured and before the end of the year it was entirely cleared of debt.

In 1872, a building committee, consisting of Rev. Marvis Graves, Francis Ferguson, Edward Foster, James Mills and J. M. Shronk, undertook the erection of our present church edifice.

The following year found the Sunday School room completed, in which all church services were held.

In 1875, the church building, as it is today, was finished and, on the 31st of May of the same year, it was dedicated. Bishop Matthew Simpson preached the dedicatory sermon.

Space does not permit the recording of the glorious revivals, the sweet and precious fellowships, the labors of the men of God who have served as its pastors, and the stalwart Christian characters who have graced this communion as trustees, stewards and co-workers with their Master. The records in Glory will alone adequately tell the story.

Enough is known by those of us upon whom the mantles of these saints of God have fallen to charge and entreat us to destroy not the landmark that they, by God's help, have established, but to love, support and preserve it and hand our beloved church down to the coming generations not only as we have received it, but enlarged and enriched. "Dear Lord, help me to be faithful!" should be the prayer of every member of Falls Methodist Episcopal Church.