

UNITED METHODISM'S STEP NEARER

General Conference Delegates Vote to Join Southern and Protestant Churches.

BISHOP WEEPS JOYFULLY

Obstacles to Unification Believed Overcome — Perfection of Compromise Is Expected to Be Realized at Meeting in 1920.

KARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y., May 15.—The unification of American Methodism was advanced another step toward consummation today when by a vote that virtually was unanimous the 880 delegates to the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church adopted the report of the special committee on unification, paving the way to an amalgamation with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Methodist Episcopal Protestant Church.

The adoption of the report, which was the most important and far-reaching legislation that has been enacted by a Methodist general conference in many years, was attended with a spontaneous demonstration of enthusiasm. The great auditorium rang with cheers and applause as the aged bishop, Earl Cranston, who presided over the action was taken and Bishop E. R. Hendrix, senior member of the board of bishops of the Southern Church, clasped hands on the platform and wept with emotion.

Applause Is Terrific. "This is the supreme moment of my life," cried Bishop Cranston. "A marvelous result has been achieved," Bishop Hendrix said. "I pray that the whole Methodist body throughout the world may, more and more, see eye to eye, and Bishop Cranston and myself may live to stand jointly over the united general conference of United Methodism in America."

A terrific outburst of applause quickly gave way to song as the delegates joined in the hymn "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow," and then took up the strains of "Best Be the Thine That Bind."

On the platform with Bishop Cranston and Bishop Hendrix was one Englishman who attended the historic general conference in 1844 in New York, the last in which the Southern church was represented before Methodism was split over the question of slavery. He is Dr. Thompson H. Landon, of Bordentown, N. J.

Negotiations Are Continued. Today's action does not unite the two branches of the Methodist denominations, but continues the negotiations for a reunion.

"The points of agreement are many; the points of disagreement are few," Bishop Hendrix said. "It is generally believed that the obstacles in the way of unification have been overcome and that two years hence the general conference of the Methodist Church South will accept the plan for reunion, which the Northern church hopes to bring to final fulfillment at its general conference in 1920."

WILSON FRANK IN VIEWS

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stantially. He said, among other things: "One of the greatest points of strain upon me, if I may be permitted to point it out, was this:

"There are two reasons why the chief wish of America is for peace. One is that they love peace and have nothing to do with the present quarrel, and the other is that they believe the present quarrel has carried those engaged in it so far that they cannot be held to ordinary standards of responsibility and that therefore, as some men have expressed it to me, since the rest of the world is mad, why should we not simply refuse to have anything to do with the rest of the world? Why not let the storm pass, and then, when it is all over, have the reckonings?"

"Knowing that from both these two points of view the passion of America was for peace, I was, nevertheless, aware that America is not only one of the nations of the world but one of the chief nations of the world—a nation that grows more and more powerful almost in spite of herself; that grows morally more and more influential even when she is not aware of it. It is necessary that she should act more or less from the point of view of the rest of the world. If I cannot retain my moral influence over a man except by occasionally knocking him down, if that is the only basis upon which he will respect me, then for the sake of his soul, I have got occasionally to knock him down.

Souls Saved by Flats. "You know how we have read in— isn't it Ralph Connor's stories of life in Canada?—that all his skyscrapers are ready for a fracas at any time; and how the ultimate salvation of the souls of their parishioners depends on their using their flats occasionally. If a man will not listen to you quietly in a seat, sit on his neck and make him listen, just as I have always maintained, particularly in view of certain experiences of mine that the shortest road to a boy's moral sense is through his cuticle. There is a direct and, if I may be permitted the pun, a fundamental connection between the surface of his skin and his moral conscience. You arrest his attention first in that way and then get the moral

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lesson conveyed to him in milder ways that, if he were grown up, would be the only way you would use.

"So I say that I have been aware that in order to do the very thing that we are proudest of the ability to do, there might come a time when we would have to do it in a way that we would prefer not to do it, and the great burden on my spirits, gentlemen, has been that it has been up to me to choose when that time came.

Writers of Rumor Warned. "In domestic matters I think I can in most cases come pretty near a guess where the thought of America is going, but in foreign affairs the chief element is where action is going on in other quarters of the world and most where thought is going in the United States. Therefore, I have several times taken the liberty of urging upon you gentlemen not yourselves to know more than the State Department knows about foreign affairs. Some of you have shown a singular ignorance of commission, and certain things have been reported as understood in administrative circles which I never heard of until I read the news, save the consular officers, which surprise in regard to decisions which are said to be my own.

Now, that is pretty dangerous, gentlemen, because it happens that remarks start fires. There is tinder lying everywhere, and a man that spreads sparks may be responsible for starting a great deal worse than burning a town on the Mexican border. Thoughts may be bandits. Thoughts may be raiders. Thoughts may be invaders. Thoughts may be disturbers of international peace; and when you reflect upon the importance of this country keeping out of the present war you will know what tremendous elements we are all dealing with. I tell you, gentlemen, the only thing that saves the world is the little handful of disinterested men that are in it.

You may recall that I said on a previous occasion that I felt constantly a personal detachment from the Presidency; that one thing that I resented was the office being performed by the President of the United States. I felt toward it as a man feels toward a great function which, in working hours, he is obliged to perform, but which, out of working hours, he is glad to get away from. I am reminded as I go about, as I do sometimes at the week-end, of the personal inconvenience of being President of the United States. If I want to go to the city, I am reminded, as I go to small town, all I have to do is to go there, and they at once line up to be counted. I might, in a census-taking, deal of trouble by asking them to accompany me and count the people on the spot.

Effective Disguise Longed For. "Sometimes when I am met by a seriously think of renting a pair of whiskers or of doing something else that will furnish me with an adequate disguise, because I am sorry to find that the cut of my hair is unmistakable and must sail under false colors if I am going to see incognito.

"When the fortunes of your own country are, so to say, subject to the incalculable winds of passion that are blowing through other parts of the world then the strain is of a singular and unprecedented kind, because you do not know by what turn of the wheel of fortune the entire thing is going to be taken out of your hands; it makes no difference how deep the passion of the nation lies, that passion may be so overborne by the rush of fortune in circumstances like those which now exist that you feel the sort of strain almost as if you were a man who feels when his own affairs are not within his own hands. You can imagine the strain upon the feeling of any man who is trying to interpret the spirit of his country when he feels that spirit cannot have its own way beyond a certain point.

Sheer Character Is in Demand. "Now, I have found a few distinguished men. I wish I had found more. I can name two or three men with whom I have conferred again and again and again, and I have never caught them by any inadvertence thinking about themselves for their own interests, and I tie to those men as you would tie to an anchor. I tie to them as you would tie to the voices of conscience, if you could be sure that you always heard them. Men who have no axes to grind. Men who love America so that they would give their lives for it and never care whether anybody heard that they had given their lives for it; willing to die in obscurity if only they might serve! Those are the men, and nations like those men are the nations that are going to serve the world and save it. There never was a time in the history of the world when character, just sheer character, all by itself, told more than it does now.

"A friend of mine says that every man who takes office in Washington either grows or swells, and when I give a man an office I watch him carefully to see whether he is swelling or growing. The mischief of it is that when they swell they do not swell enough to burst. If they would only swell to the point where you might insert a pin and let out the gas it would be a great delight. I do not know any pastime that would be more diverting. The men who grow are the balance-wheel of the whole thing. They are the ballast that enables the craft to carry sail and make port in the long run, no matter what the weather is.

Contempt Felt for Certain Men. "I have come through the fire since I talked to you last. Whether the metal is pure than it was God only knows; but the fire has been there. If I may believe my own thoughts I have less partisan feeling, more impatience of party maneuvers, more enthusiasm for the right thing, no matter whom it hurts, than I ever had before in my life. And I have something that it is no doubt dangerous to have, but that I cannot help having. I have a profound intellectual contempt for men who cannot see the signs of the times. I have to deal with some men who know no more of the modern processes of politics than if they were living in the 18th century, and for them I have a profound and comprehensive intellectual contempt. They are blind, and the worst of it is I have to spend hours of my time talking to them when I know before I start as much as if I had finished that it is absolutely useless to talk to them. I am talking in vacuo.

"You will remember the red Queen in 'Alice in Wonderland' or 'Alice Through the Looking Glass'—I forget which, it has been so long since I read them—who takes Alice by the hand and they rush along at a great pace, and then when they stop Alice looks around and says 'But we are just where we were when we started.' 'Yes,' says the red Queen, 'you have to run twice as fast as that to get anywhere else.'

Fast Running Necessary. "That is also true, gentlemen, of the world and of affairs. You have got to run fast merely to stay where you are, and in order to get anywhere you have got to run twice as fast as that. That is what people do not realize. That is the mischief of these hopeless dams against the stream known as the liberties and standpatters and other words of obliquity. They are sinking further back in what will sometime comfortably close over their heads as the black waters of oblivion. I sometimes imagine that I see their heads going down, and I am not inclined even to throw them a life-preserver. The sooner they disappear, the better.

"We need their places for people who are awake and we particularly need now, gentlemen, men who will divest themselves of party passion and of personal preference and will try to think in the terms of America. If a man describes himself to me now in any other terms than those terms I am not sure of him, and I love the fellows that

Charles H. Carey

Candidate for Delegate at Large to the Republican National Convention

(N. B.—At the primaries, May 19, there are four delegates from the state at large to be elected to attend the Chicago Convention, besides two from each Congressional District.)

(Paid Advertisement.)

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PHONE RATE ORDER VOID Court Reverses Public Service Body in Woodburn Case.

SALEM, Or., May 16.—(Special.)—An order of the Public Service Commission increasing the rates of the Western Telephone Company, of Woodburn, was pronounced invalid today by Circuit Judge Galloway, who held that a franchise given to a municipality and a public utility could not be changed except by consent of both parties.

Following a merger of the Western Telephone Company with another company, the Public Service Commission raised rates, holding that those fixed by the franchise were insufficient. Under the terms of the franchise the maximum rate was \$1.50 a month. The city of Woodburn instituted suit to vacate the Commission's order.

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that the Anthony amendment be passed. Mrs. Elizabeth Geberdine and Mrs. Wallace Williams, of Washington, Mrs. Frances Haire, of Montana, and Miss Alice Reynolds, of Utah, spoke along the same line, and then Mrs. Florence Bayard Hilles, of Delaware, and Miss Ann Martin, of Montana, told the Congressmen that their aid was expected. "It is most necessary that you Democrats remain in power," Mrs. Hilles said. "But it is also necessary that you recognize the paramount issue facing you in the enfranchisement of women. As a Democrat, I appeal not only to Democrats, but every man who stands for a republican form of government."

Miss Martin said the suffragists hoped to be "friendly and that they would not have to oppose any political party."

Aniced cake weighing 150 pounds was brought back from the West by Wilson. Gresham to Discuss Candidates. GRESHAM, Or., May 16.—(Special.)—Meetings will be held in the lecture room of the public library here tomorrow at 2 o'clock and at 7:30 for discussion of the merits of the candidates. No candidates will be admitted.

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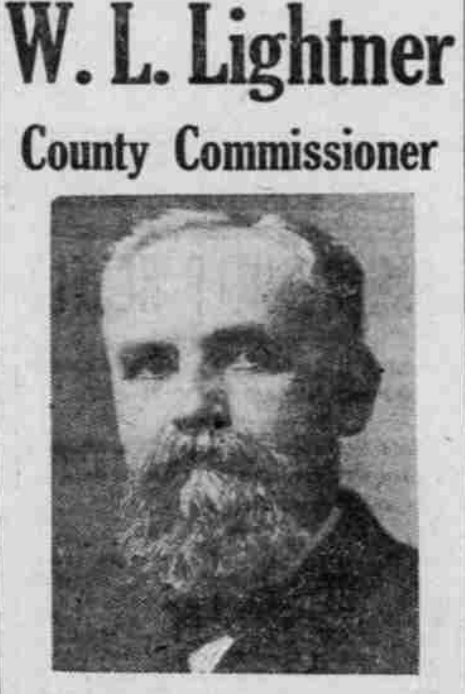
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