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VII. Memoirs

CHARLES G. GOMON

Gomon, son of Nelson and Amanda Jones Gomon, was born August 23, 1877 at Lake Delton, Wisconsin. He was passed away on January 15, 1964 at Auburn, Nebraska, at the age of 86 years, 3 months and 23 days.

He received his grade school education in a rural school near Delton, Wisconsin, and graduated from the Baraboo, Wisconsin, Normal School. He attended Northwestern University for one year before entering the Nebraska Wesleyan University where he received his Bachelor of Arts degree. For several years he was awarded an honorary Doctor of Divinity from the Nebraska Wesleyan University.

He served in the ministry of The Methodist Church in Wisconsin. He moved to the Nebraska Conference in 1906 as minister of the Methodist churches of Giltner, Lincoln, Ravenna, Cozad, Broken Bow, Aurora and served as District Superintendent of the Norfolk District for several years, before accepting the pastorate of St. Paul Church in Fairbury where he served two years. In 1934 he became a member of the Conference Claimants Society, with offices in Fairbury where he was to fill for fifteen years before retiring.

He was married on November 28, 1901 to Mary Estella Gomon, of Farm, Wisconsin. To this union two sons were born.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge, the Knights Templar, and the Elks Club.

After his wife's death in 1955, he moved to Peru where he lived for the remainder of his life.

He is survived by his two sons, Horace W. Gomon of Lincoln, and Charles G. Gomon of Peru, Nebraska; five grandchildren; three great grandchildren; and three brothers.

He was greatly beloved by his brother ministers, and by the people whom he served for so many years. Of him it can be said "He was a man of great faith and yet speaketh."

Funeral services were held on Jan. 17 at St. Paul Methodist Church in Fairbury by Dr. Alva H. Clark, minister. The interment was in the Fairbury Cemetery, Omaha.

JOSEPH E. JOHNSTON

Johnston was born on September 4, 1870, and passed away at the Methodist Memorial Home in Holdrege, Nebraska, at the ripe age of ninety-four years.

He served in the ministry in the West Swedish Conference in 1894 and in the Central Northwest Conference. At the time of his death in 1964, he had served in the Nebraska Conference in 1929, he became a member of the Nebraska Conference. His concluding years in active work were spent

at Saronville, Fairfield, Purple Cain. He received the retired relation in 1941. At retirement he had a record of 47 years in the active relationship.

Funeral services were held at the Nelson Funeral Home in Holdrege on Thursday, February 6th at two o'clock, conducted by the Rev. Virgil Anderson.

EDGAR COLLINS MOORE

Edgar Collins Moore, son of George W. and Julia Wharton Moore, was born on September 27, 1877, near Admire, Kansas, and passed away at Crowell Memorial Home at Blair, Nebraska, on November 27, 1963, at the age of eighty-six years. He graduated from Baker University, Baldwin, Kansas, in 1905. He was united in marriage to Mary Collins on June 22, 1904. His wife preceded him in death July 12, 1952.

Rev. Moore became a member of the Nebraska Conference in 1906, serving churches at Lewiston-Mayberry, Nehawka, Dakota City, Wolbach-Cushing, Adams, Guide Rock-Bostwick, Arapahoe-Gosper, Lewellen, and Elm Creek-Williamsburg.

He received the retired relation in 1947 with a total of 41½ years of full-time ministerial service. Following retirement he and his wife moved to Endicott, Nebraska, and later to Fairbury in 1950. However, his activity as a pastor did not end. He frequently assisted in services at the Fairbury Methodist Church as long as his health permitted.

Funeral services were held at the First Methodist Church in Fairbury on Monday, December 2, 1963, with Rev. Donald Littrell and Rev. James Green of the First Presbyterian Church officiating. Interment was in the Fairbury cemetery. Surviving are a sister, Mrs. W. C. Oman of Topeka, Kan.; a brother, J. R. Moore, Eugene, Ore.; a son, Clyde R. Moore of Fairbury; also 3 grandchildren, and 6 great grandchildren.

JOHN ALANSON MOORMAN

John Alanson Moorman, son of John Edgar and Jessie Ann Moorman, was born in Breckenridge County, Kentucky, December 2, 1882. His family moved to Missouri where he attended Missouri Wesleyan University at Cameron. He then entered the ministry in 1910.

On March 15, 1911, he was united in marriage to Miss Betty Pratt Coffey, Missouri. To this union were born one son, Dr. Albert E. Moorman of Springfield, Mo., and one daughter, Charlotte Mae, who preceded her father in death.

Rev. Moorman served pastorates in the Methodist Church in Missouri and Iowa before moving to Nebraska in 1924. After entering the Nebraska Conference he served churches at Long Pine, Gerding, Ord, Pawnee City, Hebron, Neligh, Fullerton, Oakland Westside, Randolph, and Deitz Memorial, Omaha. He took the retired relation in 1950 and moved to Dawson, Nebraska, but continued to serve where needed.

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Dr. Gomon first served in the ministry of The Methodist Church in the State of Wisconsin. He moved to the Nebraska Conference in 1907 and served as minister of the Methodist churches of Giltner, Epworth Church in Lincoln, Ravenna, Cozad, Broken Bow, Aurora and Albion. He then served as District Superintendent of the Norfolk District for five years, before accepting the pastorate of St. Paul Church in Omaha, where he served two years. In 1934 he became Executive Secretary of the Conference Claimants Society, with offices in Omaha; a position he was to fill for fifteen years before retiring in 1949.

Dr. Gomon was married on November 28, 1901 to Mary Estella Hepburn at Prairie Farm, Wisconsin. To this union two sons were born, Horace and Neal.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge, the Knights Templar, and the Peru Kiwanis Club.

Shortly after his wife's death in 1955, he moved to Peru where he has since lived.

He is survived by his two sons, Horace W. Gomon of Lincoln, and Dr. Neal S. Gomon of Peru, Nebraska; five grandchildren; three great grandchildren; one sister, and three brothers.

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