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the Jacob Hill, a fine product of  
 eastern Virginia Hills," was born  
 herdstown, W. Va., November  
 He vacated his tenement of  
 ash at the age of eighty-one  
 t his home in Washington,  
 cember 26, 1942.

r Hill's call to the ministry  
 his boyhood, following his  
 on, although it was not until  
 y-second year that the way  
 or him to enter this holy call-  
 llowing his graduation from  
 ollege, he taught school for  
 r of years, and engaged in  
 ristian work in the Y.M.C.A.  
 unday School. In the mean-  
 married Miss Frances D.  
 at Harper's Ferry, W. Va.,  
 28, 1888. At the session of  
 land Annual Conference of  
 odist Protestant Church, he  
 s the lay delegate from the  
 Ferry Charge. He took with  
 application, endorsed by his  
 uction, preparatory to enter-  
 Conference insisted upon his  
 s sent to Accomac, Va. The  
 and ordained.

ng wife entered their first  
 as, from which those of us  
 arted: First, never to raise  
 cond, always to leave an ap-  
 to make their home a haven

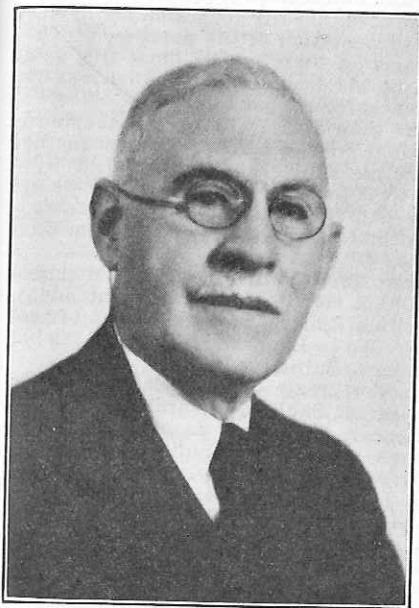
Wherever this busy pastor  
 church properties, to fight  
 souls to Jesus Christ. He  
 agre salaries, yet never once  
 or ask for more. However,  
 ee children, and invariably  
 while projects of all kinds.  
 people seek for wise counsel  
 broke a confidence, and saw  
 of God, and the good of all  
 s Montgomery expresses it:  
 After serving the following  
 d, Frederick, Delmar, Pipe  
 xandria, he retired in 1921,  
 e and his family engaged  
 pment of Lewis Memorial

eful and beautiful. Unable  
 essed his love for his dear  
 hours later he did, "to be  
 in his home by his pastor,  
 n, Rev. W. A. Roberts and  
 n the cemetery at Harper's

ghter, Mrs. Paul Lindsay,  
 and Lieut. George Joseph

NARD B. SMITH.

DANIEL EDWARD MOYLAN



One of the most unique ministries  
 in the annals of the Baltimore Con-  
 ference was brought to an abrupt  
 close by the death on January 8, 1943  
 of the Reverend Daniel Edward Moy-  
 lan, for forty-seven years Pastor of  
 Christ Church for the Deaf in Balti-  
 more. The story of his life is the  
 history of this Church, for it was to  
 his Church and congregation that his  
 life was devoted.

He was born in Frederick County  
 in 1869, the son of Patrick and Mary  
 Sweeney Moylan. Deprived of his  
 hearing at the age of four, he studied  
 at the Maryland State School for the  
 Deaf at Frederick, and after gradua-  
 tion taught at the School for the  
 Colored Deaf in Baltimore. It was  
 while teaching that he became aware  
 of the need of administering to the  
 spiritual welfare of the deaf. For  
 several years he served as a lay  
 leader in the Protestant Episcopal  
 Church, but it was with the help of  
 a Methodist, the late Reverend W.  
 M. Ferguson, then the Presiding  
 Elder of the Baltimore District, that

Christ Mission for the Deaf was established. Twenty-three persons were  
 present at the old Eutaw Street M. E. Church for the first service of the  
 new Mission on April 26, 1896, when Daniel Moylan was named as its Pastor.  
 He was ordained a Deacon in 1900, an Elder in 1908, and became a member  
 of the Baltimore Conference in 1912.

On March 24, 1912, the congregation moved to the Schroeder Street  
 Church, a building formerly used as the Central Y.M.C.A. Fourteen years  
 later, after working and planning for years for a Church they could call  
 their own, Rev. Moylan and his faithful flock finally saw their dreams  
 realized. On February 28, 1928, the City Missionary and Church Extension  
 Society acquired from Bethany Methodist Church, which had disbanded, the  
 beautiful and commodious building at 215 North Calhoun Street. The  
 Church was acquired at no cost (due to Bethany's generosity), except the  
 assumption of the mortgage of \$2,550. Rev. Moylan, with the help of many  
 deaf members and friends, and many other hearing friends, raised over five  
 thousand dollars, with which the mortgage was entirely paid off and the  
 interior of the Church completely renovated and improved.

Although his activities were centered about his Church, Rev. Moylan  
 maintained a lively interest in current affairs, especially as they concerned  
 the Deaf. He was appointed by the National Association of the Deaf as the  
 State Organizer for Maryland. He served as the Maryland delegate to the  
 National Association Convention on a number of occasions. He was a charter  
 member of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf organized in 1914.

On December 22, 1892, Brother Moylan married Miss Martha Linticum.  
 To this union were born a son Charles, and a daughter Mabel. Mrs. Moy-  
 lan preceded her husband in death June 13, 1935. She had been a loving,  
 unselfish wife and mother, truly an help meet for her husband. His later  
 years on the pathway of life were more difficult because he walked alone.  
 He is survived by his two children, Mrs. Mabel Elliott and Mr. Charles E.  
 Moylan, Chairman of the State Industrial Accident Commission; one sister,  
 Mrs. Mary Geraghty, and four grandchildren, all of Baltimore.

One of the most conspicuous and remarkable characteristics of this deaf  
 preacher will always be remembered by those who knew him—his ability to

move gracefully in the society of hearing people. Many hearing persons attended his Church services and socials, and he received frequent invitations to take part in the services of other Churches, usually to dramatize hymns or scriptures in the sign language. His presentation of the parables of The Lost Sheep and The Prodigal Son will never be forgotten by those who saw them. They were literally expressions of his heartfelt convictions, as is evidenced by a quotation from his written sermon upon "The Lost Sheep": "Now, a man's soul is of much more value than a sheep. And if a shepherd is so careful to seek out a lost sheep, ought we not to be interested in the souls of lost men and women?" Such was his motive for living, and he was utterly devoted to the winning of souls for Christ. Neither race nor color formed a barrier for his acts of mercy and kindness. No hovel was too humble for him to enter and spend hours comforting the afflicted, yet he was equally at ease among men of high estate.

Funeral services were held at Christ Church for the Deaf, Monday, January 11th. Those officiating were Dr. R. Y. Nicholson, Superintendent of the Baltimore South District; Dr. Ignatius Bjorlee, Superintendent of the Maryland State School for the Deaf; Rev. W. L. Lynn and Rev. P. E. Bohi. Interment was made in Woodlawn Cemetery, Baltimore.

It is said of Sir Christopher Wrenn, the greatest of all English architects, that he had inscribed on the wall of St. Paul's Cathedral: "Lictor, si monumentum requeris, circumspice" (Reader, if you ask to see my monument, look around you). Sir Christopher's monument is built of inanimate stone and marble. Our friend Daniel E. Moyland, can say the same of his Church, but instead of cold stone and brick, his real edifice is built of happy, devout souls of Christian men and women.

PAUL E. BOHI.

#### LEWIS SINGLETON RUDASILL



Lewis Singleton Rudasill was born in Front Royal, Va., June 14, 1873, of John William and Amanda Jennings Rudasill, and died in the Gorsuch Parsonage in Washington, D. C., June 1, 1943.

He is survived by his wife, the former Miss Elizabeth Slusser of Blacksburg, Va., and four children, Dwight Armstrong of Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Elvira Sommerville Ruble of Chestertown, Md.; Mrs. Virginia David Saufley of Martinsburg, W. Va.; Lewis Singleton, Jr. of Washington, D. C., and three sisters, Miss Mary F. Rudasill, Miss Elizabeth Rudasill, and Mrs. Grayson T. Rudasill of Front Royal, Va.

The funeral services were held at the Gorsuch Church at 2.30 P. M., Friday, June 4, 1943, and Interment in Fort Lincoln Cemetery, Washington. The services were conducted by Dr. Robert Lee Fultz, retired minister of

the Virginia Conference, assisted by Rev. Carrol Maddox of the Philadelphia Conference.

His early education was received in the public schools of Front Royal, later going to Randolph Macon Academy and College, where he received his Bachelor of Arts Degree. From Randolph Macon he went to Temple University of Philadelphia, where he received his Bachelor of Divinity scroll,

and finally at Oklahoma.

He was admitted to the Virginia Conference in 1902. He served churches in Roanoke, Va.; Sta. Paul, Va.; St. Paul Church, Salem, Va. He served the Virginia Conference in Hamilton and Poolesville, Md., for a period of two years.

During Dr. Rudasill's ministry in Europe, he traveled extensively that continent, and made several European travels.

Dr. Rudasill was a man of fervor. He was instrumental in assisting the conference to assist in this field, to give the evangelist, led by him, giving full time to the work, a remarkable success.

He never devoted his lives to the work in the Baltimore Conference to the number of those who have turned to him. Many have turned to him.

"The wise shall turn many to righteousness."

Mildred Ames York, and died August 9, 1911, at Rowland, and with her husband served the conference until 1923. Prior to 1923, she served as a trainee in the conference, and gained for her husband a garden in North Carolina. The day before her death she was in the Union Daily News.

Her married life was a Second Lieut. Charles Henry, and Ann, whose children found in whose life so fine a naturally to want to be radiant in the presence of experience trial and involvement.

God has been an ideal wife for a musician and pianist, was a rare adaptability. a delightful companion.