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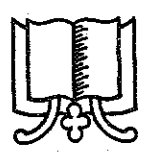
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grandchildren. First Church in Colorado Springs will greatly miss this good woman. Thousands of people throughout the state will cherish her memory, and realize a deep personal loss in her demise, for Mrs. Lee was a friend to all. She lived in the spirit and faith of Jesus. Now she is transferred to the church triumphant, where we may look forward by faith to seeing her again.

Mrs. Charlotte Hickman Lace

By FREDERICK J. COX

Mrs. Charlotte Hickman Lace, beloved wife of Rev. Dr. John J. Lace, District Superintendent, was called to her heavenly home Friday evening, December 9, 1927. The funeral service was held in First Church, Colorado Springs. Interment was in Sioux City, Iowa. Charlotte Ella was the daughter of Rev. Dr. Simeon M. and Mary Arter Hickman. She was born in New Philadelphia, Ohio. Her early and later life was spent in the parsonage, her father being an honored minister, first of the Pittsburgh and then of the East Ohio Conference. Charlotte graduated from the Cleveland high school. Then, after attending the young ladies' seminary at Painesville, Ohio, she went to Ohio Wesleyan, where she was graduated in 1887. She taught in the city schools of Cleveland, then in New Orleans University, and when the family came west to Iowa she became a member of the faculty of Morning-side College, teaching mathematics. She was married to Rev. Dr. John J. Lace in June, 1904, and came immediately to the service of the Methodist Church in Colorado. One daughter was born, Kathryn Anne, who graduated last June from Colorado College. Her home was a haven of rest, and the abiding place of love and peace and the spiritual realities. She delighted in making it beautiful. What a delight it was to sit at her table, and what a rare privilege to spend an evening in conversation about her hearth! Mrs. Lace loved the church, and was always active in its work. She was deeply interested in every church which came under her husband's supervision. She was prominent in the organization and development of the Epworth League when that institution was in its formative period, and served several terms as district president and Conference president. The missionary enterprise was also one of her chief joys, and to both the Home and Foreign Societies she gave her generous support and efficient leadership. Most of her married life has been associated with the district superintendency. For six years on the Western District at Grand Junction, nearly ten years in Utah, and the last two and a half years at Colorado Springs, Mrs. Lace was the wise counselor and loving companion of her husband. With the most sympathetic understanding she shared his most perplexing problems and his most difficult tasks. He relied upon her judgment and rested in the assurance of her counsel. She suffered greatly during the months that the dread disease laid hold of her life, but she bore her pain patiently, and awaited death cheerfully, happy always in the assurance of her Heavenly Father's care and keeping. Now she is transferred to the church triumphant. She will not be a stranger over there; she is well known to her Master.

Mrs. Eugene H. Smith

By MERLE M. MCCLINTOCK

Lillie Kidder was born in Epworth, Iowa, 61 years ago. She was a graduate of Cornell College at Mt. Vernon, Iowa, and it was there that she met Eugene H. Smith. The romance that began during their college years culminated in their marriage about 36 years ago. Following their marriage, they went to live in Madison, New Jersey, where Mr. Smith completed his course in theology. His first pastorate was in Sibley, Iowa, and it was there that their only child, Ruth Marie, was born. It was there, too, that the breakdown in health came that sent Mr. Smith to the West, and he went to Texas for two years. Later he was pastor in Canon City and Monte Vista, in Colorado, coming to Grand Junction for two years until his health would no longer permit him to preach. He was succeeded in 1905 by Dr. D. D. Forsyth, but he did not leave the city, moving to a ranch to spend the last days of his life near the friends who had loved him so much in the years of his ministry among them. He died here 13 years ago last Thursday, and was buried in Orchard Mesa cemetery.

After his death Mrs. Smith spent much time in California, where her daughter was attending California University, and while she was abroad continuing her musical studies. Later the two went to New York City, where for several years Mrs. Smith was superintendent of the Methodist Immigrant Girls' Home on 11th Street in New York City. She gave this position up after the marriage in China of her daughter, and was hoping to go to the Orient to join Mr. and Mrs. Taylor when the Chinese revolution drove out the missionaries and their assistants back to this country. She met Mr. and Mrs. Taylor in Pasadena and remained there for a year, and was on her way to New York with them when her final breakdown came while on a visit with old friends in Grand Junction, Colorado.

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But notwithstanding the frequent and long-continued absences from the city of the past few years, Mrs. Smith was yet one of the most useful of the women in religious and social welfare circles here. She was instrumental with Mrs. Ruth Wickersham in starting the Community House and its activities on the South Side, now known as the Goodwill Industries, and much of the good done in that institution would never have been possible except for the unselfish service of Mrs. Smith. She was a worker there for two years, giving her mornings entirely without remuneration to a school she had established with the Mexican children in the adobe houses near the sugar factory, and her afternoons to the Community House and shop. No one has ever done more for the foreign-born residents of this city than did Mrs. Smith. She was vitally interested in both the foreign and home missionary programs of her church, but this interest did not prevent a deep sympathy with the lives of her neighbors, near the ranch at Bethel and later in the Fairmount community, and a practical help in all their times of need. She was a loyal member of the Eastern Star.

In addition to her daughter and her grandson, Eugene Walter Taylor, she is survived by four brothers—the Rev. George Kidder, Los Angeles; Rev. J. J. Kidder, Mt. Vernon, Iowa; Zeph Kidder, Epworth, Iowa, and W. H. Kidder, Des Moines, Iowa. A niece, Mrs. Lloyd Sisler of Epworth spent some weeks here with her aunt and cousin, leaving for her Iowa home, however, before death came. A brother-in-law, the Rev. Merle N. Smith of Pasadena, made a visit to her during the spring.

The death of Mrs. Smith will come as a personal loss to a good many friends who had been ministered to by her and by those who appreciated her marvelous qualities of unselfishness and devotion to her family and those she loved. It was said by her close friends today that her life had touched for good more lives of other people than could be easily understood, even by those who were closest to her.

Mrs. H. F. Knight

Nettie E. Fenno was born August 13, 1850, near Chicago, Illinois. When she was but one year old the family moved to Appleton, Wisconsin.

On November 20, 1869, she was united in marriage to Henry F. Knight of Sheboygan, Wisconsin. To this union were born nine children, seven of whom are still living. E. B. Knight of Payette, Rev. C. M. Knight of Emmett, Rev. L. G. of Boise, E. G. of Clear Lake, South Dakota, Mrs. J. H. Burkhalter of Clifton, Colorado, Judge W. W. Knight of Brookings, South Dakota, and C. R. of New Plymouth.

Mr. Knight being a minister of the Methodist Church, the family has lived in many different places.

She united with the Methodist Church when she was fifteen years old and remained a faithful member of that church until her death. She departed this life January 14 after an illness of four months, at New Plymouth, Idaho. The funeral service in the Congregational Church was a real demonstration of the place she held in the community. The building was packed, all seating and standing place being utilized. The floral displays were beautiful and expressive of love. Six grandsons acted as pallbearers, and the two resident pastors united in conducting the services.

After the funeral the family returned to the home where dinner was ready. There were forty members of the family present to sit down together, while there were five other family branches not represented. This is truly a wonderful record. Fifty-eight years ago this couple was married. Fourteen have married into their family. Fifty-four have been born unto these unions. And only eight times has the death angel darkened the door. Her husband, Rev. H. F. Knight, is a highly honored retired member of the Colorado Conference and has the full sympathy of his brethren.

Excell Jones

Son of Rev. and Mrs. David S. Jones. Born December 12, 1902, at Larwill, Indiana. Died August 5, 1928, at Anderson, Indiana.