

WATKINS, BISHOP WILLIAM T.

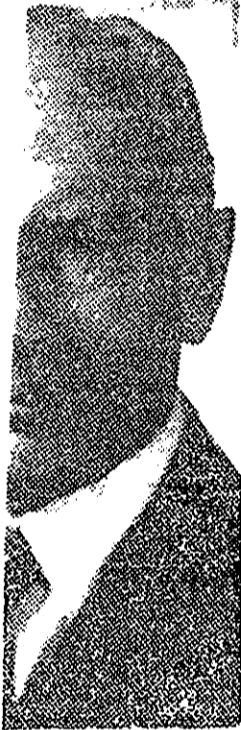
Watkins, Bishop William Turner

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OLIS, Feb. 7 (AP) —
Gale, sixty-five,
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W. T. Watkins, Methodist Bishop, Dies

Served in Kentucky
And Tennessee Areas

LOUISVILLE, Feb. 7 (AP) —
Bishop William T. Watkins,
sixty-five, former head of Ken-
tucky and Western Tennessee
Methodists, died at a hospital
yesterday after a heart attack.
He was stricken while driving
his car.

A forceful figure until his
retirement in 1959, Bishop
Watkins headed the Louisville,
the Kentucky and the Mem-
phis Conferences, which to-
gether have more than 1,600
churches and 300,000 members.
He came here in 1944 after
serving in Missouri, Mississippi
and South Carolina.

In 1955 he gained national
attention by urging his 900
subordinate ministers to be
"holy hypocrites."

"If a preacher has not grown
in grace to where he prefers
his brother to himself, then
he should pretend he has Let
us be idealistic, and go on be-
ing hypocritical, if there is no
other way to do it," Bishop
Watkins said.

He called this resolve into
the appointments he made, re-
fusing flatly to be pressured
into sending a minister where
he thought that minister should
not go.

Bishop Watkins was presi-
dent of the College of Bishops
of the Church's Southeastern
Jurisdiction in 1953. Since
1948 he had been chairman of
the Methodist Board of Homes
and Missions, which operates
more than 190 church institu-
tions.

Surviving are his wife, five
sons, and a sister.



Associated Press

Bishop William T. Watkins

Fireman Held In Operation Of Illegal Cab

A city fireman was arrested
yesterday on charges of oper-
ating an illegal cab.

The fireman, Matthew J.
Kelly, thirty-two, was picked up
as he was about to take the
wheel of the car at Highland
Boulevard and Interboro Park-
way, Brooklyn. He was taken
into custody by Detectives Val-
lace Milard and William Gal-
gan, who had been told that an
illegal tax, had been operating
in the area.

According to the detectives,
the first "L" on the front and
rear plates of the vehicle had
been doctored to look like an
"O," which is what all taxi
licenses begin with in the city.
In addition, the detectives
Fireman Kelly
his ov

It's Now 'Popular Drama'

her black coffee, and when they hear Iris' car they go, smiling, to the door to let her in. . . ."

And here's another:

"Paul Linden (which is short for Lidenczek) is a shy, lonely boy, who spends a year in a reformatory for being an accomplice in stealing a car. When he returns home, he finds that his mother's remarried. His stepfather, Pete Brodeck, says his mother's got to choose between Paul and him. Not knowing what else to do, she chooses to go with her second husband. Paul gets a job as busboy in McKay's restaurant, owned by Herb Maranczak, who's a nice fellow. Mary Cartwright is the cashier at McKay's, and Paul loves her from afar. She's engaged, but is jilted and tells Paul about it one night, and in his shy, fumbling way asks her to marry him. She does, but the next morning when he wakes up Mary's gone. He's desolate, never hears from her. Then, nine months later, he receives a message from Edna Scrivener, nurse at a home for unfortunate girls, who tells him that he's the father of a son. Mary died at the child's birth. He goes to Pittsburgh, brings his son home; the janitor's wife cares for the baby while he's at work. He's been promoted to waiter, and he knows that eventually he will find another gal he can love as much as he truly loved Mary."

Oh, come on fellas, let the corpse rest!

Rooney Joins Gleason

Mickey Rooney joins Jackie Gleason for a "live," unrehearsed chat on TV Friday night in the untitled series which replaced the misadventure of the TV year, "You're in the Picture." The Gleason series, incidentally, will expire in mid-March, when the comedian is committed to begin work on a movie called "Gigol."

He originally planned to tape enough shows to round out the season's schedule, but the plan has been dropped. . . . ABC will reinstate "Silents, Please," which truly is returning "by popular demand" on March 23. The program was a highlight of the summer season last year. Slated to appear as host of the series is Ernie Kovacs, who is terminating his current panel show, "Take a Good Look."

. . . Sherman Billingsley, who never wears formal attire at the Stork Club, appears in tails on the Junior League Mardi Gras Ball telecast on WCBS Friday night at 11:15 p. m.



Ernie Kovacs

Manhattan players summon fond

TV Re

'Hall of Fa

Jean Anouilh "Remembered" is a tocs gently betw reality, criss-cr romance with comedy and also mixture of Alice and Cinderella. I the "Hallmark I all of these ingr very nicely and an utterly deligl

The televisio: written by The was based on play which theat member as a ve Helen Hayes. R and Susan Stra: As performed by terparts, Edith J opher Plummer Munro. "Time was in good han through its whim equal amounts and impudence.

The play deals young prince w pining for two love of his life-ballerina who herself accident: had known her o In order to shoe his depression h a double, a lively ner, to imperso ceased lady and all the romanti were part of t This all works o course. The mil prince and the winds up as a fo oiy.

The plot was likely as could b that should have deterrent to the viewers. Nothing "Remembered" w be that real to t it was all def with tongue-in-c

Bishop William Watkins Dies; Was Methodist Leader in South

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 7 (AP)—Bishop William T. Watkins, retired Methodist leader of more than 300,000 church members in Kentucky and western Tennessee, died in a hospital here last night. He had suffered a heart attack in his car Sunday. His age was 65.

Bishop Watkins served bishoprics in Missouri, Mississippi and South Carolina before coming to Louisville in 1944. He then became one of the few bishops ever to head three Methodist Conferences at once—the Kentucky, Louisville and Memphis conferences, embracing 1,600 churches. He retired in 1959.

He was born in Maysville, Ga., in 1895 and was graduated from Emory University. He was ordained when he was 19. Time and again he urged his church to deal with the problem of racial injustice.

Survivors include his widow, five sons and a sister.



Associated Press
Bishop William T. Watkins

Attacked Catholic Actions

In 1947 Bishop Watkins was one of four signers of a report, subsequently adopted by his faith's Council of Bishops, accusing the Roman Catholic Church of political activity here and abroad that amounted to bigotry and denial of liberty. Ten years

later he told an educational conference in Philadelphia that "without [educational] institutions, the Catholic Church would undergo a steady decline."

Bishop Watkins was a past president of the Association of Methodist Hospitals and Homes.

SAMUEL C. GALE, AD EXECUTIVE, 65

Ex-General Mills Official Is Dead—Led National Council and Served E. C. A.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 7 (AP)—Samuel Chester Gale, retired vice president and director of advertising for General Mills, Inc., died today in his home. His age was 65.

Mr. Gale was a pioneer in modern advertising techniques and a tireless worker in behalf of better education. He retired from his General Mills position in 1955 and served as an advertising consultant until last June.

His service with General Mills and its predecessor, Washburn Crosby Company, began in 1921. He became director of advertising in 1928 and was named a vice president in 1943.

Mr. Gale is survived by his widow; two sons, Jeremy of Manhattan Beach, Calif., and Samuel of Burlington, Vt., and two sisters, Mary R. and Hilde Gale, both of Minneapolis.

Led Advertising Council

In 1950 Mr. Gale was elected chairman of the Advertising Council, a nation-wide body with headquarters here. He at once began an intensive study of the methods by which the average

JOHN H. ENZ

Special to The New York Times.

SCOTCH PLAINS, N. J., Feb. 7—John H. Enz of 2233 Evergreen Avenue, a former mechanical engineer with the Singer Manufacturing Company plant in Elizabeth, died yesterday at his home after a long illness. His age was 78.

Surviving are his widow, Katherine; seven sons, two daughters, a brother, a sister, twenty-two grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Deaths

ANTON—Adèle Becke, on Monday, Feb. 6, 1961, of 122 Gregory Ave., West Orange, N. J., beloved wife of Mark Anton, mother of Mrs. John H. Nichols Jr. and Mark J. Anton of Short Hills, N. J., sister of Mrs. Francis B. Starwood of West Orange, N. J., and Mrs. Reine Vandervort of Toledo, Ohio. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral from her home Thursday, Feb. 9, at 10 A. M. Requiem High Mass at 11 A. M., at St. Joseph's Church, West Orange, N. J. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Kessler Institute of Rehabilitation, West Orange, N. J., will be appreciated.

BANGS—Dorothy Bartlett, aged 80, on Feb. 7, 1961, at Maine Medical Center, Portland, Me., wife of Francis Hyde Bangs of Ogunquit, Me., and former wife of the late Danford Newton Barney Jr. of Farmington and Litchfield, Conn., sister of Joseph T. Bartlett Jr. of Greenfield, Mass. Private services will be held Friday afternoon, February 10, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. August D. Barney of Farmington, Conn. Please omit flowers.

BARREY—Jacob A., beloved husband of Jeanne, devoted brother of Sarina Lavis and Isaac Barrely. Services Thursday, Feb. 9, 2 P. M. at "The Riverside," 76th St. and Amsterdam Ave. and Board of Governors of Metropolitan Country Club record with great sorrow the passing of a devoted friend, a member of long standing and a former member of the Board of Governors. Heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.

JULIUS SAMUELS, President. MILTON FLUEGELMAN, Secretary.

BERMAN—Pauline, beloved wife of Hyman, devoted mother of Jennie Kleinman, Rose and Bernice Berman and great-

Deaths

FREEMAN—Leonard Brooks, on Feb. 6, 1961, beloved husband of Charlotte, loving brother of Mrs. Edith Green, Mrs. Loretta Wargshavsky and Jack Freeman. Service at Frank E. Campbell Madison Ave. at 81st St., on Thursday, 1 P. M.

GEFFEN—Sarah Henne. The National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs notes with sorrow the death of Mrs. Tobias Geffen mother of our spiritual advisor, Dr. Joel S. Geffen.

MORRIS R. SPELFOGEL, President. JOSEPH L. BLUM, Secretary.

GELLER—Esther Louise Smith, of Owego, N. Y., on Feb. 7, 1961, wife of Roscoe G. Geller, mother of David and Frederick. Funeral services at 11 A. M., Feb. 9, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to St. Paul's Organ Fund, Owego, N. Y.

GITZ—Murray, beloved husband of Elsie devoted father of Robert dear brother of Louise Cooper, Anthony Gitz, Regina Horowitz and Miriam Dropkin, darling grandfather. Services, Thursday, 11:30 A. M., at Brooklyn "Riverside," 1 Ocean Parkway.

GOLDBERG—William L., beloved husband of Sadie (nee Litt), dear father of Edith S. Meyrowitz, dear brother of Ben, loving grandfather of Doris. Services today, Feb. 8, Gramercy Park Memorial Chapel, 152 2d Ave., New York City 1 P. M.

GOLDBERG—William L., The Officers and Directors of The Rabbi Jacob Joseph School, record with great sorrow the passing of their revered fellow-director. He was for many years a devoted and ardent worker for our Yeshiva. Funeral services today, 1 P. M., Schwartz 152 2d Ave., Shiva at 1615 Avenue I, Brooklyn. May the Eternal comfort Mrs. Goldberg and daughter Mrs. Meyerowitz with all other mourners of Zion.

IRVING M. BUNIM, President. ISIDOR MENDELSON, Chairman Bd.

GOLDBERG—William L., The Alumni Association of the Rabbi Jacob Joseph School expresses its deepest sorrow upon the loss of its former President and devoted teacher. His memory will ever be a source of pride in our cause of Torah Education.

RABBI ARTHUR SCHICK, President.

GOLDBERG—William L., Flatbush Chapter Mirbach Women's Organization gratefully records the passing of William L. Goldberg, husband of our esteemed member, Sadie Goldberg. Services today, 1 P. M., at Gramercy Chapel 2d Ave. and 10th St., New York City.

BERTHA BOGIN, President.

GOLDBERG—William Goldberg Family Society mourns the passing of their past president. Funeral services today, 1 P. M., at Sigmund Schwartz Gramercy Park Chapel 2d Ave. at 10th St., New York City.

WILLIAM L. SKULLER, President.

GOLDBERG—William L., Young Israel of Flatbush has recorded with sorrow the passing of its esteemed member.

Deaths

McNAMARA—Anna (nee Lynch), on Feb. 6, 1961, native of Upper Kilsarvan, County Kerry, beloved wife of the late Patrick, devoted mother of Sister Edward Mary S. C. Mrs. Rita Bolger, Anne Christina, John, Frances and Edward, also survived by five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Reposing at Redden's Funeral Home, 325 West 14th St., Solemn Mass of Requiem St. Francis Xavier Church, 30 West 16th St., Thursday, 10 A. M. Interment St. John's Cemetery, Goshen, N. Y. Please omit flowers.

MALISOFF—Dr. Samuel, The Board of Trustees of Trafalgar Hospital announce with sorrow the passing of Dr. Samuel Malisoff on Saturday, Feb. 4, 1961, where he served as consultant in Urology with distinction and dedication. We extend deepest sympathy to his family.

SHERMAN PRATT, Pres. Bd. Trust.

MALISOFF—Dr. Samuel. It is with deep regret that we announce the death of Dr. Samuel Malisoff on Saturday, Feb. 4, 1961. Dr. Malisoff was known and admired by the medical staff of Trafalgar Hospital where he served as consultant in Urology. Our sincere sympathy is extended to the members of the family and his many friends. He will be missed by us at Trafalgar Hospital.

SAMUEL SCHEAR, President of the Medical Board.

MAYER—Leo Kenneth, of Manhattan, L. I., aged 75, on Feb. 5, 1961, beloved husband of Beatrice Kramer and loving father of Joyce Mayer Goldberg and grandfather of Jane and Nancy Sue Goldberg. Service at the funeral home of Dodge-Thomas, Inc., 75 Franklin Ave., Glen Cove, L. I., on Thursday, Feb. 9, at 2:30 P. M. Interment private in lieu of flowers contributions to the Kings County Chapter Multiple Sclerosis Society, 215 Montague St., Brooklyn, will be gratefully appreciated.

MILLER—Nathan, beloved husband of Ann, devoted father of Hugh, beloved brother of Herman, G. Idce Miller and Kate Toback, devoted grandfather. Services at Temple Memorial Northern Boulevard at Main St. Flatbush, 1 P. M. Thursday.

MINSKAL—Kathrin Terhune, on 22 days Feb. 6, widow of Robert, mother of Robert, sister of the late Alice Eddy. Service at Frank E. Campbell Madison Ave. at 81st St., Thursday, 2:30 P. M. Interment private.

MOIZKIN—Louis Flatbush Chapter, Mirbach Women's Organization records with sorrow the passing of Louis Moizkin, husband of devoted member and past president, Bertha Moizkin, Sunday Feb. 5, 1961. BERTHA MOIZKIN, President.

MILLIN—R. Jerome S. J., in Albuquerque, N. M. on Feb. 5, Pittsford, Vt. native formerly of Brooklyn, devoted brother of Edward P., the late Sister Mary Allen, Francis B., James L., Arthur G., Claire Carrigan.

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Deaths

Anton, Adele B. Bangs, Dorothy B. Barker, Jacob A. Berman, Pauline Bliss, Katharine B. Blume, Max Boos, Ilse Brandenburg, Julius Bregman, Lew Bromberg, A. J. Brucks, Edna. Bueck, Leonard A. Burgess, Marie E. Durke, Milo D. Burstein, Henry Butler, Emanuel Carr, Patrick J. Casin, Jacob Chisling, Elliott L. Cohen, Edward H. Cohen, Tillie Cook, Wallace A. Cuneo, John B. Deneshitz, Lena Denner, Anna Diamant, Samuel Diekmann, Esther Dunbar, Brooks Erickson, Anna E. Felix, Alfred R. Forst, Morris Forst, Belle D. Freeman, Leonard B. Geffen, Sarah H. Geller, Lathel L. Gitz, Murray Goldberg, William L. Goldstein, Abraham Goldstein, Isidore Goldstein, William L. Grand, Solomon Hascard, Florence K. Hawkins, Anna S. Healy, Patricia I. Heitner, Victoria Hilkand, Fay Hirsch, Lelia Holstein, Ray Holtberg, Harry Hunter, Frieda Mae Isaacs, Joseph Jacobs, Louis Kaufman, Lillian Kleiman, Max P.

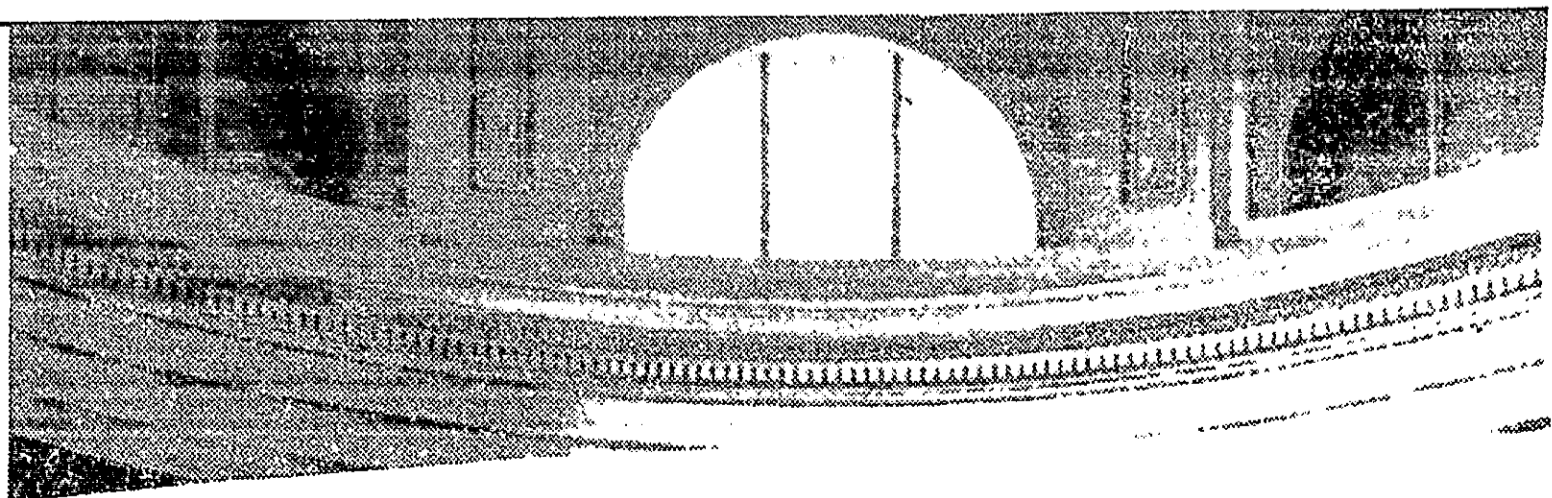
Landesman, Nellie LaVigna, Judith B. Left, Max Leone, William Levin, Ray Lillenthal, Hermann Lindsley, Isabel F. McNamara, Anna Malisoff, Samuel Mayer, Leo Kenneth Miller, Nathan Minshall, Kathryn T. Motzkin, Louis Mullin, R. Jerome Nalenansky, Louis Noonan, William E. Pardo, Domitick Peckles, Frank B. Phelan, James A. Rabinowitz, Hyman Rafferty, Mars E. Rahlentuch, Bertha Ray, Lillian Reischer, Harry Rosen, Hyman Ross, Charles Ross, Edwin F. Rubens, Edward S. Rubinstein, Anna Sander, Louis Saperstein, Abraham Schweidler, Rose Q. Schwartz, Milly Schweyer, Herbert G. Sibirski, Samuel Silverman, Sadie Sinder, Leta Slotkin, Sarah Stark, Abraham Steenwerth, John H. Stein, Cora Steinberg, Theresa Stone Philo C. Swoboda, Gustave J. Tash (Davis), Eva Terrana, Leona Titunik, Florence Van Edsinger, Mary Vogler, Henry Wehrli, Charles A. Weiner, Paul Wronker, Barbara Yarrington Marie Young, Rose

Where would you run this advertisement

Sala Rotonda, The Vatican Museum of Antiquities

• In the Vatican's Sala Rotonda, these heroic sculptured figures — Juno, Hercules, Ceres — stand in brooding silence.

Now look above the statues' heads. Notice each niche is crowned with the graceful curves of the scallop shell. For artist Simonetti knew the scallop to be the symbol of the voyage, the quest. And because myth and



BISHOP WILLIAM T. WATKINS

Will participate in meeting at

on

Born Maysville, Georgia, May 1895, Education: Morey University, Candler School of Theology, Yale Divinity School, Edinburgh University, United Free Church College, Glasgow. He holds D.D. and Ph.D. degrees --- Married Frances Edith Hancock --- Children, five sons. --- Ordained in Methodist ministry in 1916. --- Pastorates: Middleton, Tate and Atlanta. --- Editor, Wesleyan Christian Advocate. --- Professor, Grand Master, Morey School of Theology. --- Elected bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in 1930. Bishop Watkins has served as bishop in St. Louis, Missouri, and South-west Conferences. He has also had charge of missionary work in Mexico. At the Uniting Conference in 1939 Bishop Watkins was assigned to the Atlanta Area, Ga. In 1940 the first Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference assigned Bishop Watkins to Columbia, South Carolina. The Jurisdictional Conference of 1941 assigned him to the Knoxville Area. He lives at 115 Fourth Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky.

We shall eat the fruit
And shall hunger

"So . . .

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presence
vanished day,
with this message,
our own are forever our own,
And God, who gave the gracious gift,
He takes it never away."

—PAUL HARDIN, JR.

BISHOP WILLIAM TURNER WATKINS

Reared in a dedicated Christian home, coming into the membership of the country church of his parents in childhood, called to preach in his early youth, William Turner Watkins moved on to become a mighty man in The Methodist Church in his later years.

Bishop Watkins retired on October 15, 1959, because his health would not permit him to carry the responsibilities any longer. He enjoyed the days of his retirement. So greatly was he loved by the conferences in the Louisville Area, he and Mrs. Watkins were given the use of the Episcopal Residence so long as either lived. He spent his time in reading, writing, and in his workshop. With unexpected suddenness he reached the end of the way and was laid to rest in Louisville. A large congregation of ministers and laymen were present for his funeral at St. Paul's Church. The pastor, Doctor Ted Hightower, and Bishops Walter C. Gum, Paul Neff Garber and Marvin A. Franklin participated in the service.

He served on various boards and commissions of the Church, being the President of the Board of Hospitals and Homes for several years. He was a trustee of Emory University and other institutions of the Church. He led in a large campaign for Lambuth College, resulting in more than one million dollars additional funds for the institution, and spearheaded other great movements during his long tenure as Bishop of the Louisville Area.

He received several honorary degrees from various institutions and was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. During much of his active ministry, he was beset by illness but he carried on under great odds at times and gave vigorous leadership in all the conferences over which he presided.

Bishop Watkins was married to Miss Edith Hancock of his home community and she was his loyal and devoted helper in all of his manifold ministries. To them were born five children: Howell Jackson, Lamar Hancock, William Turner, Luther Tate, and John Scott. Lamar followed his father in the ministry and is a member of the North Georgia Conference.

His first assignment was the Middleton Circuit in Elbert County in Georgia. Bishop Watkins, then with little formal training, showed his native preaching ability for his reputation spread throughout the area and far beyond the bounds of his circuit churches. He was in demand as a preacher for school commencement sermons and other occasions.

Bishop Watkins attended Young Harris College, but not recognizing the necessity of further education, he took an appointment and went forth on his long itinerant trail.

Not many years later he was appointed to Tate in the North Georgia Conference. There he was the pastor of Sam Tate, a staunch Methodist layman who was well off financially. Mr. Tate, with keen discernment, saw the undeveloped potential of his young pastor, who, by this time had a considerable family. It is related that one day Mr. Tate said to his pastor, "Bill, if you will go on to Emory and complete your training I will see you through. If you do not choose to go on, I am going to move that you be located at the next session of the Annual Conference."

Whether this is just how it happened, I do not know, but, in any case, William Turner Watkins did go to Emory University and completed his academic studies, took theology, went on to Edinburgh and finally to Yale. In the process he became a man of truly scholarly attainments which were in evidence the remainder of his career.

He possessed a remarkable mind. When he preached a sermon or wrote a paper, he covered all the essential points and came to irrefutable conclusions. The logic

was overwhelming and the great truths he proclaimed struck home to his readers and hearers with convincing appeal. He never indulged in trivialities nor majored in the minors, but with sweeping intellectual shafts of thought, he soared to the heights and left his hearers with solid foundations upon which they could stand with confidence and assurance.

On the two hundredth anniversary of Wesley's Aldersgate experience, Bishop Watkins wrote the Study Book, "Out of Aldersgate," which was used throughout the Church and made an impact that contributed to his election as a Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at its final General Conference in 1938.

All the men who served in cabinets with him were impressed by his understanding, his knowledge of preachers, his concern for every church, and his consuming devotion to Christ. There was a bond of brotherly love between him and all the preachers. The laymen trusted his judgment, profited by his wisdom, and followed his enlightened leadership.

It is not any wonder that the administration of Emory University laid hands upon him and called him to the Chair of Church History in the Candler School of Theology. There, for years, he was an inspiring influence upon hundreds of ministerial students and left an impact for good upon them which has blessed them and will bless them through the years.

Bishop Watkins, in addition to his other duties, ably edited the *Wesleyan Christian Advocate*, the official organ of Georgia Methodism. He was in constant demand as a convocation speaker, the platform lecturer in Pastors' Schools, and for preaching at Annual Conferences and other notable gatherings. He was supremely at home in the pulpit and his deliverances were so cogent, logical, and conclusive that the intent listener felt that the subject might be wrapped up because it had been dealt with exhaustively.

Bishop Watkins was liberal on the social aspects of the Gospel, personal in his appeal to the individual for a verdict for Christ and His way, and appealing in presenting the essential truths of the Word of God. His vision was far-reaching, his thinking aggressive, and his courage commanding. He never evaded any question because it was difficult, but rather presented it in such way that any reasonable person could see his conclusions to be inevitable.

He could blaze with the righteous indignation of a prophet, but could be so gentle and reassuring that people were made to think on their way and turn their feet toward the testimony of the Lord. One characteristic expression he used was, "We can't come in out of this weather," and so he sought to shore up the old Ship of Zion, strengthen her sails, and help her steer safely and unembarrassed through the storm. He was able to steady uneasy situations and move the Church forward to Christian solutions of controversial problems.

Not very long after his retirement, his body faltered after being assaulted by many ills, and he laid himself down with a will. He fought the good fight, he kept the faith, he finished his course and entered quietly but triumphantly into the Father's House. His beloved wife and splendid children rise up to call him blessed, and a multitude which no man can number have been made better because he passed their way.

—MARVIN A. FRANKLIN

WAIGHTS GIBBS HENRY

Soon after the adjournment of the Jurisdictional Conference of the Southeastern Jurisdiction of the Methodist Church, in 1960, Methodism lost, through death, one of its most valuable and distinguished members. Waights Gibbs Henry was called to his Heavenly home soon after his attendance at that Jurisdictional Conference, where he attended every business session.

He was the son of Robert Fillmore and Kate Morriss Henry, born on January 31, 1879, at Palm, Pickens County, Alabama. He received the following academic and honorary degrees: A.B., Southern University, A.M., University of Alabama, B.D., Vanderbilt, Ph.D., Boston University, D.D., Birmingham-Southern, LL.D., University of Alabama. He also graduated in law from Millsaps College and studied graduate law at the University of Chicago and Harvard.

He served with effectiveness in the Southeastern States many pastorates, as a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, and continued his effectiveness in the Methodist Church after Unification in 1939. As a young preacher his early ministry was spent in the smaller churches, but his devotion and ability were soon recognized

Photographs from this
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included but are
available upon request.
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