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Foreword

In the compilation of this brief little book the editor and associate editors are indebted to the relatives of those mentioned here, and to their friends, for much of the information contained herein. Much work has been done to obtain the facts recorded. More could have been written, but it is believed that the truths contained herein will serve to keep alive the cherished history of Cold Spring Church in the minds of those who have descended from the intrepid and faithful founders of the Church.

Respectfully,

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Mrs. E. W. Lowry

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Dedication

With the hope it is worthy of such a distinguished office, this volume is humbly dedicated to the memory of all the faithful membership of Cold Spring Church for the past one hundred years. This is done with the prayer that in this way we may establish the truth in the eyes of the world that we have not lost the Faith of our Fathers.

The Editor



COLD SPRING CHURCH AND CONGREGATION, 1941

History of Cold Spring Church

ORGANIZATION AND BUILDING

One hundred years! One Century. In the annals of man this much time comprises a formidable niche. In the slow passage of the ages it is not counted as having great import. But as the events of history shape themselves into a pattern, one hundred years is of great moment.

On January 3, 1941, Cold Spring Church was one hundred years old. In that time it had witnessed the growth of Holston Valley from a pioneer community into one of the garden spots of the South. It had lived through the holocaust of the Civil War; it had sent its sons to participate in the Spanish American War; it had furnished its quota of young men to help make the world safe for democracy on the bloody fields of France; it had felt the effects of depression and inflation, and now, looking at the awful horizon across the seas, it is again sending its sons to keep the hell of war forever from its peaceful valley. But, lest it seems war is the only landmark of the history of the Little White Church, let the pages of the past, written by the faithful pens of the devout men and women who have kept the church foremost in this community all these hundred years, speak, in the calm tones of peace and authority.

Cold Spring Church was organized on January 3, 1841 by the Reverend James King, founder of King College. The church was organized by order of the New River Presbytery with a charter membership of forty, including five elders. The roster of that celebrated original membership reads as follows:

ROSTER, 1841

David King, Elder	Sidney King, Elder	Melvina Bidleman
Eleanor L. King	Rebecca King	Elizabeth Cutter
John Thomas, Elder	David O. King, Clerk	Andrew Cowan
Susan Thomas	Mariamna King	Elizabeth Cowan
John Thomas	Nancy King	Clarissa Cowan
Elizabeth Thomas	William King	Ann Gray
William Thomas	Amanda King	Moses Gray, Elder 1843
Susanna Thomas	Penelope King	Silas Crockett
Benjamin Pemberton, Elder	Frederick Thomas, Elder 1843	James N. Nicholson
Barbara Pemberton	Hannah Thomas	Ellen Willet
John S. King, Elder	John R. Delaney	Arty Willet
Sally L. King	Margaret Delaney	Permelia Baker
Elizabeth E. King	Valentine Bidleman, Elder 1843	Susan Carson
		Elizabeth King

The first Cold Spring Church was not located on the site of the present building. The original building was located at the foot of the hill near the spring from which it gets its name, on the site of the present school building. The land on which the present church and school house stand was deeded to the church by Moses Gray (great grandfather of N. T. and H. C. Thomas) and included the famous Cold Spring. The original church building was a frame structure, which was completed and received by the Commissioners May 27, 1841. The building cost approximately \$333.00.

Three days after the acceptance of the building by the Commissioners, sacramental services were conducted. It seems fitting here to add that through all the years of Cold Spring Church, the observance of the Lord's Supper has been a cardinal occasion. The sons and daughters of the Church flock to her at that time as if to gather closer to the Devine Source of all true strength.

In 1845 a shed-like addition was added to the original church at a cost of \$70.00. The edifice was later used for a school house after the erection of the present Church. Many people, gathered to celebrate the Centennial, recalled their own school days spent within the old Cold Spring Church located at the foot of the hill.

The present Church building was erected in 1880, at a cost of \$1012.00. Items of interest in connection with the cost of the original building are as follows: stove and carpet, \$42.00; chandelier, \$20.00; sofa and table, \$24.70; Bible and Hymn book, (note just one book listed) \$15.00. Total cost of building and equipment: \$1143.00. The Church was dedicated October 10, 1880.

The present splendid equipment of the church, especially the Sunday School Rooms and heating plant, was added in 1940 and 1941. Under the zealous and untiring leadership of the present pastor, Reverend D. F. Waddell, the members and friends of the church financed the approximately \$5000.00 improvement program of the church. Many splendid committees functioned both in the Ladies Auxiliary, the Young Peoples' Group and in the general membership of the Church to expedite the work of building. More remains to be done and this will stand as a challenge for the future. The names of those who supervised the various departments of the building program are so numerous as to make their inclusion here impossible, but their services in behalf of their Master will stand imperishable through the years.

PASTORAL ADMINISTRATIONS

Reverend James King, the founder of Cold Spring Church was also the first Stated Supply, serving the Church in this capacity for fifteen years, from 1841-1856. As has before been stated, he was also the founder of King College and owned almost all the land where Bristol is now located. He was a man of peculiar acumen in business as well as a zealous minister of the Lord. In addition to the Cold Spring Church, the Reverend King also organized Presbyterian churches at Paperville, Blountville and Bristol, First Church.

On February 10, 1856, Reverend James King withdrew from his charge at Cold Spring, and, on the twenty-third of that month, "The heads of families met at the church to deliberate on the subject, which resulted in the unanimous vote for Reverend John Rutledge King, a son of the Cold Spring Church, to take charge of the congregation." It may be added that his salary was to be \$114.00 annually. After serious reflection and some hesitancy he accepted the call and "appointed preaching Sunday the 9th of March, 1856, agreeing to preach half his time after July, when his engagement would expire at Maxwell school house, also agreeing to preach one-fourth of his time until that expiration." Mr. King, or "Uncle Rutledge", as he was more frequently called, due to his many relatives, served well and faithfully in the service of this Church for twenty-one years, or until 1877.

In 1877, Reverend J. D. Tadlock, D. D., who was at that time President of King College, was called to this field. Dr. Tadlock, beloved character and eminent scholar that he was, served most acceptably for eight years, until 1885, when he accepted a professorship in Columbia Theological Seminary as teacher of Bible. He was a born educator and those who knew him say, "Every boy in school idolized Dr. Tadlock." Among them he was affectionately called "Old J. D." (See Historic Sullivan, page 260-261.)

In the same year, 1885, in which Dr. Tadlock left this Church, Dr. J. Albert Wallace, D. D., who had succeeded Dr. Tadlock as President of King College, was called to minister to this Church. Dr. Wallace left an influence which is still felt in this community. He served the Church through adversity and prosperity for twenty-seven years until his death on June 23, 1912. More will be given of the personal life of Dr. Wallace under the Biographical Sketches. But a ministry of twenty-seven years in one church bespeaks monumental tribute to the spiritual and personal merits of this great man. The Church was as sheep without a shepherd after his death.

Dr J. G. McFerrin, who had assisted Dr. Wallace in evangelistic meetings with wonderful results, helped supply the pulpit until a regular minister could be secured.

Finally, in the fall of 1912, the services of Reverend R. D. Carson, better known as "Dabney", were secured. Dr. Carson served the Cold Spring Church in connection with the Green Spring Church, preaching at Cold Spring twice a month. Dr. Carson was a man of great pulpit presence and an orator second to none. He served Cold Spring Church until 1915.

Following Dr. Carson, Dr. Samuel Rhea Preston was the Supply for about a year, until 1916, when the church extended a call to the Reverend Ben Harrop, Sr. It is significant to recall that Mr. Harrop was the first INSTALLED PASTOR. All the others had been more or less occasional shepherds. Reverend Harrop was the first to live with his flock. He was installed as pastor May 3, 1916, by the following Commissioners: Ministers—J. G. McFerrin, J. B. Bittinger. Alternate—G. B. Thompson. Elder—C. P. Booher. Alternate—Samuel Ryburn.

Mr. Harrop lived in the community two years (in a house procured for a manse temporarily), then moved to Green Spring where he remained for two more years, continuing as pastor of Cold Spring Church.

In the spring of 1920, the Reverend Dan Graham and Reverend Walter K. Keys, graduate students at Union Theological Seminary, held two great revivals, one at Green Spring and one at Cold Spring. Following this, Reverend Graham preached at Cold Spring for about a year in connection with his pastoral work at Green Spring.

The present beautiful manse of Cold Spring was erected in 1921, and soon thereafter Reverend Graham was married and brought his bride to live in it. A cordial reception was given them at the Manse, followed by a picnic supper.

The next week, August 20, 1921, a big tent meeting was begun preceding the Home-Coming which was held near what is now Wood's Mill, on the property of Sam Thomas. The bulk of the following account of the Home-coming is quoted from the story written for the old Appalachian Appeal by the Reverend James McChesney. Quote: There was a threefold purpose in this Home-coming. First: That all those who had ever lived in the valley and had gone out to make their homes elsewhere, might have an opportunity to come back at the same time and meet with friends at one central point. Second: That all might get a new vision of Christ and His Kingdom and have their faith strengthened. Third: That those

who had been called of God to preach the Gospel might come back home, and by their presence and by their words bear testimony to the joy of preaching the Gospel.

On the 20th of August, Evangelistic services were begun in the big tent, continuing for one week, with Dr. B. R. Lacy doing the preaching. This revival preceded the Home-coming proper, and gave those from a distance time to arrive. The song services were conducted by the Reverend Bruce Bony, assisted at the piano by Miss Elizabeth McChesney.

People came in response to the invitations sent out from about every state from Washington, D. C. to Texas, and from Florida to Missouri. Gray haired men who went away as boys came back to enjoy the sweet fellowship of home. Never had there been an occasion in the Valley that was so thoroughly enjoyed by the public and so completely prepared for. It was a religious gathering; a Home-coming that put the Kingdom first. A program had been arranged covering the entire work of the church. After the week of revival, the Home-coming proper lasted for four days and nights. Lunch was served on the grounds. The lunch hour was one long to be remembered, for it afforded a rare opportunity for old friends to reminisce. The weather was ideal. On Sunday two thousand people were gathered in and around the tent for the preaching service and the administration of the Lord's Supper. Dr. Lacy preached. On Sunday afternoon tribute was paid the memory of those Sons of Holston Valley who had served as ministers of the Lord.

A half hour each morning was spent in devotion, led by Reverend J. M. McChesney, Reverend T. J. McConnell and Reverend J. E. Naff.

On Monday morning Reverend Dan Graham made the address of Welcome. This was fitting, in as much as it was Reverend Dan Graham who engineered the Home-coming. Mr. Robert L. Pyle, of Washington D. C. made the response. The Reverend D. F. McConnell followed with a talk on "The Purpose of the Home-coming." Reverend F. E. Clark and Reverend T. H. Wix gave interesting addresses on the history of the Valley. In the afternoon the young men of the Seminary brought messages to the young people.

The Monday night services were on Foreign Missions. Mr Watanabe of Japan, and Dr. W. H. Hudson of the Mid-China Missions, were the speakers.

Tuesday morning the Home Mission program was held with accounts by the Misses Elizabeth McChesney and Margaret Morris, graduates of the Assembly's Training School. In the afternoon

sectional meetings were held with Mrs. Hassinger and Mrs. Stephenson speaking to the ladies and Judge Hutton and Mr. Nat Harrison of Petersburg, speaking to the men. On Tuesday night Reverend J. L. Allison, Reverend R. D. Carson, and Reverend B. R. Lacy brought the messages. Reverend Allen Jones was present for the entire program of the Home-Coming, but his health would not permit him to take part in the activities.

Christian Education had its part on the program on Wednesday morning, with Dr. Tilden Scherer of King College, Fred W. Alexander of Stonewall Jackson College, and J. D. Eggleston of Hampden-Sidney College, leading in the discussions. Wednesday afternoon, Sabbath School work was presented by Dr. J. J. Fix and Mr. J. Fred Johnson. Wednesday night was the high light point of the entire program. That night Reverend H. H. Sweets preached and there were thirteen professions of faith following the invitation.

Thus came to a close the greatest religious and social event Holston Valley has witnessed. It seemed that Heaven was just a little bit nearer than ever before. Some who said good-bye that Wednesday night never met again in this life, but they carried with them the benediction of this spiritual Pentacost.

It may be further stated in connection with the pastoral work of Reverend Dan Graham, that while here he carried on the work with the energy for which he is so well known. He was a conscientious pastor as well as a living voice for the Master. While he lived in the manse for only about a year as resident pastor, for that time his home was open and available to all who needed help and consolation. The evangel in him was beginning to speak at that early stage of his preaching experience.

In the year 1922, Reverend W. K. Keys became pastor succeeding Reverend Graham. He remained in the field for three years or until 1925. Mr. Keys' pastoral work had much in common with that of his predecessor. The same tireless energy was in both men. Mr. Keys, always an eloquent and forceful speaker, carried on the mission work with a faithfulness and interest which has no superior in the history of pastorates in Cold Spring Church. The weather never became too rough for "Walter," as he was affectionately known, to meet his appointments at the mission points. To Mr. Keys also goes the credit for reorganizing the Women's work according to the Auxiliary plan. This work has since been carried on by this plan and has been an instrument of power in the church. Also, in the pastorate of Reverend Keys he and Reverend Graham jointly edited a little paper called "The Voices of the Valleys," which carried much of local interest in it.

Following Mr. Keys, the Reverend J. I. Knight, who was just out of Seminary took charge of this pastorate from 1925 to 1930. Mr. Knight immediately endeared himself to the people of his field by his good disposition and jovial manner. If one thing in his worthwhile pastoral administration at Cold Spring stands out more than any other, it was his work with the young people. He early identified himself with young peoples' movements in any capacity and could always be found with them when they needed him. He was a good companion and counselor and the work he started has continued and grown ever since. Mr. Knight also labored strenuously in the mission field of Shady Valley. Few men have had as much success in Shady Valley in the service of God as had J. I. Knight, referring of course to only the Presbyterian portion of the work. Reverend Knight was also active in all the other mission fields of Cold Spring Church.

Upon the departure of Mr. Knight from the pastorate of Cold Spring in 1930, the services of Dr. Robert Yost, of King College as Supply for one year were secured, until 1931. Anyone who has heard Dr. Yost preach needs no description as to his ability. Dr. Yost has no superior, and few, if any equals on the platform. He preached with power and effect for one year. The congregation thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated the services of this gifted minister. Few Sundays found the pews near empty when Dr. Yost preached.

In 1931 the church issued a call to the Reverend Charles W. Kernan, only recently graduated from Union Seminary at Richmond. Reverend Kernan entered at once into the hearts of the people, remaining in this field for seven years or until 1938. This is the longest full time pastorate until the present. Mr. and Mrs. Kernan carried on the interest in young people which Mr. Knight had begun. During this pastorate the name of the young folks' organization was changed from Christian Endeavor to Young Peoples' Work. Due especially to the efforts of Mrs. Kernan, the work of the young people was broadened in scope and interest to include many humanitarian projects and human interests. Mr. Kernan, always a man of deep thought, evinced this depth in his brilliant sermons, which were a blessing to his people. It may be said of him too that he carried on his mission work with zeal. He was the friend of the needy as many tales of unpublicized deeds of kindness and mercy testify. Of all her ministers, Cold Spring Church has never had one who kept more abreast of the times, nor endeavored more to feed his people on the pure truths of the Scriptures, than Charles Kernan.

Following Mr. Kernan's call to Amelia, Virginia in 1938, the Church issued a call to the Reverend Decatur Fox Waddell. After two years in the field, Mr. Waddell had endeared himself to a wide host of friends in many communities. He is a man of tremendous energy. It was owing to his persuasive presentation of the need when the time was ripe for such persuasion, that the Church erected the Sunday School addition in the summer and fall of 1940. This need had been shown to be a poignant one by Mr. Keys, Mr. Knight, and Mr. Kernan during their respective pastoral administrations. It remained for Mr. Waddell to inherit the hard work of general supervisor of all the work connected with such a project. Reverend Waddell has been interested in every aspect of the work of the church. He has taken a vital part in the Sunday School work since coming here; he has reorganized some of the mission Sunday Schools; he has lived a ministry thus far during this unfinished pastoral work which has been filled with work, work, and more work. He has to be forced to rest, literally, by the Session, before he will do so. Suffice it to say Mr. Waddell is a man after the heart of the public in the pulpit where he brings the same energy he displays everywhere else; in the pastorate, and in the manse, where, with Mrs. Waddell he proves himself a gracious, hospitable entertainer. Another thing or attribute which must be mentioned in connection with Mr. Waddell is his interest in singing. He not only sings well himself, but directs the choir as well. All these things serve to give a small picture of the two year pastorate of Mr. Waddell. It is an unfinished picture which the years will have to complete.



SUNDAY SCHOOL ADDITION—1941

WOMEN'S WORK

The first record we have of Women's Work in the church is found in old Session record as of January 27, 1841, which is as follows:

"The Ladies of Cold Spring Raised funds for the purchase of a Bible for the use of the church, also a water pitcher."

The first Woman's organization, called The Cold Spring Missionary Band, was organized June 21, 1881 by Rev. J. B. Converse with Mrs. M. E. Cowan, President and Mrs. Jennie D. Thomas, Secretary and Treasurer.

August 20, 1893 Session records:

"A request from some of the ladies of the church was brought before the session asking their permission or approval of making a supper to raise funds to furnish a room at Columbia College."

The request was approved.

April 15, 1894 Session record states:

"The money made by the entertainment was turned over to the session and was applied to the payment in part of some more land for the church."

The Cold Spring Missionary Band was reorganized in June 1899 and was then called the Ladies' Missionary Society with Mrs. Harvey King as President and Miss Bettie Cowan, Secretary.

The Young Peoples Band of Christian Workers was organized about April 1905. The pastor, Reverend J. A. Wallace, assisted in the organization and selected its name. Officers were: Mrs. M. L. King, President; Miss Nannie Cowan, Vice-President; Miss Nelle Pemberton, Secretary and Treasurer.

The above named Missionary Societies worked diligently for the welfare of the church until July 21, 1923 when a mass meeting of the women of the Cold Spring Church was called to consider the advisability of organizing according to Auxiliary plan. Mrs. Archer Beasley, Mrs. James Lowry and Miss Nell Pence of Bristol gave helpful talks on the Auxiliary plan, as did also Reverend Walter Keys, pastor of the church. As an outgrowth of this meeting, on September 27, 1923, organization was effected, with Mrs. A. K. Combs, President; Mrs. Virginia D. Thomas, Vice-President; Miss Mary Lowry, Treasurer and Mrs. C. W. Fleenor, Secretary. Other women who have served as President are: Mrs. S. C. Thomas,

Mrs. A. A. Fleenor, Mrs. C. W. Fleenor, Mrs. F. T. Thomas, Mrs. E. W. Lowry, Mrs. N. T. Thomas, and Mrs. A. K. Combs. The Women of the Church still function faithfully under this plan with elections and shifting of circles annually. The Present Membership is 54 with Mrs. D. F. Waddell, President; Mrs. C. W. Fleenor, Vice-President; Mrs. A. O. Comer, Treasurer, and Mrs. N. T. Thomas, Secretary.

RULING ELDERS

David King	C. F. Graham
John Thomas	J. R. Delaney
Benjamin Pemberton	W. H. Stone
John S. King, Clerk of Session	George J. Thomas
Sidney King	S. H. King
Moses Gray	M. L. King
Jacob N. Campbell	Nat T. Thomas
Frederick Thomas	W. C. Delaney
Valentine Bidleman	E. B. Comerford
David O. King	E. D. Darter
John S. Cowan	J. F. Thomas
James A. King, Clerk of Session	A. K. Combs
Henry H. Dulaney	C. D. Thomas, Clerk of Session
Lilburn O. Byers	W. G. Combs
Nathan T. Thomas	E. O. King
John T. King	H. D. Smith
John T. Thomas, Clerk of Session	John W. Combs
James Graham	J. S. Buckles
F. S. Thomas, Clerk of Session	J. C. King
Homer King	J. K. Thomas

DEACONS

John W. Thomas	Andrew Johnson
Thomas D. Pemberton	A. A. Fleenor
E. M. P. Moore	S. C. Thomas
Thomas J. McChesney	Paul B. Thomas
George J. Thomas	Eugene Mahaffey
Samuel H. King	Joe K. Thomas
Philip Painter	H. C. Thomas
Clark Combs	Arthur Comer
C. D. Stone	Charles Delaney
J. Mac Thomas	Dryden Fleenor
E. O. King	Albert King
Ernest W. Lowry	William R. King
Dr. C. W. Fleenor	Paul Rutherford
James C. King	Joseph K. Thomas, Jr.
Ralph Doggett	

SABBATH SCHOOL WORK

In the minutes of April 11, 1869, in a memorial to Sidney King, we find these words: "For twelve years he was a Superintendent of the Sabbath School." This would indicate a school as early as 1857.

In 1875 the record states: "Children in S. S.—50"

In 1879 the record states: "Children in S. S.—50"

"Children in border school 90

Total 140"

which would indicate that Cold Spring was early a missionary church.

In 1887 statistical report gives:

"Scholars	100
Superintendent and teachers	10
	110"

In 1893 statistical report gives:

"Cold Spring	teachers 7	scholars 60
Cleveland	teachers 5	scholars 45
Maxwells	teachers 7	scholars 67
		172"

Roll Members

JANUARY 3rd, 1841—JULY 12th, 1941

David King	Polly Willet
Eleanor L. King	Betsy Willet
John Thomas	Eliza J. Dryden
Susan Thomas	Martha Gray
John Thomas, II	Elizabeth Claymen
Elizabeth Thomas	Sarah Ball
William Thomas	Sally Glen
Susanna Thomas	George Helbert
Benjamin Pemberton	Leander M. King
Barbara Pemberton	Eveline M. King
John S. King	Elizabeth Maxwell
Sally L. King	Sarah B. Campbell
Elizabeth E. King	Jacob N. Campbell
Sidney King	Judith L. Rohr
Rebecca King	Sarah Delaney
David O. King	Sarah M. King
Mariamna King	Elizabeth Grub
Nancy King	William Glen
William King	Rebecca Shaver
Amanda King	John Demarcus
Penelope King	Nancy Cubine
Frederick Thomas	Maria M. Cubine
Hannah Thomas	Benjamin Maxwell
John R. Delaney	William Berry
Margaret Delaney	David G. Hilbert
Valentine Bidleman	Hartsell R. Cowan
Melvina Bidleman	Demarcus Glen
Elizabeth Cutter	Samuel Mahaffey
Andrew Cowan	Elijah Phipps
Elizabeth Cowan	James Tucker
Clarissa Cowan	John D. Carmack
Ann Gray	Joseph Reynolds
Moses Gray	George B. Keys
Silas Crockett	Sally M. Keys
James N. Nicholson	Elizabeth Keys
Elen Willet	Alexander Cawood
Arty Willet	Lucinda Wilson
Permelia Baker	Louisa Wilson
Susan Carson	Sally Jane King
Elizabeth King	Sarah Montgomery
Elizabeth S. King	William Ode
Eliza D. King	George Helbert
Nancy D. King	Larkin Bolen
Julia M. King	Leander M. Sawyer
Nancy Sells	John P. King
Nancy Phipps	James A. King
Jane Demarcus	James K. Montgomery
Elizabeth E. King	Margaret E. King
Olivia King	Nancy Booher
Minerva Cowan	Livinia C. Glen
John Shaver	Peter Booher
Isaac Sells	Celia
Margaret J. King	Lucinda (C)
Elizabeth S. King	William
Matilda C. King	Nathaniel
Sarah J. King	Nancy A. Cowan

William Baker
 Prudence Allison
 Joseph M. Vey
 Eliza J. Dinsmore
 Sally M. Dinsmore
 John S. Cowan
 Sally Keys
 Dorcas Keys
 Nancy Delaney
 Elizabeth Baker
 Margaret E. Cawood
 Catharine Gray
 Sally C. King
 Samuel D. King
 Matilda Addison
 Hagar (C)
 Benjiman Byers
 Mary Byers
 Elizabeth Byers
 Lilburn O. Byers
 Sarah G. Byers
 John Byers
 Rachel Han—
 Louisa B. King
 Elizabeth Gray
 Caroline E. King
 Edna Mariamna King
 Lucinda E. Cunningham
 Emily Margaret Shelton
 Edwin J. C. King
 Nancy A. King
 Joseph Byers
 Mary Byers
 Sarah Cowan
 Sarah Cunningham
 Lewis Nutty
 Leonidas Lathem
 Sally C. Lathem
 Elizabeth J. Lathem
 Martha Estep
 Jane—Daughter of Lucinda.(C.)
 Lucretia Keys
 Catherine Caldwell
 Elizabeth McChesney
 G. Craig McChesney
 Margaret Gray
 Elizabeth S. Nutty
 Matilda C. Willoughby
 Cyrus S. King
 Joseph A. McDaniel
 Robert H. Cowan
 Roger Keys
 Susan Keys
 Sally M. King
 Harvey Ramsey
 Jonathan E. King
 David H. Dismore
 David H. King
 John Franklin Bushong
 James P. F. Delany
 Elizabeth Miranda King
 William D. King
 Susan Elizabeth King
 James Cowan
 Catherine Jane—(C)
 Jane Clarissa Dryden
 Henry H. Delaney

Charity Elizabeth Shelton
 Charles H. Hickok
 Eveline M. Hickok
 Mary Edna Willet
 Margaret J. Collins
 Jonathan King
 Eliza D. Pemberton
 Nancy Bushong
 William Delaney
 Elizabeth M. Delaney
 John M. Delaney
 Emily Margaret Wallace
 William S. Shelton
 Jane—(C)
 Elizabeth Shelton
 Sally McDaniel
 Sarah Pemberton
 Nancy A. Gray
 Susan Elizabeth King
 Martha Cowan
 Susan M. Gray
 Clarissa J. Dryden
 Sarah Susanna King
 Susan Thomas Massingale
 William Bushong
 Nathaniel Church
 Catherine Hanley
 Samuel Jefferson (C)
 Susan Catherine (C)
 Charity E. Shelton
 Elizabeth Church
 Mariamna W. King
 Olivia Byers
 Eliazer A. Pyatt
 George W. Chapman
 Pinckney B. Shelton
 Thomas D. Pemberton
 Nathan T. Thomas
 William R. Thomas
 Sarah Amelia King
 Sarah Jane McDaniel
 Elizabeth Virginia King
 Adeline Margaret Dulaney
 Caroline Penelope Hickok
 William Oswald
 Helen Morice Oswald
 Elizabeth Bushong
 Lavinia E. Cowan
 Rebecca H. Nutty
 Clarissa A. Cowan
 Eva Jane Hann
 Sally J. Hickok
 Julia A. King
 Mary E. Willet
 Elizabeth M. King
 Elizabeth M. Bidleman
 William L. Shelton
 Dorcas Moton
 Lucretia McDaniel
 Sarah Pemberton
 Susan E. Moore
 Catherine Caldwell
 Elizabeth Wright
 Sarah A. King
 Sarah J. Sherman
 Elizabeth Virginia Oler
 Adeline M. Dulaney

Caroline P. Hickok
J. Rutledge Cowan
D. Owen Byers
James W. Thomas
James M. King
Sydney W. Nutty
John Thomas, Elder
William B. Booher
Margaret Combs
John P. King
Mary Jane King
Oliver C. King
Ellen Church
Leander M. McChesney
George J. Thomas
A. C. Emmitt
E. M. P. Moore
Peter J. Clark
P. A. Clark
James E. Lathim
David O. Lathim
David Laws
Robert C. Thomas
Mrs. Mary Offield
Bettie D. Cowan
Sue E. Cowan
Thomas McCall
Minnie Kate King
Laura M. Nutty
Maggie B. King
Bettie Keys
Philip Gregory
James A. More
Isaac E. King
Cromer Crussell
Philip Painter
Cornelius Glenn
David L. Nutty
Mamie Thomas
Edward King
Doak Moore
Nannie Moore
Sallie M. Cowan
Ann C. Pemberton
Martha C. Caldwell
David O. Painter
Homer King
J. Stanton King
Dr. O. T. Hayworth
David O. Booher
Flora Booher
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ELDERS—1941

Left to right: H. D. Smith, Joe Thomas, Nat Thomas, C. D. Thomas, Rev. D. F. Waddell, Sam Buckles, King Combs, J. C. King, John Combs, E. D. Darter. Not present: W. G. Combs, E. O. King (deceased September, 1941), Jay Thomas (deceased in July, 1941).



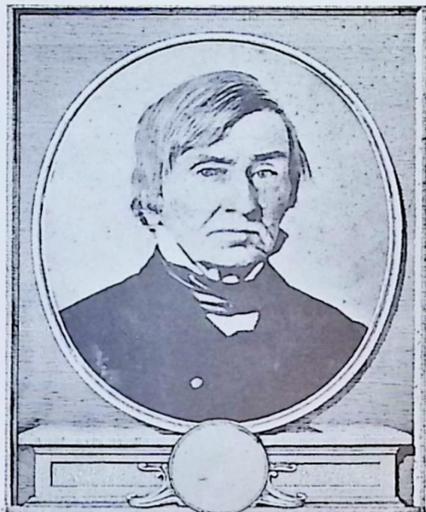
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Left to right: Charles Delaney, Paul Thomas, Sam Thomas, J. C. Combs, Albert King, Arthur Comer, Paul Rutherford, William King, Joseph Thomas. Not present: Hartsel Thomas, Dryden Fleenor, A. A. Fleenor.

Biographical Sketches of Pastors

James King, Jr.—1790-1867

Cold Spring Church—1841-1856



JAMES KING, Jr.

The father of James King, Jr., came from London, England to this country when a young man. He played an important part in the Revolutionary War. He finally settled near Bristol, Tennessee. He was the owner of a vast estate which he left to his son at his death in 1825.

James King, Jr. was born near Bristol about 1790. He inherited a tremendous amount of property from his father. He founded King College in 1866, and gave it to the Presbyterian Church under the stipulation that it was to offer education to the sons of ministers or the ministers themselves, and to Confederate soldiers free of tuition. He had sent a number of young men North to be educated, but their return with abolition views caused him to erect the college which bears his name. He was also the founder and

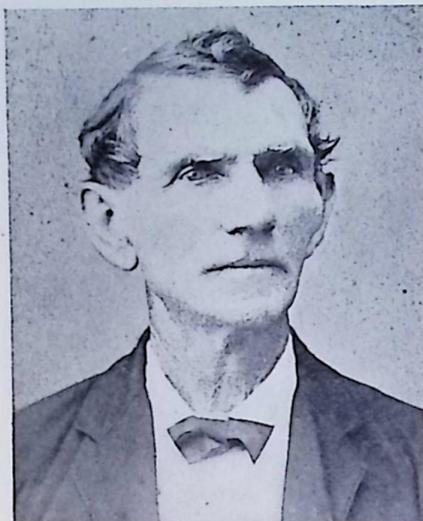
first pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Bristol, Tennessee.

In 1841 Reverend James King became the first pastor of the newly organized Cold Spring Church in Holston Valley. He remained as pastor for fifteen years or until 1856. He served the church as Supply and not as full-time pastor. But the pastorate of this Man of God ranks next to that of Dr. J. A. Wallace in length of time. Mr. King was rather an eccentric character, being a shrewd man of business along with his theological duties. There was even a time in his life when he took a great interest in hunting, but later he changed in this hobby, to almost the direct opposite. He grew to despise the suffering of any animal and made it convenient to be away from home at hog-killing time in order not to witness the suffering of the animals.

The name of King has been famous in the history of Sullivan County, particularly with the work of the Church and with educational institutions. Reverend James King, Jr. began this precedent. He died in 1867 and is buried in Bristol.

John R. King—1817-1896

Cold Spring Church—1856-1877



JOHN R. KING

Reverend John Rutledge King was born near King's Mill, Virginia, April 11, 1817. When a young man he was married to Miss Elizabeth Thomas, daughter of John Thomas, charter member of Cold Spring Church. To this union were born three children: Sarah, John Thomas King, and James King. After the death of his first wife, Mr. King married Miss Mariah C. Vance, aunt of the well-known James I. and Joseph Vance, great ministers

Reverend King's first work in a ministerial way was begun in Greene County, Tennessee. Later he came to Holston Valley, and for twenty-one years was connected with Cold Spring Church, where he labored diligently among his own people. He was zealous and untiring in his efforts and lived to see many of his hopes realized in the spiritual growth

of the church. This community is greatly indebted to him for having done an important work in establishing the principles of morality and religion in this section of the country.

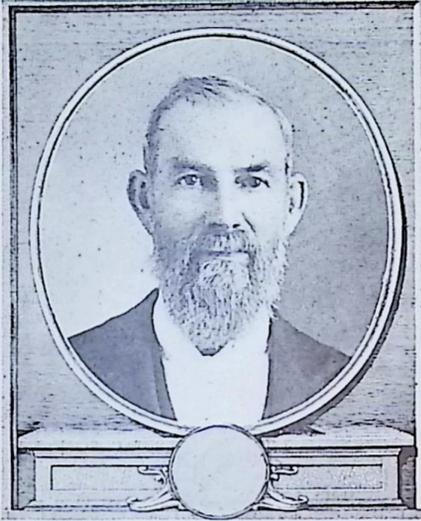
Reverend King was a deep student of Theology as evidenced in a book he wrote on Baptism, a subject more in the public mind then as a controversial issue than at the present.

"Uncle" Rutledge as he was frequently called, was very fond of music. One of his favorite songs was Happy Day which he sang very fervently. He loved to tell an incident of overhearing some of his little grand-children holding a mock meeting one day; the singing went like this: "Happy day, happy day, when Grandpa washed my face away."

Mr. King resigned his work in 1877, spending his declining years in Bristol. While there he caused King's Chapel to be built. This Chapel is now known as King Memorial Church. Truly it is a living tribute to the memory of this notable servant of the Lord. At Reverend King's death in 1896 his remains were laid to rest in the Cold Spring Cemetery, near the scene of his years of Christian service.

James D. Tadlock,—1825-1899

Cold Spring Church—1877-1885



JAMES DOAK TADLOCK

James D. Tadlock was born at Mill Brook, Greene County, Tennessee, August 4, 1825 and died in Bristol, Tennessee, August, 1899.

In his boyhood days he worked on his father's farm and attended Washington College. He completed his education at Princeton Seminary. After this, he taught mathematics at Washington College and later established a girls' school at Jonesboro, Tennessee.

When James King, Jr. founded King College in 1867, Reverend Tadlock became its first President. He remained as President of King College for eighteen years. Along with his school duties, Dr. Tadlock did ministerial work in the churches in and around Bristol. He served as Supply Pastor for Cold Spring Church from 1877 to 1885. In 1885 he was called to the chair of Ec-

clesiastical History in Columbia Theological Seminary in South Carolina. In 1898 he again returned to King College to fill the Chair of Mathematics until he was forced into inactivity by sickness in March, 1899. He died in August, 1899.

Dr. Tadlock was a profound scholar who mixed the profound with the ornate in his sermons. These things caused his sermons and lectures to be very impressive despite the fact he was possessed with a poor delivery. He loved teaching more than any other of life's duties. His students loved him, even though he was a believer in stern discipline. They knew his austere shell covered a heart of limitless love and charity. He was brusque in his manner, and sometimes lapsed into silence while out with a companion which lasted for many minutes. People, especially the poorer people, did not understand Dr. Tadlock. They thought him cold and aloof, but no man had more compassion for them.

Dr. Tadlock did not believe in debts and would go in want before he would make a debt for his needs. He was indeed, a great and goodly man, one whom Cold Spring Church was fortunate to have as Supply Pastor for eight years.

J. Albert Wallace, D. D.—1846-1912

Cold Spring Church—1885-1912



J. ALBERT WALLACE

Reverend Jesse Albert Wallace, D. D., gentleman, scholar, teacher, minister of the Gospel, philosopher, man of wisdom, was born at Soddy, Tennessee, January 16, 1846; died in Bristol, Tennessee on June 23, 1912. Much of the following is taken from a bulletin issued for a Memorial Service to Dr. Wallace held at King College, September 12, 1912.

Dr. Wallace entered King College in 1869, the year it was chartered as a college. He graduated with the degree of Master of Arts with the class of 1871. From King College he went to Union Theological Seminary, graduating from that institution in 1873. He held short pastorates as Jonesboro and Johnson City, also a pastorate as Mossy Creek, Tennessee. In 1879 he was called back to King College as assistant of Dr. J. D. Tadlock who had been presiding over the destinies of the institution since its foundation. When Dr. Tadlock was called to Columbia Seminary, Dr. Wallace was made President of the College. This was in 1885. He remained in this position until 1899. During his administration about forty young men were given to the ministry of the Gospel by the College.

Retiring from the office of President in 1899, Dr. Wallace continued as teacher of Metaphysics with the loss of only one year from 1899 until his death, which occurred at his home in Bristol on Sunday night, June 23, 1912.

In connection with his work at King College, Dr. Wallace held the pastorate of the Cold Spring Church for nearly thirty years. He supplied other pulpits in the community in connection with his work at Cold Spring. Many personal facts of the life of this great man which came out in his relation with the people of this community could be related here, but there is not the space for that. There has never been the equal of this man of God in this part of the South. It is doubtful if his superior can be produced. His name is still a by-word in Holston Valley, for both young and old. If Dr. Wallace put the stamp of approval on anything, that thing was alright with those who knew him.

It is impossible to estimate the value of the services of such a man to the church of Christ. The living voices which are speaking in the name of the Master in pulpits from Canada to the Gulf and even in the lands, beyond the seas, to say nothing of those who were influenced for good in other lines, can testify to power of the life of such a man.

Dr. Wallace was a man of splendid parts. A forceful preacher, a clear-headed teacher, a well-balanced counsellor and a gentle, sympathetic pastor, he won to him a host of warm personal friends. He was a prodigious worker.

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Robert Dabney Carson, D. D.—1876-1937

Cold Spring Church—1912-1915



R. D. CARSON

Dr. Carson was born on July 15, 1876 near Abingdon, Virginia. His father was a well-known minister whose field extended over much of Southwest Virginia. For much of the following story of Dr. Carson's life we are indebted to an account taken from the *Christian Observer*.

Dr. Carson graduated from King College, June 2, 1895. That fall he entered Union Seminary, Hampden Sidney, Virginia, where he studied for two years. He was then licensed by Lexington Presbytery, following which he preached two years, mostly in Bath County. He then returned to Union Seminary from which he graduated in 1900. He was ordained as a minister and returned to Bath County where he preached until January, 1903, when he accepted a call to Rocky Spring Church at Deerfield, Virginia. After two years

in this work, he was elected evangelist of the Synod of Virginia, and assigned to the Abingdon Presbytery. On June 1, 1911, he became president of Stonewall Jackson College, Abingdon. He resigned that work two years later in order to serve as pastor to the two churches of Cold Spring and Green Spring, located in Holston Valley. He, at other times, was pastor of the Rich Valley, Virginia, and Mossy Creek, Tennessee churches. From January, 1922, to November, 1925, he served as Secretary of Synod's work in the Synod of Appalachia. He then accepted the call to the Rogersville Church, where he spent the last twelve years of his life.

On April 15, 1903, Dr. Carson married Miss Julia Lee Kyle of Falling Springs, Virginia, who at this writing survives him, along with five children, three sons and two daughters.

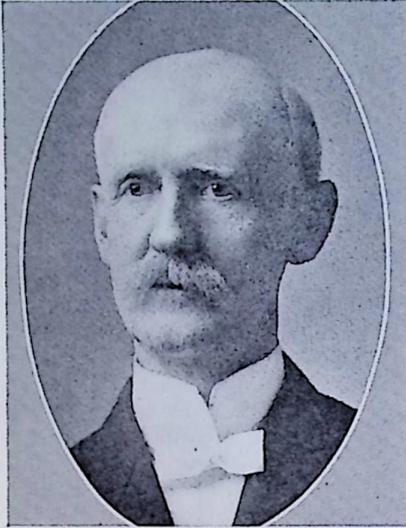
Dr. Carson was affectionately called "Dabney" by his close friends. He was a brilliant student and orator; one whom all who heard once came to hear again. He was recognized in the Synod of Appalachia as one of its greatest preachers. He was loved devotedly by a great multitude whom he had served. He died at Rogersville, Tennessee, July 3, 1937, of a heart attack.

He kept the College in a flourishing condition, taught, preached in several churches, carried on his pastoral work fully, attended to all his correspondence, and at the same time carried the full responsibilities of the head of a household. He loved King College. Just a few months before his death he declared to a friend that King College was "almost as dear to him as one of his own children."

And thus must come to a close this imperfect and terse account of the life of one of the greatest pastors and truest friends Cold Spring Church can ever know. His life was a thirty-year benediction to those of this Church who knew him.

S. R. Preston, D. D.—?-1929

Cold Spring Church—1915-1916



S. RHEA PRESTON

Reverend S. R. Preston, D. D., was born and reared at the family seat five miles west of Abingdon, Virginia, the son of Captain John F. and Jane Rhea Preston. He was named for his maternal grandfather, who was Joseph Rhea, the first Presbyterian minister in Tennessee. Dr. Preston received his education at Abingdon Academy, King College, Bristol, and Columbia Theological Seminary. In 1874 he was married to Miss Ida Sutphen of Columbia, South Carolina. Eight children were born to them, one of whom died in infancy.

Dr. Preston's first pastorate was at Fernandina, Florida, after which he was pastor of the following churches: Athens and Cleveland, Tennessee; Blacksburg, Wytheville, Bristol Central Presbyterian, Big Stone Gap, all in the state of Virginia; Johnson City, Tennessee; Greenville Second Presbyterian, Greenville, South Carolina; Pryor St., Atlanta, Georgia. He was Stated Supply for the Cold Spring Church, Holston Valley, Tennessee from 1915 to 1916. He also served the Green Spring Church nearby in a similar capacity about the same time.

Reverend Preston was an educator as well as a pastor and a preacher. He founded and headed a girls' school at Wytheville, Virginia, known as Plumer Memorial College. He built up Chicora College at Greenville, South Carolina to a strong status, being president of that institution for a number of years. He did this work in connection with the pastorates he held in those regions.

Dr. Preston died in Atlanta, Georgia, in December 1929, and was interred in Bristol, Tennessee.

Ben Harrop, Sr.—1861-1928

Cold Spring Church—1916-1920



BEN HARROP, Sr.

Mr. Harrop was born in Staley Bridge, Buckinghamshire County, England on May 1, 1861. He came to the United States when very young and lived in West Liberty, Ohio. He received his education at Wooster University, receiving his A. B. and M. A. Degrees both in the year 1885. He graduated from Allegheny Theological Seminary in 1888.

Reverend Harrop married Miss Elizabeth Tiefenthaler in 1890 in Wooster, Ohio. To this marriage was born four sons and two daughters: Reverend Walter E. Harrop, Graham, N. C.; Reverend Ben T. Harrop, Charlotte, N. C.; Karl Harrop, Bristol, Tennessee; Paul (deceased); Katherine, St. Clairsville, Ohio; Helen Harrop Williams, New Carlisle, Ohio.

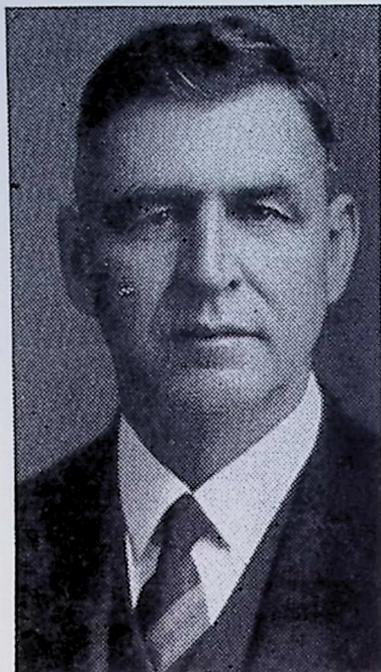
Mr. Harrop held many pastorates. He came to the Cold Spring Church as pastor in 1916. It is interesting to note that Mr. Harrop was the first regular pastor of Cold Spring. The other illustrious men who preceded him in this pulpit were in reality, only Supplies. One of the outstanding contributions of Mr. Harrop's pastorate was the organization for the first time of the Young Peoples' work. This movement has continued steadily since that time and has played an important role in the work of the Church. This work was organized in the year 1916, the year Mr. Harrop became local pastor. This contribution was but one of many made by this lovable man.

Mr. Harrop and family lived for two years in a temporary manse, and then moved to Green Spring where he remained two years, continuing as the pastor of Cold Spring Church until the end of that time.

After leaving this field in 1920, Mr. Harrop became pastor of the New Carlisle Presbyterian Church, of New Carlisle, Ohio. He resigned this pastorate in 1926 because of failing health, and moved to Bristol, Tennessee, where he died August 25, 1928. Thus passed a quiet, deep-thinking Man of God whom it was a pleasure to know and have as pastor.

Dan Hamilton Graham—1889

Cold Spring Church—1920-1922



DAN H. GRAHAM

Reverend Dan Hamilton Graham was born to James and Sallie Hickok Graham in Holston Valley, near King's Mill, Washington County, Virginia, on January 12, 1889. His father was a farmer, blacksmith, and a Ruling Elder in Cold Spring Church. Truly, Dan Graham was a son of Cold Spring Presbyterian Church.

Dan received his education at old Maxwell School, King College and Union Theological Seminary. He graduated from the Seminary in 1920. He was ordained to the ministry October 8, 1918. He married Miss Nell Campbell Painter, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. George Painter of Pulaski, Virginia, June 22, 1921. Mr. and Mrs. Graham have one living daughter, Jane Temple Graham.

Reverend Graham has served the pastorate of the Holston Valley group of churches: Cold Spring, Cleveland, Green Spring and Bethel. He also served at Rural Retreat, Virginia. He was Evangelist for the Abingdon Presbytery from 1925-1927. His present ministry with the Blountville group of churches began in

1927. This group includes Blountville, Arcadia, New Bethel, Thomas Memorial, Weaver's, Paperville, and other outposts.

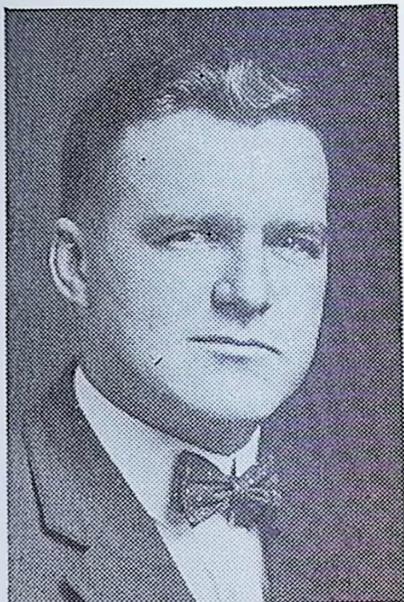
Not only has Dan been a good pastor, preacher and evangelist, but also a great builder. He has, by the help of God, his people, and his friends, built two manses; Cold Spring and Green Spring, and the following churches: Green Spring, Blountville, Graham, Arcadia, Weaver's, Walnut Hill, Miller's Harmony, Bethany, Vance and Emmett's. Truly this is a creditable record; enough to fill the life time of many men, not to mention that of only one man—Dan.

In connection with his pastorate of the Blountville group of churches, Reverend Graham has, for the past several years been the leader of the Dan Graham Evangelistic Party. He has conducted great, soul-stirring revivals all over the south, in churches, in tents, in tabernacles. At present the Grahams live at The Manse in historic Blountville, Tennessee.

In closing let it be said there is only one Dan Graham. He came from a Christian home in Holston Valley and has never gotten away from the old fashioned faith of his mother and father. An indefatigable worker, a faithful crusader for Christ—there is only one Dan Graham.

Walter K. Keys—1893

Cold Spring Church—1922-1925



WALTER K. KEYS

Reverend Walter K. Keys was born at King's Mill, Virginia, August 27, 1893. His parents, Thomas G. Keys and Susan Rebecca Keys, were members of the Cold Spring Church of which their son, Reverend Keys was later the pastor.

Mr. Keys graduated from Cleveland High School in 1911. He took Bachelor of Arts Degree from King College in 1916, and his Master of Arts from the same institution the next year, 1917. Having had a clear call to the ministry while in school, Reverend Keys entered Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Virginia in the fall of 1917. He graduated from that institution in 1920.

After graduating from the Seminary, Mr. Keys married Miss Eleanor Fickle of Bristol. To this union two children were born, Julia, and Billy.

Mr. Keys' first pastorate was in the Bethany, Olivet group of churches in Eastern Virginia. Next, was called to

his home church of Cold Spring as pastor. This call was preceded by a meeting in the church, held by Reverend Dan Graham and Reverend Keys. There has never been such stirring revival of interest in Cold Spring Church as that one. The year was 1920. Over one hundred souls were added to the church under the stirring messages of Mr. Keys and Mr. Graham. About this time, 1921, the present manse of the church was erected.

After the Cold Spring pastorate, Mr. Keys was for several years Superintendent of Home Missions, Holston Presbytery. After fruitful labors in that field he was in charge of the Mission School and Church work at Roan Mountain, Tennessee. Next he was called to the Micaville group of Churches as pastor during which time he served as Moderator of the Presbytery in the Spring of 1940. Shortly after the meeting of Presbytery, Mr. Keys was called as pastor to the Rumble Memorial Church of Blowing Rock, North Carolina where he is at present.

May it be said in closing, that the work of Reverend Keys has always been marked by energy and zeal and enthusiasm. In the Cold Spring Church, where he was a "prophet among his own people" his work was outstanding. Equipped with a brilliant mind and fine Christian background, he has indeed been a reaper of merit.

J. I. Knight—1894

Cold Spring Church—1925-1930



J. I. KNIGHT

J. I. Knight was born in Moore County, North Carolina on September 5, 1894. He was born at Carthage in the above named County. He graduated from Elise High School. In 1917 Mr. Knight volunteered for the medical department of the United States Army. He spent two years in the army, eighteen months of which were spent in France. While in France he spent four months at the University of Toulouse. He graduated from Davidson College with the degree of A. B. in 1922. In 1925, he graduated from Union Theological Seminary and immediately became pastor of Cold Spring, a charge which he faithfully filled until 1930.

In 1928, Reverend Knight married Miss Mary Key of Russellville, Alabama. To this union have been born two daughters, Margaret, age twelve; Mary Evelyn, eight years of age.

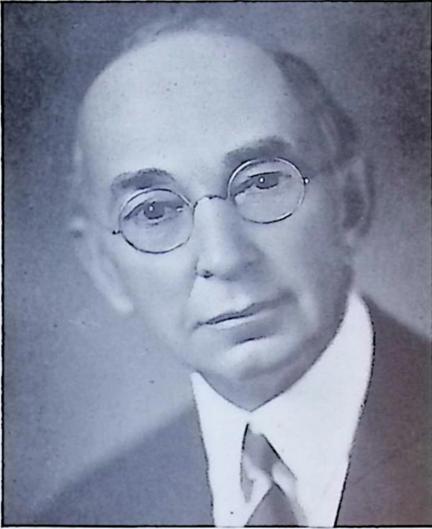
In 1930 Mr. Knight accepted a call to Mt. Olive, North Carolina. He is at present at Mt. Olive and is enjoying a very successful pastorate there.

Mr. Knight, while in college, was an athlete of no mean ability, being a letter man in many sports, especially track and football. His powerful physique admirably fitted him for a career in sports. This training stood him in good stead in his work with young people from the beginning of his ministry until now.

Reverend Knight has a personality which immediately attracts strangers to him. His accomplishments while pastor at Cold Spring have been outlined under Pastoral Administrations. Being a very gifted personality, the future should hold many good things for this man of God, and his attractive family.

Robert Yost, D. D.

Cold Spring Church—1930-1931



ROBERT YOST

Dr. Robert Yost has held many distinguished places in the work of the church during his lifetime. Highly educated, and equally well gifted, Dr. Yost is well known in collegiate and church circles. He has held pastorates in well known churches. But he is best known for his work in Tusculum College and King College. For many years he occupied the chair of Bible at King, and his efficiency in that capacity is a byword to all those who attended his classes.

Dr. Yost also took a very active part in all the campaigns of the school to raise funds. For several sessions he was away from the school a great deal of the time, soliciting funds so sorely needed by the little School which has meant so much in the life of Cold Spring Church as well as in the life of the nation.

There has never been a more popular teacher at King College than Dr. Yost. It was and is, a distinct pleasure to listen to this gifted man. The store house of his knowledge seems inexhaustible, and he draws upon it to make his lectures and sermons real and objective. During recent years Dr. Yost has devoted his time to lecturing and preaching, both over the air and to private audiences.

The reason for the paucity of information concerning the life of Dr. Yost, for this publication, is due to his reticence in giving the facts of his distinguished life. Nevertheless, these facts should be mentioned. Dr. Yost has served as Acting President of King College prior to the installing of Dr. Thomas Johnston as President. He has served important posts in Rotary and has attended many conventions of Rotary International. Truly, a man of wide experiences.

Charles William Kernan—1903

Cold Spring Church—1931-1938



C. W. KERNAN

Charles William Kernan, son of Dr. Charles K. Kernan and Minnie Gammon Kernan, was born in Bristol, Tennessee, March 27, 1903. His family moved to Rural Retreat, Virginia. Here Charles graduated from high school and worked during his summer vacations.

In the fall of 1922 Mr. Kernan entered Hampden Sidney College. He enrolled in the premedical course with the intention of ultimately going to the foreign field as a medical missionary. He was a leader in the extra-curricular activities of the College. He graduated from Hampden Sidney in 1926 with the degree of Bachelor of Science.

After teaching one year in the Plumtree School for Boys at Plumtree, North Carolina, during which time he assisted Reverend T. W. Clapp in preaching appointments,

Mr. Kernan went under care of Holston Presbytery at Johnson City, Tennessee. In the fall of 1927 he entered Union Theological Seminary at Richmond, Virginia, from which he graduated in the spring of 1930. During his vacation periods at the Seminary, Mr. Kernan assisted Reverend Dan H. Graham in the Blountville field.

In the summer of 1930, Mr. Kernan accepted a call from the Home Mission Committee of Holston Presbytery to take charge of the Cocke County Field, consisting of four home mission churches near Newport, Tennessee. His ministry in this field was progressive in every department. On September 17, 1931 Reverend Kernan married Miss Elizabeth Lynn of Charleston West Virginia.

In November, 1931 Reverend Kernan was called to the pastorate of Cold Spring Presbyterian Church and affiliated points. He remained here until 1938, carrying on a ministry which included brilliant preaching and devoted pastoral work. Two children were born to the Kernans these years, Lynn, born 1934, and Tommy, born 1937.

In 1938 Mr. Kernan accepted the call of the Amelia Presbyterian Church of East Hanover Presbytery, Virginia. During his third year at Amelia the church erected a religious education plant. Besides his duties as pastor, Mr. Kernan served on the Home Mission Committee of East Hanover Presbytery. He received his Master of Theology Degree from Union Seminary in 1939, and now is working on a course leading to a Doctor of Theology Degree.

Decatur Fox Waddell—1896

Cold Spring Church—1938—



D. F. WADDELL

Reverend Decatur Fox Waddell was born in Greene County, Tennessee, near Greeneville, January 15, 1896. He attended public schools in that county and later attended Maryville College, from which he graduated in 1923.

From December, 1917 to June, 1919, Mr. Waddell served in the Medical Corps of the United States navy, working in the Hospital Branch of the Service.

Reverend Waddell graduated from Union Theological Seminary at Richmond, Virginia in 1928 with the degree of B. D. In 1938 he received his Th. M. Degree, also from Union Theological Seminary.

In June, 1928 Mr. Waddell married Miss Josephine Thacker of Raleigh, North Carolina. To this union have been born three children: Nell Rankin, Joanne Elizabeth, and Decatur Fox, Jr.

Reverend Waddell has held the following pastorates: Selma, North Carolina, from June 1928 to March 1935; Presbyterian church, Ahoskie, North Carolina, March, 1935 to November 1939; Cold Spring Church from 1939 to present time.

Due to the reluctance of Mr. and Mrs. Waddell to speak of their accomplishments in other pastorates, few of their accomplishments there are known. However, it has come from other sources that the same energy which has characterized Mr. Waddell's pastorate at Cold Spring has been with him in his other fields. He has always been a builder, both of physical equipment for church plants, and also of interest in the work of the Kingdom. He has the rare knack of getting along both with those of his immediate church circle and also with those on the outside. The present equipment of the Sunday School Department of Cold Spring Church is the result of his persistence and tact.

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