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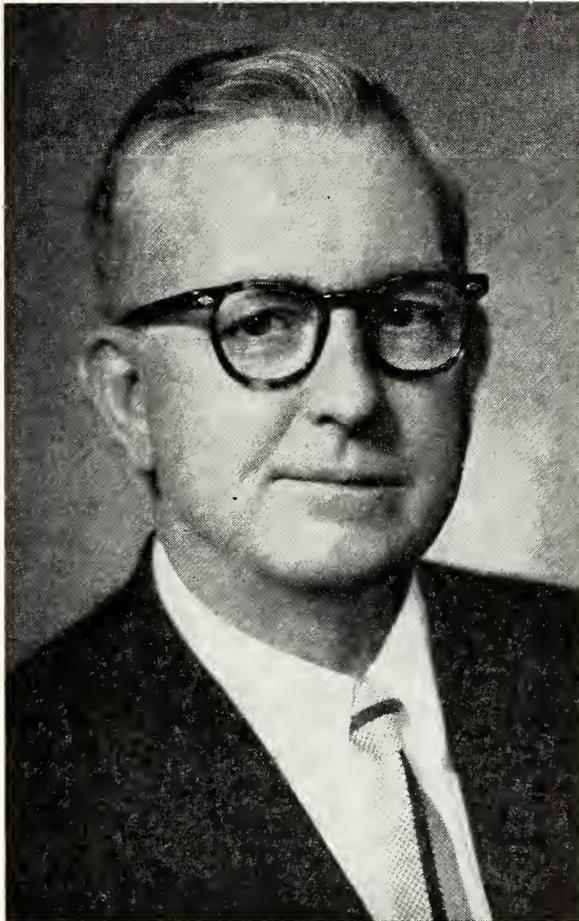


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... behold the half was not told me: thy wisdom and prosperity exceedeth the fame which I heard. They exchanged presents and the Queen went back to her country overwhelmed by the glory of Solomon. So King Solomon exceeded all the kings of the earth for riches and for wisdom.

IV. *Solomon's Shame*: Chapter 11:1-8

But King Solomon loved many strange women. These women led him into idolatry. And King Solomon did evil in the sight of the Lord. Think of Solomon sinking so low as to build high places for heathen gods! the abomination of all the heathen nations. How could Solomon sink so low? Read and ponder this chapter. Prosperous times are dangerous times!

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Rev. John Cavitt Blackburn

The Rev. John Cavitt Blackburn, Southern Presbyterian minister died, after an extended illness, at his home in Cayce, South Carolina, March 28th, 1959. He was born on August 13, 1889 in Columbia, S. C. and was the son of Dr. George A. Blackburn, pastor for many years at the Second (now Arsenal Hill) Presbyterian Church of Columbia, S. C. and he was the grandson of Dr. John L. Girardeau, Columbia Seminary professor and leader at the close of the Nineteenth Century, in the Southern Presbyterian Church. Many ministers were his Huguenot and Scottish-Irish forbears.

He attended the Presbyterian High School in Columbia which his father founded, and the University of South Carolina. He was a graduate of the American College of Physical Education in Chicago, Ill. Afterwards becoming the Director of Physical Education at the University of S. C. until 1917. Then upon being called to the ministry he attended Columbia Theological Seminary.

His first pastorate was at Fairfax and Hampton, South Carolina. This was followed by several pastorates in Georgia, at Darien and St. Mary's, Douglas and Clarksville. He also supplied many pulpits in Georgia. For the past twenty-five years he served as pastor of the West Columbia, South Carolina Presbyterian Church.

His publication ministry included the editing of two periodicals: *Old Paths* and *The Blue Banner*. Both of these championed the cause of conservative Presbyterianism in issues of doctrine, worship, church order and Christian living. A booklet, *Marah*, devotional in character was well-received.

Having inherited many old and valuable books from his father and grandfather he spent his lifetime adding to that collection with a view to making it one of the most complete private Southern Presbyterian libraries in existence. The library includes valuable manuscripts from the pens of Dr. John L. Girardeau and Dr. R. A. Webb, who was his uncle. His bibliography of Southern Presbyterian literature is a monument to his interest and efforts in the field of making Southern Presbyterian writers known.

He loved the South and sought to preserve its traditions in culture and order. He loved the Southern Presbyterian Church and devoted his strength to seeking to remind it of its glorious past witness, through men such as Palmer, Thornwell, Adger, Girardeau, Webb and others of the Columbia Seminary group. He raised his voice and used his pen to oppose modern evolutionism, in doctrine and the infiltration of worldliness into the churches.

He was a father in Zion to many younger ministers who found his counsels certain and scriptural, his library a source of inspiration and knowledge and his home, with his gracious wife serving as hostess, a place of Christian fellowship and hospitality. Alongside of the granite character which marked him as a man of strong convictions was the love and kindness which was expressed in constant and unpublicized sacrificial gifts for widows and orphans in need.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Edith Willingham Blackburn, two daughters, Mrs. Hunter Norwood and Mrs. Michael Fryga, and nine grandchildren.

With the Apostle Paul he could well have said: "I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God." (Acts 20:27)