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## Ex-Charlottean Is Success In NY He Parlayed \$8 Into Big Money

How can somebody take \$8 and some big ideas and parlay them into good money, position and influence?

Ask Robert W. Justice of New York City, formerly of

Charlotte, and he'll tell you it takes audacity and a will to work for what you want.

Mr. Justice, one of the most influential citizens of the Harlem section of New York, was back to his home town, Charlotte, this week visiting his brother and looking for landmarks of his youth.

**NEW HOUSE**  
His brother, L. M. H. Justice of 1920 St. Luke St., a retired dining car waiter for the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad, has just moved into a new house.

"I came down to christen the new house," Mr. Justice said. "Break a bottle of champagne on it."

"And Wednesday is my 70th birthday, so I might stay over to celebrate before going back to New York."

The story of how a 17-year-old youth took \$8 and headed

better his own education. Later he attended Columbia University and New York University as well.

Since its founding, the Academy has become a general distributing center for other business training schools in the country, and Mr. Justice has broadened his activities although he is still principal of the Academy.

**AIDED VETERANS**  
After World War I he was for five years a paymaster and vocational guide for veterans.

He was a member of a committee for the establishment of the first community center in Harlem.

In 1938 he was elected to the State Assembly, and was re-elected each year for the next four years. After that he was appointed a referee in the New York State Department of Labor to administer the unemployment insurance law.

At present Mr. Justice is chairman of the Harlem Affairs Committee, a strong group in the political and social life of the section.

**GOOD EXAMPLE**  
As an example of the determination which carried Mr. Justice to success is the time the Underwood company repossessed a typewriter because he couldn't meet payments on it.

When the company took the writing machine back during early days in New York, Mr. Justice went to see Mr. Underwood himself.

It is some slipping around corners and past secretaries, but after about three hours he walked unannounced into the business giant's office.

**TALKED FAST**  
Almost thrown out of the office, Mr. Justice started talking fast, and when he was through Mr. Underwood ordered the typewriter returned and told his assistants that if Mr. Justice couldn't pay for it he would pay for it himself.

It turned out that Mr. Underwood made a good investment in human nature, because Mr. Justice has bought over \$25,000 in machines from Underwood since then.

Mr. Justice, who incidentally has a 20-room summer home at Greenwood Lake, N. Y., said he thought his story, "Of a Negro boy living in Charlotte at the age of 17, going off to a far country with nothing but ideas and the will to work, might be an inspiration to other youths, both Negro and white."

He parlayed \$8 into big money.

## Choir Leader To Appear Here



Mrs. Dwight Phillips of the First Baptist Church in Tarkana, Texas, will be the guest director of the Junior Choir work in the Associational School of Church Music to be held Oct. 3 to Oct. 7, in the First Baptist Church of Charlotte.

Mrs. Phillips is one of the outstanding leaders in graded choir work in the Southern Baptist Convention. For four years she served on the faculty of the School of Sacred Music of the Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas. She has been guest teacher at the Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, and has led in music clinics and festivals throughout the South.

Fifty-two churches of the Mecklenburg Baptist Association will combine for the week of class and choir work. The public is invited to attend the program of sacred music on Oct. 7 at 8 p. m.

Classes in musicianship, conducting, voice production and hymn-playing will begin each evening at 7:15.

An estimated 233 million people live in North America.

## Birth Announcements

**MEMORIAL**  
Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Traylor, 4743 Woodview Ln., a girl, Sept. 25.  
Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Titusson, 711 E. Elm St., a girl, Sept. 25.  
Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Moore, 617 Timpani Rd., a boy, Sept. 25.  
Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Austin, 617 Timpani Rd., a girl, Sept. 25.  
Mr. and Mrs. T. Fisher, 2015 Dilworth Rd., a boy, Sept. 24.  
Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Huff, 229 Cambridge Dr., a girl, Sept. 23.  
Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Bels, Mount Holly, a boy, Sept. 24.  
Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Struett, 3020 Florida Ave., a boy, Sept. 24.  
Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Beam, 428 Sylvania Ave., a boy, Sept. 24.  
Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Page, Rt. 1, Box 296, a boy, Sept. 25.  
Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Mossey, 1236 Valley Stream Rd., a boy, Sept. 25.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Harvey, Matthews, a boy, Sept. 25.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. B. McLaughlin, Matthews, a boy, Sept. 25.  
Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Austin, 2018 Radcliffe Ave., a boy, Sept. 26.  
Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Simmons, 722 S. Cedar St., a boy, Sept. 26.  
Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Baker, 209 S. Laurel Ave., Apr. 24, a girl, Sept. 26.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lewis, Belmont, a girl, Sept. 26.  
Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Brown, 1301 Berryhill Rd., a boy, Sept. 27.

**PRESBYTERIAN**  
Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Martin, 2610 E. Woodlawn Ave., a boy, Sept. 26.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Love, Matthews, a boy, Sept. 26.



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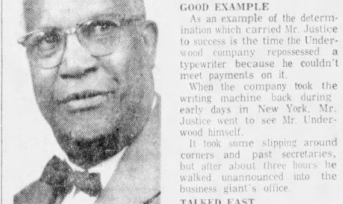
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out to New York to seek his fortune, and how he found it, is a long and interesting one.

Briefly though, Mr. Justice was born in a house on W. 2nd St. on Sept. 28, 1865, went to Myers St. grade school and then Biddle School now Johnson C. Smith University.

**HEADED NORTH**  
In 1902 he headed out for New York with \$8 in his pocket and the idea of becoming a physician on his mind. He soon gave up the idea of becoming a doctor, and in 1908 started the New York Academy of Business, a school for youths wanting business training.

While teaching at the academy, Justice, who was then at City College of New York to

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## Growth Of Methodism In County Is Traced

Opposition from the Presbyterians toward Methodism in early Mecklenburg did not prevent its growth, the Western N. C. Conference Historical Society was told last night.

Addressing hundreds of Methodist delegates who are attending the annual conference meeting at Dilworth Church, the Rev. G. W. Bumgarner of Gastonia traced the history of Methodism from 1772 through today.

The first Methodist preaching has been dated 1794, but there was little organization in the county until 1815, he said.

**WARNED PEOPLE**  
The Presbyterians opposing the

faith "warned" a Methodist gathering on at least one occasion to ward the people of the "dangers of Methodism," Mr. Bumgarner said, pointing out that friendship between the two denominations came later.

After obtaining a foothold in Charlotte Methodism began to spread.

Mr. Bumgarner told the audience that the Sauer Creek Circuit was formed in 1815. It had 18 preaching places, including Charlotte.

**KYRIAN PROGRAM**  
Between 1883 and 1896 the Methodists launched an extensive program of expansion to organize and build new churches.

The Tryon Street Church became prosperous and soon the Trinity Church was founded on South Tryon Street. Before their merger in 1928, the Tryon Street Church had 1,669 members and the Trinity Church had 1,127, Mr. Bumgarner said.

A brief history of several of the later churches of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County was outlined by the speaker.

**CONFERENCE FORMED**  
In 1890 the Western North Carolina conference was formed with a line east of Greensboro and including all of the western part of the state, he said.

"Since 1890 Charlotte has, by geographical and commercial location, become a center of influence in Methodism."

"Once in the northern tip of the South Carolina Conference it is now the center of an area and the home of the bishop," Mr. Bumgarner told the historical society.

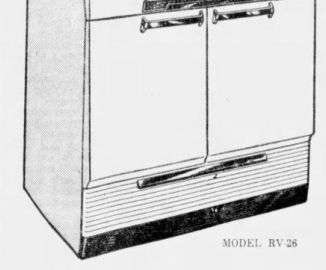
North Carolina is not 4th among the states in per capita personal income after all. It is 43rd.

Director Ben C. Douglas of the Department of Conservation and Development corrected earlier reports that the state was in the same rank it has occupied since 1933.

**'Wiggling Things' In Water Harmless**  
SANTA FE, N. M. (AP)—Those "wiggling, wiggling things" in Galapagos water supply are probably harmless midge fly larvae, a Health Department official says.

Charles Caldwell said the water is sufficiently chlorinated anyway, but "who wants to get a glass of cold water and find some sort of grizzling, worry thing in it."

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