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## COMMENTS ON THE CONFERENCE AT CONWAY

IT was an interesting and profitable session. The weather was ideal, neither too hot nor too cold, with no rain to make it difficult to go about. The hospitality of Conway under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. J. W. Workman, was equal to the best. In spite of the fact that there are college students in many homes, there seemed to be no lack of hosts, and wives of preachers and superannuates were well cared for. Cars were at the trains and church so that those who wished to ride could always have their desire gratified. Brother Workman as a host is tremendously attractive and intriguing. He can make more announcements than any other living man, and always makes them interesting and often entertaining.

Hendrix College, giving a reception in the new and wonderfully constructed and equipped Science Hall, with a brief address by Dr. Reynolds in the new chapel, made a fine impression. The College campus, with its trees, flowers, shrubbery, and carefully kept buildings, was at its best. Many preachers and delegates were given meals at Tabor Hall, and had an opportunity to meet students and learn how well they are fed by that peerless manager of the dining hall, Mrs. Hulen. The quality and variety of food is probably unsurpassed in college circles. Students brag about it.

Dr. W. A. Smith, pastor of First Church, Shreveport, who brought the inspirational messages two nights and two mornings, took old texts and gave them new and practical meaning. His ministry strengthened and uplifted, and was thoroughly appreciated.

Those who represented connectional interests—Rev. J. Q. Schisler, Dr. E. T. Clark, Dr. L. F. Sensabaugh, Dr. W. C. Martin, Rev. J. S. Seneker, Dr. W. P. King and Dr. James Thomas, representing the Arkansas Methodist Orphanage—all had brief, but helpful messages.

Dr. J. W. Cline, fresh from China, Saturday night gave an insight into the Eastern situation and causes of war, that only one who has been on the ground could have given. He is one of our best and most useful missionaries and Arkansas and his alma mater are proud of the record that he has made. Whenever possible, without overworking him, he should be given opportunity to speak on the subjects which he understands so much better than do we.

The contest between Rev. G. W. Pyles and Rev. P. Q. Rorie for the next session of the Conference was interesting and beneficial. It was encouraging to see two strong communities, Blytheville and Fort Smith, really vying with each other to get the Conference, when there are many who say that our communities will not entertain. This prepared for the defeat of the resolution looking to self-entertainment. It is very evident that we have communities in Arkansas that will entertain and want to entertain. It is almost wholly a question of the pastor host. Almost any community under inspiring leadership will gladly entertain and get much profit.

The resolution providing for a commission to study the question of merging the two Conferences, had strong opposition, although it carried on a count vote. While there are valid objections, there are also strong reasons for merging, and it is best to study the question calmly and judiciously before deciding it. The two Oklahoma Conferences merged last year. This year the three Missouri Conferences, without any opposition, appointed Commissions to consider the merging of the three Conferences. A few years ago three great Conferences in Ohio, including some 800 members, united.

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\* **FOR WHATSOEVER IS BORN OF GOD** \*  
\* **OVERCOMETH THE WORLD; AND THIS** \*  
\* **IS THE VICTORY THAT OVERCOMETH** \*  
\* **THE WORLD, EVEN OUR FAITH. WHO** \*  
\* **IS HE THAT OVERCOMETH THE** \*  
\* **WORLD, BUT HE THAT BELIEVETH** \*  
\* **THAT JESUS IS THE SON OF GOD.—** \*  
\* **I John 5:4-5.** \*  
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## AN INTERESTING BROADCAST.

Listen in to the National Broadcast of the American Liberal Arts College Movement, November 14.

President Hoover and Dr. John F. Finley, associate editor of the New York Times, will broadcast at 9:00-9:30, Central Standard Time, through the National Broadcasting Company and its associated stations in behalf of the Liberal Arts College and for the purpose of presenting to the American people the value of the Liberal Arts College and its place in the life of the nation. Millions of people will listen in on this notable occasion.

At 6:00-6:30 that same afternoon, over KTHS, will be a local broadcast telling about this movement as it concerns Arkansas Colleges. Among the features on the program will be short addresses by President Reynolds, of Hendrix, and President Johnson of Ouachita. All friends of the Colleges of Arkansas should listen in from 6:00-6:30, November 14, connecting with KTHS.

The vote on the Judicial Council lacked only three votes of being unanimous. Our Conferences are progressive and not afraid of a new thing if it seems to have merit, as does this proposition. It had been so thoroughly discussed in our paper that there was no need of further discussion.

Our educational work was strongly presented by Schisler, Davidson, J. M. Williams, Reynolds, and Bishop Dobbs. It was agreed that the new Educational Plan was a great forward movement with almost unlimited possibilities if utilized, and it was the opinion that Arkansas with its present college system and leadership will point the way to happy results. We are facing a great opportunity.

Devoting morning and afternoon sessions to reports of the preachers, the Conference had a full survey of the field and situation. It was soon discovered that the depression had seriously impaired the finances, so that there were few 100 per cent charges. The Benevolences received only about 45 per cent. This low return was largely due to the fact that several of the stronger charges, some of them with crushing building debts, did not pay as they usually do. Very few pastors received their full salaries, and in most instances pastors suffered along with Benevolences. The spirit of the preachers was fine. Although many had small salaries, there was no note of defeat, but a feeling that pastors and people must suffer together. There had been many revivals, but also losses, so that the net gain was only 550.

A resolution providing for a Commission to work out a plan for equalizing salaries was heartily adopted, and it was suggested that even during the ensuing year a voluntary contribution

from the higher salaried pastors would help to solve the difficulty. This movement was sponsored by some of the best paid pastors, and augurs well for brotherliness and example to the laity in sacrificial giving.

Of course, the beautiful spirit of the Conference was promoted by Bishop Dobbs, who in his unique manner leads in gentleness, graciousness, and endeavor to be brotherly and fair. His brief addresses are always stimulating and his charge to the large class admitted into full connection and his strong, clear sermon on Sunday, on "The Faith of the Future," were strengthening and uplifting. It is not fulsome praise to say that in his presidency and preaching Bishop Dobbs approximates the ideal which we might set for a bishop of our church. It was remarked, however, that he seemed weary and overworked. He certainly does not spare himself.

It was hoped that, on account of financial stringency, few changes of pastors would be made; but that hope was not fulfilled. About one-half were changed. However, on account of favorable weather and modern means of transportation, moving today is not as serious an affair as it was thirty years ago. All things considered, it was a good Conference session, and preachers go out with hope and courage, knowing that unusual trials await them.

## BOOK REVIEWS

**Games We Like Best;** Edited by Lynn and Katherine Rohrbough; published by Richard R. Smith, Inc., New York; price \$1.50.

This book will be a most welcome addition to the library of recreational leaders. Among its collection of games and stunts they will find many of their old favorites, some adaptations in attractive new settings, many absorbing new combinations and some new games. The games for this collection have been contributed by 100 leaders of social recreation, representing forty states and provinces. The games are well classified and arranged as follows: "Games of Skill," "Games of Acquaintance," "Games of Action," "Musical Games," "Intermission Games," "Games of Competition," "Relay Games," "Puzzle Games," "Initiation Games," "Quiet Fun," "Reserve Games," "Party Outlines." They have all been tested and have been found most successful. The book will be of the greatest help to experienced as well as the inexperienced leader.

**The Lesson Round Table;** Edited by Richard D. Dodge; published by the Cokesbury Press; Nashville, Tenn.; Price \$1.25.

This is a manual for the study of the International Sunday School Lessons, improved uniform series for 1932. Each Lesson Discussion is prepared by a specialist on the subject. Freshness and vigor, as well as thorough scholarship, and inspiration mark the work of the spiritual teachers and leaders who contribute to these studies. The Lesson Round Table has met with hearty approval among teachers and leaders of all denominations. The teacher who uses it in the preparation of his lesson will go to his work with a new feeling of power and will be amply repaid by the results achieved in his class work.

**The Wet Parade;** by Upton Sinclair; published by Farrar and Rhinehart, Inc.; on Murray Hill, New York; price \$2.00.

If you have even the slightest notion that prohibition is not a thing to be greatly desired you should read the "Wet Parade," by Upton Sinclair. He leaves you with a very clear picture of the evils of drink. Outlawing the liquor traffic, he shows, has very effectively checked the destruc-

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## BOOK REVIEWS

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tion of thousands of homes. The comparatively few cases of lawlessness and degradation stand out clearly and claim more of public attention than they merit. In the "Wet Parade" the evils of self-indulgence are most clearly portrayed. We agree with Mr. Sinclair that Prohibition has not failed. His statement that Prohibition has not been tried needs modification. It has already proved of inestimable worth to our commonwealth. The Prohibition Law can be enforced! Try it! A reviewer says: "It is a whale of a book and it is this for the same reason 'Uncle Tom's Cabin' was. Upton Sinclair's blast against the liquor traffic, legal and illegal, is in the Uncle Tom tradition."

**Snowden's Sunday School Lessons;** by James H. Snowden; published by The Macmillan Co., New York; Price \$1.35.

This is Dr. Snowden's eleventh annual volume, Practical Expositions of the International Sunday School Lessons for 1932. Improved Uniform Series; Topics for Young People and Adults. Those who are familiar with Dr. Snowden's work in this field will welcome this new volume. His wide range of knowledge and rare gift of selectivity combined with his ability to classify and arrange his material in the most accessible and practical form, make his work invaluable to the Sunday School teacher. The instructive and inspirational nature of his material make the book equally valuable to the individual student as a guide to his personal devotional reading.

**Our Pupils and How They Learn;** by Frances C. McLester; published by Cokesbury Press, Nashville, Tenn.; price 75 cents.  
Miss McLester is a student and teacher of re-

ligious education of wide experience and knowledge, and is well fitted to present the subject in such a way as to make her book of inestimable value to teachers in Sunday Schools. While clear and sound in theory, her statements are free from technical terms, concise and practical and presented in an interesting manner calculated to be especially helpful to the teacher who has not had an extensive course in modern psychology. The discussions are based on the reports of a workers' council and deal with the problems actually met with in the work of religious education. It is a most practical and helpful volume.

## LET US DISCRIMINATE

LAST year and again this year a pageant, called "Pioneer Methodism in Arkansas," has been given with the ostensible purpose of recalling the scenes of 100 years ago.

The actors perform well, and as given in a theater on a week night, this play is not open to serious objection, except that it is merely a burlesque rather than a fair representation of early conditions in our religious history. It amuses without instructing or inspiring.

This writer has witnessed it with keen amusement and yet, without seriously disapproving, has regretted that the early history of our Church in Arkansas has been depicted somewhat after the manner of the legend of the "Arkansas Traveler," when it might have been portrayed in a way to dignify it and elicit the admiration of our youth rather than their laughter over its grotesqueness. As worked out it is extremely amateurish and unworthy of the great characters who figure in it.

And now it is said that there is a demand that it be presented in some of our churches on Sunday nights. It is conceivable that those who have become accustomed to the absurdities and gross-

ness of much of the cinema, may see no incongruity in displacing a religious service with an amusing entertainment in which smoking and dancing and a mock revival are prominent parts.

It is especially to be regretted that this religious farce is being presented at a time when our real spiritual leaders are seeking to direct the minds of amusement-mad people to high and holy things.

In 1936, when the 100th anniversary of the Arkansas Conference should be celebrated at Batesville, it is to be devoutly hoped that some spiritually-minded and gifted writer will give us a pageant that will worthily present Arkansas Methodist history. Let us discriminate in the use of the holy Sabbath and the houses dedicated to holy things.

## DEATH OF SENATOR CARAWAY

ALL Arkansas was shocked and grieved when it was known last Saturday that Senator T. H. Caraway, our junior senator, had passed away. Working up through unusually difficult early conditions, he had attained a height reached by few. Although not exactly a statesman, he had a degree of political wisdom and courage and originality that had attracted national attention. His readiness to fight in the forum and political arena made him warm friends and bitter enemies. He had been a prosecuting attorney dreaded by the criminal element, and was always a staunch friend of righteousness as he understood it. In spite of his sarcastic wit, he had a tender heart and was loved by those who knew him best. Not a member of the church, he was, through his family, affiliated with the Methodist Church, and his funeral was in charge of Dr. James A. Anderson, who lived in his home town of Jonesboro. His bereaved family has the sympathy and prayers of the good people of our state.

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

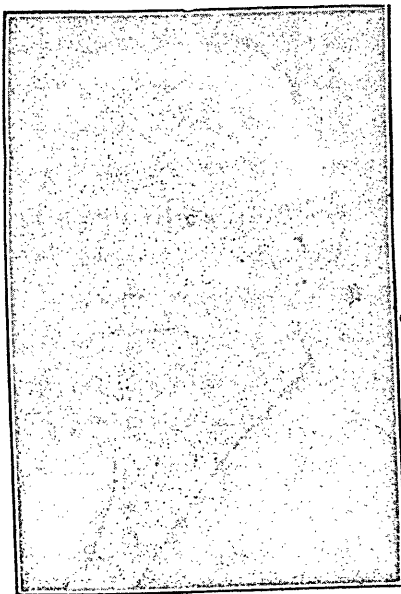
## FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION

The Ninety-Sixth Session of the North Arkansas Annual Conference met in the Methodist Church in Conway, Arkansas, November 4, 1931, at 8:30 a. m., Bishop Hoyt M. Dobbs presiding. Hymns No. 560 and No. 551 were sung. The Conference recited the Apostles' Creed. Bishop Dobbs led the Conference in reading responsively the 37th Psalm. Bishop Dobbs led in Prayer. Hymn No. 19 was sung.

Bishop Dobbs announced that the gavel which he used was made from timber taken from the site of the birth place of the Rev. John Harrell and it was noted that this is the 100th anniversary year of the coming of the Rev. John Harrell to Arkansas.

F. M. Tolleson, Secretary of the last Conference, called the roll of the Conference.

The names of L. A. Blevans, W. E. Cooper, John H. Dye, J. W. Griffin, W. J. Jordan and T. A. Martin were called. It was announced that they had died during the year. According to a custom of the Conference there was a reverent pause and John A. Womack led in prayer. The Conference sang Hymn No. 556.



F. M. Tolleson, D. D., Sec. North Arkansas Conference

The roll call was continued and the lay delegates present answered to their names.

F. M. Tolleson was elected secretary and nominated Benj. C. Few and J. F. Glover assistant secretaries and they were elected.

On nomination of the secretary J.

W. Moore was elected Honor Roll Secretary.

The Secretary nominated Allen D. Stewart statistical secretary, and he was elected, and on his nomination the following assistant statistical secretaries were elected: W. W. Albright, J. W. Johnston, J. W. Glover, Earl Cravens, S. O. Patty, H. A. Stroup, E. B. Williams, F. M. Glover, T. C. Chambliss, Ted McNeil, R. S. Hayden, O. M. Campbell, E. E. Stevenson, C. C. Burton, J. M. Barnett, Frank Shell, J. W. Moore, J. T. Randle, H. J. Couchman, D. C. Holman, A. N. Storey, W. J. Clark, G. A. Freeman, J. M. Harrison, S. B. Wilford, Cecil Culver, H. F. McDonal, W. J. Spicer, C. W. Wood.

The Conference voted to meet at 8:30 a. m., and adjourn at 12 m., and to meet at 1:45 p. m., and adjourn at 3 p. m.

The main section of the auditorium, outside the line of the balcony columns, was made the bar of the Conference.

Dr. J. H. Reynolds, President of Hendrix College, Mayor H. D. Russell of the City of Conway and Mr. S. T. Smith, chairman of the Board of Stewards of the Methodist Church of Conway, were introduced, and welcomed the body to the city and church. Bishop Dobbs responded with appropriate expression of the

thanks of the Conference.

Harvey C. Couch, state chairman of President Hoover's Unemployment Commission, was introduced and addressed the Conference in the interest of relief work. On his request the Conference voted to appoint a committee of three members to cooperate with the commission in plans for a special Thanksgiving day program. Bishop Dobbs appointed on this committee J. W. Workman, Glenn F. Sanford and Dr. J. M. Williams.

The following visitors were introduced: Dr. Jas. Thomas, Dr. W. P. King, Rev. J. A. Henderson, Dr. Elmer T. Clark, Rev. J. L. Hoover, Rev. J. F. Simmons, Dr. Paul W. Quillian, Dr. O. F. Sensabaugh, Rev. S. T. Baugh, Dr. W. C. Martin, Dr. A. W. Wasson, Rev. D. H. Colquette, Dr. A. C. Millar.

The Conference voted to dispense with further calling of the roll.

Dr. W. P. King, Book Editor, addressed the Conference in the interest of the Publishing House and Christian Literature.

Bishop Dobbs read a letter from the Publishing Agents transmitting a check for \$2,787.40 to the Conference to go to the Superannuate Fund as a share of the profits of the Pub-

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# The Bishops Appeal For Immediate Aid In Averting An Impending Missionary Withdrawal

Ask an Emergency Offering in Every Church  
on November 29 or December 6

A communication from the Executive Committee of the Board of Missions was before the Bishops at the mid-year meeting in Atlanta. This communication—a frank statement of facts—demanded serious and prayerful consideration. Dr. W. G. Cram, the General Secretary, amplified and reinforced the report with a statement that deepened our concern and aroused our solicitude. His report made it very clear that by December 1 there will be a deficit of not less than \$400,000 in the operating budget. When we remember that December 31 is the close of the fiscal year and the time when the Board should have excess funds, instead of a deficit, there is occasion for grave concern. The Bishops expressed themselves as being ready to co-operate in every possible way with those immediately responsible for the administration of our missionary enterprises in this emergency.

After mature deliberation, we urge our people to keep our missionary forces at their posts at all costs. To this end we appeal for co-operation with the Secretaries of the Board of Missions in every possible way in making a special call for contributions to an **Emergency Relief Fund**. We most strongly approved the suggestion of the Executive Committee of the Board of Missions that a special cash offering to be taken in all our congregations on November 29 or December 6 as a special relief fund to meet this emergency which is facing us in our missionary work. It is necessary that this offering be taken in cash and that no long-time subscriptions be requested. The situation is so urgent that no congregation should ask to be excused.

The situation is critical. It appears that every possible method of reduction and cuts in operating expenses has been resorted to. We must not abandon productive fields. Notwithstanding the financial difficulties under which our people labor, it is possible for us to hold the lines for a better day. A little more self-denial is necessary. A cash offering from every one of our congregations will not hurt the local work. We urge our preachers and people to give this matter serious, prayerful, and prompt attention. The situation demands it. Delay means disaster. Failure is not to be thought of.

Failing in immediate relief the Board of Missions is faced with more drastic reductions, such as closing institutions, withdrawing missionaries, and cutting out large blocks of work. This must not be permitted. Many of our people will receive letters from the offices of the Mission Board asking for personal gifts in this emergency. Let there be general and liberal response. This need not and will not interfere with the General Benevolences or the Kingdom Extension Offering.

There could be no more fitting thing, under all the circumstances, than for our people to make a liberal thank-offering in connection with our annual Thanksgiving occasion in response to this urgent need.

We remain your servants for Christ's sake.—Warren A. Candler, Collins Denny, Edwin D. Mouzon, John M. Moore, William F. McMurtry, Urban V. W. Darlington, Horace M. Du Bose, William N. Ainsworth, James Cannon, Jr., Sam R. Hay, Hoyt M. Dobbs, Hiram A. Boaz, Arthur J. Moore, Paul B. Kern, A. Frank Smith, Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.



## COMMISSION ON BENEVOLENCES JOINS

Showing the unanimity of sentiment on the part of all other Boards, the Executive Committee of the General Commission on Benevolences has adopted the following resolution:

"RESOLVED, By the Executive Committee of the General Commission on Benevolences, that the Board of Missions and the Commission on Benevolences are not undertaking to change or modify the financial plan adopted by the General Conference, or to substitute a cash collection for the Kingdom Extension Offering, or for the regular apportionments; but that in order to meet an emergency which has come to our great Board of Missions in its world-wide work, we join with the College of Bishops in approving a voluntary cash collection on one of the dates set out above."



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lishing House. This was referred to the Board of Finance.

Dr. Jas. Thomas, Superintendent of the Arkansas Methodist Orphanage, read the report of the Orphanage Commission and addressed the Conference. The report was referred to the Orphanage Board.

The Conference voted to make the First National Bank of Fort Smith the official depository for Conference funds during the year.

The report of the Presiding Elders as a nominating Committee was read and adopted as follows: "We, the Presiding Elders, submit the following report on nominations:

Public Worship: J. W. Crichlow, J. W. Workman, J. H. Reynolds.

District Conference Journals: F. M. Daniel, J. W. Johnston, W. J. Faust.

Conference Relations: A. L. Cline, W. W. Albright, S. G. Watson, J. A. Reynolds, W. C. Davidson, W. T. Thompson, A. H. Dulaney.

The Cabinet suggests that the several Quadrennial Boards and Committees submit nominations for any vacancies in their membership."

The Conference voted to make hearing the representatives of the various General Boards of the Church the order of the day immediately after disposing of the minutes Thursday morning, to be followed at 10:45 by the program of the Board of Christian Education.

Dr. W. C. Martin addressed the Conference in the interest of the General Hospital Board.

Dr. O. F. Sensabaugh addressed the Conference on behalf of Southern Methodist University.

The Secretary read a telegram from the City Commission of Fort Smith inviting the Conference to hold its next session in that city.

The Conference voted to commend the work of Dr. A. C. Millar as editor of the *Arkansas Methodist* and appreciation of his untiring labor in connection with the recent fiftieth Anniversary Number of the paper.

Dr. Elmer T. Clark addressed the Conference on the work of the Board of Missions.

Question 21 was called: Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

The names of Jefferson Sherman, F. E. Dodson, J. W. Crichlow, F. M. Tolleson, H. L. Wade, Jas. A. Anderson, E. T. Wayland and W. C. House presiding Elders, were called, their characters passed and they reported the work in their Districts.

After various announcements the Conference adjourned with the benediction by Dr. Jas. Thomas.

#### FIRST DAY

##### Afternoon Session

The Conference met at 1:45 p. m., Bishop Dobbs presiding.

Hymn No. 354 was sung. H. L. Wade led in prayer. Hymn No. 351 was sung.

Question 21 was resumed.

The name of F. R. Hamilton, Presiding Elder of Helena District, was called, his character passed and he reported the work in his District.

The names of pastors in Helena District were called and their character passed.

The name of H. K. Morehead was called, his character passed, and he reported his work. He asked the indulgence of the Conference in a matter of personal privilege and read a statement regarding certain rumors and insinuations which he said had come to annoy him and inter-

fere with his effectiveness. He requested that a committee be appointed to inquire into these reports. Bishop Dobbs appointed the committee, naming G. G. Davidson, C. E. Gray and Geo. Patchell.

The names of W. W. Anderson, J. H. Cummins, S. S. Key, Cadesman Pope, M. B. Umsted, J. C. Weaver, D. N. Weaver, J. P. Wheeler, J. M. Williams, J. M. McAnally, E. N. Bickley, S. H. Blackwell, A. M. R. Brantley, S. K. Farris, J. F. Jernigan, Geo. McGlumphy, W. F. Evans, Charles Edwards, J. W. Campbell, J. M. Thrasher, W. T. Martin, T. A. Bowen, Fred Little, A. F. Skinner, G. M. Barton, H. Hanesworth, W. E. Bishop, J. D. Roberts, C. E. Holifield, F. H. Cumming, J. B. Andrews, C. F. Wilson and J. B. Stevenson were called, their character passed and their names were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the superannuate relation.

The name of J. B. Evans was called his character passed and his name was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the superannuate relation.

The Conference adjourned with the benediction by J. M. Workman.

#### SECOND DAY

##### Morning Session

The Conference met at 8:30 a. m., Bishop Dobbs, presiding.

Dr. W. C. Watson led in prayer.

Dr. W. Angie Smith read a passage from Phil. 2, and delivered an inspiring message on "Having the same Mind Which Was in Christ Jesus." Bishop Dobbs led in prayer.

It was announced that Dr. C. C. Jarrell whose address was the order of the day, had not arrived. J. B. Evans was granted leave of absence.

Bishop Dobbs announced the transfer of A. W. Wasson from the Korea Conference and J. Abner Sage from the North Texas Conference.

Question 21 was resumed and many pastors made reports and their characters were passed.

The name of O. E. Goddard was called, his character passed and the Secretary read a telegram of greetings from him.

Dr. E. R. Steel, Rev. F. A. Buddin, Rev. R. E. L. Bearden, Rev. J. Abner Sage, Jr., Dr. W. C. Watson, Dr. J. M. Workman, Rev. J. Wayne Mann, Rev. John C. Glenn and Rev. R. E. Simpson, all of Little Rock Conference, were introduced.

The order of the day having arrived, Report No. 1 of the Board of Christian Education was read. J. Q. Schisler, Dr. J. M. Williams, Dr. J. H. Reynolds and Bishop Dobbs spoke to the report, and it was adopted.

Dr. Jas. A. Anderson, appointed a year ago to write the history of Methodist in Arkansas, reported that in pursuing this work he had come upon several facts of such interest that they should be put upon the records of the Conference. Thereupon he introduced to the Conference Rev. E. T. Wayland, as being the grandson of Jonathan Wayland who was chiefly instrumental in the organization of the Flat Creek Church, Spring River Circuit, in 1815, under Eli Lindsay. Except for a Catholic Mission among the Indians in the vicinity of Arkansas Post, which had long since disappeared, this was the first pastoral charge ever organized in Arkansas.

Dr. Anderson also introduced Rev. Milton F. Johnson, a lineal descendant of John Robinson, who fought the battle for religious liberty early in the seventeenth century; was the

spiritual progenitor of the Puritans, the Congregationalists, known as "The Independents" of English history; and was the pastor of the "Pilgrim Fathers" when they embarked for America in 1620. The Rev. Mr. Johnson is also a lineal descendant of Ethan Allen of Ticonderoga fame.

Dr. Anderson then introduced as lineal descendants of John Bunyan, Mrs. F. S. H. Johnston, her sons, H. C. and Warren Johnston, and the sister of Mrs. Johnston, Mrs. V. G. Craig. He stated that the wife of Warren Johnston is a descendant of Daniel Boone and akin to George Washington. The Conference stood in greeting these descendants of distinguished men.

After various announcements the Conference adjourned with the benediction by Dr. J. D. Hammons.

#### SECOND DAY

##### Afternoon Session.

The Conference met at 1:45, Bishop Dobbs presiding.

Rev. J. M. Hughey led in prayer.

Question 21 was resumed and many names called.

After various announcements the Conference adjourned with the benediction by Rev. William Sherman.

#### THIRD DAY

##### Morning Session.

The Conference met at 8:30 a. m., Bishop Dobbs presiding.

Dr. Whaley led in prayer. Dr. W. Angie Smith read from Hebrews 11, and delivered an uplifting message on "The Spiritual Adventure of Faith." Bishop Dobbs led in prayer.

The Conference made an offering amounting to \$73.75 to defray the expenses incurred by the Committee on Evangelism for the inspirational addresses during the session. Dr. Smith directed that all of this, save his actual expense in traveling, should be given the superannuated members of the Conference.

The minutes of the preceding day's sessions were read and approved.

F. E. Dodson, who had been four years on the Booneville District, was called to the chancel and John A. Womack made the presentation of a suit of clothes as a token of love and appreciation of the preachers of the District.

Likewise, F. M. Tolleson, who is ending a quadrennium as presiding elder of the Fayetteville District, was given a beautiful pen and pencil set as a memento of the affectionate regard of the preachers of the Fayetteville District. Wm. Sherman also presented Dr. Tolleson with a beautiful gavel of historic interest, made by one of the preachers of the District, W. C. Hutton, from timber taken from the battleground of Pea Ridge.

H. L. Wade, who had been four years presiding elder of the Fort Smith District, was the recipient of a lovely watch which was presented by G. W. Pyles on behalf of the preachers of the Fort Smith District.

The retiring presiding elders made appropriate and touching response to these evidences of love.

Bishop Dobbs announced the transfer of J. R. Jordan, an elder, from the Oklahoma Conference, and the transfer of R. T. Cribb to the Oklahoma Conference.

Question 3 was called: Who remain on trial?

The names of Nathaniel R. Griswold, Herchel J. Couchman, William F. Shell, Clinton W. Good, George McGhehey, Vernon E. Chalfant and Griffin Hamilton were called, their

character passed, and having stood an approved examination on the course of study, they were advanced to the Class of the Second Year.

Question 2 was called: Who else is in the class of the first year?

The name of Manford L. Edgington, Ben T. Williams and Verlie F. Harris were called, their character passed, but not having stood an approved examination on the course of study they were continued in the Class of the First Year.

Question 17 was called: What traveling preachers and what local preachers have been elected deacons?

The names of Frank Matthews, Eugene Hendrix Hall, William Alfred Downum, Alva Wilder Harris, George Nathaniel Villines, Henry William Jett, Vernon Elmer Chalfant and James Thomas Randle were called, their character passed, and having stood an approved examination on the course of study and meeting the disciplinary requirements, they were advanced to the class of the third year and elected to deacons' orders.

The name of P. W. Emrah was called, his character passed, and having stood an approved examinations on the course of study he was advanced to the Class of the Third Year, being already a deacon.

Question 4 was called: Who else is in the class of the second year?

The names of Ray McLester and R. B. Howerton were called, their character passed, but not having stood an approved examination on the course of study, they were continued in the Class of the Second Year.

Question 15 was called: Who are the deacons of one year?

The names of Cecil R. Culver, R. Connor Morehead, and J. L. Rowland were called, their character passed, and having stood an approved examination on the course of study they were advanced to the Class of the Fourth Year.

Question 7 was called: Who else is in the class of the third year?

The name of J. A. Gatlin was called, his character passed, but not having stood an approved examination on the course of study, he was continued in the Class of the Third Year?

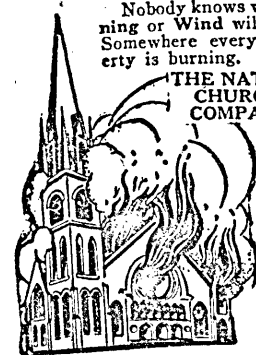
Question 19 was called: What traveling preachers and what local preachers have been elected elders?

The names of James Marvin Barnett, Jabez Henry Hoggard, Marvin Andrew Graves, Robert Elmon Wilson, Charles Lewis Castleberry and Paul Vernon Galloway were called, their character passed, and having stood an approved examination on the course of study and meeting the

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disciplinary requirements, they were elected to elders orders.

The Committee of the Fourth Year announced that John Lester Rowland had stood an approved examination on the course of study and met the disciplinary requirements and he was elected to elders orders.

Question 21 was resumed, and many names called.

J. S. Seneker presented a report of the Board of Trustees of Southern Methodist University. The names of A. T. Galloway and J. T. Hood were called, their character passed and their names were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the superannuate relation.

An offering amounting to \$124.85 was made for the members who are taking the superannuate relation.

A statement was made concerning Dr. Anderson's History of Arkansas Methodism and advance subscriptions were taken for the publication.

Mr. G. L. Morelock, Secretary of the General Board of Lay Activities, was introduced and addressed the Conference on behalf of the Benevolences, as the representative of the Commission on Benevolences.

Rev. C. C. Neal, representing Haygood Institute of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, and Rev. W. Conway Smith, pastor of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church in Conway, were introduced.

G. G. Davidson, chairman, read the following report of a committee appointed by Bishop Dobbs at an earlier session:

We, your committee appointed to investigate complaints against Rev. H. K. Morehead, report as follows:

Your Committee went to Fayetteville and made careful investigation of the possible evidence and find that the evidence secured does not warrant

further action.—G. G. Davidson, C. E. Gray, Geo. E. Patchell.

The Conference voted to accept the report.

Rev. E. C. Rule, Rev. A. W. Waddill, Rev. J. E. Cooper and Rev. L. E. N. Hundley, of Little Rock Conference, were introduced.

After announcements were made the Conference adjourned with the doxology and the benediction by Rev. H. K. Morehead.

### THIRD DAY

#### Afternoon Session.

Rev. A. W. Wasson led in prayer. Report No. 1 of the Board of Finance was read. H. L. Wade spoke to the report, and it was adopted.

Question 1 was called: Who are admitted on trial?

Ted McNeil and Fletcher Morris Dodson, recommended by the Booneville District, Robert G. Winn, recommended by the Fayetteville District, Elmus Clyde Brown, John Weeks McCormack and A. Edwin Grimes, recommended by the Fort Smith District, Lawrence Kenneth Brown and Aubrey Walton, recommended by the Helena District, and Howard Milton Alsey, recommended by the Paragould District, having stood an approved examination on the course of study, and being recommended by the Committee on Admissions, were admitted on trial into the traveling connection.

William Claude Hutton, recommended by the Fayetteville District, having stood an approved examination on the course of study, but not meeting the disciplinary requirements in educational qualifications, was admitted on trial into the traveling connection by a two-thirds vote of the Conference.

Question 17 was resumed.

Elmus Clyde Brown, a local preacher, and John Weeks McCormack, a local preacher, recommended by the Fort Smith District, and Lawrence Kenneth Brown, a local preacher, recommended by the Helena District, were elected to deacons orders.

Rev. C. C. Neal and Rev. W. Conway Smith, representing the work of the Colored Methodist Church in Conway and at Haygood Institute, addressed the Conference. The Conference made an offering of \$48.35 to be divided equally between these causes.

After various announcements the Conference adjourned with the benediction by Rev. F. R. Hamilton.

### FOURTH DAY

#### Morning Session.

The Conference met at 8:30 a. m., Bishop Dobbs presiding.

Bishop Dobbs led the Conference in reading responsively Psalm 91, and Dr. A. C. Millar led in prayer.

The minutes of the preceding day's sessions were read and approved.

J. W. Workman announced the Sunday schedule of church services for the city.

The Conference voted to make the reception of the class to be received into full connection the order of the day for ten o'clock.

The following resolution was read, discussed and adopted:

**Resolution for a Study of Minimum Salary Scale and Equalization.**

1. It is a commonly recognized fact that the smaller add much to the larger charges when members from the country and village congregations move to the town and city, robbing the smaller charges of their support and adding a "surplus" sup-

port to the town and city centers. This makes a constant drain on the smaller charges.

2. It is common knowledge that the salary of preachers in small charges is in many cases not only below the minimum living salary, but also woefully inadequate for the simplest necessities of a preacher's life, whereas the salary of the larger charges, advantaged at the expense of the small, is usually equal to or well above a living salary scale. Again, this places an obligation upon the larger charges toward the smaller charges, to equalize salaries on a minimum living scale at least.

In our nation, where the economic area is so desperately in need of the way of Jesus, it is imperative that we, as Christian ministers, begin at home first, and seek some way to equalize the salaries of those who have more than a living salary with those who do not. In so doing we will have made a Christian advance in our calling, first, and, second, we can consistently plead for the extension of this principle into the larger economic areas.

In order that we may start at once to remedy our present equality of stipends,

Be It Resolved: That a commission of Stipend Scale Equity be appointed at this Annual Conference, to study our Conference salary situation, to suggest minimum salary scales for preachers in varying situations, and to recommend a plan whereby an equitable percentage of the larger salaries will be refunded into a fund to be distributed equitably among the below-standard salaries; this plan to be presented to the next Annual Conference session for action.—James W. Workman, J. M. Williams, W. C. House, J. Wilson Crichlow.

On motion of J. W. Workman the Conference voted that the pastors who are receiving more than a living stipend be requested to voluntarily return to the presiding elder of his District a legitimate amount to be used in helping to equalize the stipend of pastors who are not receiving a living stipend this year.

On personal privilege, J. A. Reynolds made a statement correcting an erroneous report in the press concerning the significance of his report made in yesterday's session of the Conference, concerning bank failures in Searcy District.

Dr. J. W. Cline of China was introduced.

Question 21 was resumed, and names of preachers called, their character passed and they were given opportunity to report their work.

Bishop Dobbs invited H. L. Wade to escort Mrs. E. F. Ellis, President of the Conference Woman's Missionary Society, to the platform. She was introduced and addressed the Conference in the interest of the Woman's Work of the Church. Bishop Dobbs graciously responded to her address.

Rev. S. C. Dean, superannuated member of the Little Rock Conference, was introduced.

Bishop Dobbs stated that minor irregularities in sending out the call for a vote on the Constitutional question of the Judicial Council made it necessary to take the vote of the Conference on that matter again and so safeguard the Church. The Conference voted to make taking this vote the order of the day for 10:30 o'clock.

Lester Weaver read a resolution

commending Dr. Anderson's work in preparing a History of Arkansas Methodism and pledging the pastors as soon after Conference as possible to take advance orders for the History and send them to the History Commission.

The report of the Committee on Quarterly Conference Journals was read and adopted.

Question No. 44 was called: Where shall the next session of the Conference be held. First Church, Blytheville, and Dodson Avenue, Fort Smith, were nominated, and after an interchange of pleasantries between Bros. Rorie and Pyles, Blytheville was withdrawn, and the vote was unanimous for Dodson Avenue.

The Report of the Board of Lay Activities was read and adopted.

The Report of the Board of Christian Literature was read and after remarks by Revs. A. C. Millar and Wm. Sherman, it was adopted.

The order of the day having arrived, the Secretary read the official text of the provision for the Judicial Council and the Conference voted on the constitutional matter as presented by Bishop Dobbs. The vote was: For adoption 138; against adoption 3.

Jefferson Sherman filed with the Secretary a certificate of the surrender of the credentials of A. E. Horton, a local elder.

The report of the Commission on Budget was read and adopted.

Question 6 was called: Who are admitted into full connection?

Frank Matthews, E. H. Hall, W. A. Downum, A. W. Harris, V. E. Chalfant, G. N. Villines, H. W. Jett, J. T. Randle and P. W. Emrah, recommended by the Committee on Admissions, and having been two years in the traveling connection, were called before the chancel and having given satisfactory answers to the disciplinary questions were admitted into full connection by vote of the Conference.

Reports No. 1 and No. 2 of the Board of Missions were read and adopted.

Question No. 1 was resumed.

Harold J. Harger, recommended by the Conway District, having stood an approved examination on the Course of Study, being recommended by the Committee on Admissions and meeting the disciplinary requirements, was admitted on trial into the traveling connection by the vote of the Conference.

Report No. 2 of the Board of Christian Education was read and adopted.

A resolution was read by Dr. J. H. Reynolds authorizing the appointment of a Commission to study and report on the question of merging the two Conferences. After some discussion it was adopted.

Report No. 2 of the Board of Finance was read and adopted.

After announcements the Conference adjourned with the doxology and the benediction by Rev. S. M. Yancey.

### FOURTH DAY

#### Afternoon Session.

The Conference met at 1:45 p. m., Bishop Dobbs presiding.

Rev. F. E. Dodson led in prayer.

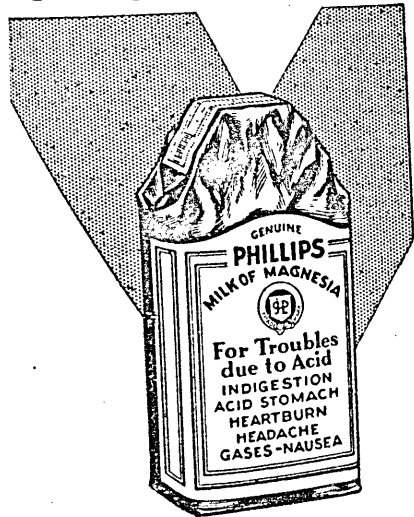
The report of the Statistical Secretary was read in answer to questions No. 24 to No. 42.

The Reports of the Committee on Ministerial Supply and Training, the Board of the American Bible Society, and the Hospital Board were read and adopted.

The report of the Board of Institutional Work was read and adopted.

Bishop Dobbs announced the ap-

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pointment of the following committee in pursuance of the proposal to study the feasibility of uniting the North Arkansas and Little Rock Annual Conferences: Preachers: F. M. Tolleson, G. G. Davidson, J. W. Crichlow, H. L. Wade, Dana Dawson, and J. Q. Schisler; Laymen: J. M. Williams, W. R. Stuck, Judge J. E. Chambers, Howard Johnston, G. W. Droke, and Dolph Camp.

The report of the Conference Board of Benevolences was read and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Temperance and Social Service was read and adopted.

By unanimous consent the Hospital Board filed a supplement to its Report.

Question 22 was called: Who are supernumerary?

On recommendation of the Committee on Conference Relations the Conference voted to grant supernumerary relation to J. B. Evans.

Question 23 was called: Who are superannuated?

The report of the Committee on Conference Relations was read and adopted in answer to this question, granting the superannuate relation to those who had been referred for that relationship.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

The railroads in Arkansas are not dying institutions, but on the contrary, they are now, as they have been for fifty years, the backbone of business and industry.

During the last twelve months the Missouri Pacific Railroad Company has handled into and between points in Arkansas, under the emergency rate, 950 cars of hay, feed and live stock. The emergency rates are two-thirds of the published tariff rate, and the contribution from this source alone amounted to \$23,750.

In addition, they have handled for the Red Cross, absolutely free, 264 cars, the revenue of which would have been \$18,680, and 71 at half rate, which amounts to \$6,548, or a total contribution for the Missouri Pacific of \$48,978 for relief work.

The Missouri Pacific taxes within the state of Arkansas in 1930 amounted to \$1,507,439.67. Of this amount \$461,598.87 went for schools, and \$115,615.26 was paid into the road and bridge fund, and the remainder went for state, township, city, county and special taxes.

During the last year the Cotton Belt Railroad Company handled in Arkansas 46 cars of foodstuffs for human consumption and wearing apparel for which no freight charges were assessed, and, in addition, approximately 200 cars of hay and feed for live stock at reduced rates.

The company paid for schools and roads in Arkansas, during the year, approximately \$300,000 and \$260,000 for other items of taxes, or a total of \$560,000.

We have not been able to get the figures from other railroads of the state, and we are mindful that they have done their part in this kind of service during the year.

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the North Arkansas Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in session at Conway, express itself to Mr. L. W. Baldwin and the Missouri Pacific; to Mr. Daniel Upthegrove and the Cotton Belt, and other presidents of railroads in Arkansas and their Companies, our greatest appreciation for the services they and their Companies have rendered the state of Arkansas.

Be It Resolved, further, that this resolution be spread on the minutes of the Conference.—J. W. Moore, F. R. Hamilton, Jas. A. Anderson, G. G. Davidson, F. M. Tolleson, E. T. Wayland.

Bishop Dobbs announced the transfer of J. J. Webb, an elder, from the North Arkansas Conference.

Bishop Dobbs announced the transfer of L. B. Davis to the North Alabama Conference.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the North Arkansas Conference has heard with deep sorrow of the death of Senator Caraway on last night.

Senator Caraway was a great and patriotic citizen of the state of Arkansas, as he was also a great American—a man of unusual ability and of invaluable service. The whole country suffers in his death. He was affiliated with our church. We cannot let the occasion pass without expressing to his family our deep sympathy in this hour of affliction.

Resolved that a copy of this be transmitted to Mrs. Caraway.—Jas. A. Anderson, H. L. Wade, J. F. Jernigan.

F. A. Lark was elected to membership on the Committee on Memoirs.

The Conference voted to make the First National Bank of Fort Smith the official depository for the funds of the Board of Finance.

The minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved.

After announcements the Conference adjourned with the doxology and the benediction by Rev. Charles Franklin.

#### FIFTH DAY

##### Memorial Session.

The Conference met in memorial session at 3:00 p. m., Rev. L. E. Mann presiding.

W. F. Blevins led in prayer. F. A. Lark read several appropriate passages of Scripture. Mrs. J. Abner Sage sang "God Shall Wipe All Tears Away."

It was reported that Rev. J. T. Willcoxon was critically ill and Guy Murphy led the Conference in earnest prayer in his behalf.

Question 14 was called: What preachers have died during the year?

Memoirs were read on the lives of L. A. Blevins, W. E. Cooper, John H. Dye, J. W. Griffin, W. J. Jordan, and T. A. Martin.

Rev. and Mrs. J. Abner Sage sang a duet.

J. M. Harrison, William Sherman, J. F. Jernigan, J. J. Decker, George McGhehey, W. C. Hutton, W. F. Blevins, L. W. Fair, C. J. Wade, G. G. Davidson, A. T. Galloway and J. W. Workman paid beautiful tribute to the members who had died during the year.

The Conference voted that it adjourn to meet at 7:00 p. m.

The Conference adjourned with the Doxology and benediction by Rev. J. F. Jernigan.

#### FINAL SESSION

##### Sunday Night.

The Conference met at 7:00 p. m., and after opening exercises, prayer by Rev. H. L. Wade, and a solo, "The Prodigal Son," by Rev. J. A. Sage, and an interesting and illuminating lecture on "Palestine Today" by Rev. Dana Dawson, pastor of First Church, Fort Smith, Bishop Dobbs ordained seven preachers as elders. Rev. F. R. Hamilton read the Epistle and Rev. P. Q. Rorie read the Gospel.

Rev. J. J. Galloway pronounced the benediction.

Resolutions of thanks were read by Mr. F. M. Daniel and adopted by a rising vote. The treasurer's report was presented and the report of the auditors read. The Bishop then announced the names of those who were to constitute the committee on equalizing salaries authorized the previous day, and presented for record his certificate of ordinations. The Minutes of the afternoon and night sessions were read and approved, the Bishop read the appointments, and the Conference adjourned with the Doxology and benediction by Rev. J. W. Workman.

#### CONDENSED MINUTES OF THE NINETY-SIXTH SESSION OF THE NORTH ARKANSAS ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Held at Conway, Arkansas, Beginning Nov. 4, 1931, Ending Nov. 8, 1931; Bishop Hoyt M. Dobbs, President; F. M. Tolleson, Secretary.

##### I. Probationers.

Question 1. Who are admitted on trial? Ted McNeil, F. M. Dodson, Robert G. Winn, Elmus Clyde Brown, John Meeks McCormack, Alva Edwin Grimes, Kenneth L. Brown, Aubrey Walton, and Howard M. Alsey.

Question 2. Who else is in the class of the first year? M. L. Edgington, Ben T. Williams, and V. F. Harris.

Question 3. Who remain on trial? N. R. Griswold, Herchal J. Couchman, Wm. F. Shell, Clinton W. Goode, Geo. McGhehey, V. E. Chalfant, and Griffin Hamilton.

Question 4. Who else is in the class of the second year? Ray McLester and R. B. Howerton.

Question 5. Who are discontinued? No one.

##### II. Conference Membership.

Question 6. Who are admitted into full connection? Frank Matthews, E. H. Hall, W. A. Downum, A. W. Harris, V. E. Chalfant, G. N. Villines, H. W. Jett, J. T. Randle, and P. W. Emrah.

Question 7. Who else is in the class of the third year? J. A. Gatlin.

Question 8. Who are readmitted? No one.

Question 9. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? J. R. Jordan from the Oklahoma Conference, A. W. Wasson from the Korea Conference, J. Abner Sage, Jr., from the North Texas Conference, J. J. Webb from the North Alabama Conference.

Question 10. Who are received from other Churches as traveling preachers? No one.

Question 11. Who are located this year? No one.

Question 12. Who have withdrawn or been expelled? Withdrawn, No one. Expelled, No one.

Question 13. Who are transferred to other Conferences? R. T. Cribb to the Oklahoma Conference, Lester B. Davis to the North Alabama Conference.

Question 14. What preachers have died during the year? L. A. Blevins, W. E. Cooper, John H. Dye, J. W. Griffin, W. J. Jordan, and T. A. Martin.

##### III. Orders.

Question 15. Who are the deacons of one year? Cecil R. Culver, R. Conner Morehead, and J. L. Rowland.

Question 16. Who else is in the class of the fourth year? None.

Question 17. What traveling preachers and what local preachers have been elected deacons? Traveling preachers, Frank Matthews, Eugene Hendrix Hall, William Alfred Downum, Alva Wilder Harris, George Nathaniel Villines, Henry William Jett, Vernon Elmer Chalfant, and James Thomas Randle. Local preachers, Elmus Clyde Brown, John Meeks McCormack, and Lawrence Kenneth Brown.

Question 18. What traveling preachers and what local preachers have been ordained deacons? Those named under Question 17.

Question 19. What traveling preachers and what local preachers have been elected elders? Traveling preachers, James Marvin Barnett, Jabez Henry Hoggard, Marvin Andrew Groves, Robert Elmon Wilson, Charles Lewis Castleberry, Paul Vernon Galloway, and John Lester Rowland.

Question 20. What traveling preachers and what local preachers have been ordained elders? Those named under Question 19.

##### IV. Conference Relations.

Question 21. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were severally called and their characters passed.

Question 22. Who are supernumerary? James B. Evans.

Question 23. Who are superannuated? W. W. Anderson, J. H. Cummin, S. S. Key, Cadesman Pope, M. B. Umsted, J. C. Weaver, D. N. Weaver, J. P. Wheeler, J. M. Williams, J. M. McAnally, E. N. Bickley, S. H. Blackwell, A. M. R. Branson, J. K. Farris, J. F. Jernigan, George McGlumphy, W. F. Evans, Charles Edwards, J. W. Campbell, J. M. Thrasher, W. T. Martin, T. A. Bowen, Fred Little, A. F. Skinner, G. M. Barton, Henry Hanesworth, W. E. Bishop, J. D. Roberts, C. E. Hollifield, F. H. Cumming, J. B. Andrews, C. F. Wilson, J. B. Stevenson, J. T. Hood, C. F. Hively, J. F. Carter, A. T. Galloway, J. R. Ashmore, and J. T. Gossett.

Question 24. What is the number of Districts, of pastoral charges, and of so-

cieties in this Conference? Districts, 9; pastoral charges, 203; societies, 526.

Question 25. What is the number of members, how many have been received this year on profession of faith, how many have been licensed to preach, and what is the number of local preachers? Members, 67,910; received on profession of faith, 3,531; licensed, 21; local preachers, 139.

Question 26. How many adults and how many infants have been baptized during the year? Adults, 2,280; infants, 670.

Question 27. What is the number of Epworth Leagues and of Epworth League members? Epworth Leagues, 328; Epworth League members, 9,075.

Question 28. What is the number of Sunday Schools, of Sunday School officers and teachers, and of Sunday School scholars enrolled during the year? Sunday Schools, 465; officers and teachers, 6,237; scholars enrolled, 56,284.

Question 29. What is the number of Woman's Missionary Societies, and what is the number of members of the same? Societies, 210; members, 5,226.

Question 30. What is the number of Wesley Brotherhoods, and of Wesley Brotherhoods members? Brotherhoods, 3; members, 30.

Question 31. What is the number of members enrolled in the Fellowship of Stewardship? 70.

Question 32. What are the educational statistics? Institutions, 3; teachers, 31; students, 392; value of property, \$655,445; endowment, \$850,000; indebtedness, \$8,000.

Question 33. What are the orphanage statistics? Orphanages, 1; officers and teachers, 4; children in orphanages, 31; money expended, \$11,992; value of property, \$100,000; indebtedness, None.

Question 34. What are the hospital statistics? Hospitals, 1; officers and nurses, 84; beds, 200; patients, 4,901; money expended, \$219,986; value of property, \$840,000; endowment, none; indebtedness, \$322,500.

##### VI. Finances.

Question 35. What has been contributed for the following causes? American Bible Society, \$536; Church Extension, \$2,943; Christian Education, \$10,796; Federal Council, \$107; General Conference expense, \$482; Hospitals, \$1,933; Lay Activities, \$745; Missions, \$10,374; Negro Work, \$857; Temperance and Social Service, \$268; Theological Schools, \$857; Assemblies, \$428; by the Woman's Missionary Society, \$36,594; from the Golden Cross Enrollment, \$3,128.

Question 36. What has been contributed for the support of the ministry? Bishops, \$2,142; presiding elders, \$31,025; preachers in charge, \$216,638; Conference Claimants, \$8,038; Superannuate Endowment Fund, \$710.

Question 37. What is the grand total contributed for all purposes from all sources in this Conference this year? \$613,936.

##### VII. Church Property.

Question 38. What is the number of houses of worship, their value, and the amount of indebtedness thereon? Houses of



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worship, 455; value, \$3,615,514; indebtedness, \$435,079.

Question 39. What is the number of parsonages, their value, and the amount of indebtedness thereon? District parsonages, 9; value, \$56,250; indebtedness, \$9,500; parsonages belonging to pastoral charges, 215; value \$517,800; indebtedness, \$46,050.

Question 40. What amount of insurance is carried on Church property, and what amount has been paid out in premiums? Insurance carried, \$1,724,025; premiums paid, \$17,906.

Question 41. How many churches and parsonages have been damaged or destroyed during the year, what is the amount of damage, and what has been collected thereon? Churches damaged, 8; parsonages damaged, 6; amount of damage, \$7,114; collected, \$4,782.

Question 42. What is the number of superannuate homes, and what is their value? Homes, 2; value \$2,600.

#### VIII. Miscellaneous.

Question 43. Who is elected Conference Lay Leader? J. M. Williams.

Question 44. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Dodson Avenue, Fort Smith.

Question 45. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See below:

#### APPOINTMENTS

##### BATESVILLE DISTRICT

Jefferson Sherman, Presiding Elder.

Batesville, First Church.....W. V. Womack  
Batesville, Central Avenue.....J. W. Glover  
Bethesda.....H. M. Lewis  
Bexar-Viola.....W. H. Dunlap, Sup.  
Calico Rock.....Aubrey Walton  
Calico Rock Ct.....J. T. Heath, Sup.  
Charlotte.....L. L. Langston  
Cotter.....Eli Craig  
Desha.....O. L. Findley, Sup.  
Elmo-Oil Trough.....W. T. Griffith, Sup.  
Evening Shade.....J. W. Johnston  
Melbourne.....W. W. Peterson  
Mountain Home.....C. H. Sherman  
Mountain View.....A. T. Mays  
Newark.....I. L. Claud  
Newport, First Church.....A. E. Holloway  
Newport, Umsted Mem.....W. M. Edwards, Sup.  
Pleasant Plains.....L. R. Ruble, Sup.  
Salem.....T. H. Wright  
Stranger's Home.....Luther Love, Sup.  
Sulphur Rock-Moorefield.....W. E. Benbrook  
Swifton-Alicia.....B. L. Wilford  
Tuckerman.....W. W. Albright  
Tuckerman Circuit.....E. H. Hall  
Yellville.....H. W. Jett  
District Director Christian Education.....I. L. Claud

##### BOONEVILLE DISTRICT

F. M. Tolleson, Presiding Elder.

Adona.....R. B. Howerton  
Belleville-Ola.....S. O. Patty  
Belleville Ct.....J. R. Ashmore, Sup.  
Booneville.....E. G. Downs  
Branch.....J. B. Stewart  
Danville.....H. A. Stroup  
Dardanelle.....W. A. Lindsey  
Dardanelle Ct.....V. F. Harris  
Gravelly-Bluffton.....J. C. Cofer, Sup.  
Hartford.....J. T. Byrd  
Huntington.....G. A. Burr  
Magazine.....V. B. Utley  
Mansfield.....W. T. Thompson  
Paris.....W. P. Whaley  
Perry-Houston.....J. W. Harger  
Plainview.....J. L. Rowland  
Prairie View-Scranton.....W. J. Faust  
Rover.....L. W. Fair  
Waldron.....W. J. Clark  
Waltreak.....W. S. Little  
Extension Secretary Board of Christian Education.....Glenn F. Sanford

##### CONWAY DISTRICT

J. Wilson Crichlow, Presiding Elder.

Atkins.....C. N. Guice  
Cabot.....Edward Forrest  
Conway.....J. W. Workman  
Dover.....F. Morris Dodson  
Greenbrier.....Frank Matthews  
Rowland-Naylor.....A. W. Wall, Sup.  
Lamar.....B. L. Harris  
Morilton.....E. W. Faulkner  
North Little Rock:  
First Church.....Sam B. Wiggins  
Gardner Memorial.....Ira A. Brumley  
Washington Ave.....G. A. Freeman, Sup.  
Plumerville-Springfield.....A. W. Russell  
Pottsville.....R. E. Wilson  
Quitman.....T. C. Chambliss  
Russellville.....R. C. Morehead  
Salem-Rosebud.....H. J. Harger  
Vilonia.....R. A. Robertson  
Foreign Missionary Secretary.....O. E. Goddard  
Supt. Extension Work, General Board

of Christian Education.....A. W. Martin

Executive Secretary Board of Christian Education.....G. G. Davidson

Professor in Hendrix College.....N. R. Griswold

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

F. R. Hamilton, Presiding Elder.

Bentonville.....R. S. Hayden  
Bentonville Ct.....W. C. Hutton  
Berryville.....J. J. Webb  
Huntsville Ct.....M. F. Johnson  
Cincinnati.....Bates Sturdy, Sup.  
Centerton-Springtown.....R. Harding, Sup.  
Elm Springs.....O. M. Campbell  
Eureka Springs.....R. Conner Morehead  
Fayetteville.....William Sherman  
Fayetteville, Student Pastor.....H. M. Lewis  
Gentry.....A. H. DuLaney  
Green Forest.....W. A. Downum  
Gravette-Decatur.....A. L. Riggs  
Lincoln-Farmington.....H. H. Hunt  
Pea Ridge-Brightwater.....Robert Winn  
Prairie Grove.....E. E. Stevenson  
Rogers.....Benjamin C. Few  
Siloam Springs.....A. L. Cline  
Springdale.....A. D. Stewart  
Viney Grove.....M. L. Kayser, Sup.  
Winslow.....H. K. Steward  
Zion Ct.....A. J. Graham, Sup.  
General Evangelist.....Hardy Neal  
Supt. Western Methodist Assembly.....S. M. Yancey

##### FORT SMITH DISTRICT

W. C. House, Presiding Elder.

Alma.....Clinton W. Goode  
Charleston.....W. M. Adcock  
Clarksville.....E. H. Hook  
Clarksville Ct.....J. M. McCormack  
Fort Smith:  
First Church.....Dana Dawson  
Dodson Ave.....G. W. Pyles  
Midland Heights.....J. L. Shelby  
Second Church.....F. G. Chadwick  
Greenwood.....Earl Cravens  
Hartman.....J. M. Barnett  
Hackett Ct.....A. E. Grimes  
Kibler.....M. L. Edgington  
Lavaca.....Elmus Brown  
Mulberry.....W. A. Patty  
Ozark.....C. C. Burton  
Van Buren.....J. A. Womack  
Van Buren Ct.....C. J. Shipley  
East Van Buren.....Elisha Dyer  
Professor in S. M. U.....J. S. Seneker  
Conference Director of Superannuate Endowment.....H. L. Wade

##### HELENA DISTRICT

H. K. Morehead, Presiding Elder.

Aubrey.....J. J. Decker  
Brinkley.....J. J. Galloway  
Clarendon.....S. G. Watson  
Colt.....W. F. Shell  
Crawfordsville.....Charles Franklin  
Earle.....M. N. Johnston  
Elaine.....J. R. Nelson  
Forrest City.....J. T. Willcox  
Harrisburg.....C. E. Gray  
Haynes-Lexa.....C. H. Harvison  
Helena.....C. W. Lester  
Holt Grove-Marvell.....G. C. Johnson  
Hulbert-West Memphis.....D. C. Holman  
Marianna.....J. M. Hughes  
Parkin.....J. R. Jordan  
Vandale-Cherry Valley.....I. D. McClure  
Weiner.....J. T. Randle  
West Helena.....Geo. E. Patchell  
Wheatley.....J. G. Ditterline  
Widener-Madison.....Porter Weaver  
Wynne.....W. L. Oliver

##### JONESBORO DISTRICT

Jas. A. Anderson, Presiding Elder.

Black Oak.....Milton Alsey  
Blytheville:  
First Church.....P. Q. Rorie  
Lake Street.....W. J. LeRoy  
Blytheville Ct.....Grover Sutherland  
Bono.....Griffin Hamilton  
Brookland.....C. L. Castleberry  
Joiner-Kelser.....Paul V. Galloway  
Jonesboro:  
First Church.....H. L. Wade  
Fisher Street.....J. E. Lark  
Huntington Ave.....C. O. Hall  
Lake City.....Herchel Couchman  
Leachville-Monette.....A. N. Storey  
Lepanto.....J. L. Pruitt  
Luxora.....F. M. Sweet  
Manila-Dell.....C. H. Bumpers  
Marion.....E. K. Sewell  
Marked Tree.....Lester Weaver  
Nettleton-Bay.....M. A. Graves  
Osceola.....Eli Myers  
Truman.....E. J. Slaughter  
Tyronza.....W. E. Hall  
Wilson.....W. F. Blevins  
Secretary Department of the Local Church, Board of Christian Education.....J. Q. Schisler  
Conference Evangelist.....Norris Greer  
International Secretary of Christian Education.....H. K. King

##### PARAGOULD DISTRICT

E. T. Wayland, Presiding Elder.

Biggers-Success.....J. M. Fryar  
Black Rock-Portia.....F. G. Villines  
Corning.....J. Abner Sage, Jr.  
Gainesville.....Ted McNeil  
Hardy-Ashflat.....L. F. Lefevers  
Hoxie.....E. B. Williams  
Imboden.....S. B. Wilford  
Lorado-Stanford.....P. W. Emrah  
Mammoth Spring.....F. M. Glover  
Marmaduke.....G. C. Taylor  
Maynard.....E. W. Nelson  
Paragould, First Ch.....W. C. Davidson  
Paragould, East Side.....E. L. Boyles  
Paragould, E. Side Ct.....A. W. Harris  
Paragould Ct.....C. J. Wade  
Peach Orchard-Knobel.....B. E. Robertson  
Piggott.....F. A. Lark  
Pocahontas.....J. M. Harrison  
Ravenden Springs.....G. R. Ditterline  
Rector.....H. O. Bolin  
Smithville.....W. J. Williams  
St. Francis.....C. R. Fain, Sup.  
Walnut Ridge.....L. E. Mann  
Walnut Ridge Ct.....J. A. Gowan, Sup.

##### SEARCY DISTRICT

F. E. Dodson, Presiding Elder.

Augusta.....J. F. Glover  
Bald Knob.....Cecil R. Culver  
Beebe.....H. F. McDonald  
Beebe Ct.....J. M. Talkington, Sup.

Bellefonte.....J. W. Howard  
Clinton.....V. E. Chalfant  
Cotton Plant.....Guy Murphy  
Garner.....R. E. Lee, Sup.  
Gregory-McClelland.....A. W. Harris  
Griffithville.....J. H. Hoggard  
Harrison.....J. A. Reynolds  
Heber Springs.....H. H. Blevins  
Jelks.....G. N. Villines  
Judsonia.....Ray McLester  
Kensett.....W. H. Goodloe  
Leslie.....E. M. Peters  
Marshall.....L. K. Brown  
McCrory.....W. J. Spicer  
McCrory Ct.....R. A. Bevis  
McRae.....J. M. Hughes  
Pangburn.....E. Marler  
Scotland.....J. G. Parker, Sup.  
Searcy.....Warren Johnston  
Valley Springs.....Geo. McGhehey  
Weldon-Tupelo.....B. A. McKnight  
West Searcy-Higginson.....C. L. Franks  
Conference Evangelist.....A. E. Goode

#### Transferred in:

J. Abner Sage, Jr., from the North Texas Conference; A. W. Wasson, from the Korea Conference; J. R. Jordan, from the Oklahoma Conference; J. J. Webb, from the North Alabama Conference.

#### Transferred Out:

R. T. Cribb, to the Oklahoma Conference; Lester B. Davis, to the North Alabama Conference.

#### REPORT OF CONFERENCE TREASURER

Balance, Last Audit, Nov. 7, 1930.....\$ 1,574.28  
Post-Conference Receipts.....85.00

Total.....\$ 1,659.28  
Losses by bank failures.....560.90

Net balance for 1929-1930.....\$ 1,098.38

#### Receipts

Conference Benevolences.....\$46,117.39  
College Day offering.....19.55

Total funds.....\$47,235.32

#### Disbursements to General Boards

Missions.....\$ 7,497.60  
Negro Work.....856.96  
Theological Schools.....856.96  
Christian Education.....3,748.80  
Church Extension.....1,874.30  
Finance.....1,874.30  
Bishops' Fund.....2,142.17  
General Conference Expense.....482.01  
Federal Council.....107.06  
American Bible Society.....535.55  
Hospitals.....535.55  
Temperance and Social Service.....267.66  
Lay Activities.....642.61  
Western Methodist Assembly.....428.47

#### Disbursements to Conference Boards

Christian Education.....7,047.06  
Finance.....6,163.66  
Christian Literature.....1,951.86  
Orphanage.....1,140.84  
Missions.....2,876.34  
Church Extension.....1,068.24  
Lay Activities.....102.70  
Commission on Benevolences.....102.70  
Methodist Hospital, Memphis.....1,397.10  
Arkansas Methodist.....1,000.00  
Expense of Treasurer's Office.....875.00  
College Day offering to Boards of Christian Education.....19.55  
Returned Check, bank failed.....10.00  
Balance in First National Bank, Fort Smith.....\$ 1,067.31

Total.....\$47,235.32

—George McGlumphy, Conf. Treas.

#### Report of Auditing Committee.

We have thoroughly examined the books and vouchers of Rev. George McGlumphy, Treas., and find them correct.

Guy Murphy,  
H. C. Johnston,  
Auditing Committee.

#### REPORT OF COMMISSION ON BUDGET.

Your Committee on Budget recommends for Conference work an apportionment of \$53,175 to be divided as follows:

Orphanage.....\$ 2,775  
Memphis Methodist Hospital.....3,400  
Board of Missions.....7,000  
Board of Christian Literature.....4,750  
Board of Finance.....15,000  
Board of Church Extension.....2,600  
Board of Lay Activities.....250  
Commission on Benevolences.....250  
Board of Christian Education.....17,150

Total.....\$53,175  
Total Conference.....53,175  
Total General.....53,175

Total.....\$106,350

The combined apportionments are distributed as follows:

Booneville District.....\$ 6,977  
Conway District.....9,374  
Fayetteville District.....7,807  
Fort Smith District.....8,896  
Jonesboro District.....10,418  
Batesville District.....8,166  
Paragould District.....9,122  
Helena District.....9,961  
Searcy District.....9,041  
Conference at Large.....26,588

Total.....\$106,350  
The ratio is: Conference Work, 50.00;  
General Work, 50.00.

#### Recommendations.

First: That the Conference Treasurer be instructed to take out \$875.00 for printing the minutes before dividing the funds collected for General and Conference work.

Second: That in return for publicity, which materially helps in the collection of Benevolences, the Conference Treasurer be instructed to pay the Arkansas Methodist \$1,000.00, said sum to be taken out of the money collected for General and Conference work.—W. L. Oliver, Chairman; G. W. Pyles, Secretary.

#### REPORT OF BATESVILLE DISTRICT.

Jefferson Sherman, P. E.

Our pastors have been faithful. They have remained at their several posts of duty and they have pushed the program of the Church and have made progress in the face of difficulties. One hundred per cent of our charges have made contribution to the Kingdom Extension. We have paid 42 per cent of Conference Claims and 75 per cent of Pastor's Salaries. Much of the salaries has been paid in produce, such as corn, hay, potatoes, beans, and molasses. But our people have been loyal in caring for their pastors.

Three charges have paid everything in full: Batesville, First Church, Central Avenue, Batesville; and Cotter.

Our new church has been opened for service at Melbourne. The very best location possible was secured with the parsonage and outbuildings and three acres of land. Upon this site a splendid two-story stucco building was erected which makes a real workshop for church forces. We have dedicated our church at Calico Rock. Our church at Salem, having been freed from all indebtedness, is now ready for dedication. Also the new church at Oak Grove on the Desha Circuit is practically free from indebtedness and will be dedicated within the next few weeks.

We have had good revivals in practically all of our charges. We have received into the Church by vows and on profession of faith 411 members; by certificate 195 members, making a total of 606 members.

We have made good progress in our training work. We have held twenty-one Cokesbury Training Schools with 220 credits taken. We have held two Standard Training Schools with 106 credits taken. This makes a total of 326 credits. More than 400 people have been reached in these schools. Much of this work is due to the work of Rev. I. L. Claud, our District director of Religious Education.

Perhaps the most outstanding achievement has been our Extension work. Through the work of Brother Claud and our pastors who have gone out from their charges and done this Extension work, we have been able to establish eight new Methodist Sunday Schools with a number of union schools, and fifteen new preaching places. Some of these are in school-houses and some in abandoned churches. We are preaching to at least one thousand people now in these country places where no services were being held and where few of the folks could go to where there is a Sunday School or church. We have not established a church or a Sunday School, except where one of our pastors could care for it and minister to the people.

We are grateful to the good people of First Church, Batesville, for their liberality and financial support, who made possible this work, and to the Conference Board of Religious Education for their support and hearty co-operation in planning and carrying on the Training and Extension Work. Bros. Davidson and Sanford have both been on the field again and again, helping us in putting over this program. All in all we have had a good year for which we thank God and take courage.

## WEAKNESS and pains

WOMEN who get in a painful condition, due to weakness, should take Cardui, for the assistance so many women have described.

"I was very weak—nothing I ate seemed to give me strength," says Mrs. R. B. Douglas, of Jackson, Miss. "I suffered pain in my head and back. My mother told me that I should take Cardui. After taking two bottles, I felt stronger, but I kept on taking it until my head and back quit hurting."

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**CARDUI FOR WOMEN**

**REPORT OF BOONEVILLE DISTRICT.**

F. E. Dodson, P. E.

In many respects this has been the greatest year of the four that we have served the Booneville District. We have had great revivals with more than 900 conversions.

We have had 634 accessions and will show considerable net gain.

We have raised 34 per cent of our Conference Claims, and 60 per cent on pastors' salaries.

We have raised less on Kingdom Extension than any year in the past.

We will show an increase in Sunday School Enrollment.

We have licensed five men to preach and one to exhort.

Notwithstanding the depression our people have shown real devotion and loyalty to the cause.

The preachers of the District have worked hard at their tasks and have shown a wonderful spirit in team work. They have gladly sacrificed their time and effort to put the work of the District over. My prayers and love will always follow them.

**REPORT OF CONWAY DISTRICT.**

J. Wilson Crichlow, P. E.

For the fourth consecutive year, the Conway District reports a gain in additions on profession of faith. Last year nearly twice as many infants were baptized as the year before, and this year more infants were baptized than last year and the year before combined. With one exception every charge in the District has held a training school and on that charge the pastor has taken training work. Every charge has taken an offering for Kingdom Extension, Sunday School Day, and the Orphanage. While the per cent is not high, with the exception of last year, when the District reported 100 per cent plus, at no time have more charges reported claims paid in full. On the Benevolences, the following are 100 per cent charges: Atkins, Cabot, Conway, Lamar, Levy, First Church, North Little Rock, Salem, Washington Avenue (100 per cent plus).

Additions on profession of faith, 450; Infants baptized, 115; Training Credits, 675; Kingdom Extension, \$1,350; Arkansas Methodist subscriptions, 360; Salaries, at least 60 per cent; Benevolences, 71 per cent.

**REPORT OF FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.**

F. M. Tolleson, P. E.

We have had a year full of difficulties, but one of fine fellowship and constructive service. Faith and heroism have characterized both preachers and people. We have had

250 conversions and 402 additions. There are 204 Arkansas Methodists taken and 57 Nashville Advocates.

Our finances are not what we so much desired and worked hard to secure. A Kingdom Extension offering was made from every charge amounting to \$600. Preachers' salaries and Conference collections were both very short.

Our District is well organized. We have revived the work in eight places where services had once been held, but later abandoned.

The laymen under the efficient leadership of the lay leader, Irl Bridenthal, have been unusually active in holding meetings and filling appointments on regular charges and, too, where there is no organized work.

Five fine young fellows have been licensed to preach this year from the District.

A good Standard Training School was held; also in connection with this School there were held three Institutes in which the personnel, organization, and functions of the Local Board of Christian Education was thoroughly presented.

The people are hopeful and ready to tackle the new year with faith and courage.

**REPORT OF HELENA DISTRICT.**

F. R. Hamilton, P. E.

Certainly not for many years has the Arkansas Delta had such wonderful crops. Last year this time many of our people were facing starvation and had it not been for the work of the Red Cross doubtless there would have been great suffering. But we face the coming winter with an abundance of food of all kinds on hand and our people for the most part feel secure and are happy. "God has been good to us whereof we are glad."

The preachers have been faithful and patient. By their hopeful attitude and heartening words the people are being wonderfully encouraged. Attendance on church services has greatly increased.

Fine progress is being made in the educational work of the local churches. There are 45 schools with a fine student body and an efficient leadership, many of whom are proving their worth as soul-winners and in teaching the pupils their missionary responsibility.

The Young People have done excellent work, with membership of 866. The District Unions have helped to stimulate a greater interest.

The Women's Missionary Society is the most effective organization of the Helena District. Time and space fail us in telling of all the wonderful work done by these good women. Poor, indeed, would our showing be without their contributions in money and service.

There have been 450 conversions, 225 additions on profession of faith, and 43 infants baptized.

Approximately 50 per cent has been paid on Claims and 65 per cent on salaries, much of this paid in potatoes, corn, hay, molasses and fruit. Biscoe-Brasfield, the youngest church in the District, paid the Claims in full.

Only a little more than \$600 has been paid on Kingdom Extension, which is a heavy decrease due to some charges not paying which had been paying heavily.

The Superannuate accounts have been adjusted in every charge. Holly Grove and Hughes have paid their quota and Helena lacks only \$125.

**REPORT OF JONESBORO DISTRICT.**

Jas. A. Anderson, P. E.

According to reports rendered me, there have been 632 additions to the Church, and a little more than 500 conversions.

It is needless to tell the Conference that we have on Jonesboro District been obliged to carry on under very unusual conditions, prevailing everywhere; yet we have carried on. The pastors have stood to their work. Not much could be done in the way of building or improving property, but one excellent parsonage, at Luxora, has been built, and many churches improved.

It has been impossible to this hour to get exact reports, but the indications are that the salaries of the preachers will run around 85 per cent paid and the collections between 60 per cent and 70 per cent. Five new churches have been organized.

**REPORT OF SEARCY DISTRICT.**

W. C. House, P. E.

Number of conversions 670. Members received on profession of faith 344; members received by certificate and otherwise 234; total of members received 578. Number of infants baptized 34. Number of Woman's Missionary Societies 27; number new Missionary Societies organized five. One Standard Training School; 10 Cokesbury Schools; Epworth Leagues 22. Per cent of salaries paid 60%. Per cent of Benevolences paid 20%. Amount paid on Kingdom Extension \$662. Arkansas Methodist 350 subscribers.

Our preachers have been faithful, our laymen have been loyal, we have had beautiful harmony and splendid co-operation. It has been a good year. We wish to record our gratitude to Almighty God for His tender mercies and gracious blessings during the year.

**MCCRORY CIRCUIT.**

We have held five revivals on our Circuit this year, and had 28 conversions and received 11 members into the Church. We have improved our church property to the amount of \$196. We have five Sunday Schools, all in fair condition. We have baptized six infants. We have one Epworth League. We have some loyal, good, Christian people that love the Lord and their pastor, and are praying for a gracious revival all over the charge.—A. McKelvey, P. C.

**GRAVETTE-DECATUR CIRCUIT**

We have had a good year considering the depressing times. We have held three meetings. The one at Falling Springs I conducted myself. The other two at Gravette and Decatur I was assisted by Bro. Irl Bridenthal of Gentry, who is our District lay leader.

We have had about sixty conversions and reclamations: Nineteen by profession of faith and twenty-one by certificate. Lost twenty, leaving a net gain of eighteen.

A good interest in the Sunday School work with twenty-one credits.

Have three good Leagues going now. The V. K. E. O. program was put on at two points and offering taken.

We have twelve families reading the Arkansas Methodist. We have about 70 per cent of Conference Claims, and 90 per cent of salary.

The Fourth Quarterly Conference passed resolutions of appreciations for the four years' work of Brother and Sister Tolleson; also asking for

return of pastor, pastor's wife and son Jimmie. We are serving a fine people.—A. L. Riggs, P. C.

**KNOBEL**

Our Leaguers organized Sept., 1930, and up to date they have not missed a meeting with a program. They have a nice membership. They have just finished a play, given Monday and Tuesday nights, with a good house both nights. Title, "The Prodigal Comes Home," given for the benefit of the church.

We, like many other people, have been hit hard, as many express it; but the Lord has really blessed us in many ways and we hope to close out in about as good shape as last year.—B. E. Robertson, P. C.

**REPORT NO. 1 OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.**

The consolidation of Boards by the General Conference at Dallas and the consolidation of Colleges by the Conferences in Arkansas, coinciding in time, promise large results for the Church if the spirit and objectives of both are fully realized.

Whether these results are large or small depends upon the thoroughness with which these consolidations are organized and worked out in the next two years down through the District and Quarterly Conferences and in the local Church.

Accordingly the Conference hereby authorizes the Board of Christian Education to give special emphasis to this cause by effecting the most thorough organization of the work throughout the Conference, including the local Church.

To make the plans of the Board effective, the Conference calls upon the Bishop, presiding elders, pastors, church officials and colleges to co-operate wholeheartedly to the end that our Church in Arkansas may become a model to the entire Church in the field of Christian Education.

**REPORT NO. 2 OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

The Board of Christian Education has kept constantly in mind the program of correlation and unification of the entire educational program of the Church and has sought in every way to make a reality one program for the Church.

We have heard with a great degree of satisfaction the reports of the Executive secretary, Extension secretary, the student pastor at Fayetteville, the treasurer of the Board, the director of Young People's work, the president of the Trinity College System, and the president of Valley Springs Academy, and we are glad to note progress in every phase of our work in spite of the difficulties encountered.

The State having taken over the Sloan Hendrix Academy at Imboden, our relationship with that institution closes with this session of the Annual Conference.

In order to carry on the work of the Board, we request that the following assessments be granted:

For Conference, Sunday School and Young People's Work, \$6,500.

For Educational Work, \$11,850.

For the Pastors' School, \$900.

The money derived from the assessment for Sunday School and Young People's work shall be used for the employment of two workers and expense of program and to defray expenses in the field of Young People's Work; the amount derived from the assessment for Pastors' School shall go wholly for that work;

**Uncomfortable After Meals**

For indigestion, distress after meals, try taking a pinch of Thedford's Black-Draught immediately on leaving the table.

**THEDFORD'S BLACK-DRAUGHT**

"After meals, I felt so tight in my chest—there seemed to be a lot of gas," writes Mrs. C. L. Lance, of Jefferson, Ga.

"This made me feel dull and stupid. I did not have an appetite. Mother advised me to try Black-Draught, which I did,—a small pinch after meals. I certainly did get relief."

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and the money derived from the assessment for College and School Work shall be distributed as follows: 67.5% for the Trinity College system; 22.5% to Valley Springs Training School; 3.3% to Student Pastor at Fayetteville; 6.7%, miscellaneous, which shall include an additional appropriation of \$500 for the work of the student pastor at Fayetteville, Ark.

We make the following recommendations to the North Arkansas Annual Conference:

1. That Rev. G. G. Davidson, Rev. J. Wilson Crichlow, Rev. Ira A. Brumley and Rev. Warren Johnston be appointed from this Board to be members of the Board of Managers of the Pastors' School.

2. That Sunday School Day be observed in each school, and offerings sent to the Conference office; that fourth Sunday Offerings be remitted to the Conference office, indicating the amount sent from each age groups division; that College Day be observed in every church and offering sent to the Conference office; that Young People's Day be observed appropriately in every church.

3. That the Sunday nearest Armistice Day be observed as Peace Sunday.

4. That each Presiding Elder's District be requested to raise at least \$200 as a scholarship for the School of Theology at Southern Methodist University.

5. That Dr. James W. Workman be elected to succeed himself and Mrs. S. G. Smith be elected to succeed herself as Conference Trustees of the Trinity System, and that Hon. Geo. W. Donaghey be elected to succeed himself as Trustee at Large.

6. That Rev. H. M. Lewis be re-appointed Student Pastor at Fayetteville, Ark.; that Rev. G. G. Davidson be appointed the Executive Secretary of the Board of Christian Education; that Rev. Glenn F. Sanford be appointed as Extension Secretary of the Board of Christian Education.

7. Whereas, there is being made today an insistent demand on both Hendrix and Galloway Colleges for student help, and, since this student help cannot be given unless the Colleges can secure it from sources outside of their regular income, therefore, we request of the Conference the authority for appointing a committee headed by our Executive Secretary to work in collaboration with a like committee from the Colleges and that this joint committee be instructed, authorized and empowered to make a study of this matter and to execute such plans as may be deemed best in securing the scholarships.

8. That Lee Seamster, T. L. Hart

and Rev. G. G. Davidson be appointed trustees for the Western Methodist Assembly.

9. That W. P. Jones be elected to succeed himself as trustee for Valley Springs Academy, and that K. Wallace be elected to succeed A. T. Hudspeth as trustee of the institution.

10. That G. G. Davidson be re-elected as a trustee of the Southern Methodist University.

11. We urge pastors to attend Pastors' School at Conway, and to call attention of their people to the Leadership School at Mt. Sequoyah.

12. We submit the following summary of the treasurer's report:

| Receipts               |             |
|------------------------|-------------|
| From former treasurer  | \$ 4,008.04 |
| S. S. Day              | 3,118.13    |
| Apportionments         | 2,983.31    |
| College Day            | 14.66       |
| Interest on deposits   | 110.70      |
| Fourth Sunday Offering | 3,168.77    |
| Young People's Fund    | 1,282.40    |
| Refund from Gen'l Fund | 522.31      |
| Total                  | \$15,208.32 |

| Expenditures              |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| On expense of Conference  |             |
| Program                   | \$ 8,118.22 |
| On Extension Program      | 4,081.76    |
| On Young People's Program | 395.91      |
| Missionary Cultivation    | 394.92      |
| Total                     | \$12,990.81 |
| Balance                   | \$ 2,217.51 |

We have heard with a great degree of satisfaction the reports of the Executive Secretary, the Extension Secretary, the Treasurer of the Board, the Director of Young People's Work, the Student Pastor at Fayetteville, president of the Valley Springs Academy, and we are glad to note progress in every phase of our work in spite of the difficulties encountered.—J. Q. Schisler, Chairman; Sam B. Wiggins, Acting Sec.

#### REPORT NUMBER ONE OF BOARD OF FINANCE

##### Superannuate Endowment

The General Conference of 1930 authorized the continuation of the Superannuate Movement through the quadrennium of 1930-1934, looking to the completion of the Special Effort in that time. It was further provided that the Presiding Elders, during the Conference year of 1930-1931, should have the Quarterly Conferences adjust the unpaid quota balances of all the charges and send reports on all the adjustments to the General Board of Finance at St. Louis. We are glad to report that this work in our Conference, according to the report of our Conference director, Rev. H. Lynn Wade, has made commendable progress, and indications are that our Conference will finally have a 100% record on Quota Adjustments.

Notwithstanding the financial distress in which our country and people have been, the final record will show the assumption of near \$50,000 of the unpaid quota balance of the Conference.

We recommend that each Presiding Elder and pastor urge this matter till every charge has made this adjustment, and then that faithful efforts continue to be made till the entire balance, as adjusted, be paid during the four-year period, 1930-1934.

While we are not pleased to see our Conference listed as number 33 among the Conferences in the matter of payment of quotas to Superannuate Endowment, we are proud that

we have paid over \$100,000 to this fund up to date. Besides this contribution, our Conference has to its credit \$56,137, which is being administered by the General Board and from which our Board will have \$3,037 to distribute to our claimants this year, as interest. In order to assure the payment of these adjusted pledges to Superannuate Endowment, we recommend that the month of March be set apart as the time when Presiding Elders, pastors and Churches make special effort to advocate this cause and to pay their quotas.

We recommend further that Presiding Elders, wherever practicable, make provision in their programs at District Conference for the Conference Director or his representative to speak in behalf of this cause.

That the changes in District and Charge boundary lines made by the Bishop and his cabinet be printed in the minutes of the Conference or else reported immediately after Conference to the General Board at St. Louis, in order that the work of adjusting and collecting the various quotas be advanced.

##### Group Insurance

For four years our Conference has been carrying Group Insurance with the Equitable Life Association. The report of the manager of the Group shows that of Oct. 26 we have 170 members of this Group, carrying \$296,000 insurance.

This insurance plan seems to us to be satisfactory and safe. We recommend that all our members carry at least \$1,000, that the Group may be maintained permanently, thus enabling all our ministers, regardless of insurability to have protection for their families. We especially commend this insurance to our young ministers, and urge them to arrange to obtain said insurance during this session of Conference that they may share in the protection it affords.

The cash account of the manager, Rev. H. Lynn Wade, has been audited by a certified accountant and found to be in good shape, and we commend him for his work during the past quadrennium.

We have accepted the resignation of the present manager, and recommend the appointment of Rev. Guy Murphy for this position.

We further recommend that a committee of two preachers and one layman be appointed on nomination of the new manager to assist him in forming policies and adjusting rates for the new year.

##### Superannuate Homes

We would call attention of our ministers and people to the need of more homes for superannuates and widows of preachers. We have only two, valued at \$3,000. The Board of Finance is chartered under the laws of the State of Arkansas and is prepared and instructed to receive and maintain homes for this purpose in our Conference.—R. C. Morehead, Chairman, James T. Willcoxon, Secretary.

#### REPORT OF ORPHANAGE BOARD

We are making the report of the superintendent, Dr. James Thomas, a part of our report, attaching the same hereto. We are glad to report that our people generally are supporting enthusiastically this institution, and our preachers, so far as we know, without exception, are behind the efforts to care for our orphan ones.

We have heard with pleasure the representative of the Orphanage.

We had at the beginning of the year 36 children. We have received during the year 7 children, and have had 12 children to leave the Home, 11 of these going into private homes and one entering Hendrix College. We now have a family of 31. Up to the end of the fiscal year, we have placed 513 children in what we believed to be good homes.

We are glad to report to the Conference that our institution is absolutely free from debt and our management is complimented by our best business people.

It is with sincere regret that we accept the resignation of Rev. J. B. Stevenson, who has for thirty years thrown the full force of his consecrated Christian manhood into the work of caring for the motherless and fatherless children of our Church.

Rev. J. W. Moore, treasurer of our Conference Orphanage Board, reports that he has received from Dr. Geo. McGlumphy, Conference Treasurer, since last Conference, \$1,525.35, a balance left over from last year of \$69.61, making a total of \$1,594.96. During the Conference year he has paid Dr. James Thomas, superintendent of the Orphanage, \$1,500, and to the American Trust Company \$6.25 for bond, making a total of \$1,506.25. This leaves a balance of \$88.71 on hand.

We recommend:

First, that we approve the report of the Board of Trustees as made by Dr. Thomas, superintendent.

Second, that our Conference accept its assessment of \$2,775, and that our preachers and officers, including Sunday School superintendents and presidents of the Woman's Missionary Societies, be asked to make Christmas Week "Orphanage Week" and secure, if possible, even larger contributions than we made last year.

Third, that the Conference confirm the election of Rev. Sam B. Wiggins as trustee, to succeed Rev. J. B. Stevenson, resigned; and that Rev. Sam B. Wiggins be elected a member of the Conference Board in place of Rev. J. B. Stevenson, resigned.—Sam B. Wiggins, Chairman; J. G. Ditterline, Secretary.

#### REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF THE ARKANSAS METHODIST ORPHANAGE, NOV. 3, 1931.

We herewith hand you, as trustees of the Arkansas Methodist Home for Orphans, through our superintendent, Dr. James Thomas, our annual report.

We have had no deaths in the Home during the year. We have had much to concern us in the management of this great institution, at times much anxiety, but we are pleased to report to you at the end of the fiscal year, that, upon the whole, we have had great success.

We had in the beginning of the year 36 children, and have placed in what we believe to be good homes, 11, and one of our girls is in Hendrix College, thus making a total of 12 to leave the Home this year. We have received 7 children since our last report, and now have a family of 31. Up to the present time, we have placed 513 children in what we believe to be good homes. We have made some mistakes, but we have endeavored to be careful in placing our precious ones.

It is necessary for us to have a larger contribution this Christmas than heretofore if we maintain our

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usual position among the family of orphan homes, to-wit, out of debt and paying cash for everything. The truth is that our Conferences give the smallest Christmas offerings of any I have any record of that give at this time to the homes for orphans in the States. We beg you brethren to help us to put over this movement in a larger way.

We give you herewith the financial statement for this year:

| Income   |             |
|--|-------------|
| North Arkansas Conference on Claims                  | \$ 1,800.00 |
| Little Rock Conference on Claims                     | 2,377.80    |
| North Arkansas Conference on Sunday School Offerings | 1,788.06    |
| Little Rock Conference on Sunday School Offerings    | 3,856.33    |
| Received from all other sources                      | 1,341.35    |
| Received on belated Christmas Offerings for 1929     | 166.00      |
| Total  | \$11,429.54 |
| Balance on hand at end of fiscal year                | 1,550.48    |
| Grand Total  | \$12,980.02 |
| Expenditures   |             |
| Salaries   | \$ 2,040.00 |
| Insurance  | 411.95      |
| Taxes  | 38.93       |
| Running Expenses (miscellaneous)                     | 9,501.53    |
| Total  | \$11,992.41 |
| Balance on hand, October 1, 1931,                    | \$987.61.   |

The church of our Home for Orphans is the Highland Church, within three blocks, and Rev. Roy Fawcett is the pastor. Our children and the management love him very much and they do all they can to help carry on the work of the Church.

Our Board agreed with the superintendent that the last twelve months was not the time to project our building and enlargement plan, but reaffirmed their position, giving five years from this date to carry out the program. We believe there will be no trouble about doing it when the time is ready.

We request that your Conference give the same assessment as heretofore, \$5,000, with the scale that they make on all of the askings. We feel sure that if our people, children and parents know about this, we will have no trouble about raising the necessary amount.

We further request that a vote of thanks be given to the leadership of Brother G. G. Davidson and Brother Clem Baker for their loyalty to our cause on Christmas and beg them to continue in these good offices.

We call your attention again to the fact that owing nothing and living within our income, seems to cause some people to assume an at-

titude of indifference and to take less interest, because of the fact that we do not pester them with debt. We again beg you, brethren, to speak or write about this great institution.—Board of Trustees, by James Thomas, Superintendent.

#### REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMISSION ON BENEVOLENCES

We, your Commission on Benevolences, heartily endorse the report of the Board of Lay Activities and urge that careful consideration be given that portion of the report that deals with Church Finances.

We respectfully call the attention of pastors and Officials Boards to the action this Conference took last year in reference to church budgets, namely, "that the law of Discipline as regards church budgets should be strictly observed by pastors and Church Boards, which law requires that moneys thus budgeted should be distributed pro rata and that where money is collected for Benevolences it should in no case be used for any other purpose." Brethren, we must not discriminate against missionaries, orphans, superannuates and others because they are not on the ground to look after their own interests.

We recommend:

1. That the presiding elders be requested to co-operate in fixing dates for Kingdom Extension and District Stewards' Meetings, the former to be held early in January.
2. That pastors be requested to make quarterly reports to their presiding elders.
3. That the Commission on Benevolences meet at least semi-annually and the Executive Committee quarterly.—Hoyt M. Dobbs, chairman; J. Wilson Crichlow, Conference Chairman; Fred R. Hamilton, Secretary.

#### BOARD OF INSTITUTIONAL WORK

Your Board of Institutional Work submits herewith the report of the labors of your superintendent of this work, the report of the secretary, and the recommendations for the new Conference year.

During the year ending November 1, your superintendent made 130 visits to towns; visits to institutions, 185; conducted 134 services; donated 4,352 Scriptures, 789 books, 3,278 papers, 2,475 magazines, 8,117 tracts; reporting 113 conversions and eight additions to our Church. He traveled 14,641 miles in pursuance of his work. Our Church, pioneering in this field of reclamation and salvaging the lost, should make some provision for reception into Church membership of each one of these people who profess Christ as their Savior, and provision made for their spiritual growth.

The several Districts of the Conference have contributed to this work as follows:

|                        |          |
|------------------------|----------|
| Batesville             | \$ 40.80 |
| Booneville             | 17.60    |
| Conway                 | 55.37    |
| Fayetteville           | 2.00     |
| Fort Smith             | 19.50    |
| Helena                 | 42.00    |
| Jonesboro              | 40.02    |
| Paragould              | 43.00    |
| Searcy                 | 25.74    |
| H. C. Johnston, Treas. | 200.00   |

Total \$536.01

We make the following recommendations:

1. That Dr. J. M. Williams and Rev. F. R. Hamilton be added to the Board.
2. That each pastor pledge to co-

operate in this work in every way by personally visiting the jails and almshouses within the bounds of his charge, and by co-operation with Brother Colquette.

3. That this Conference recommend the appointment of Rev. D. H. Colquette as superintendent of Institutional Work, in co-operation with the Little Rock Conference, and that each District make suitable provision for his maintenance approximating \$50 per District.

4. That the annual appropriation of the Board of Missions be continued.—J. M. Williams, Chm.

#### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

Reports from our Publishing House, under the efficient management of Lamar and Whitmore, indicate a great and growing concern. Ours is really one of the greatest publishing houses in the land. The Cokesbury Press has issued during the year, 46 new books, 16 of which were written by Southern Methodists.

While the circulation of Sunday School periodicals shows a slight decrease, yet on account of the consolidation of some of the periodicals the net income shows little decrease. The sales of the Publishing House for the last year amounted to \$1,842,764, and the net profit was \$104,431.

We commend the character of the books put out by our Publishing House. Good reading matter does much to displace the flood of bad literature flowing in large volume today. We commend to our people the Free Tract Department. Let us use this good reading so freely offered to us.

The Arkansas Methodist, our Conference organ, notwithstanding the financial depression, reports a decrease in its debts of some \$2,000, but it is deplorable to note that arrears on subscriptions amount to some \$20,000. Efforts should be made to collect or drop these accounts.

The subscription price has been reduced, until March 1, to \$1.50, on account of the decreased price of all commodities, and efforts should be diligently made to put on a subscription campaign during the fall and early winter. Consequently, responding to the request of the Arkansas Methodist Commission, we pledge ourselves to push the campaign for the Arkansas Methodist, and in order that it may be in the hands of our people throughout the year and that it may have the benefit of early collections while our people have some money, we ask all pastors who do not move to make their subscription canvass within thirty days after Conference adjourns, and all other pastors to make their canvass within ninety days. Let us demonstrate what can be done by an early and faithful circulation campaign, because such a campaign would soon relieve the paper of all debt and make Conference assessments unnecessary. The presiding elders are requested to keep this circulation campaign before pastors and official members until it has been completed. Presiding elders are also requested to see that their pastors report interesting news for the paper.

We nominate as commissioners the present commissioners, J. M. Williams, Wm. Sherman and R. C. Morehead.

We note with pleasure that only \$6,000 is now due on the purchase price of the splendid property on

Eleventh and Scott Streets. In view of our obligations under the plan adopted two years ago in connection with the purchase of this property and because it is absolutely necessary to maintain the paper, we request the continuance of the same financial support in apportionments that was made last year.

We commend the editorial work and management of Dr. A. C. Millar, and recommend that he be re-appointed as editor.

We again remind our people of the importance of church and circulating libraries. Many times a Sunday School class, a Division of our Educational work, a Woman's Missionary Society, or some other body in the church may collect splendid groups of books. Let us give our people proper reading matter and not mere criticism for the reading of impure and worthless literature. Our pastors should realize that one of their greatest opportunities is to direct the minds of our people to the good literature that is furnished by our press.—J. J. Galloway, Chmn.; Henry Goodloe, Sec.

#### REPORT OF BOARD OF TEMPERANCE AND SOCIAL SERVICE

We believe it is partly our responsibility to create in America an aroused and enlightened public opinion on the question of disarmament. The financial depression has done what prosperity did not do, taught the world the economic folly of war and of competitive armament.

Our only hope for individual security is not in more armaments, but in strengthening our peace machinery where all the nations of the earth, participating with equal influence and equal responsibility, can together evolve a new psychology of mutual understanding and mutual trust, resulting in mutual security.

We recommend that there be some discussion of this subject in our churches near Armistice Day.

We believe that Prohibition is not an experiment and that the law can be enforced. Our General Conference said that "it is the inalienable right of every member of the Church to oppose and vote against any candidate for public office who fails to stand for the prohibition law and its enforcement, and that our people shall be urged to select public officers who believe in enforcement not only because prohibition is the law, but because it ought to be the law."

We endorse the Anti-Saloon League and the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and call upon our people to co-operate with and assist these organizations in their work.

We remind our pastors that the Discipline directs that a Committee on Temperance and Social Service shall be elected in each congregation.

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We recommend that the book, "Dry America," by Atticus Webb, be procured and read by as many as possible.

The social order under which we in this country live is based upon Christian principles, therefore, it is deplorable that many people lack sufficient food and clothing, and other necessities of life, due to an unequal distribution of these material benefits. The Golden Rule and the Law of Love should be the principles for all of life in all relations. We need to apply the teachings of Jesus and should work for a social order entirely Christian. We think it would be well for the pastors to read to our people "The Social Creed of the Churches," contained in the Book of Discipline.

We affirm that the Church cannot and will not yield its view upon the sanctity of the home and we deplore the enactment by our Legislature of the Ninety-Day Divorce Law and register our opposition to it.

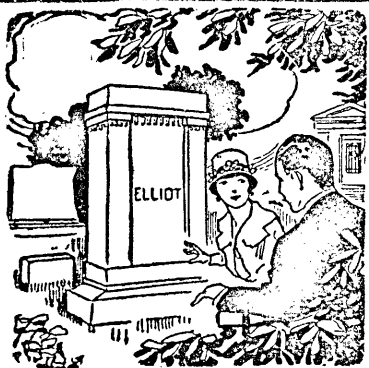
We recommend that A. H. DuLaney, T. C. Chambliss, W. E. Hall, Geo. E. Patchell, and J. T. Byrd be elected trustees of the Arkansas Anti-Saloon League of Arkansas for the ensuing year.—A. H. DuLaney, vice-Chairman; Geo. E. Patchell, Secretary.

#### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES

We, your Board of Lay Activities for the North Arkansas Conference, submit our report as follows:

1. We would have our people face fairly the issues involved in both the stewardship of life and the stewardship of property. Consequently, we urge our ministers to continue to speak on the whole question of Christian Stewardship.

2. We urge all Boards of Stewards at the beginning of the Conference year to give every member of the Church an opportunity of pledging as much as possible for the support of the ministry and its Benevolences. Especially do we need to have our people informed on what becomes of money collected for general claims. In connection with this, our congregations need not only more knowledge and zeal, but a quickened conscience on this responsibility. After these pledges are made, we urge on all Boards of Stewards constant and wise efforts to collect the amounts pledged. We fur-



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ther urge that collection be made, if possible, in January and February and forwarded at once to the Conference Treasurer.

3. To our pastors, in their leadership, we pledge our help in working for the growth of spiritual life in the Church. Through our prayers and our efforts we shall do all we can for growth in grace, harmony and Christian zeal.

4. We consider the development of teamwork in the Church a matter of highest importance and one of our greatest needs. The purpose of the coach is to strengthen the team, to secure unity of action, to develop power of attack, to fire zeal for effort, to inspire faith for victory. Our pastors should not carry the ball too much.

5. We shall give sympathetic co-operation to our General Board of Lay Activities in carrying forward our program.

6. So we pray God in our own homes we may exemplify the Christ and to all worthy ends we may be used of Him for the on-going of the Kingdom.

7. We recommend that Layman's Day be the second Sunday in June or as near thereto as possible, and that the subject for consideration for that Sunday be "The Ideal Layman."

8. We commend the circulation plan for The Layman and set as a goal to have a copy in the hands of each Charge Lay Leader, each Chairman of a Board of Stewards, and each Chairman of the Stewardship Committee.

9. We nominate the Conference Lay Leader as our delegate to the Missionary Council.

10. We nominate J. M. Williams as Conference Lay Leader, and C. J. Chapin, as Associate Lay Leader.—J. M. Williams, Chairman; C. J. Chapin, Secretary.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF DISTRICT CONFERENCE JOURNALS

We, your Committee, have examined the Journals of all the Districts and find them well kept.—F. M. Daniel, J. W. Johnson, W. J. Faust.

#### REPORT NO. 1 OF BOARD OF MISSIONS

The Board of Missions rejoices that many splendid achievements have been recorded in our missionary work at home and abroad. Many serious problems confront our work, yet the future is bright, for our opportunities are great.

We have read with interest the report of our General Secretary, Dr. W. G. Cram. It gives us great joy to know that the year has been marked by revival fires in many places.

We are in full sympathy with the financial situation which confronts the Board and recognize the seriousness of the same. Immediate relief must be had or retrenchment becomes necessary.

Such a crisis calls for cool thinking and planning and much prayer.

We urge our pastors and people to co-operate with such plans as our General Board may adopt in lifting our Board out of this mire.

We are happy to note that our own unreached people in our Conference adjacent to our pastoral charges are being ministered unto by our regular pastors.

This program of home extension, cared for through our regular channel, we most heartily commend, and recommend that such missionary endeavors continue.

Our people have no greater need

than a continued cultural program which has for its objective making our people missionary-minded.

We suggest, therefore, that many of our people and pastors attend the General Missionary Council which convenes at Oklahoma City next February, and that our pastors bring many of their people into the District missionary forums that will be promoted by our Boards during the following year.

We also pledge the Conference Commission on Benevolences our hearty co-operation.—William Sherman, Chairman; I. L. Claud, Secretary.

#### REPORT NO. 2 OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS

Your Board makes the following recommendations for the action of the Conference:

1. Let every pastor and Presiding Elder give diligence to the distribution of our great missionary literature, especially assisting the women of the Missionary Societies in the circulation of the Missionary Voice, the official organ of the Board of Missions.

2. The appointment of Rev. Norris Greer and Rev. A. E. Goode Conference evangelists and the recognition of Rev. H. C. Hankins as Conference evangelist.

3. The appointment of Rev. William Sherman as Conference Missionary secretary.

4. The appointment of A. E. Holloway and S. G. Watson as members of the Board of Managers of the Pastors' Summer School.

5. Appropriations for the year 1931-1932:

|                                |           |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| <b>General</b>                 |           |
| Valley Springs Training School | \$ 300.00 |
| Prison Work                    | 100.00    |

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| <b>District Work</b> |        |
| Batesville District: |        |
| Evening Shade        | 100.00 |
| Yellville            | 100.00 |

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|-------------------------|--------|
| Conway District:        |        |
| Washington Avenue       | 100.00 |
| Plumerville-Springfield | 50.00  |

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| Booneville District: |        |
| Ola                  | 250.00 |

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| Fort Smith District: |       |
| Hackett              | 50.00 |
| Lavaca               | 50.00 |
| Kibler               | 50.00 |

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| Fayetteville District: |        |
| Huntsville             | 100.00 |
| Cincinnati             | 50.00  |

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| Helena District: |        |
| Colt             | 250.00 |

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| Jonesboro District: |       |
| Lake Street         | 75.00 |
| Keiser              | 75.00 |

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| Searcy District: |        |
| Valley Springs   | 150.00 |

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|---------------------|-------|
| Paragould District: |       |
| Hardy-Ash Flat      | 50.00 |
| Maynard             | 50.00 |
| Biggers-Success     | 50.00 |

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|---------------------------------|------------|
| Total appropriated to Districts | 1,590.00   |
| Total to General Work           | 400.00     |
| Total Appropriated              | \$1,990.00 |

—William Sherman, Chairman; I. L. Claud, Secretary.

#### REPORT OF BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

The report of the General Board to our Board was before us. It emphasizes the fact that many churches throughout the bounds of our Church have created large and embarrassing debts. These will be hard to pay now. Caution is to be taken by other congregations against falling into the same grave error. We urge, therefore, all our churches to be careful at this point.

We believe in building substantial and adequate houses both for our preachers and our congregations, but we feel that care and conservatism should prevail in our building programs.

We have done our best with the funds given us for distribution. The income this year is much smaller than usual, and most of the funds of a year ago were tied up in the closing of the Bank of Corning last November. Some of the donations made then are yet unpaid. These must wait until that money is released.

Our Treasurer's report shows the following:

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| 1. Balance on hand from last year                     |            |
| 2. Received from Conference Treasurer during the year | \$ 452.23  |
| 3. Received from Conference Treasurer at Conference   | 616.00     |
| Total   | \$1,068.23 |

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| 4. Paid out for expenses of Board during the year | 57.70      |
| Balance on hand                                   | \$1,010.53 |

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| 5. The following donations were made to churches: |        |
| (1) Marvell Church (Conditional)                  | 200.00 |
| (2) Higginson Church                              | 300.00 |
| (3) Lincoln Church (Conditional)                  | 250.00 |

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|---|--------|
| 6. The following loans were granted to churches:    |        |
| (1) Charleston Church                               | 800.00 |
| (2) Higginson                                       | 400.00 |
| J. A. Womack, Chairman,<br>C. W. Lester, Secretary. |        |

#### REPORT OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL TRAINING.

The Church, in its training program, has not yet assigned a specific task to the Joint Committee on Ministerial Training.

But, in the meantime, the Conference Training Committee is trying to render some assistance to those who might need help in securing books for their course.

The Committee would like to secure a complete list of books on the courses available in the libraries of the pastors in the Conference. This list is being kept by the Secretary so that the undergraduate may communicate with him, and he will write the one needing books as to where they may be gotten.

The chairmen of the various Examining Committees of the Courses of Study will assist in finding out any needs of undergraduates that may be met by the Joint Committee. The assistance of the brethren is solicited.

The Committee has quite a list of books now and rendered some considerable assistance last year.—J. A. Reynolds, Chairman; F. A. Lark, Secretary.

#### REPORT OF HOSPITAL BOARD General Hospital

The Hospital work of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was begun in 1906. Bishop Warren A. Candler was a pioneer in the hospital work of our Church, when he established our first hospital, the Wesley Memorial, in Atlanta, Georgia.

The M. E. Church, South, maintains at Tucson, Arizona, a hospital for persons suffering with tuberculosis. Though only about four years old, it has assets of nearly a quarter of a million dollars. We have also eleven other hospitals in various parts of the country which are own-



ed and operated by various groups of Annual Conferences: Wesley Memorial, Atlanta, Ga.; Barnes Hospital, St. Louis, Mo.; Montgomery Memorial Hospital, Montgomery, Ala.; Good Samaritan Hospital, Lexington, Ky.; Methodist Hospital, Memphis, Tenn.; Methodist Hospital, Houston, Texas; Methodist Hospital, Hattiesburg, Miss.; Dallas Methodist Hospital, Dallas, Texas; Methodist Hospital, Fort Worth, Texas; Hugh Chat-ham Memorial Hospital, Elkin, N. C.; Duke Hospital, Durham, N. C.

These twelve hospitals have 2,000 beds and are worth over \$16,000,000. They treat over 33,000 patients annually and render about \$500,000 in free service per annum to the sick poor. They are educating over 700 trained nurses a year.

Then a beautiful hospital property in the City of Savannah, Georgia, is being transferred to our Church and promises to become one of the most useful institutions.

#### Memphis Hospital

The Methodist Hospital of Memphis has just closed ten years of work. It has admitted and treated over 40,000 patients and 4,022 babies have been born in it.

During the last twelve months, a total of 4,901 patients have been admitted as against 5,573 last year, and 659 babies born as compared with 730 the previous year. This year \$89,700.28 aid was extended to 1,935 people. Last year, 1,534 free patients were served, amounting to \$92,033.59. Free service to the amount of \$7,380.65 was rendered to 113 people in the confines of North Arkansas Conference. A total of 314 patients have been admitted from our territory. Twenty-two preachers and dependent members of their families have been cared for from our Conference this year.

There has been a decrease of over \$68,500, or over 25%, for last year over year before.

The School of Nursing has now 70 young women in training. In the past year 768 applications have been received and 47 were selected. Eighteen were graduated last year.

#### Receipts

|                               |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| 1930 Assessments              | \$1,378.20 |
| 1931 Assessments              | 1,397.10   |
| Osceola Bank Deposits         | 13.68      |
| Balance Golden Cross Director | 15.00      |
|                               | \$2,803.98 |

#### Expenditures

|                       |            |
|-----------------------|------------|
| Methodist Hospital    | \$1,888.20 |
| Board Dues            | 5.00       |
| Treasurer's Bond      | 6.25       |
| Golden Cross Director | 8.00       |
| Delegate's Expenses   | 35.00      |
| Balance on Hand       | 861.53     |
|                       | \$2,803.98 |

#### Recommendations

1. We ask that each Presiding Elder appoint an active Golden Cross Director for his District, and that each charge elect a capable director for each church.

2. That each pastor take advantage of Hospital Week, following second Sunday in May, and secure a large Golden Cross enrollment.

3. That publicity be given to needs and possibilities of Hospital work.

4. That the Budget Commission be requested to include \$3,400 as our assessment for the Board.

5. That the following members of this Conference be elected as Trustees of the Memphis Hospital: Rev. William Sherman, Rev. J. R. Nelson, R. E. Scott of Earle, J. F. Fogleman,

W. E. Jelks of McCrory, Mrs. W. L. Oliver.—J. T. Willcoxon, Chairman; W. J. Spicer, Secretary.

#### BOARD OF FINANCE REPORT NO. 2

##### Receipts

|                                 |             |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Balance from last year          | \$ 328.68   |
| Conference Treasurer Assessment | 6,163.66    |
| Superannuate Endowment          | 3,037.83    |
| Publishing House                | 2,787.40    |
| Total                           | \$12,317.57 |

##### Disbursements

|                            |             |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| Conference Claimants       | \$12,065.00 |
| Treasurer's Bond           | 25.00       |
| Expense of Board           | 12.00       |
| Local Preacher—J. H. Ruble | 100.00      |
| Balance Emergency          | 115.57      |
| Total                      | \$12,317.57 |

##### Paid to Claimants

Preachers: W. W. Anderson, \$50; George M. Barton, \$25; E. N. Bickley, \$200; W. E. Bishop, \$200; S. H. Blackwell, \$200; T. A. Bowen, \$190; A. M. R. Branson, \$135; John W. Campbell, \$250; J. F. Carter, \$150; F. H. Cummings, \$150; J. H. Cummins, \$200; Charles Edwards, \$175; J. B. Evans, \$100; W. F. Evans, \$290; J. K. Farris, \$250; J. T. Gossett, \$175; Henry Hanesworth, \$250; C. F. Hively, \$175; C. C. Holifield, \$175; James F. Jernigan, \$250; S. S. Key, \$250; Fred Little, \$150; T. A. Martin (burial expense), \$100; W. T. Martin, \$250; J. M. McNally, \$200; George McGlumphy, \$175; Cadesman Pope, \$240; J. D. Roberts, \$140; A. F. Skinner, \$250; J. M. Thrasher, \$250; M. B. Umsted, \$250; D. N. Weaver, \$250; J. C. Weaver, \$250; J. P. Wheeler, \$210; J. M. Williams, \$210; J. B. Stevenson, \$175; J. T. Hood, \$100; J. B. Andrews, \$100; C. F. Wilson, \$100; A. T. Galloway, \$100; J. R. Ashmore, \$100.

Widows: Mesdames E. M. Baker, \$110; John H. Barrentine, \$100; Z. T. Bennett, \$80; W. H. W. Burns, \$80; M. C. Dickens (burial expenses), \$50; W. H. Dyer, \$110; W. E. Cooper and two children, \$175; Eliza Edwards, \$80; W. B. Hays, \$110; Elia P. Hill, \$110; George W. Hill, \$100; G. L. Horton and child, \$250; J. W. House, \$80; F. S. H. Johnston, \$110; Riley Jones and two children, \$120; T. J. Justice and two children, \$135; E. M. Kelsey, \$70; W. T. Locke, \$105; Alexander Mathes, \$75; H. E. May, \$105; Pierce Merrill, \$105; C. M. Morris, \$105; C. H. Nelson, \$100; F. R. Noe, \$105; J. H. O'Bryant, \$105; G. W. Reed, \$105; Frank Ritter, \$105; J. D. Rutledge, \$80; Margaret Shaefer, \$75; J. C. Shipp, \$65; Frances G. Smith, \$80; Ida Southard, \$75; W. S. Southworth, \$105; R. M. Traylor, \$75; W. F. Walker, \$105; P. B. Wallis, \$105; W. M. Watson, \$105; T. B. Williamson, \$105; J. B. Williams, \$100; J. W. Woodruff, \$80; D. L. Yates, \$75; J. H. Dye, \$100; W. J. Jordan and four children, and burial expense, \$200.

Children: Talkington child, \$50; Biggs child, \$50; Cleo Buchanan, \$50; McKelvey child, \$50.

Local Preacher: J. H. Ruble, \$100.

We recommend the appointment of Rev. H. Lynn Wade as director of Superannuate Endowment to serve in connection with his regular appointment.—R. C. Morehead, chairman; Elmer H. Hook, Treasurer.

## Woman's Missionary Dept.

MRS. A. C. MILLAR, Editor.

Communications should be received Saturday for the following week. Address 1018 Scott Street.

#### GRAVETTE AUXILIARY

The Society of Gravette has completed a beautiful "Love Quilt" to be presented to our Methodist Children's Home. This was made possible by the "money gifts" for placing the name of the Society contributing in embroidery upon this quilt. It is a memorial to Mrs. Stevens who instructed her husband, during her last illness to send for her \$1.00 to our fund—her name is the center place of this group of names and "Memorial" emblem beneath our pattern is "The rose dream," colors rose and white, names in black. It was pieced, embroidered and quilted by members of Gravette Society. The money earned has been used for very necessary repairs to our church and has filled a need which otherwise would have meant neglect for another year.

We take this means of expressing our appreciation and love to the Sister Auxiliaries who so lovingly cooperated with us in our project of making a "Love Quilt" which is being presented to our Methodist Children's Home. The name of each contributing Auxiliary and officer is embroidered upon the quilt as a token of our united interests.

Needed repairs have been accomplished for our church with the funds thus gathered.

May God's blessings be upon his work and His workers.—Mrs. J. W. Cotner, Pres. W. M. S., Gravette, Arkansas.

#### ZONE MEETING AT BRINKLEY

The Methodist Missionary Societies of Zone No. 3 held the last quarterly meeting of the Conference year at the Church in Brinkley on Thursday, October 29.

Thirty-five delegates attended.

Mrs. John Reed of Biscoe, accompanied by three friends, representing the Methodist Church of that place, were special guests, as were Rev. J. G. Ditterline, Wheatley, and Rev. J. W. Moore, Holly Grove.

Mrs. Homer Williamson, Zone Chairman, presided.

The absence of Miss Marie Holmstedt, District Secretary was noted with regret.

Mrs. H. Holbert, President of the hostess society extended greetings. Mrs. R. W. Davis of Clarendon responded. The program was presented by the Clarendon Society.

Miss Mary Lou Pearce, chairman of the Hortense Murry Circle led the devotional reading as the Scripture lesson, Matt. 6:25:34.

The devotional concluded with prayer by leader.

Final reports of the societies marked the opening of the business session.

The work showed marked advancement, with an increase in membership, Bible and Mission studies completed, and finances satisfactory.

Mrs. Holbert of the Brinkley Society reported a Young Peoples Circle recently organized, with a membership of eleven. Mrs. L. Brown chairman.

The Holly Grove Society with Mrs. Jordan Lambert, President has the largest enrollment, according to church membership of any society in

Zone 3, also leads in number of subscribers to the Missionary voice.

The greatest percentage of attendance for the day was represented by the Hortense Murry Circle, Clarendon.

Mrs. John Reed reporting for the Church at Biscoe, stated that they have no organized missionary society, but the membership is interested and active.

They have an organized Bible Study Class, which has trebled its membership since its organization one year ago.

Mrs. Reed also reported that they close the Conference Year with all finances paid in full. This is indeed a splendid report, and worthy of commendation, during these days of unprecedented financial depression.

Rev. Mr. Ditterline of Wheatley supplies this charge.

A nominating committee composed of the presidents of the four societies was appointed to select officers for the ensuing year. These concluded the business session.

Misses Zelda Mae Davis and Jewel Cazort, with Miss Mary Lou Pearce at the piano sang: "Why should He Love Me So?"

The Assembly was dismissed with prayer by Rev. Mr. Moore.

After partaking of a bounteous luncheon and enjoying a brief social period, the session was resumed at 1:15.

Opening prayer led by Mrs. J. P. Rideout. Miss Florence Hooper gave as the devotional, an effective interpretation of "Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread." In conclusion Mrs. J. W. Moore sang "Just for Today."

A playlet entitled "Amos Warns America," was presented by the Hortense Murry Circle.

Mrs. J. P. Lee gave an interesting talk on spiritualizing the Week of Prayer.

Special musical numbers were given by Misses Nannie Clark Smith, Zelda Mae Davis, Jewel Cazort and Mrs. J. W. Moore.

A silver offering was taken for Miss Edith Martin, our Missionary to Africa.

Mrs. Ditterline, chairman of the nominating committee submitted the following report.

Chairman, Mrs. Homer Williamson, Wheatley; Vice-Chairman, Mrs. J. P. Lee Clarendon; Secretary, Mrs. Jim Mitchell, Brinkley.

A rising vote of thanks was given the hostess society.

The next meeting will be held in Clarendon, the last Thursday in January.—Mrs. N. L. Mayo, Secretary.

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### ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT CONFERENCE OF THE W. M. S.

The Arkadelphia District Conference of the Woman's Missionary Society met at Arkadelphia, October 21, at ten o'clock, with Mrs. Fred R. Harrison, of Malvern, District Secretary, presiding. There were sixty-three ladies present. The following preachers were in attendance: Rev. J. W. Mann, Presiding Elder; Rev. R. E. L. Bearden, Arkadelphia; Rev. I. O. Donaldson, Leola; Rev. Fred R. Harrison, Malvern; Rev. T. M. Lee, Benton; and Rev. C. M. Thompson, Dalark. Mrs. J. D. Hammons, of Hot Springs was elected secretary for the Conference.

The day was one of great information and inspiration, with a program which touched all phases of the work. At noon the Arkadelphia Auxiliary served a delicious and bountiful luncheon.

The program was as follows:

Devotional—Mrs. J. W. Mann, Arkadelphia.

Greetings—Mrs. Harold Sloan, Pres. Arkadelphia Auxiliary.

Response—Mrs. Mary Davis, Hot Springs.

Report of the District Secretary—"The New Financial Plan"—Mrs. J. M. Stinson of Camden, Conference Cor. Secretary.

"World Peace and Christian Social Relations"—Mrs. B. J. Reeves, of Little Rock, Conference Supt. of Christian Social Relations.

Solo—Mrs. Claude Philips of Arkadelphia.

"Week of Prayer"—Mrs. F. M. Williams, Hot Springs, Conference Historian.

Lunch.

Devotional—Mrs. Will Huie, retiring District Secretary, Arkadelphia.

Solo—Mrs. Jan Williams, Arkadelphia.

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Talk—Rev. J. W. Mann, Presiding Elder.

"1931 Mission Study"—Mrs. Geo. Hughes, Benton.

"Children's Work"—Mrs. E. E. Fohrell, Sparkman.

"Young Women's Circles"—Mrs. T. H. McLean, Malvern, Conference Supt. of Young People.

"The Missionary Voice"—Mrs. B. W. McCrary, Hot Springs.

"The Work of the Dept. of Supplies"—Mrs. J. T. Alderson, Malvern.

Report from delegates.

First Church, Hot Springs extended an invitation for the 1932 meeting, and the invitation was accepted.—Reporter.

### MAMMOTH SPRING HONORS PASTOR AND WIFE

A surprise party, sponsored by the Woman's Missionary Society and Young People's Department, was given to Rev. and Mrs. F. M. Glover of Mammoth Spring on Tuesday evening, November the second.

Forty guests were present; after a pleasant social hour, Clara Louise Nemnich, in behalf of the young people presented to Mr. and Mrs. Glover a beautiful friendship quilt, a pillow top, and an apron with contributions to pastor's salary in the pockets, expressing their appreciation of pastor and wife and wishing that they would be with them another year.

This Senior League was organized by Rev. J. F. Glover in 1928, with a membership of five. The present membership is thirty three. Their work during the past year, directed by the very capable leaders, Clara Louise Nemnich, president and Mrs. J. B. Arends, Counselor, has been very efficient.

Another lovely bed spread was presented by Mrs. C. H. Culvert, President of Woman's Missionary Society, in behalf of members. This Auxiliary has during the past year been very faithful in carrying on the different phases of its work and persistent in meeting the financial obligations in spite of the depression.

Delicious refreshments, contributed by the guests were served during the evening.

Rev. and Mrs. Glover during their three year's service in Mammoth Spring have learned to love its gracious people and express their heart-felt thanks for every kindness shown them.—Mrs. F. M. Glover.

### ZONE MEETING AT HARRISON, ARKANSAS, OCTOBER 22

More than fifty women attended a zone meeting at Harrison, October 22. Due to inclement weather, representatives from Clinton, Marshall, Leslie and Capps failed to arrive. Auxiliaries from Valley Springs, Bellefonte and Bergman were represented.

The morning session started at 10:30 o'clock with Miss Laura Felton presiding. Rev. J. A. Reynolds, local pastor conducted the morning devotional. Mrs. C. E. Scott gave the welcome address. At the close, she read a poem written by her mother, Mrs. J. B. Crump, who was one of the pioneers of the missionary work here. The poem was dedicated to the Harrison Missionary Society. Mrs. J. H. O'Bryant, now matron of Valley Springs Training School responded in a very pleasing manner bringing back pleasant memories when she worked with the ladies of the local missionary society, when her husband was Presiding Elder of the District. Reports made by the auxiliaries were

very encouraging, showing the missionary work well done. Methods of conducting a mission and Bible study were presented by Mrs. J. A. Reynolds. After a closing prayer by Bro. McGhehey, pastor of Valley Springs, a bountiful luncheon was served in the Epworth League Room by the ladies of the local church.

After the lunch and social hour, the afternoon session convened at 1:30 o'clock. The devotional was conducted by Miss Bell, the Rural worker of the Bellefonte Charge. Mrs. O'Bryant made a talk on "Why Observe the Week of Prayer." Mrs. J. N. Milum entertained with a solo "If It's done With the Thought of Him." Miss Bell presented a very interesting talk on the "Duties of a Rural Worker." Mrs. Hammonds of Valley Springs read some very interesting letters from Miss Edith Martin, formerly of Harrison and Bellefonte, who has gone as a missionary to Africa. The last of Miss Martin's letters were written while enroute up the river Congo. She was scheduled to arrive at her destination, Wembo, Nyama, Africa, on September 28th.

Miss Laura Felton led a discussion on the financial budget for this part of the Searcy District, followed by closing song "Blest Be The Tie That Binds" and prayer by Miss Bell, the meeting adjourned.—Reporter.

### CAMDEN DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Camden District Missionary Conference convened at the Methodist Church in Camden, Tuesday, October 27, with eighty-six present. The following charges were represented: Camden, El Dorado, Vantrease, Smackover, Louann, Strong, Nophlet, Taylor, Magnolia, Fore-dyce, Stephens, Kingsland and Buena Vista.

Mrs. Ray Hutcheson, District Secretary, presided. The devotional of the morning was given by Mrs. T. F. Russell. She read a part of the 16th chapter of John, and talked on the need of prayer in our lives.

Mrs. Hutcheson gave a brief report of the work of the District. Mrs. Wilson of El Dorado gave a very interesting and instructive address on World Peace.

"Financing the Missionary Enterprise in an Economic Depression" was discussed by Mrs. Roy Smith of Stephens. A vocal solo "Just for Today" was beautifully rendered by Mrs. Hugh Lyde. Mrs. Ed Galloway talked on the Young Women's Circles of the Missionary Society. Miss Porter, our District Rural Worker, told of the work she is doing in the District. Mrs. J. E. Cooper gave a very interesting outline and discussion of our Week of Prayer program. A bountiful luncheon was served at the noon hour by the Camden ladies.

The devotional of the afternoon session was given by Mrs. Edward Horton, in which she used the Lord's prayer as her theme. This was followed with prayer by Mrs. Stowe.

Mrs. Stimson brought us much helpful information in her talk on the requirements of membership in the Missionary Society. "Mission Study" was very ably presented by Mrs. Clay Stewart. Mrs. Leland Primus of Smackover presented the Missionary Voice in an interesting manner by using a very attractive poster which she had planned. The meeting was brought to a close with a very inspiring message from Mrs. L. K. McKinney of El Dorado.—Mrs. J. W. Thomas, Reporter.

### MISSION STUDY MEETING AT HAVANA

Mrs. W. T. Bacon, District Secretary, arranged an all-day session at Havana, for the Belleville-Havana and Magazine Auxiliaries to study "Korea, the Land of the Dawn." The meeting convened Wednesday morning, October 28 and after a devotional service conducted by Rev. V. B. Utley of Magazine, a history of Korea was given by Mrs. L. W. Crownover of Belleville. A map was shown to give a correct idea of Korea's geographical relation to China, Japan and Russia, and Mrs. Bacon filled the rest of the morning period with a resume of the first half of the study book, bringing out the main points, and comparing conditions in Korea with conditions in the United States.

After a delightful lunch, her exposition of the book was continued and at the close her hearers felt that they knew as much about Korea, the "Land of the Dawn" as if they had read the book themselves—and maybe more!

Mrs. James Moore of Havana read from the council minutes, the report of a Missionary in Korea, which was very encouraging.

Mrs. Bacon then explained the rules for studying the "Challenge of Change," which the three auxiliaries expect to complete in the next two months.

More than thirty women were present and all felt much benefited by the discussion of the book and Mrs. Bacon was given a rising vote of thanks for the work she had done and the sacrifices she had made in our behalf.—Mrs. L. F. Plemmons, Reporter.



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### SUNDAY SCHOOL DAY OFFERINGS, LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE, COMPLETE TO NOVEMBER 7.

Arkadelphia District.  
 Previously reported \$522.17  
 Camden District.  
 Previously reported \$425.33  
 Camden (additional) 21.25  
 \$446.58

Little Rock District.  
 Previously reported \$971.25  
 Bauxite (additional) 1.00  
 28th Street (additional) 6.00  
 Capitol View (additional) 14.25  
 Taylor Chapel 1.00  
 Lonoke (additional) 8.40  
 Hickory Plains (additional) 3.50  
 Tomberlin (additional) 2.00  
 Mabelvale (additional) 9.47  
 Hickory Plains (additional) 4.82  
 Carlisle (additional) 19.00  
 South Bend (additional) 1.00  
 \$1,041.69

Monticello District.  
 Previously reported \$438.95  
 Pine Bluff District.  
 Previously reported \$743.51  
 Prescott District  
 Previously reported \$490.60  
 Prescott 50.00  
 Emmett Circuit 6.00  
 DeAnn 6.00  
 \$552.60

Texarkana District.  
 Previously reported \$523.67  
 Standing by Districts.  
 Little Rock \$1,041.69  
 Pine Bluff 743.51  
 Prescott 552.60  
 Texarkana 523.67  
 Arkadelphia 522.17  
 Camden 446.58  
 Monticello 438.95  
 \$4,269.17

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 Lonoke—R. B. Moore.  
 Hickory Plains Circuit—C. A.

Simpson.  
 Mabelvale-Primrose—W. W. Nelson.  
 Carlisle—M. K. Irvin.  
 Emmett Circuit—M. E. Scott.  
 —C. E. Hayes, Chairman.

### LEAGUE SOCIAL AT HERMITAGE

Hermitage Epworth Leaguers Sunday added an extra feature to their social program for the month, with a surprise birthday dinner honoring their president, Miss Martha Freeman. The dinner was at the parsonage, with Mrs. W. T. Bone, wife of the pastor, acting as hostess for the occasion.

After the guests had assembled, Miss Louise Colson gave the message of welcome and good wishes. Miss Freeman responded amid a round of applause, after which all were served with a delicious chicken dinner.

The birthday cake was a large, snow-white affair, with several candles blazing merrily. Three tries were taken by the honor guest in extinguishing the candles, as she missed five of them the first puff. The many presents were piled upon the tables, surrounding the cake, and the honoree spent happy moments opening them.

Among those present were: Louise Colson, Russell Colson, June Laughlin, Ray Outlaw, Anne Phillips, Corinne Peebles, Hazel Byrd, Lois Phillips, Paul Phillips, Jeff Peebles and Lena Hickman.

The committee in charge of arrangements expressed gratitude for assistance in making the preparations to the following ladies: Mrs. J. D. Stephens, Mrs. W. W. Warren, Mrs. N. D. Calloway, Mrs. L. Q. Thompson, Mrs. H. E. Phillips, Mrs. J. I. Garrick, Mrs. Bud Richardson, Mrs. Fern Laughlin, Mrs. J. J. Colson, and Mrs. H. W. Hines.—Reporter.

## Church News

### LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT BROTHERHOOD.

The Little Rock District Ministers' Brotherhood met at First Church, November 9, with Presiding Elder J. A. Henderson presiding.

After singing, Rev. J. F. Simmons led in prayer.

Rev. W. C. Hilliard of Altheimer was introduced and spoke words of greeting.

Dr. W. C. Martin, recently transferred to First Church, Dallas, spoke of his reception into his new pastorate and expressed his regret at being taken from among us. Brother Henderson responded, saying that we were loaning him to Texas.

Mr. E. R. Chambers and wife of South Bend Church, Austin Circuit, were present.

A check-up of the charges was made and it was indicated that all finances would be in full.

Brother Henderson announced that Friday, November 27, would be our "Hallelujah" meeting and that all members of the Brotherhood and their wives were expected and that we would be entertained with a luncheon at the noon hour.

Rev. J. B. Evans, of Russellville, was introduced.

Rev. Lewis Averitt spoke encouragingly of the work at Hunter Memorial Church.

Rev. S. T. Baugh spoke of his appreciation of the influence of Bro. W. C. Hilliard and T. O. Owen upon his life.

Rev. John G. Gieck paid a tribute to the faithfulness and appreciation of the people in the country.

Brother Henderson read from Acts 6 and expressed his appreciation of the pastors and spoke of our responsibilities and opportunities.

Rev. Clem Baker spoke words of appreciation of the co-operation of the pastors in the work of the Board of Christian Education.

Brother Henderson spoke of the coming Conference and asked that all pastors make duplicate reports and turn one over to him.

The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Rev. W. W. Nelson.—C. D. Meux, Sec.

### "LET US DO OUR DUTY."

"As a Church we have pledged ourselves to raise a fund for the benefit of our superannuates and the widows and orphans of deceased preachers. We thought it could be raised during one quadrennium; but failed to put it over in four years and then decided to use another quadrennium. That period closes May 1; and our General Conference meets May 7. This task should be completed before that date.

"This cause is worthy. Most of our preachers get such small salaries that they cannot lay up anything for their declining years, and many of them, after superannuation, are forced to live on less than \$400 a year. Is it possible for a man and wife to live on that pittance? At the present cost of living, we know that such a meager support means that those dependent on it have only enough for bare existence. Is the Church willing for its heroes of the Cross to live at such a poor dying rate, when most of the members are living in reasonable comfort?

"Let us rally and do our duty during the next two months. Let each

one who has made no contribution do his best now, and others who have contributed strain a point and help to finish this important work."

Thus spake Dr. A. C. Millar, the able editor of our *Arkansas Methodist*, in April, 1930. We found that the ten million dollar endowment fund, the goal set for our General Conference eight years ago, could not be reached in two quadrenniums. Our General Conference, which met at Dallas in May, 1930, authorized the continuance of the endowment campaign during the ensuing quadrennium. True, the movement, as authorized by our General Conference, was to be conducted quietly. That is to say, there were to be no high pressure campaign methods employed; but it was understood that every pastor in charge would make a conscientious effort to raise this endowment fund.

In the words of Dr. Millar, "Let Us Do Our Duty." Our Conference is just around the corner. Fewer than ten per cent of the charges of our Conference have reported anything on this worthy movement. Please do your best, brethren. Come to Conference prepared to make a substantial showing. Your Conference Director will be present to receive any moneys intended for this purpose.—John C. Glenn, Conference Director.

### THE OPEN DOORS OF THE CHURCHES

For years we have kept the doors to the sanctuary locked except on Sunday. We have nourished the fear that some wayfarer, or per chance, a mischievous child, would be guilty of sacrilege. Ought we to continue, literally, to bar the people from the House of God during six days of the week and admit them only on Sunday?

No one will question that marauders have pilfered from open churches, but thieves have also broken through and stolen when windows were locked and doors bolted. The mere turning of bolts into their keepers is no guarantee against damage or loss. Why deprive devout worshipers during the week of the privilege of a sanctuary that is pervaded by an atmosphere of calm and peace because of the unscrupulous or undisciplined who roam our streets?

We might open the door of our city and village churches each day, stow away the hymn books, close the pipe organ console, and safeguard a promiscuous switching on and off of lights, and observe the response. No

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one will break loose the pews from their moorings or take souvenirs from glorified art glass windows. The open door to a church sanctuary is an invitation to God. When our people understand they are wanted and become accustomed to the privilege that is accorded them, they will go more often for devotions.

With their deep-seated custom of disregarding the church as a place for private devotions our people will not begin immediately to frequent it. They must learn the value of hallowed ground in satisfying a soul hungering for God through intimate communion with Him.

How often will a man take the pains to locate the janitor and have him open the sanctuary? Even though he did, the spirit athirst for God would be repulsed by the stale air that greets him at the door.

There is little advantage in keeping open the doors of a cheerless, unsympathetic, inartistic and uninviting church for barren austerity does not attract those who desire to meditate and commune in solitude unless something produces a consciousness that God is present too. A place should be conducive to worship to produce a consciousness of the presence of God.

You saw that "God is everywhere" and that "man is weak and helpless who cannot find Him without the beauty of appropriate surroundings." Perhaps, but there are those who will not remain as close to the Master as they would if they had a favorable setting for worship, and perhaps some will never find Him without it. "Divinity cannot be portrayed, nor yet experienced, in tawdry or slovenly surroundings."

If it requires a church edifice to be raised to the glory of God with an exterior that marks the dignity of religion and an interior surrounding the beauty of faith as an aid to our great business of helping men to God, then we cannot afford to ignore the means that are placed at hand for that purpose. The building stands unchanged. Who knows what mortal may be listening to the silent message of comfort, encouragement and cheer that it offers without ceasing in the daylight hours when the world is astir and in the darkness of night when the pastor and his co-laborers, wearied by the toils of a day, restore themselves in sleep for the work of a new day?

Lofty, enduring, a quiet sentinel, guarding the welfare of the people, a symbol of God's presence on earth, the church building is an agency for good that never wearies and if befitting the beauty of holiness it never fails to give testimony to the glory of God. The open church door has been known to help men stand watch during hours of trial.

In England the parish churches play a more important role than anywhere else. The manner in which they are designed and constructed has much to do with their permanence. The parish church always has been a vital center of the village life. It is open daily to all who wish to enter for prayer and meditation and seems to be constantly

alive to the deep needs of the people. This personality of the building becomes far less potent when the building is looked upon merely as a meetinghouse, open only on Sunday.

In England's crudest times there were true souls nurtured in the church who, in turn, nurtured it.—H. M. King, Architect-Secretary, Board of Church Extension.

#### THE PROHIBITION QUESTION.

I feel impressed that more laymen ought to write to our church papers on this important question; but of course many like myself feel our incompetence; and as a result we are letting a few noisy "wets" make so much noise in little groups in and around our towns; and the wet propaganda that goes in our daily newspapers, and many church members that do not take their church papers, and some that do take one or more, seldom ever read them, preferring to read the dailies that give them the idea that we had as well give up the fight. We know that the church members and church papers have won this fight for a decent civilization, and yet we often listen to a group curse the church and its preachers for working for a better state of affairs, and brand us as hypocrites. They think their kind of men ought to line up the candidates for us to vote for.

"I feel sure that the reason so many church members do not vote with us as a church brotherhood, is for lack of information. They claim that they are not able to take a church paper, and we that do, can not see the importance of getting our copy, as soon as we have read it, into the hands of those that ought to read it. Dear church member, did you enlist in this army of the living God, in the belief that—

"There are no foes for me to face,  
Must I not stem the flood,  
Is this vile world a friend to grace,  
To help me on to God."

Or did you say—

"Sure I must fight if I would reign,  
Increase my courage, Lord;  
I'll bear the toil, endure the pain,  
Supported by Thy Word."

"I went into the fight in 1878, when I signed a printed card like this: 'I will not drink alcoholic liquors as a beverage, nor offer them to others.' I am now 73 years old and have kept that pledge inviolate; and I am willing to take the gibes of the bootleggers and their friends until my race is over, remembering the words of my Lord, 'Blessed are ye when men shall revile you and persecute you, and say all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake. Rejoice and be exceeding glad for great is your reward in heaven.'"

They want to talk to us all the time about the evils of prohibition, but never say a word about the evils of the whiskey traffic. Many of them will tell you that they would not report a bootlegger if they had seen one delivering his wares, and yet want to pose as good citizens.

Many men would not vote in the last campaign, because they did not want to vote against their party, who will vote next time as their conscience dictates, and some that did vote wet them, tell me now that they will not do so any more regardless of party. The wets are now making a big effort to keep the prohibition question out of the next campaign.

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## Sunday School

### Lesson for November 15

#### PAUL IN JERUSALEM

**GOLDEN TEXT**—For thou shalt be his witness unto all men of what thou hast seen and heard.

**LESSON TEXT**—Acts 21:17-23:22.  
**PRIMARY TOPIC**—Paul in Trouble.  
**JUNIOR TOPIC**—Paul in Trouble.  
**INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC**—Paul Faces His Enemies.  
**YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC**—Bearing Testimony in the Holy City.

#### I. Paul's Vow (21:17-20).

Upon Paul's arrival at Jerusalem representatives of the church there gave him a cordial reception. In order that the brethren in Jerusalem might graciously receive him, it was proposed to him by the elders that he take a Jewish vow to prove that he was in no way opposed to the law. They recognized that such an act would in no way compromise or involve the Gentile brethren. Nor did it compromise his own principle of action; namely, to the Jews he became a Jew and to the Gentiles a Gentile, all things to all men in order to gain them for Christ.

#### II. Paul's Arrest (21:27-40).

How far this act conciliated the Christian Jews we are not told, but it enraged the unbelieving Jews, causing them to resort to mob law. These maddened Jews seized Paul, dragged him from the temple and beat him mercilessly, intending to put him to death. He was rescued from the mob by the Roman guard. In order to protect him from the murderous frenzy of the mob, the soldiers lifted him upon their shoulders and bore him up the stairs. Paul kept himself under control and politely asked permission of the captain to speak to the people. When he addressed him in Greek and mentioned his Roman citizenship, the captain granted his request.

#### III. Paul's Defense (22:1-27).

Paul's chief concern was not his own safety. He used this last opportunity to witness unto them of Christ.

#### 1. His claim for a rightful hearing (vv. 1-3).

a. His birth (v. 3). He was a Jew, born in Tarsus, a city of no mean reputation.

b. His education (v. 3). He was educated under the tutorship of Gamaliel, and instructed according to the perfect manner of the law of the fathers.

c. His zeal (v. 3). He was as zealous toward God as the Jews who were trying to destroy him.

#### 2. His former attitude toward Jesus (vv. 4, 5). "I persecuted this way unto the death."

3. How his attitude was changed (vv. 6-16). This change of attitude was brought about by the intervention of the Lord. While on his way to Damascus with authority to bind the Christians at Jerusalem, he was smitten to the ground by a light from heaven, and the voice of the Lord said, "Why persecutest thou me?" When Paul inquired as to what he was to do, he was told to go into Damascus where he would receive instructions. Ananias was sent to him by the Lord for this purpose.

4. The Lord commissioned him to go to the Gentiles (vv. 17-21). It was not of his own will that he preached to the Gentiles but by the Lord's direct commission.

#### IV. Paul before the Sanhedrin (23:1-10).

The Roman officer in order to learn why Paul was arrested commanded the chief council to assemble and brought Paul before them. This shows

that there was an effort made by the Romans to give justice to Paul.

1. Paul's earnest look at the council (vv. 1, 2). This was a solicitation of their honor to give him a fair hearing, and also a look of conscious integrity and unflinching courage.

2. Paul's stern rebuke of the head of the council. "God shall smite thee, thou whitened wall." Paul shows that he had the highest respect for the office, but the man now occupying it was not worthy of it.

3. Paul's appeal to the Pharisees (vv. 6-10). Seeing that he could not get a fair hearing, and perceiving that the body before him was made up of Pharisees and Sadducees, he appealed to the Pharisees, for his preaching had something in common with their belief.

V. The Lord Stood by Paul (v. 11). He was in great need of grace. He may have begun to question the wisdom of his going to Jerusalem, but the Lord assured him that his course was right.

#### VI. The Conspiracy to Kill Paul (vv. 18-22).

More than forty men banded together for the purpose of getting Paul out of the way.

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#### LOSS IN TOBACCO REVENUES SLIGHT

Cigarette and cigar "bootleggers" in Arkansas who supply tax free "smokes" are gradually being eliminated by a steady and unrelenting drive, officials of the Revenue Department say.

While not generally prevalent over the state, tobacco "bootleggers" spring up spasmodically in various sections, but they have been eradicated to such an extent that less than an estimated five per cent of the total revenue from this source is lost, Revenue Department officials say.

The greatest loss, they say, is not through "bootlegging" dealers, but is caused by consumers who order cigars and cigarettes from states which do not have a tax and receive them by parcel post.

There is no way to stop this, but the Revenue Department is working with the Federal Government and the Postoffice Department in an effort to devise a plan to meet the situation. Revenue Department officials point out that possession by the consumer of unstamped cigars and cigarettes is as much a violation of the law as possession by a dealer.

The work of apprehending bootleggers among the approximate 10,000 retail cigar and cigarette dealers in the state is as highly organized and operates as efficiently as a prohibition unit and includes undercover work and raids.

The state is divided into five districts by the Revenue Department and each district office handles all tax collections, reporting to the office of the commissioner, David A. Gates.

In addition to a fine for possession of unstamped cigarettes and cigars, the offending dealer is subject to a civil suit for recovery by the state. This amounts to \$25 for each package of unstamped cigarettes and a similar amount for each box of cigars on which the tax has not been paid.

Revenue from the tax, which is five cents on a package of 20 cigarettes and one cent on each cigar, goes to the schools of the state. Eighty per cent of the fund is applied to the common school and equalizing funds, with 10 per cent to the University of Arkansas building fund and the remaining 10 per cent to other state supported schools.—Arkansas Gazette.

#### TENNESSEE PLAN OF USING "DRY AMERICA"

Superintendent B. F. Auld of the Anti-Saloon League of Tennessee gives the following as an outline of his plans of using "DRY AMERICA".

1. In Sunday Schools, in young peoples' organizations as well as at church services after we have made the appeal for the offering, we present to our young people the idea of total abstinence and a thorough knowledge of the harm that liquor does to the mind, the body and the soul and I ask them to indicate

on the card that they would become members of a study class to use Dr. Webb's book as a text. We tell them that all those who complete the work and who take the pledge as a consequence will be given a Certificate and a Button with A. T. T. A. on it, which means the Association of Tennessee Total Abstainers (A. T. T. A.). We expect to have chapters of this organization in every church and community. We already have 200 young people who have signified their intention of taking this course. We are working through the present organizations of the Epworth League, B. Y. P. U. and the Sunday School and are advising the preachers so that through their own organizations they might study the book.

2. We are planning to sell the book called "DRY AMERICA" from door to door, so that this book might be gotten into the hands of the people generally. We shall obtain the endorsement of the preachers of the communities and shall inform the parents that study classes will be formed in the churches and in the schools in some communities with this book as a text. We will inform the ministers of the community as to the names and addresses of the families where this book has been purchased and will encourage them to form study classes with the resultant formation of chapters of the A. T. T. A.

3. The third way in which we are receiving volunteers for study classes is through the presentation of the

trial entitled "Who Killed Earl Wright?" We find that large numbers of young people go to the presentation of the trial and they are willing to sign up for the study classes in the book.

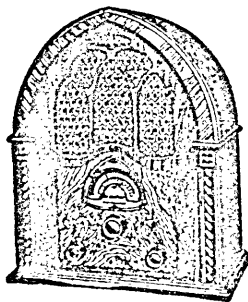
The object is to arouse our young people to take the initiative in the study of this book and when our young people take the initiative and ask our preachers, Sunday School and educational leaders for the classes of study in this book, the leaders will not refuse. Furthermore, for the young people to take the initiative will make the work much more effective because the young people will feel that it is their own task. This book is published by The Cokesbury Press, Nashville, Tenn., price 50 cents.

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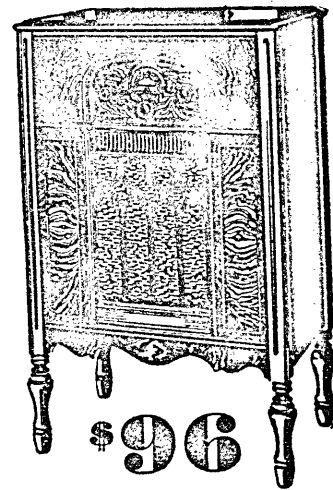
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