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## RACE-TRACK GAMBLING

ATTORNEY GENERAL H. L. NORWOOD has given it as his opinion that the Race-Track Gambling Bill, introduced by Graham of Lonoke County, cannot legally be considered under the governor's call for a special session. We believe he is correct, and appreciate his action. However, it is possible that the session may be extended and such a bill slipped in under some pretext. Consequently our people should be on guard, and, if such a bill is introduced, promptly protest to their senators and representatives. Many protests have already gone in, but others should follow so that the members of the Legislature may know the sentiments of the people on this subject. It is currently commented that the racing interests would pay large sums to get such a measure through.

## THE SCHOOL PREDICAMENT IS THE FAULT OF THE PEOPLE

MUCH is being said and written about the deplorable educational situation. The Legislature is blamed for not finding sources for more revenue; school boards are criticized for bad management; and bank failures are credited with part of the responsibility; and, of course, the general depression is regarded as primarily the chief sinner.

All of these may be justly held liable for their share of the trouble. But, after all, the blame must rest upon the people themselves. If they were asked why they did not give better financial support, most of them would say that all objects of taxation had been drained and the people were too poor to pay any more taxes. New sources have been discovered in recent years, and we have taxes on tobacco, gasoline, inheritances, oil, timber, and other minerals; but they do not produce sufficient revenue.

Our people are relatively poorer than they were a few years ago, and there are few other sources of revenue possible except a general sales tax, which, although the most equitable, because it is a voluntary tax which one does not have to pay unless he buys goods, is so unpopular that it will not be adopted as a method.

As a matter of fact our people are not too poor; they simply think more of certain passing pleasures than they do of their children. The money spent for chewing gum, cold drinks, tobacco, cosmetics, worthless picture shows, and bad literature in any community in the state, is enough to maintain a complete educational system. It would not be necessary to lay and collect taxes if all the parents would simply use for education the money spent on the above more or less useless and often harmful objects. People say that they love their children and are willing to sacrifice for their well-being; but these facts call in question their love. If they loved their children with a sane and practical love, they would be willing to deny themselves these luxuries and spend the money on maintaining their schools. We challenge the poorest country district in the state to make a careful study of the money spent on these luxuries, and report if the sum total is not far more than enough to provide for the educational advantages that their children should have.

Why tax a five-cent cigar one cent to run the schools, when the five cents paid for the cigar would yield five times the revenue? The people may not have enough money to pay for the five-cent cigar and the additional tax of one cent; but if they have enough to pay five cents for the cigar, they have enough to run their schools if they will spend it on their schools rather than on the cigar. As long as our people indulge in needless but expensive habits, it is not true that they lack money to run good schools. And as

AND GOD SAID, LET THERE BE LIGHT;  
AND THERE WAS LIGHT. AND GOD  
SAW THE LIGHT, THAT IT WAS GOOD!  
AND GOD DIVIDED THE LIGHT FROM  
THE DARKNESS.—Gen. 1:3-4.

long as people spend money on these luxuries and do not maintain their schools, it is hypocrisy to argue that they are too poor to maintain their schools; and it is discounting their professed love for their children when they refuse to spend for the children what they are spending for luxuries.

The whole problem resolves itself into the simple question, Do our people love their children enough to deny themselves these luxuries in order that they may educate their children? We would be delighted to learn of a single district in the state that solved the problem by self-denial instead of taxation. It does not require any legal process; all that is necessary is for the people to resolve to quit spending money on luxuries, save it, and turn it over to the school district.

## KINGDOM EXTENSION AND CROSS-BEARING

FOR three months our pastors who are responding to the suggestions of the Commission on Benevolences, have been presenting to their people the claims of Kingdom Extension. Pledges should as speedily as possible be paid and money sent on to Nashville. Then pastors are expected to report to their Presiding Elders the amount of pledges and collections, and the Presiding Elders, in turn, are, by the Commission on Benevolences, expected to report for their Districts to the Annual Conference Chairman, and he is to report to Nashville. All of these reports should be speedily made so that our General Boards may know upon what to depend for the year.

If there ever was a time when Kingdom Extension quotas should be paid in full, it is now. Obligations properly assumed by our Boards are pressing, and all activities will be retarded if income is diminished. The honor of our Church is at stake. We may have less money than we had two years ago, but the needs are greater, and by economy and liberality we can even pay more than two years ago. The Christian world is suffering from a panic, but business people, especially Methodists, ought not to permit themselves to lose faith and fail in meeting sacred obligations. Times like these test our faith and try our loyalty to God and his cause as represented in our Church.

Then, world conditions make missionary maintenance imperative. Our missionaries are the representatives of the best in our civilization and they are our messengers of peace. To withdraw them would weaken the better influences and help to precipitate international difficulties. There is not and never has been enough of the Christian spirit in international affairs, and we who believe in the Prince of Peace should not now permit his power and influence to wane.

In a recent article on Oriental conditions, Dr. Sherwood Eddy, who has just returned from a tour of China, says: "The outlook for the immediate present is dark indeed, but it is not hopeless. For one thing, we must do everything in our power to help save China from the abyss of Communism, with the suffering and loss of life that accompanies it in this unhappy country. The investment of life and money in a century of missionary work, is imperiled. Whatever the hard times may be, this must not be allowed to fail. Never was there an hour when mission work of the right sort was more needed or more fruitful. Mission Boards must not be left unsupported to sound retreat at this critical moment." He

closes his appeal thus: "If the way of the Cross means love sacrificing itself to save, there is no better way for man or for the world. Therein lies victory."

In contributing liberally to our Kingdom Extension fund, many of us will in the truest sense be bearing the Cross and denying ourselves in the manner that was suggested by the Master. Have any of us ever really borne the Cross with Christ? If not, is it not now time to begin? Have any of us ever really denied ourselves for the sake of the Master? If not, why not start now? Let us all pray and then answer our prayers by liberal giving to our Lord's most sacred cause.

## PARTY RULES RESPONSIBLE FOR ROTTENNESS

IT is gratifying to see in the secular papers much discussion of the rotten conditions in public office and suggestions of popular uprising to elect better men. But all that discussion is useless while the rules of the dominant party remain as they now are.

Under these rules if a man is of proper age, has a poll tax receipt, has not scratched his party ticket, and pays the required fees, he may become a candidate for any office regardless of his fitness. One bad man runs, and is opposed by four or five good men. The respectable voters divide their votes among the good candidates; the bad citizens center on the undesirable candidate, and he gets a few more votes than the highest vote among the good candidates, and he gets the nomination although it may be far less than a majority. Then in the campaign candidates practically convict each other of flagrant misdeeds, and yet the voter must promise to support the winner regardless of his character and conduct.

Two changes are desirable and necessary if we are to get good men in public office. First, if no candidate gets a clear majority, there should be a run-off election so that there may be a choice between the two highest. That would make it possible to beat a rascal who had a larger vote than any one of several good candidates. Second, the requirement of a pledge to support the nominee regardless of character, should be modified so that a voter who customarily affiliates with his party and supports a majority of the nominees, may scratch an undesirable nominee without losing his party connection.

The present rules are driving many of the best citizens away from the primary election, because they will not stultify themselves by promising to support bad men when nominated. The time should come when these voters with a conscience would organize and put out their own candidates. These candidates would not always win, but some of them would, and the fear of such a result would either result in getting better candidates or a modification of party rules.

There is absolutely no sense in binding a voter in a primary to support all candidates from constant to president. In fact, there are the best of reasons for not requiring it, because a voter might conscientiously prefer to align himself with one party on national issues and with another party on state and local issues.

Good citizens who want results should insist on a change or bring it about by independent action. The times demand it. The reasons which seemed to justify Southern men in supporting their party regardless of issues and candidates no longer prevail. The meager vote cast in Southern States in general elections is challenging national attention, and if that condition continues, it will result in discounting Southern elections and representatives. Movements such as have been initiated in certain counties should be encouraged.

## METHODIST CALENDAR

L. R. W. M. S. Annual Meeting, Little Rock, Apr. 5-7.  
 N. Ark. W. M. S. Annual Meeting, Forrest City, Apr. 5-8.  
 Jonesboro Dist. Conf., at Trumann, April 12.  
 Fayetteville Dist. Conf., at Prairie Grove, Apr. 19-20.  
 Gen. Hospital Assn., at Memphis, Apr. 20.  
 Batesville Dist. Conf., at Mt. Home, Apr. 26-27.  
 Ft. Smith Dist. Conf., at Clarksville, May 2-3.  
 Prescott Dist. Conf., at Nashville, May 2-3.  
 Pine Bluff Dist. Conf., at Sheridan, May 3-4.  
 Texarkana Dist. Conf., at Lewisville, May 4-5.  
 Paragould Dist. Conf., at Pocahontas, May 5-6.  
 Arkadelphia Dist. Conf., at Benton, May 5-6.  
 Monticello Dist. Conf., at Hermitage, May 12-13.  
 Conway Dist. Conf., at Pottsville, May 17-18.  
 Little Rock Dist. Conf., at 28th St., May 19.  
 Searcy Dist. Conf., at McCrory, May 26-27.

## Personal and Other Items

**MARRIED**, at the parsonage at Wilmar, Mr. Wallace Harper and Miss Nell Montgomery, March 19, Rev. J. C. Williams officiating.

**LAST** week Bishop Chas. L. Meade, of the Denver area, Methodist Episcopal Church, made the principal addresses at the Holy Week services. These addresses were helpful, being clear, strong, spiritual, and well delivered. His presence was a benediction.

**REV. C. H. GILLIAM**, pastor of Maumelle Circuit, called last week to get his lists to make his paper campaign. He reports a good start. Already he has built a new parsonage at Roland, something that has been under consideration and needed for many years.

**EVERY** good citizen should read the story of Melvin Traylor in the March Review of Reviews. He is the kind of man we should have as a candidate for the presidency. With such a candidate on a dry platform any party can win. Our good people should call attention of the politicians to this man.

**LETTERS** of instruction are going out to all pastors so that they may be fully prepared to put over the campaign for the Arkansas Methodist. Let there be no delay. Take advantage of the special offer and send in reports promptly. Soon reports will be made by Districts. Let us see which District will lead.

**A WRITER** in The Sunday School Times: "There is being carried on in America a campaign against our young people that is satanic. The chief aim is to destroy authority in the homes, the schools, the churches, the government. It is being done by inoculating the young people with the poison of Bolshevik atheism."

**ON** account of the illness of the pastor, Rev. J. T. Willcoxon, the new P. E., Rev. G. G. Davidson, has been filling the pulpit at Forrest City for the last three Sundays. Last Sunday some 30 were added to the church. The pastor is out of the hospital and it is hoped that he will be able to resume his work shortly.

**THE** Biblical Review for January contains, among others, the following fine article: "The Changing Background of Foreign Missions," "Karl Marx or The Bible in Asia," "What Is God Like?" "The Greek and The Fulness of the Time," "The Nature of True Religion," and many book reviews. It is published by the Biblical Seminary in New York, 235 East 49th St., price per copy fifty cents, per annum \$2. Every preacher needs the review.

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**PASSING** through Sheridan last Saturday the editor had the pleasure of a brief visit with Rev. J. E. Waddell, pastor of Sheridan Circuit. He is in good health and is making a fine start on the circuit. He is planning to have the old church at Poyen put in good shape and the new church at Redfield is almost ready for occupancy.

**REV. F. P. DOAK**, chairman of the Little Rock Conference Board of Church Extension, announces that Rev. Rex B. Wilkes has been appointed secretary of the Board to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. G. W. Pardee. All who have business with the Board will address their communications to Rev. Rex B. Wilkes, Monticello.

**REV. H. W. JETT**, our pastor on Yellville Circuit, has been awarded a scholarship by Vanderbilt University. He is now in a three weeks' rural pastors' school. He is preparing to do better work for the Master. Mr. Boyd Johnson, superintendent of the Gassville school, will attend to Brother Jett's work on the circuit during the pastor's absence.

**EVERY** one interested in the preservation of our National Forests should immediately write to his senator or representative in Congress protesting against the passage of the Evans House Bill No. 5840, which would make it possible seriously to injure our present forest domain which is needed for flood control, soil conservation, and future timber.

**DR. JOHN W. CLINE**, and daughter Mary arrived at Shanghai, China, March 4, after a pleasant voyage of 39 days. He finds conditions horrible, but is hopeful of better days. Many good friends are praying for our work in China and trusting that out of confusion may come improvement, providential overruling of evil for progress in Kingdom activity.

**THE** Lane Museum at Southern Methodist University received recently a portrait of William McKendree (1757-1834), the first native American bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The portrait was presented by Mrs. Jerome Haralson of Jacksonville, Texas. Another interesting recent addition is an Egyptian applique piece which was sent to the curator by a friend.

**THE** Methodist Year Book for 1932, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, is published by the Methodist Book Concern, New York and Cincinnati, and the price is only 50 cents. The first issue of this book was in 1834. This issue contains 332 pages and has the following: Daily Bible Readings, Directory of Organizations, Officials and Commissions, Biographical Sketches, Other Methodist Bodies, Co-operating Agencies, Reports of Boards and Agencies, United States Census Tables, Statistical Table, and Editorials. This is a storehouse of information concerning our sister Methodism and should be in the hands of many of our people.

**THE** General Minutes and Yearbook of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for 1931-32, has just come from the press of our Publishing House at Nashville, and it is cheap at 75 cents a copy. It has 440 pages and contains much valuable and interesting information about our Church. In it you will find all of the appointments made last year and statistics of membership and finances, biographical data about all the

Bishops, a list of Conference secretaries, directory of all the General Boards, favorite texts and hymns, the text of the constitutional amendment providing for a Judicial Council and study of the vote thereon. As only one edition will be printed this year, you should get a copy before the supply is exhausted. You may order either from Nashville or Dallas.

**PASTORS** should open their pulpits for Rev. J. H. Glass, who is now state superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League, and they, with other pastors, should help him to organize local and county Leagues so that the cause of Prohibition may have continued support. Invite him to come to your communities. He can help you to educate your people for the fight that is coming.

**DR. W. M. ALEXANDER**, secretary of the Department of Schools and Colleges of the General Board of Christian Education of our Church, and an alumnus of Southern Methodist University, was the principal speaker at S. M. U.'s Fifth Annual Founders' Day Program, March 24. Another feature of Founders' Day was the tree planting ceremony originally scheduled for Feb. 22.

## CIRCULATION REPORT

**SINCE** the publication of the last report, the following subscriptions have been sent in by pastors: First Church, Jonesboro, H. L. Wade, by A. B. Haltom, 5; Conway, J. W. Workman, by W. T. Martin, 9; Sheridan, by W. L. Arnold, 10; Grand Ave., Hot Springs, J. H. Cummins, 1; Prescott, F. G. Roebuck, 20; Evening Shade, J. W. Johnston, 3; Winfield, P. W. Quillian, 2; First Church, Little Rock, C. M. Reeves, 2; Arkadelphia, R. E. L. Bearden, by Mrs. W. W. Mills, 1; Sparkman, C. D. Cade, 1; Paris, W. P. Whaley, 16. This shows good work on the part of some pastors. If all would, in the next two or three weeks, do relatively as well the results would be highly gratifying. Will not all do their best within 30 days?

## BOOK REVIEWS

**Alexander Campbell and the Disciples**; by Jesse R. Kellems, Ph. D., D. D., F. R. G. S.; published by Richard R. Smith, Inc., New York; Price, \$3.50.

In this series of lectures which he first delivered at Texas Christian University, Dr. Kellems presents a wealth of material both authentic and interesting. It is a complete and documented account of the life of Alexander Campbell and his work and its relation to the organization of the Church of the Disciples of Christ. There is much material of great interest to the followers of Campbell. This is skillfully brought into one volume which makes it a valuable work of reference. To all readers a careful study of the life of a great man, such as Campbell undoubtedly was, will prove an inspiration.

**The Threshold of The Temple**; by Charles Leslie Venable; published by Ray Long and Richard R. Smith, Inc.; New York; Price, \$1.50.

This is a book calculated to meet the urgent need of a course of instruction for boys and girls taking up the duties and obligations of church membership. The book is arranged as a text and is rich in material for discussions which will help the pupils, under the teacher's guidance, to relate their own experiences to the experiences of church membership. It will tend to deepen spiritual life in our churches and make for a more intelligent and efficient leadership.

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### LOOK UP, NOT DOWN

Cut out the word depression!

Don't say it any more!

It makes one feel dejected,  
Discouraged, heart-sick, sore.

This world's not bound for ruin

Because your cash is low,

Our U. S. A. is thriving:

Bright shining is her bow.

But if we keep on crying,

"Depression," everywhere,

We'll surely help kill business,

So, let us have a care.

One trouble with our country—

With you, and me, and all—

Is that we are so sordid,

We fail to hear God's call:

Lift up your eyes unto the hills,

Rejoice, give thanks and sing,

For land so rich in blessings,

Where God is Father, King!

Thank Him for every mercy,

And you will have no time

To even think "Depression."

There'll be none that is thine.

Rejoice, rejoice, with singing,

As you life's way pursue.

It keeps the sun ashining

Down in the soul of you.—Mrs.

A. W. Stalker, in Michigan Christian Advocate.

### TEACH THE DOCTRINE."

We are facing conditions which call for a rereading of St. Paul's exhortation to Timothy, and a prompt obedience to it. He wrote: "These things command and teach . . . give attendance to doctrine." 1 Tim. 4:11-13.

As Timothy faced erroneous teachings which led people astray, so do we face such conditions today. Several such cases have come to my notice recently. Good people not well read, young people just beginning to investigate and form a philosophy of life, are hearing and reading such statements as contradict the plain teachings of Jesus.

A youth was heard to say: "The word 'eternity' occurs but once in the Bible. Therefore there is little likelihood of any other life after this." When the plain teachings of Jesus on this subject were read to him it placed the whole matter in a new light.

A woman visited every office in the building where our office is located, persistently offering for sale literature which denies the divinity of Christ; denies the resurrection of the Lord's body; belittles our whole missionary enterprise; claims Christ's second advent took place in 1874; that the saints were raised up in 1878. The author of this literature claimed he would never die. The fact is he died on a train in Texas in 1917. Before his death he was sued for divorce by his wife for cruelty and un-Christian treatment.

The two incidents mentioned are but two of many, all of which leads me to say that we need to teach the plain fundamental doctrines of the Church which rest upon the teachings of Jesus. Our people need to have brought clearly before them the great doctrines, such as "Universal Redemption," "Repentance toward God," "Justification by Faith," "Witness of the Spirit," "Growth in

Grace," and the teachings of Jesus on "Clean living," "Work of the Church," "Meaning of the Sacraments," "Value of the Home," "Marriage and Divorce," "The Resurrection," "The Judgment," "Life beyond the Grave," and like themes.

These great truths need to be taught in our Sunday Schools, Epworth Leagues, from our pulpits, institutes, District and Conference-wide gatherings, and in our homes, until all our people and many people not identified with the Church shall have an opportunity to know the teachings of Jesus on these matters.

We Methodists have prided ourselves on being too broad to give attention to doctrinal matters. We have ignored the challenge of atheistic and infidel teachings until a generation has grown up unaware of the evils of such things. We need the spirit of the old-time Methodists who dared to face the evils and expose them publicly and privately until our people know the truth, "and the truth shall set you free."—S. T. Baugh, Extension Secretary.

### LICENSE THE KIDNAPERS

One of the big wet papers that habitually caters to the underworld recently said editorially: "Even the prohibitionists must become convinced at length . . . that national prohibition is a failure." That may be so, but I would add, there is another law that is just as signal a failure as the prohibition law, and that is the law against kidnaping, the violations of which have recently scandalized the whole country and occupied more front page space in the papers for the last month than any liquor scandal ever did. And the anti-kidnaping law is a state law, too, which fully recognizes the beloved doctrine of "states rights." But it is a failure—a complete fail-

ure. It seems that it just simply can't be enforced, and that's all there is to it. And just think what the efforts to enforce it cost the country. Who can estimate the enormous economic waste involved in the vast sums of money and labor that have been expended in recent weeks to enforce this law, and all to no purpose. That money would have fed our army of unemployed to their fill. It's a burning shame to have a dead-letter law like that on our statute books, which the combined efforts of the entire police and detective force of the whole nation, assisted by Europe, have been unable to enforce.

The law against kidnaping ought to be repealed—of course it ought. To let these violations go on breaks down respect for all law, and makes hypocrites and liars of a lot of people. It's a shame, and the law is the cause of it all. We can't have a "national referendum on the subject and refer it back to the States" on the good, old-fashioned Jeffersonian doctrine of local self-government, for that is where it is now. There is but one wise, patriotic, broad-minded thing to do, and that is to repeal this impracticable law. Then we should license the kidnapers and compel them to carry on their work under state, or governmental, supervision, so that men, who do not like to have their liberties curtailed, may kidnap and be law-abiding citizens at the same time. The main thing is to have law enforcement. The wet statesmen (?) tell us that when an evil can't be prohibited, the wise thing to do is to regulate it by law.

Of course, it would be a little hard, temporarily, on the kidnaped babies and rich men, and bring sorrow and distress to their families, but just think what a revenue the government could derive from it, for kidnapers usually deal in huge sums. The government must have money in these times of economic depression, and we must take from the shoulders of our big business men and corporations, all the tax-burden that we possibly can. The kidnapers would gladly divide with the government if they are given protection and their business accorded the respectability which would go with a government license.

But, the reader says, "that doesn't make sense." It makes just as much sense, and the same sort of sense, as the arguments used by the wets for the repeal of our prohibition laws. It is exactly the line of reasoning (?) that they employ. There isn't an argument (?) they make for licensing liquor that cannot be made, word for word, and just as logically, for licensing kidnapers. But, of course, we can't expect a man with a rum-soaked brain to see it, nor a wet politician whose palm has been tickled by, or itches for, a share of the big liquor slush-fund contributed by brewers, distillers and foreign liquor dealers and wine growers, and distributed by prominent wet politicians.

The fact is that licensing kidnapers would not do one hundredth part of harm that would result from the legalized liquor traffic. True, the kidnapers would possibly hold as prisoners a few dozen babies, or rich men; but under a good, wisely enforced kidnaping license law, that would be only temporary; but to license the liquor traffic means to sell to the brewers and distillers the right to go into a wholesale debauchery of our American manhood, womanhood and childhood, making criminals,

paupers, lunatics and diseased bodies of hundreds of thousands, if not millions of our American people. No, to go back to the legalized liquor traffic would not only be a surrender to the underworld, and our people are not cowardly enough to make such a surrender, but it would place the very sanity of the American people under a grave suspicion.—H. Beauchamp, Dallas, Texas.

### NOT NOW vs. RIGHT NOW

(The following, from the Michigan Christian Advocate, with substitution of *Arkansas Methodist* for *Advocate* is applicable):

When is a good time to drop your Advocate? NOT NOW.

**Not Now**—Not when the Prohibition fight is getting hotter and the wets are shooting from every corner where a sniper can hide!

**Not Now**—Not when the air is full of religious vagaries and vacuities. You need the steadying hand of your old friend, the Advocate.

**Not Now**—Not when the press is pouring hot shot into the enforcement of a good law. The Advocate is your howitzer for Liberty.

**Not Now**—Not when the church is being tried by fire and you need to know every move that's made. These are the times that try men's minds as well as souls.

**Not Now**—Not when we may be on the eve of the world's greatest revival.

When is a good time to start the Advocate? RIGHT NOW.

**Right Now**—For money is scarce and everybody wants to get the most for his money. Week after week, the Advocate will visit your home.

**Right Now**—Because the new members should begin at once to read about their new church, its dangers and its triumphs.

**Right Now**—For the intelligent and devoted Methodist is worth more than ever before, and he needs the Advocate to guide his growth and direct his service.

**Right Now**—For tomorrow may bring you thrilling news of the turn of the religious tide.

### RACE-TRACK GAMBLING

Another horse racing bill bobbed up in the Arkansas Legislature on the opening day of the special session. This time proponents of legalized gambling on the ponies would devote the state revenue from the races to payment of road improvement district bonds. Two years ago they wanted to support the public schools with revenue from race-track gambling, and four years ago it was to care for the indigent blind. Those legislators who seem determined to foist race-track gambling upon the people of Arkansas don't care, in fact, what goes with the revenue—or whether there is any revenue. They shift around from one pressing need of the state to another in the hope that they may tie racing up with some popular issue that has following enough to carry the racing bill through with it. Arkansas, along with the rest of the nation and the world, may be "depressed" financially—but not morally. Our schools, our highway system, the Confederate Veterans, the blind, and even our banks and business institutions, may need money sorely, but we do not believe any considerable number of our people have yet suffered in morale to the point where they are willing to finance these or any other causes with revenues derived from

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legalized gambling on horse racing. There are some, of course, who would—but most of these would also welcome a return of the open saloon, the "red light" districts and the wide-open legalized gambling that went with these evils, which have been outlawed for all time in Arkansas.—Russellville Courier-Democrat, March 17, 1932.

#### OVERCROWDING THE PRISONS

There was recently a letter in your "Point of View" column from Mr. L. V. Cassilly, as well as some others, regarding the prisons being jammed and overcrowded as a result of prohibition.

Therefore, your readers should have the official figures as of January 1, 1930, which appeared in the Congressional Record, Volume 76, No. 139, of June 5, 1930, pages 10626-10630, and which included the following:

"There were 116,670 prisoners in the state prisons January 1, 1930, of which 4,037 or only 3½% were prohibition violators; seven states had no prohibition violators at all in their state prisons, namely, New York, Nevada, Montana, Arizona, New Hampshire, Louisiana, and N. Carolina. New Jersey had one solitary bootlegger in the state's prison; there were two in Wisconsin and 3 in Utah.

"Overcrowding occurs in 62 per cent of state prisons while 38 per cent hold fewer prisoners than they can normally accommodate."

Further examination of prison statistics reveals the largest group of inmates for violating another Prohibition, the Commandment, "Thou Shalt Not Steal," which some people might interpret as an attempt to legislate morals.

We do not know, however, of any attempt to repeal this law, either for this or for any other reason.—P. H. Callahan in Louisville Courier-Journal of February 9, 1932.

#### A NEW DEAL NECESSARY

The depressed condition of the railroads cannot be attributed to general hard times. Ever since the turn of the decade, the rails have been laboring with the problem of rising taxes, declining business and disappearing profits.

General business conditions have merely accentuated the railroad problem. So, it may be said, have they accentuated the problem of other businesses. But other businesses can usually make sufficient profits in good years to tide them over the bad. The railroads are in a different position. They are prevented, by law, from making surplus profits in good times to balance the scale.

An encouraging sign is the increasing public interest in seeing measures adopted which will correct unfair handicaps which now hamper railroad operation in competition with other methods of transportation and save our greatest employing, purchasing and taxpaying industry from ruin.—M. & I. News Bureau.

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### Woman's Missionary Dept.

MRS. A. C. MILLAR, Editor.

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

#### COME TO SEE US

All delegates and visitors who attend the annual meeting of the Little Rock Conference Woman's Missionary Society at Little Rock, First Church, April 5-7, are cordially invited to visit the home of their paper, the *Arkansas Methodist*. The editors heartily appreciate the support and co-operation of the Missionary Societies of both Conferences and welcome every opportunity to serve in the advancement of this great cause. At 1018 Scott Street the latch string hangs out to you.

#### LETTERS FROM SHANGHAI

Letters from Shanghai written February 8 say that at the beginning of the bombardment of Chapei schools were closed for the China New Year holidays. Moore Memorial Church is harboring approximately one thousand refugees, among them one hundred little children from an orphanage. One of the missionaries wrote that the homes of one-third of the students from McTyeire School are in the devastated region. Some of the missionaries are working in the refugee camps of the city and are helping in every way possible to comfort those in distress. All deplore the irreparable loss of the great library in the Commercial Press, the largest in China and one of the most valuable in the world.

#### NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

There have been some inquiries as to entertainment of visitors and others during sessions North Arkansas Conference Woman's Missionary Society. It is the purpose of the Forrest City Society to provide homes and entertainment for all who pay the \$1.00 registration fee. We hope many local presidents, other officers and those interested may attend. Please notify the undersigned or Mrs. E. J. Kyle, Forrest City, Arkansas.—Very truly, Mrs. A. L. Hutchins, Forrest City Woman's Missionary Society.

#### ZONE MEETING AT EUDORA.

Zone No. 3 held their second quarterly meeting at the Methodist Church at Eudora, Thursday, March 17, at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. Geo. Burks is leader of this Zone, and the following program was rendered:

Welcome Address—Mrs. Emmerson, Eudora.

Response—Mrs. Neill Hart, Dermott.

Devotional—Rev. W. C. Lewis, Arkansas City, using St. John 15:15 as his text, followed by prayer.

Duet, "Our Yesterdays,"—By Mrs. V. R. McKinney and Mrs. J. L. McKenzie.

Playlet, "Modernizing Young Mrs. Patton."

Characters: Mrs. Tom Patton, Sr.—Mrs. Ruby Higgins; Mrs. Tom Patton, Jr.—Mrs. Neill Hart; Mrs. Van Reynolds, society leader—Mrs. Sam Gibson; Miss Powell, Missionary Builder—Mrs. J. C. Norris; Mrs. Haynes, delegate—Mrs. J. C. Marlan;

Mrs. Jackson, delegate—Mrs. George Cherry.

Minutes—By Mrs. F. H. Shankle, Sec.

A Nominating Committee was appointed to nominate Zone officers at our next meeting.

We accepted the invitation to meet with Lake Village in June. Sixty-three members were present.

Rev. Mr. Roy, Eudora, closed with prayer, after which the hostess society served delicious refreshments, and a social hour was enjoyed by all.—Mrs. F. H. Shankle, Sec.

#### STRONG AUXILIARY BANQUET

The Woman's Missionary Society at Strong entertained with a banquet Friday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Murphy, honoring Mrs. Bess C. Chitwood, Mrs. Clifton Woodward, and Miss Edna Nesbitt, who have rendered services to the different organizations of the church. The house was decorated with pink roses. The centerpieces on the tables were sweet peas. At each end of the tables were baskets filled with Easter eggs. Green and pink tapers were used on the tables. Miniature rabbits were used for place cards. Mrs. R. A. Burgess, vice president of the Missionary Society, was toastmistress. Speakers of the evening were: Mrs. A. E. Jacobs, who gave the welcome; Mr. Murphy, assistant superintendent of the Sunday School, who responded; Mr. R. C. Rankin, who gave a toast to the missionary; Mrs. J. J. Harrison, who responded; Mr. Carey Clark and Mr. Rash Williams, Mrs. C. A. Love, pioneer in the Missionary Society work of the Strong church and past president, spoke; Mr. J. J. Harrison, superintendent of the Sunday School, spoke on the relationship of the Sunday School to the other organizations of the church; Mr. Leo Cummins, teacher in the Sunday School, spoke, and Mrs. Carey Clark gave a talk. Mr. C. H. Lewis gave a toast to the honorees. Rev. A. E. Jacobs, pastor, presented a gift to Mrs. Woodward and Miss Nesbitt. Mr. R. A. Burgess, president of the Men's Bible Class, presented Mrs. Chitwood with a gift. Covers were laid for fifty-eight.—Mrs. C. A. Love, Reporter.

#### MAMMOTH SPRING AUXILIARY

The Woman's Missionary Society of Mammoth Spring gave a social program on Thursday, March 17, at the home of Mrs. Carey.

The program was led by Mrs. Jess Carrol with interesting leaflets on "The Citizenship Responsibility of Law Enforcement," which was presented by Mesdames Cloy Culver, Clinton Dixon, and J. N. Sutherland.

In connection with the program there was given a birthday party in honor of the members who had birthdays during the first quarter of the year. The honored members were Mesdames Earl Sterling, Dr. Morris, C. H. Culver, and W. L. Mililer.

The Mammoth Spring Auxiliary has an increase of membership from 16 of last year to 27 members for this year. A greater interest is growing with new members and we are hoping to make greater progress in the work.

Our guests at the social program were Mrs. Wheeler and Mrs. Gillespie of Thayer, Mo., and Mrs. Horn who has recently moved to Mammoth Spring.

Delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Carey assisted by Mrs. S.

F. Whittaker.—Mrs. J. N. Sutherland, Reporter.

#### OFFICERS' TRAINING DAY AT WALDRON

Officers' Training Day for Zone No. 2 of the Booneville District was held at Waldron, March 4, at 2:30 p. m.

A splendid representation from Hartford, Mansfield, Booneville and Waldron was present.

A general discussion of the duties of the various offices of the Missionary Society was led by Mrs. W. D. Halliburton of Mansfield, special subjects being presented by Mrs. W. D. Halliburton, Mrs. W. T. Thompson and Mrs. L. A. Hodges of Mansfield; Mrs. Mark Adair, Mrs. M. A. McConnell and Mrs. Ballentine of Hartford, and by Mrs. Dora May of Waldron.

Following this was the splendid report of the District secretary, Mrs. W. T. Bacon of Booneville. Mrs. Bacon has the rare gift of saying the helpful and encouraging thing without undue flattery. The missionary women of Booneville District truly appreciate her work during the past year.—Mrs. L. A. Hodges, Reporter.

#### PLANS FOR SPIRITUAL LIFE PRAYER MEETINGS AT FORREST CITY, APRIL 7, 8.

Thursday Morning, 8 a. m.

Fast breakfast Thursday morning and be at services at 8 o'clock. Leaders to be women who have had experience with spiritual life groups in their local churches.

Division into five groups. Entire group divided alphabetically and go to different rooms. Leaders will not be announced publicly.

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(Continued from Page 4).

**Theme—How to Secure Power Through Prayer.**

Women asked to pray especially for these meetings.

Groups will discuss our need for prayer and the scientific approach to prayer. There are certain spiritual laws which when obeyed will give us power through prayer and make God real to us. These laws are:

1. Willingness to take enough time to get in touch with God—setting aside of a definite time to be alone with God, preferably in early morning.

2. Thought, going apart, concentration. Requires best thought we can give.

3. Use of imagination to make God real. Cultivate imagination in seeing God.

4. Ability and desire to say, "Thy will be done."

5. Entire consecration—must want God above all else.

6. Willingness and desire to put aside all secret sin, all sin of every kind.

7. Willingness to give up all sort of self indulgent habits.

When we obey these laws we will get power through prayer.

The Scripture lesson and background for this plan is found in White's Lord, Teach Us to Pray, price \$1.00, chapter on Costliness of Prayer. Read this chapter and the Scripture that is the text and prepare to lead the meeting.

We expect to continue the subject through Friday morning at the same hour.—Mrs. Alice Graham.

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**Christian Education****AFTER EASTER, WHAT?**

Now that the Kingdom Extension Period and the Special Easter services are past, what is ahead of us? April, May, and June should be the most fruitful quarter of the year in the field of Christian Education. Here are some of the things we can do without in any way interfering with the other regular work of the Church:

1. Follow up the Pre-Easter Revival by carefully cultivating all new members—especially the children.

2. See that all Sunday Schools that recessed during the winter are reorganized—one for every church is our slogan.

3. Make a survey and put on the campaign for increasing our Sunday School attendance by "Reaching the Unreached."

4. Check up on Literature and see that all teachers and classes have an adequate supply of the right kind.

5. See that each school is lined up with our Fourth Sunday Missionary offering for the support of our Rural work.

6. Prepare for the observance of Sunday School Day the third Sunday in April or as near to that day as possible.

7. Plan for the celebration of College Day the Fifth Sunday in May.

8. Look after the organization of the Local Church Board of Christian Education and the three divisions under it.

9. See that young people have made and are paying their pledge for Missions.

10. Get ready for the Pastor's School opening June 6.

11. Encourage Young People to send delegates to their Assembly at Conway opening June 20.

12. Make plans for a Daily Vacation Bible School in June or July.

The above are a few suggestions of the opportunities just ahead of us. In the meantime we will be having our District Conferences, Training Schools, and Institutes. Let's all hit while the spring is here. After June comes summer with other things to do.—Clem Baker.

**DID YOU GET A LETTER THIS WEEK?**

By the time our pastors read this each should have a letter from me with suggestions concerning two vital matters. Did you get yours? Did you read it? Have you thrown it in the waste basket? Please dig it out if you did and let me hear from you.—Clem Baker.

**THE MISSIONARY CHALLENGE**

That the missionary enterprise still has a living challenge to Christian students of the present generation was clearly evidenced at the Buffalo Convention of the Student Volunteer Movement. The missionary opportunity concerning which these students are asking is suggested in the exhibit of opportunities for missionary service as reported by a large number of the Foreign Mission Boards. This summary, published in the January issue of the Student Volunteer Magazine, Far Horizons, though admittedly incomplete, does reveal a significant and urgent need. This has already been supplemented by special calls and will be further amplified

by reports from time to time.

Nearly 600 openings are definitely financed. In addition, there are 250 calls, which are provisional on special funds. For evangelistic work 229 ordained men and 133 trained women are sought. The educational field requires 67 men and 176 women with adequate preparation and superior personal qualities. Hospital work and pioneer medical service await the consecrated skill of 67 men physicians, 44 women physicians, and 98 nurses. While specialized tasks call for trained agriculturists, an occasional carpenter, treasurer, an experienced librarian, and a college president.

Details regarding opportunities and qualifications for service may be obtained by writing Mr. Elwyn C. Parlin, Candidate Secretary, 254 Fourth Avenue, New York, N. Y. The need is for adventurous and earnest Christian youth who are motivated by a genuine Christian spirit and conviction—and who are willing to obtain adequate educational and technical preparation.

**HENDRIX NEWS**

Making his report to the North Central Association, H. M. Gage, president of Coe College, in Iowa, had this to say of Hendrix:

"With respect to the faculty it should be said that its training is especially good. Some of the members of this faculty are distinguished scholars who give a real spirit of scholarship to the campus, and whose influence throughout the state is widespread.

"The institution itself has real leadership and influence as an aggressive force in liberal arts education. It is deservedly recognized to be one of the best four year liberal arts college in Arkansas. Its influence in public school education is marked, and the positive position of the institution in behalf of our liberal spirit in education in Arkansas deserves most favorable comment.

"In my mind there can be no question that Hendrix is entitled to accrediting as a four year college. This is recommended without qualifications as to reinspection."

Hendrix was listed among those colleges which need not be inspected again for three years.

Passion Week was celebrated by Hendrix students and faculty in a way quite different from that in which it has been observed in the past. Special chapel exercises were held through the week, with the Rev. J. W. Workman, pastor First Methodist Church at Conway, and Dr. J. M. Williams, vice-president of the Trinity System, delivering the addresses.

Easter morning there was a sunrise devotional meeting of students around the lily pool on the campus. Orville Barnett and Sarah Brain were leaders. At nine-thirty a. m. Easter morning in the church there was an Easter pageant.

For ten days groups of students had been participating in nightly prayer meetings held on each floor of the various dormitories. Students led, and the interest manifested in them indicated that students might keep up the meetings by devoting a few minutes at nine each night to reading of the Scripture and prayer, for weeks to come.

Classes, at suggestion of the Y. M. C. A. officers, were often turned into discussions of religion and of

Christ, students and teachers sharing opinions.

Y. M. C. A. officers for next year: Orville Barnett, Stuttgart, president; John William Hammons, Hot Springs, vice-president; William Utley, Parkin, secretary; Leslie Hale, Hot Springs, treasurer.

Y. W. C. A. officers: Sarah Brain, Stuttgart, president; Louise Acru-man, Texarkana, vice-president; Ruby Wooley, Smackover, secretary; and Sarah Watkins, Little Rock, treasurer.

Recent activities of the North Central Association of Colleges and Universities in retaining Hendrix on the three-year list ranks the Conway institution with leading higher educational schools throughout the United States.

A considerable percentage of the Association's membership was granted only one-year extension, necessitating a re-examination after that period has expired. No question was raised concerning the athletic and academic departments of either Hendrix or Galloway College at Searcy, the latter continued as a junior college.

Removal of the regulation limiting the number of students in each class to 30 was one of the most important decisions reached by the Association at its March convention in Chicago.

**DUAL MISSIONARY OFFERINGS  
LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE  
FOR FEBRUARY**

The following schools in the Little Rock Conference report an offering for the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise, for February. This is the fourth report since Conference.

**Arkadelphia District**

Arkadelphia	\$ 10.00
Carthage (2 mo.)	3.46
Tulip	.50
Dalark	.86
First C., Hot Spring	15.00
Gum Springs	.40
Harp School House	.93
Princeton	.68
Total	\$ 31.83

**Camden District.**

Fairview	\$ 2.25
First Ch., El Dorado	49.82
Vantrease (3 mo.)	4.98
Wesley's Chapel	.25
Fordyce	6.63
Hampton	1.00
Harrell	1.50
Junction City	1.85
Norphlet	1.55
Smackover (2 mo.)	10.00
Rhodes' Chapel	1.26
Waldo	5.48
Total	\$ 86.57

**Little Rock District.**

Mt. Tabor	\$ 2.04
Austin	.05

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Mt. Zion	.05
Concord	1.01
South Bend	.90
Smyrna	.05
Bauxite (3 mo.)	9.00
Bryant	1.13
Salem	1.97
New Hope (3 mo.)	1.50
Carlisle	5.42
Rogers' Chapel	.80
Hamilton	1.07
England	7.61
Hazen	2.50
Pepper's Lake	1.00
Hickory Plains	.95
Bethlehem	.63
Keo	2.69
Tomberlin	.88
Capitol View (2 mo.)	3.00
First Church, L. R.	31.57
Forest Park	1.00
Henderson	5.80
Highland	15.00
Hunter Mem.	2.50
Pulaski Heights	8.32
28th Street	4.00
Winfield	25.00
Lonoke	2.74
Mabelvale	2.35
Roland	.50
Total	\$143.13

**Monticello District.**

Arkansas City	\$ 1.75
Dermott (2 mo.)	12.77
Fountain Hill (2 mo.)	2.00
Hamburg	5.00
Hermitage	1.98
Lake Village	4.50
McGehee (2 mo.)	10.00
Winchester	1.00
Wilmar	1.78
Rock Springs (2 mo.)	2.42
Total	\$ 43.20

**Pine Bluff District.**

DeWitt	\$ 6.67
Gillett (2 mo.)	4.00
Grady (2 mo.)	3.00
Gould	1.49
First Ch., Pine Bluff	5.50
Lakeside	9.97
Good Faith (2 mo.)	3.69
Roe	4.47
Union	1.00
Sheridan	4.71
Sherrill	2.50

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Star City	1.18
Stuttgart	8.80
Swan Lake	1.14
Bayou Meto	2.41
Pleasant Grove	.46
Prairie Union	1.61
Total	\$ 62.60

**Prescott District.**

Doyle	\$ .60
Pump Springs	.75
Biggs' Chapel	.25
Blevins	3.81
Center Point	.75
Wakefield (2 mo.)	1.00
Gurdon	5.17
Mineral Springs	3.48
Delight (2 mo.)	8.19
Saline	1.15
Nashville	7.27
Washington	1.50
Ozan	1.00
St. Paul	1.70
Total	\$ 36.62

**Texarkana District.**

Dierks	\$ 2.15
Green's Chapel	.21
Doddridge	.31
Sylvarino	.73
Pleasant Hill	.50
Cove	.71
Vandervoort	1.00
Mena	5.00
Mena, Korean Special	11.25
Wilton	.75
Ogden (3 mo.)	.63
Fairview	6.30
First Church	14.05
Cherry Hill	.36
Dallas	1.60
Total	\$ 45.55

**Standing by Districts**

Arkadelphia, 8 Schools	\$ 31.83
Camden, 12 Schools	86.57
Little Rock, 32 Schools	143.13
Monticello, 10 Schools	43.20
Pine Bluff, 17 Schools	62.60
Prescott, 14 Schools	36.62
Texarkana, 14 Schools	45.55

Totals, 107 Schools.....\$449.50  
—C. E. Hayes, Chairman.

### MISSIONARY OFFERINGS BY YOUNG PEOPLE'S ORGANIZA- TIONS, LITTLE ROCK CON- FERENCE, FEBRUARY

Following is a list of Missionary offerings sent in by Epworth Leagues, Young People's Classes and Departments of Sunday Schools, Little Rock Conference, for February:

**Arkadelphia District.**

1st Ch., Hot Springs S. S.	\$ 5.00
Malvern, E. L. (2 mo.)	1.75
Total	\$ 6.75

**Camden District.**

Camden, E. L.	\$ 15.00
Stephens, S. S.	1.00
Fordyce	3.00
Parker's Chapel, S. S.	1.32
Vantrease Mem., E. L.	1.50
Vantrease Mem., S. S.	.74
1st Ch., El Dorado, E. L.	7.50
Smackover, E. L.	2.50
Norphlet, E. L.	2.00
Norphlet, S. S.	1.40
Fredonia, E. L. (2 mo.)	4.00
Fredonia, S. S. (2 mo.)	.80
Total	\$ 40.76

**Little Rock District.**

No report this month.

**Monticello District.**

Hermitage, E. L.	\$ 5.00
Lake Village, S. S.	.70
Total	\$ 5.70

**Pine Bluff District.**

DeWitt, E. L.	\$ 3.10
DeWitt, S. S.	1.65
Good Faith, S. S.	.90
New Hope, S. S.	.50
Good Faith, S. S.	.93
1st Ch., Pine Bluff, S. S.	2.66
Grady, E. L.	.60
Stuttgart, E. L.	12.50

## Church News

**HERMITAGE CIRCUIT**

The second Quarterly Conference of Hermitage Circuit, Monticello District, was held at Palestine March 20.

A wonderful message was delivered at the 11 o'clock service by our Presiding Elder, Rev. J. M. Hamilton. After this service a bountiful lunch was spread and a social hour was enjoyed.

At 1:30 p. m. we listened to a splendid talk by Brother Hamilton. After this, the Quarterly Conference was held. Good reports were given by churches on the circuit.

That night at Hermitage, at our League service we had the pleasure of having with us, our District secretary, Mr. Don Marlan, of Dermott, and of hearing him make a wonderful talk.

Our two Leagues are doing fine work and we expect to do much good in the future.

After our League services we had the privilege of hearing another wonderful message by Brother Hamilton. —Reporter.

**A WORTHY APPEAL**

The pastor and members of the Maumelle Circuit, a mission circuit, are struggling for our very lives in trying to build and furnish a parsonage located at Roland. Six weeks ago we wrecked an abandoned church, and now we are living in it with borrowed furniture, and we would be glad to furnish it if possible, and we are using this method to

Total.....\$ 22.84

**Prescott District.**

Gurdon, S. S. ....\$ 3.50

**Texarkana District.**

Bradley, S. S. ....\$ 1.78

1st Ch., Texarkana, E. L. .... 5.00

Foreman, E. L. .... 5.00

Total.....\$ 11.78

**Standing by Districts.**

Arkadelphia, 2 Churches.....\$ 6.75

Camden, 9 Churches..... 40.76

Little Rock, 0 Churches.....

Monticello, 2 Churches..... 5.70

Pine Bluff, 6 Churches..... 22.84

Prescott, 1 Church ..... 3.50

Texarkana, 3 Churches..... 11.78

Totals, 23 Churches.....\$ 91.33

—Alleene Wakley, Treas.

### LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE YOUNG PEOPLE'S ANNIVERSARY DAY OFFERINGS

Complete to Saturday, March 26.

**Arkadelphia District.**

Malvern .....\$ 20.08

**Camden District.**

Norphlet-Louann ..... 7.50

Fordyce ..... 4.87

**Little Rock District.**

England ..... 10.00

**Monticello District.**

Eudora ..... 5.00

Montrose-Snyder ..... 5.00

Dermott ..... 10.00

Hamburg ..... 10.00

**Pine Bluff District.**

Grady ..... 5.00

First Church, Pine Bluff..... 35.00

Hawley Memorial ..... 7.50

**Prescott District.**

Center Point ..... 5.00

Emmet ..... 2.80

**Texarkana District.**

Lockesburg ..... 1.30

Hatfield ..... 1.08

Total.....\$130.13

—Alleene Wakley, Treas.

obtain some means with which to furnish it.

We are asking all who have "Missions" on their hearts and believe in Home Missions to demonstrate your faith by your works. If only the itinerant preachers of the Little Rock Conference would send one dollar each, it would give the little bungalow a very decent dressing, and I am sure that there are many laymen that will be delighted to send me their personal check for one dollar.

We will appreciate any gift from any one, and pray God's richest blessings upon all.—Cleve H. Gilliam, P. C., Roland, Ark.

**REVIVAL AT MARKED TREE**

We have just closed a three weeks' revival in the Methodist Church in Marked Tree. All say that this was the greatest revival in the history of the town. All churches received members as a result of the meeting. Sixteen members, mostly adults, were added to the Methodist Church. The revival was conducted by Rev. Otis G. Andrews, superintendent of City Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Memphis, Tennessee. Brother Andrews is a man of prayer and great power, and his work is permanent and abiding.—Lester Weaver, P. C.

**HACKETT CIRCUIT**

Great news! Bethel Circuit, the smallest church on the Hackett Circuit has paid out in full. Bethel sent Brother Murphy a check for the Conference Benevolences, March 19. Incidentally, this was also the first church in the Fort Smith District to pay out.

Hackett Church has been undergoing repairs as a result of the efforts of the fine women of the Ladies' Aid. The church has been repapered, and new vases and an offering plate, the gifts of the Junior League, have been added. The parsonage has been roofed and completely repapered. This church was awarded the loving cup for having the greatest percentage taking credit in the District Training School. The church services are being unusually well attended. We are now looking forward to our campaign for our Conference Benevolences the latter part of April, and are confidently expecting to report "paid in full." During the Lenten period a personal evangelistic campaign has been conducted, and while the reports are not complete, there is evidence of an increase in the spiritual life of church and community.

The South Fort Smith Church has reorganized their Senior League, and this fine group is showing an interest in the organization. These young people are organizing a choir to assist in the regular services of the church.

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ing an active League, and have agreed to help in a Vacation Church School planned for the summer.

How could a preacher help but love people who have co-operated in such a way as to make this report possible! Of one thing we are very sure, God has been and is with us, and we have every assurance that, as the year passes on, He will manifest Himself in even greater ways than He has thus far.—A. Edwin Grimes, P. C.

#### REVIVAL AT FORREST CITY

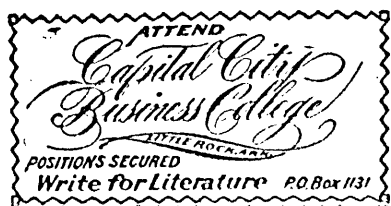
Grady Cantrell, evangelist of Springfield, Ill., and party made up of Mrs. Cantrell, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Harris, and Dick Choate, closed a glorious revival of "oldtime religion" on Sunday night, March 6, which had continued for seven weeks at the Methodist Church here with the pastors of the Presbyterian, Baptist and Christian Churches and their membership co-operating. Ray Harris was the song leader and Dick Choate was pianist, xylophonist and leader of the Young People's Conference, which was held at 6:30 four evenings each week during the campaign. The people of Forrest City and surrounding territory under the inspired preaching of the evangelist from the North, ably assisted by his gospel musicians, have just passed through a great season of righteousness.

During the seven weeks of the revival the Methodist Church, the largest in the city, was filled to overflowing at every service. The benefits of the revival are far-reaching and cannot be computed. Grady Cantrell presented the gospel truths with the fire of enthusiasm, which went straight to the hearts of his hearers. The leavening spiritual influence for the exaltation of the Christ and the salvation of souls as a result of his presentation of the gospel truths in a plain, simple, forceful way, will be held in this city and community for many years.

The revival came to a close amidst scenes of rejoicing and a great outpouring of the Spirit which beggars description. Many of those who were in the monster audience declare they never had seen anything like the occasion of the closing service. Two hundred people came forward, many of them to dedicate their lives for special Christian service. The audience tarried until midnight. As a result of the revival, scores have come into the churches of the city. Those of the Methodist Church will be received on Easter Sunday. The reason for the delay is that the pastor, Rev. J. T. Willcoxon, is under treatment at the Baptist Hospital in Memphis. He has been at the hospital since March 3, and reports are, that he will be able to receive the new members on Easter Sunday. If he is not able, Rev. G. G. Davidson, the presiding elder of the Helena District, will move soon into the District parsonage in Forrest City, and will act in the pastor's place.—Reporter.

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#### OBITUARY

**Livingston.**—Thomas Elijah Livingston was born Oct. 29, 1852, and passed away Feb. 16, 1932. He came to Arkansas with his parents when a small boy. The family settled in Nevada Co., near Prescott, where Thomas grew to manhood and where he continued to live for several years. He was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, when fourteen years old and served his church faithfully for more than 60 years.

For more than 40 years he was the teacher of the Adult Class in the Sunday School at Bingen. Mr. Livingston was first married, when 19 years old, to Miss Martha Cantley. To this union nine children were born, three of whom are living. Mrs. E. L. Sullivan, Malvern, Ark.; W. T. Livingston, Dierks, Ark., and Mrs. A. T. Owens, Bingen, Ark. He was married a second time to Miss Mattie Fielding, a daughter of one of our pioneer local preachers. Six children were born to them, all of whom are living, except one, a daughter, who died in infancy. They are: Mrs. P. A. Morris, Clarksville, Texas; Mrs. T. L. Rivers, Texarkana, Texas; Paul Livingston Bingen, Ark.; Mrs. A. F. Bayers, Cumberland City, Tenn.; Mrs. Carl C. Ross, Bingen, Ark. He is also survived by his wife, with whom he lived happily for 37 years; 26 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, 3 sisters, Mrs. Joe Stewart, Byrds, Texas; Mrs. J. A. Sage, Magnolia, Ark.; Mrs. J. A. Sewell, Brownsville, Texas; one brother, J. M. Livingston, Clarksville, Ark. Funeral services were held at the Methodist Church in Bingen, conducted by the Pastor, assisted by Rev. S. A. Hill and T. L. Epton, a Baptist Minister.—H. L. Simpson, Pastor.

**Jeffery.**—Mrs. Frances E. Jeffery was born Dec. 26, 1872, and died Dec. 25, 1931. She professed religion at the age of 19 under the ministry of Rev. John Rushing. She was married to Tom Jeffery, July 28, 1895. She was the mother of nine children, seven of whom, with her husband, survive. Mrs. Ethel Fugitt, Highland, Ark.; Ernest Jeffery, Nathan, Ark.; Russell Jeffery, Shreveport, La.; Mrs. Beulah Hadaway, Nathan, Ark.; Willie Jeffery, Nathan, Ark.; Mrs. Sarah Golden, Nathan and Mrs. Mary McDowell, Nathan. The writer conducted her funeral in the Biggs Chapel in the presence of a large audience.—H. L. Simpson, Pastor.

**Park.**—Mrs. Alice Park was born June 3, 1855 at Paraclyfta, Ark., and died at her home in Lockesburg, Feb. 16, 1932. She was a daughter of G. J. T. Steel and Phoebe Steel, pioneers of Sevier Co. When a child, she moved with her parents to Lockesburg, and made this her home till her death. In 1877 she was married to William C. Park, who died January 28, 1922. To this union six boys were born, three of whom have passed on in death. Those surviving are Dr. C. E. Park of DeWitt, T. W. Park, Fayetteville, and F. W. Park of DeQueen.

She is also survived by two brothers, Judge J. S. Steel of Lockesburg, Dr. E. R. Steel, Little Rock, one sister, Mrs. Fannie Collins of DeQueen and three grandchildren, Eleanor, Thadine and Howard Park of Lockesburg. The funeral was held in the Methodist Church in the presence of

a large number of relatives and friends. The services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. Earl Lewis, assisted by Rev. J. D. Baker of DeQueen, Rev. R. H. Cannon, Fordyce, and Rev. J. L. Cannon of Hope. Mrs. Park joined the M. E. Church, South at an early age, and was very active in all kinds of church work as long as she was physically able. Perhaps more children and young people have passed through her classes as teacher in Sunday School than any other person in the community. She was a mother to the Missionary Society during the passing years. Her home was always open, and was a center of Christian activities. She became a member of the church at Lockesburg at its organization in 1872, and her death marks the passing of the last charter member. She was a true help-mate to her husband, cheerfully performing all duties incident to the cares of her household. A more devoted mother could not be found. She was ambitious for her loved ones, and was always willing to make any sacrifice for their benefit and to make their pathway as easy and pleasant as possible. Truly, they can rise up and call her blessed. Her deeds of kindness were not confined to her immediate family, for her field of service included all who needed her help, and only eternity can reveal the extent of her influence. Mrs. Park had a keen, far-seeing mind, and unsurpassed strength of will in executing her plans. She was Spartan-like in bearing her burdens, for no matter what grief might be in her heart, her countenance was usually calm and serene, exemplifying her trustful faith in God. A great woman has gone to her well-earned reward, leaving a vacancy in the hearts and lives of friends and loved ones.—Mrs. Linda M. Tatum.

**Glover.**—J. F. Glover was born in Robertson County, Tenn., February, 1854. On the afternoon of March 6, 1932, his spirit slipped away to God. He, with his parents, in his early childhood, moved to Kentucky and settled near Cerulean, Kentucky, where he spent practically all his life. He married Martha Elizabeth Armstrong, April 8, 1878. To this union nine children were born all of whom are living and attended him in his last illness. He is survived by his wife, one brother, Bob Glover of Providence, Kentucky, two sisters, Mrs. Riney Roberts of Metropolis, Ill.; and Mrs. Alice Morehead of Big Rock, Tennessee; six sons, Alonza, Riley and Walter of Cerulean, Ky., Dessie of Dawson Springs, Ky.; Luther of Providence Ky., and Rev. Fred M. Glover of Mammoth Spring, Arkansas; three daughters, Mrs. T. W. Litchfield, Cerulean, Ky., Mrs. Eunice Ladd, Pueblo, Colorado, and Mrs. Bertha Owen of Cartersville, Ill.

My mother and father joined the Methodist Church and were baptized together, early in their married life. He was a steward in the Methodist Church for twelve years, was active in anything that came up in the community which was for its uplift. His time, influence and money was contributed to the building of the church of my early childhood. My parents have always been poor financially, but rich with friends; nine loving children, all of whom are Christians; 21 grandchildren with only three of this number dead; eleven great grandchildren with only one dead. Including my mother and father and the in-laws there are 61 in our fam-

ily with only six deaths, including my father; not more than six, who are old enough that are not Christians; none have been arrested or put in jail and no homes broken by divorce. During his last illness he talked a great deal about dying and told mother and the children what he wanted done. At no time did he show any signs of worry over facing death. He did not dread to die. Of course, he hated to leave his companion. The day before he died he called the children and friends around his bed and prayed and talked for about an hour and a half concerning this life and getting ready for the next world. On the day he passed out he took two occasions to talk on religion and shortly before his mission was finished he directed his last words to his children. Here are some of his closing testimony: "Children, all get around and pray." "Let us thank God, Praise God, Praise the Lord." "Lord immortalize our country." "May we, in the future be true." "Let all the children's characters come free." "Lord Jesus, take us now over this rocky land." "Lord Jesus, make us, take us, bring us home and save us all." "Want all my children to go straight." "Let there be one solid fold in the wind up." "Do unto others as you would have them to do unto you." "Let me die as I am, I am ready to pass out. The way is bright and grows brighter." My father was a man who had strong convictions, stood by them and strongly believed in his ideals. He was firm in discipline, but gentle in disposition. Funeral services were held in the home, by the Rev. E. C. Cole, pastor of the church, to which father belonged. The body of one who lived well was laid to rest in the Hawkins Cemetery. Peace be to his memory and may the grace of

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God be with each of us and may we meet him over on the other side.—Fred M. Glover.

**Swisher.**—Brother Oscar Swisher passed away March 16, at the age of 59 years and 11 month. He was born and raised in Hackett, and all those who knew him loved and respected him. For a quarter of a century he served his church as a member of the board of stewards, giving of his time and of his material possessions to the work. For the last fifteen years he has acted as superintendent of the Sunday School. The week before he died he attended the Fort Smith District Training School and was the proud receiver of the District Loving Cup awarded to his church, as well as having earned a credit in one of the courses for himself. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Sue Swisher; three children, Juanita, Ray, and Mary Elizabeth; a brother, Jerry of Seminole, Oklahoma; and a sister, Mrs. W. R. Harriage of Montesano, Washington. His funeral service was conducted by his pastor, assisted by Rev. R. E. Wilson, and burial was at Oak Grove Cemetery, Fort Smith. We mourn our loss, but we rejoice that Brother Swisher has found his rest with God; because he lived among us we will be better men and women.—A. Edwin Grimes, Pastor.

**Leonard.**—Rev. M. H. Leonard was born, March 1, 1875, near Cherry Hill, Ark., and lived there all his life. On February 14, 1894, he married Miss Swana Egger. To this union 10 children were born, five boys and five girls. One girl and a boy preceded their father in death. Brother Leonard professed faith in Christ and joined the Methodist Church in early life, and feeling that he was called to preach he was licensed and in the fall of 1925 he was ordained a deacon. On March 3, 1932, God saw fit to call him to his long sought home. His body was laid to rest in the old Cherry Hill Cemetery in the presence of a large crowd of relatives and friends. The funeral was conducted by his pastor, after which the Masons took charge. Brother Leonard will be missed by the entire community.—A. J. Bearden, Pastor.

**Philpot.**—Bro. T. H. Philpot was born April 30, 1847, in Calhoun Co., Miss. He was married to Miss Caroline Cunningham in 1868. Eleven children were born to this union, six still survive: Mrs. Etta Thornton of Egger, Ark.; Mrs. Martelia Furr, Tell, Texas; Mrs. Samantha Hoover, Mena, Ark.; Mrs. Lewella Simpson, Bingen, Ark., wife of Rev. H. L. Simpson; Mrs. Ona Furr, Delight, Ark.; and Mr. Holder Philpot of Tell, Texas. Brother Philpot came to Arkansas in the early settling of Polk County, and was the last one of the charter members of Cherry Hill Church. Also he was one of the charter members of the Masonic Order at Cherry Hill. Brother Philpot joined the Methodist Church when

just a young man, and he was true to his church and to his Christ. The funeral was conducted from the Cherry Hill Church in the presence of a large crowd of relatives and friends, by this writer after which the Masons took charge.—A. J. Bearden, Pastor.

**Hughes.**—Miss Emma Jane Fulton Hughes was born August 30, 1855, near Montgomery, Alabama, and moved with her sisters to Arkansas when a girl, and married Joshua M. Hughes September 14, 1879. To this union five children were born, four boys and one girl. All survive. Sister Hughes professed faith in Christ in early life and joined the Methodist Church at Cherry Hill and remained a faithful member. March 16, 1932, God sent the death angel to call her home.—A. J. Bearden, Pastor.

#### ROCK ISLAND SERVICE

Air-conditioned dining cars which will provide automatic control of temperature and atmospheric conditions both in summer and winter, are soon to be placed on the Golden State Limited of the Rock Island Lines, according to an announcement by L. M. Allen, vice-president and Passenger Traffic Manager of that railroad. The dining cars will be furnished with washed air that has been properly humidified, which in summer is passed over cooling coils before being forced into the car, and in the winter such cleansed air will be passed over warming coils, thus maintaining an even temperature. The work of installing the new Thermo Gravity air conditioning system will begin immediately and the cars placed in service by June 1. It is expected that the system later will be extended to all dining cars on the Rock Island. A dependable cooling system for sleeping cars during the summer months also is being worked out.

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENTS BLAMED FOR HIGH TAXES

Blame for the mounting cost of government in the United States rests almost entirely upon state and local governments, rather than the federal administration, according to Ogden L. Mills, the new secretary of the treasury. Between 1924 and 1929 cost of government increased more than \$2,000,000,000. "Of this huge increase," he says, "only \$200,000,000 is represented by the increased cost of federal government, the balance being entirely accounted for by increases in state and local taxes." Local governments have expanded "a great deal more than their current revenues permitted, and have financed the difference by borrowing on a wholesale scale." The only effective means of checking governmental waste in the states and cities, says Mr. Mills, is in an aroused public opinion which will insist upon economy.

## Sunday School

### Lesson for April 3

#### GOD IN CREATION

LESSON TEXT—Genesis 1:1-5, 26-31.  
GOLDEN TEXT—In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.  
PRIMARY TOPIC—In the beginning—God.  
JUNIOR TOPIC—God the Creator.  
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—The Maker of All Things.  
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—God in Creation.

Genesis, the book from which the lessons of the quarter are taken, as its name indicates, is a book of beginnings. It contains the only reliable information we have of the origin of the heavens and the earth, plant and animal life, human life, human institutions, and human relations. Without it we would be absolutely ignorant as to the origin of these fundamental things. The first chapter of the book from which our lesson is taken is one of the most wonderful in the Bible. Indeed, it is the key to the whole Bible.

#### I. God (v. 1).

He was before all things. He had no beginning. Everything but God had a beginning. God, the uncaused cause, is the cause of all things. "Before the mountains were brought forth or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God" (Ps. 90:2.)

#### II. The Origin of the Universe (v. 1).

It was created by God. All things came into being by the will and act of a personal God. The Hebrew word translated "create," according to reliable authority, is the strongest word which the Hebrew language has to express the idea of the origination of substance. The first four words of the Bible exhibit the one fundamental, all-pervasive principle of philosophy of every right life. In the beginning of the universe—God. In the beginning of all science and philosophy—God. In the beginning of every life—God. In the beginning of every year—God. In the beginning of every day—God. In the beginning of every business—God. In the beginning of every human relationship—God. In the beginning of every thought—God.

#### III. The Degeneration of the Earth (v. 21).

Between verses one and two is a clearly marked interval of perhaps long duration. The earth which was created by God was later overtaken in a cataclysmic judgment. The Hebrew word for "was" might just as well have been translated "became." Instead, therefore, the earth having been created a void or chaos, we see that it became chaos through a judgment. In Isaiah 45:18 the prophet expressly declares that God did not create the earth a waste, but that he formed it to be inhabited.

#### IV. The Regeneration of the Earth (vv. 3-25).

As previously noted, the second verse of Genesis does not describe the state of the earth when it first came from the Creator's hands, but a changed condition which took place subsequent thereto. The following verses reveal a new effort of creative power by which the earth is again fitted up for the habitation of man. The power active in this reorganization is the Holy Spirit. On the first day the voice of the Almighty was heard saying, "Let there be light," and the darkness was dispelled by the light. In the second day the expanse or firmament was made which separates

the waters above the firmament from those below it. The third day dry land appeared clothed with vegetation. The fourth day witnessed the appearance of the lightholders, the sun, moon, and stars. They were not created then, but set free from darkness and ruin. On the fifth day fish and birds were created and on the sixth day cattle, creeping things, beasts of the field, and man.

#### V. The Origin of Man (vv. 26-31).

He was created by God. This precludes the foolish idea that man ascended from or through the brute. He came into being through a special creative act of God. This image and likeness is not physical or bodily, but intellectual and moral (Eph. 4:24; Col. 3:10). God's likeness is reflected in man's three-fold nature. Man is spirit, soul, and body (I Thess. 5:23). As there is a trinity and unity in God so there is a trinity in man. Spirit is that part of man by which he has the power to know God. Soul is self-conscious life, the seat of man's emotions and desires. The body is the seat of the senses, enabling man to have world consciousness. God made man to be a personality capable of having fellowship with himself, and with whom he could share his glory.

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