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JUST A SUGGESTION: Why not pass along your copy of the Wesleyan to some friend when you have finished reading it? If every subscriber did this, the spiritual circulation of the Wesleyan would be doubled. Of course, if you preserve your copies, as many do, this suggestion cannot be followed.

This plan could be carried out by simply handing your copy to some one at church or by telling some friends that you are going to send him or her your copy each week. Some do not take their church paper because of the pressure of circumstances. To such a person you will be doing a real service. On the other hand, many do not take their church paper because they are not acquainted with it. Some of them would become permanent subscribers if given a chance to know their church organ.

We know all the jokes about the bad things that happen to people who borrow their neighbors' paper to avoid subscribing for it themselves, like the farmer who ruined a thirty-dollar suit of clothes on a barbed wire fence on his way to borrow the county paper that would have cost him a dollar a year, but actually nothing increases the circulation of a paper faster than to have more and more people become acquainted with it.

And then, anyway, we are not running the Wesleyan for the Wesleyan's sake. We are running it for the good it can do in this world. Nothing would please us more than to have that good doubled by every subscriber giving his or her copy to some one else.—Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

SELF-DENIAL AND PRESENT-DAY RELIGION

OUGHT self-denial to have any real and positive place in the religion of the twentieth century? There are some, no doubt, who would say that we are not giving it any very large place in our thinking of and talking about religion these days. In one way of looking at it that may be quite wholesome; it may not be quite so much so if we take a deeper and more understanding view.

There was a time when self-denial in and for itself was thought to be a virtue. It was good for a man's soul to deny himself what he felt he would like to have, and the more strenuous the denial might be the better it would be for his soul. Such a philosophy led to many absurd and foolish thoughts and habits in the lives of good people, and for the most part it is not held to very strongly to-day. A certain feeling, not altogether unfavorable to it, lingers with many of us still, but it is not at all the article of faith with any of us that it used to be.

That does not, however, say that we have shut the thought of the need for self-denial out of our religion. If that religion means anything at all to us that is worth while, it is to us a great cause for which we ought to be ready to make sacrifices willingly and gladly, rejoicing in the privilege of making them. In the sight of heaven it would mean very little indeed that I should deny myself merely for the sake of punishing my body or even disciplining my soul, but it might mean a very great deal that I should do so in the interests of my Master's Kingdom and for the sake of truth and righteousness and goodness and their establishment throughout the world. If I am not willing to do that, it would surely say something about the kind of religion I have or the kind of attachment I have to it.

My Master's Kingdom is not going to be brought in very easily. Before that is done much hard and faithful and persistently hopeful work

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SO THEY READ IN THE BOOK IN THE LAW OF GOD DISTINCTLY, AND GAVE THE SENSE, AND CAUSED THEM TO UNDERSTAND THE READING.—Neh. 8:8.

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will have to be carried through. Much giving and doing and believing and suffering will have to be given up to the undertaking. And in all that I must take my part, which will not be done always in an easy-going and light-hearted sort of way, but at a real sacrifice often of time and thought and energy and feeling and many other things. All along the way of my service there will be a call for self-denial if my help is to count for anything like it should.—The New Outlook.

STATEMENT OF BISHOPS ON UNION

THE following statement was issued by the Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church at their recent meeting: "While the bishops do not as a board have part in the prescribed voting on union, and while we would not, in advance of the publication of the full report, feel entitled to take formal action thereon, we express ourselves as devoutly grateful to Almighty God for the inspiring report that has come to us from our representatives in the Joint Commission on Union. For long years we have prayed for the reunion of Methodism. We believe that our divisions are about to be healed, and for this we praise God. We look forward with eager and fervent anticipation to the adoption of the plan by the three constituent bodies, the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Methodist Protestant Church, and we call upon our people to join us in earnest prayer that the great Head of the Church may continue to bless all endeavor to bring about this consummation."

IF THE CHURCHES FAIL

THE world today is a jungle. The nations are prowling through it, snarling and baring their teeth at each other. At any moment a mistaken gesture, a misunderstood arrangement may make them spring at each other's throats. Mankind has gone into the morass of indulgence, materialism or false emotionalism. It is the great preachers alone that can make an appeal that will bring them back. When the chariot of humanity gets stuck, as it has done now, nothing will lift it out except great preaching that goes straight to the mind and heart. It is time the Christian churches should act together and act promptly in the name of God and humanity. If the churches fail, I do not know what is going to happen. I am beginning to lose faith in conferences, for I have seen so little emerge from them. They are too often a sort of pre-arranged blather. They are a justification for a full orchestra to perform, from drums and trombones down to the triangle, and I have played each of them. There is nothing in this case that will save the world but what was once called "the foolishness of preaching".—David Lloyd George.

WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, Middletown, Conn., has recently received two bequests of \$25,000 each. Both were made by Governor Frank B. Weeks, who died on October 2. He was a trustee of Wesleyan. One bequest was for the establishment of scholarships, and the other to establish the Frank B. Weeks visiting professorship fund. Wesleyan is the oldest university of American Methodism.

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE NATIONAL CONVENTION

THE CONVENTION at St. Louis last week was full of interest. Bishop W. N. Ainsworth delivered a great address on Sunday afternoon. Dr. J. R. Sampey, who presided, made one of his characteristic talks, full of striking statements and epigrams. Homer Rodeheaver, both with music and talks, was inspiring. At the Billy Sunday Memorial Service, many testified to the marvelous work of that great revivalist and his unfailing interest in Prohibition. Hon. Chas. W. Bryan, former governor of Nebraska, now mayor of Lincoln, gave an intensely practical talk, showing that good laws could be secured and also enforced. He is as uncompromising on moral issues as his distinguished brother. The paper of Mr. E. B. Dunford, attorney for the League, furnished complete information on Prohibition legislation and suggested plans for future work. As always, Dr. E. H. Cherrington, Director of Education, presented results of research in a striking manner. Bishop Cannon, reviewed the history of the 18th Amendment, and indicated how we might again gain national Prohibition. The Roll Call of the States revealed a decided movement in almost every State toward local option with state-wide prohibition as the objective. Our own superintendent, Rev. J. H. Glass, made one of the briefest and clearest reports. Bishop H. H. Fout, of the United Brethren Church, eloquently urged Christians to co-operate and conquer. In his address, Gen. Supt. F. Scott McBride, eloquently and forcibly advocated that Prohibition forces go "Straight ahead, Full Speed!" Dr. Ira Landrith, in his inimitably witty way, argued for "Freedom of Speech for National Sobriety." At the final meeting, Dr. Howard H. Russell, founder of the League, felicitously introduced the speakers; and Bishop H. M. DuBose, "Pussy-foot" Johnston, Hon. Gus Nations, Mrs. Mann, representing the W. C. T. U., and Bishop C. L. Mead all delivered brief and stirring messages. The singing, led by Mr. and Mrs. Brock, who introduced several fine new songs, was hearty and appropriate.

The Board, the Executive Committee, and other committees were in almost constant sessions, outside the public sessions, and sometimes during the public sessions. As Bishop Richardson, the President, on account of ill health, and Dr. A. J. Barton, Chairman of the Executive Committee, detained by important church business, were not able to be present, the writer was elected acting chairman of both bodies and was kept busy day and night.

Bishop Ainsworth was elected permanent president and presided during the time he was present, but had to leave before the close. The office of vice-president was created and Dr. J. R. Sampey, the great Southern Baptist leader, was elected. Bishop Fout was elected chairman of the Executive Committee. Dr. F. Scott McBride was re-elected General Superintendent. Dr. E. H. Cherrington was re-elected Director of Education. Mr. O. G. Christgau, who had been acting as a Regional Superintendent, was elected Assistant Superintendent. Provision was made for as many as 25 Honorary Presidents, and 16 were elected. Most of the members of the old Executive Committee were re-elected. A practical Budget was adopted and Mr. Coleman, a successful business man of Chicago, was elected treasurer. At the final session strong resolutions were read by Bishop Cannon. A drama, "Liquor Bill Battle in the State House," a moving picture, "Ten Nights in a Barroom"; and a drama, "Death Takes the Wheel", were skillfully presented on three occasions, and illustrated

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Personal and Other Items

REV. R. W. NANCE, Cecil, Ark., wishes the pas-
tors to know that he is prepared to assist in
meetings as a singer. He has open dates after
Dec. 15.

REV. J. W. HOWARD, our pastor at Gainesville,
writes: "My work starts well. Have had
good congregations at all my services. Am ex-
pecting a great year."

REV. J. W. WORKMAN, P. E. of Fayetteville
District, is this week speaking in Minneapo-
lis, Minn., for the Minneapolis District School
of Church Management.

TREASURER C. E. HAYES of Little Rock
Conference reports that Bethlehem Church
on Hot Springs Circuit has already paid the
Benevolences in full, \$10.

ANDERSON'S HISTORY OF ARKANSAS
METHODISM would make a fine Christmas
present. It is a book that should be in every
Methodist home in Arkansas.

REV. JOHN A. MAY, evangelist, who has held
successful meetings in Arkansas, wishes our
pastors to know that he is ready to help in
meetings. His address is Monticello, Ala.

REV. GEO. E. WILLIAMS, the new pastor at
Horatio, writes: "We were very cordially re-
ceived and honored with a splendid reception and
generous 'pounding.' Prospects are fine for a
happy year's work."

THE HOTEL AUDITORIUM, located three
blocks north of the Union Station, in St.
Louis, is convenient for travelers, and is recom-
mended for excellent service by this editor who
had a room there during his recent stay in that
city.

REV. A. E. HOLLOWAY, pastor at Crawfords-
ville, writes: "We have been most cordially
received on our new charge, most generously
'pounded,' and the salary increased more than 20
per cent. A good pastorate is expected among
these kind people."

REV. CHAS. H. GIESSEN writes: "The good
people of Bearden have given mother and me
a fine reception. They treated us with a
bountiful 'pounding.' The work has started off
well. Plans for the year are almost complete.
Look for a 100 per cent club for the paper in
January."

THE family tree is worth bragging about if it
has consistently produced good timber and
not just nuts.—Nuggets.

MIDDLE-AGED men have one consolation—
they got their kissing done before it became
flavored with tobacco.—Nuggets.

ARKANSAS was well represented at the Anti-
Saloon League Convention in St. Louis last
week by Revs. W. R. Jordan, J. L. Tucker, J. L.
Hoover, S. M. Yancey, and J. W. Moore. Supt.
J. H. Glass and the editor were also there. Bro.
Glass made a fine short report.

WHY NOT make the ARKANSAS METHODIST a
Christmas present to some member of your
family, or to a friend who is not taking it, but
who would appreciate it? You can in this way
make your present last for a year. It is a good
way to be remembered. Try it.

DURING 1934 traffic fatalities totalled 35,769.
"No war in which the nation ever engaged
has come even close to providing such a record
of destruction. No pestilence, no epidemic, no
catastrophe of nature has compiled a death roll
even distantly approaching this in its tragic
length".—The Christian Century.

REV. A. J. BEARDEN, Hot Springs Circuit,
called while in the city to deliver a car-load
of provisions to the Orphanage. He has had a
wonderful reception on his return to his charge,
and expects a great year. Sunday Bethlehem
Church paid its Conference Claims in full for the
year. Mountain Pine Church has had a "get-to-
gether" meeting to discuss plans for a church
which they hope to build.

THE JOHN BROWN COLLEGE is seeking per-
mission of the Government to build a great
central station of 50,000 watt power to be op-
erated 24 hours a day as a non-profit, non-denomi-
national, non-political, educational and religious
center, the purpose of which is to send messages
on education and religion to the American pub-
lic with a view to counteracting the many evil
things that now are sent out over the radio.

REV. AND MRS. ELI MYERS, who now live in
Lebanon, Ind., recently celebrated the fiftieth
anniversary of their marriage at the home of
their daughter, Mrs. Walter Perkins of Monti-
cello, Ind. Messages of congratulations were re-
ceived from friends in Arkansas, Alabama, Tenn.,
Ohio and Colorado. Bro. Myers is now a super-
annuate of the North Arkansas Conference, and
his many friends in this state congratulate the
couple on their long and happy married life.

THE GENERAL MISSIONARY COUNCIL of
our Church meets in Washington, D. C., Jan.
7-9. Those who wish to attend should consider
going from Memphis via Frisco to Birmingham,
Ala., and then by Seaboard Air Line from Bir-
mingham through Atlanta and Richmond to
Washington. The train leaves Memphis at 11
p. m., and arrives at Washington at 10:20 a. m.,
making the trip from Memphis in 36 hours and
20 minutes without stops. Write to the Frisco
Agent at Memphis for information.

A Group of Excellent Plays from the Playhouse
Religious. The plays are: Treasures, by
Ralph P. Claggett, price 35 cents; The Steeple-
jack, by Katherine Kester, \$5.00 royalty; Joash,
by Lillian Dunlap George, and the following by
Dorothy Clarke Wilson: For He Had Great Pos-
sessions; Shepherds Abiding; The Lost Star; 35
cents each. Terms for the production of Play-
house plays can be obtained from Fitzgerald
Publishing Corporation, New York. The above
mentioned plays are well organized, dramatic
and inspiring and at the same time simple and
easily staged.

WHILE attending the Convention of the Na-
tional Anti-Saloon League in St. Louis last
week, the editor had the privilege of speaking
to the Men's Bible Class at Centenary Meth-
odist Church, and presenting the cause of the
League at Immanuel M. E. Church, South, in a
night service where the Presbyterian Church of
that community joined. This afforded oppor-
tunity for a very pleasant hour in the parsonage
home of Rev. R. L. Duckworth, the popular
pastor; also to address the Young People's For-
um. Bro. Duckworth, who was once Education-
al Secretary of Little Rock Conference, has a fine
church and strong organization and is enjoying
his work.

BOOK REVIEWS

The Wind Blew West; by Edwin Lanham; pub-
lished by Longman's, Green and Co., New
York; price \$2.50.

This is distinctly an American Novel and
deals with the colorful and interesting period of
railroad building across the State of Texas.
Texas history offers a rich field for romance.
Many of her great sons and daughters would
add charm and excitement to the pages of fic-
tion. Even the life of the humblest pioneer is
filled with chapters of most thrilling adventure.
But Edwin Lanham has chosen rather to relate
the romantic history of a town. Rutherford and
its heroic struggle to become the greatest rail-
road center of the Southwest is the picture pre-
sented. With well drawn characters the author
deals cleverly with the human elements that
strive for the making or unmaking of a town.
The book is an interesting picture of a very in-
teresting period of our country's history.

Parade of the Pioneers; by Otho Annie Hanscom;
published by Tardy Publishing Company,
Inc., Dallas, Texas.

This is a reader compiled in honor of the
Texas Centennial. The author is Associate Pro-
fessor of Elementary Education in the North
Texas State Teachers College, and in this col-
lection are included stories which the author
presents because they give a cross-section of the
every-day life of the State. The stories are
thrilling and realistic; yet told in a simple style;
a style that the young reader will understand
and appreciate. Yet they are so full of authen-
tic history and human interest that the older
readers will find the book worth while. The
illustrations, by Kenneth Hunt and Rudolph
Fuchs, are clever and suggestive, full of life and
typical of Texas.

A Group of Short Stories; by Grace Livingston
Hill; published by J. B. Lippincott Com-
pany, Philadelphia.

Life Out of Death, 15 cents; The Strange
God, 15 cents; The Handmaid of the Lord, 15
cents; The Old Guard, 25 cents. These stories
are gotten up in neat pamphlet form, on good
paper and in clear type. They are in the author's
usual pleasing style, deeply religious and cal-
culated to stimulate the spiritual life of the
reader. They are excellent little booklets to
read, reread and pass on to other readers for
their inspiration.

Harness and Pack; by Arthur Treadwell Walden;
published by the American Book Company,
New York; price 64 cents.

The author knows his history of transpor-
tation and recognizes its influence on civiliza-
tion. But his chief interest in this book is to
give the reader a comprehensive view of the
part domestic animals have played in this pro-
gress. He knows his animals. In fact, he knows
his subject and has packed these pages full of
mighty interesting reading. Add to this the
lively illustrations and you have a most charm-
ing, instructive and entertaining book.

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what might be done with such features.

As soon as a complete copy of the Resolu-
tions can be had, it will be published in full.
The weather was fine, neither too hot nor too
cold. The conveniences furnished by the Statler
Hotel in the way of Auditorium and rooms for
committee and other meetings, were appreciated.
Although the press of St. Louis is wet, it gave
very satisfactory reports of the proceedings.
Liquor stores on every hand and liquor sold in
practically all eating places demonstrated the
fact that St. Louis is wet.

Bishop Richardson and Dr. Barton, both un-
usually capable parliamentarians and great
leaders, were greatly missed. Word came from
Bishop Richardson that, on account of ill health
and pressing duties, he could not accept re-elec-
tion. It is believed that, under the enthusiastic
leadership of Bishop Ainsworth, whose elo-
quence, fairness, and capability captured the
League, the next two years will witness renewed
interest in the League and a return to its former
place of large service.—A.C.M.

STEWARDSHIP

If I have strength, I owe the service of the strong,
If melody I have, I owe the world a song,
If I can stand, when all around my post are falling,
If I can run with speed, when needy hearts are calling,
And if my torch can light the dark of any night,
Then I must pay the debt I owe with living light.

If Heaven's grace has dowered me with some rare gift,
If I can lift some load no other's strength can lift,
If I can heal some wound no other hand can heal;
If some great truth the speaking skies to me reveal,
Then I must go, a broken and a wounded thing,
If to a wounded world my gifts no healing bring.

For any gift God gives to me I cannot pay.
Gifts are most mine when I most give them all away,
God's gifts are like His flowers which show their right to stay
By giving all of their bloom and fragrance away.
Riches are not in gold or land, estates or marts,
The only wealth worth having is found in human hearts.

—Author Unknown.

The Centennial Revival Campaign

The State of Arkansas and the Southern Methodist Church are on the eve of a Centennial Celebration. Both State and Church are handicapped for lack of funds. The State may resort to additional taxes to enable the commissioners to put on an adequate celebration. The meagre assessments by our Conferences indicate that the Church's celebration will be quite limited.

However, there is one phase that can be celebrated without money or price. The Commission on Evangelism has decided to ask little or nothing in the way of revenue. We had hoped to sow the State down with evangelistic pamphlets and leaflets. We have been forced to abandon that feature. We shall have a great mass meeting the first week in Little Rock. We are proposing to bring one great speaker on Evangelism to stir our minds and fire our hearts for a great year in soul-saving. Announcements as to date and speaker will be made later.

What about the preaching this year? The Commission asked me to make a suggestion on this line. What produced the great awakening

among the early Methodists? Universal Atonement and Witness of the Spirit. At that time no other church was preaching a universal atonement. Methodism has brought the other churches to preaching an unlimited atonement. No one now hears of "infants a span long being in hell." Either our doctrine of a universal atonement or the general trend of thought has abolished the old hard Calvinism taught at the time of the Wesleys. In other words, our preaching today need not put the emphasis on a universal atonement that the Methodist fathers put on that subject. But we do need to re-emphasize the doctrine of Conscious Salvation. The doctrine that we may know here and now that we are saved is a most wholesome doctrine and very full of comfort. The doctrine of divine assurance is ours to enjoy and ours to preach.

We are in danger of preaching "Salvation by Education." Salvation is by faith and education is for training in service. It is quite easy for a child properly trained to accept Christ as Savior without any emotional spree. Indeed, we must not work for, nor expect the emotional spree in young children. But we should expect them to have an inner knowledge that they are saved. Our teaching should look toward bringing them into a conscious knowledge of salvation. It is hard to get a satisfactory vocabulary for this instruction; but this goal should never be lost sight of in our evangelistic work with children.

It is feared that we have soft-pedaled this doctrine too much in our evangelistic work with adults. We do not hear enough of ringing testimonies of the "Witness of the Spirit." Conscious salvation is not rejoiced in as it was in the days of our fathers. A vague hope that we are saved will not produce a holy fervor in the soul. So long as our churches are filled with people who are not certain about this assurance, revivals will be hard to have, if not impossible. A vague experience produces an apathetic attitude. Men and women who are not certain about their own salvation are not likely to be zealous about the salvation of others. Those whose souls are fired with a glorious assurance that they are saved can be led to holy efforts to save others.

Hence it is suggested that the first step toward a Centennial Revival is for pastors to re-study the doctrine of "Divine Assurance." A series of sermons on the "Witness of the Spirit" ought to be preached in every Methodist Church in Arkansas as the initial step for the Centennial Revival. If the pastor and his people can get all aglow over this glorious experience, unusual things will be done during this Centennial year. It was this writer's privilege to see Gypsy Smith, the senior, hold a meeting in Nashville, Tenn. In this meeting thousands of church members, Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians, Episcopalians, received for the first time the "Witness of the Spirit." It was an epochal meeting. So will any meeting be where the "Witness of the Spirit" is stressed until many nominal church members get this experience.

The Commission on Evangelism is not suggesting any mechanics. Let each pastor look after the mechanics as the local situation may suggest. But your Commission is greatly concerned about the dynamics. Possessing and stressing the "Witness of the Spirit" made revivals great and effective one hundred years ago. The same experience rejoiced in and preached will be the genesis of our revival this year.—O. E. Goddard.

Japan's Great Christian Makes Experiments

One of the objectives in my going to Japan was a visit with Toyohiko Kagawa. After I had reached China I learned that he had gone to Australia for a six weeks' engagement, and I was fortunate enough to see him twice in Sydney. Since he is coming to the United States in 1936, it was necessary to discuss with him the best use of his time, and our conversation was largely about plans and tours. Even in such discussions I came to feel the man's Christian character. He was closing his Australian mission, and was worn out after his many sermons and addresses, but there was the same zeal for Christ in his soul that has made him known wherever the name of Christ is revered.

Who is Toyohiko Kagawa? What has he done? What is he trying to do? In Kobe lives the missionary, Dr. H. G. Myers, under whom Kagawa was converted and he invited us to tea to tell us the story of Kagawa's life in Kobe. I had to leave the city before the day of the tea, but my wife went and passed on to me from Dr. Myers the interesting experiences. Kagawa was born in Kobe in 1889, but he was sent away as a small child to the island of Shikoku. His real life in Kobe begins with his return there as a student. As a college student his three most prominent characteristics were a slender body, a brilliant mind and a very hard head; when once he made up his mind to do a thing nothing could stop him. He read much, remembered much, and was liable to catch up with slips or mistakes of his teachers. In the middle of his course he developed tuberculosis, dropped out of school for a year and lived in a fisherman's hut. That year with the fisherman showed him conditions among the poor, and his whole ministry has been characterized by a sympathy and love for the poor. On his return to college he began to spend his afternoons visiting and preaching in the slums; he moved from the college dormitory to a lodging house in the slums. When the teachers sought to dissuade him, fearing a return of tuberculosis he said, "A short life of service for Christ is better for me than a long life of idleness." For ten years he lived in the little room in the slums.

Dr. Myers says: "In these days it was a hopeless task to try to make him a hopeless tidy or comfortable. Some one gave him a nice hat to replace the disreputable one he was wearing. But the next day he had on his old one again, having given the new hat to the rat-catcher, who needed it more than he did. A new shirt, a new kimono or a new suit would have gone by the next day. We finally solved the problem by providing a complete outfit and keeping it at our home."

After the earthquake of 1923 Kagawa moved to Tokyo to help in the relief work. There he made the reputation which has made him known in all lands. Many of his slum boys in Kobe occupy positions of trust in the city government. There is a group of large, concrete apartment buildings erected for the slum dwellers of Kobe by the national government; similar buildings have been erected in all the large Japanese cities through Kagawa's influence. Traceable also to his influence are municipal employment agencies, municipal lodging houses, and city social service departments. In a recent book by Kagawa are giv-

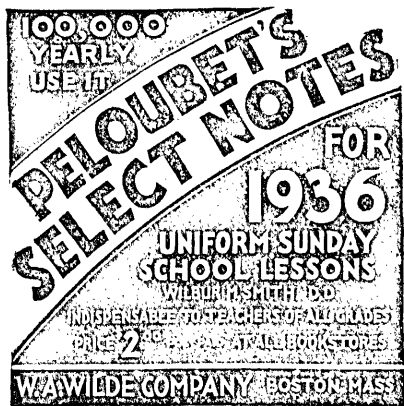
en some of the backgrounds of his life: "My father abandoned Buddhism and became a Shintoist. When he died, the family returned to the Buddhist fold. The Buddhist faith of my home, however, was entirely of a traditional, formal type. . . . At the age of ten I went regularly to the Buddhist temple. . . . As a child I was thrilled by Shinto teaching that when men die they become miniature gods. . . . My father was devout according to the Japanese conception, but morally he was impossible." Kagawa was the child of a concubine in the home, given afterwards to the wife to be brought up as her son. He lived his boyhood in the unpleasant atmosphere of a love triangle. He spent the days of his youth in sorrow and bitter tears because of the moral corruptions in his home.

He writes of Japan's religious faiths: "I am grateful for Shinto, for Buddhism and for Confucianism. I owe much to these faiths. The fact that I was born with a spirit of reverence, that I have an insatiable craving for values that transcend this earthly life, and that I strive to walk the way of the golden mean, I owe entirely to the influence of these ethnic faiths. Yet these three faiths failed utterly to minister to my heart's deepest needs. I was a pilgrim journeying upon a long, long road that had no turning. I was weary. I was foot-sore. I wandered through a dark and dismal world where tragedies were thick. Tears were my meat and drink, until I discovered that God, the creator and ruler of the universe and man's maker, is my Father, that he is the God of love who wipes away my tears and saves me from sorrow and from the sin hidden in my soul. Until I discovered this I knew nothing, absolutely nothing about the job of life."

Kagawa has done so much for the poor of Japan that he is influential with the government. He is welcomed among Christians of all lands as one of Christ's true servants. His sermons and addresses in Australia left a deep impression on the lives of Christians there, and he is Japan's ambassador of good will to the other nations of the world. A few months ago he announced his objectives for 1935-36. He will carry on his evangelistic work, his educational program, and his social service activities. He is concerned about the three fishermen in the fishing villages, the millions of farmers and the working men in the large cities, and he has made plans for evangelistic campaigns among all of these groups. He began some time ago his Farmers' Gospel Schools, and in these schools he has courses in better farming methods, ethical standards of living, and religion. Similar schools he plans for congested districts of the great cities where the courses of study will include labor problems, ethics, and religion.

The social service task arouses Kagawa's enthusiasm. He writes about it in this way: "I divide social service into (1) co-operative movements and (2) relief work. The nation-wide growth of medical co-operatives has been remarkable. The Tokyo medical co-operative has been planning to build an annex that will cost eighty thousand yen. At present they have 5000 members and the cost of a major operation to a member is thirty-five yen (about \$12). This spring, on account of the general economic depression, we had to make a radical readjustment of the business of the Osaka co-operative. But fortunately, by the help of friends the business is now building up again. Our Tokyo Consumers'

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"This past year there were severe famines in the far north and in the far south of Japan. Therefore I am studying more deeply than ever the problem of providing food in time of famine, and I am trying to teach the farmers relief methods."

Nothing could better illustrate the work of Kagawa than this statement of his objectives. Some years ago he began his co-operative movement, so that the poor and those with small wages might buy at co-operative stores the necessities of life. Other co-operatives have been established by business firms, and co-operative stores are everywhere. When he began the agitation for medical co-operatives, medical associations opposed him. With his usual persistence he kept up the agitation until medical co-operatives have been established in many cities.

Eighty-five per cent of Japan is mountainous and cannot be cultivated. On the soil that can be cultivated rice is grown and it is difficult to persuade a Japanese to move where he cannot cultivate rice. Very

few Japanese have moved into the lower end of Sakhalin, which Japan acquired from Russia after the Russo-Japanese War because rice cannot be grown there. Since he feels that very few Japanese will leave crowded Japan, Kagawa insists that some way must be found to use the hills and mountains. Recently he had a food for chickens prepared from acorns, in an effort to prove that hills and trees can be used to feed Japan. He is trying to arouse the nation to a realization of the economic necessity of getting away from raising rice as the only occupation of the farmer.

It can thus be seen that Kagawa is a social statesman. He proposes and he carries through plans for aiding masses of people. He is transforming life, economic, social, and religious. He thinks of himself always as a servant of Christ, but the Japanese nation has come to look upon him as redeemer of Japan. Recently he wrote about the economic depression in the west: "Are not the economic chaos, and the unemployment crisis which today have plunged the nations of the west into unspeakable agony, directly due to the fact that the peoples of these lands have wandered away from Christ's way of life? If men everywhere gave Christ the right of way, toiled as he toiled, loved purity as he loved it, devoted themselves to a service motivated by love and had his passion for peace, would the present problems of unemployment and economic distress have come upon the world?"

Kagawa is attempting to bring the nations into a closer fellowship. He does not hesitate to criticize severely the military party in his own country, and the Christian world remembers the message of sympathy he sent to the Christians in Shanghai when the Japanese attacked that city in 1932. Few religious leaders have been more vigorous than Kagawa in the criticism of the government: "Japan is today isolated internationally because of her militarism. It must be made clear that her militarism had its rise with professional patriots. The Japanese as a whole are not responsible. Ninety-nine per cent of the intelligentsia of Japan were opposed to what happened in Manchuria on September 18, 1931. Professional patriots carried out a premeditated plan. These self-styled patriots are so much a minority group that they are compelled to resort to high-pressure propaganda to stir up the people."

As he thinks of the peace of the world he writes: "When will Japan awaken from her childish feudal dream? When England awakens. When America awakens. America's advocacy of the Monroe Doctrine and her refusal to join the League of Nations teach Japan the American brand of international isolation. Is not Great Britain, now that after age-long aggression she has taken possession of one-fifth of the earth's surface, crying 'Peace! Peace!' with no intention of disgorging her ill-gotten gains? Should America make plans for a larger navy and for armament expansion, and should Great Britain, Russia and China speed up their armament programs because they are caught in the coils of propaganda of their super-patriots, it would be a tragedy of tragedies. That would turn back the world's clock of progress a full half century."

Will this Japanese Christian bring his own and the nations of the world into the way of peace? He is a very persistent man and he has done great things for his Lord and Master. —Ivan Lee Holt in North Carolina Christian Advocate.



DR. COX'S PORTRAIT PRESENTED TO EMORY UNIVERSITY

"The development of an institution, like the development of a person, takes place so gradually that the changes come to be a matter of course and their extent and significance almost escape our notice," began Dr. Goodrich C. White, dean of Emory University's graduate school, in his speech presenting a portrait of Dr. Harvey W. Cox, president of Emory for the past fifteen years. The occasion was a reception tendered President Cox in recognition of his decade and a half of service to Emory by the faculty and staff of the University, Wednesday evening, November 6.

Emory University is this year beginning its one hundredth year, as well as the fifteenth anniversary of Dr. Cox's inauguration. The portrait by the noted Virginia artist, David Silvette, is a centennial gift to the University by professors and staff members.

"To restore in our imaginations the Emory of 1920, involves almost ruthless destruction," continued Dr. White, in summarizing the progress Emory has made under the leadership of President Cox. "We find it necessary to tear up every foot of paved road or walk on the campus. . . . In place of the miles of pavement . . . we would find dirt roads which at times would be almost literally knee-deep in mud. We would restore a deep gash across the campus with a spur track running back of Alabama Hall and terminating in a tall trestle. We would look upon great stretches of unfurled earth; banks of raw, red dirt . . . in rainy weather and everywhere.

"We would have to raze the building in which we are now met (the auditorium); in its place would be a big barn of a wooden building. . . . The great library building would go . . . The magnificent hospital and nurses' home and the Education Building would not appear on our campus maps. The Chemistry Building would be just half a building . . . we would find only one athletic field, given over largely to the drills and mock warfare of the Emory R. O. T. C.; only two tennis courts; no swimming pool. Mules and horses would be stabled and pigs penned in the neighborhood where now appear the beautiful homes of fraternity row. And finally the glorious

structure that first meets the eye of the visitor to our campus—the Glenn Memorial Auditorium—would be as yet not even an architect's dream. All in all, fourteen and a half buildings . . . have gone on our campus since 1920."

Further pointing out the progress Emory has made during the past fifteen years, Dr. White told how enrollment has increased from less than 1,000 students to a present total of about 2,000, how the financial resources have been increased more than 100 per cent. The development of the Citizenship Conferences and of Emory's unique and famous intramural athletic program are other features brought into being under Dr. Cox's administration.

"Academically the story of these fifteen years has been one of notable progress. To the six schools . . . have been added four other divisions, including the great hospital. . . . Membership in the South Association had been attained only in 1917. In 1924 the Association of American Universities, after rigid inspection, placed its seal of approval upon Emory; five years later a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa was established. Today every division of the University has the highest possible rating by the appropriate accrediting agency that it is possible for such an institution to achieve. . . . There has been nothing spectacular about Emory's growth. There is nothing of the mushroom in it. . . ."

It was with a sense of high tribute to the President who has guided the growth and development of Emory that his portrait was presented. "The artist has given us Dr. Cox, the man—the man whom we all love," was the comment upon the portrait itself.

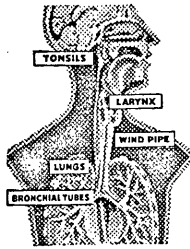
W. D. Thompson, executive vice-president of the board of trustees, received the portrait on behalf of the University.

"I accept with pleasure the portrait of a man who has shown his faithfulness, who has been so successful at his job, and who has won the love of the entire faculty and staff of Emory University," he declared.

Both speakers of the evening were introduced by Dr. W. A. Smart, member of Emory's theological faculty. A program of music was presented by the Emory Little Symphony Orchestra under the direction

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of Dr. Malcolm H. Dewey. The Atlanta Arts Trio, composed of Mrs. Leroy Loemker, Mrs. Paul Bryan and Miss Claire Harper, and a quartet from the Emory Glee Club, composed of Messrs. Burt Thebaut, William Pardee, Chester Kitchings and Millard Rewis, also presented instrumental and vocal music.—W. F. Dunkle in Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

HELPFUL DISCONTENT

"Noble discontent is the path to heaven." These are the inspired words of a distinguished minister of the gospel and author of the last century, and a truer one was never penned. The discontent to which the author thus refers is, of course, not that discontent that spends it-

self helplessly finding fault with and bemoaning one's lot in life; that is envious of the success of others; that fails to recognize that success in any line of human endeavor comes from merit and effort. It is rather a discontent that makes one dissatisfied with himself and his condition, and fills him with determination to go earnestly and actively about bettering both.—Selected.

UNLESS WE KNOW OUR NEIGHBORS

Maybe the thing we dislike about our neighbors is not the narrowness of their lives and interests, but the tendency they have to make us broaden our own.

Perhaps Chesterton is right. A

month's forced acquaintance with our neighbors, a heart-to-heart knowledge of their wants, necessities, sufferings, joys, dreams, hopes, and fears, would be the most tremendous and thrilling experience of our lives. How can we hope to solve "world problems," much less understand them, when we don't understand and can't solve the problems of the simple folks in our own block?

Unless we know our neighbors, know their smiles, their tears, what they like in the movies, what books they enjoy, what they think of current events, what they eat for breakfast, how they manage their wives and husbands, how they train their children—if we don't know all of these and many more things about

our neighbors, and if they don't know as much about us, we have missed a big part of life.

It's great to know folks—even plain folks—and to be one of them. He who stands aloof separates himself from a world of joy. Knowing folks and letting them know us is a wonderful way of being human—a bully cure for grouchiness, discontent, and a lazy liver. A pious man has said that "we can't know our neighbor better without knowing God better."

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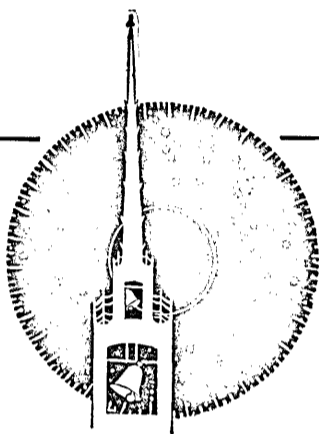
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Missionary Society Raises Money

The Vice President of the Woman's Missionary Society in charge of the Circles asked the pastor to recommend some worth-while undertakings for the year 1935. He suggested that nothing would be more fitting than to supply the church with the new HYMNALS. On the first Sunday of October the church was fully supplied with hymnals and they were paid for. This was but one of the local undertakings of these circles this year.

Memorial Plan Used

"We are using the Memorial Plan for financing purchase of the Hymnal. At the first mention of this plan it took wonderfully with our people. A large number of our families immediately subscribed for from one to ten. Too much cannot be said in praise of this plan: it makes it easy to buy the books; it insures better care of them; it will diminish the probabilities of their being taken from the auditorium."

THE ITINERANT DAUGHTER: HER STORY

By Mrs. Susie McKinnon Millar
(Continued)

My last Sunday in Haynesville gave me an amusing incident to carry away. In that little town they had rival Methodist Churches. Our church had no service at the morning hour, so after Sunday School we went to the other church to the preaching service. Our church had a very eccentric old Doctor Bragg, who was always in a controversy with a Mr. Baker Clark of the other church. They were both good men, but very stubborn. Doctor Bragg went with us and took his seat well up in front. The preacher saw him, and in the opening service he said: "Doctor Bragg, will you lead us in prayer? Let us pray!"

Doctor Bragg stood up and looked all around until he saw Baker Clark, then he said: "Baker Clark is in the house. He'll do your praying for you."

Then he turned and stalked down the aisle and out of the church. All the young people were very much amused and heard very little of Mr. Clark's prayer.

When I reached Andersonville there was still some vacation time left and I entered very heartily into all the games and plays of the younger children of the neighborhood. In the fall I would be a college senior and I felt that that would put an end to my carefree play days. We enlarged the platforms in our live-oak tree out in the corner of our front yard, stretched extra ropes across corners in the back yard, worked up new plays for our barn-loft theatre and filled in all the extra minutes with practice. I starred as a tight-rope walker and was often up in the tree with the children reading or plotting and planning. Father was delighted to find that I still enjoyed playing. He had been afraid I'd return from my vacation with my head turned by my mountain beaux.

One afternoon when I had been at home about two weeks I was up in the tree directing games. Father was comfortably seated on the front porch where he could read or enjoy watching the children's sports. I looked up at the sound of the click of the front gate-latch and almost fell out of the tree at the sight that greeted me. There came Dr. Richards, one of my mountain beaux, who had told me he would call on me the next time he came to town. I'd forgotten all about him. He was an old bachelor, very old, thirty-five or forty I heard him say. He said: "Good afternoon, Brother Mitchell. How are you? It has been quite a while since I've had the pleasure of seeing you. I was in town and I thought I'd call and renew our acquaintance and see my little friend, Miss Jane. How is she? I wish to see her and with your permission continue our friendship."

Father shrugged his shoulders, after a manner he had, and said: "How are you, Doctor? Come in and take that chair. Yes, Jane is quite well. The mountain air was good for her. She's out about the place somewhere now playing with the other children."

There they sat and talked, neither of them feeling extra comfortable, while I tried to think of a plan that would let me get down out of the tree without being seen. I knew father wouldn't call me nor help in any way to make it possible for me to get down without being seen for he wished the Doctor to realize that I was a little girl. I didn't care especially for the Doctor, but he had

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ZONE MEETING AT KNOBEL

Knobel entertained approximately 100 members of the Missionary Societies of Zone Three, Dec. 4. The theme of the all-day meeting was "Harvest." The morning session opened with a song, with Mrs. Seely of Rector at the piano. The devotional was given by Rev. J. A. Gatlin. Mrs. O. N. Gowen of Knobel extended the address of welcome and Mrs. E. D. Jernigan of Corning responded.

Mrs. Claud Holifield of Rector, Zone president, was in charge. The cause of the Missionary Bulletin was presented by Mrs. Gatlin. In the roll call, out of the 16 Societies 15 answered. Special musical numbers were given by representatives of the First Methodist Church, Mrs. Sam Witt and Mrs. C. Edward Houston singing, Mrs. John Meiser at the piano. Mrs. Sam Watson conducted the Prayer Retreat bringing out the subject "Harvest" by Scripture readings and remarks. Knobel members served luncheon at the American Legion Hut.

The program for the afternoon session follows: Devotional given by Pollard members. Mrs. Ben DeVoll gave a memorial for the Missionary members, who have died this year, among whom were Mrs. Ben McAden and Mrs. Vernon Rogers of the East Side Methodist, Mrs. R. L. Gardner of the First Methodist Church, and Mrs. J. R. Edwards of Ravenden Springs.

Mrs. Meiser, Christian Social Relations chairman of the First Methodist Society, presented "Christian Social Relations." Beech Grove presented the cause of Edith Martin, an Arkansas missionary, for whom \$10.20 was donated. The East Side Methodist Church extended an invitation for the next meeting. The First Methodist Church received the banner for attendance, based on the number present and mileage.

Officers elected for next year were: Mrs. Holifield, re-elected President; Mrs. Thomas of Pollard, Vice-President, succeeding Mrs. R. A. Edmonson of Marmaduke. Mrs. Ben DeVoll was re-elected Secretary. Mrs. G. W. Pyles thanked Knobel for the hospitality in behalf of the Zone.

LEOLA AUXILIARY

The Missionary Society of Leola met in business session last Monday at the home of Mrs. D. F. Phillips. Mrs. Olin Biggs led the program. There were 18 members present.

The week before we had a social meeting at the parsonage. Mrs. T. D. Spruce had charge of that program. There were 21 members and one visitor present. Delicious refreshments were served.

Just before Annual Conference

done much to make my visit in Haynesville pleasant, so I felt that I owed him some courtesy. Finally I sent Malcolm down and into the house through the back door to ask Beth or Sarah or Margaret to invite Doctor Richards into the house and keep him entertained until I could slip down out of the tree and make some changes. The plan worked and Doctor Richards had his little visit with me, much to father's disgust.

(To Be Continued)

we had our election of officers: Miss Willie Alice Phillips, President; Mrs. R. F. Livingston, Vice-Pres.; Mrs. Jule Butler, Rec. Sec. and Treas.; Mrs. I. P. Dykes, Social Service; Mrs. W. L. Buzan, Mission Study; Miss Mary Critz, Cor. Sec.; Mrs. Irvin Weaver, Supt. Lit.; Mrs. N. S. Phillips, Outlook Agent.—Cor. Sec.

ZONE NO. ONE MEETS AT MONTICELLO

At a recent meeting of Zone No. 1 held at Monticello, the following inspirational program was presented and appreciated by those in attendance:

Mrs. W. B. Massey of Monticello, presiding. Opening song, followed by prayer led by Rev. J. L. Hoover, presiding elder. Devotional, Mrs. Louis Ederington of Warren. Mrs. C. D. Johnson of Monticello talked on "The Christian Woman and Her Leisure Time." Mrs. Verlie Buck, our District Secretary, brought a brief message on the District work.

At the noon hour a pot-luck luncheon was delightfully served.

Following a congregational song. Mrs. Adkins of Monticello, led in the afternoon devotional period. Mrs. T. A. Prewitt of Tillar, talked on the "Child and Youth Movement in the Church." Mrs. Anderson, former Zone president, of Wilmar, presided at the business session, at which time the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. C. R. Roy, Wilmar; Secretary, Mrs. W. O. Pontius, Warren.—Mrs. W. O. Pontius, Secretary.

ZONE MEETING AT TEXARKANA

Zone No. 2 met at College Hill, Dec. 5, with Mrs. W. F. Meissner, Zone chairman, presiding.

Several beautiful piano selections were softly played by Mrs. H. D. Sadler.

Mrs. H. M. Harper of First Church gave the devotional, using the 139th psalm, verses 7-10 as her text.

Mrs. R. B. Coles talked on "The Growing Prayer Book."

Mrs. C. M. Robertson sang very beautifully, "My Task," accompanied at the piano by Mrs. W. A. Hulvey. A beautiful Christmas story "Chil-

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dren of the Inn," was told by Mrs. Raymond Luter of College Hill.

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Official Count: First Church 15, Fairview 11, College Hill 20, Harmony Grove 6, Few Memorial 1, Rondo 1, Doddridge 2.

The ladies of Fairview Church were given special recognition because of organizing an Auxiliary at Rondo, and were "Honor Guests." They were presented with two subscriptions to the "World Outlook."

Mrs. Jaunita Reynolds rendered a beautiful piano solo, "Bro. Sin Killer." This was greatly enjoyed.

Mrs. A. T. Walker of First Church told a beautiful Christmas story of China, "Margie's Christmas Light," after which an offering for "Electrical Refrigeration" for the missionaries of China was taken, and \$4.72 was received, plus \$2.78 received at a previous meeting, a total of \$7.50.

Miss Kate Cargile presented the United Charities call for clothing and discarded furniture.

Noon hour was spent around beautifully arranged tables where a bountiful lunch was served by the ladies of the College Hill Auxiliary.

The afternoon session was promptly called to order.

Mrs. H. D. Sadler gave an interesting talk on "Hatching Happiness."

Mrs. C. F. Burgess read the Christmas story from Matt. 2.

Mrs. D. F. McLauren of First Church, presented the "World Outlook," assisted by Mrs. W. A. Bengé.

Mrs. Raymond Watson read a playlet on "The Reference Book".

Solo—"Rock of Ages," Mrs. J. W. Rushing of Doddridge.

At the business session Mrs. W. F. Meissner was re-elected Chairman, and Mrs. G. C. Hayes re-elected Secretary.

The Zone voted to send a floral offering to Mr. W. L. Phillips, who is quite ill at a Texarkana hospital. Mr. Phillips is the husband of Mrs. W. L. Phillips, our former District Secretary.

Report on Courtesies was presented by Miss Ona Wilson.

The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Mrs. H. M. Harper.—Mrs. G. C. Hayes, Secretary.

SILOAM SPRINGS AUXILIARY

The Missionary Society met Friday in the spacious home of Mrs. John Edsell, for their last business and social meeting of the year, which was not only the largest of the year in attendance by members, but seemed to be a culmination of all programs of the year in spiritual force and devotional exhilaration.

Following a short business session, during which the chairman of the two circles were announced, Mrs. A. L. Cline and Mrs. J. B. Caldwell, Mrs. C. M. Sisco led the devotional in a program of praise and promise.

The program was opened by Mrs. Tom Whiteside playing "The Largo" from Xerxes. A solo, "A Glad Prayer," was sung by Mrs. Loyd Blake, following which Mrs. A. L. Cline led the group in a prayer of thanksgiving. The center of the program was a combination of Psalms read by Mesdames C. M. Sisco, C. G. Chandler, and R. E. Curtis, intermingled with music from the Methodist Hymnal, sung by a quartet composed of Mesdames Carpenter, Ben Garst, J. O. Geiser, and Loyd Blake. As a fitting conclusion to this part of the program, the group was led in a prayer of consecration by Mrs. C. T. Easterbrook.

The presentation of the year's reports from each officer was most

unique and inspiring. Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, representing the Great Recorder, received from each of the following their humble gifts, symbolic of their harvest garnered after a year's hard work in their respective fields: Pres., Mrs. J. O. Geiser; Sec., Mrs. R. E. Curtis; Treas., Mrs. J. B. Caldwell; Cor. Sec., Mrs. C. T. Easterbrook; Supt. of Study, Mrs. Holland King; Supt. of Publicity, Mrs. C. G. Chandler; Supt. of Supplies, Mrs. T. H. David; Supt. of Social Relations, Mrs. J. W. Jewell; Supt. of Local Work, Mrs. J. L. Smiley; Chairman of Circle No. 1, Mrs. C. T. Easterbrook; Chairman of Circle No. 2, Mrs. J. G. Perry; Chairman of Circle No. 3, Mrs. J. B. Caldwell; Chairman of the Susanna Wesley Circle, Edna Littrell.

After a delightful social hour, the hostess assisted by Mrs. A. E. Orr, served a most delectable salad course to the 50 members present.

ZONE MEETING AT SOUTH FORT SMITH

A Zone meeting for the churches in Fort Smith, Van Buren and South Fort Smith, was held Dec. 5, at South Fort Smith, Mrs. Lawrence Nance, Zone Leader, presiding.

Rev. S. B. Wilford, pastor of the Midland Heights Church, conducted the devotional.

Interesting reports of the year's work were given by each Auxiliary represented.

Mrs. Fred Stone, District Superintendent of Christian Social Relations, made an interesting talk on the work of that Committee.

Mrs. H. S. East, District Secretary, was with us and gave much helpful information.

A Zone meeting will be held each quarter. The next meeting will be an all-day meeting, the last Tuesday in March.

Rev. H. H. Griffin, presiding elder, dismissed the meeting with prayer.—Mrs. Lawrence Nance.

MAGNOLIA AUXILIARY

The Auxiliary at Magnolia has elected the following officers for the year: President, Mrs. T. P. Gantt; Vice-President, Mrs. T. H. Jones; Recording Secretary, Mrs. M. E. Peace; Cor. Secretary, Mrs. Gladney Jean; Gen. Treas., Mrs. J. M. Peace; Local Treas., Mrs. Walker Smith; Supt. of Study, Mrs. M. O. Alcorn; Supt. of Supplies, Mrs. Sage McLean; Supt. of Lit. and Pub., Mrs. J. A. Sage; Supt. of Christian Social Relations, Mrs. R. W. Parkinson.

A joint meeting of all four circles was held Monday, Dec. 2 in the social hall of the educational building. A very interesting program was rendered by members of all circles. The names for the circles were drawn at this time.

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WHY GO TO THE MEMPHIS CONFERENCE?

Why should our young people go to the Methodist Young People's Conference to be held at Memphis? What can they get out of it, and what can they put into it? Will it be worthwhile?

Below are three statements—each of them a composite of the statements of several people—giving the opinions of some of the young people, pastors, and parents concerned.

If you are a young person, read the reasons other young people are giving for wanting to go to Memphis. If you are a pastor or a parent, see whether others in your position think the conference is justified.

Why go to Memphis? Here's why!

Why I Want My Child To Go To Memphis

With eagerness I as a parent welcome the coming Memphis Conference, because it promises to be a rare religious sunburst to the young people of my home and others.

At the Memphis Conference my child will catch a glimpse of the possibilities of a world that takes Jesus in dead earnest, and a new conception of his part in building this world; he will find a new respect for the church as a sponsor of great things rather than an institution that clings to the past; he will receive a composite picture of the churches in our neighborhood.

What a privilege is promised in seeing and hearing the world's outstanding leaders, and of feeling the pulse throbs of their spiritual insight and devotion to the coming Kingdom of Christ!

My child will find Christians who recognize Christian ideals as the most important factor in solving problems of living today; he will have opportunity to hear the serious questions of other young people clearly, definitely stated and freely discussed under sympathetic, courageous adult guidance; he will have a chance to put his own questions and state his opinions before a group similarly concerned.

I steadfastly believe that there will be set free in this gathering a tremendous spiritual power, and a consciousness of it, that will give my child a new conception of God in this world and of his personal relationship to God.

Why I Want To Go To The Memphis Conference

(By a Young Person)

As a young person I am turning to the church for leadership in the world problems of today. I want the help of the church in puzzling out questions of war, race hatred, politics, and a Christian economic order. Many definite changes, I feel, are needed. The Memphis Conference will offer me sane and progressive guidance in working out my social creed.

At the Memphis Conference I will hear the great leaders of Christianity and reform. I want to hear Toyohiko Kagawa and Dr. Mordecai Johnson on race relationships, and Senator Nye on war. I want to hear facts and ideals straight from the leaders.

The opportunity to discuss problems with so many other young people will be a great privilege. I want the contact and fellowship with others of a like mind, the feeling that there are others with ideals like my own.

The Conference will, I believe, crystallize in my mind the needs of humanity, and give me a clearer un-

derstanding of what a young person can do to help.

I want to go to the Memphis Conference because it simply wouldn't be fair to myself to miss it!

Why I Want My Young People To Go To The Memphis Conference

(By a Pastor)

Ten years ago I attended the Methodist Young People's Convention which was held at Memphis. I shall never forget the inspiration which came from that gathering of several thousand young people, all of whom had similar purposes.

I believe the spirit of the youth of today is such that it will make possible a greater and more effective Conference. I should like my young people to go to the Memphis Conference for four major reasons:

1. I want them to attend because of the contribution they can make to the Conference. They can help make it a success numerically. This is a minor consideration, but in a world in which numerical strength looms very important they can help give an impact to Christian influence. They can help to mold the opinion of the Church and the youth of today into definitely Christian channels.

2. I want them to attend because of the contribution the Conference can make to them personally. They will be encouraged by discovering thousands of other young people who are eager to find Christian solutions to the problems of youth. They will come into contact with the Christian leaders of national and world prominence, who can give them the guidance they are seeking. They will come to a better understanding of other races and other nations. I am certain they will be challenged to think more clearly. They will receive a vision of service; their religion will be more dynamic and real.

3. I want them to attend because of the contribution the Conference can make to their church and community. I believe the Conference will mean more for equipping them for service in their church and community, both as young people and in later life, than a five-day period spent in any other way.

4. I want them to attend because of the contribution the Conference is certain to make nationally and internationally. Its deliberations will add strength to the Christian viewpoint in national and international affairs. I believe we can trust them to wield a definitely Christian influence. I want my young people to have a part in lending courage to the Christian forces.

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ONE CHURCH GETS ITS QUOTA

First Church, Conway, is moving towards increasing its quota (three) to the Memphis Young People's Conference. Thus far efforts have not been strenuous. Things have just evolved.

Young People's Council with the Counsellor early (September) convinced themselves that the Memphis Conference is in leadership one of the most remarkable ever arranged. They met and discussed the leaders, program, and minimum expenses. It is not hard to convince others if you are convinced. The steps they have used in convincing others and in securing their delegates are about as follows:

1. They planned two programs for their Departments on the Conference: one purely informational on leaders and finance; the second was in the form of dramatic conversations between young people at a tea.

2. They got each department (Young Peoples and Senior-Intermediate) to agree to raise \$10 on condition the Church would add \$10 from its budget.

3. They selected delegates of worth who would be willing to bear half of their expenses.

4. In connection with local college groups they arranged for special rates on transportation, lodging.

5. They had committees to solicit not less than 10 cents from each young person connected with the church.

6. They put a "tin cup" in the lobby of the church with appropriate poster to secure small contributions from interested adult church members.

7. They keep talking the Conference.

We now expect to send five instead of the original three, these in addition to the quota from the local colleges. Churches can still get delegates for the Memphis Conference if they act promptly.—Nat R. Griswold, Conf. Director of Y. P.

"THE BENEVOLENT DOLLAR"

The above title refers to a special sheet which has been distributed in many of the churches of the North Arkansas Conference. Other copies may be had from your Presiding Elder or the Conference Board of Christian Education, at the rate of twenty cents per hundred.

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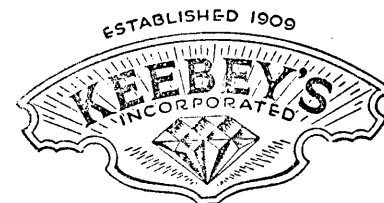
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PRESIDING ELDERS AND BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MAKE PLANS FOR CONFERENCE PROGRAM

The Presiding Elders and members of the Conference Board of Christian Education held a two-day Conference at Conway, November 13-14. We believe that the developments in the program of the Conference for this year will indicate that this meeting was a very valuable meeting. Many splendid suggestions as to program for the year were made during the discussions.

The following calendar was worked out in the meeting:

I.—Missionary Institutes:

Paragould District, Jan. 13; Jonesboro District, Jan. 14; Batesville District, Jan. 15; Searcy Dist., Jan. 16; Fayetteville District, Jan. 17; Fort Smith District, Jan. 20; Conway District, Jan. 21; Helena District, Jan. 22.

II.—District Training Schools:

Batesville District, at Batesville, Nov. 17-22; Searcy District, at Beebe, Nov. 17-22; Paragould District, at Walnut Ridge, Nov. 17-22; Jonesboro District, at Jonesboro, Jan. 26-31; Fort Smith District, at Fort Smith, March 1-6; Fayetteville District, at Fayetteville, March 8-13; Announcements about Conway and Helena Districts will be made later..

III.—Training Weeks:

Batesville District, Feb. 2-14; Conway District, Feb. 23-28; Fayetteville District, Feb. 16-21; Fort Smith District, to be announced; Helena District, Feb. 16-28; Jonesboro District, Feb. 23-28; Paragould District, Mar. 1-6; Searcy District, Feb. 2-14.

IV.—Hendrix College Week, Feb. 9-16.

V.—Young People's Day (no offering for Conf. Work) March 1.

VI.—Church School Day (Program and Offering), March 29.

VII.—Easter Sunday, April 12.

VIII.—Alcohol Week, April 26-May 3.

IX.—District Conferences:

Fayetteville District, April 28-29; Conway District, April 29-30; Batesville District, April 30-May 1; Helena District, May 5-6; Searcy District, May 5-7; Paragould District, May 12-13; Jonesboro District, May 13-14; Fort Smith District, May 14-15.

X.—Vacation School Period, May 15-July 15.

XI.—Pastors' School, June 16-26.

XII.—Children's Worker's Conference, June 23-25.

XIII.—Young People's Assemblies: Conference-wide Meeting, Conway, June 1-6; Mountain Assembly at Sylamore in August.

XIV.—Christian Adventure Camps: Camp Oquoyah for boys, June 8-17; for girls, June 17-26; Camp Sylamore for boys, August 3-6; for girls, August 9-12.

XV.—Christian Adventure Assemblies: Conway, June 29-July 2; Jonesboro, August 16-19.

XVI.—Leadership School, July 14-28.

XVII.—Young People's Conference, July 29-August 8.

XVIII.—Bible Conferences in Sept.

XIX.—Four Area Conferences on Adult Work, date to be selected.

XX.—Childhood and Youth Week, third week in October.

Much time will be given to local church Institutes and local training classes. Many Institutes and training classes have already been planned.

Plans for Epworth Training Conferences will be made later as instructors are approved.

Note: Keep this announcement on file so that you may have this calendar ready for use.—Ira A. Brumley, Exec. Sec.

DISTRICT TRAINING SCHOOLS

Batesville, Paragould, and Searcy Districts held their District Training Schools and Pastors' Conferences during the week of November 17-22. These programs proved very effective and gave promise of an enlarged program of Christian Education in each District.

The Presiding Elders: Rev. C. W. Lester of Batesville District, Rev. E. B. Williams of the Paragould District, Rev. E. H. Hook of the Searcy District, conducted conferences with the pastors of their respective Districts. These pastors' conferences are proving most worthwhile.

The General Board of Christian Education provided one instructor for each of these schools: Miss Elizabeth Brown for Batesville School, Mr. B. M. McKeown for Walnut Ridge School, and Rev. A. J. Walton for the Beebe School. These instructors not only taught in the Training Schools but conducted Institutes in the three Districts.

Other instructors in the schools were Rev. Earle Cravens and Dr. O. E. Goddard of Batesville, the Extension Secretary, and the Executive Secretary.

These schools were made possible by the local churches of Batesville, Walnut Ridge, Hoxie, and Beebe. Entertainment was furnished by these churches making it possible for the pastors of the Districts to attend.—Ira A. Brumley, Exec. Sec.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION INSTITUTE

The Christian Education Institute for Monticello District was held on Dec. 6, at Monticello. Rev. J. L. Hoover, our lovable and efficient Presiding Elder, conducted the devotional and presided. A roll call revealed that there were only two absentees and these due to illness.

Bro. Hoover read the District Objectives as set up by the District Staff and made some pointed comments about these objectives.

Miss Fay McRae, Conference Director of Children's Work, spoke in her usual effective manner about the work with the children, pointing out the importance of our making full use of the literature available for workers with children.

Rev. Arthur Terry, Conference Director of Young People's Work, spoke inspiring about the potentialities of the Young People's Division if it were really used to its fullest.

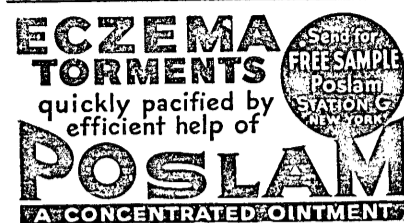
Rev. T. T. McNeal, our District Director of Y. P. Work, in his fine way further emphasized the importance of the program. Dr. J. M. Williams, Extension Professor of Hendrix College, brought an inspiring message about the College and suggested that every Methodist should spend as much in the education of young preachers, as they do in the education and making of actors, during the coming year.

Our Conference Executive Secretary, Rev. Clem Baker, in his own inimitable way summed up all that

had been said by the other speakers. Rev. Leland Clegg, Chairman of our Conference Board of Education, brought the closing message, and made some pointed remarks about training work for our future preacher supply under existing laws of our Church regarding educational requirements.

Bro. Hoover presented the District Objectives for action and a motion carried that we adopt these objec-

tives as outlined by the District Staff. Dr. James Thomas, who was with us and represented the Christ-



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mas Offering for our Methodist Home, pronounced the benediction.

Bro. Hamilton announced that the ladies of Monticello Church had prepared a luncheon and all went to the dining-room and were fed a sumptuous plate lunch.—C. R. Roy, Dist. Sec.

BUSY WEEK FOR LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE STAFF OF BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Members of the staff of the Board of Christian Education had one of the busiest periods of our lives last week. Monday morning we were in the Christian Education Institute for Texarkana District. This was such a fine meeting that it started the week off in a splendid way. No man knows better how to run a meeting than Presiding Elder Harold Sadler. It was well attended and the spirit was fine. This District promised to have the very best year of the four under the leadership of this wide-awake Elder.

Monday night we met with Dr. Hammons and other members of the staff for the Little Rock District and outlined a program for this District for the year. Tuesday morning a great crowd from over the District gathered at First Church for the Christian Education Institute. Little Rock District has set high goals for the year with every promise of reaching every goal set. Dr. Hammons is showing remarkable ability as a District leader. Tuesday afternoon the pastors serving rural churches in Little Rock District met for a two-days' conference, closing Wednesday afternoon. These Conferences are proving to be exceedingly interesting and helpful to all participating in them. Pastors serving rural churches in Little Rock Conference are wide-awake and determined to make this one of the greatest years in our history in the development of rural churches.

Wednesday night we met with Rev. J. E. Cooper and the Pine Bluff District staff at Hawley Memorial and helped this staff outline the program for the District. Thursday morning, the Christian Education Institute for this District was held at Lakeside. This was the best attended meeting of the week, and, inspired by the great attendance, all speakers on the program reached the high mark of the week in their addresses.

Thursday night we met with Rev. J. L. Hoover and his staff at Monticello to outline the program for the Monticello District. Friday morning the Education Institute was held at Monticello with splendid attendance and unusually fine interest. Under the leadership of Presiding Elder Hoover this District made a great record last year and promises an even greater record for 1936. Those representing the Conference staff, making the round of these meetings and sharing in the program at each place were: Rev. Leland Clegg, Dr. J. M. Williams, Miss Fay McRae, Rev. Arthur Terry, and Clem Baker. Representing the District staff and speaking on the program in addition to the Presiding Elders were: Rev. Edward Harris, Mr. C. K. Wilkerson, Mrs. C. B. Nelson, and Rev. T. T. McNeal. Five of our seven Districts have now held their staff meetings and Education Institutes. Similar meetings for the two remaining Districts will be held this week.—Clem Baker.

SOME NEW DISTRICT OFFICERS

The Board of Christian Education of the Little Rock Conference has, as one of its points of major emphasis this year, the development of competent District officers. A large number of officers for the new year

have been retained from last year's organization. A few places in some Districts have not yet been filled. We feel ourselves very fortunate that we have been able to secure the services of six outstanding new leaders for District work during the past week. These newly elected officers are:

Mrs. C. B. Nelson, Director of Children's Work for Little Rock District; Mrs. W. F. Bates, Director of Young People's Work for Little Rock District; Miss Darden Moose, Director of the College Division for Little Rock District; Mrs. J. B. Hefley, Director for Children's Work for Pine Bluff District; Mrs. Luther Moffett, Director for Children's Work for Monticello District; Mrs. Arch Prewitt, Director for Adult Work for Monticello District.

We are proud of our District officers and are counting on their making a valuable contribution to the work of the Kingdom in their several Districts. On behalf of our Conference Board, we urge all preachers and laymen to use these District Directors.—Clem Baker.

DATES FOR RURAL CHURCH CONFERENCES SET FOR TWO DISTRICTS

Rev. J. E. Cooper announces that the Conference for pastors serving rural churches in the Pine Bluff District will be held at Good Faith Church near Pine Bluff, opening at 10:00 o'clock Thursday morning, December 19, and closing Friday afternoon, December 20.

Rev. J. L. Hoover announces that a similar Conference for pastors serving rural churches in the Monticello District will open at Tillar at 10:00 o'clock, Tuesday morning, Jan. 7, and close Wednesday afternoon, January 8. It is expected that all pastors having at least one rural church on their charges will attend these conferences. The dates for similar meetings in other Districts will be announced soon.—Clem Baker.

DATES SET FOR COLLEGE WEEK OBSERVANCE

The joint committee appointed by the two Conferences in Arkansas to arrange for the observance of College Week for the new Conference year met recently at Hendrix College and set the week closing Sunday, February 16, as the date for the annual observance of Hendrix College Week in all the Methodist Churches in Arkansas. Within a short time publicity material including suggestions for the observance of this week will be mailed to all pastors. The offerings taken on the closing Sunday this year will be directed to assisting young ministers attending Hendrix College. Each Conference has set \$2,500 as the goal for this purpose. In our recent round of Institutes, we found a hearty response to this worthy enterprise and we are encouraged to believe that our goal will be reached.—Clem Baker.

IMPORTANT MEETING TO BE HELD IN LITTLE ROCK, TUESDAY, DEC. 17

One of the most important meetings of the new year will be held at First Church, Little Rock, beginning at 11:00 o'clock Tuesday morning, December 17. Many vital matters relating to all phases of the program for the two Conferences in Arkansas for the new year will be considered. Among other vital interests under discussion will be an advance program for Hendrix College, the Centennial Celebration, and the Pastors' School. Those expected to be present at this meeting are: The 15 Presiding Elders of the

State, all members of the Executive Committee of the Board of Christian Education for both the Little Rock and North Arkansas Conferences, and the members of the Board of Managers of the Pastors' School. The Board of Managers of the Pastors' School will hold its meeting at First Church, at 10:00 o'clock, preceding the joint meeting at 11:00 o'clock.—Clem Baker.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE

At every place we have been for two weeks we find growing interest in the Young People's Conference to be held at Memphis during the holidays. Indications are at present that Little Rock Conference will exceed her original number of delegates, but since all limitations for it are off, we

are expecting our people to keep on sending in registrations right up until the opening day. A recent announcement from Mr. Towner states that all young people sending in registrations will be given credentials as regular delegates and that adults over and above our quota of adult delegates, upon the payment of the regular fee, will be registered as auditors and entitled to all the privileges of registered delegates. We are authorized to announce that a book containing all the speeches and proceedings of the Conference will be mailed free of charge after the Conference to all registered delegates and auditors. This book itself should be worth half the price of the registration fee. The Little Rock, Pine Bluff, and Monticello Districts,



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with Mrs. C. B. Nelson, Miss Marye Thornton, and Rev. T. T. McNeal, as District Leaders, have already gone beyond their original quotas of registered delegates.—Clem Baker.

GREAT DEMAND FOR ARKANSAS METHODIST CENTENNIAL HISTORY

At least 1,000 copies of the Arkansas Methodist History, by Dr. Jas. A. Anderson, have been delivered to the District directors with new orders coming in practically every mail. This book has met with unanimous approval by all who have seen it. It has been my privilege to read the History of Methodism in several States, but I have never seen a more attractive History of Methodism in any State than is our own Arkansas History. Only two thousand copies were printed in the first edition and we have been notified by the author that the price for the second edition will be raised from \$3.00 to \$3.50. We suggest that all who want copies of this History should see the District Director or send the order in direct to the Secretary of the Commission, Rev. Clem Baker, 723 Center Street, Little Rock. Individual orders sent to me should be accompanied with check or money order for \$3.00 which is the price of the book.—Clem Baker.

VALLEY SPRINGS TRAINING SCHOOL

The last session of the North Arkansas Conference authorized the Board of Trustees of Valley Springs Training School to launch a campaign to pay the debts on the property. The debts are approximately \$5,000.

The Board met in Batesville, Nov. 29. After prayer and deliberation the Board decided to launch the campaign, Jan. 1, and close Feb. 28. A citizen of Batesville, not a member of the Methodist Church, has agreed to pay \$500 provided we raise the whole amount by Feb. 28.

Space would not permit a recital of the sacrificial and effective work being done by Mr. Russell and his helpers. So far as I know there is not a better piece of missionary work being done in our church, at home or abroad. A large number of grown young people who could not go to any other high school, have been admitted to this school and are now making good in life. Quite a number of them are now members of the North Arkansas Conference. Valley Springs furnishes our largest hope for ministerial students for Hendrix.

The Board has asked each District to take a quota on the debt. The Districts nearest Valley Springs are asked for larger amounts than those more remote. The seemingly large amount asked of Batesville District grows out of the fact that this good man referred to above will pay \$500, the Church School of First Church, Batesville, will pay \$500, two men at the Conference from Batesville gave, one \$10 and one \$25. This leaves the Batesville District \$500 as the other Districts have that are nearby.

It will be seen that we are giving the presiding elders the month of December to secure Conference Benevolences in cash or subscription before this campaign opens. May I once more remind all that the \$500 from a non-Methodist in Batesville cannot be secured unless the entire amount is paid by the last day of February. The Board asks the Presiding Elders to secure the following amounts: Batesville District, \$1,535; Searcy District, \$500; Fayetteville District, \$500; Ft. Smith District, \$500; Jonesboro District, \$500; Conway District, \$500; Helena District,

CHURCH NEWS

DR. IRA LANDRITH

That master of the speaking art, Dr. Ira Landrith, gave us four weeks in Arkansas in our local option campaign, speaking fifty-three times in nineteen counties. He addressed the students of twenty high schools, numbering not less than ten thousand. The campaign as a whole was a success.

It is probable that we will have Dr. Landrith return and complete the campaign in the early part of next year. He should speak in every county in the State.—John H. Glass, Supt., Anti-Saloon League of Arkansas.

GROUP INSURANCE

Brethren, we voted to continue our group insurance. Our premiums were due Nov. 26, yet only 37 out of a total of 138 members have made any payment at all on the new year. Please send your payment at once. The rate is \$2.00 per month per \$1,000. Younger men who are crowding up into places vacated by those going out, should join the group and make it possible to continue this protection. Don't you think so?

Send me full name, date of birth, and name of beneficiary, i. e., wife, child, parents, or Estate. I take these figures from Conference Minutes by way of comparison: Fire insurance premiums paid, \$13,038; loss collected, \$1,876. Group Insurance Secretary's report: Paid Equitable Life Insurance Co. Premiums, \$3,426.90; death claims (4), \$7,000; disability, \$1,260.

"This ye ought to have done and not to have left the other undone."—L. E. Mann, Ins. Sec., Cabot, Ark.

"ON TO WASHINGTON"

The State Superintendent of the Arkansas Anti-Saloon League attended the National Anti-Saloon League Convention held in St. Louis Missouri, December 1, 2, 3, 4. He arrived in time to attend the sessions of Tuesday and Wednesday. Dr. A. C. Millar, Rev. W. R. Jordan, Rev. John Hoover, Rev. S. M. Yancey, Rev. John L. Tucker, and Rev. J. W. Moore, were representatives from Arkansas.

A spirit of optimism prevailed throughout the Convention. The States are actively engaged in taking advantage of local option where possible, but this only as a means to an end. The slogan was, "On to Washington," which means that the goal is a dry nation. Dr. F. Scott McBride, General Superintendent, thinks this may be realized sooner than many of us expect.

It is our purpose to push the campaign in Arkansas and keep our State in line.—John H. Glass, Supt., Anti-Saloon League of Arkansas.

ARKANSAS METHODIST ORPHANAGE

"And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary, His mother, and fell down and worshipped Him; and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto Him gifts; gold, frankincense and myrrh."

During the last few years, we have received from North Arkansas Conference 66 children and from the Little Rock Conference 68, but this, as I have stated on the platform, does not represent all that we do for children.

I am proud of Arkansas and I love \$250; Paragould District, \$150.—O. E. Goddard.

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Mr. F. M. Daniel, a leading layman of Mammoth Spring, says: "A \$20 bill could not tempt me to part with my copy if I could not get another!"

The price was fixed by the History Commission at \$3.50; but to get quick returns it was decided to make it \$3.00 for advance subscriptions. Soon the price will be \$3.50, which is a low price for such a book. Order now and make sure of having this splendid book. It will make an appreciated Christmas present. Send orders to Centennial Methodist History Co., Jonesboro, Ark., with remittance at the rate of \$3.00 a volume.

Methodism as devotedly as I love my life, and of all the agencies (and I am and have been connected with many) none appeals to me as being more Christ-like than the Home for Motherless and Fatherless Children.

I appeal in this to every man, woman, and child, who may have it presented to them by our pastors, to make a liberal contribution this Christmas to this great work.

I am getting letters from many churches throughout the State, that are preparing to put the Christmas Offering on with more vigor than has characterized them heretofore, and I think that every church will do its part if it has an opportunity.

I want to beg the brethren on the occasion of our Christmas Offering for the Orphanage to pray for our children and for those who are trying to lead them, and I certainly wish for everyone connected with our Church and all friends a Merry Christmas.—James Thomas, Executive Secretary.

IMPROVEMENTS AT THE ORPHANAGE

At our Missionary District Conference in October, I stated to the ladies present that in addition to their love and many other ways of helping, I felt as if we could do something for the rooms upstairs not already "done over." Something with varnish, paint, enamel, rugs, spreads and curtains to put new life and cheer for our girls and boys. I read

to them a short letter from one of our little boys who was writing back home to his aunt. He was so delighted because he was in one of the "done over rooms." Well, this inspired the ladies and the response has been most gratifying, and we are really happy in our new and "done over rooms." I believe all who have helped are as happy as we are.

We had the following responses: Mrs. George Thornburgh, girl's room; Highland Woman's Missionary Society, girl's room; Highland Young Matron's Class, enameled beds in the dormitory; Capitol View Woman's Missionary Society, enameled furniture in hospital; Hunter Church, boy's room; Pulaski Heights, girl's room and linoleum on girls' bath room; Gardner Memorial, girl's room; Virginia Howell Bible Class Asbury, linoleum for hospital bath room, and they have a room also; Intermediate League Pulaski Heights, boy's room; Hickory Plains Circuit and Viola, girl's room; Mt. Carmel, Salem, New Hope, boy's room. This leaves our boys' bath and girls' living room, and I am sure some class or circle will be happy in having one of these rooms to do over.

Correction: Last week's paper—\$50.00 where it should have been fifty cents, for the Antioch contribution.

The children and all co-workers join me in thanking you for this labor of love.—Mrs. S. J. Steed.

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WHY NOT A CHRISTMAS GIFT TO THE SUPERANNUATES?

In conversation with a layman the other day, something was said about Dr. Anderson's History of Arkansas Methodism. The layman said, "I want five copies to send to old preachers and I want you to pick them out." Of course, he will get the histories, but that gave me an idea.

I am sure there are a lot of laymen in our state that would like to do something beautiful for these old preachers and these widows of preachers, and now is the best time that they may find to do it. Of course this history will be valuable to all our people, but no other person will enjoy it quite so much and read it with quite so much eagerness as the old preacher or the widow of a preacher. The main body of the printing is in large type and clear. The picture of every bishop is in there, and the picture of every deceased preacher where a picture could possibly be secured, and I can imagine how these older people will read and remember and live over again the scenes and experiences that made them so happy.

I have heard of another man who bought six copies to be distributed to these claimants. Who will be the next to write Bro. Clem Baker, or Dr. Anderson, or some District Director in charge of the sale of these books, to send one to some old preacher or some preacher's widow? Let's make them happy.—H. Lynn Wade, Chairman, Centennial History Corporation.

WHAT ABOUT QUESTION FIVE?

"What amount does this charge agree to raise during the current Conference year for Superannuate Endowment?"

At the first Quarterly Conference every Presiding Elder will be asking this question. Most of the charges have agreed to pay a certain amount. Some charges have paid in full, but this question is asked of all alike, and I am sure none of our Presiding Elders or Quarterly Conferences will overlook this matter this year. Of course, every charge ought to undertake to raise its Conference Claims, Christmas and that in full; but some time during the year surely we will all be undertaking to answer this question, Number Five. Our Annual Conference, by resolution, answered it in this way: "That a free-will offering be taken at one of the regular Sunday services to apply on this fund and that each presiding elder make this an item of special consideration at the District Conference."—H. Lynn Wade.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT BROTHERHOOD MEETING

At a Brotherhood meeting, Bro. Hoover called attention to several items for immediate attention, including the Orphanage Christmas Offering, our District Work Assessment, and the urgency of making early payments on our Benevolences. January was set as a deadline for our District Work and Rev. L. C. Gatlin gave a check for the assessment for New Edinburg Circuit, thereby being the first to pay District work in full for the new Conference year. The Rural Church Conference meets in Tillar on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 6 and 7, beginning at 10:00 a. m.

Bro. M. K. Irvin, being absent on account of ill health, the secretary was instructed to write him a letter expressing the concern of the brethren for his well being. At 2:30 p. m. we adjourned until called by the Elder, or until January 16, when

we have our District Missionary Institute which will be held in the Dermott Church, and a brief Brotherhood meeting will follow the Institute as we did after the Educational Institute on Dec. 6th.—C. R. Roy, District Secretary.

THE CENTENNIAL HISTORY OF ARKANSAS METHODISM

It has been with no common interest that I have awaited the advent of "The Centennial History of Arkansas Methodism," by Dr. Jas. A. Anderson. First, because I am a Methodist of Arkansas, but more, perhaps, because I wrote a history and know what it means to produce such a book. I am happy to say that this History meets my anxious expectations in a very full measure. Not everybody appreciates a book. I have seen parents allow children to deface or destroy books. A book is a part of somebody, their brain, their brawn, time, means, thought, and anxiety.

This book deserves appreciation because of its neat, substantial binding, its attractive title page, its clear print, its array of pictures and the subject matter so carefully gleaned and conveniently arranged.

The small picture of the old Methodist Church in Warren found in "Builders: Of A Kingdom" cost me months of search and writing, and many others old and new were difficult to obtain. Begging for reports, human interest stories, and the protection of the manuscript caused many anxious moments. These and many other reasons make the "Centennial History of Arkansas Methodism" and other histories valuable contributions to our Methodist literature and church history.

These words of commendation from me may not be needed as every Methodist family may seize the book and read it with avidity, as I did, but I could but say these words in appreciation of the work it cost Dr. Anderson to produce such a history as we now have.

The book came to me in a way to make it dearer than binding, print, paper and pictures could ever do, and my congratulations and appreciation go to the History Commission for this splendid piece of work.

Methodists should possess and read their histories. I commend "The Centennial History of Arkansas Methodism."—Mrs. F. M. Williams, Hot Springs.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT BROTHERHOOD

On December 3 the second meeting of the Little Rock District Brotherhood was held at First Methodist Church with a splendid attendance. The devotional service, conducted by Dr. J. D. Hammons, in his usual fine way, stirred the preachers with a sincere appeal to go forward to the attainment of certain high goals set for this great District.

The program of religious education, emphasizing the goals for the ensuing year, suggested by the District Staff in conjunction with the Conference Staff, was read and adopted unanimously.

Miss Fay McRae spoke in her interesting manner about the outline to be followed in the work of the Children's Division and urged that adequate literature be used, and that the number of vacation schools be doubled in the District.

Rev. Arthur Terry, representing the Young People's Division, gave special emphasis, in his heartening message, to the Christian Adventure Assembly to be held in the summer. Mrs. C. B. Nelson, who is also connected with this work, was introduced.

Mr. C. K. Wilkerson spoke earn-

estly of the work of the Adult Division of our church, pointing out the need of sincere co-operation on the part of the adult membership of the church, which can only be brought about by arousing the divine element in man's nature.

Bro. Baker, Conference Director of Religious Education, made a splendid talk, enumerating the achievements of the Board during the past year, urging that we go forward with renewed zeal to greater accomplishments for 1936.

Dr. J. M. Williams, representing Hendrix College, made a timely challenge in his address, to a deeper religious home life for all our Methodists. He stressed a new need of church loyalty which would bring our people to a whole-hearted support of our Church School.

Last of all, Bro. Leland Clegg, President of the Conference Board of Christian Education, brought an impressive message on the general work of the Board, showing the economy practiced during the past year, which will characterize the work of the new year. He also showed that the responsibility of the educational program must be felt very keenly by all pastors if the greatest success is to be realized from the new program.

Dr. Hammons concluded the meeting by emphasizing our relationship to God and the source of our authority as workers in the kingdom of our Lord.

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. F. F. Harrell of Des Arc.—W. L. Arnold, Sec.

CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT AT VANTREASE

Our family of churches, Vantrease, Bethel, and Wesley, met in a union service Wednesday evening, December 4, at Vantrease Memorial. Both Bethel and Wesley were well represented. Mr. Alston, chairman of our Vantrease Board and Charge Lay Leader, led the devotional program. Bethel had charge of the music. We

had a great worship service. A large number of testimonies were given. After the worship service the congregation was directed to the social room of the church where the parsonage family was presented with a "pounding." A table well loaded with good things to eat was revealed, and its burden was presented to the pastor and his wife with an appropriate speech by Brother Alston. We appreciate very much the fine Christian spirit that prevails in our church family. We appreciate especially the spirit behind the pounding. We are confident of another fine year at Vantrease.—D. T. Rowe, P. C.

PASTOR AND ELDER PRESENTED WITH TURKEY

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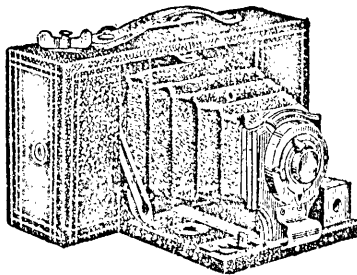
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E. Clifton Rule, and to the pastor, Rev. D. T. Rowe, a turkey each for Thanksgiving. Vantrease laymen greatly appreciate their presiding elder. He is a real brother and helper.—Reporter.

CHANGES IN CONWAY DISTRICT

Rev. J. G. Ditterline, who was appointed to Plainview Charge in the Conway District, has given up his work, surrendering his credentials, and Bishop Moore has appointed Rev. Carence Weinand, who was on the Waltreak Circuit, to take Bro. Frank's place on the Naylor Circuit.

Also he has approved of a change placing Gravelly Circuit in the Conway District, taking it from the Ft. Smith District.

The Waltreak work will be supplied.—William Sherman, P. E.

RURAL PREACHERS' INSTITUTE FOR LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT

After the session of the Little Rock Annual Conference, when Rev. Clem Baker had been appointed to take over the Extension Program of the Conference, in addition to his work as Executive Secretary, he and I called in some of the other Presiding Elders and worked out a two days' Conference Program for our Rural Pastors. As Presiding Elder of the Little Rock District, I called a meeting of the rural pastors of the District, December 3, and we spent two days in working out our program for the year.

We spent one afternoon in discussing the Financial and Christian Education Programs. All pastors did not adopt the same financial program, but all agreed to project a definite program for the year. Some will adopt the "God's Acre" plan while others will adopt a Unified Budget, paying weekly through the Church School. They agreed on 18 Cokesbury Training Schools for the District to be held the first two weeks in February.

One evening was spent in discussing Evangelism, Extension and Church Loyalty. The rural pastors agreed to hold pre-Easter services in at least one church and to emphasize Evangelism in all their Church Schools. Many of them plan to hold circuit-wide revivals, winding up their revival program in two to four weeks. Each pastor agreed to make a circuit-wide survey of all the homes within the bounds of his circuit and adjacent territory, making a map of same on which he will locate the homes of all members and prospective members.

They agreed to use this Centennial Year of Arkansas Methodism for the deepening of the loyalty of our Methodist people.

One morning was given to the discussion of Mission and Community Agencies. Mrs. W. O. Clark, Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society, spoke concerning the organization of Missionary Societies in all their charges, using every church as a circle center. All pastors agreed to try to raise their Benevolences by March 1.

We had the Home Demonstration and Farm Demonstration Agents of Pulaski County to represent their work and point out how our rural pastors can cooperate in the program of improving the home life of our rural people. They emphasized the fact that physical improvement is not enough. To their program, needs to be added, the spiritual program.

One afternoon was given to the writing out of the program for the year's work by each pastor and the

reviewing of that program by the whole group. These programs are to be worked out more thoroughly and presented at the Brotherhood meeting in February. The Presiding Elder is offering a reward for the best program presented. The Conference Board of Christian Education, through Brother Baker, is offering a reward for the best Conference program presented and most perfectly worked through the year.

We closed our two days' session with a feeling on the part of the Presiding Elder, the Executive Secretary, and the Pastors that our stay together had been worth while.—J. D. Hammons, P. E.

PEA RIDGE-BRIGHTWATER

Pea Ridge-Brightwater Charge has enjoyed during the past twelve months the most successful church year in its history. This has been accomplished under the able and faithful leadership of its pastor, Rev. Jas. L. Shelby.

A new parsonage had been needed at Pea Ridge for the past twenty-five years, but it was not until the coming of Brother Shelby that anything was done about it. The old structure has been completely rebuilt into a comfortable, pleasing house; and, what is most important, the job has been paid for and dedicated.

A new cobblestone church is being erected at Avoca to take care of that congregation which has no house of worship of its own. The job is progressing slowly but steadily; and everything is being paid for as built.

Brother Shelby has succeeded in organizing the young people into efficient, faithful Epworth Leagues, and inspired the highest and most regular attendance ever known in this work. This is also true of all church services. Attendance is good and the congregation is growing.

Everything for the past year has been paid in full, salaries having been doubled over the previous year.

Our pastor has taken an active part in all civic and community activities, and made himself popular with all the people throughout this

section. The congregation is happy that he is going to be on the charge another year, and feels very grateful to the Bishop for his return.

The new church year is being well started, and everybody is looking forward to an even more successful year to come.

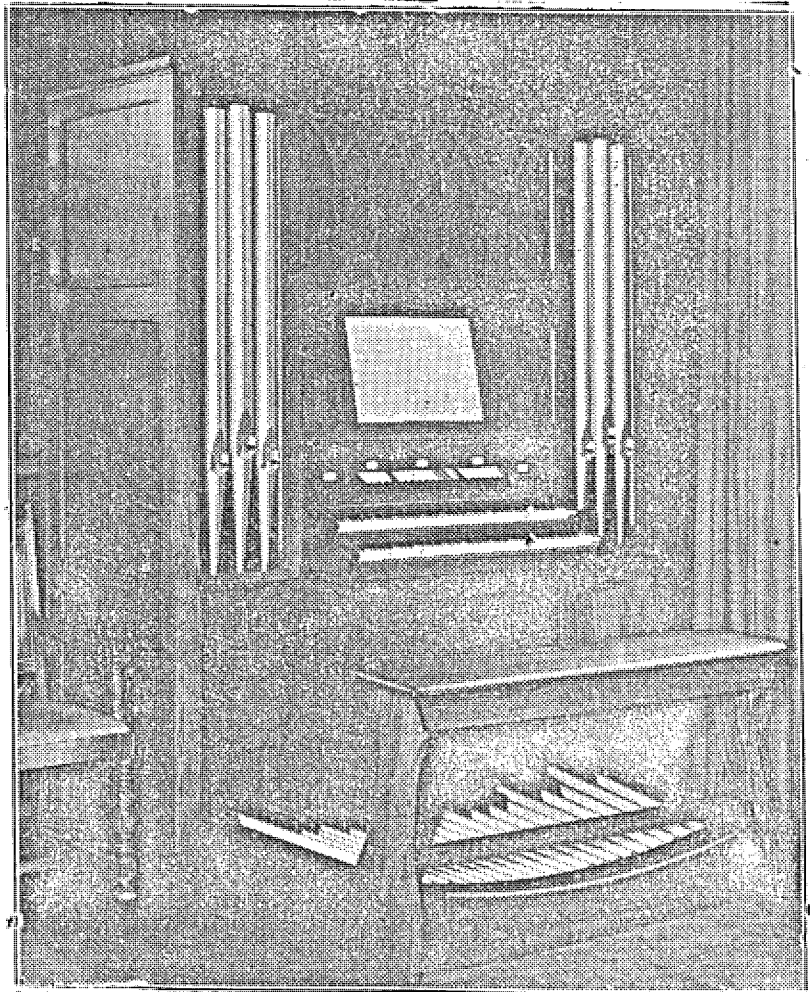
FIRST CHURCH, SHREVEPORT

The report made by First Church to the Annual Conference is one of which every member of our Church may feel justly proud. The following items are gleaned from the report of the pastor, Rev. Dana Dawson.

(a) Every financial obligation of the Church paid in full for the Conference year. (b) The two Missionary Societies raised for all purposes \$7,850. (c) There were 326 new members received into the membership of the Church during the year—151 of these on profession of Faith. One hundred eighty-eight members were removed by death, certificate and otherwise. We are reporting to the Annual Conference a total mem-

bership, including local preachers, of 3,832. (d) During the year 64 babies have been dedicated to the Lord in the beautiful rite of Baptism. In addition to this 62 young people and adults have been Baptized. (e) Our property valuation, including the church, parsonage, furnishings, equipment and the lot adjacent to the church is \$280,000. The indebtedness on our property is \$21,500. (f) We have 12 subscribers to the General Organ and 154 subscribers to the New Orleans Christian Advocate. (g) Our Church School received 123 training credits during the year. (h) We raised \$4,245 for our Methodist Orphanage at Ruston, \$800 for Centenary College and paid \$5,000 on the Benevolences. Through the generosity of one of our members we have built a Church during the year for the Indians in Terrebonne Parish. (i) The organizations and departments of the Church have raised for all purposes during the year the sum of \$47,834. (j) A Young People's Department has been organized in our Church School, and

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the Epworth Leagues have been re-organized into Evening Meetings of the Intermediate, Senior and Young Peoples' Departments with marked success. (k) The greatest work done by First Church during the year cannot be put on paper or reported to the Annual Conference. Hundreds of bouquets have been sent, hundreds of visits have been made and hundreds of comforting words have been spoken to the bereaved and perplexed. The greatest work done by our Church this year is too tender to be tabulated and too beautiful to be written down on paper. We thank God and take courage!—Bulletin.

THE FORGOTTEN WOMAN

I have seen much written, and heard more said about "The Forgotten Man," but I do not remember ever seeing a line in print, or ever hearing a word about "The Forgotten Woman." Why?

I have the amount for Benevolences. Did not get it from the Journal. If the total is in the Journal, I failed to find it. Here are the figures, \$61,188.61, I see for these forgotten old heroines. The highest figure was \$105 for a number of them.

What I want to know (and I think the church is entitled to the information), is where did all this vast sum of money go? Who, or what got the lion's share? I am not a meddler in other men's matters. I am one of the brotherhood and sisterhood of our Conference and Church. Who will give the information?—Jas. F. Jernigan.

VANNDAL-CHERRY VALLEY

We are about to get lined up on our new charge and feel that we are going to have a happy and successful year. The people have received us in a most cordial way. Both Vann Dale and Cherry Valley have given us splendid "poundings," besides many other deeds of kindness which they have done.

On the evening of Nov. 19 we had a "pot-luck" supper at the parsonage with all the officials of Vann Dale Church and Church School. After supper we sat down together and planned our program of work for the year. The following evening we had a similar meeting with our group from Cherry Valley. The people seem anxious to be loyal to the church and its work.

We will have to work hard to take the place of Brother and Mrs. Williams, but we are glad to have the privilege of following a good man. —C. H. Harvison, P. C.

PROBLEMS OF THE COUNTRY PREACHER

In all propriety I use the term "country preacher," dealing with country people, and country problems.

I am delighted to learn that our great church is undertaking the task of putting before us country preachers, as well as our people, a program that will help solve at least some of our perplexing problems. And I believe that I am speaking the sentiment of all my country "Buddies," when I say "we" country preachers need training, and I think we are all in a receptive mood.

It is an evident fact that the country charges as committed to us country preachers are not making progress. Along many lines we are losing, not gaining. To say the least, this is not encouraging. We certainly need to be led out of the wilderness.

There are many things that I have in my mind and on my heart, but I

shall burden readers of the ARKANSAS METHODIST with only two or three questions. If the editor permits this article to go into the paper, I will risk one or two more questions at some convenient time.

I have just looked through the journals of our last Conference, noting carefully the Arkadelphia District. We have in this District eleven charges that are classed as Circuits consisting of three or more Societies.

I get from the journals that we have 352 families (Methodist). Having the figures on ten of the Circuits giving 322 Methodist families, and making a conservative guess of 30 families for the charge that failed to report the number, we must be nearly correct. These eleven Circuits report 3131 members necessary to be looked after.

The total of salaries paid the pastors on these eleven Circuits was \$4,331. The lowest salary paid in this group is \$51 and the highest is \$823. Now, if all were paid on an equal basis, it would mean, in round numbers, \$393 per charge. Making a conservative estimate from a correct record that I keep of all my traveling expenses there must have been 4,400 gallons of gas consumed at a cost of \$902; and 88 gallons of motor oil at a cost of \$22, making a total cost for gas and oil of \$924.

Then for the upkeep and wear of the car we may safely add \$330, making a total of \$1,254 for the Conference year 1935. Taking this amount from the total paid on pastors' salaries we have \$3,077 left to feed and clothe, pay doctors and drug bills, and make our contributions to charity calls and pay our part on the general expenses of the whole Church.

This seems to be the condition of the country preachers in the Arkadelphia District, and the district is by no means the lowest on the list.

Now my question. Viewing these conditions from a business standpoint, can we make any progress under existing conditions? My experience teaches me that people need regular attention. Just preaching once or twice a month is not enough. It doubtless may be so far as preaching sermons; but folks need something besides the sermon on Sunday. It is a fact that we are losing and not gaining.

Will someone with a heart full of religion and a head full of sense, and a real vision, come to the rescue of country preachers and tell us and teach us how to do the job? I mean a real specialist on country problems as existing today.

I do not care for an answer coming from one who wants to hold to the "Medes and Persians" Act. I am not looking backward but forward. Times have changed. Customs are not the same. Methods have changed. We can't run the same old race track that was built a hundred years ago. The auto is here to stay, and if country people are to be looked after by country preachers, it looks like a change is inevitable. Our old cars (many of them) have been on the road from five to seven years and they are getting very lame, and there is no hope of doctoring them, or exchanging them. Once more I ask, will some one come to our rescue and teach us how to do the job?—J. Cyclone Williams, Dalark.

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FOR THE CHILDREN

GROWN-UPS

It seems to me that most grown-ups
Are frowning all the while;
I've watched them as they stir their
cups—
They hardly ever smile.

Of course they all are wise and
brave,
But still I don't think half
Of them enjoy themselves, for
they've
Forgotten how to laugh.

Now I laugh most at anything—
At moonbeams or the sun,
Or if I see a fairy's wing—
Why I laugh just for fun.

And really it's quite nice, you know,
And it's quite easy too;
I don't care how grown-up I grow,
I'll always laugh—won't you?
—Author Unknown.

A NEW WAY OF SPELLING

Miss Marian, the Primary teacher in the Sunday School, stood by the blackboard. She smiled at the boys and girls who were watching eagerly to see what she was going to do.

"We are going to play a game," she said. "A spelling game, a Sunday School Spelling Game. I am going to write a word on the board today, and you are all to try to live it all the week; and next Sunday tell me about it. Then we will decide who has won the game. You shall all tell me which one you think it is."

Then in large blue letters she wrote—LOVE—where all of them, even the smallest could see plainly.

"I think you all know what it means," she said, smiling, "but I am going to see this week if you know how to spell it the Sunday School way."

The bell rang for the closing session, and the doors were thrown open into the big Sunday School room, and the closing exercises began.

Grace and Dorothy walked home together. "I am going to spell it," said Grace. "I know a lovely way. I had just as lief tell you, Dorothy. I am going to ask Mamma to let me carry something every day to old Mrs. Patch, who lives alone and is so poor. Mamma says the way to show love is to do things for other people. What are you going to do, Dorothy?"

"I don't know yet," answered Dorothy slowly. "I shall have to think," and she left Grace and walked slowly up the steps of her home. "I don't know what I can do to spell it," she whispered. "We haven't lovely things like Grace. Sometimes it is all Mamma can do to keep us looking nice," she says. But she breathed a little prayer:

"Oh, dear God, please show me how to spell Love this week", and putting her sad thoughts resolutely from her, ran into the house as fast as she could.

All that week the primary class was busy. Such a record as they had. Some of the mothers became interested and on Sunday they came into the primary room to hear the children tell what they had done. Grace's Mamma was there, as well as Dorothy's, and with the others waited to hear what the children had to tell.

At last Miss Marian stepped to the board that still held the word in blue letters.

"Now we will see," she said brightly, "before we try a new word,

who has learned best to spell the old one."

Then such a lot of things as the children had to tell. Phillip had picked all the sharp things out of the street to save the horse's feet. Mary had adopted a stray kitten she found in her yard. Alice had read an hour every day to her sick aunt. Harold had carried papers for a chum who was sick. Grace had carried something nice to eat every day to Mrs. Patch. Only Dorothy

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sat very still and when Miss Marian asked what she had done, answered sadly, "Nothing".

But what was happening? Dorothy's own dear Mamma was speaking. "May I say a few words," she asked, "and tell what a little girl has done this week? Dorothy hasn't had a chance to do some of the nice things the others have, nor anything different from what she does all the time, but she has dusted the sitting room every morning and she has run errands all day. She has taken care of baby brother, she has had daddy's slippers all warm for him when he came home tired at night, and when I had a headache, she made me tea and toast and rubbed my head with cologne. Every

day from morning until night her feet and hands have been busy helping, and all the time because this is no more than she always does, she has been grieving because she could not do something special to spell Love, too."

There was a minute's silence when Dorothy's mother stopped speaking, then Miss Marion said gently:

"We are ready to tell who we think has best learned how to spell our word, before I write another on the board. Who do you think has spelled it best?"

"Dorothy, Dorothy," cried the children, and with blushing cheeks Dorothy heard Miss Marian say:

"Yes, I think Dorothy has uncon-

sciously learned the best meaning of the word and without knowing it has been spelling not only our word Love, but the word that goes with it that we have for this week—SERVICE."—Emma F. Bush, Southern Churchman.

OBITUARIES

RAGLAND.—Thomas M. Ragland was born in Chatham County, North Carolina, March 24, 1848; and died at Rye, Cleveland County, Ark., Nov. 27, 1935. His first marriage was to Henrietta Kulbert, Jan. 1873. Of this union there remains one daughter, Mrs. Maggie Roberts of Kingsland, Ark. March 24, 1922 he was married to Mrs. Irene Reynolds,

who survives. Brother Ragland professed faith in Christ early in life, and united with the Methodist Church. The writer has known him for 18 years and has never seen a sweeter Christian character. Hundreds of young people, who grew up around him, call him blessed. He was always active in the Sunday School and all the interests of the church. For more than 30 years he lived in the community where he died and his life was given in loving service to all who needed him in material and spiritual things. The pastor, Rev. C. E. Burdette, and the writer conducted the services in the church he loved so well with more than 400 people in attendance.—A. E. Jacobs.

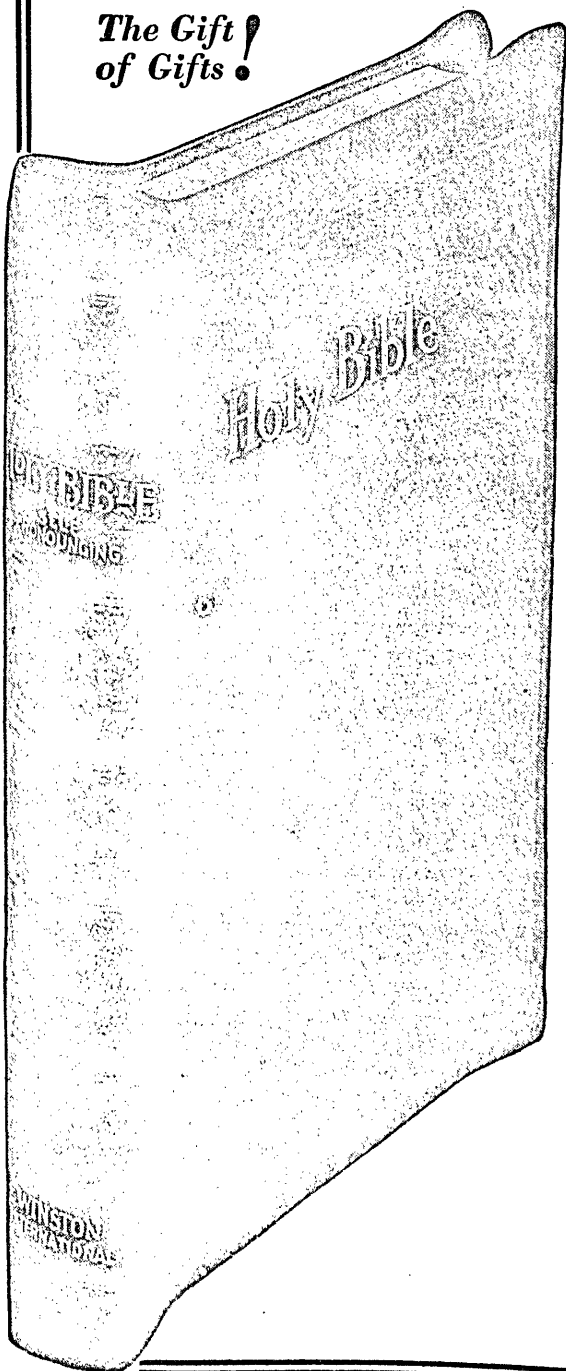
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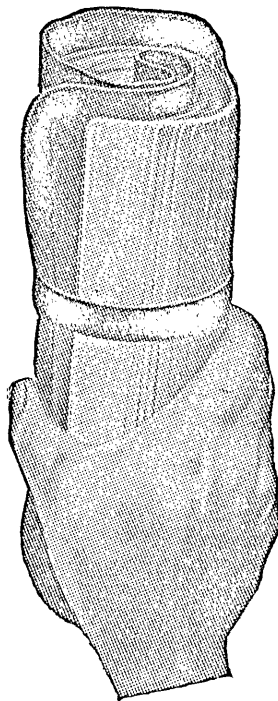
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AMONG WINFIELD MEMBERS

Mrs. C. C. Goss has returned from a two week's visit with friends in St. Louis, Chicago and Buffalo. . . . Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Arnold have as their guest Mrs. Arnold's brother, Mr. Paul Ashburn from Passaic, Wyo. . . . Mr. J. B. Dickinson and Mr. Price Shofner have been taking the baths in Hot Springs.

Mrs. O. W. Scarborough is at home after a summer spent in Mississippi and Tennessee. . . . Mrs. F. S. Scott is in Conway visiting her daughter, Mrs. George Bachelor. . . . Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Weidemyer have returned from a visit to their daughter, Mrs. Neill Reid, at Blytheville, Ark. Charles Hegarty, from Southern Methodist University, spent last week-end with his mother, Mrs. Charles Hegarty.

Mrs. John B. Smith, formerly Miss Josephine Moore, has been ill for more than a week. She is in St. Vincent's Hospital. . . . Mrs. M. L. Morton is ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. B. E. Smith, 2016 N. Garfield.

Mrs. E. R. Hanna, 111 Fountain, is in the Missouri Pacific Hospital. . . . Mrs. J. P. Goldschmid is ill at her home, 509 N. Valmar. . . . Mrs. David Wachter, 2523 Cross, is in the Missouri Pacific Hospital. . . . Mr. Fletcher Whiteside is ill at his home, 208 Dennison.

WEDDINGS

On Saturday, November 30, Miss Mary Wheeler and Taylor Prewitt, Jr., were married in the church auditorium by Bro. Steel. They are living at 2201 Main.

On December 4, Miss Marguerite Robertson and Kenneth Dwight Eldred of Memphis, were married at the home of the bride, 417 Pearl, by Bro. Steel.

OUR SYMPATHY

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Mrs. J. Frank Volz and family on the death of Mr. Volz, December 3; and to Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Norvell on the death of Mrs. Norvell's father, Mr. Henry A. Schaer, who died December 3.

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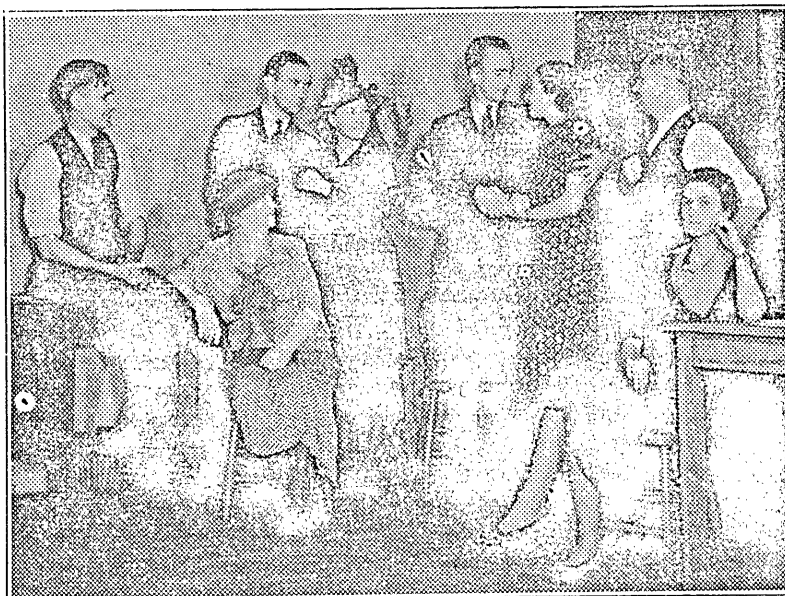
10:00 A. M.—Church School.

11:00 A. M.—Bishop John M. Moore will preach.

6:00 P. M.—Open house for Young People and Young Adults.

7:00 P. M.—Brief discussion for Young People-Young Adults.

8:15 P. M.—Messiah at High School Auditorium.



CURTAIN CLUB TO GIVE COMEDY

On Friday night of this week at 8 o'clock the Winfield Curtain Club will give a 3-act comedy, "The Whoofenpoof". The actors shown in the picture from left to right, are: Mr. Clyde Arnold, Mrs. Carrie Boren, Mr. Jesse Burton, Mrs. Marvin Wesson, Mr. Harold Baird, Miss Tibbie McWhirter, Mr. Dewey Thompson and Miss Geraldine Groh.

Admission is twenty-five cents; last year's tickets are good. If you want an evening of laughter and recreation, come and bring the whole family.

The Curtain Club, which is now in its sixth year, is one of the activities which give to our young people a chance for self-expression and opportunity for social contact and study which is very much worthwhile. Present officers of the Curtain Club are: Mr. Marvin Wesson, President; Miss Geraldine Groh, Secretary; Mr. William Reutellhuber, Treasurer; Mr. Dewey Price, Business Manager; Mr. Dewey Thompson, Stage Manager; Mrs. Marvin Wesson, Publicity Director; Miss Carrie Peaslee, Property Manager; and Miss June Banzhof, Historian.

Messiah to Be Sung Sunday Evening

Winfield congregation is particularly interested in the annual rendition of the Messiah next Sunday evening. For several years this oratorio has been sung at Winfield Church by members of our choir assisted by other choirs in the city, during the Christmas Season. This year, as last, it will be given under the auspices of the Civic Music Association in the High School Auditorium at 8:15. The chorus of 150 voices represents practically all of the church choirs in the city and many other singers. An orchestra will accompany the chorus.

Mrs. I. J. Steed, director of Winfield Choir, will direct the chorus. Miss Kate Bossinger, Winfield organist, will play one of the pianos, and members of Winfield choir will sing.

There will be no admission charge. Availing yourself of the opportunity to hear this inspiring music will be a splendid way to spend your Sunday evening.

Keep in mind that the Annual Christmas offering for the Methodist Orphanage will be taken on Sunday, December 22.

Mr. C. E. Hayes Honored

At the fellowship supper Wednesday evening the officers and teachers of Winfield Sunday School surprised Mr. C. E. Hayes with the gift of an autographed Moffatt Bible in recognition of his twenty years of faithful service as Superintendent of the Church School. Bro. Steel presided and spoke in highest terms of the services of Mr. Hayes. Miss Lila Ashby, who has been a teacher in the school during Mr. Hayes' entire terms of service also spoke briefly. The presentation of the Bible was made by Mr. T. S. Buzbee.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BOARD

The December meeting of the Board of Christian Education was called to order by Vice-Chairman, Mr. Cannon, who presided in the absence of the Chairman, Dr. Shipp. A new member of the Board is Mrs. J. S. M. Cannon, who succeeds Mrs. Lord as representative of the Women's Work. All members were present with the exception of Dr. Shipp and Miss McRae.

Matters of importance concerning the Church School were discussed and reports were heard from Mr. Hayes, Chairman of the Special Committee on Finances, and Mr. Bowen, Chairman of the Special Committee on Recreation.

TEACHERS MEET

The Primary teachers met last Wednesday evening at the call of Miss Lillian Peaslee, Supt., and the Junior teachers on Thursday evening at the call of Miss Margaret Paynter, Supt.

YOUNG PEOPLE TO ATTEND "MESSIAH"

Next Sunday evening the Young People will have their open house from 6-7. Instead of having their usual program at 7, however, the group will attend the "Messiah" at Little Rock High School auditorium. Those of our Young People and Young Adults taking part in the "Messiah" are Vernon McCoy, Chas. Langhammer, Margaret Woodsmall, Mary Frances Clifford, Mary Kimball, Muzette McCoy, and Charles Traylor.

Twenty members of Dr. Shipp's class enjoyed a hay-ride and hamburger-fry at Ferncliff last Wednesday evening.

Thirty-five members of the Mothers' Class met at the church last Thursday for their regular business and social meeting. Plans were made for raising the class quota of the Christmas Offering for the Methodist Orphanage. Another Christmas project was the care of a needy family at Christmas time. Preceding the business meeting luncheon was served.

NEW MEMBERS

We are glad to welcome into our congregation the following new members who were received last Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. L. A. DeVore and L. A. Jr., Route 1, North L. R.; Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Pollack, 2405 Ringo; Mr. and Mrs. George Hawbecker, 220 Brown; Mrs. W. W. Lowry, Mrs. B. F. Scruggs, Mrs. Lois Kinser, Miss Dorothy Kinser and Daniel Kinser, all at 1708 Spring; Mr. Louis I. Van Landingham, 1914 Marshall; and Mr. and Mrs. Morris Smith, 312 S. Martin.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Mr. and Mrs. Barney Hurt, 5115 F. Street, on the birth of a daughter, Annette, on December 5; and to Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Taylor, 119 W. 24th Street, on the birth of a daughter, Miriam Frances, on December 4.