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#### WHO IS A CHRISTIAN?

DARE not presume to impose my mode of worship upon others. I believe it is truly primitive and apostolical. But my belief is no rule for another.

I ask not therefore of him with whom I would unite in love, Are you of my congregation? Of my church? Do you receive the same form of church government, and allow the same officers, with me? Do you join in the same form of prayer wherein I worship God? . .

Let all these things stand by; we will talk of them, if need be, at a more convenient season; my only question at present is this, "Is thine heart right with my heart?" . . .

I believe the Episcopal form of church government to be scriptural and apostolic. If you think the Presbyterian or Independent is better, think so still, and act accordingly. I believe infants ought to be baptized, and that this may be done either by dipping or sprinkling. If you are otherwise persuaded, be so still, and follow your own persuasion.

It appears to me that forms of prayer are of excellent use, particularly in the great congregation. If you judge extemporary prayer to be of more use, act suitably to your own judg-

What then is religion? It is happiness in God, or in the knowledge and love of God. It is faith working by love, producing righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Ghost. In other words, it is a heart and life devoted to God. . . . Either he has this religion or he has it not; if he has, he will not finally perish.—John Wesley.

# ABANDONING OUR SPIRITUAL HERITAGE

N the Atlantic Monthly for October, Dr. Ernest M. Hopkins, president of Dartmouth College, who had traveled in Europe last year, makes some observations on the changes that have come over America. He says: "Mussolini, Hitler, Stalin were guiding their nations to new and strange ideals and aims. Those aims and ideals I abhorred, but I could not be indifferent to many phases of the spirit engendered by the austere and determined purpose which offered no bribe or bounty but demanded that men and women do something held up to them as duty, cost what it might in suffering, poverty, and death. The aims to be reached seemed to me sinister, the very negation of that freedom which develops young men and women intellectually and morally. But here, at least, that people were not told that material comfort was their right, that whether they sought work or not, a comfortable living must be provided for them; and, more than all, they were learning to know that life held a purpose for them ampler and

less selfish than their own individual salvation.
"When I came home, how different the scene!
Here was the country dedicated by our fathers to the ideal of a commonwealth wherein the purpose of government was that opportunity should be open to all; where the age-long barriers between class and class should be no longer insurmountable; where men must work for their reward and when work was done that reward should not be withheld; where self-respect carried with it the respect of the community; where it was common obligation, not to be shifted to town or county or state, for a man to help his own, up to the very limit of his capacity.

"Here in America it is doubtless true that the aftermath of war and the natural forces of 1920-1930 have helped to weaken the American spirit, but it appalled me to see the artificial political forces devoted to breaking down and making soft the whole structure of life among us, not WOE UNTO THEM THAT RISE UP EARLY IN THE MORNING, THAT THEY MAY FOLLOW STRONG DRINK; THAT CONTINUE UNTIL NIGHT, TILL WINE INFLAME THEM! AND THE HARP, AND THE VIOL, THE TABRET, AND PIPE, AND WINE ARE IN THEIR FEASTS; BUT THEY REGARD NOT THE WORK OF THE LORD, NEITHER CON-SIDER THE OPERATION OF HIS HANDS.—Isaiah 5:11-12.

only in its physical but in its mental and spiritual aspects. It seemed to me that all the forces of democracy dedicated from the foundation of the Republic to hardening the self-reliance and personal responsibility of every citizen were now being utilized to belittle and undermine the very qualities of individualism which made this country strong and through which its future lay. It seemed to me that a premium was being put upon class warfare rather than upon co-opera-In short, I had the acute sensation that instead of returning to the Land of Promise, which I had always considered the United States to be, I was returning to a land where erratic and ill-considered experiment was being substituted for anything like rational progress, to a land where for the first time the qualities which had made the country great were being abandoned and even held up to contempt as compared with new qualities whose validity had never been proved in any group, not even in Moscow, Berlin, or Rome."

"Materially, we are better off than we were four years ago. . . . But it remains a fact that the gain has been secured at a costly price. It been purchased by the sacrifice of moral and spiritual values, for it has engendered a well-nigh universal spirit of covetousness."

### THE ROTENBERRY BILL

T had been our purpose, at the proper time, to discuss the merits of the Rotenberry Bill; but, as it is possible that the Supreme Court decide against submitting it, we were waiting for that decision. However, the article by Dr. J. H. Reynolds, president of Hendrix College, found on page 3, is such a complete and fair discussion of the two methods of legislation that we gladly give it space.

This writer was one of those who championed the adoption of the original amendment to our Constitution providing for the Initiative and Referendum, and he believes in the principle. However, he is free to say that advantage has been taken of the people by a few persons who have succeeded in getting a sufficient number of signatures to submit the wildest and most unreasonable measures. This bill is one of that kind, and, as Dr. Reynolds clearly shows, if adopted, would deprive hundreds of thousands of children of their education for the benefit of a few persons who have always heretofore, with the exception of the blind, been privately supported. The proposition that all persons over a certain age should be paid a pension of \$50 a month, regardless of need, is preposterous. In our society it has been regarded as a holy privi-lege for each family to care for its own aged members. Are we going to substitute the state for the family? Everything that weakens family life and responsibility undermines the morals of the people. It is possible to care for the aged privately, but it is practically impossible privately to provide education for all the children. As indicated by Dr. Reynolds, this measure is the work of a few persons and has not been carefully considered in its relation to other

worthy objects. It is doubtful whether one voter in a hundred will have read it before voting, and that is dangerous. We have always suggested that voters should read and under-We have always stand the measures upon which they have been called to pass judgment. We now urge our readers to consider the arguments made in the article by Dr. Reynolds, which we fully approve.

#### TWO WORTHY MEASURES

RKANSAS voters are to have the privilege A of voting on two very worthy measures at the November election. One is proposed Constitutional Amendment No. 22, which would perstitutional Amendment No. 22, which would perstitute as well as in mit prosecution upon information as well as indictment, and would require the Legislature to put the prosecuting attorney on a salary. Act No. 3 is intended to improve the practices in our courts so that it may be possible to bring criminals more speedily to trial and to save the

state heavy expense.
In the Arkansas Democrat of October 4, Mr. William Johnson, who is an unusually careful and impartial feature writer, says: "The reforms carried in these measures are the result of a careful study of our law enforcement machinery by a committee which Governor Futrell named for the purpose in 1934, from the membership of the State Bar Association, at that body's request. Every provision represents the measured judgment of men ranking high among Arkansas's legal fraternity after they had gone deeply into the matter and consulted with authorities in our own state and in others."

This committee of able lawyers says: "It is small wonder that under this (our imperfect) system crime flourishes and the criminal prospers. No genuine effort is being made to hold crime in check. We gaze in mild amusement at the theatrical performances of the law; we talk, but do nothing; we talk about the inefficiency of courts which can do no more than proceed according to the 'rules of the game' which we have laid down for them. In the mean time, the appalling cost of crime, running close in its amazingly tremendous total to the entire amount of taxes paid by all the citizens of the state, continues to press down upon us all."

As these measures are intended to reduce crime and save expenses and are proposed by a group of the ablest and best lawyers in our state, we heartily commend their efforts and recommend that voters approve. You will render a real service to your state if you vote for Constitutional Amendment No. 22 and Act No. 3.

#### WORSE AND WORSE

UR country has never seen so much drunkenness, prostitution, gambling, murder and other crimes that go with a legal sale of intoxicating liquors as we are witnessing today. The design of the liquor business is to capture the women with their sophistries and misrepresentations about the good effects of drinking, well knowing that if the women are captured they will have the entire nation guzzling strong drink to the enrichment of brewers and distillers and the impoverishment of the nation. But what care they? The one aim of the man who makes and sells liquor is to get gain, regardless of the homes that are broken up, the lives that are ruined and the souls that are lost.-Jeff Davis, Superintendent Texas Anti-Saloon League.

AKER UNIVERSITY, Baldwin, Kan., which has prohibited dancing since its organization in 1858, revoked the ban this school year as a result of student pressure. However, the great spring dance—an all-school affair—had to be called off because the sponsors could not sell enough tickets to pay the orchestra.-Ex.

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### ANNUAL CONFERENCE DATES

N. Arkansas Conference, 7:30 p. m., Oct. 28, at Batesville.

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Little Rock Conference, 7:30 p. m., Nov. 11, at Asbury Church.

# Personal and Other Items

REV. AND MRS. GUY MURPHY of Imboden announce the marriage of their daughter Marion to Octavius H. Ball on September 18.

BISHOP AND MRS. HOYT M. DOBBS announce that their son, H. M. Dobbs, Jr., and Miss Martha Loutie Bray will be married in Birmingham, Ala., October 24.

MRS. JORDAN, widow of the late Rev. J. R. Jordan, member of the North Arkansas Conference at the time of his decease, is now living at Klondike, Texas, and wishes friends would make a note of her address.

REV. BOB L. POOL, representing the Division of Finance of the General Board of Church Extension, writes that he will attend the session of the Little Rock Conference the first day, and wishes to have conferences with any presiding elders or pastors who have business with the General Board.

OUT OF THE DUST is a dainty little sheaf of poems by Mrs. Josie Frazee Cappleman, poet laureate of the Grand Chapter O. E. S., and author of Heart Songs and 37 brochures. Mrs. Cappleman excels in writing brief inspiring verse. The price is 35 cents. Her address is 2317 Main St., Little Rock.

THE MISSIONARY YEARBOOK, being the 19th Annual Report of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has just been received. It is edited by Dr. Elmer T. Clark, and, as usual, is literally running over with the facts and figures of our missionary work. Everyone who is interested in the cause of Missions should have a copy.

REV. J. F. TAYLOR, noting the suggestion that a day of fasting and prayer be observed by the churches of North Arkansas Conference, suggests that Friday, November 6, be a day for fasting and prayer by the preachers and members of the churches in Little Rock Conference, that the Holy Spirit may have his way in all that is done at the session of the Conference.

IF taxes had declined, as promised, credit would have been given to repeal; since they have increased, should that not be charged to repeal?

—Ex.

CHRISTIAN FAITH AND LIIFE for October contains the following interesting articles: The Universal Drive Towards Freedom, by Harold Paul Sloan; The Sinlessness of Jesus, by Herbert W. Magoun; Fosdick's "Beyond Modernism," by A. Lincoln Shute; The Temptation of Jesus, by J. J. Hunter. Our Bishop H. M. Du-Bose is one of the editors. The price is 50 cents a copy, or \$2.00 a year. Order of Frank J. Boyer, Reading, Pa.

COLONEL T. H. BARTON, president of the Lion Oil Refining Co., El Dorado, has been appointed chairman of the Seal Sale Committee for the benefit of the Arkansas Tuberculosis Association, and Dr. J. D. Riley, superintendent of the Sanatorium at Booneville, has been appointed vice-chairman. Governor G. W. Donaghey, president of the Association, is sponsoring the Seal Sale. The work for the sale of the little stickers will begin the day after Thanksgiving.

THE PARALLELED GOSPELS is a simplified harmony of the four Gospels, arranged by G. E. Bell, and sold by him at 4400 San Jacinto St., Dallas, Texas. The price is \$2.00 for a single copy, or \$1.50 a copy when six or more are purchased in one order. This book is unusual in its perfect simplicity. It has no notes or comments; but in four columns the different Gospels are arranged so that events come in their natural order. There are many blank spaces in the columns that may be used by the reader for his own notes. The index is complete and is helpful in finding passages desired. The student of the Bible will save much time by having this volume at hand.

REV. JOHN L. TUCKER, our pastor at Pullman Heights, on Oct. 9, was discharged from the Army and Navy General Hospital, Hot Springs, where he had been confined since July 27. Although greatly improved, his physicians advise that he must submit to a minor operation and perhaps two or three months' further treatment. He will re-enter the hospital soon after the first of the year. Although he has been away from his work these past two months, his fine organization has moved along in a splendid way and as usual he will have a good report at Annual Conference. He is especially indebted to the ministers and laymen of Arkadelphia District and in Hot Springs, who so graciously filled his pulpit during his absence.

### AMERICAN VALUES

DR. JOHN F. CROWELL was President of Trinity College in the early nineties, his administration immediately preceding that of Dr. J. C. Kilgo. He was until his death within very recent years a sincere and thorough student of American life. He left a manuscript of recollections which will at an early date be published by the Duke University Press. From this manuscript the North Carolina Christian Advocate makes the following quotation:

"Some years ago the London Times sent its correspondent to this country to write an answer to the question, 'What is the secret of America?' and to embody that in a text book on this country, intended for English schools. When the correspondent put the question to me, I answered: First of all, the great secret of America has always been, and is still, to be found in its innate religious character. Many people have missed this sense of things spiritual in their effort to explain us to others. But it is still there. My second secret, I said, is to be found in the essential soundness and independence in the home life of the people. It has six million farmsteads, which are literally castles of individual independence, social thought and feeling. The home, even in the most crowded cities, where I have made social investigations of a very thorough-going character, is still a highly vitalized social unit with a practical working interest in moral and religious character. Between the farm home and the densely packed tenements lie thousands of hamlets, villages, small towns, and medium-sized towns, where this is no less so. My third answer was, that in America, largely as a corollary of the first two secrets, faith in individualism in free insti-

tutions tending to yield to the individual the fullest measure of reward for his labors, comprised one of the most powerful underlying impulses in American life. My fourth secret lay in the conscious practical appreciation of the Christian and Jewish principle of a trusteeship of material and spiritual wealth for the benefit of the family, the community, the nation, and of mankind. The last secret explains largely many of the vast endowments for education and general welfare which signalized the American civilization as a thing apart from the rest of human communities."

# ENTERTAINMENT AT BATESVILLE

TR. C. D. METCALF, chairman of the Entertainment Committee at Batesville, requests an additional statement about entertainment. He wants all pastors and superannuates and lay delegates and wives of active preachers, to indicate the time of their expected arrival, also those who come by train to Newport Wednesday evening so that additional bus transportation may be provided. The wives of active pastors will be entertained. By visitors, mentioned in previous announcements, is meant only the Connectional men and representatives of regular causes. It is not possible to entertain any other visitors. They will be expected to take care of their own entertainment.

#### BOOK REVIEWS

A Portrait of Peter; by J. Alexander Findlay; published by the Abington Press, New York; price \$1.25.
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Dr. Findlay is a most able and scholarly writer. He is an Engilshman who has made for himself a reputation in the world of scholars. He is the author of several books centering about Jesus, and is a columnist writer in the British weekly. He has spent much time in Palestine and has a thorough understanding of that country and its people. In "A Portrait of Peter," he gives us a fresh interpretation of that character and explains why the church has grown because of Peter and like characters. In the light of his interpretation of Peter's life and character, he interprets his own spiritual experiences. You will find the book most enlightening and helpful.

Making Friends With Life; by James Reid; published by the Cokesbury Press, Nashville; price \$2.00.

Rich in inspiration and charm is this collection of sermons by the distinguished British preacher. There are 57 of these brief sermons—dealing with the problems which beset us on every hand. The book takes its name from the first sermon "Making Friends With Life", and the same thread runs through the whole collection, touching the problems of personal living and suggesting ways of understanding and mastering them. The last eight chapters are based on the Twenty-third Psalm. They alone are worth the price of the book. Yet, when you've given the entire book a thoughtful reading, you will value it for its rare spiritual insight and human sympathy and understanding. The style is literary, yet charming. We wish we might quote extensively from these messages; but space prevents. Read the book for yourself. The reward will be worth the price and the effort.

#### CIRCULATION REPORT

URING the past week the following subscriptions have been received: Stuttgart, R. L. Long, 17; Capitol View, W. R. Jordan, 40; St. Charles Circuit, V. D. Keeley, 1; Austin Ct., D. L. Wilcox, 13; Weiner, C. E. Patton, 100%, 13; McRae, R. L. McLester, 4; Mammoth Spring, W. J. Clark, 100%, 12; Asbury, H. B. Vaught, 1; Bryant Circuit, L. O. Lee, 4; Wilmar, C. R. Roy, by Mrs. Anderson, 5; Manila, J. M. Harrison, 6; Paragould, First Church, G. W. Pyles, 4; Henderson, R. H. Cannon, 3; Elmo, T. O. Love, 1; Newport, First Church, F. M. Tolleson, 1; Clarksville, A. D. Stewart, 12. Here are some fine reports, and they are heartily appreciated. Let the good work continue. The goal is "The Arkansas Methodist in Every Methodist Home in Arkansas." We can reach it if we all work together. Why not do it?

#### SIN AND SAVIOUR

What makes me fear to do the right?
What makes me choose the wrong?
What takes away my spirit's might?
What mars my soul's best song?
—It is sin.

What makes me love the world so much?
Why worship at its shrine?
Why have I lost my Saviour's touch?
Why fails my light to shine?
—It is sin.

What drove the nails in Jesus' hands?
What formed the thorny crown?
What lashed his form with flery brands
While wicked men looked on?
—It was sin.

Who conquered sin in sin's stronghold?
Won victory in the strife?
Who brought me safe within His fold?
Who gave my spirit life?

—Jesus.

Who helps me now from day to day

To live the life I should?

Who sweetens toil along the way

And brings me every good?

—Jesus.

Of Him I'll sing while I have breath,
To him my all I bring:
He gives me victory over death,
He is my Lord, my King!
—Je

-W. J. Mayhew.

Huntsville, Ark.

### SALOONS: OLD AND NEW

What was the old saloon? The Wholesalers and Retailors Review, a leading pre-prohibition liquor journal, defined it: "With comparatively few exceptions our saloons are houses of drunken men, profanity, and obscenity of the vilest type. It is no wonder that even in the better towns of the wild west, as well as in the effete east and the conservative south, the stranger who visits a saloon is at once invoiced, labeled and damned."

Bonfort's Wine and Spirit Circular in the "good old days" said: "The modern saloon has been getting worse instead of better. It has succumbed to the viciousness of gambling and has allowed itself to become allied to the social evil."

The Chicago Tribune of June 1, 1914, six years before prohibition, reporting on a survey of the drink emporiums in a small section of the loop, said: "A three-months' survey shows that 14,000 women and girls frequented every twenty-four hours the back rooms of the saloons on Madison and North Clark Streets and Cottage Grove avenue."

And what is the new saloon? The Chicago Herald and Examiner in a news story a few months after repeal gives a description: "Here was a party made up almost entirely of children, a revolting, drunken orgy—a spectacle which epitomized the vicious growth of delinquency furthered by greedy and unscrupulous saloon-keepers."

The St. Paul **Daily News** tells of conditions in that city: . . . "There were three bartenders and a number of young BARMAIDS serving drinks. Present were at least 150 people of all types, INCLUDING MANY GIRLS WHO COULD NOT HAVE BEEN MORE THAN 16 or 17. SOME APPEARED ABOUT 14. Liquor was served to youngsters of any age."

The Columbus Citizen, which was strong for repeal, after discussing a peculiarly shocking liquor crime, prophesied the early return of prohibition "unless this situation is cleaned up in a hurry."

"This situation" is an integral part of the liquor traffic and the new saloon is what the old saloon was, only aggravated by the "new freedom" of women and youth.—W. G. Calderwood

### Adoption of the Rotenberry Bill Would Be a Serious Blow

This measure providing for an appropriation of \$6,000,000 a year for the benefit of the aged and the blind and assigning the entire sales tax to finance it, is probably the most dangerous measure submitted to the people of Arkansas in decades. Before considering its dangers and as a background for the discussion, let us remember that Arkansas has two Legislatures: One, a respresentative Legislature consisting of two Houses elected by the people and called the General Assembly; second, a direct legislature consisting of the voters organized at the polls under the referendum or initiative. The Governor is an integral part of the first Legislature, recommends measures and approves or vetoes bills; whereas he no part of the second legislature and has no vote.

The first Legislature is the historic method of making laws under Anglo-Saxon representative government. The second, or direct legislature, is of recent origin and is designed to be invoked only under two conditions, although not stated in the law: First, when the first Legislature, through neglect or corruption, fails to pass laws on an important subject; second, when the measure can be stated briefly and clearly so that it is easily understood.

The methods of operation of the two legislatures are fundamentally different. The first Legislature is a deliberative body and subjects all bills to severe tests. After a bill is introduced in either House, it is referred to a committee, which, if it is important, arranges for public hearings, discussions, and for criticisms and amendments. The public is advised through the press of pending legislation, and interests affected are given an opportunity to be This process is repeated in both Houses. Then the bill is subjected to the ordeal of rapid-fire discussion and amendments in both Houses. This is not all. The governor himself may criticize and return the bill, once passed, to the Legislature with his reasons for disapproval. Thereupon, it is discussed again in the light of the governor's reasoning. This invaluable process of eliminating weak features, of sifting a bill of its errors, and of perfecting it, is inherent in the representative Legislature.

The second legislature is not a deliberative body at all and does not subject measures to any such test of discovering and eliminating errors and of perfecting through amendments. Instead, some individual or group writes a bill and through petition initiates it. After initiation, it can not be amended nor vetoed, and if adopted, it can not be repealed or amended by the Legislature except by a large majority.

What are some of the many dangers of the Rotenberry Bill?

First: This bill takes one of the largest sources of revenue away from the first or representative Legislature and governor upon whom is lodged the responsibility of providing for the support of state government, its institutions and public services. If we climinate highway and sales taxes, the total revenue of Arkansas for the calendar year 1935 was \$11,826.84. If the Rotenberry measure is adopted, this

sum, unless taxes are increased, will have to support the entire state government, including the legislature and executive departments, public schools, University of Arkansas, two state teachers colleges, four agricultural schools, and state charitable institutions, tuberculosis sanitorium, and other public welfare services. The sponsors of the Rotenberry Bill propose to raise through the sales tax \$6,000,000 and apply the entire sum exclusively to the relief of the blind and the aged (over 60 years old). It proposes to pay each beneficiary \$600.00 a year.

If we add to the \$11,826.359.84 the \$6,000,000 proposed to be raised through the sales tax, the total sum for the state government, aside from road revenue, is \$17,826,359.84. Hence, the Rotenberry bill proposes to segregate about 35 per cent of the total revenue of the state, excluding roads, to only two interests of society—the blind and the aged—and places this sum beyond the control of the governor and the Legislature who are charged by the Constitution with the duty of raising revenue and of financing the operation of the state government in all of its fields.

These facts show that the Rotenberry measure is too lopsided for serious consideration. Will the people of Arkansas take away this large source of revenue, about 35 per cent of the total revenue of the state, from future Legislatures and governors and leave them only 65 per cent of the revenue with which to take care of almost all of the obligations of the government? These bodies biennially review all the needs of the state, review the sources of revenue, and then apportion funds as equitably as possible to the several needs of the state. The Comptroller and Governor work on this problem for months before the Legislature meets, and the appropriations committee works throughout the legislative session. In this measure a small group of citizens, without public discussion, proposes to appropriate over onethird of the revenue for decades to come. Why make a preferred claim? The blind and the aged will always receive sympathetic consideration.

Second: This measure violates both the conditions for invoking the initiative. One condition is the failure or refusal of the Legislature to cover any given field. The last General Assembly set apart 35 per cent of the sales tax for this purpose and 65 per cent for the relief of the distressed public schools. It was understood then that the next General Assembly would consider the whole question in the light of experience and take such action as wisdom might suggest. The Legislature, therefore, is in process of solving this problem. The Rotenberry Bill, therefore, would upset this wise experiment in dealing with welfare needs.

In the next place, sound public policy requires that when the initiative is invoked it be presented in brief, clear propositions so that the people may readily understand it. Contrary to this, the Rotenberry Bill is long and complicated, between 6,000 and 7,000 words. It levies a tax, appropriates the revenue, and sets up administrative machinery to carry out its provisions. The other needs of state government are completely ignored. A measure like this should never be submitted to the people. It belongs solely to the representative legislature where it can be discussed, amended, and reviewed in the light of other needs

of the state. Hence the conditions under which the initiative may properly be invoked do not exist. The people of Arkansas will doubtless show their resentment by overwhelmingly defeating the bill.

Third: This measure is a dangerous menace to taxpayers. It is revolutionary, far beyond what wise states and nations have done. For instance, both state and federal grants for old age pensions per month are as follows in the states named: California, \$23.12; Mississippi, \$3.67; New York, \$25.77; Ohio, \$25.13; Vermont, \$11.08; Oklahoma, \$16.95; N. Dakota, \$15.94; New Mexico, \$13.81. Can a poor state like Arkansas pay twice as much as rich states like California, New York and Ohio, or seven times that of Oklahoma? This bill is not the product of experience. Is it the vision of a dreamer? It suddenly stops the wise experiment which the Legislature had started. Under this plan, Arkansas is now paying from \$6.00 to \$12.00 a month. The last sum is almost the average of the states named above: and Arkansas is just beginning. If adopted, Arkansas will soon have an enormous pension group exerting a dangerous influence on legislation and adding a heavy burden on taxpayers. If the measure is voted, other groups will seek preferred treatment and in a short time the sources of revenue will be appropriated by special interests, leaving necessary state functions to suffer. It means an enormous increase in tax burdens. It is a most dangerous attack on business.

Fourth: The present sales tax law was passed upon the initiative of the public school leaders of the state at considerable expense to the men individually. They were moved by the distressing needs of public school children. Our schools fac-ed a serious crisis. The general property tax, the chief support of the public schools, was short by at least one-third. The assessed value of general property in the state had fallen in the last few years about 33 per cent, thus cutting the revenue for the children of the state heavily when the demands upon the schools had increased. The Legislature and the governor were impressed, and the sales tax was passed as an emergency measure.

Fifth: Let us not forget that the school people generously acceded to the request of the welfare people by allowing 35 per cent of the revenue of their measure to be appropriated to the welfare fund. Probab-

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#### Write

J. H. SHUMAKER, General Sec. Home Office: Association Bidg. 808 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn. ly no people in the state are more sympathetic with the needs for relief of the distressed, the unemployables and aged than are the public school people. Is it the generous thing on the part of the welfare people to come in and ask the voters to take away all the sales tax from the children and give it to a part of the claimants on the welfare fund?.

If the Rotenberry measure is adopted, it will reduce the state school fund by 40 per cent, it will close hundreds of public schools. shorten the terms of hundreds of others, and will reduce the salaries of thousands of teachers already the most poorly paid teachers in the nation. The Rotenberry Act provides a minimum of \$600.00 a year for each aged person. This is over \$100.00 more than the average received by the public school teachers of Arkansas.

Sixth: All state funds should be equitably distributed by the General Assembly. It is unwise to make emotional appeals to the voters for any measure. A great state must fairly consider its obligations, and the General Assembly, advised by the governor and comptroller, is the only body capable of surveying all of the needs of the state and properly apportioning the revenue, giving to each its equitable share. Jefferson Davis, the President of the Confederacy, when the proposal was made that the Confederacy enlist in the Army young boys, vetoed it by saying that "we must not destroy our seed corn." We must provide within our means a reasonable sum for the distressed and unfortunate. However, is it wise statesmanship to deprive the children of Arkansas of their only opportunity for an education? The Rotenberry measure does this. Appropriations should be made by the General Assembly only.-J. H. Reynolds, Conway.

#### PHIPPS FLAYS PENSION PLAN

W. E. Phipps, state Commissioner of Education, opened a campaign against the proposed Rotenberry initiated pension act, telling Lee county teachers it is "the most dangerous threat to school funds that ever has been proposed.'

Phipps said adoption of the act at the November general election would strip schools of sales tax revenues and make necessary immediate closing of 500 schools.

The Rotenberry act would repeal the Hall sales tax law, effective February 1, and supplant it with another two per cent sales levy without exemptions, entire proceeds of which would go to pay pensions of up to \$50 for blind persons over 60.

Phipps said a \$50 monthly pension would amount to \$100 a year more than the average salary paid Arkansas school teachers.

Quoting figures in connection with the sales tax, the Education Commissioner said the administrative costs were limited to five per cent and that the 65 per cent allotted to schools is administered without any additional cost, after the deduction of approximately two per cent for collection by the state revenue department. Phipps said if the funds contemplated in the Rotenberry measure were matched with federal funds, the cost of administration at five per cent would be \$600,000 a year.

"We took the initiative and obtained passage of a sales tax act in order to keep school open," Phipps declared, "We agreed to give up 35 per cent of the tax for welfare and

we believe we should keep within our means and care adequately for both the children and the aged. The Rotenberry measure will not do this and I do not believe a majority of the old people want to rob the babies."—Arkansas Democrat.

## Pay That Debt

The home is fundamental in a Christian society; the local church is primary in Methodism. In the final analysis, as goes the local church so goes every interest and endeavor of Methodism, spiritual or material.

The General Board of Missions is to be commended in its effort to pay its debt. This will make possible "Missions on the March." major debt problem is that of the local church on its physical plant. Remove this handicap and advance will be made all along the line.

The Division of Finance of the General Board of Church Extension is charged with the difficult yet most worthy task of leading local congregations to pay their building debts. This task, achieved, will liberate the local church to do her major work. The regaining of selfrespect by the local church will secure community respect. The removal of the bondage of debt will open the way to remove the bondage of sin.

What a contrast! The nation is going into debt; the Church is coming out of debt. The Church has had her spending spell; she has learned her lesson. Experience is a good but often expensive teacher.

Pastors, stewards and churches, get out of debt and then do not create embarrassing debts. Build, if you need to do so, but build economically and conservatively. Build for beauty and worship; build for stability, permanency, and economy of upkeep; build for Christian education, wholesome recreation and community service. Consider the Discipline; consult the Board of Church Extension.

The world has made two extreme interpretations of the Master's teaching about wealth. One view is, "Renounce all wealth"; the other view is, "Be good and get rich." Some churches, like some people and some nations, have simply renounced or ignored their debts. Other churches, following certain worldly examples, are pleading "this is an unusual case." and they expect the Board of Church Extension to make impossible donations or drive the holder of the notes or bonds to an unreasonable bargain. Churches, pay your debts, maintain your self-respect. stumbling block of debt can only be removed by paying it. Integrity of soul must be exalted; the church must be free from embarrassing debts to be free to serve.

The Board of Church Extension, both Conference and General, must achieve its original and continuous objective. It must aid churches and parsonages in new, rural, missions and emergency situations. The General Board loan funds cannot be given, cancelled or lost in any manner. These are trust, memorial or annuity funds. Interest on these loan funds cannot be given or canceled. It is pledged to the payment of annuities. Our donation fund is small; it is derived through seven per cent of the General Benevolences. These funds must be distributed throughout the Church. The major purpose of Church Extension must be met first. The remainder may be donated to encourage

# Woman's Missionary Department

MRS. A. C. MILLAR, Editor

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#### CHANGE OF DATE

Mrs. Henry McKnight, District Secretary, announces that the date of the district meeting of the Texarkana District has been changed from October 29 to October 30.

#### ZONE MEETING AT LAKE VILLAGE

Zone No. 3 of Monticello District met at Lake Village Sept. 4 for an all-day meeting. Mrs. Sponenbarger, Zone leader, presided. The Zone is composed of Eudora, Dermott, Arkansas City and Lake Village.

An interesting program was rendered by ladies from Dermott; subject, "The Cycle of Religion." A very helpful devotional was given by Mrs. Miner O'Neal of Lake Village. Mrs. Buck, District Secretary, told of some interesting things about her trip to Mt. Sequoyah this summer. A bountiful pot-luck luncheon was served by the Lake Village ladies. A business session was conducted in the afternoon. Rev. C. N. Smith, of Eudora, gave the devotional. Reports from each Auxiliary were given, with Arkansas City winning the green ribbon in the form of a dollar bill, for the greatest number of miles traveled to the meeting, and the number attending from that place. Good reports were given from each Auxiliary. A collection was taken to defray expenses of correspondence of the Secretary. Next meeting to be at Dermott in December.-Mrs. John Cheairs, Secretary.

#### THE ESTHER CASE SOCIETY

The Esther Case Society of First Church, Batesville, met Oct. 6, at the home of Mrs. Ben Jernigan, with Mrs. L. G. Potter, co-hostess. The president, Mrs. I. N. Barnett, Jr., presided over an important business session, after which the meeting was turned over to Mrs. Fred Livingston, leader for the afternoon. The subject of the program was, "In Unity Is Strength." A poem and Scriptures were read by Mrs. Livingston. A leaflet, "A World-wide Hook-up," was presented in parts, as follows: four Speaks On National Christian Council," Mrs. Jack Tucker; "Brazil Speaks On the Evangelical Confederation," Mrs. Paul Fiser: "Mexico Speaks On the National Christian Council of Mexico," Mrs.

churches to pay their building debts.

Do not think of your Board as an arbitrary business corporation. Neither consider it as a lending or collecting agency. Do not imagine that your Board is the "goose" that lays golden eggs. Do not come always with empty extended hands. Put your hands in your pockets

Ours is a great Connectionalism; the whole is dependent upon each part and each part is dependent upon the whole. Together we march to world conquest for Christ. Methedism, you can depend upon the Board of Church Extension doing her part!-Bob L. Pool, Division of Finance, General Board of Church Extension.

B. B. Conine, Jr.; and "Dr. Emory Ross Speaks On the African Protestant Council," Mrs. L. G. Potter. Mrs. Chas. Cole, Jr., gave an interesting report on a recent Zone meeting held at Salem. During the social hour lovely refreshments were served by the hostesses to the 21 members and two visitors.-Mrs. J. Hugh Kennard, Supt. Publicity.

#### MONTICELLO DISTRICT COACHING DAY

The Monticello District had its coaching day at Dermott on October

1. Mrs. V. O. Buck presided and Mrs. Tom McLean, of Malvern, presented the work of the fall study.

Meditation, violin music by Mrs. W. J. Irvin, Dermott.

How People Have Interpreted the Kingdom of God, Mrs. L. E. N. Hundley, Warren.

Teaching Plans and Study Requirements, Mrs. McLean.

Pot-luck luncheon.

Violin number, Mrs. Irvin.

Playlet, Contributions of Negroes to Society, Mrs. McLean, Mrs. W. C. Watson, Mrs. K. L. Cook, Mrs. W. H. Dowdell, and Mrs. George Lindahl, all of Malvern.

Negro chorus, by group of negro women of Dermott.

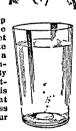
Interest of the Christian Social Relation Department in the study, Mrs. H. D. Wharton, Warren.

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the Church School for November, Mrs. Karl Neal, Warren.
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ducted by Mrs. Arch Prewitt.

Representatives from nearly all the Auxiliaries of the District were present. We all returned home determined to do the task well.— Sarah Galloway, Reporter.

#### NORTH ARKANSAS CONFER-ENCE TREASURER'S REPORT Receipts

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Baby	12.60
Scarritt	87.10
Bible Women (4)	
Scholarships (2)	23.00
Edith Martin	225.53
Life—Adult	27.10
Life—Baby (11)	55.00
Memorial, Baby	5.00
Total	\$3,745.68
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(Beulah Hanesworth)	20.00
Scarritt	87.00
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Officers	105.32
Secretaries	56.51
Conference	67.95
Council	6.52
Audit	5.00
Exchange	8.10
Exc. Meeting	25.10
	\$274.50
Total expenditures	\$3.674.40
Receipts	3.745.68
Bal. 2nd Quarter	306.46
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Expenditures	3.674.40
Balance 3rd Quarter	377.74
Receipts	3.745.68
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### ZONE MEETING AT HARDY

Mrs. W. T. Bacon, Treas.

A meeting of the Auxiliaries of Zone 2 was held at Hardy, Sept. 22, with the Hardy Auxiliary as host. There were 65 present. Those other than representatives of Auxiliaries were Rev. and Mrs. E. B. Williams and two children, of Paragould, Rev. Mr. Clark of Mammoth Spring, Rev. Mr. Shell of Hardy, and a group of women from the Baptist Society of Hardy.

The meeting was opened with quiet music, "Trees," played by Mrs. C. Horn.

Prayer, Mrs. Price.

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Devotional, I Sam. 16:6-12, Rev. Mr. Shell.

Welcome, Mrs. R. C. Daugherty. Readings, "Mother," and "In the

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Usual Way," by Miss Louise Mor-man; also, "Encouragement" and "The Little Bonnet," by Dorothy Marie Daugherty.

Interesting reports were made by representatives from Hoxie, Imboden, Mammoth Spring, Hardy, Portia, and Walnut Ridge.
"Thoughts on Prayer," Rev. E. B.

Williams.

An elaborate luncheon was served at Wahepton Inn ("The home among the leaves") by the Hardy Auxil-

Afternoon Session
"Prayer Retreat," Mrs. J. D. Belk Hoxie; Stewardship, Mrs. Cyril Archer, Portia; two piano solos, "Chansor," by Frinie, and "The Humming Bird," Schaefer, Miss Josephine Moore, of Imboden; "Christian Social Relations Applied," Mrs. Vance, Hardy; World Outlook, "A Balanced Diet," Mrs. Fred Jones, Mammoth Spring; Reading, Mrs. Thode, Hardy; poem, "Ode to Love," Mrs. Carrol, Mammoth Spring; District Secretary's report, Mrs. Culver. A letter of appreciation from Miss Edith Martin was read by Mrs. John Starr. The Edith Martin offering amounted to \$7.19. "Baby Specials" was presented in a very interesting manner by Mrs. M. W. Phillips of Imboden. She also presented Mary Marthelle (the small daughter of Rev. and Mrs. E. B. Williams), with a life membership, in behalf of Zone II.

Mammoth Spring Auxiliary re-ceived the basket for having the greatest number present. Our De-cember meeting will be at Mammoth Spring.-Mrs. John Starr, Acting Secretary.

#### PROGRAM FOR PRAYER RE-TREAT, HELENA DISTRICT, AT ELAINE, OCTOBER 20

Introduction of visitors by Mrs. C. B. McCadden, Zone Leader. Prayer by Rev. George E. Pat-

chell.

Story, "Clearing the Stream at Its Source," Mrs. Roland Townsend, West Helena.

"From Self to God," Mrs. W. P. Pearson, West Helena.

Period of meditation.
"Daily Renewal of the Inner Life" Mrs. Cledice Jones, Batesville. Solo, "The Lord's Prayer," Miss

Elizabeth Topp, West Helena.

Quiet intermission for meditation. "Some Things the School of Christian Living May Mean to Our Conference," Mrs. Henkel Pewett, Conference President.

Lunch. Luncheon music, Mrs. T. E. Topp.

Business meeting, Mrs. C. B. Mc-Cadden in charge.

"What a Spiritual Life Group May Mean to Your Auxiliary," Mrs. Alice Graham, Tuckerman, Chairman Spiritual Life Committee.

"The Present Day Challenge to Christian Living," Mrs. R. A. Dowdy, Batesville. (Message from the School of Christian Living at Scar-

ritt College).
Solo, "One Sweetly Solemn
Thought," Mrs. Bruce Slaughter,

West Helena. Quiet intermission minutes of meditation. for fifteen

Discussion, "What I Plan to Do About It As a Local Christian Woman," led by Mrs. Lester Weaver. West Helena.

Prayer of Consecration, Mrs. Alice Graham.

This Prayer Retreat is sponsored by the Lower Zone, but is for the entire Helena District. Everyone is invited. Bring sandwiches for lunch. -Mrs. Lester Weaver, Program Chairman.

# Christian Education

# MEETING OF CHILDREN'S WORKERS

There will be a District meeting of Children's Workers of the Little Rock District, Oct. 16, at Pulaski Heights church. It will begin at 10:00 a. m. and a pot-luck luncheon will be served at noon. All Children's Workers and Pastors in the District are cordially invited. Plans for the church school year will be made. Other topics to be discussed are "Thanksgiving and Christmas Plans" and "How to Teach the Fall Missionary Units on the Negro." New games and songs will be learned, and the past year's work evaluated. If you are a Children's worker come and get acquainted with the other workers and exchange ideas. Let us have a day of study and fellowship and re-consecrate ourselves for the spiritual welfare of the children in our District.—Mrs. W. F. Bates, District Director of Child-ren's Work.

#### ELIZABETH REMMEL BIBLE CLASS

This class of First Church, Little Rock, has elected the following of-ficers for 1937: Teacher, Mrs. W. P. McDermott; President, Mrs. J. H. Atkinson; Vice-President, Mrs. G. M. Hale; Secretary, Mrs. Paul Howard; Treasurer, Miss Olive Chandler; Missionary Secretary, Mrs. Clem Baker; Social Secretary, Mrs. W. E. Frank; Publicity, Mrs. J. C. Carroll, Jr.; Song Leader, Mrs. Bruce Ellis; Pianist, Mrs. Tom Foster. The budget for the year totals \$370.—Mrs. J. C. Carroll, Jr.

# NOTES FROM THE FIELD By CLEM BAKER

Rev. Joe Robinson, serving his first year on the Roland Circuit, has had a Church School in each church and expects to make a full report. Joe wants to go to college in preparation for joining the Conference.

Rev. F. C. Cannon has made a complete survey of the Hickory Plains Circuit, and has two Boards of Christian Education functioning. He is one of the most efficient Church School pastors in the Conference.

Dr. Rex B. Wilkes was a welcome visitor last week. He is looking forward to a great meeting at Gurdon this month with Evangelist Geo. Tucker as the leader.

Rev. M. W. Miller has been so successful on the Mabelvale-Primrose charge that his Primrose church is wanting him for full-time pastor.

Rev. "Bill" Arnold assisted Rev. S. K. Burnett in a revival at Lonoke last week. Bill is in much demand for revivals.

Dr. H. B. Vaught of Asbury is looking forward to a great occasion when his young preacher son, Mark, is to preach his first sermon in his father's church on fourth Sunday night. Mark is a Junior at Hendrix College.

Rev. J. T. Rodgers who has sup plied the Des Arc-DeValls Bluff charge since Brother Harrell passed away, has had a wonderfully good year. His charge had the largest and most enthusiastic delegation at the group meeting for Church School workers last week.

Rev. Robert Core will serve as assistant to the pastor at Winfield Church next year. Robert will continue his studies in Hendrix College and assist at Winfield over week-

Bishop J. M. Moore, meeting with

the Presiding Elders of the two Conferences in Little Rock last Monday, seemed to be fully recov-ered from his recent illness and is carrying on his heavy program with his usual vigor.

Dr. J. Q. Schisler, from our General Board, was a welcome visitor last Monday. He reports unusually fine sessions of the Annual Confer-

Our Presiding Elders were all in Little Rock Monday meeting with the Bishop and we have never seen as optimistic a group of Elders before at this time of the year. Looks like the Little Rock Conference might pay out in full on Benevolences.

Rev. M. T. Steel reports that he is having an average attendance of more than 200 at a special series of mid-week services at Winfield.

Rev. W. C. Hilliard, who lives in Little Rock since his retirement, is worth his weight in gold as he brightens the streets with his cheerry smiles and happy greetings.

### CHURCH SCHOOL DAY OFFER-INGS, LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE, FROM AUGUST 3 TO OCTOBER 10

OCTOBER 10	
Arkadelphia District	
Butterfields	1.00
Keith Memorial	1.80
Magnet Cove	3.35
Rockport	1.25
Rhodes Chapel	.60
Leola Circuit	8.05
Sparkman	7.50
First Church, Hot Springs	6.00

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First Church, Hot Springs	6.00
Friendship Circuit	5.00
Previously reported	205.45
Total	\$240.00
Camden District	•
Kingsland	\$ 8.25
Taylor Circuit	3.18
Wesley Chapel	2.50
Junction City	4.00
Magnolia Circuit	10.00
Vantrease Memorial	12.50
Chidester Circuit	7.50
Thornton Circuit	
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Lacey	0,00
Eudora (add.)	2.50
Newton's Chapel	5.00
Tillar	8,50
Portland	83
Arkansas City	
New Edinburg	4.00
Wheeler Crair	9.00
Wheelen Springs	1.50
Banks	1.00
Wagnon	50
Previously reported	168.66
Total	700.00
Total	\$221.89
Pine Bluff District	

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Oak Grove	1.00
Center \	1.5
Ulm	4.0
Rison (add.)	2.4
Star City	5.0
Cornerville	2.5
DeWitt (add.)	5.0
Altheimer (add.)	5.0
Humphrey-Sunshine (add.)	4.0
Pine Bluff Circuit	6.0
Roe Circuit (add.)	6.0
Sherill-Tucker (add.)	2.6
Star City (add.)	7.5
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Previously reported 122.80
Total\$177.54
Texarkana District
Ogden\$ 3.00
Olive Branch 1.60
Doddridge 2.50
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Total \$223.10
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Little Rock District\$ 640.84
Pine Bluff District 468.10
Camden District 289.20
Arkadelphia District 240.00
Texarkana District 223.10
Monticello District 221.89
Prescott District 177.54
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#### EIGHTY-ONE LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE PASTORS HAVE PAID CHURCH SCHOOL DAY OFFERINGS IN FULL

Eighty-one charges in the Little Rock Conference have paid their Church School Day acceptance in full and will thus have their charges and pastors given recognition in our year-book at Annual Conference. There are still many charges nearly out and we expect this number to be greatly increased before Conference. The pastors whose charges have paid out in full are as follows: E. S. Walker, J. C. Williams, Paul Clanton, O. C. Robison, J. L. Dedman, J. Frank Simmons, A. J. Bearden, T. D. Spruce, W. C. Watson, Vance Martin, S. G. Rutledge, F. P. Doak, W. A. Stewart, D. T. Rowe, G. W. Warren, W. W. Christie, D. A. Weems, Leland Clegg, Mouzan Mann, M. E. Scott, W. R. Boyd, Leonard Bowden, D. L. Wilcox, W. L. Arnold, H. B. Vaught, C. M. Reves, A. J. Shirey, O. L. Cole, I. A. Love, Neill Hart, Marshall Steel, S. K. Burnett, M. W. Miller, Carl Keightley, M. K. Rogers, J. A. Henderson, M. K. Irvin, J. H. Cummins, J. M. Hamilton, L. C. Gatlin, W. R. Burks, Claud Roy, C. D. Meux, R. A. Teeter, A. C. Carraway, E. T. Miller, M. O. Barnett, W. C. Lewis, S. T. Baugh, F. A. Buddin, Arthur Terry, F. G. Roebuck, John G. Gieck, J. B. Hefley, C. H. Farmer, C. E. Burdette, V. D. Keeley, B. F. Roebuck, C. R. Andrews, Earl Lewis, W. W. Nelson, I. S. Selby, R. L. Long, Wilfred House, Fred Mead, E. B. Adcock, A. C. Rogers, Fred R. Harrison, Louis Averitt, A. J. Christie, E. T. McAfce, G. W. Robertson, A. W. Hamilton, R. S. Beasley, Geo. E. Williams, James Simpson, Edward W. Harris, K. L. Spore, H. S. DeVore, J. L. Simpson.

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son, Edward W. Harris, R. E. Spore, H. S. DeVore, J. L. Simpson.
We appreciate this fine support. The Little Rock Conference Board of Christian Education now lacks only \$240.00 having reached the \$2500 we placed in the budget from this source. Let's go even the ton plus.

over the top plus.

In addition to these pastors, the Pine Bluff District has placed the name of its Presiding Elder, Rev. J. E. Cooper on the Honor Roll.—Clem Baker.

# A GOOD WEEK IN LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT

Having spent time since the last of July in the Arkadelphia, Camden, Pine Bluff and Monticello Districts, with short visits to Prescott and Texarkana Districts, we this week assisted in Institutes in Little Rock District. Monday we were at Hickory Plains, Tuesday at Roland, Wednesday at Mabelvale, Thursday at Keo, and concluded our work Friday at Carlisle with an Institute for Lonoke, Carlisle Ct., Hazen, Des Arc and DeValls Bluff. These were all good meetings attended in most part by the officers and teachers from the several Sunday Schools. It was heartening to know that in all our rounds we found only one school that ceased to function during the summer. Another encouraging note is the hearty cooperation pledged by all schools in the campaign being launched to reach a million new Sunday School members in the next 18 months. The preachers attending our meetings were: C. F. Cannon, Joe H. Robinson, M. W. Miller, Geo. E. Reutz, Otto Teague, H. D.

Ginther, and J. T. Rodgers. Bro. Arnold was assisting Brother Burnett at Lonoke, hence the absence of these two preachers. Dr. Hammons led in all these Institutes and made a fine contribution to the program. It is encouraging to have a Presiding Elder of a great District, at this busy season, give one whole week to the promotion of Sunday School interests in rural churches. Dr. Hammons is doing a great work and has 100% support of his preachers and laymen in his twenty-five charges.—Clem Baker.

# MANY SCHOOLS REPORTING FOURTH SUNDAY OFFERINGS

We are delighted at the large number of schools reporting fourth Sunday offerings. Our records show that offerings for August were considerably larger than for August last year and our Treasurer reports that he received the largest number of offerings last week that he has received the first week after the fourth Sunday in any month. The middle of October we begin preparing our annual report which will be printed and given to our Bishop, Presiding Elder, and each pastor in the Conference this year. We are trusting that by Oct. 15 all schools will have sent in their offering taken in September. We are happy to know that a large number that have not sent in offerings regularly are sending in an offering before Conference. We sincerely thank all Presiding Elders, pastors and superintendents for their loyal support of this part of our program.—Clem Baker.

#### J. E. COOPER FIRST PRESIDING ELDER ON THE HONOR ROLL

The Pine Bluff District has paid its Church School offerings 100% for every charge in the District and has thus accorded its fine Presiding Elder, Rev. J. E. Cooper, the honor of being the first Presiding Elder in some years to report in full for this cause. Now that he has reached 100% on Church School Day, Bro. Cooper says that he and his preachers are going to pull hard for a Fourth Sunday offering from every church in the District and thus hang up another 100% record. We congratulate the Pine Bluff District, the Presiding Elder and all the preachers and superintendents connected with our work.—Clem Baker.

#### EMORY UNIVERSITY

With the enrollment of 1,326 students for the fall quarter, the registration figures for Emory University set a new all-time record. This figure, given out at the end of the second day, shows an increase of approximately 4 per cent over the 1,268 enrollment of the same day of last year. Of the 1,326 students in all divisions of the school, 1,085 are on the Atlanta campus, and 82 are in the School of Theology. This is the largest enrollment of Theological students in a number of years, but is not a record figure.

Although some of the new men took courses in the school this summer, exactly half of this year's theological students are beginning their

seminary work.
Fourteen states, including California and Massachusetts, are represented in the School of Theology, although nearly one-fourth of the students come from Georgia. Virginia, running second, is closely followed by Kentucky and Tennessee in the number of men in the Candler School of Theology.—L. H. Snyder Jr.

### **CHURCH NEWS**

#### NORTH ARKANSAS NOTICE

The Admissions Committee for North Arkansas Conference will meet in the room assigned at 4:30, Wednesday afternoon, October 28. All applicants for admission on trial, admission into full connection, re-admission, and admission from other churches must appear before this committee at this time.

—J. J. Galloway, Warren Johnston, F. R. Hamilton, Committee.

#### PLEASE! PLEASE! PLEASE!

Dear Brethren of the North Arkansas Conference, I would greatly appreciate your remitting before Conference meets, your premiums on Group Insurance. Many of you are behind, and I cannot afford to carry you much longer. It is greatly to your interest to keep your premiums paid.—L. E. Mann, Secretary-Treasurer, Cabot.

#### NORTH ARKANSAS NOTICE

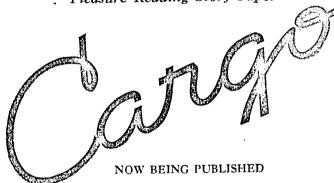
The postal authorities have agreed to establish a sub-station in the church to take care of Conference mail. Let all Conference mail have on it "Methodist Conference." Batesville is full of new people and transient people connected with various governmental alphabetical agencies, Postal clerks cannot tell these from Conference visitors unless "Methodist Conference" is marked on the envelope. A failure to mark it thus may mean delay, while thus marking it means it will come at once to the office in the church. The office in the church will be in charge of a regular Federal Postoffice clerk. Mail matters will be promptly and efficiently handled if the simple request made above is observed.—O. E. Goddard, P. C.

#### NOTICE TO PREACHERS OF THE NORTH ARK. CONFERENCE

The North Arkansas Conference voted at its last session to relieve the preachers of the task of tabulating the Statistical Reports. Those who have been secured for this work are not as familiar with the terminology of the reports as the preachers are. It is therefore necessary that your reports be made as legible as possible. Be sure your report is absolutely correct in the balances before you hand it in. We want the Membership Report and all the Financial Reports to balance. Please do not ask us to change them after

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they are turned in. Each Presiding Elder is asked to designate some one from his District to take the Reports in that District. It will be necessary that all reports be in Thursday morning. We want as many as possible Wednesday afternoon.—S. B. Wilford, Statistical Secretary.

#### REVIVAL AT HAZEN

On October 4 we closed a very successful revival meeting with several additions to the Church. The preaching was very effectively done by Brother Otto Teague of Carlisle. Bro. Teague is a sincere and forceful preacher and the church was greatly uplifted by his inspiring messages.—Reporter.

#### ARKANSAS METHODIST OR-**PHANAGE**

My week has been one of unusual pleasure. Wednesday night, Rev. F. A. Buddin, pastor of First Church, Pine Bluff, pulled off a Christian Internationale and it was as complete a success as I have ever seen, equaling Brother Galloway's Internationale at Brinkley a few years ago.

A handsome booth for each agency of the Church was erected and beautifully finished with all of the necessary literature and people saw the Church in action as it were. The Orphanage booth was much enjoyed by a great concourse of people going in and out looking at our exhibit.

At nine c'clock a very beautiful play was put on in the main auditorium for a great congregation.
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think I never enjoyed an occasion more than I did this.

From what I gather from my brethren who drop into see from time to time, our State is going to make good reports at the coming Conferences and this is pleasing to one who loves our work.

Looking forward to being with the brethren at the coming Conference, I am, yours truly, James Thomas, Executive Secretary.

#### A HAPPY OCCASION AT OUR METHODIST HOME

For years one of the happiest occasions for the preachers of Little Rock and North Little Rock has been the annual dinner served by Mrs. Steed and her helpers at our Children's Home in Little Rock. The writer was delighted that it was his privilege to be at this occasion at noon hour Friday. In addition to the preachers and wives from Little Rock and North Little Rock, those present included: Rev. Harold D. Sadler, and Rev. A. E. Holloway, members of the Board of Trustees, Mrs. Geo. Thornburgh who was long vitally connected with the Home, and Professor Burlington, representing representing the Public School where our children attend. Our great Superintendent, Dr. James Thomas, with Mrs. Thomas, greeted the guests and served as hosts. We have rarely seen Dr. Thomas in so happy spirit. It is a joy to see how half a hundred children honor and love this man of God who is giving the last years of a great ministerial career to caring for our orphan children. Nowhere does one find a brighter, more intelligent, neater or better disciplined group of children than those in our Home. These children do not look like orphans, but give the appearance of fine boys and girls who can boast that they have as good home and are taken as well care of as any children in Arkansas. If representatives from every Methodist church could visit this Home and see the work, we feel confident that our Christmas offering, which is the main support of Home, will be more than doubled.

Mrs. Steed not only served one of the best cooked dinenrs we have ever eaten but made one of the most sensible talks we have heard concerning her work.—Clem Baker.

#### APPRECIATION OF PRESIDING ELDER H. D. SADLER

Resolved that it is the sense of the preachers of the Texarkana District:

- 1. That Harold D. Sadler has exemplified only the brotherly and Christian spirit in his dealings with both preachers and people during his term of office, now drawing to a close.
- 2. That he has been a most competent presiding officer in the Quarterly and District Conferences and other meetings held under his leadership during these years.
- 3. That he is one of the very best preachers in our Conference. He has not only been welcome in every pulpit in the District, but his official and other visits have been looked forward to with the keenest anticipation. His visits have usually been attended by larger crowds than those customarily attending at the various preaching places. It is our confident belief that he would be highly acceptable as pastor by any church in the District.
- 4. That he has led us in all departments of the work so effectively

that the District is about to make the greatest report in its history.

That he has steadily increased in favor throughout the District during his term of office so that he is more popular now than at any previous time.

6. That we deeply regret having to give him up as our presiding elder, but that we congratulate the church which is so fortunate as to have him as pastor for next year.

### GREAT DAY AT MARMADUKE

Sunday, October 4, at 3:00 p. m. the Marmaduke Methodist Church was the scene of a beautiful and meaningful service. The church was made beautiful by pot plants and cut flowers. Its auditorium was filled by an eager congregation awaiting the arrival of Bishop John M. Moore. He came to us from Paragould, where he had officiated at the dedication of the First Church. Bishop Moore brought a great message on the subject, "The Purpose of the Church."

The members of the congregation were very grateful for this splendid message, and at the close of the service they came down to the front of the church to greet Bishop Moore and to express their appreciation for his presence and for his mes-

We were made to rejoice by the attendance of many visitors from other communities. Twelve ministers were present. It was a pleasure to have these ministers, and their families enpoy this occasion with us. Mr. Charles Stuck, of Jonesboro, who is the Chairman of the Conference Board of Lay Activities was also present.

The Methodist Church of Marmaduke will long remember this great day.—Reporter.

### PORTLAND

We had a fine program for the dedication of our new hymnals at Portland, Sunday night, Oct. 5. We had one of the largest and most interesting evening congregations during the year. We had three choirs: children, young people, and adults. The congregation seemed to enjoy singing the old hymns.

Recently during a meeting of our Board of Christian Education, I discussed the matter of the new hymnals. It was our informal opinion that we might be able to secure at least thirty copies for our church. I was asked to interview five families who might be interested in placing copies as a memorial. The next morning I called on these five families and presented the matter to them. Imagine my surprise when the first one took 10 books, the next one took 25, the third 15, the fourth took 8, the fifth took 10—a total of More than twice the number we expected. But the best is yet to come: when we had finished giving everybody an opportunity to present personally or as a memorial some of the hymnals, we had a total of 102. Our membership locally is 124.

This activity seems to have helped every department of the church, and in itself was the easiest task I ever undertook. I believe the "memorial" plan, when properly presented, will be a wonderful success in any church.

Words cannot adequately describe the advantages of the new hymnal. It has to be seen and used to be appreciated. There are many tunes suitable for musical selections to say nothing of the words of the The leaders in our choir worked out a splendid selection for

the dedication service. The pastor added a few brief comments on some of the hymns, tunes, and authors.

Hymnals in our churches will last a lifetime. Our old hymnals were placed in the church here in 1905, and were in very good shape when we "superannuated" them thirtyone years later. Thus will memorial hymnals be as lasting as a window, pew, or other memorial articles about the church.—R. E. Simpson,

#### McRAE

We have had some great revivals this year. Had a good meeting at McRae with 25 conversions and reclamations, Rev. S. O. Patty doing part of the preaching. We have had 37 additions in the McRae Church this year. During a two weeks' meeting at our Lebanon Church Rev. Griffin Hamilton preached about half the time, bringing great messages. We had 38 conversions and reclamations. We have had 36 additions in this church during the year, 26 on profession of faith and baptism. The total additions on our charge is 80. We have had a good year. Our Benevolences are paid in full already. Salary about half.—Ray L. McLester, P. C.

#### WEINER.

This brings the charge to the close of a great year. A new parsonage has been built this year at Weiner and is almost free of debt. Salaries and Benevolences will be paid in The work has been hard, but with everyone helping we are able to bear the load. The revivals have resulted in a substantial gain. On October 18 will close the personal evangelism drive at Weiner. This will result in a number of additions on profession of faith and otherwise. There is a good feeling over the charge, brought about by the wonderful work done this year. The pastor and people have worked together.—Reporter.

# A GREAT YEAR AT PARA-GOULD

This has been a great year for First Church, Paragould. An indebtedness of \$50,000 in principal and \$19,000 in accrued interest has been paid off in cash. The bondholders settled for 60 cents on the dollar of their originial investment. We paid them in cash, without borrowing. \$30,628.20. That above the \$30,000 was for court expenses incurred by the bondholders. When the year began we were out of our church, as the property had been thrown into a court receivership. We occupied our local First Christian Church for

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seven months, and re-occupied our building on Mother's Day, May 10, after final settlement had been consummated. On Sunday, September 20, in the morning service in the main auditorium, we publicly burned \$69,000 of bonds and interest coupons and also \$12,000 in redeemed pipe-organ notes. On Sunday, October 4, Bishop John M. Moore was present and dedicated our debt-free property. Also in this Conference year the parsonage has been re-roofed, the parsonage kit-chen electrified with a new range and a new refrigerator, and the entire downstairs of the parsonage repapered and re-decorated. This congregation now has its \$125,000 church, its \$6,000 parsonage, and its \$12,000 three-manual pipe organ, all free from debt.

The Sunday the church was dedicated Presiding Elder E. B. Williams closed our two-weeks revival in which he had done the preaching. In this evangelistic effort the church secured 51 new additions, 10 by baptism, 20 by vows, and 21 by

All salaries to the end of the Con ference year have been paid in full and we owe only \$550 balance on our acceptance for Benevolences. We are confident that this amount will be paid by October 28, when the Annual Conference meets. In a very intensive campaign of two weeks for budget monies, ending September 20 the workers brought in \$1800 in cash.

This church faces the future with confidence and hope.—George Wendell Pyles, P. C.

#### ROGERS

The last quarterly meeting was held with a large number of church officials and friends present. Reports from all departments showed that the year's work had not been neglected. Everyone seemed interested in the plans for the coming year.

large attendance was present at the church school on October 4, the record showing 222. All departments met in the auditorium and each was represented in the program. One very attractive number was the dramatization of "Naaman, the Syrian" by the Primary department, sponsored by their teacher,

Mrs. Fred Luffman.
The Missionary Society has done splendid work having earned over \$375 and with the help of influential friends has redecorated the choir room and the pastor's study. We have had some splendid and inspiring music and sermons.

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Rev. I. A. Brumley recently conducted a class of workers interested in the "Church and Alcohol." The attendance averaged 25 and 14 credits were given. Some visitors from Springdale and Bentonville attended.

Our church has this October 8, lost one of its oldest members in the passing of John T. Huffman. He moved to this county in 1866 and has lived near Rogers in the same home which he built for his bride in January 1881. His wife preceded him on last Easter Sunday. He was one of the charter members of this church and served on the Board of Stewards for 25 years, and only failing health caused him to relinhis work for the church. Those surviving are the three Huffman children, Emmett and Ora of Rogers and Mrs. F. A. Lark of Atkins. All were with him in his last moments. The passing of Mr. and Mrs. Huffman breaks up one more of the few old-fashioned Christian homes. The memory of their lives will have an everlasting influence upon relatives and friends. — Mrs.

#### A MESSAGE FROM BRAZIL

I receive the Methodist regularly and we always read it with unusual interest. It helps to keep us in touch with our church people of our home state. We also enjoy the good articles. May we have more of them.

Our work in Brazil is flourishing. Our young Brazilian Bishop Dacorso is making us a wise and vigourous leader. We are happy in our work and feel that the Lord is blessing this new church of the great Methodist family.—W. R. Schisler, Passo Fundo, Brazil.

#### CHRISTIAN INTERNATIONALE AT FIRST CHURCH, PINE BLUFF

Exceeding our most sanguine expectations in colorful beauty, and educational effectiveness was the Christian Internationale presented in the First Methodist Church, Pine Bluff, Tuesday night, Oct. 6, under the auspices of the Board of Christian Education, and directed by Mrs. W. F. Woodard, depicting all of the interests of the Church at home and abroad covered by our Benevo-lences. It was one of the most successful presentations ever given in Pine Bluff and attracted city-wide attention.

As the opening feature, a Japanese tea was held in the Ladies' Parlor of the church. Oriental tea was served by the Junior Department of the Sunday School and Circle D of the Woman's Missionary Society, with Mrs. N. J. Gantt, Jr., in charge. The Ladies' Parlor was converted into a Japanese garden for the occasion, with appropriate decorations. Japanese costumes were worn by those serving the tea.

In the basement, booths had been arranged representing each of the Benevolent causes. Benevolences and their sponsors included the following:

College of Bishops-Sponsored by the Business Men's Class and the Rev. J. E. Cooper, presiding elder, Ed Dupree, Jr., in charge. Czecho-Slovakia—Presented by the Young Matron's Circle of the W. M. S., Mrs. W. N. Thain, leader. Christian Education—Young People's Department, Miss Beth Wilson in charge.

Board of Christian Education—Kate Steel Bible class, Mrs. W. E. Burnham, leader. Indian Mission Work -Intermediate Dept.—Sam Goodman, leader. Interacial Work—In charge of Mrs. J. B. Talbot. Superannuates—Primary Department, in charge of Miss Roselle Lemons. Brazil—Circle C of the W. M. S., sponsored by Mrs. Roy Custer. Orphanage—Wesley Friendship class, Mrs. J. C. Reeves, leader. Africa—Circle A of the W. M. S., Mrs. J. H. Buckley in charge. Federal Council of Churches—The Rev. Francis A. Buddin, in charge.

After viewing the various booths, those present enjoyed a floor show consisting of the following numbers; Solo, Ernest Alexander; an Indian war dance; song by Superan-nuates; Children's chorus, a group of small negro children singing in the Otatela language; Japanese skit, Mrs. Earl Spencer and Earl, Jr.; solo, Miss Lucyhearn Broadstreet.

Directed by Mrs. George V. Beall, a Chinese play, "The Honorable Mrs. Ling's Conversion" was presented as the closing feature, with Miss Jane Hill as the Honorable Mrs. Ling, and Harry Jo as the Honorable Mr. Ling. Others in the cast included: Mrs. Milton Voss, Galbraith Gould, Rose Custer Hollis, Mrs. D. T. Sheffield, John Bassett, Billy Hearn, Jane Peer, Fay Whyte, Maxine Lyle, Cecil Lynch, Jack Lyle.

#### PRESCOTT DISTRICT BROTHERHOOD

The preachers of the Prescott District had another pleasant and profitable meeting October 6 in Prescott. The meeting was opened at 10 a. m. with the singing of a hymn, after which Brother T. M. Armstrong of Glenwood led the prayer. Our presiding elder, Brother J. W. Mann, read a Scripture lesson from II Tim. 2: and led in an informal discussion of "Ministerial Ethics."

All of the pastors were present and their reports were encouraging. A real concerted effort is being made to bring the District up 100 per cent on all acceptances.

A motion was made by Brother O. C. Birdwell that the Brotherhood send a resolution to the Bishop and his Cabinet expresing our appreciation of Brother Mann and expressing our wishes for his return, as Presiding Elder of the District. The motion was seconded and heartily adopted.

At the noon hour we had pleasant fellowship about the table, while we refreshed ourselves with the delicious luncheon served by the ladies of the Gurdon church.

While at the table it was decided that it would be profitable to have another meeting before Annual Conference. So it was decided that we would meet in Murfreesboro on November 3.—C. D. Cade, Sec.

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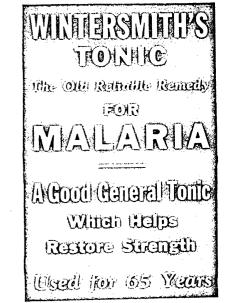
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mission lands. We on the foreign mission field usually take a variety papers and magazines, but the first opened, so far is I can judge, is the church paper. In the news from the churches some forgotten home mission worker will suddenly find a mention of his or her work that will bring an unexpected glow to the heart and send the worker singing on his way, knowing that he is not altogether unappreciated.

In addition to religious news, the church paper carries devotional articles, short sermons, Sunday school helps, hints for the young people's meetings, news of the work among our women, stories for the family circle and for the little folks. Withal, the church paper is a feast of good things, and those who are accustomed to partake weekly of this feast would not know how to do without it. And it is a healthy taste too, for those who do not cultivate this taste usually satisfy themselves with a taste for newspapers of a much lower moral and spiritual standard. The church paper is the church worker's handbook, the youth's companion, and for those who are acquainted with it a welcome friend. It is more wholesome than the daily newspaper, cheaper than the magazines, and the choicest of all weekly visitors in paper form. Show us a Sabbath-loving, church-going and intelligent Christian family and in more than ninety cases out of a hundred you will find they are subscribers for a church

The church paper is not a moneymaking institution. Its editor and staff work hard for a modest living and in depressing times find it hard to keep their heads above water. Some church papers—not in our church-have had to close out altogether. Church papers have to work against odds that those who have not had newspaper experience little appreciate. They have to take hard knocks and make difficult decisions. There is little letup. The pastor of a church finds it comparatively easy to get another pastor to supply for him while he is on a longer or shorter vacation. The church paper editor, who is rendering a pastoral service, has to carry on fifty-two weeks in the year, and substitute editors are not easy to find. The church papers are serving all the churches and it is about time to give them a little more cordial recognition of the debt of gratitude we owe them. The recognition which they will appreciate most is a larger subscription list. And when we try to help by boosting their circulation we are not working for them alone but for the whole church.

All of our people need to become, what some of our people already are, church paper-minded. Now let us all, ministers and men of the church and women and young people, pitch in and lend a hand. We can boldly and without embarrassment commend a church paper, not as newspaper agents, but as messengers of good will.

We cannot displace the daily paper, which in so many of its departments is disappointing, not to say demoralizing, but we can, all of us, if we will, , put the church paper with its uplifting influences right by the side of the secular paper. Let us all pull together. Point out the good points in the church paper. Try to get others not only to take it but to read it.

Let us all get together and make our people church-paper-conscious. Let us induce them to form the

church paper habit. Then the battle for intelligent church loyalty will be more than half won.-Adapted from article in Christian Observer, by Frank P. Price, Moderator of Presbyterian Church, U. S.

# FOR THE CHILDREN

### BELIEVE IT OR NOT

I saw a cow slip through the fence in the dead of winter,

A horse fly in the store;
I saw a board walk up the street,
A stone step in front of the door;
I saw a mill race up the road I saw a mill race up the road, A morning break the gloom; saw a night fall on the lawn, A clock run in the room; I saw a peanut stand up on the street A sardine box in the hall; I saw a bed spring at the gate, An ink stand in the garden. I saw all these things in the Pacific-Christian Advocate.—G. F. Gray.

#### DOROTHY'S TROUBLE

"There is no use trying to be good, and I don't believe I shall, so there, sobbed little Dorothy.

"Why, Dorothy," said her brother, Lynn, "what is the matter?"

A long-drawn sob was the only reply; and Dorothy buried her face in her hands and wept as though her heart was broken.

Lynn gathered the small bundle in his strong arms and comforted and petted her until the tears had almost ceased to flow.

"Now, Dorothy, tell me all about it," said he.

"It's just that horrid Kate Vane; she told me I was stuck up and proud, because my brother went to college; and then when I made a face at her she said I was homely enough without that, and should not try to be uglier; and I just slapped her real hard. 'Course she slapped me back, but I didn't mind that; but I promised mamma, only this morning, that I would be such a good girl today, and not be cross once. But it is just no use trying to be good with that dreadful Kate sitting right across from me every day in school."

"Poor little Dorothy," said Lynn, "your troubles have begun early. But now let me tell you what I would do if I were you. Tomorrow when you have a chance, tell Kate you are sorry you slapped her; and whenever she says horrid things to you, just smile at her, or give her a bit of cake, or an apple. That is the way to conquer an enemy. Only, little sister, remember to ask Jesus to help you master your quick temper.

Dorothy sat up with a long drawn sigh. "You are the bestest brother ever lived," she said, "and do you really s'pose if I tried pretty hard, I could be nice and pleasant,, and folks would not mind my being so plain and homely?"

"Little sister," said Lynn, in a soft, kindly voice, "you are not so homely or plain as you think you are. But it is no great matter whether we are good looking, or not, so we 'look good', and are kind and pleasant. They are the things which truly count."

Dorothy ran away fully comforted, and Lynn's plans must have suc ceeded pretty well, for, a week later, when he overtook her coming from school, she said with a sunny smile, "Oh, Lynn, I did as you said, and what do you s'pose? Kate Vane said today she thought I was the nicest girl in school, 'cause I was so good-natured, and it's all your doings-yours and God's," she added, in a lower voice.—Ex.

# **OBITUARIES**

SMITH.-Miss Lorene Smith, age 17 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Smith of Royal, Arkansas, passed away on April 30, at the home of her brother, W. T. Smith, 709 Sixth Street, Hot Springs, where she had been taken for the convenience of the doctor that he might be enabled to watch over the case more closely, Royal being about 15 miles from Hot Springs. Miss Lorene was a member of the Methodist Church, having joined at the age of 14, and had been a faithful Sunday School student all her life, having been placed on the Cradle Roll when an infant. She made friends wherever she went. She was loved by all who knew her. She leaves to mourn her going her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Smith of Royal, Ark.; two sisters Mrs. G. A. Martin of Gainesville, Fla, and Miss Pauline Patterson of Vancouver, Wash.; two brothers, W. T. Smith of Hot Springs and L. A. Smith of McGehee, Ark. Lorene was of the highest type of Christian girl. She stood high in her school work, Sunday school work, and Church work. Funeral services were conducted at the Cunningham cemetery by Rev. J. R. Dickerson, a former pastor, assisted by Rev. J. Frank Simmons, pastor of Grand Avenue Church, Hot Springs and A. J. Bearden, pastor of the Hot Springs Circuit, in the presence of a large crowd of relatives and friends. The floral offerings were fine, enough to cover four graves, and the most beautiful flowers this writer has ever seen.-A. J. Bearden, Pastor.

MILBURN. — Mrs. J. D. Milburn was born in Missouri, Nov. 13, 1868. She moved with her parents to this state and spent the greater part of her life in and around Mountain Home, Baxter County, Ark. It was in this state she met and married J. D. Milburn, Aug. 21, 1892. This was a most happy marriage. Eight children were born to this union, three of whom preceded her in death; one son, four daughters, and a number of grandchildren live to mourn her departure. Sister Milburn united with the Methodist Church early in life, having been converted at the age of fifteen. She loved the church and was always loyal to her pastor. She was never too busy nor so burdened with the cares of life as to forget the services of the church. It was my privilege during my early ministry to serve as the pastor of the Moun-

tain Home charge, four of the happiest years of my life. I do not recall a single service when Sister Milburn and her good husband were not in their place for the services. God never made a braver, or a finer soul. The year of 1919 Sister Milburn, with her husband and family, moved to Conway. "They never moved away from the church, they moved to it". The first Sunday found them worshiping in that beautiful church and hardly a service since, in spite of the illness of the last years, without her presence. Not the last days, but all the days of her life have been beautiful and peaceful. A quiet, timid soul, literally giving herself unselfishly to her God, church and family. In the early hours of Sept. 2, a great soul was going out into eternity. Did she hesitate? No; the God she had trusted through the years was with her. David said, "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil, thou art with me." Quietly she had lived and just as quietly she passed to her eternal home. She is not dead; she lives; is alive for ever more.-Floyd G. Villines, Former Pastor.

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No. 2—Mrs. Springer, Chairman, with Mrs. Harvey Shipp, 111 Midland, 1.30, Mrs. Virgil Stover, cohostess.

No. 3—Mrs. Ray Scott, Chairman, with Miss Mamie Krohn, 2219 Arch, 2 o'clock.

No. 4—Mrs. Henderson, Chairman, with Mrs. P. J. Ballard, 1509½ Gaines, 2 o'clock.

No. 5—Mrs. C. E. Hayes, Chairman, with Mrs. T. S. Buzbee, 300 N. Woodrow. Members will be notified of the time.

No. 6—Mrs. Bowen, Chairman, with Mrs. E. C. Reed, 2705 State, pot-luck luncheon, 12:30, Mrs. C. C. Gunnells, co-hostess.

No. 7—Mrs. Greene, Chairman, with Mrs. R. C. McConnell, 320 Rosetta, 1 o'clock luncheon.

No. 8—With Mrs. Eugene Smith, Chairman, 2016 N. Garfield, 2 o'clock, Mrs. Edyth Lenhardt and Mrs. W. T. Gordon, co-hostesses.

No. 9—Mrs. Rankin, Chairman,

No. 9—Mrs. Rankin, Chairman, with Mrs. John Kochtitzky, 2010 Summit, 2 o'clock, Mrs. J. A. Anderton, co-hostess.

No. 10—Mrs. Naylor, Chairman, with Mrs. J. A. Adams, 1408 Mc-Almont, 2 o'clock.

#### BILLY STEEL VERY ILL

Bro. Steel was unable to be in the pulpit at either service Sunday because of the serious illness of his son, little Billy, who has been in the Baptist Hospital for more than a week. It has been necessary to give him several blood transfusions. He is holding his own but is still critically ill. Bro. and Mrs. Steel asked us to express their sincere appreciation for the thoughtfulness of their many friends during this trying time.

Bro. Steel hopes to be in the pulpit both morning and evening next Sunday. His evening message will be the one that was intended for last Sunday, a discussion of "Jesus' Standards of Value."

### PERSONAL ITEMS

Mrs. Charles Loewer, 2219 Cumberland Street, has been ill.

Ernest Banzhoff and Harold Baird, who are attending Monticello A. & M., spent last week-end with the home folks.

Miss Bernice Franklin has returned from a vacation spent in Hollister, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Overman, Sr., have moved into their new home, 16 Longfellow Lane.

Mr. E. F. Damm, who has been in the Government Hospital at Dawson Springs, Ky., is visiting his family, 1522 Louisiana, for about a week and will return to the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Buzbee of Phoenix, Arizona, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Foote of Los Angeles visited the Little Rock Buzbees last

Mrs. R. C. McConnell had as her guest last week her mother, Mrs. Ollie B. Thomas, from St. Louis.

### CONGRATULATIONS

Miss Geraldine Groh and Marcus Billingsley were married last Sunday evening, October 11, in the auditorium of the church. Our congratulations and best wishes to these young people.

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#### SUNDAY SERVICES

11:00 A. M.—Bro. Steel will preach. 7:30 P. M.—"The Teachings of Jesus", Bro. Steel.

# Something To Be Proud Of— Something To Cherish

In the years during which Winfield Church has served its members—down to the fourth generation, its roots have pierced deep into Christian soil and it has exerted a lasting influence for good upon the character of those to whom it has ministered.

There are tangible fruits of its service, yes—a membership of 2,000, beautiful modern buildings, a progressive Church School serving a thousand persons, numerous church activities, ministers of the highest caliber, a concrete place to turn to for inspiration, for Christian service, for comfort in time of sorrow.

But the many intangibles that cannot be counted and measured perhaps are even more important: Christian ideals, high standards, important goals set and achieved, moral inspiration—these and many other factors which mold Christian character. And closely woven in the warp and woof of our city's life are many who face the issues of life (whether at school, in the home, or in business) with a Christian courage and stamina that have their roots deeply imbedded in Winfield tradition.

Whether you are one of those who have grown up in the church, or one who has more recently cast your lot with its congregation, you will be deeply interested in keeping this splendid work going and improving year by year. But wishes must be backed by action. It takes money to keep such a church going. Annual Conference will meet November 12. There are only four Sundays before that time. Naturally those who have made pledges will see that all pledges are paid in full.

But our entire budget was not pledged, and in these few weeks it is necessary for us to raise not only the balance of the pledges, but between three- and four-thousand dollars above the amount pledged. To accomplish this, and keep Winfield's record unsullied, calls for the prompt and whole-hearted co-operation of every member.

# Curtain Club Invites Your Interest

Winfield Curtain Club is composed of a group of persons of various ages who are interested in the two-fold purpose of providing wholesome plays for the congregation and affording an outlet for persons interested in any phase of dramatics. Started by Mrs. Dell McDermott, it has functioned for a number of years.

The newly elected officers are: President, Russell Mc-Kinney; Vice-President, Mrs. Dewey Price; Secretary, Miss June Banzhof; Treasurer and Business Manager, E. V. Markham; Stage Manager, Dewey Price; Historian, Mrs. William Reutelhuber; Publicity Chm., Miss Bee Banzhof.

The first general meeting of the fall season will be held next Wednesday, October 21, after the play mentioned in another column. The Curtain Club invites all who are interested to join, and solicits the sponsorship of members of the congregation who would like to further this splendid work.

# Youth Education Week To Be Observed

Next Wednesday evening, October 21, the Committee on Youth Education Week will have charge of the service which follows the Fellowship Supper. This will be of special interest to parents and it is urged that all parents who are interested in the religious education of their children should show their appreciation and and co-operation by being present and learning something of the plans of the Church School regarding their children.

A special feature of the program will be a play directed by Mrs. Russell Henderson, entitled "The Father." Taking part on the program are: Maurice Davis, Jane Leigh McCoubrey, Jack Ginnochio, Josephine Jones, Billy Anderton, Miss Tibby McWhirter, Mr. Russell Henderson.

#### MISSION STUDY CLASS TO VISIT DUNBAR

The Mission Study Class will meet at the church at 10:30 next Monday, October 19. Following the meeting, the group will go to Dunbar High School for a luncheon and an inspection of the school. Any woman not in the class who wishes to attend the luncheon will please call Mrs. A. S. Ross, 2-1288, before Thursday afternoon.

#### OUR SYMPATHY

Mr. W. P. Hunter, Sr., died at the home of his son, A. A. Hunter, 1911 Izard, last Sunday, October 11, in his 87th year. Mr. Hunter had been a member of Winfield for many years. He was a son of the Rev. Andrew Hunter, one of the outstanding pioneer preachers of Arkansas.

Two other families in Winfield suffered losses through death last week. Mrs. A. C. Shipp's mother, Mrs. David Freeman, died on October 6 at Franklin, Indiana. Dr. and Mrs. Shipp arrived just after Mrs. Freeman had passed away.

Mrs. Clifton Scott's father, the Rev. Alexander Crawford, died at his home, 3209 W. 13th, last Saturday, October 10.

The sincere sympathy of the congregation is extended to these members.

# ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING OF YOUNG PEOPLE

The third and last of the special congregational dinners was held last Thursday evening, October 8, by the Young People. There were about 90 present, which was a better percentage than shown by either of the other groups who had a much larger number to draw upon. An interesting program (with an Indian background) was given and the Young People very much enjoyed the splendid talk made by Rev. Leland Clegg, of Magnolia. Bro. Steel wants to thank those young people who helped make the dinner such a success.

### APPRECIATION

The congregation deeply appreciates the co-operation of Rev. Roy Jordan, Pastor of Capitol View Methodist Church, and of Rev. L. A. Taylor, pastor of the Central Presbyterian Church last Sunday when Bro. Steel was not able to be with us. Bro. Jordan conducted the morning service and Bro. Taylor the evening service.