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## EMORY UNIVERSITY CENTENNIAL

EMORY UNIVERSITY, in the suburbs of Atlanta, between Dec. 4 and 13, celebrated its 100th anniversary. Appointed to represent the University of Arkansas and the guest of Dr. Robert C. Rhodes, I had the pleasure of attending during the last four days. The celebration was one of the most significant events in Southern educational history. Approximately 210 colleges and universities and 26 educational boards and learned societies were represented in the academic procession, coming from San Marcos University (Peru) nearly 400 years old, 300-year-old Harvard, and other institutions from France and Canada, and probably every State in the Union.

The speakers during the nine days included many of the most distinguished professional men of America. Among them were: W. J. Hale, a leader in the practical applications of Science, coinventor of the term "The Farm Chemurgic;" Isaac Bowman, president of Johns Hopkins University, internationally known geographer; W. B. Cannon, of Harvard Medical School, author of "Wisdom of the Human Body;" S. H. Strawn, past president of the American Bar Association; G. B. Pegram, dean of the Graduate Faculties of Columbia University, great physicist, who actually gave a demonstration of "smashing atoms;" Virgil D. Jordan, President of the National Industrial Conference Board, an outstanding organization for statistical research, who in his address indicated that the present trend in America pointed to complete government control of practically all activities in the interest of stability and security, instead of the "enterprise economy" of the past; Mark Ethridge, manager of the Louisville Courier-Journal, who, while giving the press credit for much good, frankly confessed its short-comings; D. L. Marsh, president of Boston University, who argued for correlation of educational institutions; and Bishop E. D. Mouzon, who on Sunday preached a strong sermon to an immense audience in a service in which eleven of our Bishops took part, Bishop W. A. Candler, who had rendered such valuable service in transforming Emory College into the modern Emory University, being present. Practically all the addresses related the subjects to modern education and recognized Emory University as among the great institutions of the land prepared to render highly valuable service to the Southeast of which Atlanta is the educational and commercial center.

Chartered Dec. 10, 1836, as Emory College (named for Bishop Emory), at Oxford, about 40 miles away, this institution was presided over by great men and prepared thousands of the sons of the South for useful and distinguished service. It was great as a small college, and it is becoming great as a small (compared with many) universities.

When Vanderbilt University was lost to our Church, it was decided by General Conference to create one university east and one west of the Mississippi. Through the liberality of Asa G. Candler, brother of Bishop Candler, and others of Atlanta, funds for buildings and endowment were provided, and the institution was moved to a beautiful pine-clad campus of 235 acres situated in the scenic Druid Hills section of Atlanta. Here are 19 buildings of Georgia marble in Italian Renaissance style of architecture, and the University Hospital and the Glenn Memorial Church, used for the university chapel. A faculty of fine teachers and specialists has been organized and maintained and the highest type of college, graduate, and professional work is done. Bishop Candler was chancellor during the formative period, and with his brothers and other

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\* WHICH IS IN HEAVEN.—John 3:12-13. \*  
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friends of education secured endowment and prepared the way for the real University. Dr. Harvey W. Cox has been president since 1920, and under his administration gifts of Asa Candler were increased to nearly \$8,000,000, and fourteen buildings have been erected. The student-body numbers nearly 2,000. Emory University is unique in admitting women only to upper college classes and for professional and graduate work. Many years ago, while still at Oxford, intercollegiate games were banned, and to this day only intramural athletics are allowed. Old students, who had opposed this ban on intercollegiate games, now heartily approve, and all persons connected with the University seem to be perfectly satisfied. It might be profitable and even popular if more of our church schools would adopt the same method of dealing with athletics.

I would like to give fuller details of the celebration and outlines of the addresses; but space limits forbid. There were banquets, concerts, music by the fine glee club and orchestra, and various group meetings. Everything was well planned and perfectly executed. It was an occasion long to be remembered.

I met many friends, visited the classes of Drs. Smart, Watkins, and Parker of the School of Theology, and was royally entertained in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Robt. C. Rhodes and enjoyed the beautiful fellowship of the two fine daughters and the two equally fine sons. It is an ideal home. Dr. Rhodes, as is well known, is a son of the late Rev. J. C. Rhodes of Little Rock Conference, and holds Henderson-Brown, Vanderbilt, and University of California degrees.—A. C. M.

## THE GREAT RENUNCIATION

WITHIN the last three weeks the wondering world has witnessed one of the most far-reaching and intriguing dramas ever enacted upon the stage of our planet. The emperor of the greatest empire in human history, in territory encircling the globe, reigning over one-third of the human race, with subjects representing practically every cult and tribe and tongue, with wealth that far surpassed that of any Croesus, honored and admired by multiplied millions, with social and official position more secure than that of any other monarch, renounced his throne with most of its real and imaginary power and pomp and prestige, for love of a woman. It is the supreme romance of the ages. No other lover ever renounced so much material, social, and civic values for a wife. Whether she is worthy of the sacrifice is not the question. Whether there were unexpressed political conditions that influenced him, we do not inquire. We simply assert that we have witnessed the greatest possible renunciation of all that mere worldly ambition seeks. It stands alone. It will probably have no parallel in human history. This royal romance may bring happiness or regret. It may change the currents of the British Empire, and, with it, the course of world events. We do not undertake to predict; but to learn a lesson.

If one can renounce all that the worldly world

values for love of a woman, who may prove unworthy of the sacrifice, why should we be unwilling to renounce fleeting and carnal things for love of Him who is altogether lovely and who is worthy of the deepest and most loyal affection of every human heart? By giving up much the king may gain little. By surrendering little we may gain the highest and holiest values. At this sacred season, when we honor the Christ, who exchanged a heavenly throne for a cruel cross out of love for us, shall we not renounce all that stands between us and Him and have eternal life, which means eternal love?

## A HAPPY, HOLY CHRISTMAS

WE wish all of our readers a happy, holy Christmas, such a day as will honor the Christ whose natal day we celebrate. May our thoughts turn to Him who was God's supreme gift to the world. Let us honor Him by giving ourselves anew to His service. Let us love, unselfishly, as He loves. Let us give, unreservedly, as He gives. As He sought to bring peace on earth, may we endeavor to promote peace and goodwill among men. May this holiday be a holy day and register the highest possible spiritual temperature in our lives, so that we may enter the new year with deeper consecration, stronger devotion, and unquestioned loyalty to the crystal Christ.

## METHODIST EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE

IMMEDIATELY following the Emory Centennial came the National Methodist Educational Conference whose program was planned and executed by representatives of the three Methodisms that are on the way to organic union. It brought together approximately 300 Methodist educators, college and university presidents and professors and members of boards. Among the speakers were Bishops Oxnam and Flint of the Methodist Episcopal Church, both brilliant and eloquent; our own Bishop John M. Moore, who presided over the first meeting and made the introductory address, and Bishop Kern, who made the closing address, a very clear analysis of the conditions of church-related colleges and the things that they must do to meet their obligations to the Church. President Marsh of Boston University gave interesting information in an address on "Methodist Education in Retrospect." President Seelman of Southern Methodist University predicted great growth, in "A Survey of the Future of Methodist Education." President Humphreys of High Point College (Methodist Protestant) argued for "Making Methodist Education Worthy of Respect and Securing for It the Evidences of Respect by Methodists." President Wildman, the new president of DePauw University, wittily and wisely discussed "The Church-Related College and American Higher Education." Our own Dr. Reynolds, in a discussion of "Freedom and the Church-Related College," indicated a very valuable service that our denominational institutions may render both Church and State. President Ruff of Central College (Mo.) submitted interesting suggestions in discussing "Financing Our Church-Related Colleges." President J. M. M. Gray of the American University (Washington, D. C.) indicated clearly "What the College Can Do for the Church." President Snavely of Birmingham-Southern College showed "What the Church Can Do for the College." Dr. Dan B. Brummitt, the wise and witty editor of the Central Christian Advocate (Kansas City), argued that "The Christian Press is an ally of Christian Educa-

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## METHODIST EVENTS

Jan. 5-7, Gen. Missionary Council at New Orleans.  
Jan. 13, Rally for Bishops' Crusade, Little Rock.

## Personal and Other Items

**REV. O. L. WALKER**, formerly a member of  
the Little Rock Conference, is now Presiding  
Elder of the Tucson District, Arizona Confer-  
ence.

**REV. COY. E. WHITTEN**, pastor of Pullman  
Heights Church, wishes his friends to know  
that his new address is 858 Quapaw Ave., Hot  
Springs.

**MINISTERS' WEEK** at Emory University,  
Candler School of Theology, is Jan. 18-22.  
A fine program is offered and expenses are low.  
For information address Registrar, Emory Uni-  
versity P. O., Ga.

**THE LOG CABIN DEMOCRAT**, of Conway,  
editorially urges the prohibition forces to  
get busy in order to secure better laws to sup-  
press or regulate the liquor traffic. Its support  
is appreciated. Its advice is good.

**REV. J. A. GATLIN**, pastor of Central Avenue  
Church, Batesville, according to a report in  
the secular press, was seriously injured by being  
accidentally shot by his companion while hunt-  
ing. He is in a hospital at Batesville.

**IN** the interval between the going of the former  
pastor of Pulaski Heights Presbyterian  
Church, and the coming of the new pastor, the  
editor had the privilege of preaching for that  
fine congregation last Sunday morning.

**REV. L. O. LEE**, pastor of Bryant Circuit, called  
Monday with a 100% Club for Mt. Carmel  
Church, and reports a fine beginning for the  
year. The Mt. Carmel church has just added  
three rooms for Sunday School purposes.

**WHILE** in Atlanta, the editor had the pleasure  
of visiting in the home of Rev. Claud Nel-  
son, Southern Secretary of the Fellowship of  
Reconciliation, who lives in Decatur, with his  
wife and her mother, and four fine boys. At the  
recent session of the North Carolina Conference,  
he was admitted on trial; but will for the present  
continue in the work which has for years com-  
manded his time.

## REMEMBER JANUARY 13

**A** TYPOGRAPHICAL error, overlooked in  
a reading proof last week, gave the date of the  
Missionary Rally for Arkansas Methodism as  
Jan. 18. It should have been Jan. 13. Remem-  
ber that the date is Jan. 13. Representatives of  
every pastoral charge in Arkansas should be  
here on Jan. 13.

## CHRISTMAS GIFT!

**F**OLLOWING our usual custom, we issue no  
paper next week. The next number will be on  
January 7. We invite our subscribers to examine  
their address labels and if they show that sub-  
scriptions have expired, please renew promptly  
so that it may not be necessary to stop your  
paper. You will need the paper the coming  
year more than usual, because it is to be an ep-  
ochal year in Methodist history. If you like the  
paper, send it to a friend or relative as a Christ-  
mas gift. If you will renew your subscription  
and send an additional name before Jan. 1, you  
may have both for \$1.50.

## MAKE THE ORPHANS HAPPY

**ARKANSAS METHODISTS** are expected on  
Christmas, or the Sunday nearest Christmas,  
to make liberal offerings for the support of the  
Methodist Orphanage. The regular collection  
included in the Benevolences is not sufficient  
to maintain the Orphanage. Consequently ad-  
ditional offerings are necessary. Let them be  
loving and liberal. Pastors, be sure to give your  
congregations and Sunday Schools an opportu-  
nity to contribute to the Orphanage. There are  
many people who are not interested in the other  
objects included in the Benevolences, who will  
gladly respond to the cry of the orphan. Give  
them a chance to bless and be blessed.

**THE WEEK OF PRAYER** is to be observed by  
the Protestant Churches of America Jan.  
4-10. Ministers who wish the program and litera-  
ture can get it by applying to Department of  
Evangelism, 105 E. 22nd St., New York City.  
Single copy 3 cents; 50 copies 2 cents a copy.

**MARRIED**, in the Methodist parsonage at Mal-  
vern, by Dr. W. C. Watson, December 17,  
Rev. C. M. Thompson and Mrs. Cora V. Gilchrist.  
Bro. Thompson is a retired minister of the Lit-  
tle Rock Conference and Mrs. Gilchrist is the  
former county treasurer of Hot Spring County.

**REV. M. W. MILLER**, pastor of Primrose  
Church, called last week and reported that,  
as Primrose is now a station, he has moved from  
Mabelvale, and is now living in a cottage on the  
Arch Street Pike, a few miles south of Little  
Rock. His address is Box 345, Route 4, Little  
Rock.

**THE EPWORTH LEAGUE** of the Carriger Me-  
morial Church, Changchow, China, is an un-  
usually energetic young people's organization.  
It has an attendance of from 60 to 80 and not  
only carries on weekly programs of religious,  
educational, and social value, but promotes ad-  
ditional recreational enterprises and supports a  
school for underprivileged children with a sepa-  
rate building, a full-time paid principal, and an  
enrollment of about 70 boys and girls.

**THE UPPER ROOM**, daily devotions for fam-  
ily and individual use, edited by G. C. Em-  
mons, for January, February, and March, is just  
off the press. It is deservedly popular, and  
should be recommended by pastors for use in  
family devotions. It will, if properly used, in  
some measure solve the problem of family  
prayers. It will make a fine Christmas present.  
The price is five cents a copy when ordered in  
multiples of ten. Order from The Upper Room,  
650 Doctors' Building, Nashville, Tenn.

**IS** democracy to yield without a struggle? Are  
we to accept a defeatist attitude despite our  
awareness of the fact that the success of totali-  
tarianism means the gradual decay of most of  
the fine things of life? Now is the time to rally  
our forces in defense of the gains made during  
the past five centuries. The Renaissance, the  
Reformation, and the French Revolution were

movements to liberate the human spirit. Surely  
we are not yet ready to accept a philosophy  
whereby it will be shackled.—Stephen Duggan,  
Director of the Institute of International Educa-  
tion.

**WHEN** we turn to the problems and issues that  
are positively involved in present social life,  
thought about them is almost paralyzed by their  
vastness and complexity. It is easier, more com-  
fortable, for educators to assume that there is  
a sharp division between their work and these  
problems. Yet to take this course is impossible  
as well as unfaithful. The question is whether  
the schools—which means finally the teachers  
and administrators—will passively wait and ac-  
cept whatever the movement of economic and  
social forces impose upon them, or whether they  
will have recognized a constructive function:  
that of laying the foundations of those attitudes,  
purposes, and ideas that will enable a democratic  
society to maintain itself. A society that does  
not know where it is going or where it wants  
to go, will be reflected in an educational system  
that is also drifting and uncertain. To a very  
considerable extent this is what has been hap-  
pening in the last forty or fifty years.—John  
Dewey (Columbia University).

## CIRCULATION REPORT

**THE** following subscriptions have been re-  
ceived: Pleasant Plains, L. L. Langston, 1;  
McCaskill, J. T. Thompson, 5; First Church, Pine  
Bluff, F. A. Buddin, 1; Grady, M. O. Barnett, 1;  
Weldon, M. L. Edgington, 2; Mt. Carmel, Bryant  
Ct., L. O. Lee, by Mrs. T. K. Scott, 100%, 12;  
Bryant, L. O. Lee, 2. Pastors should push their  
campaign for 100% clubs so that their members  
may have the paper early during this important  
year. Great things are in prospect. The people  
should know about them.

## BOOK REVIEWS

*Watch Yourself Go By*; by Edward Kuhlmann,  
published by the Lutheran Book Concern,  
Columbus, Ohio; price \$1.00.

This book presents fifty-six little essays on  
human thought and conduct. Clearly, yet pleas-  
antly they reveal our weakness and our virtues  
as they appear to others. The subjects are strik-  
ing and the subject matter strikingly presented.  
Each message is interesting. The reading of one  
will call for the reading of another. The title  
is taken from the first subject. Others equally  
interesting are: "God Make Me Big", "Before  
and After Taking", "The New Hypocrisy", "Keep  
That Schoolgirl Complexion", "Please Pass the  
Applesauce", "Daddy", "Give Me the Wishbone",  
"Mrs. Huff Up the Miff Tree", "Folks, Must We  
Coax?" "Brown Bread and Cream Puffs", and  
many others. And each one holds a worthwhile  
message.

## METHODIST EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE

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tion." Incidentally the writer made a few sug-  
gestions on this subject, hinting that the Church  
Press and the Church College must hang to-  
gether or they will hang separately.

The discussions from first to last were of high  
order and demonstrated that Methodist educators  
are keenly aware of the difficulties and dangers  
that confront them and are sincerely seeking to  
meet and overcome them. The fine fraternal  
spirit augurs well for the future of a united  
Methodism. Incidentally, one of the interesting  
symptoms was that, although these educators  
represented all parts of our nation, there was no  
provincialism in their language, and it would  
have been practically impossible, with one or  
two exceptions, to decide, from their speech,  
from what section a speaker came. Oneness of  
speech indicates likeness of thought and purpose.  
The watchword was "Forward Together," and  
the purpose of the united educational forces of  
Methodism is to make Methodist schools worthy  
of Methodism and to induce Methodists to sup-  
port their schools and help to make them genu-  
inely Christian. It was a great occasion and  
augurs well for the future of both Methodism  
and Christian education. It was good to be there.  
—A. C. M.

## The Guiding Star

By W. T. MARTIN

A bright Star lit the dark o'erhead  
To show to high and low the way  
That led to holy manger bed  
Wherein the new-born Christ-child lay.

The angel choir a carol sang  
On pulsing pinions far above.  
In wooing words the chorus rang,  
"Goodwill on earth, with peace and love."

The shepherds came and worship brought.  
The wise men bore their myrrh and gold.  
They found Him whom in hope they sought,  
And blessed Him as the Christ fore-told.

The Star still shines to show the way  
To tuneful hearts this Christmas time,  
Who sing as one the caroled lay  
Of peace in every tongue and clime.  
Conway, Arkansas.

## God So Loved That He Gave

Familiar words are these—so familiar that they may be classed among the commonplaces to which we are accustomed. But they come with renewed freshness at this season when all minds are turned more specifically to the Supreme Gift to which the words refer, and more specifically to the manner in which that Gift was made. Man couldn't think of God's supreme act of beneficence occurring in that way—in the form of a little child who was to be the world's Savior.

If it had been left to man to give a supreme expression of love, we may be sure the expression would never have taken such a turn. The birth of a baby was such a common event—something that concerned the fond parents, the wondering brothers and sisters who may have preceded it into the family, something for neighbors to speak of lightly as they rehearsed the neighborhood gossip; but as a Gift expressive of infinite love and mercy with a view to the world's future well-being—no finite mind would have entertained such a thought!

That is because finite minds do not understand. Occasionally a great seer, endowed with the deeper insight, caught a glimpse of the sacredness of life as embodied in a new-born child and of the mighty possibilities of a child life, but the ordinary mind simply went on its ordinary way, placing the advent of a new baby in the category of ordinary incidents. And one of the incidental benefits of this supreme Gift of God is that it places a premium on babyhood. If God himself should choose to come into the world as a little child, then all childhood is glorified and should take on a sacred meaning. Motherhood likewise is honored, for here we see how a mother entered into the purpose of God in the consummation of a plan that began with the foundation of the world. So human life in all its relationships, the family fireside, the humble homes throughout the whole wide world have a special sacredness—or rather they have come into their real sig-

nificance—since and because Jesus came as God's supreme Gift to his human children.

It shows, too, that our God is benevolent—just a way of saying that God is good. Yes, yes, that is another of these commonplaces. We have accepted it as a matter of course, even though sometimes in our inner and uglier thoughts we have questioned it. But it may seem strange to us now, who have been brought up on that teaching, that there was a time when people did not even accept in theory that God is good. They thought of him in the light of their own defects and baser passions; but raised to a higher power. They thought of his power, his supreme authority, his discernment of the thoughts and intents of the hearts; but did not know that all of his divine qualities were saturated with tenderness and sympathy and a fatherly yearning to supply every human need, to bind up every broken heart, to wipe away all tears, to banish all sadness and sorrow, to change every valley of weeping into a place of springs.

The revelation of God's goodness comes to a glorious climax in John 3:16, perhaps the brightest gem—and the most familiar—in all literature, "God so loved the world that he gave"—of course, you can complete the quotation for yourself. A pity if you cannot! Love is goodness lifted to the highest power, goodness going out to bless, to redeem people from the fearful effects of sin, doing for them what they cannot do for themselves and what they do not deserve to have done for them by another.

Love gave its best. It always does. And the best in this case was something not of this earth. It came from heaven, from the very embrace of the Father. In this gift God was giving himself and that was the best in the infinitude of space and time, the best the eternities could afford. That is getting clear beyond the power of speech to express, beyond what the human mind could ask or think. It was God's idea, not man's.

God's goodness and love and mercy, yea, God himself, came to earth on that first Christmas day in the person of Him whose name was called Jesus; because the object of his coming was to "save the people from their sins." It was heaven's response to man's greatest need—his greatest need then and now. That is the meaning of Christmas. There are lesser meanings, we know; meanings which man, not God, has put into it.

Multitudes in their blindness are yet content with those lesser meanings. And human selfishness in the form of commercialism will capitalize that human frailty and cause the clinking of coins to take the place of the angelic chorus, the handling of goods to turn their thoughts away from the divine goodness. What a disappointment it must be to the yearning heart of the Father who gave his Son that man might be saved from the tyranny of wealth and the perishing, unsatisfying things of this world and of the false conception that life consists in the abundance of one's possessions! Because God loved he gave. Because the world lacks love it reverses God's order and seeks only to get. God's gift is still offered, and while multitudes yet fail to understand, we may thank God for the multitudes who do understand, who have caught his spirit and are giving—giving—that the world may know and accept that Supreme Gift.—Religious Telescope.

## Action of International Council of Churches | On International Affairs

The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, adopted a clear pronouncement on international problems at its biennial meeting December 9-11. The spontaneous demand among the delegates for such a statement and the unanimous vote were taken to indicate that the churches are increasingly united and insistent in their advocacy of action looking toward international justice and peace.

At one point the statement was outspoken in opposition to government policy, the mounting expenditures for expanding the navy and army. Along with this objection were suggestions for definite government policies and a call to the church people to rally to the support of peace and "to bear fresh testimony to the utter and absolute contradiction between the practice of war and the profession of the Christian gospel."

The full text of the pronouncement follows:

"The Federal Council of Churches voices once more its protest against the international anarchy reflected in ever-increasing armaments and the mad preparation for war everywhere in progress. Eight billion dollars were expended last year in perfecting implements of human destruction. Our government, next year, will expend a billion dollars upon its military and naval establishments, a policy to which the churches cannot and will not give their moral consent.

"As a Federal Council of Christian churches we cannot but describe the present-day race in armaments, both on the part of our own and other governments, as a denial of the gospel of peace to which as Christians we are committed.

"The Federal Council recognizes that armaments are but the embodiment of the fears of political and economic insecurity which everywhere prevail. It is not enough simply to condemn the present-day race in armaments. As Christians we must set ourselves to the task of organizing a world community in which justice and equality of opportunity shall be vouchsafed to every man, woman and child, to all nations and to all races. This is our task. To its accomplishment we here and now dedicate ourselves. We petition our government to take such steps as may be necessary looking toward the appeasement of those political and economic injustices for the correction of which nations are now preparing for war.

"Meanwhile, the crisis with which the world is confronted calls for action, immediate and decisive. Mindful of this fact, we address ourselves first to the people of our Churches, and, secondly, to our government.

"We would therefore urge the members and friends of our respective communions: (1) to develop in their own and other people's minds the will to peace; (2) to bear fresh testimony to the utter and absolute contradiction between the practice of war and the profession of the Christian Gospel; (3) to make known to their government their support of those policies which tend toward peace and their condemnation of those policies which tend toward war; (4) to practice in their

individual lives the universality which is in Christ and in this action to subordinate all considerations of national self-interest to the requirements of Christian citizenship; (5) to labor for the success of the World Conference of Christians scheduled to be held in Oxford, England, in July, 1937, and to pray that through this Conference the Christians of all lands may register their determination to combat war and to work for world justice and peace.

"The making of peace is not, however, the responsibility of the people alone; it is no less the task of government.

"We, therefore, appeal to the President and to the Government of the United States: (1) to implement still further its Good Neighbor policy with regard to the Western Hemisphere and to extend this policy of good neighborliness to all nations regardless of geographical propinquity; (2) to exercise moderation with respect to our military establishments to the end that the influence of the United States may be on the side of peace and not on the side of war; (3) to accept membership in the World Court and through such action relate our nation in a helpful way to the development of a world community of law and justice; (4) to extend the existing neutrality legislation to include an embargo on basic war materials to nations resorting to war in order to keep the United States from being drawn into war, while at the same time it cooperates with other nations for the preservation of peace; (5) to work to secure national and international control of the arms traffic; (6) to extend still further the administration's program of trade agreements and to facilitate through such action the easing of economic tensions throughout the world; (7) to make clear the fact, by Presidential proclamation or otherwise, that the armed forces of our country are not, under any circumstance, to be employed for the protection of the economic or other material interests of American nationals in other lands; (8) to take such steps as may be advisable to insure the improvement of American-Japanese relations, and, in cooperation with other interested nations, to labor for the restoration of a treaty structure for the Pacific; (9) to place upon a strictly voluntary basis all military training in civil colleges and universities and to provide for the elimination of all military training in high schools.

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**JOINT SESSION AT NEWPORT**

The women of First Church, members of the Missionary Society, the various Circles and the Whatsoever Club, held the annual joint session Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 9, Circle No. 4 acting as hostess.

The rooms were attractive with decorations of the Christmas season and 45 were in attendance.

Mrs. M. L. Harris, president of the W. M. S., presided over the business session, calling for yearly reports of all chairmen and presiding officers of the different groups. All showed splendid work.

The treasurer of the W. M. S. reported that the pledge of \$400 would more than be met.

One of the outstanding features was the report of the splendid work at Wesley House by Mrs. W. H. Bacus and Miss Mabel Stayton. Mrs. Chas. H. Turner and Mrs. Henderson have joined them in this work among underprivileged adults and children in this section of town.

"Follow the Star", a specially prepared program, was then given under the capable supervision of Mrs. Jas. H. Johnston with Rev. H. M. Fikes giving Matthew's version of the Christmas story. An imaginary star was formed with each point represented by the five groups in which the women are interested.

Mrs. J. H. Drinkuth, president of the Whatsoever Club, extended Christmas greetings. Mrs. C. H. Turner, chairman of Circle 5, represented "Joy to the World"; Mrs. A. G. Anderson, chairman of Circle 4, "Peace on Earth", and Miss Elizabeth Gullette, chairman of the Lelia Head Johnson Circle, "Good Will Toward Men"; "The Three Wise Men" by Mrs. S. R. Phillips of the Missionary Society.

Mrs. Jos. M. Williams was heard in a beautiful vocal solo.

A free-will offering was asked for the salary of Miss Edith Martin, our missionary, kept in Africa by the North Arkansas Conference.

During the social hour a group of young people sang Christmas hymns and dainty refreshments were served by the hostess circle.—Mrs. A. G. Anderson.

**LUCIE CLARK ZONE OF CONWAY DISTRICT**

The all-day Zone meeting of the Societies of this district was held at Russellville, Dec. 8, with about 50 women and the ministers from the represented churches, and Rev. William Sherman, presiding elder, in attendance.

Mrs. D. A. Gibson of Russellville led the opening devotion. This was followed by reports from the Societies. Mrs. Lark, of Atkins, District Secretary, gave a splendid report, rounding up the year's work. Mrs. Ralph Jones, Russellville, led an interesting discussion on the "American Negro" and displayed posters and booklets made by the Junior Department. At noon a bountiful covered dish luncheon was served.

Mrs. Ed Hogan of Russellville was in charge of the afternoon devotion. Mrs. G. F. Hyde gave a talk on

Prayer; a trio was sung by Mesdames Van A. R. Waner, Ernest Fox and Emory Farris of Russellville. Mrs. Sam Casey of Russellville gave a reading, "I Give My All." Mrs. Sparks of Lamar spoke on "A Christian Christmas." Mrs. Evelyn Martin Weatherton of Pottsville gave a solo. Mrs. L. B. McClure read two letters from Miss Lucie Clark. Mrs. Tom Johnson of Dardanelle gave a splendid talk on "American Negro." Mrs. Elbert Henderson Lamar, retiring chairman, introduced the officers for 1937 as follows: Chairman, Mrs. John Page, Dover; Vice Chairman, Mrs. Tom Johnson, Dardanelle; Secretary, Mrs. Dewell Bradford, Russellville. The March meeting will be held at Lamar.—Mrs. Dewell Bradford, Secretary.

**STRONG AUXILIARY**

Strong Auxiliary met Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Clay Nunnally, with Mrs. R. R. Duck as assistant hostess.

The main feature was the installation service, conducted by Rev. Mr. Mann. The following officers were installed: President, Mrs. R. A. Burgess; Vice President, Mrs. Cooper; Cor. Sec., Mrs. W. A. Murphy; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. Barton; Superintendent of Children's Work, Mrs. Pagan; Social Work, Mrs. Fike; Supplies, Mrs. R. R. Duck; Study, Mrs. J. P. Burgess; Publicity, Mrs. T. M. Gorman; Social Relations, Mrs. Dykes; Outlook, Mrs. Love. Mrs. Thompson was program leader. Scripture was read by Mrs. Thompson; Meditation, Mrs. Pagan. "Power of Consecration," Mrs. Burgess; Mrs. McDaniel made a splendid talk on "My Gift Complete." Pledges were collected as Mrs. Pagan sang "Silent Night."

The Auxiliary has completed a successful year under the leadership of President Burgess. We have raised \$135.00 locally; have taken the required courses of study and expect to take Council credit. Observed Week of Prayer, with two excellent programs and an offering of \$12.00. Have had representatives at all Zone, District and Annual meetings. Made pledge of \$55.00 to Conference; and have been able to meet that. The Superintendent of Children has done an outstanding piece of work. No one sick or in trouble has been neglected.—Supt. Publicity.

**MABELVALE AUXILIARY**

The Missionary Society held its last meeting for the year Monday, Dec. 7, with 14 present. New officers were elected as follows: Mrs. Katherine Shepard, President; Mrs. Louis Gilzow, Vice Pres.; Miss Vivian Cochrane, Secretary; Mrs. C. W. Hopkins, Treasurer; Supt. of World Outlook, Mrs. P. L. Matthews; Supt. Supplies, Mrs. J. A. Crandall; Supt. Christian Social Relations, Mrs. C. H. Ward; Supt. Publicity, Mrs. A. S. Hooker; Supt. Mission Study, Mrs. Geo. Douglass; Program Chm., Mrs. J. A. Morrison.

Our Society has been doing a good work. We have had an average attendance of 18. Have two meetings a month, business meeting and a live Spiritual Life group led by Mrs. W. Campbell. We ordered 22 "Upper Rooms" and use these in our Spiritual Life Group. We sent a remembrance to a patient at Booneville; also a box to a negro group.

Our new pastor and family have arrived, Rev. and Mrs. D. L. Wilcox, and children. We are very glad to welcome them. We are look-

ing forward to a bigger and better year, one which will be busy and profitable for the Kingdom.—Publicity Chairman.

**KEO AUXILIARY**

The Society of Keo entertained their husbands and friends with a covered dish dinner and rally on Tuesday night, Dec. 8. An interesting program on "World Peace" was given. Talks were made by Mrs. Trice, Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Beard. A solo, The Child Jesus, by Mrs. E. D. Cobb, and trio by Mrs. W. M. Morris, Mrs. Cobb, and Miss Bogey. A large birthday cake, with candles lighted for each member, was cut and served. Greetings were given for the year by Mrs. Echol Wall. About 75 were present. The Supt. of Social Christian Relations, Mrs. Claud Trice, is active and is getting splendid results.

The Spiritual Life Group has done excellent work, with Mrs. Ed Flynn as chairman.

The W. M. S. was commended and given appropriate recognition for its work during the past year, at the District meeting at Carlisle.—Mrs. Echol Wall, Pub. Chairman.

**ZONE MEETING AT DODSON AVENUE**

Zone No. One of the Fort Smith District held its last session in the Dodson Ave. church, Dec. 10, with Mrs. W. C. Hickmon of Ft. Smith, Zone Chairman, presiding. Attendance was 75 and at roll call 12 of 15 Societies answered with splendid reports. In each was noted a forward look and determination for greater endeavor.

Rev. Warren Johnston, Presiding Elder, gave the morning devotional. This service, with beautiful Christmas music, and the heart searching prayers, created a spirit of worship throughout the session.

The talk by Mrs. W. T. Bacon of Booneville, Conference Treasurer, was especially helpful in closing the financial report for the year. She used as her subject, "The Little

Things That Make Up Our Luncheon was served ladies of Dodson Avenue.

The afternoon service was by a solo, "O Dry Those T" Mrs. Buell McConnell of Arkansas.

Mrs. Fred Stone, of Fort Smith District Secretary, spoke of final reports.

Miss Mary B. Ervin, speaker for the Woman's Temperance Union, spoke using for her subject, "R Failed." It was an inspiring message. The missionary work heart and soul in the work of temperance.

Little Anne Wilford, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. S. B. Wilford, small daughter of Mr. Cecil Jones of Waldron, was by the women for Baby from Zone No. One.

Resolutions on Peace were read and each Auxiliary voted to buy at least one Peace

Mrs. Sam Wakefield of District Study leader, called the study work, especially low up work of the different Societies. The closing prayer was by Shelby, of Kibler.—Mrs. Hodges, Secretary.

**HEBRON AUXILIARY**

The Hebron W. M. S. met with Mrs. J. A. Patty, for the purpose of quilting quilts to the Orphanage as a Christmas Gift.

Our organization is small, but great in work. There is much to be done; we just need to be doing it. We are working in order to accomplish our aims. We only have 10 members but they are working hard to realize that there is so much to be done, and we are small. We mean that we are contented to be just doing our part. We are trying to do the will of the Master would have us do.



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#### SEARCY YOUNG PEOPLE

The Senior Department of the Young People's Division, First Methodist Church, reports to the Quarterly Conference: Members on roll last quarter, 60; members enrolled now, 73; a total gain of about 21%. The Department is divided into six committees with every member of the Department in one of these committees. These committees meet at least once a month and plan the programs for the Epworth League meetings, and other projects. Each committee chairman makes a monthly report to the Department Council. We have been attending the monthly meetings of the Young People's Union and we have been members on the Union Council. The Department uses the Epworth Highway and other literature provided by the General Board. We have had three socials with a good attendance during the quarter. The Young People's Department has been in the choir for the evening church services with a large representation. Among other projects we plan to take the study course on the alcohol problem, to be taught by our pastor; and we are going to send as many delegates as possible to Summer Assembly to take courses which will enable them to be better leaders.—Wendell Hall, President.

#### COMPLIMENTING DR. STAPLES

College of William and Mary,  
Office of the Dean,  
Williamsburg, Virginia.  
December 5, 1936.

Dr. J. H. Reynolds,  
President, Hendrix College,  
Conway, Arkansas.  
My Dear Dr. Reynolds: On behalf of the Executive Committee of the Commission on Curricular Studies and Research, I am thanking you for sending Dr. Staples to participate on our program for the Southern Association in Richmond, Dec. 2. Dr. Staples made an exceedingly scholarly and valuable presentation.

The members of the Conference are highly interested in the work which your college is doing. I know that Dr. Staples benefited the members of the Commission. I hope that his presentation of this paper before the group justified your sending him. Every person thought that his paper, along with the other two of the program, constituted the best program that has been presented before the Association in years.

If our Commission can be of any assistance to you at any time I hope you will call on us. We should like to keep in touch with the work which you are doing. Very truly yours, K. J. Hoke, Dean.

#### BISHOPS PARTICIPATE IN EMORY CELEBRATION

The College of Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, met in Atlanta December 11-13 and participated in the Centennial Celebration of Emory University during these days. Friday evening, Dec. 11, the professors and students of the Candler School of Theology held a banquet in honor of the bishops. It was a great privilege for the theology students to meet thus the church bishops and to hear two of them—Bishops Paul B. Kern and Hoyt M. Dobbs. The latter enumerated several qualities which young preachers should strive to attain—

mastery of the English language, good manners which reflect high morals, the power of reflection, ceaseless growth, the ability to place emphasis on the affirmative, the science of human relationships, and, above all, an identification with the cosmic currents of the Kingdom of God.

The following morning the College of Bishops participated in the Academic Procession, the highlight of the Emory Centennial Celebration. Sunday morning the College of Bishops was in charge of the service in Glenn Memorial Church. Each bishop had a part in the service, and the sermon was preached by the senior bishop, Edwin D. Mouzon. Bishop Mouzon took as his text II Timothy 1:14—"Keep the great securities of your faith intact" (Moffatt's translation), and developed the thought that above all Christ is the great security of the faith.

#### EMORY UNIVERSITY HAS VALUABLE WESLEYANA COLLECTION

Southern Methodists should be justly proud of the Wesleyana collection in the Theology building at Emory University. Their interest would increase upon discovering that their school has probably the most extensive compilation of material about Wesley in America today. This material has as its basis the Thursfield Smith collection of Wesleyana, to which has been added numerous contributions from other sources.

The collection is placed in a room to itself, called the Wesley Room. Over 2550 books and pamphlets are contained in cabinets alongside the walls, and statues, busts, and other relics are placed upon these book-cases and elsewhere in the room. A glass cabinet contains coins, Wedgwood pottery, the official seal of Wesley, and miniature statues and busts. Some of the busts are modeled after one made by Roubiliac and represents Wesley between fifty and fifty-five years of age. The original is in the National Portrait Gallery in London. Other busts are by Mr. Enoch Wood, and were made in 1781.

Upon one wall is a large painting of Wesley by Henry Edridge. This portrait is supposed to represent Wesley in his eighty-eighth year, and is thought by some to be the last that was made before his death. In front of this painting is a chair which was kept for the use of Bishop Asbury by a family in Chester, South Carolina. Another article is the pulpit made for John Wesley about 1840, and used by him in preaching to the miners of Wales. It contains the original wooden pegs, but has been reinforced with nails.

There are also membership cards of the Wesleyan Methodist Society, a plan for the placement of ministers in 1778, Wesley's money box, book mark, and official seal, a sleeve from his christening robe, and Charles Wesley's baby cap. In addition is a photograph of Wesley's recommendation concerning Thomas Coke, the first Methodist missionary, sent by Wesley to America. Probably the most valuable part of the whole collection is the group of sixty-two full letters of John Wesley and 200 family letters.

According to the books he has written, Wesley was a biographer, historian, philosopher, physicist, scientist, theologian, lexicographer,

poet, critic, organizer, diarist, lecturer, sociologist.

The groundwork upon which the collection rests is the large number of books. There are the life and works of John Wesley, his family, and contemporaries, material on the early controversies; first editions of *Minutes* and *Disciplines*; all copies of *Arminian Magazine*, begun by Wesley in 1778; histories of Methodism; hymnals and tune books of Charles Wesley and other early composers; and to form a background for the period, some religious thought and earlier writings.

Complete sets in the collection include John Wesley's *Works*, *Journal*, and *Christian Library*, Charles Wesley's *Works*, and *Wesley Historical Society proceedings*.

Especially attractive is the Wesley dictionary. Entitled "Hard Words," it contains the definitions of words found in the works of contemporaries. The author says in a note to the reader; "Many are the mistakes in all the other English dictionaries which I have yet seen. Whereas I can truly say, I know of none in this." A study of the Wesley dictionary will show through what a change some words have gone. These are some of his definitions: to amaze—to dishearten; anecdote—secret history; to bulge—to split upon a rock; an emergency—a casual event; to explode—to run down; a genius—a good or evil spirit; to invest—to surround; a Methodist—one that lives according to the method laid down in the Bible; the tonsils—the almonds of the ear.

Wesley's "Collection of Receipts", in his *Primitive Physics*, contains some interesting items. For instance, to cure baldness, "Rub the part morning and evening with onions, 'till it is red; and rub it afterwards with honey." To clean the teeth, "Rub them with ashes of burnt bread." The author also states that cold-bathing is a cure for asthma, ague, blindness, cancer, consumption, convulsions, coughs, epilepsy, deafness, fevers, and rheumatism.

One of Wesley's contemporaries, Dr. Cooke, kept a journal of his activities during his five visits to America. One curious fact in the journal relates to the founding of a school in Georgia. Emory University has just finished its Centennial celebration. The Methodist school in Georgia, however, might have been 140 years old now, and it probably would have a different name, if the plans of Thomas Coke had been carried out. He records in his diary for 1789:

"On the 9th of March we began our Conference in Georgia. We have 2011 in the society in the state of Georgia; the increase in the last year has been 784. At this Conference we agreed to build a College in Georgia; and our principal friends in this state have engaged to purchase at least 2,000 acres of good land for its support. . . . We have engaged to erect it, God willing, within five years, and to humbly interest Mr. Wesley to permit us to name it Wesley College.

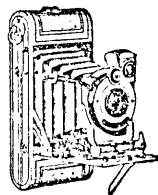
Wesley's original Georgia diary is a valuable item in the collection. Other volumes concern George Whitefield, John Fletcher, and Charles Wesley. The latter's own hymn book is one of the books. In it and in other hymnals are some of the songs which are used today: "O, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing," "Come, Ye That Love the Lord," "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," and "Jesus Lover of My Soul."

Many visitors to the Ecumenical Conference in 1931, the Centennial Celebration this year, and at other times have seen the exhibits in the Wesleyana collection. Signers of the visitor's book in the Wesley Room include representatives from several countries in North America, South America, Asia, and Europe. The collection is being enlarged year after year, and all contributions of material relating to early Methodism are aids to the development of this collection. The Church really has something of value in its Wesleyana collection.—Charles Finley.

#### PINE BLUFF DISTRICT EDUCATIONAL SET-UP MEETING

The program for the monthly meeting of Pine Bluff District Brotherhood held at Pine Bluff last Friday, was given over to setting up the Education Program for the District. Rev. J. E. Cooper had worked out a comprehensive program

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which he presented and which was adopted unanimously. Those participating were: Rev. J. E. Cooper, Mrs. J. B. Hefley, Miss Fay McRae, Dr. J. M. Williams, and Clem Baker. A special feature was a district-wide meeting with the Children's Workers led by the District Director, Mrs. J. B. Hefley. She had the largest group of Children's workers present that I have ever seen in any of these meetings, and is doing a constructive work.

The pastors serving rural churches met in the afternoon with the Extension Secretary and completed plans for the Extension Program. The Pine Bluff District, which led all the other districts in several items last year, is going to work hard to take the lead in every item this year. We congratulate Brother Cooper and his good pastors.—Clem Baker.

#### FOLLOW UP THE ORPHANAGE COLLECTION

We have been delighted to know the unusual response to our appeal for the Christmas offering for the Orphanage. Several preachers were so enthusiastic that they could not wait until Christmas Sunday and reported their goal reached a week in advance. It is too early to get reports on what happened last Sunday, but it was a beautiful day and we are prophesying the greatest offering we have ever had. Let us not forget that this offering is not over until every church has had its chance to share in this Christ-like enterprise. This means that a number of preachers serving more than one church should continue this offering throughout the next two or three weeks. As soon as the offering is taken, send it to Dr. James Thomas, 404 Exchange Bank Building, Little Rock. Our goal is \$5,000 this year. Let's go over the top.—Clem Baker.

#### FOUR DISTRICTS TO HAVE EDUCATIONAL SET-UP MEETINGS NEXT WEEK

During next week four districts are holding their Educational Set-Up meetings in connection with their regular Brotherhood. They are as follows:

Texarkana District, at First Church, Texarkana, at 10:00 a. m., Monday, Dec. 28.

Prescott District, at Nashville, at 10:00 a. m., Tuesday, Dec. 29.

Camden District, at Camden, at 10:00 a. m., Wednesday, Dec. 30.

Monticello District, at Monticello, at 10:00 a. m., Thursday, Dec. 31.

In each district the morning will be devoted to discussing plans and setting goals for the Educational program for the entire district. In the Texarkana, Prescott, and Monticello Districts the afternoon session will be given to a conference with

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pastors serving rural churches. The Camden District held its meeting for these pastors early in the month. In addition all our pastors and General Superintendents and other Church School workers are urged to attend these meetings.—Clem Baker.

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR STRENGTHENING THE WORK OF THE CHURCH THROUGH THE CHURCH SCHOOL

At the recent meeting of the Arkadelphia District Educational Set-Up meeting, President Womack of Henderson State College, who is both District Lay-Leader and District Director of Adult Work, addressed the meeting on the above subject. His suggestions seemed so good that I am passing them along for the benefit of all churches in the Conference.—Clem Baker.

1. Unify the Church budget. Have every member of the Church School make his own pledge to the Church and pay it through his class.

2. Establish the idea that Church School Work IS Church work; that the Church School is the Church engaged in a study of the Word and in religious service.

3. Use the Church School classes for doing religious work. Every class in the school should have a definite assignment. The program of the Church School should be published often enough for the whole Church to know what each unit of the Church is attempting to do. Community surveys recruiting the Church School, administering to the shut-ins, taking care of young babies to enable their mothers to attend Church, providing special programs, clothing an orphan child in the Children's Home, holding religious services in the homes of shut-ins or even in the county jail, maintaining a circulating library of books and magazines—these are some of the activities for classes to engage in.

4. Carefully worked out system of educating the school in Methodist doctrine, form of government and program. By doctrine I do not mean the discussion of debatable questions as to mode of baptism, etc., but the attitude of the Church toward baptism. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper should be understood and the young members of the Church should be systematically coached in the duties and obligations of Church membership. The Missionary activities of the Church should be well known. This instruction should be given in broken doses, but systematically given and followed up. I am told that in the Russian public school every child knows the principles of Soviet Democracy and the activities of the Government. The building of every new factory is known to every child, the nature of the output, the number of people employed, etc. Can the Church be less alert in education of its membership along the line of its activities?

5. Maintain study classes for the teaching staff. Where possible have the church send two or three promising young teachers to our Church Leadership Schools to bring back new life and new ideas to the home school.

6. When a change in teachers is imminent, it is well for the General Superintendent and Pastor to get their hands on the situation and bring about the election of the right teacher. Usually this can be accomplished through a little diplomatic work in advance. Once the class

has chosen a teacher, it is next to impossible to effect a change.

7. Loyalty to one's task should be a frequent theme from the pulpit. Teachers, organists, secretaries, and all others in official capacity should be made to feel first that theirs is a privilege as well as a duty, that the call to serve in these capacities is a divine call and should be accepted as such. In the second place, they should be made to realize that their work should take precedence over practically all other claims to their time and presence. They cannot be dropping in and out without crippling the work.

8. There should always be an installation ceremony at the beginning of the Church School year. Much should be made of it. It should have the entire morning hour and everyone should leave the service feeling a new sense of responsibility as well as of appreciation.

## CHURCH NEWS

#### ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Since my last letter, many things have happened of great interest to me. First of all, I will mention the fact that one pastor wrote me that the amount allocated to his charge by our Committee is not one-half enough and that he is going to double it. Many of our brethren are getting their allocations, plus.

In addition to the above, I have received checks from people who are not connected with the Christmas Offering through the Church. One man who is not a member of any church at all sent me a nice check. Of course, I am writing with great interest to the response of the brethren of Arkansas to our needs now.

The most sacred duty ever committed to any one under the shining stars is the duty of a father and mother to their children. Those who do not recognize this sacred obligation "have denied the faith and are worse than an infidel." Our home for fatherless and motherless children is trying to implant the idea of home and what it means to our children, and, thank God, we have succeeded.

The Arkansas Methodist Orphanage, through its history, has rendered helpful service to a large number of families and has sent out to many communities personalities which have been saved for the betterment of society. It is a policy of our Home to re-build family life wherever possible, to form new affiliations where necessary, and to serve an increasing number of children. To do this, we must have facilities for achieving the highest type of Christian personal development.

We are depending on your leadership to continue to support this great work in the same laudable manner that you have in former years. We assure you of faithful stewardship and administration of all funds placed in our hands. Please make your Christmas Offering as liberal as possible.

A letter just received from a man on one of our circuits states that they are preparing a box of canned goods and other helpful articles to assist us. This makes us happy for two reasons; first, we need the help, and, second, to know that this brother on that large circuit is interested in what we believe to be, in all probability, the most Christ-like

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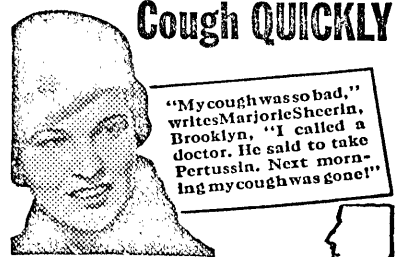
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work our Church is trying to do.—James Thomas, Executive Sec'y.

**CARLISLE STATION**

We are happy in our work at the beginning of our third year. No preacher has been more royally received and no pastor has a finer people to serve. We were made extremely happy last Sunday at the close of the morning service when the membership of Carlisle and Hamilton churches and friends in and around Carlisle presented us with a new 1937 Ford V-8 tudor sedan. No words of gratitude can express our feelings; but we pray that we may in some measure be worthy in Christ's name.—Otto W. Teague, P. C.

**OPPELO**

Mrs. Goode and I find ourselves pleasantly domiciled in a newly conditioned parsonage home at Opello, where we preached 32 years ago. This church was at that time on the Adona Circuit and it was our first pastorate. Here we conducted a revival resulting in over 100 conversions. Most of the number hav-

ing gone to heaven, their children (now heads of families), constitute the church. No finer people can be found than they.

Not content to longer carry on with only one preaching Sunday, the church asks for half time and since starting our new year's work they have stepped up to full time. Attendance in the services has just about doubled and with the increasing interest we move on with confidence. We have already experienced a copious, old-time "pounding", and so many additional kindnesses that we feel ourselves irresistibly yielding to the impulse to give our very best efforts to measure up to the needs of these fine people. We are happy and hopeful of a good year.—Alva E. Goode, P. C.

**PORTLAND INSTALLS ORGAN**

The Methodist people of Portland are happy over the installation of a new Hammond electric organ. The ladies of the church unanimously agreed to the purchase of the organ, and have planned for their work during the next two years in meeting the payments, totaling \$1,519.

The recital last Sunday afternoon by Mr. Lawrence of Little Rock was attended by a large group of members and friends, all of whom were loud in their praise of the organ. Attendance at all church services, including Sunday school, has shown an increase, but we are unable to say whether it has been the spirit of the new year's activity or the acquiring of the organ—possibly both.

You will enjoy the services at our church with the assistance of the fine choir and the Hammond organ. A special program of organ melodies will begin the services each evening until further notice. If there is a special hymn you would like to hear hand the number to our organist some time in advance of the evening hour; she will be happy to play it for you.

And now, let's pledge our fullest cooperation to the ladies of our church in paying off this obligation. You may rest assured that you have a musical instrument that is the equivalent of a far more expensive pipe organ.—Portland Church Bulletin.

**REJOICING AT MARIANNA**

The debt of \$5,000 upon our church at Marianna, with interest to date, has been paid in full since our Annual Conference. The officials of our church, led by Mr. J. O. Payne, did a great work in securing this amount in a little more than two weeks. This was made possible by the splendid co-operation and contributions of the members and friends of the church. Our people are rejoicing over the victory. Mr. Ed Conner is chairman of the Board and S. C. Langston is treasurer.—Jefferson Sherman, P. C.

**MCCRORY CIRCUIT**

Our first Quarterly Conference was held at Fakes Chapel, Dec. 10. It was a bad day but we had a nice crowd and a good conference.

Bro. Hook was full of energy and gave us a fine sermon and also inspired us with the hope of doing great things. Mrs. Hook was present. We are always glad to have them both.

We are starting in for our third year on this charge. We are hoping to have a great year. We built two churches on this charge last year

and are working for the ingathering of many souls this year. We also hope to get better organized in the various departments of the church.—R. A. Robertson, P. C.

**ROWELL**

We are comfortably settled in our new home at Rowell. The people have received us with warm hearts. We have been favored with many visitors since we have been here, and two of our congregations have given us generous "poundings". At our Quarterly Conference, held at Mt. Olivet, Dec. 13, good reports from all the churches were given. We are hoping and praying for a happy year with the good people on the Rowell Circuit.—W. D. Golden, P. C.

**OBITUARY**

**LARK.**—Mrs. Mary Ann Lark, nee Proctor, was born in Little Rock, S. C., February 7, 1847, and departed this life near Alma, Arkansas, December 9, 1936. On October 22, 1867, she was married to Augustus Henry Lark, who for many years was a great local preacher in the Methodist church and died December 18, 1915. The first 10 years of their married life was spent on a farm near Little Rock, South Carolina. Then they came to Arkansas, landing at Alma, January 1, 1877. After spending one year on a farm near Newberry Chapel, about four miles north of Alma, they secured a farm in what has come to be known as the Mountain View community, where she has lived for the past 58 years, rearing her family and entertaining a large number of preachers, as well as many others who chanced to pass that way, for truly theirs was a hospitable home. Immediately after establishing their new home they organized a church in that home, consisting of seven charter members. Later they built the little Mountain View church on the farm, where the Larks, the Gallows, the O'Bryants and many others have found God and from which her funeral service was held. She was the last of the charter members to go home. Here she reared a large family of boys and girls, nine growing to maturity and are yet living, namely: Mrs. Janie Cowart, at whose home she died; Rev. Fred A., Rev. Julian E., Will H., Fleming C., Rev. Milton R., Walter E., LaFayette P., and Mrs. Hattie Sparling. Of these, three are Methodist preachers, one a Y. M. C. A. Secretary, and the others honored members of the Methodist church in their respective communities. Five children preceded her to the other world. Then there are 24 grandchildren and sixteen great-grandchildren, and, in addition to these, she has mothered five orphaned children. A Christian from childhood, a wife true and loyal, a mother devoted, a neighbor to all, a friend of the friendless, always considerate of the unfortunate, and sympathetic with the sorrowing, truly she was a great woman, if service to humanity is a mark of greatness. Her children and neighbors rise up to call her blessed. The funeral service was held by the writer, assisted by Rev. Warren Johnston, P. E., Fort Smith District, and Rev. J. L. Shelby, pastor of the Kibler Circuit. Her body was laid to rest beside that of her noble husband in the cemetery at Newberry Chapel, near Alma, Arkansas.—William Sherman.

**FOR THE CHILDREN**

**CHRISTMAS EVE IN DE CABIN**

You bettah go ter sleep, honey,  
Santa Claus is comin'.  
He won't bring you nary toy  
If you starts yo' funnin'.  
Dis yere clock have done struck eight.  
(Bet he's mos' aroun'.)  
Santa Claus don't stay out late.  
Boy, you bettah lay down.  
Maybe he ain't comin' heah;  
You can't tell 'bout dat saint.  
You done shore been bad dis yeah.  
Lawdy! I bet he ain't.  
I jes' wondah ef ol' Santa know  
How you cries at night;  
Make your mammy have ter go  
To pick you up and hold you tight.  
Cries for me mos' every minute  
(Bless his little soul).  
Every thing I got you's in it.  
(Mammy's baby's good as gol'.)  
Lawdy, Lawdy, shet dat mouf, boy!  
Does yo' want to raise de dadd?  
Mammy'll fix it 'bout de toy;  
Jes' you lay down in bed.  
Sh, pappy, he's asleep now.  
(Mammy's precious little dear.)  
Call ol' Santa in an' tell him  
How good he's been dis yeah.  
—Cletta H. Fulmer.

**HOW THE CHRISTMAS TREE CAME TO BE**

There are many pretty legends about the origin of the Christmas tree. One of them goes back to the sixth century when St. Winfred was preaching of Christ to the people of Scandinavia and Germany. One Christmas Eve the people gathered around a great oak tree to offer a human sacrifice, as was the custom of the Druid rites. St. Winfred cut down the oak. A tall young fir tree suddnly appeared in its place as the great oak fell to the ground. Then St. Winfred said to the people: "Here is a new tree, unstained by blood. See how it points to the sky! Call it the tree of the Christ Child. Take it up and carry it to the castle of your chief. Henceforth you shall not go into the shadows of the forest to hold your feasts with secret rites of shame. You shall hold them within the walls of your own home with ceremonies that speak the message of peace and good will to all. A day is coming when there shall not be a home in the North wherein on the birthday of Christ the whole family will not gather around the fir tree in memory of this day and to the glory of God."—Katherine S. Cronk.

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### Winfield Welcomes These New Members

Last Sunday morning the following new members were received:  
 Miss Sylvia Bock, 916 Madison;  
 Miss Sally Boyd, 1505 West 3rd;  
 Miss Willie Crabtree, 105 West 24th;  
 Mrs. A. P. Davidson, 2324 Valmar;  
 Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Hadfield, and Charles and Vada Hadfield, 1222 Summit;  
 Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Young, and son, Earl Nickols, 1322 State.

Winfield is very glad to have these new members come in at the beginning of the Conference year to share in the full program of the church.

### GOING AWAY FOR CHRISTMAS

Dean and Mrs. E. Q. Brothers and Duane left last Saturday to drive to Lakeland, Florida, to spend Christmas with Mrs. Brothers' parents. They will be away two weeks.

Miss Kate Sanders will spend Christmas in Oklahoma City with her brother, J. D. Sanders, and his family.

Miss Mary Shafer left Wednesday to spend the holidays with her brother, Dr. Troy A. Shafer in Dallas, Texas.

Miss Flora Ferrill is spending Christmas with relatives in Columbia, Mississippi.

### OUR SYMPATHY

The sympathy of the congregation goes out to three of our members who have suffered bereavement through deaths, all of which occurred last Thursday, Dec. 17.

Mrs. J. S. M., Cannon was called to Foreman, Arkansas, because of the death of her mother, Mrs. D. S. Dollarhide.

Mrs. C. K. Hegarty's sister, Mrs. George Ellen Hoffnagle, passed away in New York City. Mrs. Hegarty was with her sister shortly before she passed away.

Mr. E. V. Markham's brother, Mr. Kelly M. Markham, passed away at Tiptonville, Tennessee.

### VISITORS FOR CHRISTMAS

Dr. and Mrs. Allen Russell from McAllister, Oklahoma, will be the guests of Dr. Russell's mother, Mrs. E. R. Russell.

Miss Olive Smith has as her Christmas guest Miss Margaret Infinger of Nashville, Tennessee.

Gordon Sibeck has as his guest his cousin, Jeanne Wilkes, from Serridy, Louisiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Thomas will have both their sons home for Christmas, Carroll Jr. from San Antonio, Texas, and Jimmie from college.

Mrs. Louisa Ostner is expecting her son, Marshall Ostner, from San Antonio, as well as her daughter, Sarah, from college.

### YOUNG FOLKS GO A-CAROLING

Three cars of Winfield's young people, accompanied by a truck carrying a lighted Christmas tree, sang Christmas carols last Sunday night after the play. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Russell Henderson and Mrs. Gaston Foote.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Kendall were in an automobile accident as they were on their way to church on Sunday, December 13. Mrs. Kendall was badly bruised, but is improving. The car was demolished.

### CONGRATULATIONS

To Mr. and Mrs. Jack Heard, 915 Scott, on the birth of a son on December 16, at the Baptist Hospital.

# Pulpit and Pew

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Sixteenth and Louisiana, Little Rock

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Minister of Music

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Organist

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### SUNDAY SERVICES

11:00 A. M.—Sermon by Pastor.  
 6:00 P. M.—Leagues.  
 7:30 P. M.—“If I Could Begin Again” (A New Year's Message).

### Wednesday, December 30

6:30 P. M.—Fellowship Supper.  
 7:15 P. M.—Forum Topic, “What Should Winfield Do in 1937?”

## THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

GASTON FOOTE

### Petty Piety

Somewhere I read a story of a woman who, when her house caught on fire, threw the china out the window and carried the feather bed out in safety.

Not infrequently do we find the same state of mind with reference to the preservation of things of religious value. In the minds of some people there is constant fear that certain creeds or customs will be set aside. No small amount of the energy of the Church and church people is consumed in the preservation of the non-essential in religious living. This is petty piety from which the Church ought to be saved.

That the Church ought to emphasize the great fundamental doctrines of the Christian faith there can be no doubt. But to make paramount in our emphasis certain systems of belief that separate us is to be guilty of the sin of petty piety.

These are days when the Church is on trial. Society is looking for a way out of the dilemma in which she finds herself. If the Church can point out that way she will surely have a great following. The world is suffocating from hatred, strangling from greed, burning from passions, and rotting from sin. The Church is the one force that would substitute love for hate, unselfishness for greed, self-mastery for unbridled passions, and Godliness for sin. And for the Church to spend its time and energy disputing concerning forms of baptism, theories of the atonement, the second coming of Christ, or the revelation of the prophecies of the Old Testament when the world is on fire because of hate and greed and lust is to miss the great purpose of Christ.

The purpose of the Church is to build the Kingdom of God among men, not await its coming through supernatural means. The hope of heaven is a beautiful one, and by it men live, but as long as we are living in a hell of war, injustice, lust, poverty and prejudice, there is work to be done.

Jesus did not die on the cross to prove a doctrine but to save men. To be engaged in any task less than that of the establishment of the reign of God among men is to be engaged in petty piety.

### Christmas Greetings to All

Members of the Church Staff wish for every member of Winfield and friends in the congregation a holiday season filled with genuine happiness. Mrs. Foote also wants to wish Merry Christmas to all.

Gaston Foote, Pastor  
 Minnie A. Buzbee, Secretary  
 Marguerite Clark, Assistant  
 Felix Wilson, Janitor

### Pastor Plans Series of Sermons

During January the general subject, “The World's Living Religions”, will be discussed by the pastor on Sunday evenings as follows:

- January 3—“Shintoism and the Japanese Threat.”
- January 10—“Buddhism and Boiling China.”
- January 17—“The Catholic Contribution in Mexico.”
- January 24—“Mohammedanism and the Cradle of the Nile.”
- January 31—“Christianity and the Palestinian Uprising.”

### YOUNG PEOPLE HOME FROM COLLEGE

The following boys and girls of Winfield have come home from college to spend Christmas with the home folks:

- From Hendrix College: Ellen Hayes, Martha Sue Morton, and David Morton.
- University of Arkansas: Lois Hanna, Charles Hogan, M. P. Morton Jr. and Stewart Dabbs and Coy Pearce.
- Arkansas A. & M.: Harold Baird and Ernest Banzhof.
- University of Tenn.: Ada Sue Thomas and Margaret Easley.
- Vanderbilt University: Ross Hanna and Elizabeth Thomas.
- Louisiana Tech: Jimmie Thomas.
- Southern Methodist University: Charles Hegarty.
- Cornell University: Paul Hegarty.
- Texas A & M.: Gordon Sibeck.
- University of Missouri: Sarah Ostner.
- University of Texas: Louise Gillespie.
- College of Industrial Arts: Frances Gillespie.
- Davidson College: David Newbold.
- Arkansas Tech: Walter Erwin.
- U. S. Naval Academy: Hayden Newbold.
- State Teachers College: Rhea Denison.
- Highland Hall, Hollidaysburgh, Pa.: Mary Mehaffy.

### BEAUTIFUL SERVICES LAST SUNDAY

Shut-ins and others who were unable to come to church last Sunday missed two beautiful Christmas services. At the 11 o'clock service the Junior, Young People's, and Adult Choirs marched from the back of the church, singing the processional, “O Come All Ye Faithful.” A Christmas anthem was sung by the Junior Choir and one by the Adult Choir. A large number heard the pastor's significant sermon on the Christmas theme.

The Christmas offering for the Methodist Orphanage amounted to \$223.00 with some more yet to come.

Another large group witnessed the Christmas play, “The Tinker,” which was the feature of the evening service, and carried away with them a deeper sense of the real meaning of Christmas.

### PLEDGES PASS THE \$14,000 MARK

Through Monday of this week adult pledges received amount to \$14,461. This still leaves a large amount to be pledged to make up our budget of \$25,000, and those members who have not sent in their pledge are urged to do so promptly.

There will be no issue of the Pulpit and Pew next week.