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#### LARGER COOPERATION: FOR THAT I NOW PLEAD

By BISHOP ARTHUR J. MOORE

MOVING across the country in half a hundred great missionary rallies in January and February, it was apparent even to the least optimistic that the heart of the Church was being profoundly stirred. Vast multitudes assembled to hear the messages, often in spite of most inclement weather, and their spiritual and financial response was immediate and hearty. Everywhere one heard comments to the effect that a new day had come to Methodism.

The Crusade purposely abated its direct propaganda during the month of March, seeking to stimulate and not hinder the Easter payment of Benevolences. If, in the spirit so manifest in the rallies, there were ephemeral and unstable elements—any superficial emotion that did not go deep—there has been time and opportunity for such elements to subside. What remains represents the real spirit of the Bishops' Crusade. And if you could sit here in my office and read the mail that pours in from every section of our territory, you would realize, as I realize, that our preachers and people have their hearts in this enterprise. What moves them is not a passing sentiment; it is a sincere conviction that something must be done about the missionary passion and religious experience of Methodism, and that now is the time to do it.

#### The Test

We have reached the critical period of the Crusade. Now has arrived the testing time for bishops, preachers and people. Have we grasped the full significance of the Bishops' Crusade? We were very enthusiastic at the Rallies. Is the spirit still within us-and powerful enough to move us?

What happens on April 23 and April 25 will be of the utmost significance. It will indicate whether our spiritual impulses are fundamental and lasting, or whether they are but passing whims. It will determine whether we can step together and make a program succeed, or whether the few must do the work which properly belongs to all. Then will be decided whether our missionary debt will be paid and our energies released for an evangelistic advance, or whether we will permit an impediment we could easily remove, remain as a chain about our feet.

More than all this, what happens on April 23 and April 25 will determine the success or failure of the Bishops' Crusade.

This Crusade is a great spiritual venture. Its real objective is to change the whole life and attitude of our Church. The missionary forward movement is but a part of the total enterprise, and the payment of the debt is but a part of the missionary phase. Probably the most important section of the Crusade is that which falls in 1938, when Bishop Smith leads the Church in a movement to deepen personal spiritual experience and commemorate the two-hundredth anniversary of John Wesley's "heart warming" experience. This deals with our supreme need; its objective sums up and includes all others. Unless we succeed in getting our people back to God and to personal religion, all the other things we are doing will eventually prove futi

But we cannot bring the second phase to success over the failure of the first phase. The whole movement must be cumulatively successul. To call people to deeper religious experience in 1938 when they had spurned a missionry appeal in 1937 would be useless. We cannot evive the Church spiritually while our missionry work languishes around the world.

#### All Together

We must make the missionary forward movenent gloriously triumphant, and fresh from the

AND GOD SAID, LET US MAKE MAN IN OUR IMAGE, AFTER OUR LIKENESS, AND LET THEM HAVE DOMINION OVER THE FISH OF THE SEA, AND OVER THE FOWL OF THE AIR, AND OVER THE CATTLE, AND OVER ALL THE EARTH, AND OVER EVERY CREEPING THING THAT CREEPETH ON THE EARTH.—Genesis 1:26.

achievement we must go on and bring to all our members a new life in God. We must not only pay our missionary debt; but it must be done in such a way that the people will be uplifted and the missionary passion rekindled and deepened. The plan of the Bishops' Crusade provides the method by which this can be done. If that plan is everywhere carried out fully and faithfully, it will be done.

First, observe the commemoration occasion on Friday night, April 23. A half million Methodists should be gathered around tables on that evening, dining in Christian fellowship and celebrating the sailing of Charles Taylor and Benjamin Jenkins eighty-nine years ago. It is needless to reiterate that this is to be an important spiritual occasion—the observance of an epochal event in Methodist history-and not an ordinary "church supper" given to raise money. There is no conflict between the spiritual nature of this program and that fact that it will return funds for our missionary cause. whose hand is skillful and whose heart is in this Crusade will know how to combine the two; as he will also be able to adapt the plan to the nature of the charge he is serving and the particular situation he faces.

Second, we must have a series of Sunday services, commemorating the beginning of our foreign missions, that will electrify the Church. The culminating dates are April 23 and 25, but every day from March 29 until that time will be needed to inform and enlist our people.

In this event pastors have the theme for great sermons. And above everything else, preaching is desired on these occasions, for nothing is so influential in Methodism as the pulpit utterances of the preacher. Speak unto the people, and they will go forward.

At these services the free-will offerings will complete the Bishops' Crusade debt-retirement fund. The offering envelopes will be invaluable here. Every home should receive an envelope days or weeks in advance, and the missionary commemoration service should be the occasion for bringing in the gifts.

We have seventeen-thousand Southern Methodist churches in this country. We have seven-thousand Southern Methodist preachers in charge of these churches. How easy it would be to raise several times the amount we need if every preacher presented the matter in every

The call of the hour is to individual Christians to face their own obligations in the light of Christ's clear command. Too many of us have drifted from our early conception of what it meant to be a Christian. We have lost our sacrificial spirit. The Church will never be revived and Christ's mission to the wide world never accomplished until the marks of the Lord Jesus are discornible in our daily living. In this way and his way alone can we hope to see the sanctification of the Church for the salvation of the world.

In order to be worthy of the great opportunities which confront us and accomplish the purpose for which the Crusade was organized, we must have loyal cooperation and sacrificial service. For that I now plead.

#### AWAKE, PROTESTANTISM!

IN a strong editorial in the Christian Advocate (New York), the editor, Dr. Harold Paul Sloan, makes the following timely suggestions: "Protestantism is a high conception. Smallsouled men simply cannot operate it. Either as laymen and ministers we must recover that passion for the truth of Christ which made the Reformers stand for hours in the rain to listen to Protestant preaching, and that sent them three-thousand miles across the sea to lay the foundations of a new Christian world order in this forbidding wilderness, or else we had better admit we are too small to operate our inheri-

"Protestants who grow weary if the sermon is more than twenty minutes, who are two indolent to brave at night the peace and security of our modern-lighted city streets, or, worse yet, who substitute the loosely organized and semisocial hour of church school for attendance at worship-Protestants, I say, who do not and will not read, who are over-amused and underinformed, simply cannot operate the living, throbbing, vital free church which our fathers achieved, and out of the creative energy of which arose political democracy.

"Wake up, Protestants! Wake up, Christian freemen, whom Christ's high truth makes free! Read! Preach! Worship! Pray! Live! Evangelize! Transform! Reform! or own yourself soft and indolent, a people like the Jerusalem multitude of old who just idly sat and gaped upon the wounds of the Son of God.

"Let me say it once more: Either we will make the total truth and glory of Christ once again fluid in Protestantism, either we will make our church once again a reading, preaching, informed community, or we must admit ourselves traitors to our inheritance from Wesley to Luther, and those heroic fathers whose devoted faith made us at once a Christian and a free people.

"Awake, Protestantism! It is the hour of new advance. Your risen, ascended Lord is calling for whomsoever will follow in his victorious

#### ATTENTION, PASTORS

IT was intended that the circulation campaign for this year should be put on in January, where it was possible. The unusual weather in that month made it practically impossible to carry out this plan. Some of the pastors have already made their campaign; but many have deferred it. As there are about 5,000 subscribers who are depending on their pastors to renew their subscriptions in order to get the Club rate, it is very important that our pastors, without delay, make up their Clubs. Now that the special Easter services have been held and much work done on the Benevolences, pastors will render appreciated service both to their people and to the paper if they will immediately make their canvass and report. It should be understood that the Bishops' Crusade is only partially completed, and that the most important feature, the spiritual revival, is to be emphasized during the coming year. District Conferences will soon be held. The Plan for a United Methodism will come before our Annual Conferences this fall. It is desirable that our people should have all the information possible during this year. Consequently pastors are earnestly requested to make up their paper Clubs as speedily as possible so that their people may have the information needed during this interesting and critical

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#### METHODIST EVENTS

N. Ark. W. M. S. Conf., Fayetteville, April 13-15.
L. R. W. M. S. Conf., Camden, April 13-14.
Crusade Dinner in each church, April 23.
Crusade Cultivation Climax, April 25.
Batesville District Conference, Calico Rock, April 27-28.
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Jonesboro District Conference, Osceola, May 6-7.
Ft. Smith District Conference, Dodson Ave., May 11-12.

Arkadelphia District Conference, at Sardis, near Sparkman, May 12.

Prescott District Conference, Gurdon, May 18-19.

Pastors' Summer School, Conway, May 31-June 11.

Little Rock Conf. Y. P. Assembly, Conway, June 21-25. Other events will be published as soon as given.

#### Personal and Other Items

DEV. J. L. PRUITT, our pastor at Levy, re-**Il** ports all of the Benevolences collected in full on Easter and 12 additions to the church since Conference.

VIRGIL DIXON MORRIS, JR., arrived at the parsonage home of Rev. and Mrs. Virgil D. Morris, Columbia, La., March 20, with expectation of making it his permanent residence.

DRESIDING ELDER R. E. FAWCETT announces that the Arkadelphia District Conference will be held at Sardis, on Sparkman-Sardis Charge, May 12, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

PIRST CHURCH, Little Rock, Dr. H. B. Watts, pastor, had a great Easter service, and received 102 adults members and 37 children. The collection on the "Cline Special" was \$800, and the balance is assured.

DEV. L. R. SPARKS, pastor of Roland Circuit,  $oldsymbol{\Pi}$  reports that his wife some two weeks ago submitted to a double major operation. She was in a serious condition, but is now out of the hospital and is daily improving.

THE AMERICAN COTTON GROWER, published at 535 Gravier St., New Orleans, La., and edited by Stanley Andrews, long editor of The Arkansas Farmer, (price 10 cents), is a valuable advocate for the cotton farmer. If you are interested invest 10 cents in it. You will

THE BOARD OF MISSIONS will convene in Nāshville, Tenn., at Board of Missions headquarters, Doctors' Building, Tuesday and Wednesday, May 4, 5. Regular committee meetings will be held on Monday, May 3.

**D**<sup>R.</sup> H. C. HENDERSON, First Church, Fort Smith, writes: "We had a good Easter day. This coming Wednesday night Bishop Moore is to be with us to help us launch our debt-retirement campaign. Our hearts are set on retiring the debt and dedicating the church at Annual Conference which meets with us in the fall."

MR. JOSEPH ENDERLIN, a business man of Conway and a member of the Catholic Church, recently presented to St. John's Home Missions Seminary, a \$5,000 "Burse," or fund. It is in tribute to the Holy Ghost Fathers and in memory of St. Joseph's Church, Conway. He was influenced to make this gift to the Church by the Bishop's pastoral letter.

Southern women look at Lynching, a valuable nameblet in the line of the look at Lynching, a valuable pamphlet, in which facts and figures and expressions of abhorrence of this mob crime are found, has just been received. It should be read by our church people. You may order from the Association of Southern Women for the Prevention of Lynching, 710 Standard Building, Atlanta, Ga. Price 10 cents.

**D**<sup>R.</sup> JAMES A. ANDERSON called last Friday while on his way to Kensett to preach for the pastor, Rev. R. E. Wilson, a series of Easter sermons. He is looking remarkably well and seems to be enjoying work on his farm just north of Conway. He reports all kinds of spring vegetables planted and already growing. His invitation to run up and eat melons in the summer is accepted.

THE TAMPA DISTRICT, East Florida Con-**L** ference of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, has raised \$1,500 on Benevolences, which is enough to pay the entire assessment of the Annual Conference for General Conference assessments. This unusual, perhaps unprecedented accomplishment was achieved under the leadership of Presiding Elder W. E. Fant. What would we think if one of our Districts should do a thing like that?

DEV. J. W. MONTGOMERY, Superintendent Il of North Indiana Conference of the Nazarene Church, has been spending a few days recently with friends in our city. He has arranged for a series of short syndicated articles in the Arkansas Democrat and other papers in the Southwest. He expects to call upon many of our preachers for contributions to his "Religious Thought Waves." He has been an appreciated visitor to our office.

**D**<sup>ENNIS R. WILLIAMS, a brother of our advertising manager, Otis E. Williams, has</sup> been appointed district educational adviser for Arkansas Civilian Conservation Corps. He is a graduate of Arkansas State Teachers College, Conway, did graduate work at Columbia University, and was principal of the Mabelvale High School. In 1934 he became camp educational adviser for the CCC, and served in camps in Arkansas and North and South Dakota. Recently he was adviser at Company 1781, Morrilton.

FRIENDS of graduates of Galloway Woman's College, Henderson-Brown, and Central Collegiate Institute should read the announcement on page 5, that these graduates may be recognized by Hendrix College at the next commencement. It is especially important that such graduates who are now living outside the State, be notified, as they may not have the necessary information if they are not thus notified. This is a worthy movement, and the Hendrix faculty is to be commended for it.

FTER the war, Britain "cracked down" on A John Barleycorn. Taxes on drink were raised to figures far beyond those in America. Hours of sale were shortened. Consumption and drunkenness decreased. Then the brewers got busy and fought back. Parliament let up on the drink restrictions. In the last three years, drunkerness has increased by forty-two per cent. Decrease consumption and drink evils decline; increase consumption and drink evils loom larger.

ONGRESSMAN O'CONNOR, of New York, who was an outstanding advocate of prohibition repeal, said recently: "We thought repeal would end the scandals of the liquor traffic. If the situation that exists today is what we have as a consequence of repeal, as for me, give me prohibition.'

 $\mathbf{W}^{\mathrm{E}}$  have 439,640 girls in our colleges, universities and normal schools, where they are being trained to serve the nation as useful wives, mothers, teachers and workers of every type. We have 1,350,000 girls being trained in our taverns and saloons to become prostitutes, tramps, gun molls and public enemies.-Ex.

#### GOVERNOR BAILEY STOPS GAMBLING

OUR GOVERNOR has ordered the officials of the several communities to close all gambling houses, and stop betting on slot machines. He vetoed a bill proposing to legalize pari mutuel gambling on horse-racing at county fairs. He declared that "gambling is morally and economically destructive," and indicated, if he had been Governor two years ago, he would have vetoed the bill legalizing pari mutuel betting on horseracing at Hot Springs.

It is reported that officers are promptly enforcing the law, and that practically all illegal gambling joints have been closed and slot ma-

chines put out of business.

This announcement of Governor Bailey is heartily appreciated by good citizens, and it is hoped that they will so uphold his hands and back the enforcing officers that the infamous swindlers may be driven out of business and the nefarious games that are demoralizing thousands of foolish people may be permanently stopped. We appreciate this effort of our Governor and trust that he may not grow weary in well doing.

#### A COUNTRY PAPER'S TRIUMPH

THE BENTON COURIER of March 25 is its Centennial Number. It contains 128 pages and covers in two colors. It is richly illustrated with pictures of the churches, schools, business houses, homes, and people of Saline County, and is full of historical and biographical articles. For a country weekly it is a triumph, equalling in many respects the centennial numbers of the leading daily papers. Mr. L. B. White, the editor, maintains one of the finest printing plants and organizations in the State. He not only publishes an unusually fine county paper, but does a large amount of job printing. For three years his company, the L. B. White Printing Company, has had the contract for publishing the ARKAN-SAS METHODIST, and that has made it possible to get out a better-appearing paper and more nearly on time and with less trouble and expense than it had been hitherto done. Last year this company published Anderson's Centennial History of Arkansas Methodism, a substantially bound book of 560 pages, and the Arkansas Methodist Centennial Manual, a booklet of 100 pages. This company also printed the Sunday School literature, (eleven periodicals) for the American Baptist Association, until recently, besides much other literature. Arkansas may well be proud of this remarkable country plant and its organization. If you would like to have a copy of the Courier's Centennial Number, send 25 cents to L. B. White, Benton.

#### CIRCULATION REPORT

DUBSCRIPTIONS received since last week: Paragould East Side Ct., Hurricane Church, J. E. Hughes, 4; Carthage, E. S. Walkor, 23; Murfreesboro-Delight Charge, Saline Church, C. D. Cade, 100%, 7; Gillett, Earle Lewis, 3; Harrison, F. E. Dodson, 2; Bryant Ct., Salem Church, L. O. Lee, 1; Hartford, Chas. Franklin, 5; Gassville, rs. Allman, 4; Craig, by I Junction City, J. R. Clayton, 2; Perry-Perryville, A. L. Riggs, 100% for both churches, 25; Amity, J. H. Robinson, 3; Biggers Ct., J. B. Stewart, 10; Stephens Charge, Mt. Pleasant Church, W. R. Boyd, 100%, These good reports are appreciated. Let others speedily follow. Many subscribers arc waiting for their pastors to make up their clubs, and they do not like to have their address labels indicate that they are in arrears. Let us make a special effort to have all charges 100% this epochal year.

#### A Living Wage for a Trained Ministry

The wording of this title may be suggestive of its meaning. But it is not easy to define these commonplace words. There are many elements involved in both "a living wage" and "a trained ministry." To some of us adequate ministerial support means one thing; to others of us it means an entirely different thing. Geography, family conditions, necessary standards of living, cultural needs, cost of preparation, length of earning period are some of the factors involved in an intelligent conception of an adequate support of the ministry. Likewise, to some people "a trained ministry" connotes an effective ministry; to others it means no more than so many session hours, which may have been acquired by a barely passing grade of D in college, university or school of theology. But regardless of all definitions, implications and norms one thing is certain: The demand for a more uniformly efficient ministry is inseparably tied up with the present acute problem of a more adequate support of the ministry. No new plan, no mere scheme of mechanics, will ever be able to furnish the stimulus needed to secure an adequate support of a ministry which is not itself capable of efficient, effective leadership in the total program of a forward-looking church in the years immediately ahead of us.

Within the last few years some rather interesting investigations and experimentations have been begun in some of our Annual Conferences looking to the establishment of a minimum salary schedule, or the pooling of all salaries of ministers, or some other mechanical device for bringing about a more equitable distribution of the money now being paid on preachers' salaries. But what we would like to see is a recognition by the entire membership of our Church of their responsibility and obligation to pay their ownpastors' salaries in keeping with the demands made upon ministers of this day and time. In many charges this will mean increased salaries and enlarged budgets. To say that this cannot be done is to make the humiliating confession that we Methodists cannot on an average pay more than three per cent of our income to all our church benevolences, including pastors' salaries.

Without attempting a definition of adequate ministerial support in terms of dollars and cents—such a definition is not essential and could not be agreed to by all-let us seek a definition in terms of some of the elements involved. In his "Financial Recovery of the Local Church," Dr. J. E. Crawford gave this definition: "An adequate salary for the minister in any given charge is an amount which will enable him to live in reasonable comfort and maintain the health of himself and family; to travel, as necessary, with convenience and economy, especially as to time; to take sufficient recreation; to keep up his studies and the standards of his profession, including giving; and to make the provision for saving against the day of illness and unemployment." At different times and places I have asked groups of laymen if this definition is fair and equitable. Invariably they have said that every efficient minister is entitled to and should have such a salary. If that be true reference to Table 3 in your Conference Journal will show what

miracles must be wrought by many ministers and their wives with the few hundred dollars paid them for their year's services.

What are some of the fundamental, though sometime intangible, elements which should enter into a definition of "a living wage for a trained ministry?" The following are given in only outline form, but they are worthy of more emphasis. These and others should be taken into account by wise church officials everywhere in fixing the minister's salary, if they are to be both Christian and businesslike.

1. Hours of service. — Labor leaders and employers alike agree that exhausting labor shall receive extra and special wages. The minister's work is very exhausting and his labors cannot be confined to union hours.

The nature of his work.—We are demanding that our ministers be good preachers, faithful pastors, inspiring leaders. Such paragons do not grow in every parsonage; they must be developed and conserved. The invaluable combination of executive and literary ability can be had only through long, expensive training.

3. His tools.—Salesmen who must entertain their customers and mechanics who must have expensive tools receive additional allowances. Books, chautauquas, institutes, conferences are the preachers'

4. Increased efficiency. — Adequate support tends toward ministerial efficiency; inadequate support towards inefficiency in the Church's work. "Half a charge paying half a salary soon produces half a preacher, who goes on producing half a charge with half support to produce more half preachers." It is not too much to say that many young ministers of ability and great promise have been doomed to mediocre lives and service because of utterly inadequate salaries.

5. The cost of living.—It should not be overlooked that the cost of living has increased more rapidly than ministers' salaries.

6. Earning period.—The average economic life of the minister is short-about thirty years. Men in other professions find the average income doubles between forty and sixty and their services still very valuable at seventy. Not so the minister who must not be too young to have executive ability nor too old to reach the young people of his congregation.

7. Economic value to society. — Inventors and promoters, bankers and railroad executives are gladly paid more because of their economic value to society. But whose service to his community or to society is greater than the minister's?

8. His philanthropy. — The preacher has more calls to give and is more willing to give to worthy causes than we of other professions. Next to the church he is "the observed of all solicitors and beg-

9. Cost of preparation. — Untrained men may have succeeded and trained men may have the ministry, but it cannot be denied that the best training is essential to the most effective service. Our own Church has continued to raise the requirements for admission until graduation from a liberal arts college is required and from a school of theology is strongly advised. Never before did the ministry make such demands or require such diversified gifts of those who enter it. To prepare for effective

work in this calling requires money and time. For this preparation many young ministers must go in debt. While some of them are kept in debt through their own extravagance and bad management, many of these trained and efficient ministers must continue to be burdened by debt for a long period of years solely because their churches are not paying "a living wage for a trained ministry."

The remedy! Enlarge the minister's salary in those places where Dr. Crawford's standard of an adequate support of the ministry cannot be met. How can that be done? Only by a long process of educating the entire membership of our Church in the principles of Christian stewardship until our laymen cannot help but see the necessity and the wisdom of paying all our preachers an adequate salary.-W. E. Hogan in Christian Advocate.

#### JOHN WESLEY CAUGHT **NAPPING**

We all appreciate the publication in the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE of Wesley's translation of the New Testament, arranged by Dr. George C. Cell, the author of "The Rediscovery of John Wesley." Wesley's scholarship is shown in his "very large anticipation of the work of later translators." Says Dr. Cell. "I find that never less than one-half, often as much as three-fourths, of Wesley's deviations from the Authorized Version, have been adopted by the revisers of 1881 and by more recent private translations." He adds, "There are upwards of 12,000 deviations from the Authorized Version in the Wesleyan transla-

And yet, by way of contrast with this remarkable record, I would call attention to at least three passages where Wesley failed to apprehend the true meaning of Scripture. And the first is, "We love him because he first loved us." Dr. Cell says, "Wesley was never done saying the Gospel is all in the sentence, "We love him because he first loved us." And again Dr. Cell says, "Wesley's view of Christianity had two foci: (1) "We love him because he first loved us. (2) "Be ye holy for I am holy." And yet The Revised Version and other modern versions read, "We love, because he first loved us." "Him" does not appear "Him" does not appear in the Greek text. It had to be supplied, though in doing so love is limited to God. The true meaning is, "Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another." Love is unlimited, and becomes the dynamic of all human relationships.

The second passage to which I would call attention is, "Search the Scriptures for in them ye think ye have eternal life." Wesley says, "Search the Scriptures—a plain command to all men. In them ye are assured ye have eternal life." "Search the Scriptures" standing alone is a plain command, but it is also a plain indicative statement Which, depends upon the context. The two forms in Greek are identi-But to make it imperative, and to use the word "think," makes the sentence a contradiction, as any reader would recognize in the King James Version. Wesley substituted the word "assured," thereby removing contradiction, but in doing so he exactly reverses the meaning of Jesus. The Greek generally omits the personal pronoun, as in this case. So the Revised Version solves all difficulties by simply expressing the personal pronoun, which is required in English. search the Scriptures" makes the text a complaint and not a command. And yet Wesley failed to see this simple solution of an obscure text, even going so far as to make dokeo means assurance, which is wholly unjustified.

The third passage to be discussed is, "Lovest thou me more than these?" This is the translation given by the King James Version. And strange to say, the Revised Version leaves it uninterpreted. Weymouth translates it, "Do you love me more than these others do?" And with this translation Goodspeed and Moffett agree. And long before them John Wesley translated it in his notes, "Simon, son of Jonah. lovest thou me more than these, thy fellow disciples, do?"

The standard editions leave the sentence ambiguous. As for the rest in my judgment they are all wrong. As I have before discussed in the Christian Advocate, the passage should read, "Lovest thou me more than these things?" The Greek allows it and the situation demands this interpretation. The hymn, "Jesus Calls Us," gives the true mean-

"Jesus calls us from the worship Of the vain world's golden store, From each idol that would keep us, Saying, 'Christian, love me more;

In our joys and in our sorrows, Days of toil and hours of ease, Still He calls, in cares and pleasures.

'Christian, love me more than these'."

—Chas. Franklin, Hartford, Ark.

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A SERIAL STORY

## Parsonage Family

By

SUSIE McKINNON MILLAR

#### CHAPTER VII

"But, Muth! Please let me go meet Grace. I just can't wait to hear all about her visit. She promised to tell me every single thing they talked about. And may be they had eats, like a real party. Oh boy! I hope she brings me some! I'm glad Mrs. Andrews ran over me that night when Grace graduated. I didn't even fall down and get my white suit dirty; I even wore it the very next Sunday. I'm too big for it now, a whole year bigger. I wisht I knew a boy the right size to give it to, don't you? We might ask Mrs. Andrews. We like her. She's awfully nice, isn't she, Muth? Why don't Grace hurry?

"Yes, we like Mrs. Andrews. Don't worry about Grace. She always comes home from Mrs. Andrews' with lots of interesting things to tell. Do stop hopping about! That won't hurry Grace," laughed Sister Howard. "Hadn't you better go help Harriet get the supper ready?"

"No, Muth. Tom's helping her, and they are talking about what Harriet's going to do when she graduates next June. It's a whole 'nuther year. A year back to Grace's graduation and a year front to Harriet's. Then the twins and Tom and then me. That's an awfully long time, isn't it?"

"Oh, it won't take so long," laughed Sister Howard. "You just wait and see. Time flies when it once gets started."

"Do we all have to graduate and then do something else?" asked George, with a puzzled frown. "Tom asked Harriet what she was going to do after she graduated. He's afraid she'll go away and stay a long, long time; but she just laughed and said, "Then you could write to me every week. You'd love that, wouldn't you? You love to write. Tom said, 'Not with you gone.' But she said he needn't worry 'cause she had her work all cut out for her right here. She'd started something right here that it would take her a long time to finish. She was making the muffins. She didn't mean them did she? It takes no time at all for that, 'cause Harriett works so fast, and you don't have to cut out muffins. So she really couldn't mean that.'

"No, Son; I think she was talking about something already mixed-up all wrong. She hopes to help to unmix it and make it right again. But we'll see more about that when she graduates. Where are the twins? Go see if you can find them. Tell them to hurry and get ready for supper."

"Oh, they're ready and gone. I forgot to tell you when you first came home. Miss Pickens phoned she was having their class supper tonight. Daddy told them to go ahead and have a good time and behave themselves if they possibly could. Bob said they'd better try to think up all the Bible verses they could, or Miss Pickens would think them terribly ignorant for preach-

er's children. Betty said she wasn't going to give anybody a chance to say the preacher's daughter was vain and worldly. She slicked her hair back and wouldn't put any ribbon on it. And she wore that brown dress that buttons all up and down the back. She looked cute. Daddy took her by both shoulders and said, 'Young lady, I'm most afraid to let you go.' But she kissed him and said 'Goodbye, Daddy. Don't you worry. I won't disgrace my parents, truly I won't.' Then she ran caught up with Bob. Daddy said that he'd be glad when that party was over; but that he'd hope for the best."

"Oh, I'd love to look in on that party," said Sister Howard.

"Could we, Muth?" Let's hurry! You're already dressed, and it won't take me any time."

"But we're not invited, Sonny."
"We could go anyhow, couldn't
we? We know the way to Miss
Picken's and—no, let's don't go.

There comes Grace. She's got to tell me everything she knows." George dashed out to meet her as she turned in at the parsonage

as she turned in at the parsonage gate, just as Harriet and Tom called the family to supper.

There was much talking and

laughter at the table; but all found time to enjoy and commend the tasty dishes Tom and Harriet had prepared. George openly rejoiced that the twins were not at home for supper; he'd eat all their muffins. But Grace and Tom both insisted that they'd share the privilege with him.

Grace gave the family a vivid account of her happy afternoon with Mrs. Andrews. "It does not seem possible that I met her only a year ago. I feel like I'd always known her and loved her. She's such a splendid Christian woman, and I know I'm a mighty lucky girl to have her for a friend."

"Yes," agreed Sister Howard. "It has all proved very worthwhile. She's a wonderful music teacher, and you have made great progress. I'm glad you found such a friend and could stay at home and work with her."

"But I found her," protested George. "We ought to be friends."

"Well, aren't you friends?" asked Tom. "We all are, if you'd ask me." "But me—most special," insisted George.

"That reminds me," said Grace. "She sent you a special invitation to spend the day with her next Tuesday. She said she liked that red-headed brother of mine, and that I must beg him to come Tuesday. You don't guess she was thinking of Bob, do you?"

"Bob, nothing! His hair's as black as coal. Everybody knows I'm the most red-headest person in this whole family, and you and Daddy come next. May I go Tuesday. Muth?"

"We'll see about that when the time comes. Now, since you ate most of the twins' muffins, you may help clear the table and do the supper dishes."

Grace also helped Harriet clear the table; and with the boys' help, they made quick work of the dishwashing.

Later in the evening Grace joined her mother and father in the study. There she told them that Mrs. Andrews was planning to spend some time traveling during the next few years; but she said she was so well pleased with the progress Grace had made in her music that she didn't want to give up working with her. (To be continued.)

## Woman's Missionary Department

MRS. A. C. MILLAR, Editor

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#### MANSFIELD AUXILIARY

The Missionary Society held a very interesting meeting on March 16, with a goodly number present. Subject of the lesson: Prayer in the Life of Jesus. Mrs. W. D. Haliburton was in charge.—Mrs. Frances M. Wilson, Supt. of Literature.

#### STRONG AUXILIARY

The Society met Monday at the home of Mrs. J. P. Burgess with Mrs. Pagan and Mrs. Gibson as cohostesses. Mrs. R. A. Burgess led the program. Mrs. Zack McClendon spoke on Christian Education, and Mrs. Thompson gave the devotional.

Seventeen members and two visitors attended. Plans were made for the Teachers' Training School in the summer. Mrs. Thompson closed with prayer after which refreshments were served.

## TRIBUTE TO MISS FANNIE SMOTHERS

On March 4 the finger of death picked from our Missionary Society one of our most beloved and faithful members, Miss Fannie Smothers, whose life meant much to us. "Miss Fannie," as we all called her, will be greatly missed in every department of our church. The Missionary Society has lost a gentle soul, always kind, true, unselfish, faithful and charitable in her attitude toward others. Her entire life was marked by a beautiful Christian spirit. Having finished a well spent life, she slipped away to a better world, with a sure promise of reward. We, as a Missionary Society that loved her, offer these few words in tribute and bow submissively to the will of our Heavenly Father.—Committee of the Wynne Woman's Missionary Society.

#### SILOAM SPRINGS AUXILIARY

The Siloam Springs Society met March 19, at the home of Mrs. H. H. Ball with Mrs. J. L. Smiley as cohostess in a cooperative luncheon, with 30 members and four visitors present. The house was called to order by our most efficient president, Mrs. A. L. Smith for our business session.

Mrs. Garst led the devotional Following the devotional a beautiful memorial service was held for one of our beloved members, Mrs. S. H. Thompson. Mrs. Caldwell read a memorial. A number of loving tributes were given.

The regular business was transacted, practically all officers, superintendents and committee chairmen giving splendid reports. Mrs. J. W. Jewell was appointed as assistant superintendent of publicity. The following visitors were introduced: Mrs. Morgan, Mrs. Cyrus Brown and Mrs. Beard, each responding with appreciative remarks.

The Missionary News Bulletin was led by Supt. of Literature, Mrs. Jewell, in an unusual way, each clipping being enclosed in a cross bearing the inscription, "In the cross of Christ I glory." The social hour was led by Mrs. C. E. Black, with a spelling match and several contests. Two members, Mrs. B. L. Miller and Mother Smith, who had

been away for months, were warmly welcomed. This was the third business and social meeting of the year and each one seems better than the last.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. J. B. Andrews, April 30—Assistant Supt. Publicity.

## PARAGOULD AUXILIARY, FIRST CHURCH

Our Auxiliary will have good reports at its executive meeting the last of this quarter. A Young Woman's Circle was organized several months ago, making five circles in the society, each circle doing regular work, with officers, committees and study. We have our regular Bible studies conducted in the circles. We begin the new study, "A Radiant Heart," in April. Our Superintendent of Study has arranged the course, "Out of Africa," for April 5 to 9 and each study leader will present one chapter of the book. This will be taken for Council credit. Our quarterly "Birthday Party" will be given on the fifth Tuesday at the church.

Zone No. 3 to which this Auxiliary belongs, will meet April 1, at Knobel.—Mrs. A. C. Cloyes.

#### HARRELL AUXILIARY

The Harrell Auxiliary met March 15, at the home of Mrs. Mittie Jones, with the Pastor, Rev. Alfred Doss, fourteen members and one visitor present.

A short business meeting was held with Mrs. Mittie Jones presiding. Three new members were added to the roll and all members made pledges.

The following program was rendered with Mrs. S. V. Parker conducting the devotional:

Piano solo—Mrs. Searcy Harrell. "Beginning of Woman's Work"—Mrs. Mittie Jones.

Mrs. Mittie Jones.
"Tried and Proven" — Mrs. Tom
Braswell.

Missionary News—Mrs. Wid Johnston.

Refreshments were served by the hostess and a delightful social hour was enjoyed by all present.—Publicity Supt.

#### FAIRVIEW, TEXARKANA AUXILIARY

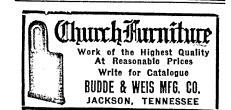
The young women of Fairview Methodist Church met Tuesday with Mrs. Arthur Terry and organized a circle of the Women's Missionary Society.

Officers were elected: Mrs. Chas. Gardner, chairman; Miss Josephine Tate, vice president; Mrs. Joe Vinson, program chairman; Mrs. Kenneth Floyd, study chairman; Mrs. Dan Young, secretary; Mrs. William Ainsworth, treasurer; Mrs. H.yl Gardner, Christian Social Relations; and Mrs. Kenneth Floyd, reporter.

The Circle will meet on the first and third Tuesday of each month, and the next meeting will be held with Mrs. Gardner.

Following organization, Mrs. L. J.
Thompson gave a splendid talk on
"How the Foundation of the Society
Was Laid." The mission topic,
"Pioneer Voyages," was given by
Mrs. Arthur Terry.

Refreshments were served at the close of the social hour.—Mrs. Kenneth Floyd.



#### Christian Education

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Efforts of Dr. J. M. Williams-Dr. J. M. Williams, who has been connected with all three colleges, has frequently conferred with Hendrix authorities on a question raised by certain Galloway women, namely, whether Hendrix College might not find some way of re-issuing their diplomas. He has been deeply interested that everything possible be done for Galloway graduates and for the graduates of Henderson-Brown College where he was an honored professor.

Hendrix Staff Deeply Interested-Dr. Williams was gratified to find the Hendrix staff quite sympathetic and ready to do everything possible within the limits of sound academic practice. Accordingly, the staff conducted an extensive correspondence with colleges and universities that had had similar problems and found ample precedent for doing what is here proposed. The staff further conferred with executive officers of the North Central Association, of the Association of American Universities, and of the American Association of University Women concerning what form of diploma Hendrix could bestow consistent with her obligations to these bodies.

University of Chicago Form Adopted-After studying the various forms of diplomas issued by different colleges and universities in similar situations, the staff settled upon the form used by the University of Chicago for the graduates of one or more root institutions related to the University, as the best. This form will be used for all degrees and certificates issued by the three institutions, the particular degree or certificate in each case being inserted in the diploma bestowed by Hendrix.

Time-The ceremony for formal conferring of degrees and certificates will take place at the regular commencement, 10:30 a.m., May 31, former Vice President Dawes being the commencement speaker.

Write Dean Staples Immediately -Graduates wishing to participate in this ceremony will kindly write at once to Dean T. S. Staples of the college, giving the exact names to be inscribed on the diploma, the date, name of Alma Mater, name when diploma was originally issued, and the degree or certificate received. When this is done, the College will send full information conprogram of the graduating ceremonies. It is desired that those who wish diplomas appear in person and in academic costume to receive them. Early notice of purpose to take the diploma should be given in order that there may be time for the College to have the gowns and diplomas ready for all.

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#### LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT CHIL-DREN'S WORKERS

The Children's Workers of the Little Rock District will meet at Winfield, in Little Rock, Tuesday, April 6, at 10 a.m. The first hour from 10:00 until 11:00, will be spent in a joint meeting with the pastors and other workers. After that the

following program will be given:
11:00 a. m., "Planning For a Vacation School This Year," Mrs. W.

"Vacation School Materials for 1937," Mrs. Clay Smith.

Sources of Enrichment Materials. Mrs. Herbert Smith.

12:00, Luncheon. Lunches will be served at the church for 25c a plate. Please notify Mrs. W. F. Bates, 5111 N. Lookout, if you plan to attend the luncheon.

1:00 p. m., "Worship," Mrs. F. C. Cannon.

"Exchange of Vacation School Textbooks," Mrs. M. W. Miller.

Group Meeting of Beginners, under the leadership of Mrs. Adams and Mrs. W. S. Probst.

"Primaries," Mrs. H. N. Thompson. "Juniors," Mrs. C. C. Cope.

"Intermediates," leader not select-

All Children's and Intermediate workers are urged to attend this meeting. The vacation schools are steadily increasing in number and importance in our church program, and they offer one important means of finding new members for the church school.-Mrs. W. F. Bates, Dist. Director of Children's Work.

#### FIELD NOTES

By CLEM BAKER

Rev. L. C. Gatlin organized a new school at Ebenezer on the El Dorado Circuit with a membership of seventy. M. W. Matthews is the superintendent. Brother Gatlin has reached his 25 percent increase in Church School enrollment.

Rev. Harold Scott has completed a new church building at Mt. Zion on the Arkadelphia Circuit and organized a new Sunday School with forty members.

Rev. T. D. Spruce has recently installed a new electric lighting system for the church and parsonage at Leola. For the first time in several years, this church had a class of babies to be baptized on Easter Sunday. Presiding Elder Fawcett recently led in a Training Class at Leola and Brother Whiteside will teach a class at Hunter's Chapel on this charge in April, where the Sunday School and Young People's work has recently been reorganized.

Rev. S. G. Rutledge is rejoicing over the recovery of Mrs. Rutledge who has been seriously ill for several weeks. Brother Rutledge is in high favor on the Princeton charge. The parsonage looked like a miracle had been worked in it.

Rev. O. C. Robison and Mrs. Robison each have an extension Bible Class meeting on week days at Holly Springs, thus adding some 35 or 40 to the Church School enrollment. Brother Fawcett will teach a Training Class at Holly Springs in April. Already Mrs. James is leading in raising a fund to send members of her Intermediate group to Camp Ki-Y.

Rev. R. C. Walsh already has plans drawn and is raising the money to build over our church at Sparkman at a cost of around \$3000. The work is expected to be done this spring. Bro. Vaught will lead a Training Class at Sparkman

Rev. J. C. Williams will celebrate his fourth year on the Dalark Charge by building a new church at Manchester and spending \$500 recovering, re-painting and beautifying the church at Dalark.

Rev. Harold D. Sadler writes from Hot Spring that he is rapidly recovering from his recent illness and expects to be back on the job at Benton within ten days. Dr. James Thomas took care of his Easter program last Sunday.

Rev. Van Harrell expects to have all the money in hand to pay the church debt at England and burn the mortgage at his next quarterly conference. Dr. Hammons, a former pastor at England, and now Presiding Elder of the District, has rendered valuable assistance in the debt-paying program at England.

Dr. H. Bascom Watts received 139 members into First Church last Sunday. This makes 180 additions to First Church, Little Rock, since Conference.

Bishop John M. Moore met with the Presiding Elders of the Little Rock Conference last Tuesday. His brethren will be glad to know that our Bishop looks to be in more vigorous health than we have seen him in several months. He was the preacher in a series of pre-Easter services with Rev. F. G. Roebuck at Lakeside, Pine Bluff.

Rev. T. M. Armstrong assisted Rev. S. T. Baugh in a meeting at Carr Memorial, Pine Bluff.

Rev. J. E. Cooper was the preacher in a revival meeting recently held with Rev. A. C. Carraway at DeWitt. In addition to looking after the work of his District, teaching in training schools, and holding revival meetings, Brother Cooper has recently found time to secure accreditation for another unit in the Christian Workers' Training Course.

Rev. John L. Hoover, writing from Berkeley, California, states that he will be headed homeward on April 1.

#### ARKANSAS PASTORS' SCHOOL, **MAY 31-JUNE 11**

Upon request of a number of preachers, the Board of Managers of the Arkansas Pastors' School last June voted to go back to our old date and hold the 1937 session immediately following the close of Hendrix College. The date set for the Pastors' School is May 21-June 11. We believe that we have secured one of the greatest group of instructors and lecturers that we have ever brought to this famous school. The instructors engaged for this year include Dr. R. H. Edwards of Cornell University, Dr. W. A. Smart of Emory University, Dr. W. T. Watkins of Emory University, Dr. A. J. Walton of the General Board of Christian Education, Dr. Fay Thompson of Vanderbilt University, Dr. J. T. Carlyon of Southern Methodist University, and Miss Ruby Van Hooser of Belmont College, Nashville, Tennessee.

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Moore. The program is in the hands of the printer and will be ready for distribution within a few days. In the meantime all the Methodist preachers from over the State will be making their plans to attend the session this year.—Clem Baker.

#### LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE YOUNG PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY

The Little Rock Conference Young People's Assembly will be held this year, the week of June 21-25. This is a week later than last year and will give a week between the close of the Pastors' School and the opening of the Young People's Assembly. Already from all over the Conference we are hearing reports of churches getting ready to send their delegates to the Assembly this year. We are prophesying that this is going to be our greatest Assembly. Among other interesting features will be the presence of Dr. E. O. Harbin representing the General Board and leading the recreational activities.—Clem Baker.

#### WASHINGTON FIRST TO SEND IN CHURCH SCHOOL DAY **OFFERING**

To the Washington Church School on the Washington-Ozan charge, in the Prescott District, goes the honor of sending in the first Church School Day offering of the new year. The amount was \$7.00, which is exactly equal to the total of Young People's Anniversary and Church School Day offering from this church last year. Now that Washington has set the pace, let every charge fall in line and determine that the offering this year will equal the total of the two last years. We wonder if the Prescott District under the leadership of Bro. Baker is not planning to recapture Church School Day honors which it held so long under the leadership of Bro. Henderson.—Clem Baker.

#### NOW LETS PUSH CHURCH SCHOOL DAY

Now that Easter is over it is time for all of us to get behind our Church School Day observance, which is always held the third Sunday in April, or as near thereto as practical. Many of our fine churches have already indicated their intention to observe this day and send the offering in at once. In setting the goal let's remember that this year the Church School Day and Young People's Anniversary have been combined and one seventh of the combined offering will be given our Young People for carrying on their work. Programs for this occasion are free and ready for distribution. Write this office for all you want.—Clem Baker.

#### PINE BLUFF Y. P. UNION

On February 12, 150 young people met at the First Methodist Church, Pine Bluff, for the annual banquet. Miss Mildred Walker, president of the Union, presided. The assistant pastor of Winfield Memorial Church, Rev. Robert Core, gave the invocation. John Basset of First Church gave the address of welcome and Margaret Teeter of Altheimer responded.

Coming from Stamps, Rev. Edward Harris was the principal speaker. His talk was much appreciated and enjoyed. At the speakers' table also were Rev. Fred G. Roebuck, of Lakeside Church; Rev. S. T. Baugh, sponsor of the Union; Miss Theda Belle Finley and Rev. Coy Whitten, president and vice president of the Young People's Division of the Little Rock Confer-

#### CHURCH NEWS

#### APPRECIATION

We wish to express our sincere thanks for the many kindnesses extended to us during the illness and passing of our beloved wife and mother.

To those who assisted at the bedside, to the Board of Stewards, neighbors and friends for their loving service. To those who sent telegrams and letters of sympathy; to those who sent floral tributes, and to all who assisted in any way at the time of our bereavement, may the blessings of God be upon you. John W. Glover, Arlis Glover and wife, and Albert Glover and wife, Greenwood, Ark.

#### BROTHER DICKERSON'S **CONDITION**

On March 11 Brother J. R. Dickerson, residing at 1601 Senator St., Texarkana, Ārkansas, suffered a heart attack and fell, striking his head just above the temple, causing a slight concussion of the brain. For more than two weeks he has been confined to his bed. Under the direction of a competent physician and the ever watchful care of Sister Dickerson his recovery, though slow, is hopeful.

A number of friends of this fine couple, on hearing of Brother Dickerson's condition, have been kind enough to remember them with messages of cheer and tokens of love. They have requested me to convey to these friends, through the ARKANSAS METHODIST, their deep appreciation for their kindness.

For the seventh consecutive year it has been the good fortune of this pastor to have at least one retired minister in his parish. Their prayers and their council have been helpful indeed. We count it a great joy to have Brother and Sister "Dick" with us and ask that you join with us in praying that Brother Dickerson's recovery may be speedy .-- Arthur Terry, P. C., Fairview Methodist Church, Texarkana, Arkansas.

#### ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Holy Week has been one that has driven me to the re-studying of the life of our Christ and has caused me to pray much that I may be more like Him. I have thought about the eighth Beatitude which includes us all.

Every Christian worth his salt has suffered at some time persecution and it does not prevail alone with grown-ups; it also affects children. If we did not suffer this persecution, we should be excluded from this final blessing, "Blessed are ye, says our Master.'

Several of our little ones have accepted Christ during this season and will be received into the Church Sunday morning, and so far as human observation goes, we have a happy family.

We have received four additional children into the Home this week and they bring pleasure because they are such nice children and

ence, and Miss Rubye Graves, worship chairman.

Not to be forgotten either is the dinner cooked and served under the supervision of Mrs. H. J. Johnson. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the whole evening which was helpful in every way, especially by the good-fellowship everyone shared .--Rubye Graves.

show that behind them has been some good training. I wish it were possible for all of our people to visit our Home and see just what we are doing.

As we approach the days following Easter, do not forget to hold us up in your prayers.

I read with much interest Brother Harris' notice concerning Dr. Williams' talks in his Charge and I just wondered if God would not spare him to help us to build up the home life of our state.

With much love for all, I am, yours truly.—James Thomas, Executive Secretary.

#### HOPE

The celebration of Easter in our church was the most successful and outstanding during the present pastorate. The first part of the special program was given Palm Sunday night, when a group of young adults presented the Easter religious play, "For He Had Great Possessions." This is a most impressive and gripping dramatic portrayal of the power of Christ over life and

Easter Sunday was begun in Hope with a union sunrise service at the High School auditorium, intended to be held outdoors in the new stadium. Seven hundred and fifty people attended this service.

At the morning service in our Church, two infants were baptized, and a class of eleven boys and girls were received into church membership. The largest Easter congregation in three years was present.

The choir, under the direction of Mrs. Ralph Routon, organist and director, presented a special program of selected Easter music for the night worship service.

Another item of interest is the organization of the men to be known as "The Men of the Church," with Roy Anderson as president. Regular monthly meetings on the last Tuesday night of each month are being held. Rev. Leland Clegg, of Magnolia, addressed the men in February. Mr. Charlie Evans of Little Rock spoke before the group March 30.-Fred R. Harrison, P. C.

#### MORRILTON

The Methodist Church at Morrilton, Rev. H. M. Lewis pastor, closed a very successful pre-Easter evangelistic campaign by receiving 47 into the church on profession of faith and 55 by letter, a total of 122. Rev. Glen F. Sanford led the personal evangelism campaign in a very fine way. The pastor baptized seven infants on Easter Sunday morning. At the evening hour one of the most beautiful pageants seen here "The Challenge of the Cross," was presented to an overflow audience. The pageant was directed by Mrs. Lewis.

#### McCRORY CIRCUIT

On Sunday, March 24, we closed a fine meeting at Patterson, where we have finished a new church.

Bro. E. H. Hook, our P. E., was with us and, as usual, did some fine work. He is always full of energy and ready to make things move.

Mr. Floyd Bradbury, a singer from Floyd, Ark., was with us and led the singing. He is a fine singer and added much to the interest of the meeting. Bro. W. L. Oliver of McCrory preached one time and gave us a fine sermon.

We had about 20 reclamations and conversions. Took four into the Methodist Church by baptism and vows and some by certificate. Quite

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Pray for us that we may have a great year on this Charge.—R. A. Robertson, P. C.

#### GRAND AVENUE, HOT SPRINGS

Last night at Grand Avenue Church there was a very impressive communion service, well attended, and without sermon or any talk or announcements. The Methodist superannuates of the city were the guests of the church and all of us had a part in the service, except Bro. Messer, who is too feeble. Bro. Rorie is chipper as a sparrow. Bro. Nethercutt is able now to walk without his cane. Under Bro. Whitten's able leadership, Grand Avenue seems to be progressing in spite of its debt.—R. E. Farr.

#### **KNOBEL - PEACH ORCHARD** CHARGE

We have completed our church building at Cache Lake, except painting and seating. We have some temporary seats that we are using at present, and have been having services in the new building since Christmas. Have paid nearly onehalf of our Conference Claims for the charge and hope to be out in full by Easter.

We closed our revival meeting at Knobel Sunday, March 7, Rev. E. B. Williams, the Presiding Elder, did the preaching and did it well. The people as well as the pastor were delighted to have him and the very fine preaching that he did. We had five additions by faith and four by letter, with perhaps others to follow later as a result of the meeting. The church was greatly benefited. We are looking forward to a good year.—W. E. Benbrook, P. C.

#### HOME MISSIONS COUNCIL LITERATURE

Rural Life Sunday will be observed this year on May 2, 1937 and we are urging churches in the city and in town and country areas to join in an observance of the day. The leaflets which the Committee on Town and Country has issued. are sold at 3c for single copies, or \$1.10 for a hundred copies, plus postage (\$4.50 for 500 copies).

The leaflet on Continuing Education for Pastors lists the 1937 interdenominational schools for pastors and workers in town and country areas (price, \$1.00 per 100 copies). In some cases denominational boards will make scholarships available to assist town and country church leaders to take advantage of these courses.

There has just come from the press an 85 page booklet entitled The Church and the Agricultural Situation, which contains the papers presented at the National Conference on the Rural Church held at Ames, Iowa, the latter part of 1936 (price 50c each).

In January of this year a National Conference was held on The City Church and the sixteen addresses made at that time are now in process of publication and will be ready for distribution within several weeks (price 55c each).—William R. King; Executive Secretary, 105 East 22nd St., New York City.

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#### CONSTITUTION SESQUICEN-TENNIAL

Students of public, private, and parochial schools and colleges, as well as adults who are not professional playwrights, will be intensely interested in the projects of the United States Constitution Sesquicentennial Commission to secure dramatic material to be presented during the celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the formation of the Constitution, which begins on the 17th of next September.

Not only will this project be an incentive towards creative writing, but it will stimulate among all students a desire for greater knowledge of the formation of the Constitution.

The Commission hopes to secure worthy plays depicting the constitutional history, background of the Constitution, and the Philadelphia Convention, which will be extensively used in schools, churches, and organized groups of men, women and vouth.

The general plan of operation provides for three classifications of plays: (1) Competition for high school students (Juniors and Seniors) in a one-act play; (2) Competition for students in colleges and universities in a one-act play, and (3) Competition for teachers and directors of dramatics in plays of one-act or more.

Material offered must be submitted not later than May 7, 1937 to the Drama Chairman of this State, who is acting in cooperation with the State Constitution Commission. This contest for high school students terminates with the State contest. Those open to college students and teachers will be extended from a State to a National Con-

The National Commission will award the Constitution Commemorative Medal in silver and bronze to the State winners and a Shrine of the Constitution to the persons in the Nation winning first place in plays.

Further information, as well as a list of State Committees and Regional Committees will be supplied contestants upon application, to Sol Bloom, Director General, Washing-

#### Mississippi State Bar Opposes Change in Court

The Board of Commissioners of the Mississippi State Bar recently adopted the following resolution with respect to President Roosevelt's proposed change in the U.S. Supreme Court:

"First, that we are opposed to enforced retirement of the justices, because the freedom of the citizen and the perpetuity of free institutions of government are best secured when the judicial power is wholly free of executive and legislative pressure and interference.

"Second, that we are opposed to any increase in the number of justices of the Supreme Court of the United States at this time because it has not been shown that the Court as now constituted has failed to keep close to the heel of its docket, and we are reasonably sure that representatives of the government have at times, hindered the speedy presentation of constitutional questions to the Court, and thereby occasioned delay, and further such increase would amount to filling the Court with men known to be sub-

servient to executive influence and Minister's Son Invents authority which would be a gross perversion of our constitutional system of government.

"Third, that we are opposed to the holding of litigation, in which constitutional questions are raised. at a standstill until the Attorney General of the United States can be notified and brought before the Court. Such procedure would inevitably produce long delays in the progress of litigation, would subject private parties to heavy expense would make the subsequent progress of the litigation, in great measure, dependent upon the will and pleasure of the Attorney General, and would discourage litigants from challenging unconstitutional legislation, and make them disposed to endure it rather than subject themselves to the harassments of the Attorney General's office.

"Fourth, that an independent federal judiciary is indispensable to a government of laws rather than a government by the whim and caprice of ambitious officeholders; and a Supreme Court, unterrified by executive maledictions, and with the courage to check vaulting ambition and the burning lust for personal power, is the surest defense of the people against arbitrary and oppressive government.

"Fifth, that we do not consider it necessary to increase the membership of the Circuit Courts of Appeal, because those courts have been reasonably prompt in the disposition of cases brought before them; and an increase of membership would be an additional public expense without compensating advantages.

"Sixth, that a copy of these resolutions be furnished the Senators and Representatives of Mississippi in Congress; and also that a copy be furnished the press.'

#### QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

#### LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT: THIRD ROUND

First Church, April 4, 11:00 a. m. England, April 4, 7:30 p. m. Winfield, April 11, 11:00 a. m. Asbury, April 18, 11:00 a. m. Asoury, April 18, 11:00 a. m. Highland, April 18, 7:30 p. m. Lonoke, May 2, 11:00 a. m. 28th St., May 30, 11:00 a. m. Douglassville, May 30, 7:30 p. m. Austin Ct., at S. Bend, June 6, 11:00 a. m. Primrose, June 6, 8:00 p. m. Pulaski Heights, June 13, 11:00 a. m. Sardis June 13, 3:00 p. m. Capitol View, June 13, 7:30 p. m. Hunter Memorial, June 16, 7:30 p. m. Mabelvale, June 20, 11:00 a. m.
Forest Park, June 20, 7:30 p. m.
Carlisle Ct., at Shiloh, June 27, 11:00

Des Arc and D. V. Bluff, at Pepper's Lake, July 3, 11:00 a. m. Hazen, July 4, 11:00 a. m. Henderson, July 4, 8:00 p. m. Keo-Tomberlin, at Humnoke, July 11,

11:00 a. m. Carlisle Station, July 11, 8:00 p. m. Roland Ct., at Martindale, July 17, 11:00 a. m.

Hickory Plains, at Cross Roads, July 18, 11:00 a. m. Paron Ct., at Paron, July 25, 11:00 a. m.

Bryant Ct., at Oak Hill, July 25, 3:00 District Conference at Geyer Springs,

April 29, 9:00 a. m.
The Third Quarterly Conferences for the ten churches in Little Rock will be held together at Winfield Church, nesday, June 16, at 7:00 p. m. 8 will be served followed by the Quarterly Conferences. We hope to have every official of each Quarterly Conference pres-

ent for that meeting .- I. D. Hammons, Presiding Elder,

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#### Joint Circle Meeting Next Monday

The Women of Winfield will held their monthly Joint Circle meeting at 10:30 next Monday. Mrs. Cannon will preside over the business meeting, Mrs. J. R. Henderson will give the devotional message.

Mrs. E. F. Nelson will speak on "Social Evils in the Community and their Challenge to the Church." Mrs. R. E. Overman will be in charge of special music. Luncheon will be served by Mrs. M. R. Springer's Circle.

#### WINFIELD'S NEWEST MEMBERS

The congregation of Winfield is very glad to welcome into its fellowship these members who joined on Easter Sunday:

Mrs. Grace H. Allison, 424 "H", Park Hill:

Mrs. R. A. Anderson, 3300 W. 11th; Miss Rose Mary Arendt, 2300 Wolfe; Peggy Baker, 2222 Scott;

Mr. Boyd D. Barker Sr., 2216 Scott; Lucius Beaumont, 810 E. 17th; Mrs. John A. Bigbee, 3110 Battery;

Mrs. J. F. Blanz, 1123 Rock; Mrs. Grace Carrel, 2100 Center; Mr. and Mrs. James P. DeMent,

1603 Broadway; Miss Dorotha Doane, 1203 Commerce:

Mrs. M. F. Green, 1203 Commerce; Rex Gunn, 415 E. 16th:

Edwin Herron, 1600 W. 19th; Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Hogue, 915 W. 29th:

Henri H. Julian Jr., 1921 Maryland; Mrs. Madrid B. Loftin, 2721 W. Capitol;

Hubert Morgan, 310 E. 15th:

Mrs. A. G. Moses, 822 Cumberland; Mr. Gerland P. Patten, 3304 Mar-

Jeanne Puckett, 514 East 9th; Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Reeves, 1905 Main;

Miss Vivian Sawyer, 210 West 12th; Mrs Olive Shelton, 4818 Kenyon;

Mr. Sterling Shelton, 4818 Kenyon; Mrs. Burney Standley, 2918 High; Mr. and Mrs. John W. Terry, 2418

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vandiver Jr., 715 East 21st;

Charles Weber, 2500 Park;

Mrs. R. E. Whitehead and Miss Flo Ella Whitehead, 621 East 16th; Frank Williams, 1221 Park Ave.

This makes a total of 128 members received this year.

#### PERSONAL ITEMS

Charles Steed, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Steed, 1720 Battery, was improving after his accident but has had to be moved to St. Vincent's.

Oscar Elms, Jr., 2522 Summit, who was recently injured in an automobile accident, is in the Baptist Hospital.

Mr. Guy Dillahunty is still very ill at his home, 1406 McGowan.

Mrs. George Thornburgh, 1624 Spring, has returned after a visit of several months in Florida.

#### A SPECIAL INVITATION

To all men not already in the Church School to attend the new Men's Class in Fellowship Hall (we hope its name will be decided upon Sunday). Coffee hour at 9:45. Dr. Foote will teach the lesson.

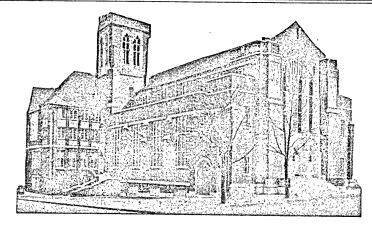
#### IN MEMORIAM

Last Saturday night, March 27, Miss Kathryne Gunnels, daughter of Mrs. C. C. Gunnels, 1606 W. 24th St., passed away. The heartfelt sympathy of the congregation is extended to her mother in this deep sorrow.

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#### SUNDAY SERVICES, APRIL 4, 1937

10:00 A.M. Church School

11:00 A.M. "Rainbows"—Gaston Foote

(Little Rock Assembly No. 3 of Rainbow Girls to be honor guests) 6:00 P.M. Senior, Y. P., Young Adult Leagues

"Ten Commandments to Husbands"-Gaston Foote 7:30 P.M.

#### THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

By GASTON FOOTE

Twenty years ago, on April 6, 1917, America entered the World War. It was on Good Friday. For twenty years we have been trying to find out what good the war did the world and we haven't arrived at a decision yet. We have been asking such questions as, Who started it? Why did we have to fight? How much did it cost us? What were we fighting for? Who, after all, won the war?

We don't know yet who started it. We know the "huns" didn't deserve all the blame. Perhaps no more blame than England, or France, or other powers or forces that had long since been working under cover. And we haven't quite figured out why we Americans entered into it. Perhaps to protect our foreign investments on behalf of the Allies; perhaps because of publicised German atrocities in Belgium which we later found to be terribly distorted truth; perhaps because of pressure from munition makers; perhaps because of the vain belief that we could give the winning punch to the war and become international heroes; perhaps to "defend" America from the "huns."

Let's not lay the blame on any one of these particular issues. No one force caused the war-all of these mentioned, and more, caused it. But let's not forget these imperishable facts when America talks of entering another war.

- 1. There is an impassable gulf between war propaganda and facts; 2. All wars are represented as "defensive" wars. America has been in numerous wars but never yet has a foreign army crossed our national borders;
- 3. Our American foreign investors will want us to protect their investments with men. The pressure of economic profits is powerful in war times;

4. Men can be 100% Americans, intensely patriotic, without at the same time, desiring to kill other men;

5. The Church of Jesus Christ in America CAN PREVENT AMERI-CAN ENTRANCE INTO USELESS FOREIGN WARS; 5. And lastly, that no one wins a war. Everybody loses, ultimately.

#### FOLLOW THE CROWDS

TO THE 7:30 P. M.

SERVICE AT WINFIELD CHURCH

### "TEN COMMANDMENTS TO HUSBANDS"

SUBJECT SUNDAY EVENING

Women Will Usher Women's Chorus Will Sing

EVENING ATTENDANCE HAS INCREASED 300%.

#### Business Women's Circle

Next Tuesday is guest night with the Business Women's Circle which meets in Fellowship Hall at 6:30. Dinner will be served by the Mothers' Bible Class. Miss Olive Smith will preside. Miss Martha Moore will give the devotional and Mrs. Niva Edwards will play. Miss Mary Alice Darr will show a film on Japan. Guest speaker will be Miss Leila Funston, editor of the Church Page of the Arkansas Democrat, whose subject will be "Serving Christ in Business."

#### SPRING SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Starts Wednesday evening of this week and will run for six weeks. This school will be of great value to our present Church School teachers, to those who are preparing themselves to teach, and to all in the congregation who desire to be better posted in the subjects covered.

Classes offered are "The Meaning of the Christian Religion," taught by Mrs. Dewey Price; "A Survey of the Bible," Miss Lila Ashby, and "Effects of Alcohol on the Body and Society" (an illustrated lecture (an illustrated lecture class), Dr. Paul L. Day.

The classes will follow the regular Wednesday evening devotional period. They will run 45 minutes, closing at 8:30. Let's all get behind this effort and make it a permanent part of our Wednesday services.

#### BABIES BAPTISED

At a beautiful dedication service on Easter Sunday the following babies were baptised by Dr. Foote:

John Henry Atkinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Atkinson, 1703 Sum-

Richard Hampton Dixon, son of Mr. and Mrs. Randall Dixon, 5300 "T" St.;

Eugene Ernest Grade, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Grade, Jr., 1201 Barber;

Charles Robert Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Buford Jones, 1706 W. 12; Charles Robert Kerr, son of Mr.

and Mrs. Aubrey Kerr, 1863 Chester; Charles Lewis McCarthy, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McCarthy, 2317

Jack Fletcher and Mary Jane See, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack See, 721 West 17th;

Carol Ann Vandiver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Vandiver, Jr., 715 E. 21st;

Claretta Irene and Minnie Sue, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Weidemeyer, 3505 W. 4th;

Meredith Kay White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. White, 301 Rosetta;

John Oscar Woodyard, four years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Woodyard, 315 W. 22nd.

## RAINBOW GIRLS TO BE GUESTS

Members of Little Rock Assembly No. 3 Rainbow Girls will be guests at the morning service next Sunday. About 50 members are expected. This is their annual Church Day. Miss Geraldine Baird is Worthy Advisor and Mrs. Bill Nash is Mother Advisor.

#### BOOK REVIEW FRIDAY

On Friday of this week at 2:30 Mrs. Gaston Foote will review "First Lady" by George Kauman, for Circle No. 8, price 25c. The review will be held in the Blue Room on the second floor. Come and bring your friends. Tea will be served by circle members.