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Evangelism and Church Press

WE would renew our emphasis upon the value of developing lay speakers as an aid in working out the program of the Church. We realize that the majority of these speakers must come from the larger churches in the towns and cities. Such lay speakers, if they are capable of doing the work that should be done, will be among the best material which the local church has. It may, in some instances, be a sacrifice for the local church to grant the loan of such men. However, when we take into consideration the work of the Church as a whole in trying to carry the Gospel to all men, any local church should count it a privilege to be able to send men out on such a mission. There are large areas in most of our districts which cannot be reached by our regular pastors and unless lay speakers will prepare and give themselves to this work, such areas will remain neglected. We urge that district lay leaders, presiding elders, and pastors make definite plans to meet the need in this field.

We recommend the continued observance of Laymen's Day, on the second Sunday in June, or as near thereto as practicable. We recommend as a topic for discussion for our next Laymen's Day, "Why Go to Church?" We call upon all district lay leaders to plan for the observance of the day in every local church.

We recommend, in so far as possible, that within each charge, through the leadership of the pastor and the charge lay leader, there be organized Men's Clubs, Brotherhoods, Service Clubs, etc., for the purpose of impressing upon the laity of the church the importance of personal spiritual work, with the idea of the improvement of the individual members and the extension of the spiritual influence of the church throughout the community. It is recommended that such brotherhoods, or clubs, meet weekly.

The comprehensive need of wide-spread personal evangelism on the part of our laymen is actually realized when we consider how inadequate is the comparatively small number of ministers for the greatness of the task. The laymen simply must carry the message of the Gospel to their fellow laymen, or they will remain unreached. The revival which our Church so greatly needs can come only through prayer and definite consecration on the part of our laymen coupled with a willingness to pay the price which characterized the disciples of the early Church.

As a most practical way of accomplishing this end we would suggest the following:

1. In all Boards of Stewards there should be the best possible Committee on Evangelism. This committee, with the hearty cooperation of pastor and lay leader, and associating with themselves the evangelistic committees of the church school and organized adult classes, should make diligent use of all available literature and take definite steps to reach by personal testimony and invitation every unreached person in the community.

2. Wherever practicable special evangelistic clubs should be formed along the line of the Centenary Service Club, or the Wesley Brotherhood. Pamphlet literature on both these forms of organization is available.

3. Among the membership of even small churches the pastor should be able to find two or three, at least, whom he may inspire to undertake some definite organized personal work among the constituency of that church. No pastor should be content until he can inspire a suf-

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 * **AND TO THEIR SEED, A LAND THAT** *
 * **FLOWETH WITH MILK AND HONEY.—** *
 * **Deut. 11:8-9.** *

ficiently large number of adults in every church in his charge to organize and carry on a church school. The Church School offers the very best opportunity for personal evangelistic effort.

4. Whatever method may be employed, whether the above or some other, the fundamental and essential condition for any effective evangelism is a spiritual revival that will so warm all hearts and give them a new experience of Christ's redeeming love that they will be eager to tell the good news of salvation. For this let us earnestly and continuously pray.

From the beginning Methodists have recognized the need for a church press as a means of preserving essential unity in matters of faith and practice and to aid in promoting connective enterprises. We have a general organ and, in addition, a number of Conference organs. Experience with these publications has been varied. Some have been maintained, some have had a precarious existence, and many have failed. In practically every case, continued publication and proper distribution have been acute problems.

In spite of heroic efforts to maintain satisfactory standards, the fact remains that our Church does not have a periodical that reaches the official leadership of the entire Church, much less any considerable portion of the membership.

The need for such a periodical is undisputed. In fact, it is vital if we are to maintain our connective system on a satisfactory or efficient basis and avoid the development of regional and local viewpoints that cannot be other than harmful to the development of a great militant Church, dedicated and united in a program of world service.

To this end it is recommended that the proper authorities of the Church give earnest consideration to this whole subject with a view of devising a plan which will avoid the seeming conflict between General and Conference organs and that may be expected to secure a general circulation of the general organ throughout the connection. In order to accomplish the result it is probable that some reorganization must be effected in the way of mergers of publications, enlargement and improvement in the general organ, and possibly a reduction in the subscription price in order to secure wide circulation. An enlarged and improved general organ, adequately presenting the whole Church program by prudent management, should produce the Church an increased loyalty and support that would more than offset any deficit that might be incurred.

But consideration of this plan must not be allowed to serve as an excuse to relax in any degree our obligation to make the largest possible use of existing facilities. We must increase in every possible way the circulation of all church literature and put special emphasis upon placing the church papers in the homes of our people. Our responsibility in the matter of

circulation of the church periodicals must be met with energy and vigor.

Your committee recommends that a pamphlet on Public Worship, printed in attractive form, be published and distributed throughout the Church, provided funds are available for this purpose.

We recommend that the General Board of Lay Activities declare itself in full accord with the recommendations for carrying forward the second phase of the Bishops' Crusade, as set forth in the paper presented by Bishop Arthur J. Moore; and that we heartily pledge our Board and the entire lay organization to full cooperation that this second phase of the Bishops' Crusade may be made completely successful.

Social Welfare

We heartily approve the statement in the pamphlet, "Hidden Fangs": "Before Prohibition, saloons were confined largely to the slum districts. Now they have invaded the residential districts, also. They have moved from the alley to the boulevard. True, the old bar-rail has vanished, but the soda fountain fixtures make a good substitute. The saloon has changed its clothes, but not its character. It is still the fountain of death and the gate of destruction."

All the evidence points with unerring certainty to the fact that drunkenness has materially increased since the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment; that the pretended interest of the liquor people in the welfare of our youth was a smoke-screen, and as soon as they succeeded in the forcing of repeal, they resorted to every diabolical means possible to increase the sale of liquor, and especially to the young people of our country. The courts of all our states are crowded with criminal prosecutions of drunken drivers, and every day brings a harvest of tragedies on the highways caused by liquor sold by the same people who wanted to promote temperance by legalizing the sale of intoxicating liquors. We now have a host of boys and girls who are tending bars who ought to be in our schools and colleges, and we know that there is a decided increase in drinking and intoxication among the women of our country.

In order to fight the evil influence of the liquor interests and to promote temperance, we make the following recommendations:

1. That we continue to put on temperance programs at each of the Annual Conferences; that an outstanding speaker be procured, and that full publicity be given to the program, this to be arranged by the Bishop and Conference Lay Leader before the meeting of the Annual Conference.

2. That a special temperance program be put on at each district conference under the supervision of the Presiding Elder and District Lay Leader, and that due emphasis be given to the liquor problem, and especially as it affects our young people.

3. That all of our pastors be urged to continue from time to time to preach special sermons on Temperance and the evils of the drink habit, as well as the curse of the sale of intoxicating liquors.

4. That the pastors of all of our churches be requested not to nominate persons for membership on the Board of Stewards who drink intoxicating liquors, or who are known to be in sympathy with the liquor traffic.

5. That influence be brought to bear in every way possible to prevent the untruthful and pernicious advertisements of liquors; and that our people who believe in sobriety and decency make known to the newspapers, magazines and other advertising agencies in no uncertain manner their objections to the advertise-

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Personal and Other Items

THE ILLINOIS CONFERENCE of our Church, at its recent session, cast 30 votes for the Plan of Methodist Union and 15 against. In 1925 its vote was 17 for Unification and 28 against it.

CALL things by their right names . . . Glass of brandy and water! That is the current but not appropriate name: ask for a glass of liquid fire and distilled damnation.—Robert Hall (born 1764).

DR. H. C. HENDERSON, pastor of First Church, Fort Smith, writing about entertainment of the Annual Conference, reports that on the church debt of \$17,200 payment of \$10,600 has been made, and the balance will be paid by the time the Conference meets so that the building may be dedicated.

DR. AND MRS. J. D. HAMMONS left last Monday for New York City, where, on Sept. 18, he will officiate at the marriage of his son, Rev. John W. Hammons, and Miss Helen Patricia Grady. Having finished his university and seminary work, John will be ready for a pastoral appointment this fall.

DR. JAMES W. WORKMAN, pastor and Director of the Wesley Foundation at the University, requests pastors from over the state to notify him of their students who are attending the University of Arkansas this year. There will be more than 500 Methodist students enrolled, and the pastor would like to contact each of these students. Direct word from the pastors about their students will be helpful and appreciated.

MRS. DAVIDSON, wife of Rev. W. C. Davidson, a superannuate of North Arkansas Conference, passed away, Sept. 11, at their home in Arkadelphia. Born in Mississippi, Mrs. Davidson as a child came to Arkansas with her parents. In 1891 she was married to Rev. W. C. Davidson, who became a member of the old White River Conference. Surviving are her husband, two daughters, Mrs. John Vesey of Hope and Mrs. W. H. Hall of San Antonio, Texas,

and two sons, Prof. W. P. Davidson of Fort Worth, Texas, and C. H. Davidson of Hugo, Okla. The funeral was conducted in First Methodist Church, Arkadelphia, by Rev. H. B. Vaught, last Sunday. A noble Christian woman and a true itinerant wife has gone to her heavenly reward.

COMMUNISM UNMASKED, by Amos A. Fries, furnishes much information about the character and purpose of Communism, and, because Communism seeks to overthrow our form of government through the influence of a small group of thoroughly trained leaders, and such a group is insinuating itself among the people of our own country, the author sounds the alarm and warns us that we should be prepared to meet the subtle arguments of these leaders and seek to save our people from what has happened in Russia. His address is 3305 Woodley Road, N. W., Washington, D. C.

REV. EARL S. WALKER, who will enter Southern Methodist University, writes: "Mrs. Walker and I are delighted with our new field. We were graciously received by Dr. Carlyon and his good people of Central Congregational Church, where he will serve as pastor and I as assistant. I shall start my work at Southern Methodist University at the beginning of the fall semester. We want our friends of Little Rock Conference to know that we shall be anxiously waiting for the day when our work at S. M. U. will be done and we can be back among them. We will appreciate a letter from any of them at 4532 Live Oak, Dallas, Texas."

BISHOP JNO. M. MOORE IN ARKANSAS

BISHOP MOORE, having returned from his European trip, met the Presiding Elders of Little Rock Conference last Friday morning and the Presiding Elders of North Arkansas Conference in the afternoon. After making careful inquiry into conditions in Arkansas, he reported briefly on the European Conferences. Friday night he spent at Searcy with Presiding Elder Hook. On Saturday he dedicated new churches at Floyd, Fakes Chapel, and Patterson, and Sunday morning the new church at Augusta. From there he went to Louisville, Ky., to meet with the other Bishops, secretaries, and editors, to make plans for the second phase of the Bishops' Crusade.

HENDRIX COLLEGE OPENING

INVITED by President Reynolds to deliver the inaugural address which I had made fifty years ago, Aug. 31, at Hendrix College (then Central Collegiate Institute, at Altus), I was present at the opening last Saturday morning, and, in about four minutes, gave the principal points of the old inaugural. Dr. Reynolds followed with a brief address indicating the character of work and experience a present-day student may expect. He said that they were being initiated into a "Friendly Group" the object of which was to study each carefully and then cooperate in bringing out in each the best that was in him. Hendrix, under the inspiring leadership of Dr. Reynolds, is emphasizing the "education of the individual" in contradistinction to the "mass education" that must, of necessity, be the method of the larger institutions. As one compares the Hendrix of today with the small college of fifty years ago, he is led to think of the proverb, "Tall oaks from little acorns grow."

That there is a fine group of young people who are seeking such education is indicated in the presence of about 350 already enrolled, about 40 more than at this date last year. The prospect is that attendance will approximate 375 or more for the year. It was announced that three groups of the finest musicians in America are to be brought to Hendrix this year in order that the students may both hear and know these specialists personally.

Arkansas Methodism is certainly fortunate in having the type of leadership assembled at Conway. The outlook for Hendrix is bright. It was a distinct pleasure to see in the audience and to meet Dr. Jas. A. Anderson, the only trustee living who was present fifty years ago, through whose influence, more than that of any other man, I was brought to the college fifty years ago. Dr. and Mrs. Anderson are now living at Conway.—A. C. M.

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ments of any and all kinds of intoxicating liquors, and as far as possible give support and encouragement to those newspapers and magazines which refuse liquor advertisements.

6. That the General Secretary of our Board, either alone or in connection with the General Board of Christian Education, be requested to select a proper fact-finding committee, or agency, whose duty it shall be to ascertain the true facts as to the increase in drunkenness since the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment, especially among young people; the increase in crime, caused directly or indirectly by the sale of intoxicating liquors, the increase of accidents and tragedies on highways caused by drunken drivers; the misrepresentations and fraudulent statements of the liquor people in regard to the conditions since repeal; and gather all facts possible throwing any light on the temperance question of today, and whose duty it shall be to give publicity to these facts in as definite a way as possible through the Church Press and our church literature generally; and that this be kept up continuously so that our people may be informed as to the evils of the legalized sale of intoxicating liquors, and of the terrible crisis which is impending because of the debauchery and crime caused by the increase of liquor drinking. That the Executive Committee be requested to provide funds for this purpose.

7. We commend the pamphlet entitled "Hidden Fangs," published by the General Board of Lay Activities, and recommend its continued use. We congratulate our church papers and our faithful pastors in their courageous stand on temperance. We commend the General Board of Christian Education and the Methodist Publishing House for the splendid literature they are giving our people on temperance. We urge that every member of our great Church loyally support our pastors, church editors and others who are fighting for the cause of temperance and sobriety.

8. We wish to go on record as opposed to any state going into the liquor business. If the poison must be legally sold, let it be done by selfish men who are willing to barter away the lives and souls of their fellow beings for money, but do not make our beloved commonwealths partners to such a travesty on good morals and decency.

One of the most serious and challenging problems in our country today is that of widespread gambling. No longer confined largely to the more flagrant forms common to the underworld and professional gamblers, this menace has invaded our schools, our homes and even church circles. Through coin machines and other petty games of chance, our children are being taught to gamble without realizing the danger of forming habits that later lead to more serious forms of gambling. "Bank nights" are looked upon as harmless, but in many communities are serious handicaps to the interests of the Church. Dog races and horse racing have become so popular in some communities that support of them is little short of a mania and the evil results coming from them are beyond calculation. The spirit of trying to get something for nothing is not only unsound economics but is also indicative of moral disease that attacks the very foundations of Christian ethics.

The Church must speak in no uncertain terms on this matter. The conscience of our people must be awakened to the fact that every form of gambling is contrary to Christian living. This can be accomplished through careful planning and courageous execution. We recommend that serious attention be given this matter through our lay groups; that our pastors be encouraged to preach on the subject of gambling and that our church press be urged to carry on the fight with increased zeal and earnestness.

Our church has repeatedly declared its position on the matter of Christian race relations. It is our responsibility and privilege to help promote a program that will make more real the ideals and practice of Christian brotherhood between various racial groups. This can be accomplished through insisting that our underprivileged brothers receive economic justice, adequate traveling facilities, fair and equitable

A PRAYER FOR OUR STUDENTS

O God, our young people have gone to college from our Church.

Bless the young people themselves. Help them during these critical days. Keep them staunch in their belief in thee as God, their Father. Keep them pure in mind and body. Warm their hearts toward home and Church.

Bless the college as it works with these fine young people we have committed to its care. Guide the presidents and the deans. Touch the teachers with something of spiritual insight so that out of every subject taught there will come a glow of spiritual meaning.

Bless our Church as it remains here on the job to carry on! Help us to stand by these young people. Let our efforts be such that they will know we love them and are so interested in them that even the thought of their failure hurts. Guide our pastors and all of us as we deal with these young people of ours at long range. We pray in the name of Christ; in whose name are our Church schools founded. Amen.—Religious Telescope.

LOYALTY DAYS

Our nation was founded by God-fearing men and women and religious faith and devotion have characterized our people throughout all the years. Today, when we are facing so many national and international problems, we must not fail to look for guidance and wisdom to the All Highest Who has directed

our steps in the past. All our material advancement will be in vain unless it is accompanied by an understanding and appreciation of the things of the spirit. In this search to know the Divine Will our institutions of religion have led the way and we shall not rely in vain upon their leadership in the days ahead.

I, therefore, gladly once more recommend to the people of the United States the observance of Loyalty Days on October second and third and I urge them to repair on those days to their houses of worship. Thus shall we rebuild the spiritual fires and strengthen the abiding foundations of our nation. Very sincerely yours, Franklin D. Roosevelt.

THE THINGS WHICH UNITE

Among the more than two hundred religious bodies throughout the United States, with their independent ecclesiastical organizations and more or less divergent programs, there are many important differences; but the great underlying principles which unite these religions—faith in God and the brotherhood of man—are more important than the things which divide.

The chief issue today is not between our various forms of religion, but between religion and no religion, or indifference to religion. There is no question about the ultimate triumph of the eternal verities which underlie religion; but this triumph will come only by

presenting a united front or by coordination of the religious forces in meeting the present threatening influences of irreligion, materialism and indifference.

The Committee believes that the major problems of our nation and civilization are neither political nor economic—they are moral and spiritual. The basic evils which underlie all of these problems are sin, selfishness and greed in the individual human heart. With this a basic principle, the National Committee for Religion and Welfare Recovery has formulated a program for meeting irreligion and indifference through cooperative effort to bring the minds and hearts of men back to the worship of God and support of divinely appointed religious institutions.

The initial fall dates of the National Committee's extensive program are October second and October third, to be observed as Loyalty Days.

The Committee has issued an earnest invitation wherein "Every citizen is cordially invited and every member is confidently expected in a house of worship" on Loyalty Days, with every member either present or accounted for.

The Committee believes that the world needs today, as seldom in history, the steady and strengthening influences of the sanctuary. Mankind has forgotten God and needs to return to a realization of His presence. For in this way we can attain ideals of brotherhood and social justice among men.

HELPING UNDERPAID PREACHERS

We see many letters concerning the underpaid preachers, which shows the hearts of these people are in this cause. But as a circuit preacher I have been wondering if certain things might not help.

First. Let the presiding elder take some good layman or pastor whose heart is in this matter and try to work out a plan whereby the people on the circuits can raise the funds for the church. When the pastor tries this the people think he is trying to feather his own nest. I believe that with a heart-to-heart talk with the folks a lot of good thus could be done.

Second. Let each pastor with not over four appointments volunteer to help in one or more meetings in the weak churches and do all we can to help the folks to see that they can do some things themselves. I saw a statement in the paper where a certain preacher had a month open for meetings. I wrote him. He said that he was very busy but he might give me a few days, but he never gave me a date. I saw later where he still had this month open for meetings.

It is easy to get help in revivals where there is money. But otherwise it is difficult. Should the Pleasant Plains Charge pay their salary in full? It is only \$360 and it will cost nearly \$200 to pay the traveling expense of the pastor, yet we are leaving more undone than we will be able to do. Unless some thing can be done Methodism will have to move out of the country

treatment in matters of law, and equal educational opportunities; and by assisting them in every possible way in the promotion of their own church program.

The Christian Church is only one of the agencies for better adaptation of human relationships. It shares with the home, the school, and the state the power of making human adjustments. Its force is spiritual, not physical. Other institutions may use physical force to secure justice for their members; the Church must depend on appeals to the intellect and the heart. It must create attitudes of peace. Its means of eliminating war is the securing of a mind for peace. When Jesus referred to the peace-makers He had in mind those who do the things that make for peace.

In the current series of international crises verging on widespread war it is the duty of the Church to use all its legitimate means to prevent the arousal of the spirit of hatred, passion and hysteria among its members, and to maintain a spirit of love and peace. Our leaders, lay and clerical, must, at all odds, refrain from allowing themselves to be swept, by false patriotism, propaganda and love of gain, into a rationalized acceptance of our entrance into war as an act of God's will.

We recommend that, in these critical times, by the spoken and written word, by attitude, thought and deed, the leadership of our Church promote the peace that Jesus taught and lived. We further recommend that our Church unite with Christians of all denominations in a far-reaching, statesmanlike program for the ultimate attainment of peace among the nations.

For its report your Committee brings for your consideration excerpts from the Oxford Conference on Church, Community and State, in relation to the economic order, as follows:

"The Christian Church approaches her responsibilities in the economic order under the guidance and the motive of the historic Christian faith. The central fact of that faith is, that in the person of Jesus Christ God took human nature into unity with himself. By this act He not only restored the sacred worth and dignity with which man was endowed at the creation, but He made subject to the law of Christ's nature—the Law of Love—the whole of human life in all its spheres of activity.

"The economic is one of the most important of these spheres. It offers such a field for the expression in action of the Christian faith, and its influence on the development of character is so profound, that any denial of God's sovereignty over it, any failure to recognize that its activities must be guided and tested by the commandment of love, is bound to produce contradiction in the soul of the Christian and disaster in the life of the world.

"Christians know that, because of the sinfulness of the human heart and the sheer complexities of social life, none of the programs for the reconstruction of the human order can be trusted without qualification. Christians must not be deceived by the utopian promises of the new social faiths. But in obedience to God's will as known to them in the Gospel, Christians must do everything within their power to create economic conditions which will provide all persons those opportunities which are necessary for their full development as persons, in body, mind and spirit.

The call to Christian action, (a) within the economic order as it is, and (b) in criticism of the economic order.

1. "Whatever the institutions of economic life within which they find themselves may be, Christians have innumerable opportunities of bearing witness to the faith they profess, by imaginative sympathy and self-sacrifice and readiness to forgive, in all the personal relationships in which they find themselves—in the family; among those with whom they work; between employers and employees; with casual acquaintances, such as the one with whom the Good Samaritan fell in.

2. "On the other hand, the Church must continually insist on the Christian's duty to test every economic and political institution in the society of which he is a member, in the light of his understanding of God's will. He must do his utmost to detect evil in these institutions; in these efforts at criticism he must be especially on his guard against evil in his own soul, and attempt to understand the self-deceptions by which he hides that evil from himself. In the fight which he must wage against any evils in economic life that he must discover, he must be prepared to sacrifice his own privileges, property, and power. He must be prepared to take sides and participate in political action; for he

must be realistic enough to recognize that often the deliverance of his fellow-men from the evil of injustice cannot be accomplished without some measure of group pressure. Christians have a particular responsibility to make whatever contribution they can towards the transformation, and, if necessary, the thorough reconstruction, of the present economic and political system, through their membership in political parties, trade unions, employers' organizations and other groups. In this part of their Christian duty, the same characteristics are called for, though in a different form: readiness to make sacrifices, to take effective action, to forgive those that trespass against them and to love those that seem to be their enemies.

"There are at least six standards by which the Christian at this point in history must test every existing situation and every proposal for economic change. The implications of any one of these standards, if it were taken seriously, would involve drastic changes in economic life. Each of them must be made more definite in terms of the problems which face particular countries represented:

1. "Every person, especially during the formative period of childhood and youth, should have protection from exploitation, and full and equal opportunities for the development of his capacities.

2. "Society should be so organized that all men and women may find and fulfill their functions in it, through work which Christians in their daily lives can regard as their Christian vocation, so that in this way both the duty to work and the right to work may be emphasized.

3. "Society should seek to overcome those barriers of class or race which poison fellowship and breed pride, envy and bitterness.

4. "Society should have responsibility for the care and maintenance of the sick and the aged and for the protection of the family as a social unit.

5. "The resources of the earth should be utilized and conserved in ways which are in harmony with the fact that they are gifts of God to all his children.

6. "Individual property rights (in land, for example) must never be emphasized without regard to their social consequences, or without regard to the contribution which the community makes in the production of all wealth."

and let the Holy Rollers take possession. But we are sure something is going to be done.—L. L. Langston, P. C., Pleasant Plains Circuit.

THE GRANGE AND AMERICAN IDEALS

It is indeed fortunate that all of the Seven Founders of the National Grange had a broad and varied background of experience, giving them a sound foundation in agriculture and especially in genuine Americanism. It is significant that the first session of the National Grange brought together men and women from every section of the nation and every walk of agricultural life. Men who had recently worn the Blue and those who had worn the Grey shook hands across the altar of agricultural fraternity and rededicated their energies to maintain a free and prosperous nation. Through the Declaration of Purposes, the constitution and by-laws, the manual and our ritualism, they were able to dedicate the Grange, then and forever, as an organization essentially American, genuinely patriotic, positively progressive, loyal to agriculture, and lifting high the banner of moral, spiritual and patriotic idealism.

We who live today, and generations yet to come, will have cause to thank these Founders and their followers for making it clear that the Grange is a farm fraternity, battling for agriculture; and that it puts foremost the preservation of constitutional government and the continuance of the American way of life. There have been periods of stress and storm in the past, and we are now passing through another great crisis, that will decide whether constitutional government, true liberty and the civil and religious rights of minorities, are to be preserved. Let the world know, once and for all, that the Grange believes that reason is superior to force; that cooperation is better than regimentation, and that brotherhood is better than class warfare.

Whether it be an attack on orderly constitutional methods, or a challenge to the independence of the judiciary; whether it be an attack on the rights of property and American freedom through sit-down strikes; whether it be an attack on the right of an individual through governmental regimentation; or, finally, whether it be an attack on the American way of life, through efforts to change our form of government by indirection for some other method, the world must know that the Grange will stand against these proposals like a great sea wall of defense.

Conceived in the true spirit of Americanism, and dedicated to the preservation of American ideals, the Grange will always remain essentially American.—Louis J. Taber, Master National Grange, in National Grange Monthly.

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College for Agnes

By
Susie McKinnon Millar

CHAPTER III

Agnes wakened to the sound of the telephone, turned over, blinked and opened her eyes to the full brightness of the morning sunshine that flooded her room. She listened a moment to see if Aunt Martha would answer the call. When she heard Jimmy answering, she sat up and shouted to him, "Hey, what are you doing here this time of day? What time is it, anyway?"

"Time to get up, I'd say. If you hurry down you'll get here in time to eat with me before I go to my new job. Or are you planning to sleep to make up for last night?"

"Might as well sleep. I have no job—and maybe no friends either. Might as well take life easy. Oh pshaw! I can't either. Hold everything. I'll be right down."

Bouncing out of bed, she hastened with her bath, was soon dressed and on her way down stairs, calling, "Jimmy, is it ten?"

Jimmy met her in the kitchen. "Why ten? Charles said ten-thirty when he called. Strange for a girl who has no friends to be going to Jane's picnic." He watched Agnes's face when he said this, but her expression did not change, and she made no reply. "But it's almost ten. Here, let's eat. Aunt Martha's gone to market. When Charles called to leave that message for you, he asked me to string along. And I'd do just that if my life as a working-man didn't begin at one. Jane's picnic and parties are great fun—and dependable. I'd fall for her in a big way if I were just a few years older. But you needn't tell her today."

Agnes came out of her distraction. "Don't worry, for I won't see her today."

"Why? Maybe Charles has grown up since the last time you saw him."

"Yes; there's two reasons why I hate not to go. I hate to miss the fun; and I'm afraid Charles will remember the wrong things from what I said last night. Oh, well. I promised Miss Stewart I'd help her at the playground today."

"Phone and tell her you can't make it. Tell her you have to go to Jane's picnic and she'll let you off. She's a good sport."

"No, I'll not do that. She has too hard a time getting anybody to help her. I can't let her down. And I promised. A promise is a promise, even if it does knock you out of a picnic."

"I know you're right, Sis, but how about Jane and Charles?"

"They should have set a definite date. They just said yesterday that they were going sometime. Be an angel, Jimmy, and tell Aunt Martha I'm working at the playground today, and explain to Charles when he comes so he won't think I'm standing him up. There's a good brother. Goodbye, and luck to you on your new job." She gave him an affectionate pat on the shoulder as she hurried away.

When she reached there she found a note from Miss Stewart saying, "Dear Agnes: It's lucky for me that you're coming today. I've been called out of town on important business. But I'm not worried about the playground management since you've promised to be on

hand to help today. You know, dear, you are a real comfort and inspiration to me. I must tell you, I always think of you as the girl who never breaks a promise, however much it may cost to keep it. And, I'll confess, it has often given me courage to meet hard tasks more cheerfully. Here's wishing you luck and a merry time with the kiddies. I'll be seeing you next week."

"Well," exclaimed Agnes, "here's where I get busy, since I'm the whole works." Forgetting her own troubles, she soon had the children all busily and happily engaged in their games and projects. The morning passed quickly and the woman who served them lunch came and went, and the afternoon marched merrily on.

Agnes moved about quietly, pausing here and there to encourage, direct and admire or taking part in some game. In the midst of a heated contest she looked up and saw Mr. Taylor, city recreational director, and a stranger watching the play with considerable interest. When the game ended she joined them; and Mr. Taylor greeted her with a hearty handshake as he said: "Great game! Well conducted contest, Agnes. I'm proud of you. Come, Miss Brown. I want you to meet my friend, Mr. Ross. He's interested in playground work, and I wanted him to see this one in action."

"And I want to tell you, Miss Brown," declared Mr. Ross, "that I think it's great. That contest was wonderfully well conducted."

"Oh, thank you," said Agnes, "but you ought to see how wonderfully Miss Stewart manages everything. She was called out of town on business today. But the children have all been so good that I haven't had a bit of trouble."

"Well, I'll say Miss Stewart's mighty lucky to have you to leave in charge," Mr. Taylor assured her. "You're equal to an old hand at it. And while I'm handing out this line of talk, I want to congratulate you on the excellent record you made in school last year, and that in spite of your office job. You're working toward college for this next fall, aren't you? I'm glad you're to be here during the summer, and I hope your job won't keep you too busy to allow you time for helping us down here often. We've come to depend on you."

"Oh, but I've lost my job," Agnes said, trying not to sound too melancholy. "And I don't know which way to turn for another. I simply don't see how I can give up the idea of going to college."

"Well, I'd say don't give up the idea of college," Mr. Taylor encouraged her. "Too bad you've lost your job, but we'll find you another. There's always a way out. Don't be discouraged."

"But this town hasn't much to offer in paying jobs. When Mr. Mason says business is dull and begins letting his employees off, who in town will be taking them on?"
(To be continued)

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Woman's Missionary Department

MRS. A. C. MILLAR, Editor

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

ZONE MEETING AT BATTLEFIELD

The second meeting of Springhill Zone, was held Sept. 2. Mrs. R. M. Crain presided. The theme was "Faith."

Devotional—Hebrews 11.

Rev. R. M. Crain made a brief talk and closed with prayer.

Faith Enlarges Life—Mrs. Hucklebee, Springhill.

Nature of Faith—Mrs. A. A. Hamilton, Springhill.

An Example of Faith—Mrs. Bolton, Bethelhem.

Blessings of Faith—Mrs. Hatfield, Springhill.

Faith Is Mighty to Prevail—Miss Irma Smith, Battlefield.

A splendid talk on Faith by Mrs. Ward of Hope.

Mrs. Jordan, our district secretary, gave a fine talk and reminded each Society to send in their pledges.

Reports were given from the different Societies of their good work.

Dismissed by Mrs. Jordan.—Mrs. R. M. Crain, Sec.

MEETING OF NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The fall meeting of the Executive Committee was held Sept 9, at Gardner Memorial Church, North Little Rock, the president, Mrs. Pewett, presiding. She opened the meeting with a brief devotional.

It was decided to try to get a representative from Nashville for the spring meeting.

Miss Ethel Millar asked for help, suggestions and greater efforts for World Outlook subscriptions, having gained only 32 over last year, making a total of 1032.

Mrs. Pewett requested a careful dating of correspondence, and also a more sincere, thoughtful and intensive planning for the January pledge service.

The group adjourned for lunch which was graciously and attractively served by the women of Gardner Memorial.

The afternoon session was opened with a devotional by Mrs. W. I. Smith. Reports of District Secretaries were heard.

Mrs. Cledice Jones, Batesville, reported that the Weldon Society had undertaken a courageous and inspiring project, that of providing for six girls (in an African girls' home) at a cost of \$60.

Mrs. Pewett requested a complete list of all living life-members in the Districts.

Mrs. Crichlow reported a most active effort to inspire and encourage and bring to a high standard all Young Women's Circles, and mentioned surprisingly fine pieces

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of work accomplished by new Circles. Mrs. Pewett announced further plans for the spring meeting, providing for the Executive meeting the morning of the opening day.

Mrs. Dowdy praised the District Secretaries in the work of the Social Relations Committee. Every branch has been extremely active. The work of the women in relieving flood sufferers earned commendation from Mrs. Newell. Her talk covered a vast field of needs and possibilities in relieving disease and checking contagion in our own communities. Communications were read from Mrs. Graham and Mrs. Weaver. A motion was carried offering Mrs. Graham thanks for a gift of \$15 to advance the Spiritual Life Group. Mrs. Wayland, vice president, and Mrs. Snetzer, Conference Secretary, reported Mrs. Snetzer reporting steady gains in every department. Mrs. Wiggins moved that the women cooperate with the Pastors' School as was done last year. This includes an appropriation of \$40 if necessary.

Mrs. Critz, Superintendent of Supplies, reported.

Mrs. Bacon, Treasurer, gave her report and stated that the close of the second quarter showed as large receipts as previously at the close of the third quarter. The fine thing is that the increase appears in pledges instead of specials. Many other satisfactory conditions appeared in her report.

A motion carried offering Gardner Memorial women sincere appreciation for their gracious hospitality.

The District Secretaries offered their sincere thanks to the Conference for its financial assistance in sending them to Mt. Sequoyah.

After prayer by Mrs. Lark the meeting adjourned.—Mrs. W. E. Smith, Secretary.

ZONE MEETING AT EMMET

The second 1937 Zone meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society was held at Emmet, August 26.

It opened with quiet music. The devotional was given by the Rev. J. F. Walker, pastor of the local church and he chose for his talk a lesson from Isaiah.

Mrs. Clark, Bierne, gave a very inspiring talk on "Marks of a Christian." Mrs. Thornton read a beautiful poem, "O Young and Fearless Prophet." Mrs. Frank Haltom closed with a talk, "Not For Self, But Christ."

Mrs. Phelps, Zone Chairman, presided over a brief business session and the response to roll call disclosed 49 present: Bierne 3, Emmet 20, Prescott 17, Okolona 9.

The Officer's Training Day was announced for Sept. 15, to be held at Okolona, and each Auxiliary was urged to have its President, Supt. of Study, and Supt Social Relations attend this meeting.

Mrs. Phelps stated that only two Auxiliaries responded to the call for funds with which to send a negro woman to Little Rock to the Training School for Negro Women, held in August.

The illness of our district secretary, Mrs. Rachel Jordan, was announced and her presence and inspiration greatly missed.

The meeting adjourned to meet at Delight the fourth Thursday in May, 1938.

A pleasant social hour followed with the ladies of the Emmet Auxiliary serving a delightful plate.—Mrs. J. M. Whittemore, Sec. Pro.-Tem.

Christian Education

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE, AUGUST 10-SEPTEMBER 10

Batesville District	
Central Avenue	\$ 6.43
Cotter	8.79
Desha	1.03
Salado	1.27
Moorefield	2.35
Newark	4.20
Oak Grove (Pleasant Plains)	1.23
Alicia	1.56
Tuckerman	3.93
Total	\$ 30.79
Conway District	
Atkins	\$ 3.50
Conway	35.00
Danville	9.02
Greenbrier	1.38
Mount Carmel	1.00
Vilonia	1.23
Waltreak	1.00
Total	\$ 52.13
Fayetteville District	
Bentonville	\$ 10.19
Eureka Springs	3.19
Fayetteville	14.55
Green Forest	1.00
Prairie Grove	5.17
Rogers	.87
Springdale	7.03
Monte Ne	2.22
War Eagle	.48
Total	\$ 44.70
Fort Smith District	
Altus	\$ 2.00
Alma	3.59
Mulberry	3.04
Mt. Olive	.30
Fort Smith, First	12.49
Dodson Avenue	5.00
Midland Heights	4.00
Greenwood	5.25
Bonanza	3.89
Kibler	.80
Mt. View	.86
Mansfield	3.25
Ozark	6.58
Gar Creek	2.39
Paris	40.00
Van Buren	2.59
City Heights	2.00
Total	\$ 98.03
Helena District	
Colt	\$ 1.00
Wesley	.57
Crawfordsville	1.11
Lexa	3.60
Holly Grove	6.70
Hughes	15.00
West Memphis	6.05
Parkln	5.68
Hickory Ridge	1.15
Vandale	1.04
Widener	.92
Total	\$ 42.82
Jonesboro District	
Blytheville, First	\$ 10.00
Bono	.42
Trinity	.50
Joiner	.80
Leachville	2.01
Macey	.58
Monette	3.00
Black Oak	2.13
Trumann	3.00
Total	\$ 22.44
Paragould District	
Biggers	\$.90
Ravenden Springs	.25
Mammoth Spring	1.68
Harvey's Chapel	1.78
Bard	2.75
Piggott	8.72
Emmon's Chapel	1.00
Walnut Ridge	1.24
Old Walnut Ridge	.53
Total	\$ 18.85
Searcy District	
Beebe	\$ 3.58
Bald Knob	2.12
Cato	.86
Clinton	1.90
Revel	.98
Alpena	1.05
Heber Springs	3.46
White Hall	.84
Viville	.35
Bradford	1.30
McCrary	6.30
Patterson	.73
Garner	.57
McRae	1.30
Oak Grove	.22
Pangburn	2.00
Quitman	2.23
Sulphur Springs	.37
Valley Springs	.74
Smyrna	.51
Total	\$ 29.41
Standing By Districts	
Fort Smith	\$ 98.03
Conway	52.13
Fayetteville	44.70
Helena	42.82
Searcy	31.41

Batesville	30.79
Jonesboro	22.44
Paragould	18.85
Total	\$ 341.17

NOTE: The missionary offerings since January show an increase of more than \$25.00 over the same period of 1936.—Ira A. Brumley, Exc. Sec.

LITTLE ROCK YOUNG PEOPLE PLAN TRAINING CONFERENCE

The Little Rock City Young People's Union with Jim Major, President, has completed plans for their annual Epworth Training Conference which will be held this year at First Church, Little Rock, the week of October 18. The three instructors engaged for this school are: Rev. Edward Harris of Stamps who will teach the course on "A Young Methodist and His Church"; Rev. F. G. Roebuck of Pine Bluff, who will teach a course on "What It Means To Be A Christian"; and Rev. Neill Hart, of Little Rock, who will teach the course on "Ideals For Christian Homes." A special feature of this Training Conference this year will be some very practical committee work. Six committees have been provided as follows:

Worship and Program Building, Rev. Connie R. Hozendorf, leader; Missions and World Friendship, Miss Sue Medlock, leader; Evangelism and Church Loyalty, Dr. H. Bascom Watts, leader; Organization and Administration, Mrs. C. B. Nelson, leader; Citizenship and Community Service, Dr. Gaston Foote, leader; Recreation and Personal Development, Rev. Chas. Thigpen, leader.

The fellowship and recreation period will be led by Rev. Chas. Thigpen and Miss Elizabeth Mc-Neeley.

Mrs. C. B. Nelson, our Director of Young People's Work for this District, is also planning for Training Conferences in two other Unions in the Little Rock District this fall.—Clem Baker.

ENLARGEMENT CAMPAIGN AT McGEHEE

Beginning last Sunday, I am spending this week with Rev. J. H. Cummins in an enlargement campaign at McGehee. We begin this campaign by making a survey during the day and meeting every night with the working force of the Church School. The purpose of the campaign is to double the Church School attendance and to prepare for a revival meeting beginning next Sunday. Brother Cummins is one of our most active and enthusiastic preachers. Forty-two years of service in the Conference has added to his experience but has taken nothing from his big leadership. We have no better man in the Conference than is this good pastor of our splendid church at McGehee.—Clem Baker.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT PREACHERS' MEETING

It was a real inspiration to be present and hear the reports of the preachers at the September Preachers' Meeting of the Prescott District led by Presiding Elder, J. D. Baker, last Tuesday. Both preachers and elder down in that District may have lost a few pounds during our hard summer's campaign but have added many, many souls to the kingdom. They are about the happiest group of preachers I have seen anywhere. Already more than 500 additions have been reported with a number of revival meetings now in progress and to be held later. Before Conference we hope to be able

to tell the story of the year for this District.—Clem Baker.

MEETING OF BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE ARKANSAS PASTORS' SCHOOL

The Board of Managers of the Arkansas Pastors' School was called in session by the chairman, Dr. James Thomas, last Friday. The Program Committee reported that Dr. Robert Goodloe, Dr. W. T. Watkins, Dr. R. H. Edwards and Dr. Fagan Thompson had already accepted invitations to teach in the school next year, and that Bishop Edwin Hughes had been secured for one of the platform "lecturers" In compliance with the recent action of the Rural Life Commission, the Board of Managers instructed the Program Committee to arrange for a course on "Rural Church Finances," also to invite Bishop Arthur Moore for platform work.

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shaping up it looks like the 1938 session of the school will be equally as good as the two great sessions we have had in 1936-'37. The date of the Pastors' School is May 30-June 10th, 1938.—Clem Baker.

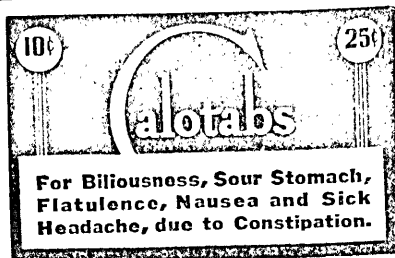
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION PLANS FALL PROGRAM

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Christian Education, Little Rock Conference, called by Chairman Leland Clegg last Friday, reports from the Treasurer and members of the employed staff for the last two months were reviewed and plans made for closing out our year's work with a very attractive fall program. Outstanding among the fall events will be three great divisional conferences, one for the Children's Division to include all district and associate district Children's Directors; one for the Young People's Division to include all district and sub-district Directors, together with Union Presidents and the officers of the Conference Organization. The third meeting is to be a great meeting of our District Adult Directors and Conference officers, our Executive Committee and our Presiding Elders. The dates for all three of these meetings will be announced next week. The Executive Committee expressed its appreciation of our Presiding Elders and Pastors for the fine support given this Board this year and voted to instruct the Executive Secretary to cooperate with the Presiding Elders in a campaign to secure 100% observance of Church School and Young People's Anniversary before Conference and to put on a campaign looking toward each school in the Conference having at least one month's share in the Home and Foreign Missionary Special. The Executive Committee of the Board of Christian Education deserves much credit for its careful supervision and attention given to the work of this Board.—Clem Baker.

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CHURCH NEWS

ADDRESS TO MEMBERS OF FIRST CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK

We have had our vacation from our business, our church and our Church School. September has arrived. Let us begin our church work with renewed vigor. Dr. Watts is back, and we want to be ready to take our part in his program just as soon as possible. The infantile paralysis epidemic is over and children can safely be brought to the Church School. An efficient staff of workers will be ready to train your children in Christian living. The more we have the more that may be influenced by our school. The support of your presence is just as vital to the Church School as any other contribution you can make. The church is going to sponsor training classes throughout the year in order to have better prepared workers to train your children. Are you going to neglect your child by withholding him from that which rightfully belongs to him? Many of the workers engaged in this service have responsibilities in the home and children to get ready for Sunday School. You owe it not only to your children to send them to the Church School, but you also owe it to the workers who give their unselfish service to cooperate with them in every possible way. The least we can do is be present with the children at the meetings of our school.—C. R. Hozendorf, Assistant Pastor.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT BROTHERHOOD

The Little Rock District Brotherhood met at First Church, Wednesday, Sept. 8, with Dr. J. D. Hammons presiding. The theme song for the district, "O King Eternal," was sung and Dr. James Thomas led in prayer. Another hymn was used after which Brother R. H. Cannon led in prayer.

After roll call the following men were introduced: Chas. Thigpen, C. R. Hozendorf and Wirt Watts, each giving brief reports of their work.

Dr. Hammons conducted a very helpful service, emphasizing the spirit and work of the ministry. He also pointed out that the ministry offers the greatest opportunity and responsibility possible for service to mankind.

The connectional interest of our Church was reported by Drs. Jas. Thomas, A. C. Millar, Mrs. C. B. Nelson, Miss Fay McRae, and Mrs. Bates; each gave a good account of the splendid work that has been done in the District this year.

An Institute for Stewards of the District was planned for Oct. 10, 11, 12, to be conducted by Mr. Morelock at First Church.

The several pastors gave heartening reports of the excellent work done in their respective charges, which show more than 1000 additions already. Several churches were not reported. Every indication is that this will be one of the greatest years in the history of the Little Rock District.

Dr. and Mrs. Hammons invite all the pastors and their wives to be their guests at the next Brotherhood to be held at First Church, October 5.

The meeting was dismissed with prayer by the Presiding Elder.—W. L. Arnold, Sec.

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The week has been a busy one with a number of interesting things happening.

Getting forty-five children ready for school is no small matter, and not without its expensive side. But we are ready for the opening Monday.

From the remittances we have had during the week, one I call special attention to because it impressed me so much. I was in a town in Arkansas, in the front yard of the orphanage talking to the pastor and his wife when a lady came up and said, "I have been reading your weekly notices in the ARKANSAS METHODIST and I made up my mind to sacrifice my income, though small it is, and give as often as I can to the Orphanage," and she handed me an offering. It was more valuable than the number of cents involved in it. How it stimulates me to higher endeavor and warms my heart to come in contact with men and women who love God and love children and especially interested in those without father and mother. Pray for us. Yours truly,—James Thomas, Executive Secretary.

McCRORY CIRCUIT

On September 11, Bishop John M. Moore visited our Circuit and dedicated our two beautiful church buildings that have recently been completed.

At eleven o'clock he baptized eight infants and dedicated the Fakes Chapel church, after which we had a fine dinner for all present. There were many visiting preachers and others from a distance.

At eight o'clock he dedicated the beautiful little church at Patterson.

There was fine attendance at each place and the people were all pleased with the services.

Bishop Moore rendered fine service and we are sure his visit will count for much good to the McCrory Circuit. It is a great blessing to have a cultured, godly man of Bishop Moore's type to visit a community.

Our energetic presiding elder, E. H. Hook, had charge of the Bishop and saw that he was well entertained.

We are truly thankful for this visit and thank God for the good that has been accomplished by these services.—R. A. Robertson, P. C.

MANILA-ST. JOHN

We started the year by paying three-fourths of our Claims early in the year—St. John paying their quota in full. Then came the overflow when we were shut off from the world for days. But things changed up a little later when we had the finest crop prospects for several years. Later on the dry weather cut the crop some, but there will be lots of cotton and feed crops raised in this section, and we hope to make a good report financially. Our meeting at St. John was held the last of July and the first of August. Brother DuLaney of Leachville was with us, and we had a good meeting with ten conversions.

Our meeting at Manila began on August 15, and lasted two weeks. Rev. John M. Neal of Huntsville, Texas, was with us from the night of the 16th to the close. The meeting resulted in 28 additions to our church and some went to the other churches. There were around 35 conversions and reclamations. Brother Neal did splendid work that

we believe is sound and will last. He is a great preacher, and a successful revivalist. The leaders of the different churches of our town expressed their appreciation of the work he did. He is much in demand. We hope that we can have him again some time.

Some material improvements have been made on our church building at St. John and also at Manila. The different departments of the church are active.—J. M. Harrison, P. C.

SPRING HILL

An eight days' meeting closed at Spring Hill Sunday, August 29. Rev. Fred Harrison of Hope assisted our pastor, Rev. R. M. Crain in the meeting. We heard some wonderful sermons all through the week. There were good crowds and good attention. We surely thank and appreciate the efforts of Bro. Harrison; also we appreciate the interest of our pastor. One member was received by certificate and the church was revived and in good spirits.—Mrs. A. A. Hamilton.

NOTE FROM BRO. FARR

Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Dickerson after a brief stay in Hot Springs have again moved to Texarkana, Ark., where they are making their home with Mrs. Wm. Benge, 1220 State Line Avenue. Since March Bro. Dickerson has not been able to walk without assistance, and at present is in bed almost all the time. He and Sister Dickerson are deeply appreciative of the kindness shown them by their friends, and by members of the churches formerly served by them. They are especially grateful to the church and friends at Portland, Ark., where they served five years. I am sure they would appreciate a letter or postcard.—R. E. Farr.

GREAT REVIVAL AT PANGBURN

From August 9 to the 22 we enjoyed the greatest revival that ever came to Pangburn. Congregations were good all the time, especially the last week. Business houses closed and the whole town was affected by the meeting. It was estimated that we had over 50 professions and we received into the membership of the church 18. Some of these were the leading business men of the town. Some will join other churches.

Rev. E. H. Hook our presiding elder, who did the preaching and Brother W. P. Forbess who led the choir make the best team I ever saw work in a revival meeting.

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REVIVALS ON SWAN LAKE CIRCUIT

On July 4, Rev. W. C. Lewis and the pastor began a meeting at Ba-you Meto. This meeting continued for a week. Bro. Lewis brought some splendid messages. There were three additions to the church on profession of faith, and an awakening among the Church members.

Our meeting at Brewer began August 27 with the pastor doing the preaching. These services also lasted a week. There were 23 additions to the church on profession of faith. At Brewer we claim to have one of the best Church Schools in the Conference. Our Church School membership has increased more than 75% this year. It is wonderful to know what God can do through consecrated workers.—Everett Vinson, P. C.

FOR THE CHILDREN

WHEN SCHOOL BEGINS

The trees are turning red and gold,
There's wood-smoke in the air;
The breeze comes rustling dry leaves
down—
They nestle in my hair.

Across the lake a haze of blue
Shuts off the farther shore;
A thin frost-film is on the flowers
Which was not there before.

It's time for school to start again—
Vacation has seemed long;
And so, as back to books I go,
I'll sing this merry song:

'When school begins! When school be-
gins!

This smoky, hazy weather,
We'll start our studies once again
'And all be glad together!'—Grace H.
Patton in Baptist Standard.

THE WILLING HELPERS

On a bright summer day when the hands of the clock face were pointing to 1:30 p. m., 10-year-old Edith called to her brother Harold, a boy of 14: "Where are you going, Harold, at this time of day, with the yard broom?" Harold answered: "I am going to grandmother's to sweep the yards for her. I want to give her a surprise while she is taking her after-dinner rest. I am going to sweep them. I heard her say this morning that Millie would not have time to sweep them and do what else was needed to be done today as company is coming for the week-end. Yet she said she is sorry for them to go unswept. So I am going to do this for her. I am afraid she would not let me should I go while she is awake. She would say, 'It is too hot.' Then too, I want to surprise her. I do want to do something to help grandmother. You know, Edith, we have a good

grandmother!" "Oh, may I go and help you?" asked Edith. "Yes, you may go," answered Harold. She didn't kill any time finding her sun hat and broom, also, telling her mother that she was going with Harold.

Living near their grandmother, they knew about what time of the day she rested. While they were sweeping they were thinking and were tickled over getting through before she awoke and their thinking so hard awoke her. She heard the sweeping, thought surely that was not Millie sweeping when she had not finished the more important things. She listened closely; that is not Millie sweeping. It does not sound like her strokes. So out of the bed she came, walking across the room toward the hallway, where she could see the portion of the yard which was being swept; then she stopped suddenly. "That must be Harold. He must have heard me this morning," she thought. "He wants to give me a surprise. He knew I would not want him to do this, for that reason he has waited till now to sweep." Overpowering her emotions to go stop him, for she knew it was too hot, she returned and walked back to the bed.

After finishing her nap, and the children about through with the sweeping, she could wait no longer. She dressed and went out on the porch. She was surely surprised to see little Edith doing her best with her little broom! Grandmother's heart was filled to an overflow. She began to praise them for their kindness. Little Edith exclaimed, "We are doing this because we love you, grandmother."

Grandparents, so kind and dear,
At times all seems to you so drear,
If you could know the hearts of
your grandchildren near,
Your dear lives would be always
full of cheer!—Mrs. Walter John-
son in Alabama Christian Advocate.

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COMMISSIONER'S SALE

Notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of the authority and directions contained in the decretal order of the Chancery Court of Pulaski County, made and entered on the 24th day of August, A. D. 1937, in a certain cause (No. 55784) then pending therein between Peoples Building & Loan Association, complainant, and Isabell Putsche, et al., defendants, the undersigned, as Commissioner of said Court, will offer for sale at public vendue to the highest bidder, at the east door or entrance of the County Courthouse, in which said Court is held, in the County of Pulaski, within the hours prescribed by law for judicial sales, on Friday the 8th day of October, A. D. 1937, the following described real estate, to-wit: West fifty (50) feet of lots 4, 5 and 6 in Block 19, Capitol Hill Extension Addition to the City of Little Rock, in Pulaski County, Arkansas.

Terms of Sale: On a credit of three months, the purchaser being required to execute a bond as required by law and the order and decree of said Court in said cause, with approved security, bearing interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum from date of sale until paid, and a lien being retained on the premises sold to secure the payment of the purchase money.

Given under my hand this 14th day of September, A. D. 1937.

H. S. NIXON,
Commissioner in Chancery.
J. A. Watkins, Solicitor for Plaintiff.
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**INTERNATIONAL
Sunday School
Lesson**

Lesson for September 19

CHOICES AND THEIR CONSEQUENCES IN A NATION'S LIFE

LESSON TEXT—Deuteronomy 11:8-12, 26-32.

GOLDEN TEXT—Choose you this day whom ye will serve.—Joshua 24:15.

Nations as well as individuals are responsible before God for the manner in which they live. They enjoy the blessings of right living and suffer the penalty of wrong moral choices. While it is true that national leaders may not always reflect the true character of the people, it is generally true that there is a sort of national character which over a longer period of time accurately represents the moral condition of the people as a whole.

Many earnest men and women believe that the United States of America stands today at the crossroads of national moral decision. There has been an unquestionable decadence of true religion, of home life, of social purity, and a growth of moral indifference and outright wickedness which causes men who think to cry for a revival of old-fashioned spiritual and moral standards ere it be too late. The most effective, and in fact the only really effective way to bring that about, is a revival within the church of Christ, and a resultant renewal of its service in winning men to Jesus Christ as their Saviour and Lord. A 24-page booklet "Lessons in Soul-Winning," by Dr. Will H. Houghton, will be sent by the writer without charge to those requesting it. If possible enclose a 3 cent stamp.

Our lesson brings before us a part of one of the discourses of Moses, rehearsing before the people God's goodness toward them, and admonishing them to obedience as well as warning them of the dangers of disobedience.

I. Right Choices Result in Blessing (vv. 8, 9).

Making the right choice is in fact a simple matter, for it means only obedience to God's commandments. God is the author of the moral law. He alone can and does determine what is right and wrong. Man need not determine, nor is he equipped to decide that question. He can and must relate the details of his life to the law of God. How important it is then that he properly understand that law, and what folly it is to neglect the study of God's Word, where the commandments of God are made known unto men.

Choosing God's way means for both men and the nations which they make up (for my country is in the final analysis myself, and other individuals like me) the assurance of God's blessing and prosperity.

II. God Encourages Right Choices (vv. 10-12).

Our God is the great and untiring "giver of every good and perfect gift." We need but to lift up our eyes and look at his handiwork, or stir up our memories to recall his goodness, and we know that he and all his blessed works encourage us to do right—to live right.

But, alas, all too often God's choicest gifts are perverted and are

used to bring the very opposite result. The most beautiful lakes and naturally delightful surroundings are used for resorts and clubs which all too often lead men to moral destruction. Parents almost fear that their daughters may be too attractive, for the world, the flesh, and the devil are constantly out "scouting" for beautiful women whose very God-given beauty may be used to glorify sin and lead others into disobedience to God.

III. Right and Wrong Are Fundamental and Eternal (vv. 26-32).

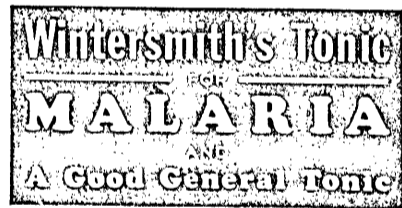
It needs to be repeated over and over again in these callous and indifferent days that there is laid down in the very constitution of the entire universe a moral distinction between right and wrong. Right is always right, and wrong is definitely and eternally wrong. There is no moral twilight zone, where things are neither white nor black, but a neutral gray.

Christian workers need constantly to bring this truth to bear on those to whom they minister. To do so they must first set an example of consistent Christian living. The Lord's work is often hindered by careless living which nullifies Christian profession.

Note that the difference between right and wrong was to be the same "on the other side of the Jordan." Time and place have no power to change moral law. What was right or wrong for your great-grandfather is right or wrong for you. What was right in your home on the farm is right in the city where you now live, or vice-versa. The passing of the years or a change of residence does not alter that law of God.

May God help the people of our nation, and all the countries of the earth, to remember that it is still true that "righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people" (Prov. 14:34).

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Sept. 19—"The Most Famous Vagabond." Pantomime of the Prodigal Son.

Sept. 26—"The Price of Goodness." Pantomime of the Good Samaritan.

Oct. 3—"The Law of the Inevitable." Pantomime of the Sower.

Oct. 10—"The Most Precious Thing in the World." Pantomime of the Lost Sheep.

Services will be held in Fellowship Hall.

CIRCLES TO MEET NEXT MONDAY

No. 1—Mrs. A. C. Shipp, Chr., with Mrs. A. N. Peters, 3412 W. 14th, 2 o'clock. Mrs. D. M. Garrison, co-hostess.

No. 2—Mrs. M. R. Springer, Chr., covered dish luncheon at the church, 12:30.

No. 3—Mrs. C. B. Wilson, Chr., with Mrs. G. K. Swaim, 2422 Scott, 1:30 dessert luncheon. Mrs. E. J. Florian, co-hostess.

No. 4—Mrs. J. R. Henderson, Chr., with Mrs. S. L. Young, 2304 Louisiana, 2 o'clock.

No. 5—Mrs. C. E. Hayes, Chr., with Mrs. George Wooldridge and Mrs. Dona Bainbridge, 2116 Center, 10 o'clock.

No. 6—Members will be notified.

No. 7—With Mrs. Louise Smith, 1015 N. Monroe, 10 o'clock.

No. 8—Mrs. B. M. Whaley, Chr., Blind Women's Home, 1002 S. Oak, 10:30, covered dish luncheon.

No. 9—Mrs. W. M. Rankin, Chr., luncheon at the church, covered dish, 10 o'clock.

No. 10—Mrs. E. F. Dixon, Chr., luncheon, Boyle Park, 10 o'clock.

L. R. UNION MEETING NEXT MONDAY NIGHT

Winfield young people will be hosts to the Little Rock Union of Methodist Young People in Fellowship Hall next Monday night at 8 o'clock.

Rev. C. R. Hozendorf, associate pastor of First Methodist Church, will speak. Committee chairmen will present their plans for the fall.

Young people from all the Methodist Churches in the Little Rock District will be present.

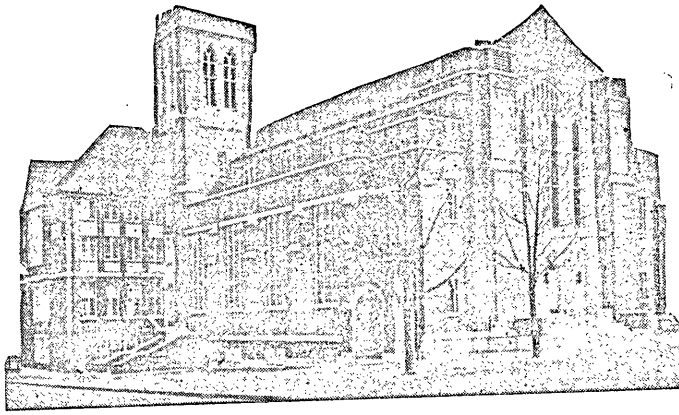


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HOMECOMING SUNDAY AT WINFIELD

Sept. 19, 1937

- 10:00 A. M. Church School (Goal of 600 to be reached)
- 11:00 A. M. "Marching Orders"—Sermon by the Pastor
- 6:00 P. M. Senior and Y. P. Leagues
- 7:45 P. M. "The Most Famous Vagabond"—By Pastor
- Pre-sermon Pantomime by Curtain Club

THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

By GASTON FOOTE

The Thrill of Homecoming

All of us who went away from home for the first time to college or a job in a distant city can remember the thrill that came to us when vacation time came and we turned our footsteps homeward. Our hearts beat faster and faster as the time for our arrival drew near and when we saw Mother and Dad at the station we were wild with excitement. The old home place had never looked quite so beautiful and even the furniture, though it may have been well worn, breathed an air of peace and contentment. We told the family of the experiences through which we had passed and they listened with consuming interest. Perhaps, though we would not admit it, we had been a little homesick for the familiar faces, the people who understood us, the scenes of our childhood. This is a universal experience through which most of us have passed, this homesickness for home.

Many of us held tender memories, not only for the home in which we were reared, but for the old church where we went to Sunday School and sat with the family during the worship services. There we met our best friends; there we shared our deepest experiences; there we learned the great truths of Holy Writ. What a joy it is to return to the church that is "our home" church; to greet old friends once more; to participate in her worship services.

This will be the experience of a host of people who will participate in the HOMECOMING services of Winfield next Sunday. Some have been away the entire summer, some have missed only a few services, but all will be happy to get back in their Church School classes and the sanctuary services. Next Sunday marks the beginning of our fall program. Put the Sabbath worship services in your schedule and make church going the habit of your life. Don't forget to bring the whole family to Church School at 10 a. m. and remain for worship. Next Sunday will be a great day at Winfield—but it will not be as great as we expect unless YOU are present.

We begin our evening services Sunday at 7:45 in Fellowship Hall. The series of services announced elsewhere on this page will be unusually attractive. Invite your neighbor to be your guest.

Church School Attendance

Last Sunday	444
A year ago	458

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

	On	Pres.	Time	Cont.	St. Ch.
Y. P.	40	21	20	28	
Senior	50	37	22	32	
Jr. High	71	65	44	40	
Ashby	13	10	11	10	
Brothers	7	4	7	3	
Buzbee	34				
Bullington	12	10			
Carmich'l	11	10	8	9	
Bowen	7	6	2	6	
Jenkins	19	16			
Hinton	39	31	28	26	

PROGRAM FOR Y. P. SUNDAY EVENING

Senior and Young People's Departments will meet at 6 o'clock Sunday evening in the Palm Garden for a 45 minute recreation period directed by Elizabeth McNeely. Tibby McWhirter will be in charge of refreshments. At 7 o'clock the groups will go to their respective rooms for discussions. Members of the Senior Departments are starting a series of discussions on "Choosing Your Life Work."

CHURCH SCHOOL QUOTA FOR RALLY DAY

Nursery Department	20
Beginners Department	35
Primary Department	55
Junior Department	65
Junior Hi Department	75
Senior Department	70
Young People's Dept.	50
Adult Department	240
Attendance Goal	610

FRIENDLY FELLOWS CLASS

Fall program begins Sunday in Fellowship Hall. This class is for all men of the church not in any other class.

- Coffee—9:50.
- Song Service—Charles Thigpen.
- Devotional—Gene Nelson.
- Solo—Luther Burton.
- Election of Officers.
- Lesson Discussion—Dr. Foote.

WINFIELD'S SICK

Mrs. H. M. Gaylor, 114 Booker, is ill at Trinity Hospital. . . Mrs. S. D. Bryan, 1322 State, is confined to her bed as the result of a sprained ankle. . . Mr. E. T. McDermott, 2601 Chester, is at Trinity Hospital following an operation on Sept. 7.

IN MEMORIAM

Mr. A. Ray Thompson, 520 Summit, a loyal member of Winfield Church since 1930, passed away on Sept. 10. The funeral service was held at the church on Sunday afternoon, conducted by Dr. Foote. The sincere sympathy of the congregation is extended to Mrs. Thompson and other members of the family in their bereavement.

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome into the fellowship of the Winfield Church family Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dietz, 5404 "U" Street, who joined last Sunday. They have recently come to Little Rock from Dayton, Ohio. The congregation had the pleasure of hearing Mrs. Dietz sing as one of our recent guest soloists.