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Presiding Elders' Reports

REPORT OF ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT

R. E. FAWCETT, P. E.

A summary of the pastors' reports indicates that we have received 207 members on profession of faith and 339 by certificate, a total of 546. The evangelistic spirit has found expression in the pre-Easter emphasis, in stated revival services, in personal work and in attention to an effort to reach our constituency for the church school and for the regular worship services. There have been signs of an awakened missionary interest. Our people responded heartily to the Bishops' Crusade. We endeavored to reach the people with the missionary message and to do the request cultivation work. The total cash, and pledges of the Crusade movement totaled \$1,100. Missionary instruction and offerings have been kept before the membership of our church schools. The voluntary acceptance of Benevolences was an increase of 3% over last year, of which 98% is reported, representing a small increase over last year. There has been an increase on pastors' salaries at certain points, but much yet needs to be done, particularly in the lower brackets. Receipts indicate that 99% of the amount apportioned was received.

The special attention to the improvement of church property, begun last year, has continued with encouraging results. On the Arkadelphia Circuit a new church has been built and practically paid for. On the Traskwood Charge another has been built and three others repaired and improved. A splendid new parsonage has been built and paid for on the Carthage-Tulip Charge, and improvements have been made on the parsonages at Leola and the Hot Springs Circuit. One of the churches on the Princeton Charge has been remodeled and greatly improved. The church at Dalark has been re-worked inside and out. On the Malvern Circuit two churches have been repaired and plans are under way for purchasing a parsonage. The church at Benton is being re-decorated and otherwise improved. Sparkman has secured in pledges and cash approximately \$3,500 for a new brick veneer church.

Progress has been made in the settlement of church debts, particularly at Malvern where the entire indebtedness has been pledged and is expected to be paid within the next month. The parsonage at Arkadelphia has been almost cleared of debt.

We have sought to give proper emphasis to the cause and program

* **ACCORDING TO THE GRACE OF GOD WHICH IS GIVEN UNTO** *
* **ME, AS A WISE MASTERBUILDER, I HAVE LAID THE FOUN-** *
* **DATION, AND ANOTHER BUILDETH THEREON. BUT LET** *
* **EVERY MAN TAKE HEED HOW HE BUILDETH THEREUPON.** *
* **FOR OTHER FOUNDATION CAN NO MAN LAY THAN THAT IS** *
* **LAID, WHICH IS JESUS CHRIST.—1 Cor. 3:10-11.** *

of Christian education. Special attention has been given to presenting the program to rural churches through institutes and group meetings made available to all local church leadership. A Church School Day offering has been received from every charge in the District.

There have been numerous achievements that deserve special mention, but cannot be indicated in this brief summary. It is enough to say that it has been a good year, made possible by our faithful laymen and pastors for whose cooperation we extend our sincere thanks.

REPORT OF CAMDEN DISTRICT

E. CLIFTON RULE, P. E.

Bearden, Charles Giesson, pastor. The pastor has rendered valuable district service as Young People's director. The salary was increased 10%. There were 14 additions to the church. The Claims were paid in full, the salary 90 per cent. The church school offering was \$17, for ministerial education \$11, on Bishops' Crusade was \$17.

Buckner, William A. Stewart, pastor. Plans have been offered to remodel the Buckner church. There have been 11 additions to the church. The Claims and salary are paid in full. \$17 was contributed on the Bishops' Crusade, \$6 on Church School Day.

Camden, C. M. Reves, pastor. This church has had one of the great years in its history. Congregations have been large. There have been 125 additions. Two scholarships for ministerial education, amounting to over \$800 have been provided. An offering of \$564 was made on the Bishops' Crusade. \$100.00 was paid on church school and anniversary day. The Claims are 25% above last year and paid in full. The salary, with a liberal increase, is paid.

Chidester, Rufus F. Sorrells, pastor. With the generous aid of the Rushing family of First Church, El Dorado, a \$5,000 church building has been erected and is paid for. There have been 46 additions. The salary and the Claims are in full. \$26 was paid on Bishops' Crusade, \$10 on church school day.

First Church El Dorado, Albea Godbold, pastor. This church enjoyed a happy and fruitful year. A foreign missionary is supported, Claims are the second highest in

the Conference. There has been liberal increase in both the Claims and salaries and both are paid in full. \$355 was paid on the Bishops' Crusade, \$315 on ministerial education, and \$75 on Church School Day. There have been 111 additions.

Vantrease Memorial, Rex B. Wilkes, pastor. Vantrease has enjoyed one of its most constructive years. There have been 24 additions. A court judgment against the property has been paid off. The church now owes only its mortgaged indebtedness and this has been reduced 20%. A new parsonage has been bought and almost paid for. The Claims and pastor's salary are in full. \$15 was paid on church school day, and \$21 on the Crusade.

El Dorado Circuit, L. C. Gatlin, pastor. This has been a year of exceeding goals on this work. There have been 65 additions. 60 training credits earned. The salary is overpaid thirty per cent, the Claims were increased 20% and are overpaid 30%. Plans are made for a new, modern pastor's home. The offering on church school day was \$26, on Bishops' Crusade \$108, on ministerial education \$6.

El Dorado Mission, P. D. Alston, pastor. The pastor is rapidly developing this new work. Great revivals were held, with 67 additions. The salary and Claims are in full. Offering for church school day \$3.

Fordyce, J. M. Workman, pastor. This great church is coming back to new power and vigor under its pastor, who is concluding four years of remarkable service. The church debt, refunded last year, is being paid each month. The Claims and salary were substantially increased and paid in full. \$30 was paid on church school day, \$70 on the Crusade. There were 63 additions.

Hampton-Harrell, Alfred Doss, pastor. Two church buildings remodeled, one paid for, the other being paid for by the month. A new church organized. 52 additions to the church. Salary advanced over last year and paid. Claims paid in full. \$16 offering for church school, \$11 for ministerial education, and \$12 on the Crusade.

Huttig, J. W. Thomas, pastor. This has been one of the church's happiest years. Improvements were added to the new building. 20 additions to the church. Salary and Claims are in full. \$34 was paid on

the Crusade, \$5 on church school day.

Junction City, Ralph Clayton, pastor. Another good year. The fellowship dinner of the Crusade program was remarkably well attended and the offering was \$52. 17 additions. The salary and Claims are in full. The offering for ministerial education is \$5.

Kingsland, Robert Core, pastor. Brother Core has served the last half of the year. One church has been remodeled and made beautiful, another has been relocated and a new building erected. There is no debt against either. There have been 35 additions. The Claims and the pastor's salary are in full.

Louann-Buena Vista, Fred L. Arnold, pastor. The work has grown. There have been 21 additions. The salary and Claims are paid in full. The offering for church school day was \$17, for Crusade \$12, for ministerial education \$6.

Magnolia, Leland Clegg, pastor. This popular pastor has served four years and has made a great contribution to the life of the church. There have been 56 additions. The Claims, doubled in three years, are paid in full. The salary, with a substantial increase, is paid in full. The offering for church school and Young People's Day is \$60. The offering for the Crusade is \$116. The church school is flourishing.

Magnolia Circuit, Mouzon Mann, pastor. This promising young man has served part of the year from Hendrix College. His work is a good recommendation for the student pastorate. There have been 26 additions. The Claims are in full. The offering for church school and Young People is \$10, for the Crusade \$13, for ministerial education \$8.

Norphlet, M. E. Scott, pastor. Where all previous efforts had been fruitless, this pastor, on his own initiative, has led the people to build a new church valued at \$5,000 and paid for it. There have been 31 additions. The offering for the Crusade was \$5, for ministerial education \$6, for church school day \$19.

Smackover, J. L. Evans, pastor. After a long illness the pastor asked to be relieved of the work in October. Rev. Ross Nabors has taken care of the pulpit since then. The people have worked to make a full showing on finances. The salary and the Claims are in full. There have been 20 additions. The offering for church school day was \$30, for the Bishops' Crusade \$10.

Stephens, W. R. Boyd, pastor. This work has increased the salary generously and paid it. The Claims are in full. The payments on church debts are met promptly. There have been 17 additions. The offering on church school day was \$18, on min-

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Personal and Other Items

REV. A. E. HOLLOWAY, who superannuated
at the recent session of the North Arkansas
Conference, will make his home at Morrilton.

REV. J. W. MOORE, who was returned to Net-
leton, writes: "Our work has started off
well. Good congregations at both services Sun-
day, and two joined the church."

WILLIAM F. QUILLIAN, JR., son of Dr. W. F.
Quillian, General Secretary of the Board of
Christian Education, Methodist Episcopal Church,
South, has been elected president of the Yale
University Divinity School student body. Young
Quillian has won honors in both scholarship and
student leadership since going to Yale.

CONFERENCES which have voted since the
last report on the Plan for Methodist Union,
with their votes, are as follows: Oklahoma,
315-3; South Carolina, 171-70; North Mississippi,
117-125; Memphis, 179-92; Central Texas, 305-9;
Little Rock, 199-0; Northwest Texas, 131-1. The
Arizona Conference was in session last week,
but no report from it has been received.

MISS COLGATE, daughter of the founder of
the House of Colgate, noted for fine soaps
and perfumes, has given fifty thousand dollars
to help endow the Watchman-Examiner, the of-
ficial paper of the Baptists of the North. This
is a wise choice for a great benevolence, and
we do not think she could have found a place
where her sowing would bring greater fruit
than to place it in that great paper.—Ex.

ERECTED at a cost of \$325,000, the new Dal-
las, Texas, Branch House of the Methodist
Publishing House System is acclaimed one of the
best arranged and best equipped plants of the
kind in the South. Dr. Alfred F. Smith, of
Nashville Publishing House, delivered the dedi-
catory address, Oct. 29, and Bishop John M.
Moore, of Dallas, conducted the service setting
apart the building for "the distribution of Chris-
tian literature in conformity with Christian ob-
jectives." The five-story building of Georgia

marble, is called Cokesbury Book Store. In ad-
dition to the retail bookstore it houses various
offices for Methodist leaders, including an as-
sembly room and offices for the resident Metho-
dist bishop.

THE LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

THE LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE, meeting
in Hope, Nov. 10, and adjourning Nov. 14,
had a very satisfactory session. The weather,
unfavorable for the first day, was pleasant dur-
ing the last three days. The entertainment,
with bed, breakfast, and supper furnished in the
homes or hotels, was ample and cordial. Rev.
Fred R. Harrison, the pastor, had his people well
organized and they cared for every need. His
fine choir rendered helpful service in regular
and special music. Business was transacted
rapidly, but nothing was neglected. There was
a slight increase in amounts paid on salaries and
Benevolences. The membership is now 71,797,
showing a net increase of 1,707.

The Conference was called to order by Bishop
John M. Moore at 7:30 p. m., Wednesday, who,
after reading the Scriptures, discussed the simil-
arities and differences of the several major
branches of the Christian Church, and expressed
the opinion that their leaders needed to under-
stand one another better so that they might the
more successfully co-operate in bringing in the
Kingdom of God. He deplored the differences
which kept them apart, and suggested that we
need 50 real theologians. Secretary C. J. Greene
called the roll and was re-elected. The hours of
meeting and adjourning were fixed at 9:00 a. m.
and 12:30, and 10:00 a. m. Thursday fixed for the
taking of the vote on the Plan of Methodism
Union, to be followed by the election of dele-
gates to the General Conference. Rev. F. R.
Harrison, Mr. Syd McMath, and Mayor Albert
Graves welcomed the Conference, and response
was made by Bishop Moore.

Thursday morning Bishop Moore received
John Ralph Clayton into full connection. The
vote on Unification was 198 for the Plan and
one against it; but later, Rev. L. O. Lee, who
had cast the negative vote, requested permission
to change and the vote stood 199 for the Plan.
The following were elected delegates to General
Conference: Clerical—J. D. Hammons, C. M.
Reves, C. N. Baker, E. C. Rule, and J. L. Can-
non; alternates—W. C. Watson, J. L. Hoover,
and F. A. Buddin; Lay delegates—J. S. M. Can-
non, C. A. Overstreet, J. P. Womack, Carl Hollis,
and T. E. Fuller; alternates—Dan Pittman, Mrs.
J. M. Stinson, and Mrs. H. K. Wade.

The Orphanage was presented by Dr. James
Thomas; Dr. R. M. Paty spoke about China; Rev.
J. H. Glass represented the Arkansas Anti-
Saloon League; Dr. J. H. Reynolds discussed the
failure to give religious education in the state
schools and indicated the danger of practical
paganism; Dr. Elmer T. Clark presented the
Aldersgate Commemoration, and Rev. R. H.
Cannon read a paper on Ministerial Support,
which was the same as that published in this
paper a few weeks ago, with slight amendment.
The Conference adopted resolutions on the
Aldersgate Commemoration, substantially the
same as adopted by the North Arkansas Con-
ference last week and published in this paper.
A memorial to the General Conference sug-
gesting action to improve family life and another
requesting the change of the time for retiring
bishops, were adopted.

A beautiful clock, which rings the West-
minster chimes, was presented to Bishop Moore
as a token of the appreciation of the Conference
for his able and brotherly administration during
the quadrennium just closing. The Bishop ac-
cepted it with gracious words and indicated his
high regard for the Methodists of Arkansas, and
his purpose to keep on working at useful tasks
even though his active career as a Bishop would
terminate under the present law at the meeting
of the next General Conference. This editor has
heard expressions of genuine appreciation for
Bishop Moore's admirable administration and
valuable services in both the Missouri and Ar-
kansas Conferences. Not merely as a presiding
Bishop, but as a genuine leader in all activities
of the Church and as a representative to other
denominations, the Bishop has given twenty
four years of highly useful and satisfactory ser-

vice. He has made an enviable record in de-
nominational history and his good works will
follow him.

A delicious banquet was enjoyed Friday even-
ing at the Barlow Hotel by the alumni and
friends of the colleges now combined in Hendrix
College. Judge J. S. Utley presided and Mr.
Percy Goynes, executive secretary of the Alumni
Association, spoke, and plans were presented,
similar to those which had been adopted at Fort
Smith the previous week, to celebrate in a
worthy manner the 25th anniversary of the suc-
cessful presidency of Dr. J. H. Reynolds.

Dr. H. C. Morrison, a member of the Kentucky
Conference, known far and wide as one of the
greatest evangelists in Methodism, preached at
3:00 and 7:30 on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.
In his dramatic and effective manner he
charmed, edified, and fed the great congrega-
tions with spiritual food. This editor has heard
him many times during the last thirty years,
and never heard him preach more acceptably
than at this time. Although eighty-one years of
age, he is vigorous and effective. He presents
in a powerful way a mighty and loving God, a
great Savior revealing the Father, and an abid-
ing Holy Spirit who can cleanse and keep and
empower believers. The effect of his marvelous
sermons should be to send forth his hearers
into the field resolved to win souls and extend
the boundaries of the Kingdom. His presence
and preaching were a holy benediction.

The Love Feast Sunday morning, conducted
by Dr. James Thomas in his unique way, was
largely attended and was a most gracious oc-
casion. It was the culmination of one of the
most brotherly and pleasant sessions in the his-
tory of the Little Rock Conference.

At eleven o'clock Bishop Moore preached to
a crowded house a thoughtful and stimulating
sermon. The ordinations and memorial service
had been conducted Saturday morning, Dr. C. J.
Greene giving a beautiful memorial address.
The appointments were read at 2:00 p. m., after
an impressive talk by Bishop Moore. The Con-
ference accepted the invitation of Camden to
hold the session there next year. It was a cor-
dial invitation, presented by Mrs. J. M. Stinson,
as the pastor, Dr. C. M. Reves, had been excused
to attend the funeral of the young child of Rev.
and Mrs. R. F. Sorrels at Chidester. The editor,
along with several other members of Conference,
enjoyed the hospitality of the Hotel Henry,
where comfortable rooms and good meals were
provided.—A. C. M.

DEATH OF REV. I. D. McCLURE

JUST as the North Arkansas Conference was
assembling at Fort Smith, Nov. 3, a message
was received that Rev. I. D. McClure, a super-
annuate, had passed away in a hospital at Jones-
boro. He was born and reared in Evansville,
Ind. Transferred from Kentucky, to Arkansas,
he had been a member of the North Arkansas
Conference 38 years. Four years ago he took
the superannuate relation. A brave, faithful,
efficient preacher, he had served Pocahontas,
Piggott, Gardner Memorial (N. Little Rock),
Lepanto, Vannale, and Wheatley. He is sur-
vived by his wife and four daughters and two
sons. Funeral services were held in Monette on
Friday, Nov. 5.

BOOK REVIEWS

The Girl From Hampton Beach; by Fred C. Pills-
bury; published by the Meador Publishing
Co., Boston; price \$2.00.

This is a stirring romance of daring adven-
ture and courageous constructive living in this
present day complicated social life of America.
The hero and heroine come from widely differ-
ent walks of life. But high courage and ideals
and strong fine personalities, combined with a
sincere love of humanity and a desire to improve
the living conditions of the oppressed, form a
strong bond of sympathy and make an excellent
foundation for the constructive work that cul-
minated in the building and organization of an
ideal village, the ideal home for the builders, a
place where labor and capital could co-operate
in all phases of life. It is idealistic, yet rich in
practical suggestions which point the way to a
happy solution of many of our problems.

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 isterial education \$8, on church school day and young people's day \$18, for Crusade \$27.00.

Strong, S. B. Mann, pastor. This has been the best year of the three which this pastor has given here. Plans are under way for a new parsonage, and for remodeling Rhodes Chapel. The Bolding church has been rebuilt and the work is paid for. Claims are paid in full. The salary is paid 96%. The offering for church school and Young People's day is \$11, for ministerial education is \$5, for the Crusade \$18.

Taylor, H. D. Ginther, pastor. The work has come to new vigor of life.

The work had the greatest attendance of any in the district on fellowship meal, during the Bishops' Crusade, there being 135 present at Taylor. There have been 32 additions. The salary and Claims are in full. The Crusade offering was \$40, for church school and Young People's day \$10.

Thornton, George L. Cagle, pastor. Material improvements were made on Lakeside Church and at Harmony Grove church. There have been 22 additions. The offering for church school day is \$12, for ministerial education is \$4, for the Bishops' Crusade \$9. The Claims are paid in full, the salary is paid

100%.

Waldo, George Reutz, pastor. This pastor and people have enjoyed a happy year. There have been 18 additions. The church school has grown, and the Young People's group has increased in attendance. The pastor's salary, increased over last year, is paid in full. The Claims are paid in full. The offering for the Bishops' Crusade was \$30, for church school and anniversary day was \$8, for ministerial education was \$10.

The following is a summary of the work of the district.

Received by vows 414, by certificate 486, removed 483.

Church School enrollment 7,308; Church School Day paid \$498, Fourth Sunday \$868. Vacation Church School 13, Training Credits 356. Young People enrolled 1,734, paid on Mission Pledge \$299. Ministerial Education Fund \$1,262.

Woman's Missionary Society: Members 1,522, local work \$8,145, Conference Pledge \$3,427.

Christian Literature: Subscribers to Christian Advocate 121, Arkansas Methodist 798.

Bishops' Crusade: Number at Fellowship meal 958, offering \$1,556. Raised for new buildings \$12,275, paid on church or parsonage debts \$5,197, General and Conference

"USE THE UPPER ROOM TO DEEPEN THE SPIRITUAL CONSCIOUSNESS OF THE METHODIST PEOPLE"

This is the urgent suggestion of Bishop A. Frank Smith, one of Southern Methodism's chief pastors and director of the "Aldersgate Commemoration" program, in a letter directed to pastors and other religious leaders.

The Aldersgate Commemoration period begins January 1 and culminates on May 24 in the world-wide observance of Wesley's "heart-warming" experience. Preparation for the observance of this momentous event is individual and personal, and heading the list of suggestions offered by the Commemoration Committee is

"USE THE UPPER ROOM DAILY"

Bishop Smith, in his letter to the pastors and religious leaders, says:

"All over Methodism next year our pastors will be emphasizing religious experience, and endeavoring to deepen the spiritual consciousness of their people. BY ALL MEANS, USE THE UPPER ROOM TOWARD THIS END! I do not believe that a larger contribution toward the success of Aldersgate Year will be made by any agency of the Church than will be made by this publication."

The January, February, March issue is ready for distribution. We are prepared to place a million copies of this issue in the hands of Methodist people. We suggest that you place your order early to insure prompt delivery. Use one of the order forms below.

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work assumed \$10,433, paid \$10,509, District Work \$767, Salaries \$37,680. Total amount raised for all causes \$105,280.

REPORT OF LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT

J. D. HAMMONS, P. E.

The year has been marked by splendid cooperation of pastors and laymen. We come to the close with 100% on Benevolences and salaries, with the exception of small salary deficit in one church.

The Bishops' Crusade was put on in every charge and we are making plans for the second half of the Crusade. The first week in March we carried through a program of Visitation Evangelism resulting in the addition of more than 1,000 members on Easter Sunday.

We have had five Training Schools and three Epworth Conferences and have issued 875 credits. We have raised \$719 dollars for the training of ministerial students and have three young men from the District in training.

E. T. Miller, on the Austin Circuit has carried on a splendid work of Evangelism. There have been about 100 conversions and reclamations. He has added to the church 29 on profession of faith, and 11 by letter.

S. K. Burnett, at Bauxite-Sardis, has added 27, 16 on profession of faith. Sardis is Brother Burnett's boyhood church. He is building there a beautiful brick-veneer church, which will carry a value of some \$6000.00, when completed. This is an outstanding accomplishment and the people rejoice with him in it.

L. O. Lee has done good work on Bryant Circuit. He has added 21 to the church, 14 on profession of faith. He held, at one of his churches, a Laymen's revival with marked success.

Otto W. Teague, at Carlisle, has carried forward faithfully the work in this church, adding 33 members, 20 on profession of faith. He has raised \$600.00 for a new roof on the church.

J. R. Martin, on the Carlisle Circuit, is supplying his first work. He has been enthusiastic in his labors, adding 22 members, 11 on profession of faith.

I. A. Love, at Des Arc and DeVal's Bluff, has been diligent, and has added 23 members to the church, 20 on profession of faith. The old debt at DeVal's Bluff has been materially reduced and considerable improvement has been done on the church at Des Arc.

S. L. Durham, one of our superannuates, has served Douglasville. He has done good in building a parsonage, which is nearly completed. He has added one member to the church.

Van W. Harrell at England has added 37 members, 13 on profession. He has paid the debt of \$10,000, which has been holding back the progress for years.

W. L. Arnold is completing four successful years at Hazen. He has built a beautiful church and paid for it. The whole community holds him in high esteem. He has added 37 members, on profession of faith 12.

F. C. Cannon, on Hickory Plains Circuit, has done faithful work. He has raised some \$200.00 for repairs on churches, and is starting the rebuilding of Providence Church on the Lonoke and Beebe Highway.

He has added 14 members, 7 on profession of faith.

J. L. Leonard, at Keo-Tomberlin, has made progress toward the erection of a church at Humnoke and has added 24 members, 4 on profession of faith.

R. B. Moore, at Asbury, has added 69 members, 11 on profession of faith. He has carried forward the good work of this church in paying the Benevolences at Easter.

W. R. Jordan is completing four good years at Capitol View. In these years he has added some 500 members to the church. This year he has added 93, 34 on profession of faith.

H. Bascom Watts, at First Church, has added 248 members, 59 on profession of faith. He has led in the refinancing of the church debt at a lower rate of interest. He has built up a fine staff of assistants and organized his church for efficiency.

Alton J. Shirey, at Forest Park, has added 22 members to this suburban church, 8 on profession of faith. He has paid an old debt and has begun a much needed building program.

R. H. Cannon, at Henderson Church, has added 48 members, 12 on profession of faith. He has spent on improvement of church property, \$268.00 and has materially reduced the debt.

O. L. Cole, at Highland, has added 75 members, 38 on profession of faith. He has led in making some valuable improvements on the property and has refinanced the church debt.

A. E. Jacobs, at Hunter Memorial, has had 55 additions, 20 on profession of faith. Brother Jacobs has hit the stride of city preachers and has done good work.

Neill Hart at Pulaski Heights, is finishing four years of constructive work. He has added 210 members this year, 78 on profession of faith. They have installed a pipe organ, increased their Conference Benevolences 3 1-3%, and set a good record for Sunday School attendance. A building program is in the making.

C. B. Wyatt, at 28th Street, has added 32 members, 14 on profession of faith. The parsonage and annex to the church have been painted and payments on church and parsonage have been met regularly.

Gaston Foote, at Winfield, has added 262 members, 83 on profession of faith. The church debt is in the process of being refinanced and he is leading in the developing of the fine educational program.

D. T. Rowe at Lonoke has received 37 into the church, 6 on profession of faith. Improvements have been made on parsonages and a church building committee appointed. He has led in the erection of a beautiful country church five miles south of Lonoke, which carries a value of at least \$2,500.00. He has organized there a church school with an enrollment of 133.

D. L. Wilcox, at Mabelvale and Geyer Springs, has added 64 members, 37 on profession of faith. He has been active in the community life at Mabelvale and done a good year's work.

J. B. Withee, the Y. M. C. A. Secretary, has been working at the Halstead church on the Paron Circuit. He has done a good work in this community.

M. W. Miller at Primrose, has added 15 to the membership of this rural church and 7 on profession

of faith. This first year as a station the church has almost doubled its budget and paid everything in full. This is the fulfillment of a long-time dream of this membership.

L. R. Sparks, one of our superannuates, has served the Roland Circuit. He has received 50, 5 on profession of faith. This is our mountain circuit and difficult to serve. Brother Sparks has done faithful work.

I may say for the District Secretaries of the L. R. District, C. K. Wilkerson, Mrs. T. E. Benton, Mrs. C. B. Nelson, and Mrs. Bates, that they have been diligent in their efforts, faithful to their tasks and most loyal in their cooperation with the Presiding Elder.

REPORT OF MONTICELLO DISTRICT

J. L. HOOVER, P. E.

The Monticello District, which comprises Drew, Bradley, Ashley, Desha, Chicot and a section of Cleveland counties, is about equally divided between the hills and the "swamps." Territorially speaking, it is not a large district. Neither is it large as to possibilities of growth in membership. The charges in the hill section have been thoroughly worked as to church membership and churches of the lowlands are located in small towns where comparatively few white people live. So our District does not have the promise and possibility that many other districts have. However, we have as fine a group of Christian laymen as can be found anywhere; people who love God and the things for which the church stands. They gladly give of their means for the ongoing of the church.

We do not have the latest report from the pastors as to the number of accessions. Therefore we speak by approximation alone. But at the last District meeting nearly 600 were reported, 260 of that number being on profession of faith. Good revivals were held at nearly every church. Spiritual awakenings were experienced and many were saved from sin. We had practical demonstration of the fact that the gospel of Christ is still the power of God unto salvation to those who believe.

The District for the most part, has been thoroughly committed to the program laid down by the Conference Board of Christian Education. Early in the year emphasis was given to the matter of an increased enrollment in Church Schools and some very gratifying results have been attained. While some schools, because of local conditions, will report slight decreases, yet others will report splendid advances. One of our best churches will report 35% increase. The training program has not been neglected. Something like 200 credits were awarded. A larger interest has been manifested in Daily Vacation Bible Schools. We have fallen far below our goal in that respect, yet our pastors and people are coming to recognize the distinctively spiritual advantage in such efforts. We have endeavored to make our people more missionary-minded by the dissemination of missionary literature and leaflets in the Church Schools.

The work of the Woman's Missionary Society has made steady progress under the very efficient leadership of Mrs. V. D. Buck of Warren, who is our District Sec-

retary. The program has been of such a character as to create an abiding interest in missionary activities and to sustain a high type of thinking with regard to one's sense of moral indebtedness to the spiritually underprivileged of the world. Almost 500 have been reported as members of the Woman's Missionary Society, and between \$5,000 and \$6,000 has been raised for local and Connectional work. However, this number should be greatly increased and the work launched upon a larger scale, for more than a score of churches team with an otherwise consecrated womanhood, who have never given any recognition to this work.

Splendid progress has been made in our debt paying campaign. The church at McGehee has not missed a monthly payment in over two years. The church at Warren is paid to date. The church at Dermott will pay \$1,000 on its indebtedness this year. For almost ten years a debt has hung over our district parsonage property in Monticello but we are happy to announce that the debt has been completely liquidated and we have a balance of \$375, which was secured through the sale of a piece of vacant property.

Considerable work has been done on some of the churches and parsonages. The repairs, or rather the reconstruction, on the camp ground church, which was begun last year has been completed. This church marks the spot where for over a hundred years Methodist people have been worshipping God. The old Hickory Grove church, near Crossett, through the supervision of Brother T. T. McNeal, has been reconstructed at cost of \$2,000 and the account has been paid in full. \$1,000 each was spent on the parsonages at Warren and Crossett, thereby making these otherwise antiquated buildings models of comfort and convenience. \$340 was spent on the Hermitage parsonage, which put it in excellent repair.

We can make only an imperfect estimate of our financial status as yet. We had hoped, with our bumper crop, to be able to report a clear slate both on salaries and Benevolences. But the low price of cotton has seriously affected us. At this writing the available figures indicate that fourteen charges will pay all claims accepted by them and the remaining four charges will report small deficits both as to salary and claims.

Broadly speaking, our District is in a very good condition. However, large sections of our lowlands are being settled by people who are buying the land and building permanent homes. We need to be on the ground and save these people to the church and our Methodism. But such a program will necessitate a considerable outlay of missionary money of which we have no promise.

The pastors have worked hard, exhibited much courage and self-sacrifice in this great labor of love. For the most part, they have given of their best. May the best come back to them.

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REPORT OF PINE BLUFF DISTRICT

J. E. COOPER, P. E.

Substantial progress has been made this year in the payment of debts on churches and parsonages. The records will show that considerable reductions have been made in the church debts at First Church, Lakeside and Hawley Memorial, Pine Bluff. Last year the debt on Carr Memorial was paid. At Dewitt, Stuttgart the debts have been reduced. At Sheridan and Alt-heimer the debts have been paid in full. At Rison the debt on the parsonage has been settled. The physical condition of many churches and parsonages has been improved. The pastors have in each case been largely responsible for the business-like way in which these debts have been handled. We look forward to the payment of all indebtedness on church property in the district. \$2,000 has been paid to our superannuates from the Brewster fund.

The Benevolences are paid in full with some increase over last year. The pastors have, without exception, been true to the program of the church and have seen to it that the Benevolent claims have been paid. The District has paid its full quota on Church School Day and every church in the district has made an offering to the Home and Foreign Missionary enterprise through its Church School.

There is a small shortage in the salaries. We have had many revival meetings and the number of additions to the churches this year will compare favorably with any other recent year.

The pastors have all been faithful and true, have labored diligently and are consecrated to the work of the ministry. As we close the work of the year and submit the record of our stewardship to the Conference, we are happy that it has been our privilege to work together in a great brotherhood. The laymen of the District have been loyal and true. We pray that another year may find this District still reaching higher standards and making even greater progress.

REPORT OF PRESCOTT DISTRICT

J. D. BAKER, P. E.

Substantial progress has been made in Prescott District this year. We have picked up and given pastoral oversight to 14 old, neglected, or abandoned churches, and have established preaching at two other places. We have organized 14 church schools. In this manner we have given the gospel to 1800 people who were not receiving it.

Substantial increases in salaries and Benevolences have been made and accented by a number of charges. However, the increase in Benevolences will not be over three per cent. \$935 in Bishops' Crusade 12 Vacation Church Schools.

The indebtedness upon our churches and parsonages has been materially reduced. The Hope church has paid \$8,443 on its debt, and the remainder has been pledged and will be paid by January 1. The church at Prescott has paid \$1,269 on its debt. Substantial amounts have also been paid on the debts of the following charges: Nashville, Okolona and Prescott Circuit. It is my opinion that indebtedness against all our church and parsonage property will be liquidated with the exception of Nashville and Prescott Stations, during the coming year.

A good deal of repairing and rebuilding of church and parsonage property has been done at the following places: Gurdon, Blevins, Ozan, Mineral Springs, Bingen and DeAnn and Boyd's Chapel on the Emmet Circuit, and Trinity on the Okolona Circuit.

Revival fires have burned within the District this year. Good revivals have been held at many churches. While all the preachers have labored hard and faithfully in assisting each other and holding their own revivals, special mention should be made of the following charges and preachers: Bro. Meux, pastor at Glenwood and Rosboro, has received 83 members, excluding two old churches he has taken up. Bro. Holmes, pastor at Nashville, has not only rendered fine service in assisting the preachers of other charges, but has received more than 60 members, most of these on profession of faith. Bro. J. Frank Walker, pastor at Emmet, has helped a number of preachers in successful revivals and added 84 to his churches, 74 on profession of faith. Bro. Doak, who served the Bingen charge part of the year, added more than 50 to the church, 40 or more of these on profession of faith. All our preachers have done well. We will report something near 500 on profession of faith and about 250 or 300 by certificate. Nine new Missionary Societies have been organized by our most efficient District Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society. This record could not have been made were it not for the hard and faithful work of our preachers and the hearty, religious cooperation and loyalty of our people. God has blessed us and crowned our efforts with a measure of success.

A summary shows: Salaries, 98%; Claims, 97%; paid on churches for repairs and debts, \$15,351; additions on profession of faith, 389; additions by certificates, 262. Hope paid on church and parsonage debt, \$8,443; Emmet paid for repairs and buildings on parsonage and churches, \$1,325; Gurdon paid for church debt and repairs, \$1,100; Blevins paid for churches and parsonages, \$405; Okolona paid for churches and parsonage \$874; Mineral Springs built an addition to camp ground at Center Point, \$760. Emmet led the District in additions on profession of faith with 74. Glenwood - Rosboro was second with 47.

REPORT OF TEXARKANA DISTRICT

J. W. MANN, P. E.

We have 21 charges with 75 congregations, 68 church buildings, and 21 parsonages.

Two hundred and seventy-two have been received on profession of faith and 317 by certificate.

We have 75 Church Schools organized and doing good work, and 33 Women's Missionary Societies.

Twenty Charges have paid the Conference Caims accepted, and 17 charges have paid the salaries in full. On Bishops' Crusade, \$900.00. Three churches had an indebtedness, namely: Cherry Hill, Foreman and Lockesburg. Cherry Hill has paid their debt and Foreman and Lockesburg have made creditable showings in reducing debts. The debt on the parsonage at Richmond charge has been considerably reduced.

Ashdown has made repairs on the buildings and installed a pipe organ. At DeQueen nearly \$5,000.00 repair has been made on the

MINUTES OF EIGHTY-FOURTH LITTLE ROCK ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Condensed Minutes of Eighty-Fourth session of the Little Rock Annual Conference, held at Hope, Ark., beginning Nov. 10, 1937, ending Nov. 14, Bishop John M. Moore, President; C. J. Greene, Conway, Ark., Secretary.

I. Probationers

Question 1. Who are admitted on trial? Ans.—Paul Hamilton Calloway, Walter Hoyle Houser, Connie Ray Hozendorf, Rufus Ford Sorrels.

Ques. 2. Who else is in the class of the first year? Robert Walker Core; John W. Hammons.

Ques. 3. Who remain on trial? No one.

Ques. 4. Who else is in the class of the second year? No one.

Ques. 5. Who are discontinued? No one.

II Conference Membership

Ques. 6. Who are admitted into full connection? John Ralph Clayton.

Ques. 7. Who else is in the class of the third year? John Wesley Rushing.

Ques. 8. Who are readmitted? No one.

Ques. 9. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? No one.

Ques. 10. Who are received from other Churches as traveling preachers? No one.

Ques. 11. Who are located this year? J. L. Evans at his own request.

Ques. 12. Who have withdrawn or been expelled? Withdrawn, C. E. Burdette under complaint. Expelled, no one.

Ques. 13. Who are transferred to other Conference? C. N. Smith, G. F. Hyde, Wesley J. Clark.

Ques. 14. What preachers have died during the year? J. Frank Simmons.

III Orders

Ques. 15. Who are the deacons of one year? Lewis William Averitt, Alfred Isaac Doss, Charles Houston Farmer, George Gardner Meyer, James Ralph Sewell, Alton J. Shirey.

Ques. 16. Who else is in the class of the fourth year? No one.

Ques. 17. What traveling preachers and what local preachers have been elected deacons? Traveling preachers, John Ralph Clayton. Local preachers, Howard Alexander Brooks.

Ques. 18. What traveling preachers and what local preachers have been ordained deacons? Traveling preachers, John Ralph Clayton. Local preachers, Howard Alexander Brooks.

Ques. 19. What traveling preachers and what local preachers have been elected elders? Traveling preachers, Charles

church building with installation of a pipe organ. There will be a debt of \$1,500.00 due to repairs done. Considerable remodeling has been done at Fairview Church, Texarkana.

Recognition should be made of the good work done on the Texarkana Circuit and Hatfield Circuit. These circuits have equaled, if not excelled, any charge in Southern Methodism. On the Texarkana Circuit there is a well organized and functioning Circuit Board of Stewards that meets regularly every month. Consequently every call of the Church has been studiously met, with all acceptances paid. The Hatfield Circuit has led the Conference in number of Vacation Bible Schools, and we think has led Southern Methodism. All other calls of the Church have been paid. On the Gillham Circuit, a young man has served since June. Under his leadership and preaching there have been 98 conversions and 43 received into the church on profession of faith. Practically all the Benevolences have been paid and most of the salary. This work is unusual because the Gillham Circuit has been recognized as a hard place to serve.

In fact, every circuit charge in the District has wrought well. The same is true with the station charges. The pastors have been faithful and worked hard. Every department of the church has been faithfully and zealously considered. Eternity alone can detail the work done this year.

Henry Giessen, Cleveland Howard Gilliam, Edward Whatley Harris, Virgil D. Keeley, James Addison Simpson, John Frank Walker, Doyle Levings Wilcox. Local preachers, no one.

Ques. 20. What traveling preachers and what local preachers have been ordained elders? Traveling preachers, Charles Henry Giessen, Cleveland Howard Gilliam, Edward Whatley Harris, Virgil D. Keeley, James Addison Simpson, John Frank Walker, Doyle Levings Wilcox. Local preachers, no one.

Ques. 21. Who have been recommended by a District Conference for recognition of their orders as local deacons or local elders? No one.

IV Conference Relations

Ques. 22. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? The name of J. D. Rogers was called; it was reported that there were complaints against him, and by vote of the Conference, his case was left in the hands of the P. E. of the Camden District, with authority to proceed as the law requires; all others were called one by one and their character passed.

Ques. 23. Who are supernumerary? No one.

Ques. 24. Who are superannuated? J. B. Williams, J. W. Berry, R. E. Farr, T. P. Clark, J. J. Colson, L. W. Evans, Z. D. Lindsay, J. D. Dunn, R. A. McClintock, T. O. Rorie, C. F. Messer, J. H. Sims, S. C. Dean, S. F. Goddard, J. R. Dickerson, J. A. Sage, J. W. Harrell, J. E. Waddell, S. L. Durham, B. F. Scott, E. D. Hanna, W. F. Campbell, J. L. Criswell, J. W. Nethercutt, L. R. Sparks, C. M. Thompson, J. B. Pickering, C. B. Davis, H. A. F. Ault, W. C. Hilliard, J. T. Rodgers, W. T. Hopkins, F. P. Doak, J. L. Leonard.

V STATISTICS

Ques. 25. What is the number of districts of pastoral charges, and of societies in this Conference? Districts, 7; pastoral charges, 145; societies, 447.

Ques. 26. What is the number of members, how many have been received on profession of faith, how many have been licensed to preach, and what is the number of local preachers? Members, 71,795; received on profession of faith, 2,396; licensed, 13; local preachers, 81.

Ques. 27. How many infants and how many others have been baptized during the year? Infants, 410; others, 676.

Ques. 28. How many Churches have organized Local Church Boards of Christian Education? 273.

Ques. 29. What is the number of Church schools, officers and teachers? Church schools, 396; officers and teachers, 4,417.

Ques. 30. What is the number of Church school scholars enrolled? In the Children's Division, 13,877; in the Young People's Division, 13,131; in the Adult Division, 13,903; total enrollment, including officers and teachers, 45,328.

Ques. 31. How many Churches have week-day meetings with the children, and how many have vacation schools? Churches having week-day meetings with children, 33; Churches having vacation schools, 78.

Ques. 32. What is the number of Woman's Missionary Societies, and what is the number of members of the same? Societies, 230; members, 7,579.

Ques. 33. What is the number of Wesley Brotherhoods, and of Wesley Brotherhood members? Brotherhoods, 3; members, 131.

Ques. 34. What is the number of members enrolled in the Fellowship of Stewardship? 67.

Ques. 35. What are the educational statistics? Institutions, 1; teachers, 31; students, 329; value of property, \$782,351.00; endowment, \$856,925.00; indebtedness, none.

Ques. 36. What are the orphanage statistics? Orphanages, 1; officers and teachers, 4; children in orphanages, 37;

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money expended, \$10,860.37; value of property, \$100.00.00; indebtedness, none.

Ques. 37. What are the hospital statistics? None.

VI Finances

Ques. 38. What has been contributed for the following causes? American Bible Society, \$306.93; Assemblies, \$200.17; Christian Education, \$12,242.49; Church Extension, \$3,237.44; Federal Council, \$93.41; Board of Finance, \$8,874.27; General Administrative Fund, \$3,069.30; Lay Activities, \$995.52; Missions, \$16,256.60; Negro Work, \$987.52; Theological Schools, \$1,868.27; by the Woman's Missionary Society for local work, \$34,590.00, sent to Conference Treasurer, \$19,878.00; from the Golden Cross Enrollment, \$173.00.

Ques. 39. What has been contributed for the support of the ministry? Presiding elders, \$25,761.00; preachers in charge, \$185,999.00; Conference claimants, \$7,673.24; Superannuate Endowment Fund, none.

Ques. 40. What is the grand total contributed for all purposes from all sources in this Conference this year? \$578,436.00.

VII Church Property

Ques. 41. What is the number of houses of worship, their value, and the amount of indebtedness thereon? Houses of worship, 415; value \$3,106,257.00; indebtedness, \$339,887.00.

Ques. 42. What is the number of parsonages, their value, and the amount of indebtedness thereon? District parsonages, 7; value \$39,000.00; indebtedness, \$500.00; Parsonages belonging to pastoral charges, 137; value, \$448,720.00; indebtedness, \$24,129.00.

Ques. 43. What amount of insurance is carried on Church property, and what amount has been paid out in premiums? Insurance carried, \$1,429,215.00; premiums paid, \$11,351.00.

Ques. 44. How many churches and parsonages have been damaged or destroyed during the year, what is the amount of damage, and what has been collected thereon? Churches damaged, 3; parsonages damaged, none; amount of damage, none; collected, nothing.

Ques. 45. What is the number of Superannuate homes, and what is their value? Homes, none; value, none.

VIII Miscellaneous

Ques. 46. Who is elected Conference Lay Leader? J. S. M. Cannon of Little Rock, Ark.

Ques. 47. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? First Church, Camden, Ark.

Ques. 48. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

Appointments

ARCADELPHIA DISTRICT

Roy E. Fawcett (4), Presiding Elder
Arkadelphia, John L. Hoover (1).
Arkadelphia Ct., Vance Martin (S) (1).
Benton, Harold D. Sadler (2).
Carthage-Tulip, I. A. Love (1).
Dalark Ct., A. J. Bearden (S) (1).
Friendship Ct., B. W. Dills (S) (2).
Holly Springs Ct., J. C. Williams (1).
Hot Springs:
First Church, J. L. Dedman (4).
Grand Avenue, Coy E. Whitten (2).
Oaklawn, Geo. W. Warren (2).
Pullman Heights, Paul M. Clanton (S) (2).

Hot Springs Ct., to be supplied.
Leola Ct., M. K. Rogers (1).
Malvern, W. C. Watson (4).
Malvern Ct., Harold O. Scott (S) (1).
Princeton Ct., S. G. Rutledge (S) (3).
Sparkman-Sardis, R. C. Walsh (2).
Tigert-Pearcy, Forney Harvey (S) (2).
Traskwood Ct., John L. Simpson (S) (1).
Professor Emory University, R. C. Rhodes.
Student Southern Methodist University, Earl S. Walker.
Conference Missionary, J. F. Taylor.

CAMDEN DISTRICT

E. C. Rule (4), Presiding Elder
Bearden, John L. Tucker (1).
Buckner, S. B. Mann (1).
Camden, C. M. Reeves (2).
Chidester, Rufus F. Sorrells (2).
El Dorado:
First Church, Albea Godbold (2).
Vantrease, Geo. G. Meyer (1).
El Dorado Ct., L. C. Gatlin (2).
El Dorado Mission, P. D. Alston (S) (3).
Fordyce, J. M. Workman (5).
Hampton-Harrell, Alfred Doss (2).
Huttig, J. W. Thomas (2).
Junction City, J. Ralph Clayton (3).
Kingsland, T. D. Spruce (1).
Louann-Buena Vista, Fred L. Arnold (2).
Magnolia, W. Neill Hart (1).
Magnolia Ct., Everett Vinson (S) (1).
Norphlet, Manuel E. Scott (3).
Smackover, W. L. Arnold (1).
Stephens-Mt. Prospect, W. R. Boyd (4).
Strong, L. O. Lee (1).
Taylor Ct., H. D. Ginther (S) (2).
Thornton, George L. Cagle (3).
Waldo, George E. Reutz (2).

Vice-President Hendrix College, C. J. Greene.
Y. M. C. A., New York City, D. A. Weems.
Director Golden Cross, W. Neill Hart.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT

J. D. Hammons (4), Presiding Elder
Austin Ct., E. T. Miller (2).
Bauxite-Sardis, S. K. Burnett (2).
Bryant Ct., Robert Core (1).
Carlisle, Otto Teague (4).
Carlisle Ct., J. R. Martin (S) (2).
Des Arc, V. D. Keeley (1).
DeValls Bluff, J. A. Wade (S) (1).
Douglasville-Geyer Springs, Curtis Williams (S) (1).
England, Roy Jordan (1).
Hazen, Alton J. Shirey (1).
Hickory Plains Ct., L. E. Wilson (1).
Keo-Tomberlin, W. A. Stewart, Jr., (S) (1).

Little Rock: Asbury, R. B. Moore (2).
Capitol View, Rex B. Wilkes (1).
First Church, H. Bascom Watts (2).
Assistant Pastor First Church, C. R. Hozendorf (1).
Forest Park, J. T. Thompson (1).
Henderson, A. C. Rogers (1).
Highland, O. L. Cole (4).
Hunter Memorial, A. E. Jacobs (2).
Pulaski Heights, J. E. Cooper (1).
28th St., C. B. Wyatt (4).
Winfield Memorial, Gaston Foote (2).
Lonoke, D. T. Rowe (2).
Mabelvale, D. L. Wilcox (2).
Paron Ct., to be supplied.
Primrose, M. W. Miller (3).
Roland Ct., to be supplied.
Editor Arkansas Methodist, A. C. Millar.
Executive-Extension Secretary Board of Christian Education, Clem Baker.
Superintendent Temperance and Social Service, J. H. Glass.
Conference Missionary Secretary, James Thomas.
Executive Secretary Arkansas Methodist Orphanage, James Thomas.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT

H. B. Vaught (1), Presiding Elder
Arkansas City, Watson, F. C. Cannon (1).
Crossett, T. T. McNeal (2).
Dermott, W. R. Burks (2).
Dumas, Van W. Harrell (1).
Eudora, W. W. Christie (2).
Fountain Hill Ct., Eldred Blakely (S) (1).
Hamburg, J. H. Cummins (1).
Hermitage Ct., O. C. Robison (S) (1).
Lake Village, M. K. Irvin (1).
McGehee, J. B. Hefley (1).
Monticello, J. M. Hamilton (4).
Montrose-Snyder, E. L. McKay (3).
New Edinburg Ct., W. D. Golden (S) (1).
Portland-Parkdale, R. E. Simpson (3).
Tillar-Winchester, C. R. Roy (2).
Warren, L. E. N. Hundley (3).
Wilmar Ct., J. R. Sewell (1).
Wilmot-Miller's Chapel, B. F. Fitzhugh (2).

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT

Leland Clegg (1), Presiding Elder
Althelmer-Wabbaska, R. A. Teeter (3).
DeWitt, A. C. Carraway (3).
Gillett Ct., Earl Lewis (2).
Grady-Gould, R. H. Cannon (1).
Glendale, Norman Wadsworth (S) (1).
Good-Faith-White Hall, M. O. Barnett (1).
Humphrey-Bayou Meto, W. C. Lewis (3).
Pine Bluff:
Carr Memorial, S. T. Baugh (3).
First Church, F. A. Buddin (5).
Hawley Memorial, J. A. Henderson (2).
Lakeside, Fred G. Roebuck (5).
Pine Bluff Ct., Wilfred House (S) (3).
Rison, J. D. Montgomery (1).
Roe Ct., to be supplied.
Rowell Ct., Kenneth C. Corithers (S) (1).
St. Charles Ct., Geo. E. Williams (1).
Sheridan, B. F. Roebuck (3).
Sheridan Ct., C. R. Andrews (3).
Sherrill-Tucker, T. M. Armstrong (2).
Star City, C. H. Farmer (2).
Stuttgart, R. L. Long (3).
Swan Lake, L. R. Sparks (S) (1).

PRESCOTT DISTRICT

J. D. Baker (2), Presiding Elder
Amity Ct., Joe H. Robinson (S) (2).
Bingen, E. T. McAfee (S) (1).
Blevins-McCaskill, Chas H. Glessen (1).
Columbus Ct., to be supplied.
Emmet-Bierne, J. Frank Walker (2).
Forester-Oden, O. C. Birdwell (3).
Glenwood-Rosboro, C. D. Meux (2).
Gurdon, K. L. Spore (2).
Hope, F. R. Harrison (4).
Mineral Springs Ct., W. W. Nelson (2).
Mt. Ida Ct., R. S. Beasley (2).
Murfreesboro-Delight, C. D. Cade (4).
Nashville, O. E. Holmes (4).
Okolona Ct., Louis Averitt (3).
Prescott, A. J. Christie (3).
Prescott Ct., Hoyle Houser (1).
Spring Hill Ct., W. I. Small (S) (1).
Washington-Ozan, G. W. Robertson (3).
Saline Ct., A. N. Youngblood (S) (1).
Center Point, S. L. Durham (S) (1).

TEXARKANA DISTRICT

J. Wayne Mann (2), Presiding Elder
Ashdown, B. F. Musser (2).
Cherry Hill Ct., C. H. Gilliam (2).
DeQueen, E. D. Galloway (1).
Dierks-Green's Chapel, Paul H. Calloway (1).
Doddridge Ct., J. B. Hoover (S) (2).
Foreman, John W. Hammons (1).
Foreman Ct., M. T. Rose (S) (3).
Fouke Ct., J. A. Ginnings (S) (1).
Gillham Ct., S. B. Bryant (S) (2).
Hatfield Ct., J. W. Rushing (2).
Horatio, F. N. Brewer (1).
Lewisville-Bradley, A. W. Hamilton (2).
Lockesburg Ct., James Simpson (3).

Mena, H. H. McGuyre (4).
Richmond Ct., W. T. Bone (3).
Stamps-Garland City, Edward Harris (4).
Texarkana Ct., J. L. Simpson (S) (3).
Texarkana:
College Hill, J. L. Cannon (1).
Fairview, Arthur Terry (2).
First Church, Harry S. DeVore (3).
Umpire Ct., Henry T. Miller (S) (1).
Winthrop Ct., J. T. Prince (S) (2).

TRANSFERS

Transferred Out
C. N. Smith to North Texas Conference.
G. F. Hyde to Missouri Conference.
Wesley J. Clark to St. Louis Conference.

Report of Commission on Budget

We, your Committee on Budget, submit the following report:

1. The amount of the assessment made by the General Conference apportioned to this Conference is \$45,214.00.
2. The amount of assessment made by this Annual Conference for all interests for which assessments are made is \$45,214.00.
3. The General Conference assessment added to the Annual Conference assessment, gives a combined total assessment of \$90,428.00, which is apportioned to the several Districts as follows:

Arkadelphia District	\$10,900
Camden District	15,940
Little Rock District	18,670
Monticello District	11,178
Pine Bluff District	11,580
Prescott District	10,910
Texarkana District	11,250
Total	\$90,428

4. The percentage of the Annual and General Conference Claims of the combined assessments are as follows:

An. Conf. Ass't	.50	\$45,214
Gen. Conf. Ass't	.50	\$45,214
Total	1.00	\$90,428

The following table shows what per cent the assessment made for each cause is of the combined assessments:

A. Assessments by the General Conference		
1. Administrative Fund	.1150	\$ 5,200.00
2. American Bible Society	.0115	520.00
3. Assemblies	.0075	339.00
4. Board of Church Extension	.0720	3,225.00
5. Board of Christian Education, including part of Temperance and Social Service	.1660	7,506.00
6. Federal Council of Churches	.0035	158.00
7. Board of Finance	.0450	2,036.00
8. Board of Lay Activities, including part of Temperance and Social Service	.0225	1,017.00
9. Board of Missions, including Hospitals	.4500	20,346.00
10. Negro Work	.0370	1,673.00
11. Theological Schools	.0700	3,165.00
TOTAL	1.0000	\$45,214.00
B. Assessments by the Annual Conference		
1. Church Extension	.0493	\$ 2,229.00
2. Christian Education	.2927	13,234.00
Colleges		\$6,100.00
Conference Promotion		6,100.00
Pastors' School		1,034.00
TOTAL		\$13,234.00
3. Conference Missions	.1591	\$ 7,194.00
4. Arkansas Methodist	.0752	3,400.00
5. Conference Claimants	.2875	12,999.00
6. Conference Expense	.0362	1,636.00
7. Orphanage	.0852	3,853.00
8. Lay Activities	.0148	669.00
TOTAL	1.0000	\$45,214.00

We urge that Presiding Elders and Preachers make a combined effort to make the Church School Day offering and Fourth Sunday offering as large as possible to assist the Board of Christian Education in carrying on its work.

We recommend that the Board of

Christian Education cooperate with Dr. James Thomas in securing a Christmas offering for the Orphanage, taking this offering not only in the Church School, but at each preaching service on the day designated for the offering.—J. M. Hamilton, Chairman; T. T. McNeil, Sec.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF FINANCE

I herewith submit report of the Treasurer of the Little Rock Conference Board of Finance for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1937. Upon order of our Conference Secretary, Dr. C. J. Greene, our books were audited November 8, by Mr. Glenn Priest of the People's Trust Company, Little Rock, and his report is attached.

Receipts	
Balance on hand November 1, 1936	\$ 5,547.18
Special Superannuate Homes (Capital) Fund	358.75
Interest on above special fund	7.20
General Board of Finance, St. Louis	1,677.32
Whitmore & Smith, Publishing Agents	2,177.08
C. E. Hayes, Conf. Treas. (Bal. on Conf. Cl. 1936)	5,076.06
C. E. Hayes, Conf. Treas. during year 1937	3,162.50
S. F. Hinds, Commissioner (Proceeds from gift property at Fountain Hill)	250.00
Total	\$18,256.09
Disbursements	
To Conference Claimants (Regular Fund)	\$12,905.00
To Emergency Relief and New Claimants	155.00
To J. F. Simmons, for recording deed and travel	3.00
Ambulance service for J. J. Colson	20.00
To W. B. Worthen Co. for printing checks	1.35
To Bank charges on checks	.25
To Tilson, Stevens & Co., for Surety Bond	18.75
To Postage	2.50
Total Expenditures	\$13,105.85

Balance in bank October 31, 1937 \$ 4,784.29
Special Superannuate Homes (Capital) Fund 7.20
Interest on above Special Fund \$18,256.09
Total accounted for \$18,256.09

Your Treasurer is bonded by one of the leading Surety Companies of America, Martin, Tilson & Stevens, Texarkana National Bank Building, Texarkana, U. S. A.

Below we give the report of the auditor:

"This is to certify that I, Glenn Priest, have examined the reports and bank book of the Board of Finance, Little Rock Conference, and find them to be in correct form and properly kept. I also find that the bank deposits and vouchers tally, and all records have been faithfully and accurately kept."—G. Priest, Assistant Cashier People's Trust Co.; M. W. Miller, Secretary and Treasurer.

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REPORT NO. 1 OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS

The Bishops' Crusade in 1937 was pre-eminently a missionary movement and produced satisfactory results for our world-wide work. The financial result is understood by all of us and it is only necessary to state here that it was a great success.

The Bishops' Crusade for 1936 is a spiritual enterprise endeavoring to lead the Church into a deeper religious experience, to win people to faith in Christ and to commemorate the two hundredth anniversary of John Wesley's heart-warming experience in Aldersgate Street.

Your Conference Board of Missions enters into this phase of the Crusade with renewed interest and determination to do its best. We pray that it will be welcomed by our people and that the results will be as satisfying as was the first year's Crusade. We believe that a church-wide revival of religion is more needed now than ever before.

Secularism and materialism dominate the world and even threaten the Church. We pray for a general revival of vital spirituality throughout the bounds of our Conference and we enter into this great work with the General Board of Missions with all of our power.

We elect Dr. James Thomas as Missionary Secretary and request the Bishop to appoint him to this office. We elect the Rev. John F. Taylor as Conference Missionary and recommend his appointment to this position. We have done our best to encourage the Golden Cross Director, Neill Hart, and recommend that he be re-elected to this office. We recommend the appointment of Rev. David A. Weems to Y. M. C. A. work in New York.

We have set the dates and named the places for the Missionary Institutes to-wit:

Little Rock District—First Church, L. R., at 10:00 a. m. Feb. 1, 1938.

Pine Bluff District—First Church, Pine Bluff, at 10:00 a. m., Feb. 2.

Monticello District—At Monticello, at 10:00 a. m., Feb. 3.

Camden District—First Church, Camden, at 10:00 a. m., Feb. 4.

Arkadelphia District—At Arkadelphia, at 10:00 a. m., Feb. 8.

Prescott District—At Prescott, at 10:00 a. m., Feb. 9.

Texarkana District—At Texarkana, at 10:00 a. m., Feb. 10.

We have nominated and reported to the General Board of Missions at Nashville, under the law as passed at Jackson, Miss., Dr. J. D. Hammons and Mr. Carl Hollis.

We elect Dr. W. C. Watson to represent the General Board of Missions at the Missionary Institutes above named, and, in case it is impossible for him to attend, he is authorized to select some member of the Board to represent him.

We elect James Thomas and Harold D. Sadler to the Board of Managers of the Arkansas Pastors' School.

I am submitting the following statement:

We have received this year\$4,246.31
Which added to the surplus brought over 763.37
Making a total of\$5,009.68

We have as carefully as we know how, considered the requests of the Presiding Elders, who know more about the situation than even the Board of Missions, and make the appropriations in Treasurer's report below:

REPORT OF TREASURER OF BOARD OF MISSIONS

Amount on hand in reserve.....\$ 763.37
Amount received from Conference Treasurer 4,246.31
Total.....\$5,009.68

Appropriations
Arkadelphia District\$ 725.00
Camden District 540.00
Little Rock District 440.00
Monticello District 450.00
Pine Bluff District 550.00
Prescott District 700.00
Texarkana District 575.00
Total.....\$4,105.00
Amount in reserve.....\$ 779.68
JAMES THOMAS, Treas.

REPORT NO. 2 BOARD OF MISSIONS

We have given thought to the Missionary Council to be held in Savannah, Georgia, in January. Our accredited delegates are Dr. W. C. Watson, Chairman of the Conference Board of Missions, and Dr. James Thomas, Secretary-Treasurer. In addition to these accredited delegates, we have elected the following: Rev. and Mrs. S. T. Baugh, Dr. and Mrs. C. M. Reeves, Rev. and Mrs. H. D. Sadler, Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Hamilton, Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Dedman, and Rev. Edward Harris, Mrs. J. M. Stinson and Rev. and Mrs. Clem Baker. We are anxious that these elected delegates attend this Council as we believe it will mean much to us all and will give us a new vision and fill us with enthusiasm and inspiration.

After considering matters set forth in this report, the following resolutions were adopted: Be It Resolved: (1) That we welcome the leadership of the Bishops in the proposed Evangelistic Campaign and pledge to them, and especially to Bishop A. Frank Smith, the Director, our full cooperation in every aspect of the Movement. (2) That we especially urge our preachers and people to participate in all of the program that may be outlined for this work.—W. C. Watson, Chairman; James Thomas, Sec.

REPORT NO. 1 OF BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Before the Board we had President J. H. Reynolds and Dr. J. M. Williams, representing Hendrix College; Dr. W. E. Hogan, representing the General Board of Christian Education; together with the members of our Conference staff, with their reports and the Treasurer of the Board with his report. Our Conference year-books, showing all the details of our Board's operation, and our Treasurer's report will be placed in the hands of each preacher in the Conference, hence, we confine this report to our recommendations.

We recommend: (1) That College Week be observed in each local church in the Conference and that \$3,000 be set as the goal for a free-will offering to be taken on that day to be used for a scholarship fund for ministerial education, and that the President of Hendrix College with the Executive Committee of the Board of Christian Education be responsible for the administration of this fund. (2) That, in view of the growing needs, greater emphasis this year than ever before be placed upon the Christmas Offering for the Orphanage, seeking to reach a goal of not less than \$6000 from the churches of the Little Rock Conference. (3) That the Conference accept \$3,500 as its goal for Church School Day Offering and Young People's Anniversary combined, and that we strive to secure an offering for this purpose from every church in the Conference. (4) That the Young People's Anniversary be observed throughout the Conference on the date set by the General Board of Christian Education. (5) That our Presiding Elders be asked to serve as an enrollment committee to cooperate with the Board of Managers in securing attendance of all pastors at the 1938 session of the Arkansas Pastors' School. (6) That plans be made for bringing together all our rural pastors for special courses and conferences in connection with the Little Rock Training School the second week in March. (7) That J. H. Hollis be re-elected to represent the Little Rock Conference on the Board of Trustees of the Western Methodist Assembly. (8) That the following appointments be made: Professor Emory University, R. C. Rhodes; Vice-President and Professor Hendrix College, C. J. Greene; Student at S. M. U., Earl Walker. (9) That the Conference Commission on Budget continue the following appropriations for the Board of Education: Hendrix College, \$6,100.00; Conference promotion, \$6,100.00; Pastors' School, \$1,034. (10) That in view of the enlarged program for our Extension Work coming through the Rural Church Commission a re-

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REPORT NO. 1 OF BOARD OF FINANCE

Because of the appropriation of a large reserve fund we were able to make a substantial increase in the apportionment to our claimants for the year just closed. We were afraid we would not be able to maintain that increase for the year 1937-1938, but thanks to the increase in payments on Benevolences and the increase in income from the General Board of Finance we are also able to make a small increase in the apportionments for 1937-1938.

The following claimant has died during the year: Mrs. W. J. Davis.

Recommendations

1. That the Little Rock Conference confirm the election of J. D. Reynolds, as Commissioner and Trustee of the Little Rock Confer-

ence Board of Finance, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, with full authority to accept deeds to property for the said Board of Finance, and with full authority to execute deeds of conveyance for said Board of Finance as Commissioner and Trustee of same. Provided no deeds of conveyance shall be executed without the consent of this Board of Finance.

2. That our Conference acquiesce in the appointment of our Presiding Bishop, John M. Moore, of M. W. Miller as Conference Director of Superannuate Endowment for the ensuing year.

3. That M. W. Miller be designated as our Conference representative at the proposed meeting of the Executive Committee of the General Board early in the year 1938.—J. M. Workman, Chairman; M. W. Miller, Secretary-Treasurer.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE TREASURER

Amount Assessed	.....	\$90,428.00
(The Conference paid 57 plus per cent of this amount.)		
Amount Accepted by Churches	.....	53,626.00
(Which is 59 plus per cent of assessment.)		
Amount Collected by Pastors	.....	53,379.08
(Which is 99 plus per cent of accepted amount.)		
Arkadelphia District paid 98 minus per cent of Accepted Amount. 1937	.....	1936
Received from Pastors	.....	\$ 6,667.87
Camden District paid 100 plus per cent on Accepted amount.	.....	10,509.01
Received from Pastors	.....	9,179.00
Little Rock District paid 100 plus per cent of Accepted amount.	.....	13,927.50
Received from Pastors	.....	13,533.45
Monticello District paid 96 per cent of Accepted amount.	.....	5,337.55
Received from Pastors	.....	5,555.12
Pine Bluff District paid 100 plus per cent of Accepted amount.	.....	6,864.50
Received from Pastors	.....	6,802.00
Prescott District paid 98 plus per cent of Accepted amount.	.....	4,527.00
Received from Pastors	.....	4,287.03
Texarkana District paid 100 plus per cent of Accepted amount.	.....	5,545.65
Received from Pastors	.....	5,470.50
TOTALS	.....	\$53,379.08
Increase over last year	.....	2,242.36
	.....	\$53,379.08
Amount to be Disbursed	.....	\$53,379.08
Golden Cross		
Received from Pastors	.....	\$ 170.49
Hendrix College Loan Fund		
Received from Pastors	.....	\$ 1,688.87
	.....	\$ 1,284.04
Disbursements		
General Conference Boards	..... 50 % of \$53,379.08 equals	\$28,689.54
1. Administration Fund gets	..... .1150 % of 26,689.54 equals	3,069.30
2. American Bible Society gets	..... .0116 % of 26,689.54 equals	306.93
3. Assemblies	..... .0076 % of 26,689.54 equals	200.17
4. Board of Church Extension	..... .0720 % of 26,689.54 equals	1,921.65
5. Board of Christian Education	..... .1660 % of 26,689.54 equals	4,430.46
6. Federal Council of Churches	..... .0035 % of 26,689.54 equals	93.41
7. Board of Finance	..... .0450 % of 26,689.54 equals	1,201.03
8. Board of Lay Activities	..... .0225 % of 26,689.54 equals	600.51
9. Board of Missions	..... .4500 % of 26,689.54 equals	12,010.29
10. Negro Work	..... .0370 % of 26,689.54 equals	987.52
11. Theological Schools	..... .0700 % of 26,689.54 equals	1,868.27
TOTAL	..... 10000	\$26,689.54
Annual Conference Boards get	..... 50 % of \$53,379.08 equals	\$26,689.54
1. Board of Church Extension	..... .0493 % of 26,689.54 equals	1,315.79
2. Board of Christian Education	..... .2927 % of 26,689.54 equals	7,812.03
3. Board of Missions	..... .1591 % of 26,689.54 equals	4,246.31
4. Arkansas Methodist	..... .0752 % of 26,689.54 equals	2,007.05
5. Conference Claimants	..... .2875 % of 26,689.54 equals	7,673.24
6. Conference Expense	..... .0362 % of 26,689.54 equals	966.16
7. Orphanage	..... .0852 % of 26,689.54 equals	2,273.95
8. Board of Lay Activities	..... .0148 % of 26,689.54 equals	395.01
TOTAL	..... 1.0000	\$26,689.54

newed effort be made to enlist all our churches in the support of our Home and Foreign Mission Specials through Fourth Sunday Offerings. (11) We have elected Rev. Clem Baker Executive Extension Secretary for this Board and request his appointment to this office.

We have appointed the following members on various committees and joint commissions: With the Board of Church Extension, Arthur Terry, C. M. Reves, and Fred G. Roebuck. Board of Managers for the Arkansas Pastors' School, Leland Clegg, Clem Baker, S. T. Baugh, Kenneth Spore, and R. E. Fawcett. Joint Commission with North Arkansas Conference on Wesley Foundations, R. B. Moore, Leland Clegg, Clem Baker. With the Board of Missions, Leland Clegg, C. K. Wilkerson, and Clem Baker.

We have elected the following Executive Committee: Leland Clegg, R. B. Moore, C. K. Wilkerson, Clem Baker, J. S. M. Cannon, C. E. Hayes, C. M. Reves, Mrs. Clay Smith, K. L. Spore.

We pledge the support of our Board in carrying out the second phase of the Bishops' Crusade.

We are glad to report an increased attendance and the best year in all respects that our Western Methodist Assembly at Mt. Sequoyah has ever enjoyed. We heartily commend this Assembly and urge our pastors to keep their people advised of the opportunities afforded there and urge their leaders to attend the various schools and conferences held there during the summer.

In conclusion, we wish to thank Bishop Moore, our Presiding Elders, our Pastors, and various church officers throughout our Conference for their continued support of the work of this Board. Through this loyal support your Board has enjoyed what we believe has been the most profitable year of the present quadrennium.

Our Treasurer's report is attached and copies of same, together with the auditor's report will be contained in the year-book.

We also want especially to thank Dr. A. C. Millar for the continued support he has given us through the generous space afforded us in the columns of the ARKANSAS METHODIST. We feel that through this means we are getting even better publicity than we would through monthly bulletins, such as are used by several Boards of Christian Education throughout the Church.—Leland Clegg, Chairman; R. B. Moore, Secretary.

REPORT NO. 2 OF BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HENDRIX COLLEGE

Hendrix College is enjoying the best year since the depression. The initial enrollment this fall is the largest for several years. To date this year it is 355.

Re-issue of Diplomas.—A special feature of the 1937 commencement occasion was the re-issuing of diplomas to more than 300 former students of Central Collegiate Institute, the Arkadelphia Methodist College, Henderson College, Henderson-Brown College, Galloway Female College, Galloway Woman's College, and Hendrix-Henderson College. The privilege of re-issue has been extended through June of next year with a number of applicants already in hand.

Pressing Needs.—We call attention to the pressing needs of the College due to the following facts:

1. Growing subsidization of state schools.

2. Withdrawal of certain funds furnished during the depression years by the General Board of Education and other foundations, occasioned by the expiration of their contracts.

3. Increased attendance carrying with it demands for more dormitories and other physical equipment. The specific needs are as follows: Boys' dormitory (forty boys are now housed off the campus), girls' dormitory, chapel, dining hall, Fine Arts building. In addition to this there is a need for a million and a half more for endowment. The total for building and endowment, sorely needed in the immediate future, is two and a quarter million dollars.

Some Plans for Meeting These Needs.—Within recent months, the Alumni of the college have brought forward two plans to which we recommend careful consideration and approval:

1. Silver Jubilee.—The first plan is to celebrate President Reynolds' twenty-fifth anniversary as president of the College in 1938, by raising \$25,000 in cash within the year. This amount will be applied as the Trustees may direct. While this amount is sought from the Alumni, all interested lovers of Hendrix are invited to participate. This program will be led by Judge J. S. Utley, President of the Alumni Association, and Mr. Percy Goynes, Alumni Secretary.

2. Bequests.—The second plan is to organize a movement of many workers whose purpose will be to interest their friends in writing Hendrix College into their wills. Dr. J. D. Hammons of the Little Rock Conference has been selected to lead this movement, with Dr. J. M. Williams as Executive Secretary. Among the workers, all the preachers of this Conference should be the leaders, and to this number should be added twice as many laymen.

We heartily commend both the above plans and urge our entire membership, both, of preachers and laymen to throw their united support to their successful accomplishment. Hendrix has had fifty-three years of growth. It has passed the age of experiment. If Methodism in Arkansas means to endure and grow, it must know that its future and all that goes with it are indissolubly bound with the destinies of Hendrix College. Let us then have faith to challenge our people.

Trustees

The following trustees are recommended for election:

North Arkansas Conference: James W. Workman, to succeed himself, Wyatt Sanford, to be succeeded by Dan O. Harton of Conway.

Little Rock Conference: F. A. Buddin, to succeed himself.

Alumni Trustees: V. D. Hill, to be succeeded by Miss Darden Moose, nominated by the Alumni Association; Mrs. O. A. Graves, to be succeeded by her son, Albert Graves, nominated by the Alumni Association.

Trustees At Large: Governor Geo. W. Donaghey, to succeed himself.

In addition, the committee of the Board recommends that the Conference adopt the following resolution: To fill any other vacancy or vacancies in the Board of Trustees that may exist or that may occur during the year, the Conference authorize the Board of Trustees to fill, in the regular way, the vacancy or vacancies,

and that the Conference Boards of Christian Education, or their respective executive committee, be authorized to act for the Conferences in electing said trustee or trustees. The names of any person or persons thus elected are to be submitted to the Conferences for confirmation at the next regular session of the Conference.—Leland Clegg, Chairman; R. B. Moore, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES

Your Conference Board of Lay Activities reports that it has worked steadily during the year toward the accomplishment of the aims outlined at the beginning of the year.

Bishops' Crusade

To give every aid possible in carrying forward to successful conclusion the first objective of the Bishops' Crusade was one of the major aims of our Board. We rejoice that so many of our laymen entered wholeheartedly upon this task and contributed both time and money toward the success of this enterprise.

Your Board promises full support of the second phase of the Bishops' Crusade—Evangelism. The Church must never forget that its primary purpose is to carry the gospel to all the world. We should not, in this broad view of the scope of the gospel, forget the neighbor next door nor the man who works by our side in the office or shop. The flame that brings the "heart warming experience" is soon extinguished unless some of the warmth is communicated to others.

In cooperation with the Conference Board of Christian Education, we have set as one of the goals for 1938 visiting, and enlisting in some phase of the work of the church, every member whose name appears on the church rolls.

Stewardship and Church Finance

The heart of our whole program of Lay Activities is Stewardship. It is the heart of our religious life and spiritual growth. Stewardship embodies the essential relationship of man to God. This is not our world—it is God's world. Facing this elemental fact, we must conclude that man owns nothing save the treasures which he has stored in his own heart and the riches of his own personality. We have some things in our possession, but the title to them is with God, and to Him we must account for the use made of them. By using wisely the things which come into our possession, we make it possible for God to use us as co-laborers in building a better world. Time, talents, material possessions, the whole of personality all belong to God. What a glorious opportunity to consecrate all to Him for building the Kingdom of God in the hearts of men. This is Christian Stewardship in its mighty sweep and in its mighty call to the human soul.

This philosophy of life can be developed in the hearts of our people. It is not an impossible thing. Christian Stewardship is the answer to all the problems of our spiritual life and religious growth. More than that, it is the solution for all of the financial difficulties of the church.

We recommend: (1) That our pastors preach more often on Christian Stewardship. (2) That each Board of Stewards, in cooperation with the pastor, be brought as a group to give serious study to the

program of Lay Activities touching this vital matter. (3) That through the Board of Christian Education of the local church, courses in Stewardship be taught in the Adult and Young People's classes of the local school. (4) That every Board of Stewards, in cooperation with the pastor, seek to make the financial program of the church an integral part of its spiritual life, and the contributions of the membership a distinct phase of the worship service.

Benevolences

While there has been some small gain in the Acceptances, the Church is still far short of what it should be doing in this field. No church has fulfilled its obligation to the causes represented until it has honestly done all that it could. The leadership of the Church should acknowledge its own failure, in that it has not kept the membership fully informed of the work and needs represented.

We recommend: (1) That District-wide meetings be held as soon after Conference as practicable, bringing together all the stewards and pastors for the serious consideration of the Benevolent interests of the Church. (2) That the Conference Board of Education, in cooperation with the Board of Lay Activities, plan a systematic campaign of education, extending throughout the year and reaching every local church, to the end that the membership have definite information and a quickened conscience on Benevolences.

Training Work

It has been our good fortune to have Dr. G. L. Morelock, Secretary of the General Board of Lay Activities, with us for two Institutes for stewards and other church officials during the past year. The first of these was in the Prescott District, in the church at Hope. The second was in First Church, Little Rock, and for that District. Attendance at both of these institutes was good. The work of Dr. Morelock has furnished, and will continue to furnish, information and inspiration for greater progress in systematic Christian living and giving. We recommend that this training work for stewards and other church officials be carried on in every District through the pastors and such laymen as he may find capable and willing to give their time to the work.

Adequate Ministerial Support

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character and qualifications of its ministerial leadership. The minister can not do his best without adequate support. It is not simply that a living income be provided for the preacher, but the matter is vitally linked up with the value and efficiency of the church itself. We will work with other agencies of the Conference for an adequate support of our pastors.

Laymen's Day

Laymen's Day was observed generally throughout the Conference. We commend the continued setting apart of this day, the second Sunday in June, for the presentation of our Lay Program. The proposed topic for 1938 is "Why Go to Church?"

Temperance

Unquestionably, drunkenness has materially increased since the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment. Accidents directly attributable to drunken drivers have shown a marked increase. Before the days of Prohibition, the saloons were, for the most part, confined to the downtown areas and the slums. Now they have moved out into the residential section and on the boulevards. The old bar rail has disappeared. The saloon has been dressed up, and, as an added attraction, comely young women have been employed as barmaids. Every attempt which the ingenuity of the keenest minds of Liquordom can devise, has been used in the effort to make the business look respectable. But despite all these innovations, despite the fact that whiskey is passed over the counter by an attractive young woman, it still makes the customer drunk. It still makes him go out and wallow in the gutter of filth and commit every crime against which there is a criminal statute.

Proponents of legalized liquor set out to give us "true temperance." A few days since, it was reported in the daily press that two hundred and fifty of the Arkansas Retail Liquor Dealers Association completed organization of the group in a meeting in Little Rock. It was reported that they pledged a united front against bootlegging and lawlessness. "Real temperance in the state" was reported as their objective. It sounds like reports of the Japanese fighting for the defense of their country against Chinese aggression.

What is the church going to do about it? We might begin by suggesting that our own Methodist membership abstain from the use of intoxicating liquor. We could refuse to nominate persons for membership on Boards of Stewards who are known to drink or who are in sympathy with the liquor traffic. We can continue to put on temperance programs at Annual Conferences, District Conferences and other meetings.

We commend the General Board of Christian Education and the Publishing House for the splendid literature they are giving us on temperance. We urge Methodists to give loyal support to our pastors and church editors who are fighting for the cause of temperance and sobriety. We commend the work of the Anti-Saloon League and nominate A. C. Millar, J. H. Hollis, J. B. Withee, and W. R. Jordan as Conference representatives on the Arkansas Anti-Saloon League Board.

Nomination

Your Conference Board, in joint session with the Presiding Elders, nominate J. S. M. Cannon for Con-

ference Lay Leader, and Mrs. R. A. Thomas, of Little Rock, for Secretary-Treasurer.—J. S. M. Cannon, Conference Lay Leader.

Financial Statement

Receipts:	
Balance on hand	
Nov. 10, 1936	\$ 953.49
Received from Conf.	
Treas., sundry checks	425.95
Refund from Board of Education	61.58
Total	\$1,441.02
Disbursements:	
Annual Meeting for 1936	\$ 28.78
Treasurer's Bond	5.00
Typewriter Repairs	8.57
Printing	12.95
Stenographic work	10.00
Postage	9.30
Jan. Meeting of Board	45.83
October Meeting of Board	48.50
Travel Expense Conf.	
Lay Leader	166.55
Apportioned to Districts for District work	254.56
Balance in hands of Conf.	
Lay Leader	21.87
Balance on hand,	
Board Treasurer	829.11
Total	\$1,441.02
—J. S. M. Cannon, Conference Lay Leader.	

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM

We, your Committee on Evangelism, are profoundly grateful to Almighty God for the souls that He has added to the Kingdom this year. While definite figures are not yet available, the reports of the Presiding Elders indicate splendid revivals throughout the Conference and an increased number added to the Church on profession of faith.

We want to express our sincere appreciation to the Presiding Elders for the large place given to evangelism in our district gatherings.

We call special attention to the campaign of Visitation Evangelism put on in both the Little Rock and Camden Districts by Presiding Elders Hammons and Rule, and directed by Dr. Guy H. Black of Detroit. As already indicated in the reports of these two Presiding Elders, these campaigns resulted in a large number of additions to the church and we commend this phase of evangelism to other Districts wherever it seems practical to put it on.

We also call particular attention to the great campaign of revivalism led by the chairman of our Commission, who is also Presiding Elder of the Prescott District. We feel that Brother Baker has clearly demonstrated the value of the old-fashioned revival in country churches in restoring heart and life to the Methodist people of our rural communities.

We commend the work of evangelism that has been carried on through the Sunday Schools and Young People's organizations, but feel that there is still need of a much larger emphasis at this point in all our church schools.

We commend the Board of Managers of our Pastors' School for putting a strong course in Evangelism in the Pastors' School program, and urge our pastors to take advantage of these courses wherever offered.

We welcome the opportunity afforded Evangelism through the celebration of the second phase of the Bishops' Crusade.

We heartily endorse our Conference goal for reaching 5,000 new members on profession of faith this

year, but urge that while we are going after new members we do not forget the large number of people already on our church rolls who are practically lost to the Kingdom and urge our pastors to put major emphasis on finding all these lost church members and try again to identify them with the program of the church.

We pledge our support to Bishop A. Frank Smith, Director, and to our Conference Commission in carrying out every detail that may be outlined for promoting the Aldersgate Street campaign. In view of the unusual opportunity offered us in connection with this campaign and the dire need for some financial help in promoting this in some country districts, we offer the following resolutions: Resolved, That on Rural Church Sunday, which is to be observed in each congregation, the fifth Sunday after Easter, a love offering be taken in every church for promotion of revivals in our country churches. The promotion of this offering and the distribution of same to be left in the hands of this Commission in conference with the Presiding Elders.—J. D. Baker, Chairman; W. R. Jordan, Secretary.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMISSION ON CHURCH DEBTS

Your Conference Commission on Church Debts reports as follows:

We have had two meetings during the year. The first was in the spring, when we made a careful study of the whole debt situation of the Conference, charge by charge. We found that some charges are making regular payments on their indebtedness, with some prospects of ultimately paying out in full. Other charges have regularly paid their interest on the debts which they owe, but have made no reduction of principal for many years. Some charges, though only a few, have paid neither principal nor interest for some years past.

Your Commission thought that we should strive to create a debt-paying conscience in these charges. Perhaps, in some instances, pastors have not diligently and prayerfully led their charges in doing something about their debts.

We have, through personal contacts and through the ARKANSAS METHODIST, urged our membership to make an earnest, conscientious effort to materially reduce the indebtedness on church property.

Some weeks ago, we had a second meeting of the Commission. At this meeting, it was thought to be wise to check up on what has actually been accomplished in debt reduction through the year. Inquiry was made of all charges reporting debts at the last session of Conference. They were asked to show the amount of their debts at the beginning of the Conference year, the amount paid during the year, and, if no payments were made, to report whether any definite plans were being laid for future payments.

Requests for this information were sent to forty-three charges; twenty-five have reported. Of those reporting, twenty-one have paid a total of \$26,078.54 during the year. Others report plans well under way for material reductions on indebtedness at an early date. Two churches have paid in full. England, with an indebtedness of \$10,000.00, and Altheimer, with an indebtedness of \$4,723.00, both report

settled in full. Rison parsonage debt, \$461.00, has also been paid in full.

We know personally of some few other charges that have made payments, but no reports have been received from them by your Commission.

Some few charges seem to face impossible debt conditions. We can only suggest that sympathetic and helpful cooperation be given such charges with the hope that ultimately the best possible solution for both creditor and church may be worked out.

Since this report was written, we have been notified of other payments which would bring the aggregate of all payments for the year to more than \$30,000.00. We have reports indicating that within the next three months a number of churches are planning to make large payments on their indebtedness, which in the aggregate will amount to more than \$30,000.00.—J. S. M. Cannon, Chairman; Dan Pittman, W. W. Taylor, J. D. Hammons.

REPORT OF ORPHANAGE BOARD

We, your Orphanage Board, have studied carefully the report of the Board of Trustees and of Dr. James Thomas, our Superintendent, have visited the Orphanage in person and are glad to report that our Orphanage has had the best year that we have ever had. This is one of the most sacred institutions we have, and year by year is growing in its service to the Kingdom.

We find that all funds accruing to this Board have been carefully conserved and that in spite of rapid advance in cost of living, our Superintendent has kept the Orphanage on a cash basis.

We greatly appreciate the response from the Little Rock Conference to our appeal for the Christmas offering. Every year this offering increases, but our Conference has not yet reached what it could do if our laymen everywhere were fully informed of the work of this beautiful institution.

We, therefore, heartily endorse the recommendation of our Board of Christian Education, setting \$6,000 as our goal for the Christmas Offering this year. This can be easily reached and we urge our pastors to give an opportunity at every preaching service on Christmas

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Sunday, at every Sunday School session, every Young People's meeting, and, where people do not attend these services, to give them a personal opportunity to share in this fund.—Clem Baker, Chairman; C. A. Illing, Secretary.

REPORT OF BOARD OF CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

The literature published by our Church is of the highest order. Our Church School periodicals are in general use throughout the Church. Only a few schools order their literature from the outside. We urge that all Methodist Church Schools use Methodist literature.

The CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE is endeavoring to serve the Church as an expression of our life and thought and as a channel of denominational information. It should be liberally supported.

The WORLD OUTLOOK is a vital link to our world at large. Its circulation should be increased.

We recommend that the Conference ask every pastor to appoint a committee in each congregation whose duty it should be to canvass the congregation and also to contact all public libraries with reference to securing Anderson's History Of Arkansas Methodism.

The circulation of the ARKANSAS METHODIST, in proportion to membership, is greater than that of any other Conference Organ in our connection, and its popularity seems to be increasing.

The recommendations for the circulation of the ARKANSAS METHODIST are as follows:

1. Continue \$1.00 rate, but club rate at fifty cents for 100 per cent club.

2. Urge all pastors early in the year to make a vigorous and united circulation campaign for 100% clubs.

3. Request Bishop, Presiding Elders, and Lay Leaders to co-operate. Insist on the duty of all officials to take Conference Organ, especially during the coming year with many important issues pending.

4. Request the Conference to continue the same assessments.

5. Recommend the election of same editor, Dr. A. C. Millar, for one year.—A. J. Christie, Chairman; W. R. Burks, Secretary.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY REPORT

The American Bible Society is making progress in unifying its work with that of other Bible Societies abroad. The important work of translating, revising and publishing the Scriptures goes on. At the end of 1936 the whole Bible has been published in 176 languages, the New Testament in 214, portions or selections in 601 more, so that the Scriptures have now been published in 991 languages and dialects. During the year 1936, through its district and visional secretaries in the United States and its Agency secretaries abroad, the Society put in circulation, in upwards of forty countries, a total of over 7,760,000 Bibles, Testaments, Gospels and Portions, an increase of more than half a million over the preceding year; of this number more than three million volumes were distributed in the United States. It has distributed since the beginning of its work for the blind, over 125,000 volumes.

The Society asks that all churches observe Universal Bible Sunday, December 13. The customary material, including several new fea-

tures, for its observance, will be mailed free to pastors.

Your committee respectfully presents the following resolution:

Whereas, The American Bible Society is adapting its program of service to meet the changing demand of the day, and renders a unique service in translating, publishing, and distributing the Bible, a ministry of great importance in the life of the churches and indispensable to the whole missionary enterprise, be it resolved: First, That we express our hearty approval of the activities of the Society in deepening interest in the Bible and in promoting its circulation throughout the world; Second, That in as much as Sunday, December 12 has been designated as Universal Bible Sunday, the ministers and churches represented in this body be urged to take advantage of it.—F. C. Cannon, Chairman; W. T. Bone, Secretary.

DISTRICT MISSIONARY SECRETARIES

Arkadelphia District, Rev. Coy E. Whitten, 616 Ward Street, Hot Springs.

Camden District, Rev. George E. Reutz, Waldo.

Little Rock District, Rev. D. T. Rowe, Lonoke.

Monticello District, Rev. J. B. Hefley, McGehee.

Pine Bluff District, Rev. S. T. Baugh, 610 Dakota, Pine Bluff.

Prescott District, Rev. K. L. Spore, Gurdon.

Texarkana District, Edward Harris, Stamps.—James Thomas, Missionary Secretary, Little Rock Conference.

THE ALDERSGATE COMMEMORATION

The Committee on the Aldersgate Commemoration reported the same paper as that which was adopted by the North Arkansas Conference, and it was adopted. As it was published last week, it is not deemed necessary to reproduce it here. The following were appointed as the Aldersgate Committee: J. D. Hammons, chairman, representing Bishop John M. Moore; James Thomas, Conference Missionary Secretary; Clem N. Baker, Executive Secretary of Board of Christian Education; J. S. M. Cannon, Conference Lay Leader; Mrs. J. M. Stinson, President of Woman's Missionary Society; W. C. Watson, Bishops' Crusade Director for last year.

It was resolved to undertake to add 5000 members on profession of faith and to have an increase of 5000 in enrollment in the Church Schools, and an increase of not less than 10% in acceptances and payments on the General and Conference Benevolences.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION

Your Conference Board of Church Extension submits the following report: Many applications for aid have been received during the year, totaling many times the amount which the Board has for donation purposes. Of these applications, all of which are worthy no doubt, your Board has tried to select what seemed the most meritorious cases for such aid as could be granted.

It is hoped that a more satisfactory and practical plan for selecting charges to receive Conference aid has been worked out at this session of the Board.

By far the greater part of our

Woman's Missionary Department

MRS. A. C. MILLAR, Editor

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

TEXARKANA AUXILIARY

Mrs. F. E. Crockett, Mrs. R. B. Thompson and Mrs. Charles Robken were vestibule hostesses for the fellowship and program meeting of the Society on Monday at the church, Sixth and Laurel streets.

After the devotional and prayer, news from the Council Bulletin was given by Mrs. W. A. Bengel, and the council program topic, "Peace Leaven in Christian Missions," was presented under the leadership of Mrs. J. R. Wiseman, assisted by Mrs. W. A. Cato and Mrs. R. B. Coles, closing with prayer by Mrs. Wiseman.

The Harvest Day period, in charge of Mrs. J. S. Ragland, opened with a piano meditation by Mrs. C. J. Lauderdale, who played "Bringing In the Sheaves." The subject of Mrs. A. S. DeLamar's devotional was "Day of Prayer and Harvest Time," which was followed with a solo, "Satisfied With Jesus," by Mrs. Earle Haydon, accompanied by Mrs. Lauderdale.

After the "Ingathering of the Harvest," by Mrs. Ragland, prayers were voiced for two foreign missionaries, Miss Norene Robken and Miss Lucy Wade, who are supported by the Texarkana district.

Mrs. H. M. Harper talked on "The Responsibility of the Church." Miss Anna Cook played a piano solo, "Allegro di Moto," (Bach), and Mrs. E. Lee Tucker gave a reading, "The Angel Spoke." A spiritual life message, written by Marian Davies, was read by Mrs. A. T. Walker.

"Constructive Mission Work,"

donation funds have gone to aid churches in retiring debts of long standing. We trust that very soon now we may be able to place most of our funds where new buildings or needed repairs are under way.

We have extended aid through donations to eleven churches and parsonages amounting to \$1,430.00; aid to these charges through loans totals \$550.00.

Balance on hand for donation, Nov. 1, 1937\$ 512.08
Received from Conf. Treas. 773.49
Total.....\$1,285.57

Donations made at this session of Board\$ 975.60
Balance on hand\$ 309.97

Balance on hand for loans, Nov. 1, 1936\$ 990.38
Collected on loans during the year 619.48
Total.....\$1,609.86

Loans placed during Conf. year\$ 550.00
Balance on hand in Loan Fund\$1,059.86

—R. H. Cannon, Chairman; J. S. M. Cannon, Secretary.

CONFERENCE COMMISSION ON PASTORS' SALARIES

Arkadelphia District, J. P. Womack.

Camden District, C. M. Reves.

Little Rock District, J. T. Thompson.

Monticello District, Carl Hollis.

Pine Bluff District, R. H. Cannon.

Prescott District, Fred R. Harrison.

Texarkana District, A. L. Propps.

was explained by Mrs. J. R. Wilson who has supported a missionary to Cuba.

The calendar offering and prayer were in charge of Mrs. Ragland.

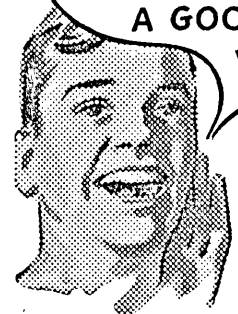
At noon a delicious luncheon was served by members of Circle Six, Mrs. Charles Wetzell, chairman. In the circle count, Circle Five, Mrs. C. L. Cabe, chairman had the largest attendance and was given the \$2 award for furtherance of its work.

The afternoon session opened with a hymn, "Revive Us Again," accompanied by Mrs. Watson, after which Mrs. A. R. McKinney conducted the business session. Announcement was made that the calendar offering and pledge, collected at this time, had amounted to \$140.15.

General reports of officers and committee chairmen were heard and the following new officers were announced: Mrs. A. B. Ross, honorary president; Mrs. A. R. McKinney, president; Mrs. R. B. Coles, vice president; Mrs. Watson Jopling, recording secretary; Mrs. J. R. Wiseman, corresponding secretary; Mrs. D. F. McLaurine, conference treasurer; Mrs. Lee J. Timberlake, assistant treasurer; Mrs. H. M. Harper, superintendent of mission study; Miss Kate Cargile, superintendent of Christian Social Relations; Mrs. Joe Fuqua, superintendent of supplies; Mrs. W. A.

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The next meeting will be in circles in the home on Nov. 15.

Sixty-two members were present. The meeting closed with the Mizpah benediction.

POCAHONTAS AUXILIARY

The Society met for the regular program Nov. 2 at the home of Mrs. John L. Bledsoe.

Mrs. James Shivley was leader for the program, theme of which was "The Bridge Builder, the Scale of the World."

Following is the program: Song, by group; prayer, Mrs. Bledsoe; Scripture lesson, Mrs. Shivley; meditation, Mrs. Sarah P. Spikes; "Millions Not Killing But Dying," Mrs. Elbert Owen; "The Missionary Expresses Christ's Universal Compassion," Mrs. Clem Cox; "The Missionary Lights, Candles in the World," Mrs. Mattie Johnston; sketches from the Bulletin, Mrs. Luther Harnden and Mrs. Johnston; sketches concerned the "Light of Our Missionaries in China and Japan."

Two missionary books have been studied this year and we are now taking the Bible study, "The Radiant Heart."

Mrs. Clem Cox, president, presided over the business session. She appointed Mrs. Elbert Owen to lead the December program meeting. The Week of Prayer was planned and a menu committee composed of Mrs. Charles Shivley, Mrs. Bledsoe and Mrs. Owen was appointed to plan the noon meal.

The following officers were elected to serve during the coming year: President, Mrs. Clem Cox; vice-president, Mrs. Robert Sallee; corresponding secretary, Mrs. John L. Bledsoe; local secretary, Mrs. Charles Shivley; auxiliary treasurer, Mrs. Luther Harnden; local treasurer, Mrs. Elbert Owen; superintendent of Social Relations, Mrs. Sarah P. Spikes; superintendent of publicity, Mrs. Mattie Johnston; superintendent of supplies, Mrs. J. W. Snodgrass; superintendent of children's work, Mrs. J. L. Bledsoe; superintendent of mission study, Mrs. Luther Harnden.

During the social hour the hostess, assisted by her daughter, Miss Lucy Belle, and Mrs. Charles Shivley, served refreshments to ten members and four visitors.—Mrs. Mattie Johnston, Supt. of Publicity.

TWENTY-EIGHTH STREET AUXILIARY

The Twenty-Eighth Street Society held its monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Wm. Warren, 2522 Howard street Nov. 19. In spite of extremely rainy weather there were twenty-three persons present.

The business session was held in the morning with good reports. A cooperative lunch was served at noon, followed by the program as outlined by our mission board. We have finished our story, "What Is This Moslem World?" with the best attendance and interest of any study we have had.

At our last session Nov. 1 we

were honored with the presence of Dr. Janet Miller, who gave us a richly illustrated talk on her trip to Persia.

Our Auxiliary is growing. We have received 19 new members this year. We are looking forward to the closing of a successful year's work.—Mrs. Edith Heuston.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT MEETING

The annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Little Rock District was held at Hunter Memorial Church October 26, with Mrs. T. E. Benton presiding. The congregation united in singing "He Leadeth Me," after which Mrs. Neill Hart led in prayer. Mrs. J. C. Monan welcomed the guests in the name of the hostess Auxiliary and Mrs. O. W. Petway responded. Mrs. Neill Hart was elected recording secretary.

Mrs. M. W. Miller of Primrose spoke briefly of the children's work and Mrs. Gaston Foote of Winfield gave suggestions for circles composed of business women. Mrs. J. M. Workman spoke at length of Spiritual Life groups. Her suggestions were most valuable.

A letter from Mrs. O. A. Graves was read concerning supplies for the fourth quarter. Mrs. Benton asked that each auxiliary comply with the request and also that the Status of Women be presented in each society. She reported that the district has met its quota for subscriptions to the World Outlook. A courtesy committee was appointed, composed of Mrs. E. P. Snodgrass, Mrs. V. M. Major and Mrs. Alton Shirey.

Excellent reports were made by the Auxiliaries and a count was taken of those present. Eighteen societies were represented with an attendance of 153. The following visitors were introduced: Mrs. Rachel O. Jordan, District Secretary of the Prescott District; Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Workman of Fordyce; Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Hammons, Rev. Otto Teague, Rev. R. B. Moore, Mrs. B. J. Reaves, Rev. R. H. Cannon, Mrs. S. J. Steed, Rev. D. T. Rowe, Rev. W. L. Arnold, Rev. A. E. Jacobs and Rev. M. W. Miller.

Mrs. E. L. Oliver of Hunter Memorial sang a beautiful solo, after which Mrs. J. M. Workman conducted the Bible Hour, using the theme "Life Is a Race." It was a thoughtful, moving message.

The noon announcements were made and the meeting was dismissed for the luncheon hour. The afternoon session was opened with prayer by the Rev. D. T. Rowe of Lonoke. A stimulating discussion on the Status of Women was held with arguments for and against clergy rights for women being heard.

Mrs. S. J. Steed reported on the Methodist Orphanage and asked that each circle in the District contribute \$1.00 for a fund for redecorating the kitchen. Mrs. B. J. Reaves reported on Christian Social Relations. Mrs. Benton read the financial statement of the first three quarters, during which time \$3,811.35 has been paid the conference treasurer.

Mrs. O. W. Petway was elected assistant district secretary. The invitation of First Church for the 1938 annual meeting of the District conference was accepted. The report of the courtesy committee was read and the meeting was adjourned after prayer led by Mrs. Gaston Foote.

TEXARKANA MEETINGS

Meeting for the first of a series of three prayer programs, the Society met Monday afternoon with Mrs. Has Owen leading the program.

A musical meditation was given by Mrs. D. L. Venable and prayer by Mrs. Owen preceded a talk on "Comradship With God" by Mrs. J. W. Mann. Various phases of the topic, "Along Life's Highway," were given by Mrs. R. B. Coles. Mrs. J. R. Collins, Mrs. Has Owen and Mrs. W. A. Benge.

A song, in keeping with the program, was followed with prayer by Mrs. J. S. Ragland, Mrs. Albert Little spoke on "The Deaconesses of the Church," and Mrs. Lynn Smith talked on "The Place of Missions in the Church."

Silent prayer and prayer, voiced by Mrs. Owen, closed the meeting.

The second of a series of prayer programs was observed Wednesday afternoon, with Mrs. M. F. Meissner in charge.

After a musical meditation by Mrs. C. J. Lauderdale, accompanist for the afternoon, the program was given in the following manner: Duet, "Sweet Hour of Prayer," Mrs. Earle Haydon and Mrs. R. E. Martin; talk, "Serving Him," Mrs. Meissner; duet, "More Love to Thee," Mrs. Haydon and Mrs. Martin; meditation theme, "Serving Him," read by Mrs. Dink Couch, closed with prayer by Mrs. A. R. McKinney; duet, "To Thee, eternal Soul," Mrs. Haydon and Mrs. Martin.

A playlet, "At the Hour of Three," an explanation of the retirement relief fund, was given by Mrs. R. B. Coles, Mrs. H. B. Wren, Jr., and Mrs. W. A. Benge.

Mrs. Meissner voiced the closing prayer.

The third in a series of prayer programs concluded a week's observance of prayer for home missions Thursday afternoon at the church, Sixth and Laurel streets.

Mrs. D. F. McLaurine conducted the program, which opened with the devotional by Mrs. McLaurine, and meditation and song, "I Love To Tell the Story" by Mrs. D. L. Venable.

"Witnessing for Christ" was the subject of Mrs. J. R. Wiseman and prayer was voiced by Mrs. A. S. DeLamar.

Mrs. Ernest Bauer gave the topic, "Defying or Denying," which was followed by a solo, "Spirit of God Descend" by Mrs. Earle Haydon, who also led group singing of "Jesus Calls."

"Prayer and Witnessing" was the subject of Mrs. McLaurine and Mrs. H. M. Harper voiced the closing prayer.

ZONE MEETING AT HUMPHREY

Zone No. 2 of Pine Bluff District met at Humphrey Nov. 3. Mrs. C. L. O'Daniel, District Secretary, had charge of program and presided in absence of Zone Chairman. Meeting opened with quiet music by Mrs. Dale Henderson, who served as pianist for the day.

Mrs. O'Daniel led the morning devotional, using Prayer as her subject. She read Luke 11:1-13.

Mrs. Brunson of Sherrill gave a talk on the value of proper presentation of World Outlook, stressing the wonderful collection of material to be found in our publication, not only for our work but also for school children. A talk on Supplies by Mrs. Lovett of Grady was full of information and interest to all.

A talk on some attributes of a

president by Mrs. Duff, Wabbaseka. This was most interesting and brought out the many beautiful thoughts centered around the leader of a missionary society.

Mrs. O'Daniel read a letter from Mrs. Helen Horne dealing with the coming election of officers.

Roll call of Societies was answered by short reports of work done.

Lunch was served at noon by the Humphrey Auxiliary.

Report of Nominating committee chairman, Mrs. E. K. Butts, Pine Bluff. Secretary, Mrs. T. S. Lovett, Grady. The spring meeting will be held at Sherrill.

A dedication service followed honoring our retired missionaries and deaconesses, led by Sara Roberts.

"Service" was the theme for this well planned devotion. She read Matthew 27:36-47. Closed her talk with a poem and a solo.

Quiet music was played during the calling of roll of missionaries and deaconesses by Mrs. J. G. Mouser. Those taking part formed a line. At close of roll call Sara Roberts lighted a candle and Mrs. O'Daniel gave fitting tribute to those faithful ones who had served well and long. Each one in the line called the name of a missionary as they lighted one of the 48 candles on the altar. Gathered at the beautifully decorated and lighted altar we re-dedicated our lives to the cause as we sang together "O Jesus I Have Promised" and had sentence prayers. These missionaries and deaconesses were brought into closer fellowship with each of us and their lives had inspired us to do our best. This closed a very impressive service and a good day together.

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HENDRIX COLLEGE NEWS

As a result of formal action by the recent Annual Conferences, the Hendrix College Board of trustees now has in its membership its first Hendrix woman graduate and its youngest member in history. The new members are Miss Darden Moose of Little Rock and Albert Graves of Hope. They will serve on the Board as representatives of the Alumni Association, of which organization both are past presidents.

Miss Moose, also a member of the Alumni Board of Governors, has been prominent in women's Democratic circles and an active

member of the Methodist church. She is past Regional Director of the National Association of Woman Lawyers and was the first president of the Arkansas Council of Woman Lawyers. She is deputy clerk of the United States District Court at Little Rock.

Albert Graves, Mayor of Hope, the youngest member ever to serve on the Hendrix Board, replaces his mother, Mrs. O. A. Graves, also of Hope. One of the most brilliant students Hendrix has had, he graduated in 1931, went to Harvard Law School for a degree, and returned to become one of the youngest mayors Arkansas has ever had. He has also been active in the Methodist church and recently headed a committee which removed a \$9,000 debt on the church at Hope.



MISS DARDEN MOOSE

ALBERT GRAVES

ANNUAL REPORT 1936-37, OF NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE

Batesville District	
Central Avenue	\$ 74.62
Batesville, First Church	200.00
Bethesda	8.27
Cushman	25.10
Calico Rock	14.28
Gassville	1.53
Cotter	28.29
Desha	5.93
Salado	4.96
McHue	2.53
Cave City	9.54
Evening Shade	8.11
Sidney	3.00
Wiseman	2.00
Mountain Home	10.00
Mt. View	12.00
Moorefield	31.14
Sulphur Rock	10.14
Newark	25.20
Newport, First Church	68.99
Oak Grove	13.95
Salem	12.00
Lauratown	1.12
Swifton	8.61
Alfalfa	4.81
Tuckerman	41.74
Hope	2.11
New Hope	1.92
Viola	6.02
Wesley's Chapel	.21
Weldon	46.13
Yellville	5.00
TOTAL	\$689.25
Conway District	
Atkins	\$40.00
Belleville	11.81
Conway	125.00
Salem	5.00
Danville	42.29
Dardanelle	31.52
Centerville	5.10
Greenbrier	7.76
Bigelow	2.63
Lamar	3.00
Knoxville	4.05
Levy	5.60
Merrilton	20.00
Mt. Vernon	1.00
North Little Rock, First	75.00
Gardner Memorial	43.98
Washington Avenue	12.00
Plainview	6.02

Plummerville	4.50
Adona	3.50
Oppelo	1.00
Perry	4.00
Perryville	10.00
Russellville	60.00
Mt. Carmel	10.50
Vilonia	16.44
Waltreak	1.00
TOTAL	\$552.70

Fayetteville District	
Bentonville	\$ 49.31
Berryville	1.95
Centerton	16.46
Council Grove	9.45
Oakley's Chapel	7.65
Cincinnati	3.70
Elm Springs	18.46
Harmon	9.35
Thornsberry	3.96
Eureka Springs	30.60
Farmington	2.07
Goshen	.73
Fayetteville	174.60
Gravette	8.34
Falling Springs	1.75
Green Forest	17.41
Lincoln	4.00
Viney Grove	6.00
Morrow	4.60
Pea Ridge	6.29
Tuck's Chapel	2.83
Avoca	7.00
Prairie Grove	46.03
Rogers	42.18
Siloam Springs	40.14
Springdale	84.65
Springtown	21.64
Highfill	1.50
Monte Ne	6.60
War Eagle	2.59
Winslow	3.00
TOTAL	\$632.84

Fort Smith District	
Alma	\$ 17.10
Mulberry	10.45
Altus	11.00
Booneville	60.00
Branch	4.97
Ratcliff	6.75
Charleston	3.00
Cole's Chapel	3.00
Clarksville	42.00
Mt. Olive	2.75
Fort Smith, First	169.02
Dodson Avenue	65.00
Midland Heights	24.00
Second Church	18.00
Greenwood	20.45

Huntington	29.92
Bonanza	8.38
Bethel	2.50
Midland	1.50
Hartford	12.00
Hartman	5.04
Hay's Chapel	6.50
Mt. Zion	2.50
Spadra	5.00
Kibler	5.59
Dyer	1.00
Mt. View	11.52
New Hope	4.00
Lavaca	2.40
Central	2.50
Oak Grove	1.00
Mansfield	39.17
Magazine	3.17
Ozark	42.25
Gar Creek	10.13
Grenade Chapel	7.31
Paris	99.21
Prairie View	3.00
Scranton	6.00
New Blaine	1.20
McKendree	1.20
Pee Dee	.60
South Fort Smith	12.00
Van Buren, First Church	48.94
City Heights	11.00
East Van Buren	12.65
Waldron	20.50
Mt. Pleasant	.41
Square Rock	5.65
TOTAL	\$883.23

Helena District	
Aubrey	\$ 10.03
Brinkley	22.02
Clarendon	14.25
Crawfordsville	17.50
Colt	4.36
Wesley's Chapel	8.26
Earle	46.99
Melwood	8.00
Forrest City	120.00
Harrisburg	24.00
Haynes	19.98
Lexa	12.07
LaGrange	6.92
Helena	131.25
Holly Grove	52.29
Hughes 1	30.00
Hulbert	19.90
West Memphis	45.39
Marianna	15.00
Parkin	36.55
Cherry Valley	12.84
Vandale	11.24
Hickory Ridge	18.88
West Helena	1.00
Brasfield	2.00
Wheatley	12.00
Tuni	4.00
Widener	17.04
Wynne	10.00
TOTAL	\$733.76

Jonesboro District	
Blytheville, First	\$100.00
Blytheville, Lake Street	2.80
Promised Land	5.34
Yarbro	17.38
Bono	5.37
Mt. Carmel	1.36
Trinity	5.00
Brookland	11.00
New Haven	1.75
Dell	12.35
Half Moon	3.00
Joiner	16.89
Jonesboro, First Church	100.00
Jonesboro, Fisher Street	18.00
Jonesboro, Huntington Ave.	4.00
Leachville	29.88
Lepanto	22.71
Luxora	26.27
Kelser	18.34
Manila	20.88
Marion	95.91
Marked Tree	48.00
Monette	36.00
Black Oak	27.88
Macey	9.62
Nettleton	20.08
Osceola	25.90
Trumann	36.00
Wilson	20.00
TOTAL	\$740.81

Paragould District	
Biggers	\$ 5.52
Corning	49.22
Ravenden Springs	5.82
Hoxie	25.77
Portia	3.50
Imboden	6.61
Shiloh	1.00
Warren's Chapel	2.00
Mammoth Spring	18.65
Marmaduke	11.58
Harvey's Chapel	1.78
Paragould, First Church	25.49
Paragould East Side	35.62
Bard	2.75
Oak Grove	.61
Knobel	5.23
Piggott	44.46
Pocahontas	51.37
Oak Grove	4.36
Rector	28.50
Mt. Zion	3.55
Emmons Chapel	12.00
Walnut Ridge	23.18
Old Walnut Ridge	6.13
TOTAL	\$374.70

Searcy District	
Antioch	\$ 4.45
Floyd	1.00
Augusta	37.06
Beebe	55.52
Bald Knob	18.34
Cabot	30.00
Austin	2.00
Jacksonville	2.00
Cato	5.24
Clinton	17.71
Cotton Plant	38.12
Revel's	6.00
Gregory	6.45
Griffithville	4.41
Higginson	11.45
Harrison	51.64
Alpena	11.37
Capps	1.00
Bellefonte	10.01
Basen	2.50
Valley View	.45
Heber Springs	45.65
White Hall	5.45
Hunter	18.36
Wiville	2.03
Bradford	15.30
Judsonia	6.50
Kensett	3.28
Leslie	17.59
Marshall	2.00
McCrary	63.05
Howell	1.09
DeView	2.53
Patterson	7.28
Fake's Chapel	7.51
Moore's Grove	1.46
Garner	6.92
Copperas	2.59
Lebanon	1.84
McRae	22.26
Section	2.06
Pangburn	7.35
Oak Grove	2.83
Mt. Pisgah	4.04
Central	.24
Goodloe	.55
Mt. Pleasant	1.04
Enders (Sulphur Springs)	2.60
Quitman	28.32
Rosebud	.82
Searcy, First Church	60.00
Valley Springs	13.42
Smyrna	7.72
TOTAL	\$680.40

Standing by Districts

Fort Smith	\$883.23
Jonesboro	740.81
Helena	733.76
Batesville	689.25
Searcy	680.40
Fayetteville	632.84
Conway	552.70
Paragould	374.70
TOTAL	\$5,287.69

Note: This is the largest amount of offering to the Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise paid by the Church schools of the North Arkansas Conference during any one of the five years I have served as Executive Secretary. Each month this year has surpassed the offering of the same month of 1936. Let us make November and December offerings larger than November and December of 1936. We shall be waiting for your answer to this challenge.—Ira A. Brumley.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT BANQUET

About one hundred members of the Young People's Department of the First Methodist Church of Malvern and invited guests met at the church Monday evening, November 8, to enjoy a banquet and get-together given by the adult members of the church. Dr. W. C. Watson is pastor. The members of the Men's Bible Class served the dinner and it was a fine one. The Wesleyan Church School class decorated the tables which were centered with pumpkins overflowing with fruit arranged in a bouquet of autumn leaves and chrysanthemums. Favors of hand-made turkeys marked each guest's plate. While the banquet was being served, J. T. Alderson acted as toastmaster, which he is so capable of doing. The entire group enjoyed singing and a number of duets, quartets, and violin solos were given. This was one of the finest banquets and get-togethers the young people of this church have ever enjoyed, and the adults are to be complimented for their work and interest in the young people.—Reporter.

Give a copy of Anderson's History of Arkansas Methodism as a birthday present.

CHURCH NEWS

ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE

On account of the crowded condition of the METHODIST, I am making my communication short.

I have gone through two of the best Conferences that I have ever attended, the North Arkansas and Little Rock. The fellowship was delightful and beautiful. So many people are waking up in their care of the Home for Motherless and Fatherless children. I do hope that this Christmas will be the greatest we have ever had.—James Thomas, Executive Secretary.

NEW EDINBURGH CHARGE

No one ever served a more loyal and faithful people than those of the New Edinburgh church. In spite of many handicaps they have paid in full their salaries and collections and kept up all expenses of the church.

They have treated the preacher and wife with the finest kind of friendship and co-operation all the year. They are one set of Methodists that realize the Church will not run itself, but must be taken care of by its friends.

The other churches of the charge have been in many respects exceedingly kind to us, but have not worked at their job as they should. They have left too much to luck and are behind badly on salaries, except Hebron. They would have been out but for the last two days of the Conference year being rainy.

Edinburgh, Hebron, and Wheeler Springs paid out on Conference collections. All in all we have had very pleasant year.—C. N. Smith, P. C.

REPORT OF PARAGOULD DISTRICT

E. B. WILLIAMS, P. E.

(This was received too late for last week.—Ed.)

Amidst many difficulties the Methodists of Paragould District have shown their loyalty to the Church this year in a number of ways. 320 members have been added on profession of faith, 339 by certificate and otherwise, making a total of 659. This is a net increase of 336 members.

Paid on Benevolences an increase over last year of \$233.

There has been a further reduction of church and parsonage debts in this District of \$13,616. Five churches and one parsonage have been cleared of their debts in two years. There are still three churches and two parsonages with debts totaling \$25,370. Of these only one is embarrassing us at the present time, and we hope it will be taken care of shortly. The church debt at Piggott has been reduced from \$16,000 to \$3,750. The interest has been paid on the debt at Walnut Ridge up to date and \$500 has been paid on the principal. The long-standing debt at Hoxie has been paid in full and the church was dedicated by Bishop Moore on Sunday morning, October 31.

Definite progress in the work of our Master has been made in the Paragould District this year. Most of our pastors and a large number of our laymen have withheld none of their loyalty and devotion in carrying on the work of the Kingdom and the presiding elder takes this occasion to express his deep gratitude and undying appreciation to the fine pastors and laymen with-

out whose devotion and sacrifices the work could not have been done.

FAREWELL RECEPTION AT AUGUSTA

The members of the Methodist Church gave a farewell reception Monday night, November 8, in the basement of the church in honor of Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Glover, to show the appreciation for the good work they have done in this church for the past six years. Bro. Glover's supervision and work on the construction of the new church in Augusta saved the congregation several thousand dollars. Handsome black leather bags, with a fitted case for Mrs. Glover, were given by the church members and presented by Mrs. Edmond Dale. Rev. and Mrs. Glover both responded. The James Glover class also presented Rev. and Mrs. A. M. Hedges, who are leaving, with a gift. Bro. Hedges will be pastor of the Antioch Circuit. Members of the Young Business Men's Club were special guests of the occasion and also members of the Presbyterian Church, due to the fact that the Presbyterians have no regular pastor and a number of their members attend the Methodist church regularly.

The church was decorated with the large specimen of chrysanthemums in orchid, yellow and white. Delicious foods consisting of baked chicken and dressing, giblet gravy, cranberry sauce, roast, salads, pies, cakes and coffee filled the entire length of the table which was served buffet style.—Reporter.

OUR MESSENGER TO BRAZILIAN METHODISM

Bearer of messages of goodwill from Methodist Episcopal and Methodist Episcopal Church, South, clienteles, Dr. George L. Morelock, of Nashville, Tenn., Secretary of the Board of Lay Activities for the Southern Division of Methodism, left via plane from Miami, Fla., Nov. 11, to conduct a goodwill tour of Brazil under the direction of Bishop Cesar Decarso, of the Brazilian Methodist Church. Dr. Morelock is under engagement to talk to Brazilian ministers and laymen concerning the laymen's movement of which he is head. After visiting Southern Methodist centers in Brazil, he has accepted an invitation of Northern Methodist leaders to visit Buenos Aires, Santiago, Montevideo and other centers in the territory of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Dr. Morelock expects to return to his headquarters in Nashville shortly before Christmas.

SMALL SECTS IN AMERICA

Dr. Elmer T. Clark, prominent author and assistant secretary of the Methodist Board of Missions, at Nashville, Tenn., has a new book off the Cokesbury Press, "Small Sects in America." Dr. Clark's book is a scientific study of some 200 religious cults. It is written in a popular, though thoughtful, vein and reveals the author's understanding of religious psychology and his expertness in observing and recording human mass movements. Concerning it Dr. Paul Neff Garber, of Duke University, has said: "This scholarly work on the history, theology, and psychology of the small religious sects in this country is a fascinating and trustworthy volume on an interesting phase of contemporary religious history. The author's unusual research ability, his sound scholarship and popular

literary style have admirably equipped him to produce such a book."

NATIONAL METHODIST STUDENT CONFERENCE

A strong speaking platform has been arranged for the National Methodist Student Conference to be held at St. Louis, Mo., December 28-31, sponsored by leaders of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and Methodist Protestant Church. As announced by Dr. Harvey C. Brown, of Nashville, representative of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, the following program speakers have been secured: the Rev. Harold Metzner, pastor, Waterville, Maine; Dr. E. F. Tittle, pastor First Methodist Episcopal Church, Evanston, Ill.; Dr. W. A. Smart, Professor Biblical Theology, Emory University, Atlanta, Ga.; Dr. Nelson P. Horn, president Baker University, Baldwin, Kansas; Bishop James E. Baker, San Francisco Area, Methodist Episcopal Church; Dean Howard Thurman, D. C.; Bishop Paul B. Kern, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Durham, N. C., and the Rev. T. T. Brumbaugh, of Japan.

One thousand students attending institutions of higher learning in the United States are expected to attend the Conference. Quotas have been allocated to the three denominations and state and denominational colleges and universities are beginning to register the delegates at headquarters of the participating denominations. Nov. 20 has been set as the deadline for acceptance of state quotas. Many colleges have asked for additional delegates and if any state quotas remain unfilled by the deadline date they will be distributed to colleges applying for the extra delegates.

The purpose of the Conference is to interpret Christian principles in the light of the world today and to foster "united Christian action in a changing world." Special attention will be given to discussion of ways and means of making Christian living effective on the college campus.

OUR FEDERAL COURTS

Why does our Constitution provide for a system of federal courts? "There are in the Constitution," says Daniel Webster, "grants of powers to Congress, and restrictions on these powers. There are also prohibitions on the States. Some authority must, therefore, necessarily exist, having ultimate jurisdiction. . . . The Constitution has itself . . . established that authority . . . by declaring that 'the Constitution and the laws of the United States, made in pursuance thereof, shall be the supreme law of the land. . . . No State law is to be valid which comes in conflict with the Constitution, or any law of the United States passed in pursuance of it."

"But who shall decide this question of interference? To whom lies the last appeal? This the Constitution itself decides also, declaring (Article III) that 'the judicial power (of the Court) shall extend to all cases arising under the Constitution and laws of the United States.'"

"These two provisions cover the whole ground," concludes Webster. "They are, in truth, the keystone of the arch. . . . In pursuance of these clear and express provisions, Congress established at its very first session, in the Judicial Act, a mode

for carrying them into full effect and for bringing all questions of constitutional power to the final decision of the Supreme Court. It, then, became a Government. It then had the means of self-protection; and, but for this, it would in all probability have been now (1832) among the things which are past."—Max Berns.

MEMORIAL ADDRESS

(Delivered by Dr. C. J. Greene, at the Little Rock Conference Memorial Service.)

To honor the memory of our fallen comrades in memorial service, whatever may be recalled of their high and sterling qualities and of their ministry of gladness to the world, brings to us a spirit of solemnity and more than a touch of sadness and regret. Sadness and regret at the loss of fellowship that can never be wholly replaced; solemnity brought by another of the oft-repeated reminders of the uncertainty and the brevity of life and of its loved and unfinished tasks.

But I am sure that those who precede us to the better land would have us use their going as an occasion for taking fresh and firmer grasp of the facts and truths that are fundamental for our adjustment to, and wise living in, the sort of world God has provided for our temporary home. A glance at one or two of these basic facts and eternal verities may bring us somewhat of comfort and reinforced courage.

I think the major fallacy in the life philosophy of many of us may be named by the word immediacy. We want that which is near in time and in space. Too often we demand that, if we hold up our heads and sing and praise and pray and love, we must have life's rewards following upon us in a pretty steady stream. Some of us carry the Santa Claus stage with us down through the years. If the "sugar stick" and

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the glittering toy we promised ourselves do not come around in due season, we may look up and find our spiritual skies overcast.

We dare not forget that our lives are rooted in the eternal purpose of God; that to Him no surprise can come; no circumstance that He can not turn to our profit; no frustration of His wisdom and love. We can not always demonstrate the truth expressed in poetry, but our faith takes eager and comforting hold on the words, "Earth hath no sorrow that heaven can not heal."

Another aspect of the fallacy of immediacy is that people expect ends without the use of means. When the Master said that we should count ourselves unprofitable servants when we had done all that we could, the implication seems clear that we are expected to lay ourselves out without limit in body, intellect, and moral and spiritual capacity. This involves the preservation, conservation, enhancement and use of all our being in due balance and proportion. We can not afford to ride hobbies or nurse antipathies and expect to win the approval of human judgment or the divine will. Furthermore, patient endurance in the midst of all sorts of distress is a necessary means to achieving those values upon which we set our hearts. The young Joseph dreamed of a day when he would be the head of his father Jacob's house. He had no idea what the fulfillment of the dream would cost, but he paid it to the last farthing. He was sold into slavery, a woman of position and power made off repeated efforts to batter down the walls of his personal integrity; he was miserably lied on, imprisoned, forgotten. Through all these experiences the light of faith in God burned steadily in his soul. Goaded by seeming misfortune and inspired by the gleam, the powers of his intellect and his soul were so released and matured, that, at the age of thirty, he was called to handle the problem of Egypt's seven years of superabundant harvests. Finally his boyhood dream came true. His sheaf stood upright and the sheaves of his brothers stood round about and made obeisance to his. But it was not his to exult over his distinction and prominence. His elevation to the headship of his father's house was a minor incident in his task of carrying the burdens of an empire in a seven year's famine.

A third aspect of the fallacy of immediacy is the demand on the part of a person that he shall have a reasonable degree of wealth, freedom from misfortune, recognition and credit. Or, it may take the form of a demand that, if one stay in a good humor with man and God, these values must not fall in a thicker shower around the feet of others than of one's self. If cir-

cumstances seem to obstruct our way and we are tempted to self-pity, or otherwise finding excuse for living on a lowered plane of loyalty and enthusiasm, we may be reborn to faith and courage by keeping much in the focus of attention these facts:

1. While no one has yet been able to understand why there is suffering in the world, it is a fact that suffering, in its thousands of forms, has called out man's power over the hidden forces of nature to a miraculous degree, and provoked human sympathy and tenderness and patience and forgiveness that cover the earth like the smile of God.

2. "For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself. For 'whether we live, we live unto the Lord, and whether we die, we die unto the Lord: whether we live therefore, or die, we are the Lord's.' If we could, or would, live even in a marginal consciousness of all that is implied in these words, there would be set up in our souls a sense of bigness and greatness and certitude which would forever break the power of whatever circumstance might threaten to disturb seriously the peaceful and purposeful onflow of our lives. We are individuals. Within the boundary line, invisible but none the less real, which sets each life off from all the rest, a person is, or can be, to a large degree, overseer and governor. He can stand at the gate and refuse admittance to whatsoever is untrue, unclear or unkind. As all nature and all people by their form and moving are always revealing themselves, each of us may open the gate of his life and inform himself with truth and wonder and beauty and worship. From here it is but a few steps to that altitude where the veil is taken away and one sees a little way into the ultimate harmony of creation and the glory of the Creator. Then he knows that all things are his, his property, his riches—all things, 'whether Paul or Apollos, or Cephas, or the world, or life or death, or things present, or things to come: all are his: and he is Christ's, and Christ is God's.'"

To be sure, one must leave the sunlit mountain top and descend to the valley where much of humanity is writhing in pain. But, in the presence of the task of relieving human ills, which is appalling in its bigness, he is sustained by the warmth and glow of the vision splendid; and he can carry on with joy, being confident that he is working in harmony with the measureless power and wisdom and love of God. Furthermore, he knows that all who have lived and died, have lived and died under the watchful eye of Him who is love, and so shall all who now live and shall live hereafter. He knows that he is bound up in an unbreakable brotherhood through which God is working out his purpose of good.

When we celebrate the translation of our comrades, we are not marking events from which God was absent, dark though the time may have seemed. God was with those who went away; He was with those who were bereaved; He was with the cause that seemed to suffer loss. He is with us here and now to stir and lift our hearts to gratitude for the brotherhood, and confidence that He who has brought us on thus far will safely lead us on "to that far off divine event to which the whole creation moves."

FOR THE CHILDREN

THE DARK

One night I ran out in the dark
About our yard to play.
Old Nurse ran to fetch me in
And said, "You must not stay

"Outside at night. The Big Black Dark
Will get you, quick as scat!"
My father's eyes grew wide and cross;
He said, "Enough of that!"

And then he took me by the hand
And let me out of doors;
I followed him about the yard
While he did little chores.

He showed me every bush and tree
Was just the same as day,
And said the only difference was
The sun had gone away.

He told me both the day and night
Were kind friends God had made,
And made me promise all my life
I'd never be afraid.—Ava W. Wans-
gagard in Richmond Advocate.

LITTLE SISTER'S FAVORITE STORY

Jan had learned to read, but Little Sister Jessie had not even been to school yet. So after supper Janie took her story book, and sat down on the couch hammock to read a story to Little Sister.

Each evening, as they turned over the papers, Janie would say, "What story shall I read tonight?" and every time Little Sister would look up with the sweetest smile and say, "The Chinaboy story!"

So Janie would turn to the pretty picture of the little Chinese boy in his red suit, and begin.

"Once upon a time there was a little Chinese boy named Ah-fu, who lived in a very funny house on the river. It was a boat-house. It was not on the bank of the river, but right out on the water.

"Ah-fu was born in the boat-house. When he was a baby he was wrapped up in his bright dress and put in a corner of the deck of the boat for his nap, every day. He wore a silk cap made of red and gold and his bright eyes saw pretty sparkling waves wherever he looked.

"When Ah-fu was about three years old (just as old as Little Sister was last year), he had a new baby sister. Her name was Chi Che. He loved her and took care of her on the deck of the boat-house.

"Sometimes the boat rocked up and down like a hammock. The water seemed to sing, and the baby slept. Sometimes it rocked hard and the rain came down, and the baby cried.

"When the baby slept, Ah-fu used to watch the fishermen and the children on the other boat-houses. He had never been off his own boat in all his life. He ate and slept and helped his mother fix the rice in the bowls for supper and sat beside his father while he fished—but he never went off the boat.

"One day another boat came along and stopped beside Ah-fu's house-boat. An old man walked right over the edge of the boat, and on to Ah-fu's boat. Ah-fu's father bowed low and was glad. So did his mother bow low, and she was glad. For this was the grandfather. He brought little shells for presents. He talked very fast. He woke the baby sister and she cried.

"Ah-fu had never carried Chi Che in his arms across the house-boat. But there was so much talking and gladness that no one heard the baby cry. So he went up to his baby sis-

ter and made sweet sounds for her, so she was quiet. Then he pulled her up in his arms and walked very slowly to the old man.

"Here is a present, too," he said. 'Here is a present for an honorable grandfather.' The grandfather held the baby, and Ah-fu held tight to her hand.

"Ah-fu, will you give her to me, to take to my boat and to the honorable grandmother?" asked the grandfather.

"No," said Ah-fu, 'she is a present to you, because you will stay on our boat. She will play with the shells. There is much room for the honorable grandmother, too. Ah-fu will work for you. Ah-fu will be a grandfather, too, and take shells for presents when he is big.'

"The old grandfather went in to his own boat and brought the grandmother to Ah-fu's house-boat, and then they all lived together out on the water, never going on the land. Little Chi Che learned to walk on the boat, even when it was rocking. She learned to talk as Ah-fu talked. She learned to play with the shells.

"And for many days, the happy family lived together on the boat, singing, mending, sewing, cooking, buying things from other boats, and catching fish from the water. But never till Ah fu and Chi Che were very big, did they go on the dry land. They were house-boat children always."

Little Sister Jessie listened to the very end to the "China boy story." She looked at the picture of Ah-fu again. Then she jumped down from the hammock and with Janie went into their own little room. She undressed, and washed her face and hands, and brushed her teeth, and said her prayers. Then she crawled up into her little bed and played she was Little Sister Chi Che on her house-boat on the river over in China. She played that the bed was a boat rocking. . . . And soon Little Sister was asleep.—Genevieve L. Hutchinson in Richmond Christian Advocate.

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COKER.—Mrs. Martha Gee Coker was born in Macedonia community, Dallas County, Ark., March 21, 1874, and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ola Key, in Sparkman, Ark., October 4. She joined the Macedonia Methodist church in early life and has remained continually a faithful member. On Jan. 17, 1900, she married M. M. Coker and this union were born four children, two surviving. She is survived by her husband, M. M. Coker, and one son, LaFayette of Macedonia, and one daughter, Mrs. Ola Key of Sparkman; one sister, Mrs. John Dedman of Fordyce, and a nephew, Joe Reece, whom she had reared from a small boy. She was loved by all who knew her. The funeral was conducted by the pastor, Rev. S. G. Rutledge, assisted by Dr. J. M. Workman of Fordyce, and Rev. R. C. Walsh of Sparkman, in the presence of relatives and a host of friends.—S. G. Rutledge, Pastor.

CURRY.—Mary Caroline Curry, whose maiden name was Osborne, was born April 12, 1857, and departed this life Sept. 6, 1937. The immediate cause of her death was an insect bite, perhaps that of a spider. The place of her birth was Scotsboro, Alabama. She came to Arkansas with her parents in 1864. They settled in the Johnson's Chapel community in Prairie County. She was married to Ezekiel Robert Curry at the age of 16. To this union were born eleven children; five of whom preceded her in death. The living are: Mrs. J. F. Kirk, J. W. Curry, A. R. Curry of Johnson's Chapel, Mrs. W. J. Johnson of Lonoke; Mrs. J. W. Baxter and Elizabeth Curry of Little Rock. One of her sons, David F. Curry, became a preacher, but died in the second year of his ministry in the Little Rock Conference. She leaves 31 grandchildren and 35 great-grandchildren. Grandma Curry professed faith in Christ and joined the Methodist church at an early age. She had a vital Christian experience and lived a devout Christian life. She was devoted to the church and its worship. She loved her pastors and loyally supported them.

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Quarterly Conferences

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT: FIRST ROUND

Lonoke, Nov. 21, 11 a. m.
DeValls Bluff, Nov. 21, 3 p. m.
Highland, Nov. 21, 7:30 p. m.
Carlisle, Nov. 28, 11 a. m.
Hazen, Nov. 28, 7:30 p. m.
Bauxite and Sardis, Nov. 29, 7:30 p. m.
Keo and Tomberlin, Dec. 5, 11 a. m.
England, Dec. 5, 7:30 p. m.
Asbury, Dec. 6, 7:15 p. m.
First Church, Dec. 6, 8:15 p. m.
Winfield, Dec. 8, 7:00 p. m.
Carlisle Ct., at Walter's C., Dec. 11, 11 a. m.
Austin Ct., at Mt. Tabor, Dec. 12, 11 a. m.
Hunter, Dec. 12, 7:30 p. m.
Capitol View, Dec. 13, 7:30 p. m.
Forest Park, Dec. 14, 7:30 p. m.
Mabelvale, Dec. 15, 7:30 p. m.
Douglasville and Geyer Spring, at Douglasville, Dec. 16, 7:30 p. m.
Hickory Plains Ct., at Johnson's C., Dec. 18, 11 a. m.
Bryant Ct., at Mt. Carmel, Dec. 19, 11 a. m.
Primrose, Dec. 19, 7:30 p. m.
Twenty-Eighth St., Dec. 20, 7:30 p. m.
Pulaski Heights, Dec. 22, 7:30 p. m.
Roland, Dec. 26, 11 a. m.
Henderson, Dec. 26, 7:30 p. m.
District Stewards are called to meet at First Church, Tuesday, Nov. 23, 10 a. m. In addition to District Stewards I am asking the pastors to bring Chairman of the Board of Stewards, Sunday School Superintendents, President of the W. M. Society, Children of Young People's Dept., Supt. of Children's Dept., and any others interested in the program of their church. A twenty-five cent lunch will be served at the church. Plan to stay until about three o'clock.—J. D. Hammons, P. E.

JONESBORO DISTRICT: FIRST ROUND

Marion, a. m., Nov. 21.
Marked Tree, p. m., Nov. 21.
Lepanto, p. m., Nov. 22.
District meeting at Lepanto, Nov. 23.
Garden Point-Riverside, at Lepanto, 3 p. m., Nov. 23.
Tyroneza, 7:30 p. m., Nov. 23.
Huntington Ave., p. m., Nov. 24.
Blytheville Ct., at P. L., a. m., Conf. 2 p. m., Nov. 28.
First Church, Blytheville, p. m., Nov. 28.
First Church, Jonesboro, p. m., Nov. 29.
Fisher Street, p. m., Dec. 1.
Wilson, a. m., Dec. 5.
Joiner, at J., p. m., Conf. 5 p. m., Dec. 5.
Luxora, at L., a. m., Dec. 12.
Osceola, p. m., Dec. 12.
Dyess, p. m., Dec. 13.
Bono, at B., p. m., Dec. 15.
Brookland, at B., p. m., Dec. 16.
Jonesboro Ct., a. m., Dec. 19.
Dell, at D., p. m., Conf. after church service, Dec. 19.
W. Blytheville Ct., at Lake Street, 7:30 p. m., Dec. 20.
First Church, Jonesboro, a. m., preaching only, Dec. 26.
Monette, at M., a. m., Conf. 2 p. m., Jan. 2.
Manila, p. m., at M., Jan. 2.
Lake Street, p. m., Jan. 3.
Leachville, p. m., Jan. 4.
Truman, p. m., Jan. 5.
Lake City, at L. C., a. m., Conf. 2 p. m., Jan. 9.
Nettleton-Bay, at N., p. m., Jan. 9.

The District meeting will be at Lepanto, Nov. 23, 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. The District Stewards will meet from 11 to 12. Every pastor is expected to be present, and on time. The program will begin at ten. Others who are invited, and urged to attend, are Sunday School Superintendents, Presidents of the Board of Stewards, and Presidents of the W. M. S. Let me know by Saturday, the 20th, how many will attend from each charge that the ladies of Lepanto may prepare lunch. The lunch will cost 25 cents. Pastors and laymen will be asked to raise most of the Conference collections before the first of the year. I am urging that Boards of Stewards pay salaries by the month if possible. I am convinced it is possible in most cases. Most important of all is a revival in every church and community. I shall join the District in praying and working for these things.—Eugene W. Potter, P. E.

INTERNATIONAL Sunday School Lesson

Lesson for November 21

CHRISTIAN WORKERS

LESSON TEXT—I Corinthians 3:10-15; Galatians 6:6-10.

GOLDEN TEXT—And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.—Galatians 6:9.

"Laborers together with God" — such is the glorious and distinctive title of true Christians, according to the verse just preceding our assigned text. Unfortunate is all the too common error of regarding only pastors and missionaries as the workers in God's vineyard. While we recognize that there is a special calling for some men to leave their vocations and devote their entire time to the Lord's work, let us be sure properly to stress the importance of every Christian's being a worker for God.

The portions assigned for our study present the privilege and responsibility of Christians as fellow-workers with Christ, under the figures of builders and of seed sowers.

I. Builders of the House (I Cor. 3:10-15).

The first requisite of a building is a foundation and it must be strong and true. Builders for Christ have a sure foundation stone in Him.

1. The Foundation—Jesus Christ. There is only definite assurance in Paul's word concerning the foundation. It is perfectly clear to him that there can be no Christian faith without Jesus Christ. Such a statement sounds almost childish. One might well assume that no intelligent person would claim to be one of God's builders, and reject his foundation stone. But, alas, many are they who claim to be Christians, who profess to be raising a structure of Christian life and testimony, but who have set aside the only possible foundation on which to build. Plain consistency and ordinary honesty would seem to require that they announce their organizations as being social, benevolent, or political, but certainly not Christian.

2. The Master Builder—and his builders.

Paul was a pioneer. He declares his ambition and calling to be "to preach the gospel not where Christ was named lest I should build on another man's foundation" (Rom. 10:25). Such a privilege does not come to all men, but let those who thus serve learn of this "wise master builder" that they may lay only one foundation—Jesus Christ.

"Let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon." It is a serious matter to serve the Lord as a builder for it is possible to go badly astray at this point as well as to laying the foundation. We dare not heedlessly rush about "doing things" for God, without giving thought and prayer to our work.

Whether we apply Paul's words to the building of our personal spiritual life or to the work we do in the church they are equally serious and urgent. "The day"—when Christ returns, and we shall stand before him to give account of the deeds done in the flesh—will reveal by flaming fire whether we have

been faithful, true and diligent in preaching God's Word, in prayer, in sacrificial service for Christ or have sought to introduce into our lives and into the churches we serve the "wood, hay, and stubble" of unspiritual schemes, neglect of God's Word, prayerlessness.

Saved? Yes, but entering into God's presence as a man who has escaped from his burning house with nothing but his life.

II. Sowers of the Seed (Gal. 6:6-10).

The figure changes. No longer are we builders—but rather sowers of seed. Would that it were all good seed that were sown—but we see the sowing to the flesh as well as to the Spirit. This is true.

1. In our own lives. The inexorable law of sowing and reaping prevails in the moral realm as truly as it does in the physical. Men who would never expect wheat to grow where they have planted thistles, seem to expect that they may sow in their own lives the seeds of selfish indulgence, of careless neglect of the things of God, and still somehow reap the fruit of good character and noble living.

2. In the lives of others. We may be tempted to take attractive by-paths and short-cuts to win the interest and allegiance of men to ourselves and the church but they will prove to bring but corruption and destruction. Spiritual seed will always produce spiritual life.

3. Waiting for the harvest. Harvest must be patiently awaited. We know it to be so in natural things; the same is true in the spiritual realm. We may not even live to see the harvest, but we may confidently leave it in God's hand. Others may have the joy of reaping, and will have, if we sow the good seed.

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WHERE IS YOUR INTEREST?

Interested In Missions? Winfield budget provides \$2600 for Kingdom promotion throughout the world. Missionaries in war-torn China are suffering—and the least we can do is to give them financial aid.

Interested In Young People? Winfield Church provides numerous activities for a great group of young people who are learning how to daily live the Christ-like life. Do you believe the young people are going to the devil? Come to Winfield Fellowship Hall on Sunday evening and see for yourself.

Interested In Clean Christian Literature? Winfield budget pays for the distribution of thousands of pieces of Christian literature among children, young people, and adults, to offset volumes of character-defiling literature coming from the press.

Interested In the Poor? Winfield Church believes in and practices discriminating charity. Last year approximately \$2,000 was spent to help those unfortunates who were considered most worthy.

Interested In Services of Inspiration? About one thousand people come to the worship services every Sunday to receive new inspiration to live worthy lives. TO FAIL TO SUPPORT WINFIELD MEANS TO FAIL TO PROVIDE THIS PROGRAM FOR HER MEMBERS.

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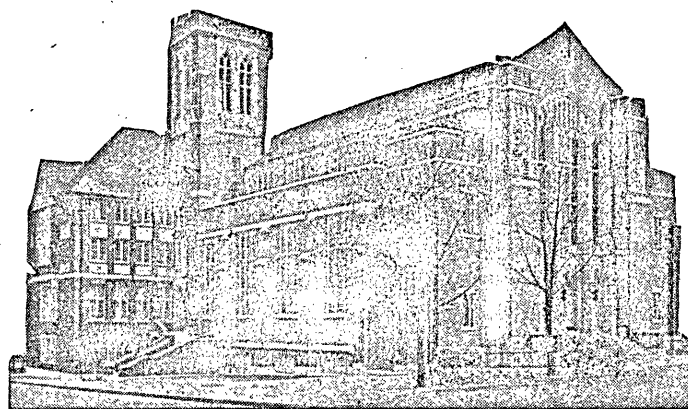
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NEXT SUNDAY AT WINFIELD

10:00 A. M. Church School, All Departments

11:00 A. M. "Symposium Service"—The Pastor

6:00 P. M. Senior and Y. P. Leagues

7:30 P. M. ALL HIGH SCHOOL NIGHT

H. S. Glee Club will sing; H. S. Boys will Usher
Sermon "Signals"—The Pastor

THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

By GASTON FOOTE

A Democratic Church

The next two weeks at Winfield will be devoted to pledging the budget for 1938. Your Board of Stewards has exercised all possible economy in keeping the budget under \$26,000. Of this amount to be raised \$6,000 is for principal and interest on the church debt, making the working budget of the church less than \$20,000. And this is less than many of our churches with a membership of 2100.

Winfield plans to pledge the entire budget AT THE BEGINNING of the Conference year rather than drag the period of pledging out over a longer period, as has been done in the past. Since church bills are due throughout the year, and since giving is a part of worship, we are making a desperate effort to pledge every member to pay one-fifty-second of his pledge (52 Sundays a year) every Sunday. Last year 35% of the membership paid nothing, 20% paid irregularly, and 45% paid regularly. Let's make Winfield a democratic church, democratic in its privileges, democratic in its fellowship, and democratic in sharing its financial responsibilities.

You will not be asked to do the other fellow's part. But all of you are asked to do YOUR part in this worthy program. Put your financial responsibility to the church in the foreground NOW and Winfield will put its financial problems in the background the remainder of the year.

The Tithe—God's Law of Giving

What is the tithe? It is the law of giving one tenth of one's income to others. Like the law of Sabbath observance, marriage vows, etc., it existed before even the Ten Commandments. But someone says we are not living under an ancient law of the Hebrews. True—but Jesus specifically said he did not come to destroy the law but to fulfill it. How? By substituting the law of love for mere law. If the ancient law was giving a tenth would the demands of love be less? If the law requires a man to support his wife would his love for her demand of him less? Certainly not less—but more! No better way has ever been found to support the church than through the law of the tithe—it has never been repealed.

Why Tithe?

1. It is scriptural—"Bring ye all the tithes (tenth) into the storehouse" (Church)—Malachi 3:10.

2. It builds Christian character—giving God the first tenth means putting God FIRST in ALL things in life. You make God your business partner.

3. It is systematic—you always know what you owe. You always know how much to give. And when you set aside one tenth you always have something to give when need arises.

4. It is just—if you make little, you owe little. If you are more prosperous you owe more. It never works a hardship on anyone. Malachi 3:8, "Will a man rob God? yet ye rob me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings!"

Let's put Winfield Church on a cash basis next year.

TEACHING CHILDREN TO SHARE

The Winfield plan of church finance involves every member of the family, the father, the mother, and each of the children. The very center of the Christian religion is the gospel of sharing. Jesus shared Himself with the world and evidenced His sincerity by the cross. Thus every member of the family is encouraged to share in the program of the church. The father should not pledge and pay for the entire family. The children should be taught through their weekly gifts the most valuable lesson of Christianity—that of sharing. Let every member of the family make his own pledge and make his weekly payment of this pledge an act of worship.

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