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# EXPERIENCES AND IMPRESSIONS IN CHINA

By BISHOP ARTHUR J. MOORE (Continued from Last Week.)

January 16th.

Our Church has in Soochow a university, a normal school for women, a hospital, three large churches, and another half dozen primary and middle schools. These, coupled with a dozen missionary residences, make it the "Capital of Southern Methodism in China." In all our institutions we have approximately a hundred buildings. We found that four of these buildings had been bombed, all buildings, including missionary residences, looted of everything of value, and that most of our property was occupied by Japanese soldiers. The beautiful new chapel at Laura Haygood has been converted into a stable While most of the buildings are standing, it will take money, time and a great deal of patience to make them usable again. The missionaries have spent long years accumulating lovely things for their residences. I never saw a drawer or trunk that was not open, nearly all doors broken in and literally everything of value stolen. When they return, they must start all over again. It was hard to hold one's tongue in the presence of such a scene.

But the destruction of property is insignificant compared with the sufferings of the population. The Japanese estimated there were 80,000 people in the city, but the normal population is above 300,000. Where are the others? What has become of the women?

It is well-nigh impossible to exaggerate the orgy of looting, murder and rape which took place following the entrance of Japanese soldiers into conquered territory. While defeated Chinese soldiers staged their share of looting prior to evacuation, there was a virtual collapse of discipline in certain sections of the Japanese army, and horrors were perpetuated which exceeded those attributed to the worst bandits China has even known. Some of us believed the Japanese troops would at least bring order out of chaos. Imagine our grief when well authenticated reports from Nanking, written by foreign newspaper correspondents and missionaries, stated: "The whole outlook was ruined by frequent murders, wholesale looting and uncontrolled disturbance of private homes, including offense against the security of women. Foreigners who were permitted to travel about the city, counted at least one dead civilian in every city block. People who ran in fear and excitement were caught in the streets by roving patrols and were killed on the spot. Shooting and bayoneting went on in the safety zones as well as elsewhere. Squads of men picked out as former Chinese soldiers, were tied together and shot in bunches by rifle and machine gun fire. From one building in the refugee zone 400 men were singled out and were tied in bunches of 50 and marched off between lines of machine gunners. There was no doubt as to their fate. There was no trace of prisoners in Japanese hands other than the groups on the way to execution grounds, with the exception of those compelled to carry loot and equipment for the Japanese mili The general conduct of the Japanese troops, which included the plundering of thousands of private homes and even robbery of refugees, created a feeling of nausea on the part of foreigners who had read the statements of suave Japanese military spokesmen that their sole purpose in waging war on the 'Oppressive Chinese Government was for the sake of Chinese peo-

None of this makes pleasant reading but Christians should look clear-eyed at this situation as it really is. While in Soochow we were NOW THEREFORE BEWARE, I PRAY THEE, AND DRINK NOT WINE NOR STRONG DRINK, AND EAT NOT ANY UNCLEAN THING.—Judges 13:4

not allowed to stay in our own buildings and communication with Chinese, even devoted ministers and teachers of many years, was forbidden.

There must be some peaceful and effective measures which America might adopt to stop this aggression in China without resorting to war. Someone has coined a haunting phrase which I believe states a truth, "Every drop of oil means a drop of blood." Certainly the oil and munitions which America exports to Japan serves no other purpose than to enable gunboats and airplanes to bombard Chinese cities and to wound and kill innocent people.

January 17th.

Yesterday was Sunday, and I went to hear Miss Muriel Lester of Kingsley Hall, London, preach. Her text was "Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world." Surely Christ can help us keep our heads and our hearts in a world like this. In spite of all I see around me, the dream of the coming of the Kingdom of God on earth is not a dream, but solid reality beneath my feet. I do believe in the ultimate supremacy of goodness.

January 24th.

The China Annual Conference closed last night. The attendance was small, but the spirit good. Only one-third of the membership could reach Shanghai on account of war conditions. A few Chinese preachers, at great risk of life, made their way through the Japanese lines and answered roll call.

In some Conferences where I have been, the making of reports was a most uninteresting item of business. Not so here. Practically every person present—missionary and Chinese—had been under the deadly machine-gun fire of airplanes. All had fled for their lives. Some had spent considerable time in dug-outs before the fiercest fighting drove them out. Some, while travelling the open country roads, had been forced to flee into the wet rice field and stretch themselves on the ground to escape the rain of death. All have seen their personal belongings swept away as their residences have either been looted or destroyed. Families have been separated from each other. Parents were looking for children and children begging for parents. Alas, some will not be found. The old Methodist Conference hymn, "And are we yet alive," must have been written for the China Conference this year.

The date had been postponed so as to give opportunity for scattered workers to gather, if

Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes in one of his lectures at Southern Methodist University, said: "We have as much an adult problem as we have a youth problem."

There are many parents who are willing to pay for a morning newspaper, and for an evening paper, too,—who will tell their pastor that they cannot 'afford to take a church paper.' This means that we crowd our homes with secular print and bring not in one single publication that stands for the Kingdom of God. Later we wonder at our children's lack of spiritual interest. Have they not simply taken us at the acted word of our lives?"

possible. It is well-nigh impossible and certainly unwise for Chinese to travel. On one road a few weeks ago, I counted a dozen dead bodies in a distance of less than a half mile. Missionaries are not permitted to leave Shanghai for their stations in the interior. We have been able to gather but little information touching the fate of mission properties in many cities and villages where we have work.

The Conference devoted three days to a very earnest study of our present position, problems, and possibilities in Evangelism, Christian Education and Medical Work. It is hard to forecast the future. In some ways we are back where the pioneers were in the beginning. Equipment in schools and hospitals is gone, students and congregations are scattered. The future will demand not only courage to face difficulties but wisdom to find ways and means of carrying on.

For sometime it will be dangerous for Chinese to travel and it is hoped the Japanese will relax and permit missionaries to minister to the people. The morale of the workers is high. The Chinese people are not given to wailing over what has happened. They take the long look and act in the belief that conditions will right themselves.

The appointments were read Sunday night. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered. All those to be appointed gathered about the altar of the Church to sing "Faith Of Our Fathers." In another twelve hours pastors dressed in the garb of the very poor were out on the roads and canals trying to work their way through the enemy's lines, so as to reach their scattered congregations.

How I wish the Church in America could see what their gifts are doing in China in this time of need. But for the help from America these pastors, teachers, doctors, nurses and multiplied thousands of church members would be without the absolute necessities of life. My plea to all who read these lines is, send a gift to the Board of Missions for relief work in China. Large funds must be found somewhere to reestablish and reinforce our many activities.

In a few days I must leave China for Korea and then on to Japan. The Church is facing perplexities in all these countries. It is hard to leave China at this time, as these people need and appreciate help so much.

There are some things I can never forget: The long line of frightened, helpless people fleeing for safety; the eagerness of missionaries to return to their places of work; the refugees, numbering more than 300,000, crowded in poorly equipped camps in Shanghai; the dead bodies on the roadside, the overturned trucks and the terrible amount of wreckage after the armies passed on; the vast stretches of ruins in certain cities where war has done its worst; the people in the streets, and especially little children looking frightened whenever an airplane appeared in the sky; the few people left in the fields trying to patch up their burned homes and grow a little something to eat; the look of fear upon the faces of Chinese people; especially women, in the areas dominated by the Japanese; the long hours I spent pleading, flattering, scolding Japanese for their foolish delays in permitting us to visit our own property; the indignation I felt when I found all missionary residences looted and the beautiful chapel of Laura Haygood School in Soochow being used as a stable; the struggle I have had to believe that mankind is civilized when it allows a stupid aggression like this to go unchallenged; the thrill in my heart while Christian people whose possessions had been taken and for whom the future was uncertain, stood to sing triumphantly, "Faith of our fathers living still in spite of dungeon fire and sword-We will be true to Thee."

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#### METHODIST EVENTS

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N. Ark. W. M. Conf., at Helena, March 29-April 1.
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Jonesboro District Conf., Manila, May 12-13.
Little Rock District Conf., at Sardis, May 17.
Helena District Conf., West Memphis, May 18.
Fort Smith District Conf., Mansfield, May 17-18.
Conway District Conf., Gardner Memorial, May 19-20.

### Personal and Other Items

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m EV.~S.~M.}$  YANCEY, Superintendent of The Western Methodist Assembly, is helping in a protracted meeting at Richmond, Mo.

NEXT Sunday the editor is to preach at Fayette, Mo., and on Monday meet the students of Central College, his alma mater, in various conferences.

 $\mathbf{R}^{ ext{EV. O. C. BIRDWELL}}$  and wife of Forester called last week and reported that Dr. J. M. Williams had delivered his series of lectures at Forester the week before and that they were highly appreciated. The Birdwells are delighted with their charge, which is in much better condition this year and prospects are distinctly encouraging.

VISITING with his son and family on Pulaski Heights last Sunday morning, this editor heard the pastor, Rev. J. E. Cooper, preach a wholesome sermon on "The Joys of Life" to a pleased congregation that filled the auditorium and overflowed into the class-rooms and gallery. Brother Cooper and his people are evidently in the midst of a good year. That church undoubtedly has a bright future.

P. J. C. GLENN, P. E. of Kansas City District, called last Saturday on his way to Stamps, where he was to preach, Shreveport, where he was to speak at Centennary College, and Texarkana to address the Lions of the two cities. He reports a great Aldersgate Celebration at Kansas City, March 9, and a very hearty

and gracious hearing at the Kansas Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, last Thurs-

TT is not sufficient for the Church to point to L a glorious past; she must be able to point to a glorious present. It is good to have a great past; but if that is all, it only serves to intensify the question as to why that greatness is passing away.-Christian Advocate (Nashville).

THE HENDRIX COLLEGE CHRISTIAN AS-■ SOCIATIONS have prepared a very attractive brochure containing material to be used in private devotions during the Lenten season. The Associations have also issued a report showing in detail their activities for the year and the uses of funds. These Associations (Y. M. and Y. W.) are evidently doing fine work and are entitled to the confidence and support of all friends of the college.

WITHIN the last week we have received manuscripts of some 50 articles and poems from 25 persons in 15 States. Most of them were good and worthy of publishing; but as we have already a superabundance and cannot pay for contributions, they had to be regretfully returned. This week's experience convinces this editor that there is much literary talent among our people; but the volume of it suggests that there must be many disappointed authors, because few editors can use more than a mere fragment of the contributions submitted.

WHAT HAPPENED AT ALDERSGATE, the volume of Addresses recently delivered at the Aldersgate Commemoration at Savannah, has just been received. It is edited by Dr. Elmer T. Clark and published by our Methodist Publishing House, Nashville, Tenn., price \$1.10, postpaid. These are the complete addresses just as delivered. They have far more than a temporary value. In discussing John Wesley's Aldersgate experience, each speaker presented the subject assigned him somewhat differently from any other. This volume really becomes a standard interpretation of Wesley's theology and thus should be read by all preachers so that they may not only understand Wesley, but Methodism. Laymen who wish to appraise Methodism, past and present, will find this volume highly helpful.

#### LAYMEN'S FORUM

THIS WEEK we start a new department, "The Laymen's Forum," edited by Mr. J. L. Verhoeff, assistant city editor of the Arkansas Democrat, and chairman of the Finance Committee of Winfield Church. An experienced newspaper man, he is giving his services free, hoping to encourage more of our laymen to become interested in the activities of the church. He invites laymen with ideas to write him their suggestions. These communications must of necessity be brief, because of limited space. May they be wise and witty, pithy and pointed. Address The Laymen's Forum, in care of the ARKANSAS METHODIST, and get matter in by Thursday for the following week, because Mr. Verhoeff expects to turn in his copy Friday morning. We appreciate his willingness to help and trust that "The Forum" may be appreciated and used.

### THE GERMAN ANSCHLUSS

THE GERMAN ANSCHLUSS (or union) of Germany and Austria long anti-Germany and Austria, long anticipated, has been accomplished almost over night, by one of Hitler's shrewd and swift movements. As Austria is almost solidly German and, since the redistribution of territory after the World War. has been seriously handicapped by the loss of her supporting "Hinterland" and lack of access to the sea, this would seem to be a perfectly logical result and profitable both to Germany and Austria. Of course, it is a violation of a treaty agreement, and from that view point, is to be condemned. However, if Hitler and Germany would stop with this consolidation of German territory and people, we might offer no protest. But it is clearly evident that the conquest (or peaceful absorption) of Czecho-Slovakia, Bulgaria, and Rumania, is Hitler's ultimate objective, thus creating a mighty German state, with ample natural resources (which she does not now possess). Although the acquisition of Austria is not altogether pleasing to Musso-

lini, he cannot oppose it, because of his sympathy with Germany and prejudice against England and France. With this consolidation, a great Reich, or Empire, would be able to defy the world and bring on another world war. Hitler's ambition and ability to strike sudden and unexpected blows may lead him to take the chances of a war, which he could not safely undertake earlier. This creates a tense situation in Europe and the world. No one can forecast the eventuality. We trust that our own Government may be able to keep us out of the "mess." We are hoping for the best, but fear the worst; since, with the whole world simply a big neighborhood, it is difficult to keep out of the quarrels of our neighbors. Let us earnestly pray for divine guidance in this emergency.

#### THE WORLD OUTLOOK

THE MARCH WORLD OUTLOOK, our splen-1 did missionary periodical, is an unusually fine number. Stanley Jones writes about "War-George W. Shepherd gives a torn China." "Close-up of General and Madame Chiang Kaishek." Dr. Arthur Raper describes "The South Today" as a land of unlimited possibilities, but serious handicaps growing out of farm tenancy. Dr. Sidney H. Babcock, formerly of Arkansas, now a leader in Oklahoma, writes of the "Methodist Church in Oklahoma." Harriette Johnson-Westbrook gives a picture of "Indian Women Serving the Church." G. E. Lindquist tells the unhappy story of "The White Man's Dealing with the American Indian." Elizabeth Watson fascinates with the account of Chief Sequoyah, the inventor of the Cherokee alphabet, and of Chief Junaluska, the two for whom our Assemblies are named. Rev. W. G. Borchers, for a time supported by our Winfield Church, describes "How the Lepers Are Cleansed in Brazil." There are other good articles, and the sparkling editorials by Dr. E. H. Rawlings, one of the editors. Then the illustrations constitute an attractive album of interesting people and places. To use the well worn expression, "This number is easily worth the price of the yearly issue." In fact, its value cannot be estimated in money.

#### LET US KEEP COOL

THE frequent items in the secular press, re-1 porting efforts and plans of those who oppose Methodist Union, should not seriously disturb us. Our General Conference, meeting April 28, will undoubtedly give fair consideration to all protests and not undertake to ignore them. Let us all keep our heads and maintain a brotherly spirit, remembering that we must live together after the Plan has been adopted or rejected. We urge those who oppose the Plan to take no action that they would later regret. If Union is consummated, all should be willing to take time for a fair trial. Those who favor the Plan contend that, in those sections of our Church where the objectors live, the difference after Union will be so slight that it will not be noticed. They will have the same pastors and substantially the same form of government, and as each Jurisdiction will, in large measure, manage its own affairs, there need be no fear of loss of property or other interests. We are brethren. Then let us be brotherly. During this year, when our leaders are trying to promote a genuine spiritual revival, it is to be hoped that internal dissensions may not stand in the way of that desirable consummation.

#### CIRCULATION REPORT

THE following subscriptions have been re-L ceived since last report: Wynne, W. J. Spicer, 20; Hatfield Ct., J. W. Rushing, 4; Roe Ct., L. E. Wilson, 3; Princeton, S. G. Rutledge, 6; Gravette, O. M. Campbell, 2; Pea Ridge-Brightwater, B. A. McKnight, 6; Bay Village Church, Vanndale Ct., A. L. Riggs, 100%, 12; Hickory Plains Ct., O. L. Thompson, 1; Friendship Ct., Wayne Dills, 4; Hunter Mem., A. E. Jacobs, 3; 1st Church, Texarkana, H. S. DeVore, 1; Knobel, J. B. Stewart, 3; Griffithville, R. L. McLester, by Mrs. Effie Neaville, 4. These good lists are appreciated. May many others speedily follow. This is the year to circulate the church paper. Without it our people cannot be fully apprized of the epochal events in our history. Pastors will profit by promoting printing.

# The Warm Heart Of Wesley

By ELMER T. CLARK

### V. John Wesley Transformed

From the beginning, men have discussed the nature and significance of the spiritual experience which came to John Wesley on the evening of May 24, 1738, in the little society in Aldersgate Street, London. Unfriendly critics have declared that it was nothing only an attack of indigestion, or a simple emotional flash, that John Wesley never mentioned again, and would have forgotten had he not written it down at the moment. And they have pointed to the fact that Mr. Wesley himself made some corrections in his own account of the event.

This is not the place to engage in argument, but a word may be said. Mr. Wesley made six slight verbal changes in his Journal in later years. Not one of them, however, referred to his experience at Aldersgate, and not one was made in his long account of that event. Four of the changes merely clarified his meaning with reference to the word Faith. During his depression he declared he had no faith whatever; and these four corrections were made to point out that he was not wholly devoid of faith, but that he did not have the vital faith for which he longed.

The other two corrections had to do with his severe strictures upon his moral state. He said he had never been converted, but later added a foot-note to the effect that he was "not sure of this." At another time he said that he was "a child of wrath," and a note was added that he believed this was not the case.

The truth is that Wesley made only such changes in the story of his conviction as should have been made, and the wonder is that he did not make very many more. Most of them were left entirely untouched, and one of the most severe of all was defended by him thirteen years later, when a Bishop tried to use the words against him. There is certainly nothing in these slight amendments to discount the significance of Aldersgate.

It is further asserted that Mr. Wesley never mentioned his spiritual experience after writing the famous account in his Journal. Even if this were true, it would only argue a becoming modesty in a man who had already written many pages about it. But as a matter of fact, it is not true, though Father Piette says Wesley himself would have forgotten it had it not been written down at the time. The good priest overlooks the fact that Wesley did not publish his famous account until twenty-eight months after the experience. Surely a "simple flash of emotion" would have passed away in that long period!

It must be remembered that the moment of 8:45 p. m., May 24, 1738, was not the whole of Mr. Wesley's awakening. No conversion was ever instantaneous in the sense that it had no previous preparation or subsequent clarification. The awakening of John Wesley really covered a period of two or three months; it included his conviction for sin, his understanding of the doctrines that Peter Bohler taught him, and his preaching of the same. Was he silent about all this? He certainly was not! On the contrary, he

clamorously avowed, over a period of fifty years, that his dominion over sin, his sense of assurance, his understanding of the nature of saving faith, his success as a preacher, and the revival which he led, all dated back to the spring of 1738.

One who reads Wesley carefully will find, beginning eight days after the Aldersgate experience and running to 1788, fifty years after that event, not less than twenty clear and unequivocal references to the spring of 1738, as the beginning of his faith and power. (I have cited these references one by one in Chapter I of the book of addresses delivered at Savannah, entitled, "What Happened at Aldersgate.")

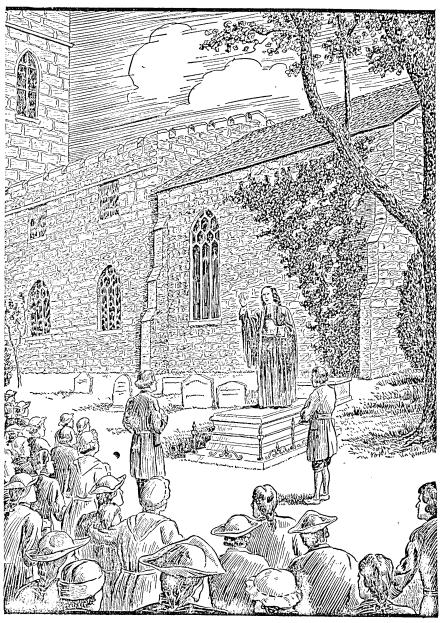
But I have said this is not the place to argue. There is no need for argument. We know what Wesley was before Aldersgate. He had no peace in himself and no success in his work. Dr. Joy well says that had his heart ceased to beat instead of being warmed at Aldersgate, history would never have heard of him nor would there have been a revival led by him. And we know what he was after 1738. He was the greatest evangelist of all time. He produced a revival which has swept the world. He reformed England so markedly that since his day no historian has ever written the story of that nation without mentioning this, remarkable phenomenon.

John Wesley himself is the answer to all his critics. His life and work before 1738 and after 1738 sufficiently refute those who tone down the significance of his awakening. However we may explain it, the man was utterly and completely transformed. He became what he had not been before.

Two years before the spring of 1738, his father suggested that John Wesley assume the pastorate at Epworth, where the father had so long labored. The young preacher wrote in reply and numbered the reasons why he could not be a pastor at all, That letter is an illuminating document. Wesley said that at Oxford he was comfortable, surrounded by congenial friends, with the right kind of food, with servants to wait upon him, and with a salary that was paid on time. But if he went to preaching at Epworth he would not have such comfort. His habits of eating and sleeping would be disturbed, and his digestion would be upset. He declared that the people were a crude and uncultured lot. And then he brought forth this gem: It was not a question of how many souls he could save in England, but only a question of where and how he could best save his own soul. That was the priest of Oxford!

But after Aldersgate this same man mounted a horse and rode 250,000 miles over England and Scotland and Wales and Ireland. He spent half a century preaching to and associating with rude and uncultured people. He slept on all kinds of beds and ate all kinds of food, and did not deem inconveniences important enough even to enter into his Journal. As he rode his horse, he read every reading, and wrote 230 books. He engaged in controversy with the master minds of England and never once came off second best. The man who before Aldersgate could not preach at all, after Aldersgate preached three times a day for fifty solid years! That was the prophet of Aldersgate!

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"I stood upon my father's tombstone and cried: 'The Kingdom of heaven is not meat and drink.'"

# CHINA'S HOUR of TRAGEDY

The whole situation is daily growing worse, both on account of the approach of winter and the ever-widening area of devastation. Christian missionaries are still on the field. Shall we leave them empty handed?

Let us respond with the zeal of the martyr and sacrifice with the joy of abandoned Christians.—W. G. Cram, General Secretary.

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MRS. A. C. MILLAR, Editor

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

#### NOTICE TO LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE DELEGATES

The twenty-sixth annual session of the Little Rock Conference Woman's Missionary Society will he held in Warren, March 29-30-31. All Auxiliaries should send name of delegate at their earliest convenience to Mrs. Preston Reaves, Warren. Luncheon and dinner will be served all delegates by the Ladies of the Presbyterian Church. Warren will be hostess for home and breakfast.

Come, let us make this a 100% attendance.—Mrs. Kephart, superintendent of Literature and Pub-

#### ATTENTION PRESIDENTS OF LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE **AUXILIARIES**

Please send the names you have for the Memorial Roll, as soon as possible, to Mrs. Walter Ryland, 1700 Pine St., Pine Bluff, Ark.

#### FAIRVIEW AUXILIARY

The Fairview Society, Texarkana, has just completed the Mission Study, "Out of Aldersgate," as cultivation material for the celebration of 200th anniversary of Wesley's heart warming experience.

Our very efficient pastor, Rev. Arthur Terry, presented the study in a series of lectures held each Monday and Wednesday afternoons for the past two weeks.

The attendance was well above the average and a vote of thanks was extended to our pastor for the excellent presentation of the text.

### CLINTON AUXILIARY

The Society met in the parsonage, in a business session, March 3, with 16 members and a visitor present.

After "Sweet Hour of Prayer" was sung we observed World Day of

The devotional and an interesting talk were given by Mrs. Nellie Kruger.

Mrs. J. R. Jordan and Mrs. Palmer Willcox were elected to represent the Adult and Junior Divisions of our work at the Missionary Conference to be held at Helena, March 29-31. Mrs. Henry Graham and Mrs. W. O. Jennings are the alternates.—Mrs. Palmer Willcox, Pub-Superintendent.

#### MISSIONARY SOCIETY ORGAN-IZED AT DYESS

A Methodist Missionary Society has been organized at Dyess; 17 people were made members at the first meeting, 2:00 p. m., March 4.

The following officers were elected: Mrs. Lloyd Cox, President; Mrs. J. R. Echols, Vice-President; Mrs. Leo Allen, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Sidney Doster, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Elizabeth Gardner, Local Treasurer; Mrs. Paul Wiggins, Mission Treasurer.

The Blytheville Missionary Group helped organize, Mrs. W. F. Brewer, Zone Leader, presided, assisted by Mrs. H. Lynn Wade.

Rev. H. Lynn Wade, pastor of First Church at Blytheville, had charge of the devotional.

Others present were: Mrs. R. L.

### Christian Education

#### AN IMPORTANT ADULT COURSE

The April issue of the Adult Student will carry the first lessons of a new elective course for adults entitled "The Spiritual Significance of Protestantism," by Dr. W. T. Watkins. These studies are founded upon the Book of Galatians. They deal primarily with the Protestant emphasis upon spiritual freedom. In the preparation of this material, Dr. Watkins has done an unusually effective piece of writing.

Adult classes all over the Church are urged to use this elective course in making the Aldersgate Commemoration effective in their own personal living. Samples of the April issues of the Adult Student can be secured by writing to the Editorial Department, General Board of Christian Education, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

#### HAPPENINGS AT HENDRIX COLLEGE

The Hendrix College News Bureau, formerly directed by Professor Paul P. Faris, has been placed under the supervision of Miss Virginia Garner, new instructor in Journalism. At present the staff of correspondents are Miss Elizabeth Ann McCuistion and Joe V. Sitlington of Little Rock, Victor D. Hill, Jr., of Conway, and Mark F. Vaught of Monticello.

Dean R. N. Daniel and Dr. E. T. Odell, professors of Furman University in Greenville, S. C., visited Hendrix College several days to study our New Program of Education. Of special interest to them was the General College set-up, including divisional courses and testing program. They were particularly impressed with the spirit of friendliness and comraderie between faculty and students both in class-room and on campus.

Radio station KTHS in Hot Springs has invited Professor Clem A. Towner, Hendrix music director, to direct the Easter morning broadcast of the combined choruses of all Hot Springs churches. The program by 150 or more singers will go over the NBC national network. The Hendrix Choristers also were invited to broadcast a program in the near future.

Rev. Sam B. Wiggins, pastor of the Methodist Church at Conway, was guest speaker at chapel Thursday. He made a very interesting and practical application of his subject, "Frozen Assets."

The Senior Class Memorial Committee recommended a permanent bulletin board on the campus as the memorial of class 1938.

An exhibition of German prints is on display from March 7-17 in the Hendrix Art Studio. These were loaned by the Carl Schurz Memorial Foundation in Philadelphia and include etchings, woodcuts, and lithographs, varying in style from romantic to surrealistic, made by leading German illustrators.

Mr. Louis Freund, resident artist, speaking at chapel to students,

Kersey, Mrs. Clarence Drewry, Mrs. W. D. Hooker, Mrs. John McAfee, Mrs. Frank Tyler, Mrs. Jack Mc-Craven, Mrs. A. M. Shelton, Mrs. A. L. Holland, Miss Aillee Wilford, Miss Claire Perceful, Mrs. Walter

The Society will meet the first and third Mondays of each month. Lyman T. Barger, P. C.

faculty and townspeople, showed how art reflects life. He drew pictures illustrating how one's appreciation and enjoyment of art are affected by his understanding of it.

"Head Coach" (Rev. A. B.) Culbertson, retired Missouri minister now living in Conway, is a devoted follower of Warrior athletics. As active coach of the Fighting Faculintramural basketball team, which finished the season with 1,000 per cent as a result of victories over the Park Avenue Playboys, "Coach" Culbertson picked an All-State Faculty team-Fitzgerald and Sanders, forwards; Wells, center; Grove and Goyne, guards—basing his decision, he said, on playing ability not on prejudice.

Coach Grove and Assistant Geo. Wells attended the state high school basketball tournament at Jonesboro last week end. Coach Wells will assist Mr. Percy Goyne in visiting high schools the next few weeks. His Gym classes will be in charge of W. Frank Robins, student manager of athletic teams.

Father S. Lachowsky of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Conway, was guest speaker for the Hendrix Christian Association Monday night. His subject was, "Lent, Historical Background and Present Observance in the Catholic Church."

The Hendrix Christian Association has published a 44-page manual for private devotion during Lent, entitled "The Sanctuary." It is the work of some thirty contributors, including Dr. Paul A. Root of S. M. U., President Reynolds, several Conway ministers, members of the Hendrix faculty, and ministerial students.

Five ministerial scholarship students were assigned to service next summer by the Board of Christian Education of the Little Rock Conference last week. The appointees and the Districts in which they will work are: Carl E. Keightley, Little Rock; Jesse L. Johnson, Monticello; Jack F. S. Wilkes and Edward Dunlap, Pine Bluff; Roland Marsh, Prescott.

Four Hendrix debaters, accompanied by Professor R. B. Capel, participated in the Freshman-Sophomore Forensic tournament at Ouachita College, March 12. The Hendrix representatives were: Edward Dunlap of Pine Bluff, Byron Cravens of Piggott Maurice Lanier and Sloan Wayland of Conway. Twenty-six teams from twelve colleges in Arkansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Tennessee and Texas competed. The team of Teachers College at Durant, Okla., won in the men's division; and the Arkansas Teachers College at Conway won in the women's division.

President Reynolds, in a published statement to the Legislature, sees, in the effort to repeal the Arkansas civil service law, an attack on democratic government. "If democratic government fails in America," he said, "it will be due largely to a lack of a thorough-going civil service system in both national and state governments. Civil service promotes efficiency and honesty in government service; the spoils system the opposite. Give our civil service law a fair trial."

The Hendrix String Quartet played before an appreciative audience at the Morrilton High School March 9 and on the 13th took part in a Sunday Vesper Service at Lakeside Memorial Methodist Church, of which Rev. F. G. Roebuck is pastor. The Quartet is composed of Director David D. Robert-

son first violin; Miss Geraldine Arthurs of Cotton Plant, second violin; Miss Sarah Cole of Conway, viola; and Miss Doreen Robertson of Springfield, Mo., 'cello. These musicians are members of the Little Rock Symphony Orchestra and the Hendrix Little Symphony.

#### EMORY STARTS RADIO PRO-**GRAMS**

Over radio station WATL each Sunday evening at 6:15 CTS is now coming a series of Emory University round-table discussions, which will continue throughout the school year. Purpose of the round table is to present topics of special interest to Georgians and enable members of the radio audience to ask questions concerning the program discussions.

Featured on the first broadcast was a discussion of the unicameral system of state legislatures, with representatives from Emory and the Atlanta Law school taking part. Subject of the second program was:

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#### LAST WEEK IN LITTLE ROCK Last week was one of the busiest and best weeks our Little Rock Conference Methodism has ever seen.

The Training School began Sunday afternoon with an unusually fine attendance and continued throughout the week, closing Friday night. On Monday the spacious auditorium at First Church was filled to overflowing by ten o'clock and the ushers said at least three hundred were turned away during the day who could not get in. The occasion was the state-wide Aldersgate Rally led by Bishop John M. Moore, with a program that lasted until 9:30 Monday night. At eight o'clock Monday night every seat in the auditorium was taken when Bishop Cushman brought his great message to the young people.

The Little Rock Conference Rural Church Conference opened a fourday session Tuesday morning. The program\_lasted from 9:00 to 12:30 each morning with an Aldersgate message at 5:30 each afternoon. During the week there were meetings of the Executive Committee of the Board of Christian Education with the Presiding Elders of the Conference, the Little Rock Conference Rural Church Commission and the Executive Committee of the Board of Church Extension, Various groups met in special conferences at the supper hour each night at 6:00. All in all, it was the greatest week of Methodism that I have seen in Little Rock in the twenty years that we have been having this Training School.-Clem Baker.

#### THE RURAL CHURCH CON-FERENCE

The Rural Church Conference, held at Little Rock last week, was planned last October and approved by our session of the Conference at Hope. It turned out to be one of the most helpful meetings that I have seen for preachers serving country churches.

At nine o'clock each morning the session opened with an hour in country singing, led by Dr. Fagan Thompson of Vanderbilt University. From ten to twelve each morning a round-table conference on the program of the country church was led by Dr. A. J. Walton of the General Board. At twelve o'clock each day a message was brought by one of our own men. The following presiding elders and preachers were in regular attendance: Roy E. Fawcett, I. A. Love, A. J. Bearden, M. K. Rogers, Harold Scott, S. G. Rutledge, Forney Harvey, E. C. Rule, Rufus Sorrells, Geo. Meyer, T. D. Spruce, Fred Arnold, L. O. Lee, Geo. Cagle J. D. Hammons, E. T. Miller, O. L. Thompson, Earl Snipes, S. K. Burnett, Robert Core. W. A. Stewart, Rex Wilkes, O. L. Cole, A. E. Jacobs, C. B. Wyatt, M. W. Miller, H. B. Vaught, F. C. Cannon, Mrs. F. C. Cannon, E. L. Mc-Kay, C. R. Roy, Leland Clegg, R. Teeter, Earl Lewis, Norman Wadsworth, E. K. Carithers, C. R. Andrews, L. R. Sparks, L. E. Wilson, J. D. Baker, E. T. McAfee, C. H. Giessen, R. D. McSwain, C. D. Meux, W. W. Nelson, R. S. Beasley, Mrs. R. S. Beasley, C. D. Cade, Louis Averitt, Hoyle Houser, W. I. Small, E. L. Durham, S. N. Adams, J. W. Mann, Paul Calloway, J. W. Rushing, W. T. Bone, Edward Harris, Clem Baker, C. R. Hozendorf. -Clem Baker.

#### GREAT INSPIRATIONAL AD-DRESSES BY OUR OWN CON-FERENCE MEN

For a number of years it has been our custom to bring a man from outside the state to deliver the inspirational addresses at the Little Rock Training School. This year we decided to use our own men. It was a hard spot to put these men on after four Bishops and three Connectional men had spoken Monday, but each came through in a fine way and at the conclusion of the week our people everywhere were saying that our own men measured up even to the out-of-state speakers. The following gave addresses:

At the noon hour-R. E. Fawcett, R. B. Moore, Rex B. Wilkes and Gaston Foote; at the 5:30 Vesper Service, J. D. Baker, Edward Harris, F. G. Roebuck and I. O. Hall; at the 8:00 o'clock hour, E. C. Rule, Leland Clegg, and J. D. Hammons.

Personally, although I heard the great addresses at the Aldersgate session of the Educational Council at Nashville and the Savannah meeting, as well as the meetings on Monday of last week, our own men measured up, in my estimation, to any I had heard on any of these other great occasions.—Clem Baker.

#### CHURCH SCHOOL DAY OBSER-VANCE NEXT BIG EVENT IN LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

Now that the District Institutes, the state-wide rally, and the Rural Church Conferences are over, the next big event in Little Rock Conference, is the annual observance of Church School Day, which has been set this year for Sunday, April 10. The program, entitled "The Warm Heart," is an Aldersgate program and fits in with the Aldersgate observance in every church. The programs are now ready and a number of preachers have already received them. urge all Superintendents and Pastors who have not yet ordered programs to send for them at once. They are free. Just drop a card to Rev. Clem Baker, 723 Center, Little Rock, and state that you want the programs and they will be coming in the next mail. Our Conference will have the greatest observance of Church School Day this year that we have had in ten years. Let's not put it off.—Clem Baker.

#### PINE BLUFF TRAINING SCHOOL

What was said by old timers to be the best Training School that Pine Bluff has ever had was held at First Church, Pine Bluff, February 27-March 4. All the pastors and superintendents of the city and charges near enough to drive in for the school participated. Prof. Fred Moore was Dean of the School and did much to promote it. Rev. F. A. Buddin made a fine contribution as Dean and Director. The preachers said that most of the credit for the large attendance belonged to the Presiding Elder, Rev. Leland Clegg who served as chairman of the enrollment committee. The instructors were: Miss Fay McRae, teaching a Children's course; Rev. E. O. Harbin, teaching a Young People's course and Rev. B. F. Jackson of Fort Worth, Texas, teaching a Bible course. Mr. Harbin made a splendid contribution as Director of the Recreation period between classes each night. The school closed with more enthusiasm for training work in the Pine Bluff district than we have seen in several years.—Clem Baker.

#### INCREASED INTEREST IN THE FOURTH SUNDAY OFFERINGS

As a result of our great Rural Church Conference held last week, every presiding elder and each preacher here agreed to put renewed emphasis upon the Fourth Sunday Offering, which is the Home and Foreign Mission Special for the Little Rock Conference. We appreciate this fine spirit of cooperation and urge every church in the Conference to rally behind this unselfish cause. Remember that every cent of this money goes to Missions; 40% of this is used in our own Conference to help promote our own work and to help give our preachers serving country churches a bettter chance. The other 60% goes to our Boards at Nashville for Mission causes represented by them.

Let's make the March offering the greatest in our history. The day is March 27.—Clem Baker.

#### FIELD NOTES

By CLEM BAKER

Rev. John W. Hammons and Mrs. Hammons from Foreman visited Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Hammons and attended the Training School last week.

Rev. Roy E. Fawcett will represent Little Rock Conference in a conference for Training Camp Leaders to be held in Nashville, Tenn., in May. Roy is the dean of Camp Ferncliff.

Rev. W. Neill Hart, of Magnolia. is much in demand as an instructor for the course on the "Christian Home." He taught this course to a large class in the Fort Smith Training School recently.

Rev. Coy E. Whitten raised \$250 in a public collection to meet a payment on improvement district taxes at Grand Avenue Hot Springs last Sunday.

Rev. J. W. Rushing is to have a new roof on the parsonage at Hatfield in the near future. John is so busy doing the work of the Kingdom that he does not stay under his own roof much of the time.

Rev. J. W. Mann of Texarkana District, will have the joy of working with his preacher son, John, who is to spend the summer assisting in evangelistic work in his father's district. We congratulate both father and son. John is a Junior in S. M. U.

Rev. J. E. Cooper, either in the eldership or in the pastorate, continues to be one of our most popular Training School instructors. His class was one of the largest in Little Rock school last week.

Dr. W. C. Watson reports that his congregation at Malvern observed Young People's Day March 6 and raised an offering of \$20.00 And still this great pastor goes marching on from one victory to

Rev. George L. Cagle, on the Thornton charge, reports that since Conference some much needed repairs have been made on church property, the different organizations are functioning well, and propects are good for the best year he has had on that charge.

Rev. Rufus Sorrells is still leading in the improvement of church property at Chidester. New kitchens, new Sunday School rooms, new carpet for auditorium at Chidester church, and new porch for parsonage, indicate a few things that have been done since Conference.

Rev. Virgil Keeley has been ordered to take a two months' rest by his physician and is with his people at Delight. His good people at Des Arc are so much in love with this good pastor that they are carrying on in a fine way and paying the salary while he recuperates.

Rev. E. L. McKay is planning for a great day at the annual Home Coming at Keener Camp Ground near Snyder.

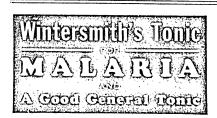
Dr. H. B. Vaught reports that the Monticello District will have a decided increase this year over previous years on the Ministerial Loan

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### The Laymen's Forum

J. L. VERHOEFF, Editor

In endeavoring to begin this, the initial appearance of a new department for this publication, I feel much as Charlie McCarthy, the block-headed dummy of radio fame, must have felt before his ventriloquist owner and creator put words of wisdom and of folly into his mouth.

This new section of the METHODIST will, it is hoped, become the mouthpiece of laymen with problems and experiences of interest to other laymen. Its usefulness will be as great as the interest of those who contribute to and read it. This can be said without egotism for the editor proposes to be a mere agency through which interested laymen may express themselves.

John Wesley's Aldersgate experience of two hundred years ago was of world-wide importance as it is viewed in retrospect. How important did it appear to Wesley and others at the time? His experience doubtless was something of importance, but it is doubtful if his contemporaries realized the significance of his religious experience. We are told that "he felt his heart strangely warmed," and the world today knows that Wesley followed up the experience with action. Aldersgate may be as real today, if that "strangely warm feeling" is not allowed to cool too quickly because of the complexity of everyday interests.

Could the Christian religion have gained the place it did centuries ago if it had been forced to compete with the variety of distracting forces encountered today? Is it not a miracle that the Church survives in this complex age? Or, would we find, if we searched our histories, Methodism was born and thrived under conditions worse than exist today?

Is the financing of the modern church as big a problem as stewards sometimes think? Recently a wellinformed laymen suggested that the ideal financial policy for any church would be one where free-will offerings were the one and only source of funds. Then he startled his audience with the statement that such a policy had been tried and found successful. A study of the finances of one of Arkansas's churches has disclosed that a very large part of the offerings are received without personal solicitation and that the policy might be carried out to the letter if leaders dared to believe that it would work. With the stewards of this church, free from their financial work and willing to devote an equal amount of time to spiritual work and building of greater fellowship, the new policy might yield even greater financial returns than the present methods.

This week the state's lawmakers are assembled in Little Rock. A

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### **CHURCH NEWS**

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I appeal to the pastors to announce this proposition to their people and see if they cannot get a group of people in each Charge to respond. It is necessary for us to have the money. We are engaged in necessary repairs. The building is over twenty years old, very large, and these seasons come with all people who own real estate.

We have just accepted a couple of applications for the admission of two children from the North Arkansas Conference, who have recently been bereft of their parents.

Earnestly desiring for the great institution that belongs to us as a Church, hearty support and sympathy, I am, yours truly,—James Thomas, Superintendent.

FIRST CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK

The Training School, held at First Church last week, was a success in every way. We are quite fortunate to have the school in our church, and a goodly number of our interested workers took advantage of the opportunities thus afforded. Those from First Church taking credit on the courses were: Music and Hymn Appreciation-Misses Frances Mc-Bride and Elizabeth McSwain and Mrs. Irma Lincoln; Evangelism— Miss Francile Oakley and Mrs. Hazel Isgrig; New Testament Survey-Mrs. J. H. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. East and Mrs. M. M. Hitchcock; Materials for Beginner Children— Mrs. William Schmand, Jr.; Primary

survey showing the church affiliations of the assemblymen discloses that forty of the one-hunded and thirty-five are Methodists. How many of them will serve their church and their state with distinction? The executive proclamation calling the Legislature into special session recited that an emergency exists. Is that emergency one which the framers of our state constitution would have recognized as an emergency?

Methodist women in the cities this spring proposed to study problems of the rural churches. No doubt many laymen in the city might well visit some of the rural churches and there witness a first class demonstration in fellowship, which is and should be a vital part of church life.

great need of the hour, according to Dr. W. T. Watkins, professor of Church History of Emory University, is better character in men and society as a whole. In his book, "Out of Aldersgate," he says: "The present order of society cannot be saved with the present amount of character it has in it. Our economic order can be saved by putting enough moral controls into it to restrain human selfish-

Worship-Mrs. W. G. Harris; Materials for Junior Children-Mr. C. A. Butchee; Intermediate Department Program-Miss Hildegard Smith; Senior-Young People's Department Program-Mrs. Roy Alexander and C. R. Hozendorf; The Teachings of Jesus-Miss Virginia McDonald, Miss Athale Shockley and Miss Mary Elizabeth Robertson. These workers have seen a vision of the need of training for the tasks before them and have prepared themselves to better meet these needs. The following workers were enrolled in the school: Roy Alexander, James Rice, Helena Withee, John Emerson, Miss Sue Medlock, Betty Allis, W. C. French, Juanita Shearin, Mrs. H. W. Jefferies, Mrs. Arthur Jones, Miss Marjorie LeFever, Miss Zereda Green, Mrs. Lillie O'Neal, Mrs. J. H. Lavender, Mrs. C. A. Julian, Mrs. V. G. Gordy, Mrs. Alexander Weir, Mrs. H. B. Watts, Mrs. Geo. Hale, Mrs. Elmo Knoch, Mr. John Summers, Mrs. W. F. Clements, Mrs. Norman Jackson, Miss Jesse Rye, and Kathleen Keenzel. The program of the church has been greatly benefited by the instruction gained by these workers in the Training School.

The basket ball season closed last Friday night, March 11. The Young Men's team closed the season with nine wins and five losses, and will play in the play-off tournament next Friday and Saturday. They play First Christian in the first game, and, if they win that game will be in line for the winner of the Asbury-Winfield winner. The Senior team closed the season with six games won and eight lost. This was really a better team than the score indicates, because the boys had several bad breaks that hindered them considerably.

With the close of the basket ball season, our minds are centered on the soft ball season and tennis. It is the plan of the Recreation Committee, which is under the leadership of Mr. Roy Alexander, to have teams in the Y. M. C. A. League again this summer. Last year two teams were entered and this year we will meet the needs of our young people again. If you are interested, you are requested to get in touch with Mr. Alexander in the near future. Plans for tennis competition have not been completed, but interested persons are asked to indicate interest by calling the church office.

Are you as a member of First Church satisfied with the number of people that we are reaching? Have you an interest in reaching others not being reached by Christian Education? Yes, I know you have. I know that you want our church to influence the lives of as many people as possible. With this idea in mind it is only natural that we should try individually to bring others into their own. Pledge yourself to this task now.

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Honey bees and squirrels taught him he

must save; Counting up his pennies, "Clinkety clank,

clank,

If I keep on saving, they will fill the bank."—The Young Crusader.

#### ANNA'S DAY OFF

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"If I could have a whole day just to play I would be so glad," said little Anna one day at the breakfast table to her mother. "I am so tired of going to school all the time and studying my lessons. Why do I have to spend so much of the time doing things I don't like to do?'

"Try it," her mother answered. "You may have this day just for play. You do not need to go to school or help me at all with my work.'

How the other children on the way to school envied Anna as she, standing at her gate, informed them she need not attend school, but that this was to be her day of just play.

When all the children had passed by she ran down into the garden and gathered some gooseberries. Bringing them into the kitchen to her mother, she exclaimed, "Oh, mother, I have gathered these gooseberries, and now you'll let me help you make some gooseberry pudding for dinner, won't you?"

"Gooseberry pudding shall be made from them," answered mother, "but you cannot help today. Remember this is your day of play."

Anna's face began to look serious. She took her doll and played awhile with her, but she soon wearied of that. She then brought her ball out, but it was not long until she was tired of that game too. As she went to look out through the window, she caught sight of her mother picking peas in the garden.

"Oh, may I help, mother?" she called eagerly from the window. "I would love to do it."

"No, Anna, this is work, not play. Was it not today you wanted just for play?"

By this time Anna was getting very tired of her day of play. She was beginning to realize that it was not so much fun, after all, just to

Later when she heard her mother begin to set the table for dinner, she wanted so much to ask if she could help, but felt ashamed to go and offer herself.

When the day was almost at an end she grabbed her sewing outfit and went out on the steps to go to work. She felt she could stand it no longer to be idle—it was no fun at all! It had been such a long, weary day.

"Mother," she said, as she gave her a good night kiss, "this has been the longest day I have ever lived! Now I understand what our teacher meant when she told us that 'those have the heaviest labor, who have nothing to do'."-The Burning Bush.

#### JOHN WESLEY'S LOVE OF HORSES

In the spring issue of The Horse, published in London, Animal Life tells us there is a very interesting article on the great evangelist, John Wesley, and his love for, and common-sense knowledge of, the horse. As is commonly known, this great preacher, who lived in the latter part of the eighteenth century, rode on horseback on most of his tours of England. Between 1738 and 1790 Wesley rode on horseback more than 250,000 miles. Remembering what he owed to the faithful horse, among the thousands of sermons he wrote was one on the horse. He promised animals their fair share of the general deliverance and prophesied at the last day they would enjoy a state of exalted happiness. A fine equestrian bronze statue of the leader of the evangelical movement is in the center of the city of Bristol. —Our Dumb Animals.

### INTERNATIONAL Sunday School Lesson

Lesson for March 20

#### KEEPING THE BODY STRONG

LESSON TEXT—Mark 6:53-56; Judges 13:12-14; I Cor. 3:16, 17; Rom. 12:1, 2.

GOLDEN TEXT-Now therefore beware, I pray thee, and drink not wine nor strong drink, and eat not any unclean thing.—Judges 13:4.

The universe of God is perfectly organized in every respect. Beings that function in the spirit realm are spirit beings, not subject to the limitations of the physical world. We who dwell and serve in the physical world are equipped with physical bodies which are ideal instruments for our present existence.

With all their shortcomings and frailities, however, our bodies are indeed marvelous machines, intricate and delicate, yet unbelievably hardy and durable. They are a gift from God, and it is our express responsibility to glorify God in our bodies (I Cor. 6:20). This means that we must do everything in our power to make our bodies well if they are sick to keep them well, and to use them for God. No follower of Christ can either carelessly or willfully do that which may or will injure or lessen the efficiency of his body.

I. How to Have a Strong Body. It is obvious that not every one has equal physical strength and health. In some measures this is by divine providence or at least by God's permissive will, and those of us who find ourselves thus limited do well to count on his grace for patience to use what we have for His glory. But not one of us wants to yield hopelessly to our inability. Rather we will do our best to overcome it. We want to know

1. How to cure weakness (Mark 6:53-56).

God alone can heal the sick. Even in our day when science has made such strides in the healing art, we note that the most successful remedy or system of treatment is the one that clears the way for what men call nature, but we know to be God, to work. Jesus healed the multitudes in the land of Gennesaret; He heals in America.

2. How to prevent weakness (Judg. 13:12-14).

The mother of Samson, who was to be a Nazarite, was to drink no wine and to observe careful dietary regulations before he was born. That is the time to prevent weakness in the body of a man, before he is born. One wonders what is to be the harvest in our modern times with liquor-drinking, cigarette-smoking mothers as well as fathers. The next generation is starting out with a serious handi-

Note also that if it is bad for a man to have such poisons in his veins before he is born, surely it is poor judgment to put them in after he comes to the age where he controls his own life. We need to watch our diets, and we have much valuable help on that point. We also need to give serious attention to the use of narcotics. It may surprise some to know that the term narcotics includes not only

drugs and alcoholic beverages, but also tobacco, and such common things as tea and coffee.

Other abuse of the body such as overwork, neglect of rest, etc., may well be mentioned. The besetting sin of some Christian workers is the. destruction of their bodies, the very temple of the Holy Ghost, by overwork.

II. How to Use a Strong Body. Unfortunate as it is to observe that some who would serve the Lord have to struggle with the weakness of the body, it is far sadder to note that all too often those who have strong bodies forget to use that strength for God. Our Scripture portions give us two excellent guiding principles. Our bodies should be

1. Kept for God (I Cor. 3:16, 17). These verses refer to the body of the Christian, for only of him can it be said that his body is the temple of the Holy Ghost.

The Holy Spirit is a person, the third person of the blessed Trinity. He comes to dwell within the soul of the Christian immediately upon his being regenerated, thus making his body the temple of the Holy Ghost. A clear grasp of that truth solves the problem of what we should do with and for our bodies. We must keep them well and clean, We dare not defile them in any way. The body of the Christian is kept for God.

2. Yielded to God (Rom. 12:1, 2). It is a high and noble sacrifice to die for Christ.

But our call just now is to be a "living sacrifice." There are times when that may seem harder than to be a martyr. We do know that it is not always easy to live through the drab, difficult, and sometimes dreadful days, with a clear and shining testimony for Christ. But it can be done and is always to His glory. It is by the transforming grace of God that we are enabled to live such a life.

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No. 1—Mrs. A. C. Shipp, Chairman, with Mrs. Ray Scott, 2708 State, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon.

No. 2—Mrs. Paul James, Chairman, with Mrs. Virgil Stover, 1300 Battery, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon. Mrs. W. K. O'Leary, co-hostess.

No. 3—Mrs. C. B. Wilson, Chairman, with Mrs. H. C. Graham, 1720 N. Spruce, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon.

No. 4—With Mrs. James Thomas, Chairman, 1907 Broadway, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon.

No. 5—Mrs. C. E. Hayes, Chairman, with Mrs. E. D. Irvine, 2418 Gaines, 12:30 dessert luncheon. Mrs. C. C. Goss, co-hostess.

No. 6—Mrs. E. Q. Brothers, Chairman, at the church at 12:30 for a covered-dish luncheon.

No. 7—Mrs. J. S. M. Cannon, Chairman, with Mrs. R. C. McConnell, 325 Rosetta, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon.

No. 8—Mrs. R. D. Ginocchio, Chairman, 1515 Louisiana, 12:30 luncheon.

No. 9—Mrs. E. W. Beeson, Chairman, with Mrs. W. N. Rankin, 1912 Spring, 12:30 luncheon. Mrs. J. R. Ricks, co-hostess.

No. 10—Mrs. E. F. Dixon, Chairman, with Mrs. Charles Mehaffy, 5208 Edgewood, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon. Mrs. Wm. Robert Jones, co-hostess.

#### YOUNG PEOPLE HOSTS TO HENDRIX ORCHESTRA

The Young People are really doing things with the new Sunday evening program. During the past month the attendance at League has jumped from about 8 to a new high of 43 last Sunday evening. The program was excellent and every one seemed highly pleased. A large number stayed after church and enjoyed an hour's recreation. Plan to be with us next Sunday.

Margaret Woodsmall has planned another great program for this Sunday evening. The Twilight Supper will be in charge of Jo Ann Oates and Elizabeth McNeely, with Rose Mary Arndt and Nina Buchanon assisting, and as our guests we will have the Hendrix Orchestra. Jim Major will preside over the worship service and C. B. Gilliland will speak on "Christianizing Community Life."

As special numbers Miss Irene Delony will play and Miss Rose Darnell will give a reading. Tommie Hollimon will be in charge of a fun period at the supper table and has a special number or two for us.

The morning worship service will be in charge of Jo Ann Oates for the next four Sundays.

Don't forget our Thursday evening program of "Open House," 7 to 10 o'clock.

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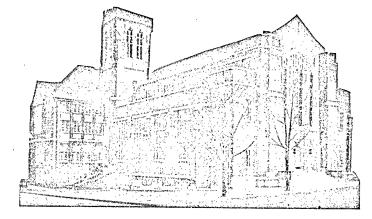
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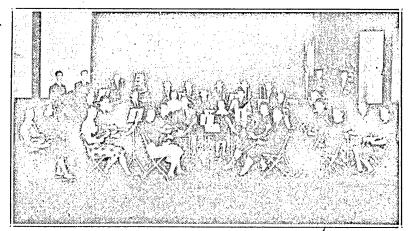
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#### NEXT SUNDAY AT WINFIELD

10:00 A. M. Church School, all departments 11:00 A. M. "THE GOSPEL OF THE EASY CHAIR" —Sermon by Pastor

6:00 P. M. Senior and Young People's Leagues 7:30 P. M. "CAN I KNOW RIGHT FROM WRONG?" —Sermon by pastor

(Hendrix College Orchestra will play)
6:30 P. M. Fellowship dinner Wednesday. Personal visitation workers especially expected.



HENDRIX COLLEGE ORCHESTRA

# THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE By GASTON FOOTE

#### Evangelize or Fossilize!

Ten million Methodists throughout the world will be extremely busy between now and May 24, 1938, the anniversary of Wesley's Aldersgate experience, in special evangelistic endeavors to reach the lost. Indeed this will not be an unusual program for Methodists. True Methodism has always been truly evangelistic. When Methodism ceases to be evangelistic she deserts the teachings of her spiritual founder Jesus Christ and of her physical prophet, John Wesley. Wesley was not afraid that the people called Methodists might perish from the earth but that they might exist as a DEAD SECT. If one Methodist out of every five made a solemn pledge to win one person to Christ between now and May 24, we would experience the greatest revival in our history. The issues are the same today as they have ever been—Methodism must evangelize or fossilize.

# Christian Education By CHARLES THIGPEN

Attendance Last Sunday. ..... A Year Ago.. Departmental Report Present Time Cont. Ch. Jr. High ....100 88, 70 Sr. High .... 67 39 36 46 Y. P. ..... 35 26 30 Adults Couples Class Men's Class ...... 37 Hinton ...... 32 Jenkins ..... Brothers ..... Forum Total

We have for over a month kept our attendance above the 600 mark; we want 800 by Easter. That means there must be 200 more people interested. Now is the time for all of our teachers and officers to get the job done. Some of the classes are setting new highs; how about you?

Senior Department

The Senior High Department will meet Thursday evening, 730, at the Church for a St. Patrick's Party. This is destined to be another big time for the Seniors, so if you are of that age or classification, BE THERE!

Sunday evening, the recreation program at 6 o'clock and at the worship service led by Jeanette James. The topic, "Putting Purpose Into Life."

NEWS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Mr. Blake Williams, 215 Pearl, is in a Hot Springs hospital following a serious automobile accident last week.

Among our members who are ill this week are: P .W. Snodgrass, 1323 State, Guy Dillahunty, 1406 McGowan and Mrs. W. A. Dale, 2921 Izard.

Our congratulations and best wishes to Miss Audrey Elizabeth Whiteside and Charles E. Cave who were married on March 11 at the home of the bride. They will live at 219 Cross.

Miss Mary Mehaffy, who is attending Highland Hall at Hollidaysburg, Pennsylvania, is spending the Easter vacation with her parents Judge and Mrs. T. M. Mehaffy.

LEARNING FOR LIFE SCHOOL

The second session of our "Learning For Life School" will start Wednesday evening, March 30, with the following courses offered:

(1) "The Use of the Bible with Children," directed by Mrs. Clay Smith and Miss Fay McRae. (2) "Understanding People," Dean E. Q. Brothers. (3) "Managing Oneself," teacher will be announced later.

Be making your plans to attend these courses.

## DON'T MISS IT Sunday At 7:30 P. M.

HENDRIX COLLEGE LITTLE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA CONCERT

"Can I Know Right From Wrong"

Sermon by Pastor