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THE PRICE OF SURVIVAL

POR a people whose recent ancestors fought fiercely to free themselves from an oppressive monarchy, we are doing a lot of loose talking and looser thinking about the totalitarian states of Europe. Most of us hotly condemn "naziism," "socialism," and "comwithout knowing much more about their actual connotations than did the housewife who thought fascism was a Florida rattlesnake. Yet all too many of us at the same time partly or wholly approve the doings of the Italian, German, and Russian dictatorships, perhaps because most of us at heart are potential dictators, and because there is something grandiose about political absolution-at a safe distance, and applied to the other fellow.

Before we go any farther, then, we would do well to understand these terms and actualities a little better. The theories of socialism and communism-if we may oversimplify to save space -advocate ownership of the means of production and distribution by the national government, in the case of the former, and by the local community in the case of communism. Communism has never been attained in a modern nation, if at all. Socialism has been achieved in Russia only in a tragically distorted form-a form that fits the immediate needs of the "Kremlin clique"—involving mass murder, mass exile, mass starvation, mass imprisonment, mass terror, unfettered police supervision, abrogation of civil rights, devitalizing of trade unions, restoration of private profit, pittance wages, inflated money, consorship of press and speech, local passports, food shortage at home while farm products are sold abroad. Of this Utopia no unbiased experienced observer has said a good word; on the contrary, once sympathetic press correspondents-Muggeridge, Chamberlin, Lyons among them-condemn it bitterly.

The political form called "naziism" and practiced in Germany is the antithesis and enemy of socialism. Under it, a dictator put into power by the dominant industrial and financial interests of Germany, has, under silly slogans, fought and tortured a minority group, destroyed labor unions, reduced wages, limited food, hunted down socialists and communists, conducted murderous "purges," maintained terror, abrogated civil rights, instituted censorship of press and speech. Of this Eden, no free and experienced observer has written an approving word.

The Italian form of government, called "fascism," probably is the original after which naziism was patterned. It was created by Italy's dominant commercialists to forestall socialism, and Mussolini was made dictator. He has fought socialism and communism, dissolved labor unions, cut wages, instituted absolute police supervision and government censorship of press and speech, abrogated civil rights, "concentrated" dissenters in Ethopia, Libya, Spain. No informed unfettered observer speaks good of Italy.

Those of us who talk loosely about "what this country needs" had best think again, and carefully, before advocating a dictator—and then not talk. Dictatorships occasionally make grandiloquent showings, mainly military, but at a price in blood and buman suffering and the abolition of human rights that no man who has experienced American freedom would be content to pay. No real problems are solved by dictatorships; their people are not advanced, but are thrown back, economically, politically, scientifically, culturally, spiritually.

We are not safe from these conditions. We can never be safe except at the price of constant alertness and awareness of what is meant by the foreign "isms" about which we so cheerfully, naively, and too often admiringly prate. More

HIS DISCIPLES PRAYED HIM, SAYING, MASTER, EAT. BUT HE SAID UNTO THEM, I HAVE MEAT TO EAT THAT YE KNOW NOT OF. THEREFORE SAID THE DISCIPLES ONE TO ANOTHER, HATH ANY MAN BROUGHT HIM OUGHT TO EAT? JESUS SAITH UNTO THEM, MY MEAT IS TO DO THE WILL OF HIM THAT SENT ME, AND TO FINISH HIS WORK.—John 4:31-34.

than that, we must be momentarily on guard against those apparently normal "democratic" steps by which dictators—as did Hitler—come to power. For a dictator arising in this country would wear no identifying trappings; he would be hard to recognize, until his power was consolidated; and his government would not be called "fascism" or "naziism," but probably "Americanism." And he would be careful to engineer his rise by ostensibly "legal" means. Such means, for example, as are afforded in the proposed Administration Reorganization Bill and the Black-Connery Wage-Hour Bill. We are not accusing the Administration of dictatorial ambition; we are saying the means for dictatorship are provided in those bills as they are now proposed.

More than all this, we must resist any impulsion toward participation in a foreign war, no matter what the provocation; for it is in the confusion during and following war that dictatorships are most easily and quickly crystallized. This country sits today on a powder keg of international uneasiness and secret terror. Incessant vigilance and iron self-restraint on the part of every American citizen is the price of survival of the civilization we have managed to build.—Permission of Holland's Magazine.

REVISITING ALMA MATER

MARCH 19-21, having accepted an invitation from Dr. R. H. Ruff, President of Central College, Fayette, Mo., I had a delightful weekend. Saturday night at dinner in his home, the President and I had a long talk about past and present conditions at Central. Sunday morning I addressed a joint meeting of Adult classes and preached in the beautiful and commodious auditorium to a large congregation, and then had lunch at the parsonage home of Rev. and Mrs. C. B. Galatas, and then with this pastor saw the town and country around. At 6:45 p. m., I sat with a group of young people and heard a very interesting discussion of the conditions in China, led by my former student, Rev. Walter A. Hearn, who is a Professor in the Missouri Bible College at Columbia, the seat of the State University. Following that was a short but strong sermon by the pastor, one of a series in preparation for Easter. Monday I attended an English class of Dr. Ruth L. Anderson, dean of Women, Dr. F. A. ass in Government, Professor Edwin A. Jenner's class in Botany, and had the privilege of telling all of them some of the traditions and achievements of the College as I had known it. And then I had an interesting conversation about Music with Prof. F. H. Banyard, assistant professor of Voice. I was greatly indebted to Miss Martha C. Ricketts, the Registrar, who helped me to find the different classes. On Saturday I went through the Library, under the guidance of the Assistant Librarian, Miss Helen C. MacCurdy, and found the original accession book in which my father and I had entered the first 4,400 names. The library building is the remodeled Cupples Hall, which had been the

men's dormitory and in which I lived during 1903-4, when wife and I had charge of it. Then I looked over the marvelous Hooker scientific collection of 18,000 precious volumes housed in the Science Hall. Acquired in 1936, this is one of the most comprehensive libraries in the world, including, as it does, scientific journals and historical records, chiefly in chemistry, but representing botany, physics, metallurgy, pharmacology, and other subjects, some of these files running back more than 250 years. This unusual collection makes possible research in the various sciences. There is also an Astronomical Observatory and Laboratory in which is a 12inch telescope and other apparatus and a home for the astronomer, Dr. R. R. Fleet. The original Observatory, the gift of Miss Berenice Morrison, was erected in Glascow, Mo., in 1875, and was one of the first in the West. The astronomer at that time was Dr. Carr Pritchett, father of the famous astronomer Henry S. Pritchett, long president of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and one of the greatest scientists of the world. Because the observatory could not continue to be used at Glasgow, it was awarded by the court to Central College as the best situated institution to carry out the purpose of its founder.

When I entered Central, in 1879, it had only two buildings, a large Main Building, used for all classes and departments and assemblies, and a small new frame dormitory for men. frame still stands, but is used for storage. large building has been remodeled and is the present Administration Hall. There are now the fine Science Hall, a group, consisting of the central Auditorium and two wings, one for Music and the other for Religious Education, as handsome a group as can be found on any campus, a gymnasium, the large building that was once Howard-Payne College, a college for women, the large McMurry Hall, a dormitory that accomodates 200 boys, and several smaller buildings, and three fine athletic fields. All of these modern structures, heated from a central plant, and within easy walking distance, on a well kept campus of unsurpassed scenic beauty, make an alumnus of 1885 proud of his alma mater. The faculty is large and includes graduates of leading institutions of America and Europe, and among the graduates are found men and women successful in all the walks of life. Under the leadership of Bishop McMurry, the other Methodist schools and their remains were consolidated, and Missouri Methodism now has one of the greatest liberal arts colleges in the West. With its fine buildings, it has also a fair endowment, and under the capable management of Dr. R. H. Ruff, who is in his eighth year, it is liquidating its debt, meeting all obligations, increasing endowment, and gaining nation-wide standing. It has students of many denominations and faiths, attracted by the superior advantages offered.

I was entertained at McMurry Hall, which is under the efficient management of Rev. Fulton Moore, a member of the Missouri Conference. There I met many of the boys and had four excellent meals, comparing favorably with those served at Tabor Hall at Hendrix College (That is high praise).

Fayette, an old town when I first knew it, has become one of the most beautiful in the State and has all modern conveniences. I met a few dear old friends!—A. C. M.

REPEAL has made drinking fashionable from the avenues to the alleys. This is confirmed by the annual report of Attorney General Cummings, published Jan. 3, showing that 345 more persons were sent to prison for Federal liquor law violations in 1937 than during any one year under prohibition.—Ex.

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METHODIST EVENTS

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Pine Bluff District Conf., at Campshed, April 19.
Fayetteville District Conf., Elm Springs, April 19-20.
Camden District Conf., at Waldo, April 20.
Texarkana District Conf., at Horatio, April 21.
Paragould District Conf., Walnut Ridge, April 21.
Scarcy District Conf., Cotton Plant, April 25-26.
Prescott District Conf., at Okolona, April 26.
Arkadelphia District Conf., at Carthage, May 10.
Monticello District Conf., at Portland, May 11.
Batesville District Conf., Newport, May 10-11.
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

EV. L. R. SPARKS, pastor of Roland Circuit, $oldsymbol{\Pi}$ called Monday with a list of 29 subscriptions, which is more than 100% for his Circuit.

GOOD dentist is needed in a town of 800 A population 30 miles from any other town with a dentist. If some good clean-living dentist will apply and give information about himself, his application will be forwarded to the one who will consider it.

DEV. G. WELDON GATLIN, who is a son of Rev. L. C. Gatlin of Little Rock Conference, is pastor of the Broadway Methodist Church, Dallas, Texas. Recently Bishops Meade and Cushman spoke in his church to large and enthusiastic congregations.

INVITED to speak at Hendrix College assembly, I the editor on last Thursday, after hearing his own song, "America, Our Fatherland," enjoyed discussing "The Power of Music," to faculty and students who seemed to appreciate the address. Hendrix is having a very satisfactory year. As trees, ivy, shrubs, flowers and grass are showing the effects of sunshine and rains, the campus is unusually beautiful.

REV. VAN W. HARRELL, our pastor at Dumas, writes: "Things are moving along in fine shape down here. Sunday School has just about doubled and congregations are fine. As a matter of fact I am preaching to more folks than I have been preaching to in several years. Our people are enthusiastic about the Aldersgate program, and we have planned for a pre-Easter

revival. Mrs. Harrell and I are happy among these fine people in Dumas, and we anticipate a good year.'

THE first large contribution from an alumnus of Boston University School of Theology to the Century of Service Fund of that institution is an anonymous gift amounting to \$73,500 in securities, given on the annuity plan, to be available for new buildings for the school,-Zion's

 $oldsymbol{\mathrm{H}}$ is being made these days, and America is beginning to realize that it too is in danger. At this writing, Europe is seething with big and little lies, big and little bluffs, worthless promises and broken treaties, with the paranoiacs riding hard, mad rulers running amuck and threatening the world. The only thing we are sure of is that a general war would not settle a thing.—Michigan Christian Advocate.

CUNDAY, Jan. 2, more than fifty adults were J received as members of the Moore Memorial Church, Shanghai, China. This church, which has been carrying on an extensive war-time service, feeding and sheltering the refugees, providing soy bean milk for children and medical aid for the sick, reports that it "has been led along the path of one who loseth his life and surprisingly finds it." The church has taken the bitter distress of the Chinese people as a clear call to sacrificial service.

MRS. E. W. FROST of Texarkana will occupy the pulpit at the evening hour Sunday and will give an illustrated address. Mrs. Frost recently returned from the flying tour of the Latin-American countries with the People's Mandate Committee from Washington. On this trip she took interesting pictures and has had colored slides made which she will show Sunday even-The theme of the service is "Making Friends with the Latin American People." Mrs. Frost is an active worker in the Methodist Church at Texarkana, and has filled the pulpit there since her trip to Latin America.—Bulletin of the First Church, Fort Smith.

D^{R.} WM. H. PHELPS, the vivacious and versatile editor of the Michigan Christian Advacate, has been vacationing in Florida. Writing about his trip, he has said many complimentary things about the Southern country through which he has passed and about the churches he has attended. He is so friendly with the Southern Methodist editors that we anticipate the most delightful relations when we all become simply "Methodists" and admit him to our Editorial Association. We promise not to charge him any initiation fee when he joins, and may admit him without the qualifying examination of his head by our official phrenologist, Dr. A. J. Weeks.

REV. S. G. RUTLEDGE, pastor of Princeton Circuit, bringing in a nice list of subscribers on his 100% Club, reported favorable conditions on the charge. Macedonia Church has bought a new piano and is repairing their building. That church has adopted the "Lord's Acre" plan for raising finances and finds it a complete success. It is the solution of financing the rural church. When the organizing of a Missionary Society at Providence Church was announced recently in the W. M. S. Department, it was reported as belonging to Holly Springs Circuit; because it had been on that charge; but it is now on Princeton Circuit. Recently an Epworth League was organized at Providence. Seven new members have been added this year, and classes of children will be ready for membership at Easter. Bro. Rutledge is enthusiastic over the work of his people and is enjoying his work among them. His charge made contributions both of money and supplies to the Methodist Orphanage.

NVITED by Bishop Robert E. Jones of Colum-L bus, Ohio, to speak at the Aldersgate Celebration of the Negroes of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Arkansas, the editor, accompanied by Dr. H. Bascom Watts, pastor of our First Church, attended the meeting at the Wesley Chapel, this city, last Monday, spoke, and heard a fine address by Dr. Geo. M. Bell, District Superintendent of the Wilkes-Barre District, Pa., and recording secretary of the Board of Home Missions of the Methodist Episcopal

Church, and a very stirring and eloquent address to the young people by Prof. Howard L. Cornish of Morgan College, Baltimore. Bishop Jones, one of the ablest leaders of his people and a member of the Commission on Union of his church, led the services and spoke briefly. The attendance was large and interest fine. A coincidence, Dr. Watts and Bishop Jones are the fraternal messengers of their respective Churches to the General Conference of the Colored Methodist Church, soon to meet in Hot Springs.

BOOK REVIEWS

The Art of Illustrating Sermons; by Dawson C. Bryan; published by the Cokesbury Press, Nashville, Tenn.; price \$2.00.

This is a book every preacher should own and study thoughtfully. It is full of a number of rules, which, if applied wisely, will easily improve the style of the best of our sermonizers. The author not only points out why sermons should be illustrated, but goes one step further and explains how this may be done most effectively. For us he discusses "Preaching In Which People See", "The Master Storyteller", "Varieties Of Illustrations And Their Uses", "Experience And Observation As A Source", "Literature As A Source", "Keeping Materials", "Building Illustrations Into Sermons", "Composing The Illustration", "The Story Method Of Preaching", "The Art Of Effective Presentation", "The Soul Of The Builder." These discussions are followed by a helpful section of references and notes bearing on each subject. Throughout the entire book there shines a clear picture of what a preacher must be to be effective. Quoting from the text: "Through inward vision the preacher must have the power to realize God. Through outward words he must have the power of transmitting that vision to the congregation." "The man in the pulpit in his own person enlightens or obscures his teaching." "He who would succeed should cultivate the artistic, the best sermon preparation in order to have the finest results. But after he has given his best effort in preparation he should not depend upon it alone, but also have a devotion to the people and a personal Christian experience." "Primary among the Christian experience." requisites of the preacher is an awakened imagination, which sees that every human being and every human relation has a place in God's beneficence." "There is a direct relation between eloquence in words and eloquence of soul." "Something vastly more than information and discussion and forum tactics is necessary. There must be a flowing of personality, God-filled, from the preacher to the people." "While the from the preacher to the people." preaching of a sermon to produce Christlike conduct is difficult, it is also the greatest opportunity ever presented to man. No one else ever has a finer chance than that permitted the preacher, as on a Sunday he stands before a congregation to mediate the word of God. Then all his prior effort to find the proper and suitable illustration, his art in using it effectively, will serve to fulfill his calling as a representative of Jesus Christ. To work with God in the building of a new, a Christian world is his high privilege."

CIRCULATION REPORT

THE following fine lists have come in since last report: Prairie Grove, J. M. Harrison, 11; Warren, L. E. N. Hundley, 1; Biggs Chapel, Bingen Ct., E. T. McAfee, 5; Dardanelle, E. E. Stevenson, 18; Corning, J. T. Willcoxon, by Mrs. S. P. Blackwood, 5; Blevins Church and Sweet Home Church, C. H. Giessen, 1 each; Imboden, C. E. Gray, 1; Huntsville, C. L. Fry, 3; Princeton Ct., S. G. Rutledge, 13; Pulaski Heights, J. E. Cooper, 100%, 97; Roland Ct., L. 100%, 29; Leslie, O. R. Findley, 5; Fulton, R. D. McSwain, 100%, 5; Humphrey, W. C. Lewis, 1; Biggers-Success, W. C. Smith, 11; Eudora, W. W. Christie, 17. Fine! May the good work go on until every charge in Arkansas is 100%. Never before did our people so need their church paper. Pastors are wise who meet this need by getting the paper into the homes of all their people. Last week Bearden, Rev. J. L. Tucker, pastor, reported 34, which was not only 100%, but 10 over. That is the kind of work that counts. Under the leadership of Bro. Tucker, Bearden is making a great record this year.

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SUNDAY AT TWENTY-EIGHTH STREET AND PULASKI HEIGHTS

 R^{UNNING} true to form, again I was a "rainyday" preacher last Sunday, in the morning at Twenty-Eighth Street and at night at Pulaski Heights, having fair congregations in spite of the weather. Carried to the former by a good layman, Mr. W. S. Perry, we had a flat tire and were helped to replace the wheel by five goodnatured negroes, who, when the "jack" would not work, lifted the car. At Twenty-Eighth Street I addressed the Men's Class, spoke at eleven, and had a delicious dinner at the parsonage. Rev. C. B. Wyatt, in his fourth year, is deservedly popular and speaks in highly complimentary terms of the love and faithfulness of his people. Last year he added 35 members and already this year four. All finances were in full and are paid to date this year. Every department is functioning efficiently, congregations are growing, and the young people and persons not members are attending the services in increasing numbers. The debt on the parsonage will soon be extinguished and the small church debt is being regularly reduced. Knowing this church since I organized it 30 years ago, I feel justified in saying that it is in the best condition in its history and has a bright future. The people and pastor love one another and cooperate, and that spells success.

At night I dropped in on the Pulaski Heights Young People and addressed them briefly, and then enjoyed the delightful service of song, led by Rev. J. E. Cooper and his fine choir of young people who had just had their own service. Dropping out of the presiding eldership, Bro. Cooper is starting his first year on the Heights with everything pointing toward a happy and successful pastorate. Always cheerful and lovable, this pastor was not in any way spoiled by his experience on a district. He speaks in warmest compliment of his predecessor, Rev. Neill Hart, who had added many hundreds to the membership, and feels that he has behind him a body of devoted and active Christians. Although the acceptance on Benevolences is 10% more than last year, all finances are in full to date and will be easily and cheerfully met. The large crowds at Sunday School and at morning services often exceed the normal capacity of the

buildings, and argue strongly for the enlargement that has been considered. With a nestegg of about \$1,000 on a building fund, it is only a question of time and financial conditions when this strong, growing church will build the needed auditorium. Already this year 31 members have been added. All departments are active; the spiritual atmosphere is electric; all are hopeful; leaders are leading; and the outlook is distinctly optimistic. Situated in one of the best and fastest-growing sections of our city, this church has a bright future. I always enjoy visiting with these churches, especially as they need no special urging to support the paper, both having full 100% Clubs. In spite of inclement weather, I had a happy day.—A. C. M.

THE ALDERSGATE RALLIES

A BOUT fifty great Regional Aldersgate Rallies A have been held in the principal cities of our Church. These meetings have stretched from Richmond to San Francisco. Reports indicate that they were the most dynamic series of inspirational rallies ever held in our Church. Everywhere the congregations were overwhelming in size. The interest was deep and will abide. In most of these meetings an outstanding representative of the Methodist Episcopal Church was present and spoke with our own Bishops and other leaders of the Aldersgate Commemoration.

"We are having marvelous meetings," wrote Bishop Paul B. Kern. "Every church is filled all day. At night the Youth Rallies are almost unbelievable. I never saw anything like it."

The Director of the Aldersgate Commemoration, Bishop A. Frank Smith, personally visited and spoke in twenty-eight rallies. "Aldersgate is here," he has declared. "It is apparent that the Church is in the grip of a mighty spiritual movement."

Every Bishop of the Church participated in these rallies. Among the other speakers were Bishop Edwin H. Hughes, Bishop Charles L. Meade, Bishop Ralph S. Cushman, Dr. Harold Paul Sloan and Dr. Albert, E. Day, all of the Methodist Episcopal Church. From our own church the speakers were Dr. T. D. Ellis, Dr. W. F. Quillian, Dr. W. G. Cram, Dr. Elmer T. Clark, Dr. J. Q. Schisler, and Dr. J. Fisher

Simpson. On the Pacific Coast Bishop Smith and Dr. Clark were assisted by Dr. Bob Shuler, Dr. J. C. McPheeters, and Dr. Albert E. Day.

UNITED METHODISM AT STAKE

UNITED METHODISM is at stake at this hour; and it would be blindness, indeed, to imperil it for any issue that is less than one of basic Christian significance. We are told that important property interests are at stake! How so? When we are all one will not all the property belong to all of us? The nation is healed of its ancient wound! Is the Church then less responsive to healing and uniting emotions? Clearly we ought to be together. We have the same traditions, the same great leadership and sacrifice brought us into being. The foundation principles which undergird us are the same. Our world-wide passion and objective are identical. The peril Christian freedom faces is militant atheism with its threat of political tyranny and persecution is also the same for all of us. Certainly, division within Methodism at this hour is without excuse. How great then would be the wrong should any of us in the North do anything which will stir prejudice or add to the responsibility now faced by Southern leadership in bringing this great undertaking through to consummation! The Negro constituency of Methodism is loyal. They are reaching their black hands to the South in trusting brotherhood; and our white hands, with almost complete unanimity, are also reached wistfully, longingly, that together we may at last all be one. Brothers, we await the high moment when American Methodism shall sing:

"We are not divided,
All one body we,
One in hope and doctrine,
One in charity.
Onward, Christian soldiers,
Marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus
Going on before."—The Christian Advocate, New York.

PRESIDENT DANIEL L. MARSH announces the receipt of a gift of \$100,000 for Boston University School of Theology. The donor is, for the time being, annonymous.

THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH

O Church of God, in power divine, Arise and let thy glory shine; The living truth reveal; To dying men bring life and light, Despite the gloom of moral night, And full salvation seal.

The world is waiting for relief,
From all the sins that brought her grief,
And blighted all the race;
O Church, unfurl thy banners fair,
In might go forth to do and dare,
And preach redeeming grace.

Oh let the word of God, unbound, Extend the waiting earth around, Till all mankind shall know A full deliverance from sin, And feel the cleansing power within, With every heart aglow!

O Church of God, thy mission fill,
And haste to do Jehovah's will;
Heed thou the call today;
Triumphant in thy strength move on,
Till every lingering foc is gone,
And truth shall have full sway.
—G. N. Cannon, Stephens, Ark,

OUR CHURCH PAPER

I do not like the Advocate
To start my morning fire!
As well take covers from the seat,
To mend my auto tire!

Of course, my Daily's not the same; It's made of cheaper stuff! Its paper and its folds contain, For tinder, quite enough.

Our Advocate is made to read, Digest, then read some more; To satisfy the Christian's need; Diffuse the Church's lore.

It aims to give us all a chance To see both sides of things; Although its enemies advance Its weakness and its "stings!"

So, all in all, it's hard to beat

A paper like our own!

Our family life is incomplete,

Without it in our home,—D. L. Reedy
in Michigan Christian Advocate.

THE CONFERENCES APPROVE

All the Annual Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in the United States, have voted upon the Plan of Union. When the voting in the North Georgia and North Carolina Conferences was reported, no doubt remained concerning adoption. The necessary three-fourths of the ministerial and lay members of the Annual Conferences was secured. The voting by the Louisiana, Northwest Texas, and Alabama Conferences increased the majority. Total vote cast is 7,329 for and 1,237 against the plan. Three-fourths majority is necessary and the majority now recorded is over eighty-five per cent. No uncertainity is current about the approval by the General Conference which meets next May. That body must approve by a twothirds majority. Methodist Union Is An Accepted Fact of the Future.

In the anticipation, later strengthened by the votes of the five Conferences named, that the necessary approval would be given by the Church South, the bishops of Methodist Episcopal Church have agreed to recommend to all Annual Conferences which meet prior to May, 1938, that after transaction of Disciplinary business they adjourn subject to call of each bishop. Sometime after the General Conference of the Church South has approved the plan, the Conferences will meet in adjourned session in order to elect delegates in the manner prescribed to the Uniting Conference. Otherwise the "spring" Conferences could not elect delegates until the regular sessions in

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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1939. The "fall" Conferences and those meeting after May, 1938, can elect delegates at their next sessions. The Commissions on Union of the three churches uniting them can form the authorized committees some months before the Uniting Conference meets.

The Uniting Conference, which can meet early in 1939, will consist of nine hundred delegates—four hundred from the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and one hundred from the Methodist Protestant Church. In the Methodist Episcopal Church, the ratio of delegates will be one to each one hundred members or major fraction thereof, lay delegates equal in number to the ministerial delegates. Each Annual and each Lay Conference shall be entitled to one delegate at least. The bishops have power to appoint the necessary number of delegates to complete the four hundred authorized by the General Conference.

All Methodists can begin to study the coming Uniting Conference, one of the most important gatherings ever to be held in Methodist history. It will have legislative powers to "harmonize and combine the rules and regulations as found in the Disciplines of the three churches relating to membership, the Conferences, the ministry, judicial administration, and temporal economy"; furthermore it will have power to "provide for the unification, co-ordination, and correlation of the connectional, missionary, educational, benevolent boards and societies, and the publishing interests of the church." These duties will require all possible ability, experience, and thorough consideration. The task cannot be performed in any brief or rapid session. The General Conference will meet in the month of April or May, beginning with such year and at such place as the Uniting Conference may determine.

For generations, three Methodist groups have been separated. The causes which precipitated the separations have disappeared. The end of the way which leads to reunion and fellowship in one home now is in sight. The Methodist household can begin to rejoice.—Christian Advocate (Cincinnati Edition..)

Mothers Recommend Cardui

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TUCKERMAN AUXILIARY

Our Auxiliary during the first quarter held one of the best Mission Study classes since we have been trying for Council recognition. Our attendance was 85% and interest in the reading of the book was good. We had one and a half hours each afternoon for four sessions. We had two members to come from a rural Society.

We have fifty members in our Auxiliary. They are divided into three Circles, each having their own officers. The attendance at the business meetings has increased this year. We use the program as outlined in the year book at business meetings. At Circle meetings we have thirty minutes study from the "Radiant Heart," and items from the World Outlook. By using this plan an average of thirtyfive women have heard about our work and the Bible,-Mrs. P. A. Conditt, Pub. Supt.

McCRORY AUXILIARY

The three Circles of Missionary ladies are working with increased interest and numbers. The Adult group of which Mrs. C. H. Bumpers is president, has 20 members. The Young Matrons, with Mrs. Ed Darling president, has about 30 members. The Business and Professional group, about ten members, Miss Anna Ruth Ball, president. We have been serving the Rotary Club dinners almost five years to pay for our pipe organ, and are very happy to have that paid for now. At a Men's Beauty Revue last week \$46.00 was made, clearing the

"Out of Aldersgate" has been read and discussed in group meetings by different ladies and laymen. McCrory paid more than 65 percent of the Benevolences at Christmas. As usual all assessments were paid in full last Quarterly Conference. Rev. and Mrs. Bumpers have greatly endeared themselves to all the people of Mc-Crory and all interests of the church have been increased with a fine spirit of Christian cooperation.-Mrs. H. E. Brown, Supt. of Publicity.

ZONE MEETING AT WIN-CHESTER

Zone No. 4 of the Monticello District met on March 24, at Winchester with Mrs. James Gabbie pre-

A "Missionary Church" was the theme of the following program:

Prayer—Mrs. Buck. "The Dawn" or "Easter Morn"a meditation.

"Missionary in Character"—Rev. Mr. Roy. "A New Type of Missionary Need-

ed" —Mrs. C. W. Meador. "A Task to Tone Up the Church"

-Mrs. Cage Cross. Paper: "What Is the Matter With Our Church Today?"-Mrs. Roy.

Prayer-Mrs. Prewitt. Music, "Rustle of Spring"-Miss Peacock.

Mrs. J. J. Harrell, representing our Supt. of Literature, Mrs. Kephart, gave the "World Outlook

Christian Education

EXTENSION PROGRAM IN THE BATESVILLE DISTRICT

Rev. Connor Morehead, the Presiding Elder of the Batesville District, in cooperating with the Executive-Extension Secretary is working on two very definite types of extension work in the Batesville District.

There are a number of churches in that district, as there are in several other districts, which do not have Methodist church schools. Some of them have no church school of any kind. Then there are a number of small weak churches that are so much in need of help.

Two periods of visitation have been given to a study of these situations. A number of small church institutes have been held. Several of the churches which have no school have been visited.

Already four schools have been re-organized. There are a number of others which will re-organize in the near future.

Spring-Tonic." Mrs. Haisty, representing Mrs. McClain, Supt. of Mission Study, read "Advice for Mission Study," with apologies to the Psalm of Life.

A Hint to Conference Delegate— Mrs. Clayton.

During business session, Mrs. Buck, Dist. Secretary, gave advice to officers in Society and "previewed" the high-lights of the coming Conference of the Little Rock Missionary Society to be held at War-

After prayer by Rev. Mr. Roy of Tillar, the meeting adjourned to spend a social hour, during which the Winchester ladies served delicious refreshments.—Mrs. C. C. Price.

SILOAM SPRINGS AUXILIARY

The close of the first quarter of the Society year, finds the work in a growing time. Great numbers of women attend all meetings; and the finishing of another inspiring Bible study, "The Radiant Heart." afternoon each week during March has been given to this study. Programs from the Year-Book are used and found interesting. This meeting is the first Friday in each month. Where there are as many as six, eight or ten in giving the program, it is made more interesting than when only one or two give the talks and other material used. The business and social and Cir-

cle meetings are on other dates during the month. Business and social meetings are the third Friday each month. This meeting is the hour of one o'clock and a covered dish luncheon is always, along with the social hour, much enjoyed. At two-thirty the business of the afternoon is opened.

At the second Quarterly Conference, our Presiding Elder, Brother Womack and Mrs. Womack were present. The Woman's Missionary asked Society had been over a Church Fellowship Dinner for this occasion, which they did and the 130 seemed to enjoy the meal as well as the program and business that followed.

The Missionary Society was represented at the Coaching day in Fayetteville, bringing back helpful reports for all departments. Splendid reports from members who attended Council in Tulsa, Okla., were a blessing and inspiration for

A literature survey is being made throughout the district. This has been a follow-up of the training course on materials in the Batesville School, taught by Miss Lucy Foreman of the General Board Staff.

Miss Ada Cranford of Wolf Bayou has been approved for the short course on materials and will begin conducting short course schools the first of April. The first school she is to conduct is at Locust Grove where there was no school reported last year.

Dr. J. M. Williams, Extension Professor of Hendrix College, spent a week recently at Mt. View, giving a series of addresses.—Ira A. Brumley.

BIBLE CONFERENCES IN NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

Southern Methodist University, through the work of Dr. Robert W. Goodloe, has made an excellent contribution to Christian Education in the North Arkansas Conference in recent weeks. Doctor Goodloe came for five weeks of Bible conferences. These were outstanding in the type of work which Dr. Goodloe did. The attendance on an average was the best on Bible Conferences we have had in our Conference in some time.

We are giving the places where conferences were held with the total attendance for each place:

total attendance	465
Searcy	400
	204 -
Augusta	991
Marion	041
Osceola	280 -
Osceoia	COS
Pocahontas	000
Hardy	200 - 100
Hardy	000
Batesville	000
Berryville	350
Berryville	1075
Gentry	1919
Ozark	310
Ozark	1

The small attendance reported at some places was due to rain or the smallness of the territory reached by the conference.

The Batesville Conference was perhaps the largest in attendance on the regular sessions. The Gentry total was by far the largest in total

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attendance, because of a number of extra meetings held.

This program was made possible because of the Extension Program of the School of Religion of Southern Methodist University cooperating with the Adult Division of the General Board of Christian Education.

The North Arkansas Conference had the services of Dr. Goodloe for four weeks last September. Thus he has been in our Conference for nine weeks since the last of August, 1938. The program last fall was provided by Conference and General Boards of Christian Education.

Dr. Goodloe completed his work in the Conference with two great messages at Conway Church, Sunday, March 20.—Ira A. Brumley.

S. M. U. FACULTY MEMBERS IN SUMMER PROGRAM

Dr. Robert W. Goodloe is to offer two courses in Arkansas Pastors' School.

Dr. J. T. Carlyon is to offer two courses in the Arkansas Pastors' School and to teach in the Young People's Assembly of the North Arkansas Conference. He will also lead the morning devotional periods of the Assembly.

Dr. W. C. Davis is to lead the morning devotional periods of the Conference-Wide Training School of North Arkansas Conference and teach the course on "The Spirit and Genius of Methodism."—Ira A. Brumley.

HAPPENINGS AT HENDRIX COLLEGE

More extensive medical examinations will be used next fall as a result of student petition. Regarding the plan President Reynolds said: "The students co-operating with the faculty have registered another achievement—a more comprehensive health program. The original program, adopted some 20 years ago, comprised physical examination and typhoid inoculation of students on entrance only, unless developments called for later examinations. The new plan requires physical examination each year, and also the Wasserman and tuberculin tests on entrance. The State Board of Health will co-operate in examining the blood tests and in making X-Ray pictures when needed. Typhoid inoculation will continue as in

Debaters from Centenary College on March 14 debated with a Hendrix team the subject, "The National Labor Relations Board Should Be Empowered to Enforce Arbitration of All Industrial Disputes." It was a non-decision type of debate. The visitors were accompanied by Prof. C. Bryant Davidson, faculty representative, who is a graduate of Hendrix, son of Rev. and Mrs. G. G. Davidson of Paris, and son-in-law of Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Reynolds.

Mr. Jerry L. Patterson, of the Pine Bluff High School, was an appreciated speaker at chapel recently. Discussing "The College Man and his Community," he encouraged the seniors by saying: "Though the world in depression looks cold and gloomy, it presents many challenges to the trained college graduate." At noon a stag luncheon was given at Tabor Hall for Mr. Patterson, who is an alumnus of the College.

Miss Leila Tuttle, a missionary returned from China, addressed the Hendrix Christian Association Wednesday evening and related many interesting incidents of her long experience (29 years) in that land, and of the great advancement made along all lines by the Chinese.

The Piano Ensemble Recital, March 15, attracted a host of musiclovers, including many out-of-town visitors. Four grand pianos, on a specially-built platform in the center of Axley Gymnasium, were played by eight student musicians— Misses Mary Lou Brewer, Mary Elizabeth Jordan, Maxine Recves, Helen Trotter, Mildred Ethridge, Marion Talley, Virginia Rice, and Frances Stewart-directed by Professor Clem A. Towner. Their brilliant performance of numerous selections from Bach, Mozart, Moszkowski, and others was remarkable for clarity of technique and precision. After the recital a reception in honor of the musicians was given at Galloway Hall by Miss Flora Marie Meredith, dean of women.

Thursday evening another Faculty Recital was presented by Mrs. Ina Fitzgerald, pianist, and Professor David R. Robertson, violinist. Their skillful rendition of a program of sonatas from Beethoven and Grieg delighted an appreciative audience.

Dr. E. P. J. Garrott, pastor of First Baptist Church in Conway, guest speaker at chapel March 17, gave a heart-to-heart talk on "Making Marriage Christian."

Miss Winnie Lee Davis, personnel worker of the Women's Missionary Council, was on the campus a day or two conferring with students who might consider missionary work as a vocation.

Dr. Robert Campbell, Professor of English, spoke on "Modern Trends in Education" before the Little Rock branch of the American Association of University Women at a luncheon Saturday at the Peacock.

Dr. Robert W. Goodloe, of Southern Methodist University, addressed the Hendrix Christian Association Saturday, and also talked with Seniors who plan graduate study at S. M. U. next year. Sunday morning he preached to a large and appreciative congregation at the Methodist Church.

The Hendrix Little Symphony Orchestra, directed by Professor David R. Robertson, broadcast a thirty minute program over KLRA radio station Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock, and, after a delicious Twilight Supper with the Young People at Winfield Memorial Methodist Church, gave another concert there. This orchestra now has 30 members, full symphonic instrumentation, and a repertoire unequalled, perhaps, in Arkansas colleges.

Hendrix debaters closed their competitions for the year at the Fifth Annual Louisiana Debate Tournament at Natchitoches, La., Friday and Saturday. The team chosen for this contest, Frank Dunn, Maurice Lanier, Sloan Wayland, and Edward Dunlap-were accompanied by Professor Robt. B. Capel, debate coach. The Hendrix team made a perfect record in the preliminaries—the only college to make such a record—and ranked third in the finals. Twenty-seven colleges entered fifty teams in this tournament.

James B. Christian, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Christian of Little Rock, and a sophomore at Hendrix College, has received an appointment to enter the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md., next July. He was exempted from the mental examination because of his good college record.

Continuing the series of Faculty

Recitals Miss Katherine Gaw, instructor in Voice, and Mrs. Bernice Towner, instructor in Piano and Organ, accompanied by Miss Virginia Rice of North Little Rock, featured an educational program of classical music at Galloway Hall Monday afternoon.

Tuesday President Reynolds addressed the Pine Bluff Rotary Club on "International Relations."

Dr. A. O. Spain, assistant professor of Political Science, discussed "Arkansas' Political Orphan, Civil Service" at Chapel Tuesday. He had previously circulated and presented to a committee of the Arkansas legislature a petition, signed by more than 150 leading citizens of Conway, urging that Civil Service be retained. Students in his classes went to Little Rock to visit and observe the Legislature in action.

Rev. George B. Workman, missionary back from China, was an appreciated speaker to several groups at Conway during a twodays visit. At noon Wednesday he spoke to the Kiwanis on the "Conquest of China," as he saw it at Chankehow and Shanghai. At 6:30 he told the Hendrix Christian Association "How War Is Handicapping Chinese Students." At the Methodist Church, after a pot-luck supper, he spoke to a large audience on the "Effect of the War on Methodist Missions in China." And on Thursday at the Rotary Club he spoke on the "Horrors of the Japanese Invasion." Photographs, maps and charts were used for illustration of his remarks.

Professor Paul P. Faris, of the English Department, was guest speaker at the regular monthly meeting of the Methodist Men's Club in Forrest City Tuesday night.

Dr. Matt L. Ellis, professor of Philosophy, addressed the Parent-Teacher Association at Conway on March 23.

Dr. A. C. Millar, editor of the Arkansas Methodist, was an appreciated guest speaker at chapel on Thursday. Speaking on "Music, a Power for Patriotism," he showed that it is music that moves the emotions and stirs men to action. The audience sang with zest "America, Our Fatherland," a patriotic song composed by Dr. Millar and broadcast by radio not long ago.

Miss Vivian Hill, of the English Department, spoke on "Present Trends in Sculpture" before the American Association of University Women meeting in the Hendrix Art studio last week.

Dr. Jewel E. Sanders, professor of Education, spoke on the "Church in Society" before the Young People of the First Methodist Church at Conway Sunday evening.

Dr. C. J. Greene, vice-president of the College, preached the morning sermon at the Washington Avenue Methodist Church in North Little Rock last Sunday.—G. A. Simmons.

RICE BELT LEAGUE UNION

Tuesday night, March 22, the Rice Belt Union No. 1, which is composed of the young people of the Humphrey-Bayou Meto charge, the Roe charge and Stuttgart, met in their regular monthly meeting at Bayou Meto church. There were 88 present. Humphrey, Sunshine, Stillwell, Brewer, Dewitt and Bayou Meto were represented.

Under the direction of Mrs. Lloyd Berry, superintendent of Young People at Bayou Meto, a most effective pre-Easter service was rendered, closing with that beautiful pageant service, "I Would Be True,"

which appeared in February issue of the Church School magazine. Long will we remember the effect of this pageant, as it was acted out in the shadow of the Cross.

After a short business session, we had an hour of social entertainment, which was enjoyed by all. Then the hostess League served delicious refreshments.

Our young people are not bad, but good, and if you could look in upon them as I did on this occasion you would say so, too.

This Union will meet at Humphrey on the night of April 26.—W. C. Lewis, P. C.

SIGNIFICANT STATEMENTS ON VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL

The following are some significant statements from the reports of 1937 on Vacation Church Schools:

"The school created more interest in Children's Work than anything we ever had in our church. It increased interest of parents in our program of religious education; gave the pastor an excellent opportunity to become acquainted with the children; succeeded in getting several

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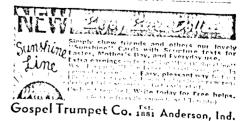
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pupil problems adjusted in the Church School; deepened the interest of boys and girls in the regular Sunday sessions; several children came who attended no Church School and most of them have become regular members; all of the children are eager for a school next year; the children learned a finer conception of what the church is and how they can help carry on the program of the church; established several new and valuable workers; we have realized the need for developing workers and plan to develop a year's program whereby we can train teachers and become more systematic in the training of chil-

On many reports was the notation, "Next year we need to begin early to plan for our school." Many problems can be avoided if early preparation is made.

Write us if you are interested in having a Vacation School in your church.—Fay McRae.

ALDERSGATE COMMEMORA-TION IN THE CHILDREN'S DIVISION

One of the best results of the Aldersgate Commemoration will be an awakened zeal in our church for the children who are growing up in our midst without religious training. There should be more children in our church schools; our churches should be open more hours per week (Sunday afternoons, through the week, Saturday mornings); more workers should be enlisted for preparation and service to the children all around us.—Miss Mary Skinner in a communication to District Directors of Children's Work.

FIELD NOTES By CLEM BAKER

Rev. Otto Teague is having his Aldersgate Revival in April with Rev. J. E. Cooper as the preacher. He is using the recently purchased Little Rock District tent.

Rev. M. W. Miller had a large attendance at his Aldersgate Rally at Primrose Wednesday night. The writer had the joy of meeting with the group.

Rev. Geo. Williams is vigorously promoting Aldersgate revivals on the St. Charles charge. His meeting began at Prairie Union last Sunday and the one at St. Charles will be held before Easter. The pastor is the preacher.

Rev. Harold Scott is making a thorough survey and map for the Malvern Circuit in preparation for the Aldersgate Revival campaign. He promises us a copy of that map. His good people of Rockport church gave this popular young pastor a pounding recently.

Rev. J. T. Rodgers recently picked up a new community and organized a Sunday School on the St. Charles charge. This fine superannuate is still active in the work of the Kingdom.

Rev. L. E. Wilson has divided the five charges on the Roe charge into two groups for Aldersgate Revivals with Rev. A. C. Carraway holding one and Presiding Elder Clegg the other. Wilson is in the midst of a great year on this circuit.

Rev. L. E. N. Hundley of Warren came up last week to complete plans for the Monticello-Pine Bluff Districts Christian Adventure Assembly. Mr. Carl Hollis is taking this good pastor and his wife with him to the General Conference.

Rev. A. E. Jacobs reports a splendid Young People's Anniversary program at Hunter last Sunday

night. The offering was \$5.00. Jacobs already has 13 lined up for his Easter class.

Rev. A. C. Carraway, in the midst of his Aldersgate campaign is already reaping results. Full house at preaching services and new adult class to accomodate growing Sunday School are some indications. The pastor will hold his own Aldersgate Revival preceding Easter.

Rev. Earl Lewis reports that Dr. Wilson, well known to all Methodists for his active support of our church at Roe, but recently moved to Gillett, is already in the harness and has organized and is teaching a new Men's Class. We need more men like Dr. Wilson to take their religion with them when they change locations. Brother Lewis will have his new church at Haller's Chapel ready for use soon and will hold Aldersgate Revival at Gillett before Easter.

Dr. H. B. Vaught had a good meeting with his preachers of the Monticello District at Dermott last week. This good new Elder is winning favor throughout the District and is looking carefully after all matters pertaining to the Kingdom.

Rev. Joe M. Robinson is having the best year of the three he has been in the ministry. New roof on his Fendley church, and new ceiling, doors and windows at Thompson's Chapel indicates new life on the Amity Charge. Bro. Robinson is carrying full college work at Henderson along with his duties as pastor.

Rev. W. C. Lewis is furnishing fine leadership for his young people on the Humphrey charge. He had 72 present at the Rice Belt Union this month.

Rev. R. L. Long is encouraged over increased Sunday School attendance and progress on his church debt at Stuttgart. Bob is in the midst of his Aldersgate Commemoration plans.

A Presiding Elder's Schedule: A certain preacher commenting on his hard-working Presiding Elder gave me the following schedule filled by his Elder on a recent Sunday: 9:30 a. m., preached at Stillwell; 11:00 a. m., preached at Bayou Meto; 2:00 p. m., preached at Brewer; 3:00 p. m., held Q. C. at Bayou Meto; 7:30 p. m., preached at Sherrill; 8:30 p. m., held Q. C. at Sherrill. This same Elder was found on Tuesday following meeting all his preachers in the Eastern section of his District and going carefuly over all plans for the Aldersgate Revival. And Tuesday night he held another Quarterly Conference. Who says our Elders do not work?

Rev. Robert Core, assisted by the writer, organized a Sunday School at Pleasant Hill on the Bryant Circuit last Sunday. Robert preaches to seven churches and carries full college work at Hendrix. The secret—Robert has a wife who does full work as assistant pastor.

Mrs. Louis Averitt of the Okolona charge should be added to the list of preacher wives taking eredit in the recent session of the Little Rock Training school.

THE MAGNOLIA TRAINING SCHOOL

A successful Training School was held at Magnolia last week. Revs. Neill Hart, Everett Vinson, George Reutz, W. R. Boyd and H. D. Ginther cooperated with representatives from their charges. The instructors were: Mrs. Clay E. Smith of Little Rock; Rev. Fred Harrison of Hope, and Rev. Roy E. Fawcett

of Arkadelphia. Presiding Elder Rule participated in the school as he always does in everything promoted for the good of the Kingdom in his district.—Clem Baker.

HENDERSON UNION, PRESCOTT DISTRICT, HOLDS SPLENDID TRAINING CONFERENCE

Commenting on the Epworth Training Conference held at Prescott last week with A. J. Christie, C. H. Giessen, and K. L. Spore as instructors, Brother Spore has the following to say: "We closed our Training Conference last night in a fine way with Rev. J. D. Baker delivering a great address on Aldersgate. The reports will speak for themselves concerning the excellent attendance and number of credits. There were 70 enrolled, representing eleven churches in the credit column. We are now planning for a Training Conference for the Peach Orchard Union centering around Nashville." We congratulate Brother Baker and his men. They are doing things down in the Prescott District.—Clem Baker.

PREPARATION FOR CONFER-ENCE-WIDE CHURCH SCHOOL DAY OBSERVANCE GAINS IMPETUS

Every day brings nearer to realization our goal for the observance of Church School Day with an offering in each church in the Little Rock Conference. Last week we reported that 54 pastors had ordered programs sent to 117 churches. This week 25 more pastors have ordered programs sent to 56 churches. The total is 79 pastors with 173 churches all set for the observance of the day on April 10, and the number is growing with each mail. Twice we have had to order an additional supply from the publishers, and we have a new supply coming. Let pastors who have not ordered them yet, do so at once. Little Rock Conference is going to make a record this year.—Clem Baker.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT TAKES LEAD IN CHURCHES, CAMDEN DISTRICT IN CHARGES, PRE-PARING FOR CHURCH

During the week Prescott District, Rev. J. D. Baker, Presiding Elder, jumped into first place with 37 churches ordering programs for Church School Day; while Camden District, Rev. E. C. Rule, leader leads the Conference in the number of charges ordering programs. Pine Bluff District, Presiding Elder Clegg, made rapid strides. Other Districts showed an advance over the previous week.—Clem Baker.

MISSIONARY OFFERING FOR FEBRUARY NEARLY \$100.00 GREATER THAN FEBRUARY ONE YEAR AGO

Mr. Wilkerson's report, appearing this week, shows the Fourth Sunday Missionary Offering, which amounts to \$97.54 more than the Fourth Sunday Offering for February, 1937. While our offering is still pitifully low as compared with other Conferences of equal strength it is heartening to note that the offering has increased each month this year over months of the previous year. We expect this offering to take another big jump next month. Our Elders and preachers have set their hearts on putting Little Rock Conference among the leaders, where it always belongs and whatever our Elders and preachers determine to do they generally do. Missionary programs

will be sent next month to a large number of new program leaders whose names have recently been sent in by the pastors.—Clem Baker.

REV. ALFRED DOSS FIRST ON CONFERENCE CHURCH SCHOOL DAY HONOR ROLL

Last week a check from Hampton-Harrell paying Church School Day offering in full, placed the name of the pastor Rev. Alfred Doss, first on 1938 Honor Roll for Little Rock Conference. This was followed the next day with an offering from Washington where Rev. G. W. Robertson is pastor, and thus the wheel starts rolling. Watch this column grow until every pastor and every Presiding Elder in the Conference is out in full this year. — Clem Baker.

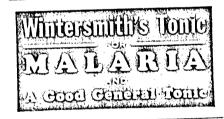
REV. J. L. HOOVER IS MUCH LOVED AT ARKADELPHIA

It was my happy privilege to preach for Rev. J. L. Hoover at Arkadelphia at his eleven o'clock service on a recent Sunday. I have been knowing the Arkadelphia Church and preaching in it occasionally for twenty-five years. During this period this church has had a number of outstanding pastors, but in all my experience I think I have never seen a pastor more universally loved than is Bro. Hoover. Great crowds attend his preaching services. The salary has been increased and paid to date. The Sunday School is growing and everything indicates one of the best years this charge has had. One of the encouraging things is the large number of splendid young men and young women in his services from Henderson State College.

While in Arkadelphia, preliminary steps were taken looking toward a Training School to be held there this fall. We congratulate John Hoover and the Arkadelphia Church.—Clem Baker.

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The Laymen's Forum

J. L. VERHOEFF, Editor

NEWS

Brooks Hays, one of the leading Baptist laymen of the state, spoke to the men of Winfield Memorial Church, at the fellowship dinner, March 21. J. S. M. Cannon, lay leader for Little Rock Conference and a member of the Winfield board of stewards, was master of ceremonies.

Charles A. Stuck of Jonesboro, lay leader for the North Arkansas Conference, was elected president of the Arkansas Association of Lumber Dealers at the annual convention held by the Association in Little Rock last week.

J. S. M. Cannon, Little Rock Conference lay leader, will go to St. Louis for a conference, April 6 and 7, of committees representing the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, the Methodist Protestant Church, and the Methodist Episcopal Church, to consider the future of lay work following the union of the three Churches.

"Certain changes and adjustments will have to be made," Mr. Cannon said. He expressed hope that the best features of the three Churches may be embodied in the lay program for United Methodism. Mr. Cannon was appointed on the committee at the last annual meeting of the General Board of Lay Activities at Junaluska.

VIEWS

Not so very many years ago when leaders for the individual churches were appointed by the Quarterly Conference, a newly appointed lay leader was known to have accepted the appointment with these words: "I do not know what a lay leader is supposed to do, but you may rest assured we will have plenty of lay leadership this year."

A great many laymen (This goes for me, too) have only a hazy idea of what lay leadership means and certainly we cannot expect much, unless we interest ourselves sufficiently to find out what is expected. My guess would be that being a good layman is being a good church member and helping others to be better church members.

Some churches are quite like the well-known family that spends much of its time trying to keep up with the Joneses.

"If there is to be a successful evangelistic campaign during the Aldersgate commemoration period, it will be a success because of the laymen and not because of the ministers of the church." This statement was not made by a layman, but is, in substance, what was said by one of the Bishops in Little Rock recently and repeated by Some the ministers in their

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Another example of Arkansas's lack of "statute stability" is found in the passage of the Barney toll bridge bill, an administration measure, by the state Legislature during the special session. A clause in the measure would prevent the charging of fees for the testing of automobiles in an effort to keep unsafe cars off the highways. Without the fees the stations cannot op-

CHURCH NEWS

ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Last week the windstorm struck the Orphanage and did a little damage. However, I had it covered by insurance.

We are still working on the building, having restored the roof and the tin work and there still remains considerably more to do.

We are having many applications for admission of children into the Home, but many cannot qualify. This is always true, however, in times of depression and yet the children are not orphans when either the father or mother is living, but some of the cases are so deplorable that they affect my heart. We do the best we can with them.

I think, if the women of Methodism would take up the matter of our support, that we would get along better, and I am appealing now to the classes of women in the Sunday School and in the Woman's Missionary Societies to come to our rescue.

General Conference is but a short time ahead and our people are beginning to talk concerning its action. I think it will be one of the most historic Conferences that Southern Methodism has had since the division in 1844. I am so glad that Arkansas is to be ably represented in that body. The two Conferences have sent their choicest

I would appreciate a letter from anyone who cares anything at all about our work for fatherless and motherless children, for letters of this kind encourage me in my efforts. With highest personal regards, I am, yours truly. - James Thomas, Executive Secretary,

BLEVINS-McCASKILL CHARGE

All signs point to a great year's work on this charge. When the writer arrived he found many fine people at each church anxious to help build the Kingdom of God. which certainly bears witness to the consecrated labor of former pastors. Our asking for the Arkansas Methodist Orphanage was paid in full; District Claims in full by first Quarterly Conference. \$18.00 has been contributed to the Ministerial Education Fund. Each of the churches and the pastor has accepted and will pay their part of the Ministers' Sustentation Fund. Salaries to date are plus in one church, to date in another, and in the smallest church there is only a small deficit. A substantial payment will be made on Conference Claims at

There has been one Training School in which were issued nine credits. At present, there are nine young people from the charge in attendance at the Epworth Training conference at Prescott. The ARKANSAS METHODIST is 100% in each of the churches. There are nine subscribers to the Chris Advocate and a number of Upper Rooms are distributed quarterly. Two Missionary Societies are active and doing good work. The Church Schools are gradually increasing in enrollment and regular attendance.

erate. The action by the legislators was taken within less than a year after they passed a model traffic law, which included the requirement that all cars should be tested semi-annually.

At the District Aldersgate meeting in Prescott, early in February, the charge had 31 present, the largest delegation in the District. The Aldersgate program in all the churches is not only proving popular, but it is stimulating the spiritual life of the people. Plans have already been made to carry this spirit to the unchurched. Needless to say the writer is expecting a joyous and fruitful year's work among this people.—Chas. H. Giessen, P. C.

FIRST CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK

The Visitation Evangelism Campaign in First Church has been progressing during last week. Many adults and young people have visited and secured definite results for the Kingdom and the Church through their efforts, and have shared the great joy of influencing others. All teachers in the Church School devoted last Sunday to preparing their class members for church membership by talking on the obligations, duties and privileges of church fellowship. These teachers are capable of leading their classes in a spiritual experience and have devoted themselves faithfully to this task.

Decision Day is next Sunday, Apr. 3, when Dr. Watts will go into the Junior, Junior High and Senior High Departments to lead the boys and girls into an experience of God and to seek a definite decision for the Christian life.

Instruction Classes will be held for the children during the week of April 10-17, at which time Dr. Watts will instruct them in the obligations of church membership.

The Young People's workers of Little Rock met Thursday night, March 24, at First Church, and organized into two groups to study the different phases of the work. Mrs. C. B. Nelson led the group in the organization of its set-up meetings. The group will meet the fourth Tuesday night of every month for discussions of their problems by some member of its group. The next meeting will be held April 26 at First Church.

The Young People met at the parsonage at 6:15 p. m., Sunday, for refreshments, fellowship and worship. Mrs. Watts provided the refreshments which were enjoyed by all. C. R. Hozendorf led the group in worship using as the theme, "Catching The Gleam." Following the program of worship, Miss Emma Sue Bagley led in a number of games. About fifty young people gathered for this service.

The Adult Workers of the Senior High Department met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Stark, Counsellors, for dinner and a council meeting Friday evening, March 25. Many problems of the department were discussed and plans were suggested for the improvement of its efficiency. This is a live wideawake department and the workers are interested in the welfare of its

Repairs on the church are well under way, and, from all appearance, will be completed easily by Easter. Much plastering has been completed and painters have begun work and the building will begin to take on a new appearance soon. The addition to Wesley Hall will add to the attractiveness of the church property as well as provide the much needed space for two elasses and the Scouts. We regret the loss of the two trees in front of Wesley Hall, but a reputable tree surgeon advises that they be removed and it seems the only course to follow.

The Church School attendance was down last Sunday from the Sunday before, but, considering the weather, we feel that the group as a whole was very loyal and interested in getting the spiritual benefits of the school. Too, the attendance was equal to that of one year ago which was Easter Sunday. The attendance was 585. Let's work toward a greater attendance than ever next Sunday.-C. R. Hozendorf.

ROLAND CHARGE

Our work is making progress on this circuit. The rains and high water prevented leaders of different denominations being at Roland as we had planned for our cooperative revival which we held a month ago, excepting the first and third nights, when Mr. Guy Amsler and a friend accompanied by Judge Newton and former Judge Cook rendered excellent help, the first night. The latter two made splendid addresses to a full house. This first night was "men's night," several men rarely ever seen in a church were present, one elderly man who hadn't attended church for forty years was there. and was converted a few days later. Doctor Taylor of the Central Presbyterian Church, Little Rock, preached an extra fine sermon on Tuesday night.

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excepting two when our local brother Baptist pastor preached. Folks here, came right on through the chilly rains and mud. The interest was so unusual and the demand so strong that we continued for two weeks.

Besides those who professed conversion and united with our two churches here, there was created a much better spirit of real Christian cooperation among all. The people are lovely and thoughtful. Our prayer meetings have from 30 to over 50 present. Church School is growing; finances are being cared for

Our Roland Church "pounded" us last Thursday night. We are having fine interest at Taylor's Chapel, planning to remodel our Harris Chapel building.

We sincerely appreciated the interest of all our friends, especially our Pulaski Heights Church friends, and the late Judge Turner Butler, whose assistance has been encouraging and meant much to us.

Needless to say we have the best Presiding Elder and wife in Methodism.

Mrs. Sparks' health is not what we could wish; however, she is improving. I am feeling better and doing more work than I have done for several years.—L. R. Sparks, P. C.

MABELVALE'S NEW ORGAN-IZATION

There is a new organization in the Mabelvale community. We call it the Mabelvale Community Unit. It is an organization of organizations. It had its beginning when all the organizations of the community sponsored a community-wide Christmas tree. It was so successful that members of the executive committee thought it wise to make it a permanent organization. This has been done.

In the beginning there was one representative from each organization on the executive committee. They were as follows: Baptist church, J. N. Sugg; Methodist church, Doyle Wilcox; American Legion, Jack Dean; Home Demonstration Club, Mrs. Cecil White; Legion Auxiliary, Mrs. June Matthews; the P.-T. A., Mrs. Marie Hooker. Recently it was decided that there should be three representatives from each organization. This has not been carried out in full, but is in the act of being put into effect.

We hope to be able to help the needy in the community or see that those who are eligible are helped by other relief agencies. It is also our aim to create, cultivate, and hold a fine community spirit. At the same time we are going to tell the people of other places what a fine community we have and try to draw into it a fine class of people. There are fine locations for homes here and we are only 12 miles from Main Street, Little Rock. There is a hard surface road from here to the Capital city.

The Unit is to sponsor weekly recreational activities for the whole community. We have declared the week preceding Easter as Community Clean-Up Week. The people who cannot dispose of their own rubbish will have access to a truck hired by the Unit for this purpose.

This is a great asset to our community. It enables each organization, with the help of others, to do more than it could alone. The Unit does not interfere with the functioning of any of the individual or-

ganizations in it. We rejoice to be a part of the Community Unit.—Doyle Wilcox.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT BROTHERHOOD

The Monticello District Brother-hood met at Dermott on Monday, March 31, with Rev. H. B. Vaught presiding.

Bro. Vaught read a Scripture lesson and led in a discussion about attaining high goals. The elder set the tone of the meeting in this discussion and a high spirit of fellowship prevailed throughout the entire meeting.

Reports from preachers present indicated that much constructive spiritual work is under way, which will bring forth fruits worthy of the Kingdom.

The Elder announced the District Conference committees, on which various preachers are to serve.

The subject of a Layman's organization was discussed. The district was divided into "Zones" and a "key" layman tentatively settled upon to head each Zone group. Much good, both to the laymen themselves and to the church at large, should emanate from this movement.

Mrs. J. B. Hefley of McGehee, District Director of Children's Work, spoke to the Brotherhood regarding plans to have Miss Spratt from Nashville for two meetings in the District with Children's Workers, one to be held in McGehee and one in Warren. Pastors reported the prospects of a nice increase in the number of Daily Vacation Bible Schools throughout the District this year.

After a fine morning spent in high fellowship in all matters, the ladies of the Dermott church served a spendid lunch in the dining room of the church.

Several "after" meetings were held, a period of genial fellowship was enjoyed by all, and we took our leave feeling refreshed and encouraged for our individual tasks.

—C. R. Roy, Secretary.

MOUNTAIN VIEW

Our presiding elder, Rev. Connor Morehead, was with us for the second Quarterly Conference on Feb. 27, at the eleven o'clock hour. Our people appreciated his sermon and his conduct of the business of the Conference. He is winning the favor of the people of this charge.

We are trying to carry out the Aldersgate commemoration in our church the best we can, and, as a feature of our efforts, the men of our Church School sponsored Dr. J. M. Williams and his course of addresses.

He came on Sunday morning, 13th, and stayed through Friday evening, speaking at the church each evening and to the High School each morning, and also to some grade room each morning.

His talks were timely, helpful, and challenging to both young and old. Our attendance was good, and we feel that his services are a benediction to our whole church, children, young people and adults. His addresses have something of interest for the whole family.

This church would be glad to have him come again. As a pastor, I am glad to recommend him and the work that he is doing to any church or community that may be able to secure his services.

We are moving along nicely with our church work and hope to have a good report at conference this fall.—J. W. Johnston, P. C.

OBITUARIES

ESTES.—Edgar Elias Estes was born at Brownsville, Tenn., Jan. 12, 1874. He first came to Paragould and moved to Vanndale about 43 years ago. He died March 5, He was one of Cross County's best farmers. He professed faith in Christ at an early age, and, on moving to Vanndale, joined the Methodist Church of which he was a member when he died. He was a loving father and companion. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary Bell Estes; five daughters, Mrs. Roy Jolly of Jonesboro, Mrs. Myra Bell Ganaway of Memphis, Mrs. Myrtle Flemming of Vanndale, Mrs. Ruby Kellogg of Wynne, and Mrs. Aileen Stevenson of Memphis; and three sons, Wilbur and Edwin of Memphis and Reginald of Vanndale; several grandchildren; and a host of friends.

The funeral service was conducted at the Methodist Church by the pastor, Sunday afternoon. Burial was in the Vanndale Cemetery.—A. L. Riggs, Pastor.

HARRISON—Irving Harrison was born to Robert H. and Fannie Lea Harrison, April 23, 1873. Departed this life March 11, 1938. He was

the third child of a family of five children, who all survive except one brother, who died in infancy. He was married Dec. 13, 1903, to Mrs. Mary Alsobrook. To this union were born seven children, five boys and two girls. His wife and two infants preceded him in death. One daughter and four sons survive him. They are: Mrs. Olga Key, William, Henry, Jesse and Phillip, and four grandchildren. He was converted in early manhood and united with the Macedonia Methodist church, where he has continued to be a consistent, faithful member until God called him. He was a member of the church board at the time of his death. He was a noble father and neighbor and no one's going will cause a greater vacancy in church, neighborhood, and family. Interment was in Macedonia cemetery on Princeton Charge, March 12, services being conducted by his pastor, S. G. Rutledge, assisted by Presiding Elder, Roy E. Fawcett, and Rev. R. C. Walsh of Sparkman.-S. G. Rutledge, Pastor.

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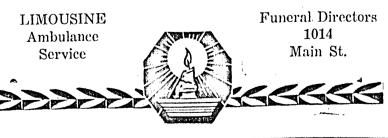


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Behind her walked her beautiful horse, Mohul. He had soft, expressive eyes, a velvety muzzle, a silken mane and tail. His color was black, with dashes of white here and

Mohul felt puzzled. Now and then he neighed inquiringly, "Where are you taking me?" he seemed to say. "Why do you not sing today? And why are you not riding on my

Marsa did not sing because her heart was very heavy and her heart was heavy because she was going to sell Mohul. A dark shadow lay upon her home. The fever plague had taken the good father, Hassan, and had laid low the mother and one of her sons, who were still weak and ill.

Poverty, too, had come with the death of the breadwinner, and that was why Mohul had to be sold. Already Marsa had sold her earrings and her gold chain; now she must part with this dear and faithful friend.

Very sadly, therefore, the girl came to the French camp, where she told the sentries that she had come to see whether she could sell her horse. A young officer who was passing stopped to look at Mohul.

"How much do you want for him?"

thousand francs," replied Marsa, in a voice choked with tears.

The officer laughed. "Why do you ask such a ridiculous sum as that, child?" he asked (A thousand francs is about \$200).

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"On the contrary, he is worth double that sum," answered the officer. "I have no wish to defraud you, little one."

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much?"

The girl's face brightened as she thought how pleased her mother would be.

"Then you will sell your horse to me for two thousand francs (\$400).'

"Yes," murmured Marsa. Already the gleam had died out of her face, and her eyes filled with tears.

"Why do you cry," the officer asked, "when I am giving you so much more money than you hoped to get?"

Because I love Mohul so," she faltered.

The young man gave her the two thousand francs. Then a soldier led Mohul away.

Three times the horse turned to look back appealingly at his little friend. Three times Marsa ran and tearfully kissed him. Then the little girl returned to her home. Her mother was delighted with the success of her errand.

Next morning, when Marsa unfastened the door she was greeted with a joyous neigh. There stood Mohul, panting with his hard run. He had broken his tether and raced home to his friends.

Marsa had not the heart to scold him. He was petted, caressed and fed. But when he had rested, Marsa led him again to the camp.

"Why!" exclaimed the soldiers, "here is our Arab maid with her steed. We never thought to see either again. So she is an honest child, after all!"

"Do not scold Mohul, please," said Marsa timidly to the animal's new master. "He will not do it again; but he must be fastened up more securely.'

As she spoke, she was stroking Mohul's glossy sides, and as on the previous day she could not restrain her tears.

The young man held in his hand a letter newly arrived from France, which he had just finished reading. The contents had evidently excited him. He looked up in a dazed sort of way.

"Oh, it is you, little girl, and you have brought back the horse! That is good-very good-of you; but I have now no use for him. I have been recalled to France; I must go immediately, and Mohul would only be in the way on board ship. So you may keep him.'

"But I have not the money with me," said the child, divided between the joy of retaining her pet and the fear of distressful days for her loved ones.

"What money?" asked the officer. "The money that was paid for the horse. It is at home—that is not quite all. We have been obliged to use some of it already, but we

The officer interrupted her. "You are a good, brave girl. I do not want the money either. I have just learned from this letter that I become a very rich man; so I beg of you to keep both the money and the horse. Accept Mohul as a souvenir of the French soldiers. Now go, and be happy."

Marsa's tears were quickly dried; her face glowed with joy and gratitude. The officer felt at the same time two soft touches, the gentle pressure of the Arab girl's lips on his hand, and on his cheek was the touch of Mohul's nose. That was their way of saying, "Thank you."-Our Little Friend.

INTERNATIONAL Sunday School Lesson

Lesson for April 3

SERVING OTHER RACES

LESSON TEXT—Mark 7:24-37. GOLDEN TEXT—God is no respecter of persons. Acts 10:34.

'God is no respecter of persons" (Acts 10:34). He who by reason of His infinite knowledge might well draw lines of distinction between them is loving and gracious toward all, not willing that any should perish, extending his mercy to men of all conditions and all races. But men, whose knowledge is so limited that they cannot even rightly judge the thoughts of their own hearts, are quick to discriminate against their fellow man because he is of a different race, color, or social posi-

A leader in the Southern Baptist church recently pointed out that the number of heathen in the world has increased about two and a half times as rapidly as the number of Christians, which means that at the rate of progress of missions during the last generation the world has become more heathen at the rate of six million a year, and now we are retarding the process still further. Because of financial depression we are recalling missionaries. When the world is ablaze with sin and God-denying political theories we withhold the gospel it needs. It has well been said such strategy is like closing the hospital because an epidemic is in progress.

Jesus had gone into Syrophenicia and the region of Decapolis (look them up on the map) to rest. But the need of the Gentile people (to whom He was not at that time called to minister, impelled Him to help them also. Note how they were stimulated to believe, how their faith was tried, but triumphant,

I. Faith Encouraged.

The Greek woman and the man of Decapolis were led to believe in Christ in two different ways.

1. By hearing about Jesus. woman "heard of him" (v. 25), Paul says, "Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God" (Rom. 10:17). Are we diligent in season and out of season, telling the story of Jesus and His love? If so, men and women of our acquaintance will hear of Him and be ready to call on Him in the day of their trouble.

2. By a personal meeting with Jesus. The man was deaf; he could not hear about Jesus, but he could see Him. To him the Lord came in person, and by the sign language, related in verse 33, He stirred his heart to believe. There are some of our friends and neighbors to cannot speak, but we can live Christ before them, and we can bring them to Him so that they may meet Him personally.

II. Faith Tested.

1. By obstacles. The woman met what seemed to be a sharp rebuke (v. 27), although it was no doubt much tempered by the tender voice of Jesus, and by the fact that He did not use the word "dogs" as the Jews did in speaking of the Gentiles. He spoke kindly, and He talked of the "little dogs" which were the pets of the household. But

her faith was greatly tried, just as ours often is, not that it should fail, but that its strength might be demonstrated. "That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honor and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ" (I Pet. 1:7).

2. By natural handicaps. Jesus put no impediment in the way of the man, for he was already hindered by nature. How often do we not feel that in our very personalities and bodies are those things which hinder our full apprehension of the grace of God. Shall we then give up in discouragement? No. man believed right through the barrier of unhearing ears and a speechless tongue. We can do likewise by the grace of God.

III. Faith Rewarded.

1. By deliverance from the devil. The woman's daughter was set free because of her faith. Men and women around us need to be delivered from the devil. Perhaps you who read these lines are in need of such deliverance. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house" (Acts 16:31).

2. By deliverance from personal limitations. The man's "ears were opened . . . and he spake plain" (v. 35). What is the unfortunate trait of personality, the handicap of body or mind that holds you back from accepting Christ as Saviour, or, having done so, from the full and free development of your spiritual life? Faith in Christ cuts right through the hindering inability. He said to Paul, "My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness." Shall we not say with Paul, "Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me," (II Cor. 12:8, 9).

COMMISSIONER'S SALE

Notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of the authority and directions contained in the decretal order of the Chancery Court of Pulaski County, made and entered on the 21st day of March, A. D. 1938, in a certain cause (No. 56487) then pending therein between People's Building & Loan Association, Inc., com-plainant, and Mrs. W. P. McDermott as guardian of the person and estate of Mrs. Mamie Keeney, et al., defendants, the undersigned, as Commissioner of said Court, will offer for sale at public vendue to the highest bidder, at the east door or entrance of the County Courthouse, in which said Court is held, in the County which said Court is neid, in the County of Pulaski, within the hours prescribed by law for judicial sales, on Wednesday, the 27th day of April, A. D. 1938, the following described real estate, to-wit: All that part of Block 356, City of Little Rock, Arkansas, lying south of the rightof-way of Missouri Pacific Railroad, except the south 124 feet of same, in Pu-

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MISSION STUDY CLASS BEGINS MONDAY.

Next Monday afternoon, April 4, immediately after the Joint Circle meeting luncheon, the first meeting of the Spring Mission Study Class will be held. "By the Waters of Bethesda" is the book to be studied, taught by Mrs. J. L. Verhoeff.

BUSINESS WOMEN TO MEET THURSDAY

Six o'clock, Fellowship Hall. Recreation period directed by Miss Lillian Peaslee. Supper at 6:30, served by members of the Fidelity class. Mrs. Ethel Wilson will preside over business session. Miss Olive Smith will present a program with several members participating. Special musical numbers by Miss Kate Bossinger.

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BOARD MEETS MONDAY

The Board of Stewards will hold the regular monthly meeting Monday at 7:30. This meeting is of special importance since Dr. Hammons, our Presiding Elder, will be with us and hold the second Quarterly Conference. Delegates to the District Conference will be elected. Every steward expected to be present.

DISTRICT FIVE PARTY ON THURSDAY

The neighborhood party scheduled for Tuesday at the home of Mrs. R. D. Ginocchio, 1515 Louisiana, has been postponed until Thursday of this week, 4 o'clock. Mrs. W. E. Snodgrass and Mrs. H. T. Steele, co-hostesses.

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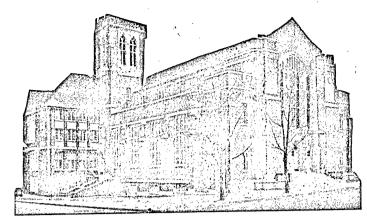
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6:30 P. M. Senior and Young People's Leagues

7:45 P. M. "BUILDING A HOME"—Sermon by Pastor (A miniature home built during sermon)

THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

By GASTON FOOTE

The Gambling Mania

Along with the modern mania for cocktails and strong drink appears another bedfellow, the mania for gambling. Interest in this "sport" has been greatly increased by the introduction of legalized horse race betting in fully half the states of the Union, including Arkansas.

When Arkansas legalized horse race betting it was promised that this would result in clean sport, good business, eastern tourists, and state revenue. Concerning CLEAN sport we need only be reminded that jockies have been disqualified. owners have been ruled off the tracks, rumors of drugged horses have persisted, and hundreds of "bookies" have operated throughout the state in "defiance" of the law. With reference to bookies we need be reminded of the fact that J. Edgar Hoover, number one crime detector, recently said that "illegal bookies cannot flourish in any city on a large scale without police protection." After all it looks like the only thing that's clean about this sport is the honesty of the horses.

Business men in Hot Springs, Little Rock and elsewhere are practically unanimous in their opinion that gambling on horse races has had disasterous results in the payment of bills. Apartment house managers say that rental collections have been complicated because many housewives gamble with rent money. Hundreds of low wage employees (some colored maids) gamble a week's wages and, losing in 24 cases out of 25, cannot pay their legitimate bills.

And if the revenue coming to the state through this method were weighed against police and court costs incurred by cities and counties in apprehending illegal gambling resorts the chances are the state would actually have a DEF-ICIT. Betting may encourage a better breed of horses but it discourages a better quality of citizens. Which is more important for Arkansas—better horses or better citizens?

Christian Education By CHARLES THIGPEN

Attendance				
Last Sunday			571	
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Present	Time	Cont.	Ch.	
Jr. High72	63	50	64	
Sr. High59	40	32	42	
Y. P44	30	24	37	
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Couples Class			80	
Men's Class			80	
Hinton			37	
Jenkins				
Fidelity			23	
Brothers			15	
Ashby				
Forum			'	
Total			249	

LEARNING-FOR-LIFE SCHOOL

Wednesday evening at 7:30 the second session of our "Learning-For-Life School" got under way. There has been a great deal of interest shown in these schools and this gives promise of as much. The classes: "The Use of the Bi-

The classes: "The Use of the Bible With Children," directed by Mrs. Clay Smith and Miss Fay McRae. "Understanding People," Dean E. Q. Brothers. "Managing Oneself," Mr. J. R. Bullington.

WITH THE DEPARTMENTS

"How to Win Friends and Influence People", book by Dale Carnegie, will be reviewed by Robert McNeely in the Senior League Sunday evening, following a period of recreation at 6 o'clock. Mary Frances Winburne will be leader of the program.

Mr. J. S. M. Cannon will be the guest speaker in the Young People's League. The twilight supper will be in charge of Mary Nell Thompson and Lester Lowery. Tommy Holliman will have more entertainment. (It might be said that Tommy is really bringing in some good talent.)

Don't forget the party at the church Friday evening. Come dressed like a kid and be prepared for a good time. Elizabeth McNeely never hits-a-miss.

WITH THE CLASSES

Dean Brothers will use Dr. Link's book, "The Return To Religion" as a text for his class during the next several weeks.

The Ashby Class is getting a great deal out of their study of "Great Christian Teachings."

The Couples' Class just cannot be stopped. With 80 present Sunday they still want more.

Mrs. Foote's new class of girls is doing extra well, having grown from 10 to 23 in less than two months.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers last Sunday were presented by Miss Blanche Alley and Mrs. W. A. Barnard in memory of their mother.

SEE A HOME BUILT!
Sunday evening, 7:45 p. m.
A miniature home will be built
during sermon on
"BUILDING A HOME"

By the Pastor