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## OUR YOUNG PEOPLE AND RELIGION

IN the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE (Nashville) of June 24, is an observation on the relation of the youth of the present to the church as compared with that of the youth of a little more than a century ago. It is full confirmation of the opinion of youth which has often been expressed in these columns. The quotation is as follows: "Some people have a flair for making sweeping generalizations. They tell us that never since the world began were our young people so irreligious. Even a slight knowledge of history will go far toward removing pessimism. What about the low ebb of moral and religious life in America during the closing years of the Eighteenth and the opening years of the Nineteenth Century? At Princeton in 1782 there were but two students who professed to be Christian. At Yale in 1800 there were but five students who were members of the Church. When Lyman Beecher entered Yale as a student, he found that most of the members of the senior class were infidels and called one another Voltaire, Rousseau, and so on through the list. At Bowdoin in 1810 there was but one professing Christian. The College of William and Mary was regarded as a hotbed of atheism, and the educated young men of Virginia were almost without exception skeptical. In the colleges wines and liquors were kept in many rooms. Intemperance, gambling, and licentiousness were common. This condition was not limited to students. At this same period the people generally were influenced by the prevalent French philosophy, and it became popular to attack Christ, to ridicule the Bible, and to label religion as superstition. Worship was neglected, while vice and immorality increased alarmingly on every hand. These were your good old days. No one would hold that we are in any respect in an ideal situation today. But I believe that, beyond all question, we have a better, finer, higher-type group of young people than any generation since time began. The Youth Crusade will meet an enthusiastic response in the Church. It is most timely and holds tremendous spiritual possibilities."

### "THE QUALITIES THAT MADE AMERICA"

IN the July number of the *Country Gentleman*, the editor writes: "Responsible government officials calmly tell us that from now forward this country will always have several millions of people on relief. What a cowardly, hopeless attitude that is! It is merely another way of saying that America and the world have reached the end of their resources, that hope is dead, that the future is a dark and dismal void."

"If there is no future, no hope for millions, I cannot conceive that there is any hope for anybody. If these prophets are right, then there is no useful purpose left in life. There is no need for schools, nor for science, nor for medicine, nor for invention, nor, for that matter, for religion. We may as well take the final lethal drink and end the struggle."

"Personally I shall never subscribe to such a philosophy of defeatism. I know it is false and I know it leads to destruction. It is not hard times, it is not men out of work, bad as that is, that gives me the shivers of apprehension. It is the moral breakdown of the American people that is the real tragedy. It is lack of personal faith, the acceptance of the false and foreign-bred philosophies, the willingness to trade the priceless birthright of free peoples for a few honeyed words that casts such a dark shadow over our national life."

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\* AND DEBORAH SAID UNTO BARAK, \*  
\* UP; FOR THIS IS THE DAY IN WHICH \*  
\* THE LORD HATH DELIVERED SISERA \*  
\* INTO THINE HANDS. IS NOT THE \*  
\* LORD GONE OUT BEFORE THEE? SO \*  
\* BARAK WENT DOWN FROM MOUNT \*  
\* TABOR, AND TEN-THOUSAND MEN \*  
\* AFTER HIM. AND THE LORD DIS- \*  
\* COMFITED SISERA AND ALL HIS \*  
\* CHARIOTS AND ALL HIS HOST.— \*  
\* Judges 4:14-15. \*  
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"We hear much of national planning. It is another of those recent foreign importations. I do not believe that any man or any small group of men can plan the lives of all of us. It is a comforting thought for harassed people to shift the burdens of life to some one who will take care of all their needs and solve all their problems."

But the thought is a thin and pallid dream. We do not elect even lesser deities to public office. After all, and despite charts and blueprints and mountains of good intentions, the men elected to public office are merely ordinary well-meaning citizens who love public office. They are not farmers, nor industrialists, nor economists, nor businessmen, nor infallible planners, no matter how loudly they proclaim their faith in their own abilities. The one talent they possess in common is the ability to make a speech and entertain a crowd.

"Now that I have discussed some of the things in which I do not believe, let me offer my own articles of faith. First of all, I believe in America. I do not believe it is civilization that has failed."

"I believe in the democratic principle of government. I believe that we stand at the threshold of the greatest possibility for advancement that humanity has ever experienced."

"I believe that nearly all people want to work and get ahead. I believe that the people of America want to keep the doors of opportunity open for themselves and their children. I believe that the overwhelming majority of people in all walks of life are inherently honest and fair-minded."

"But I shall have to admit, with sadness in my heart, that all of us have had our faith weakened by class denunciations, the distrust between great sections of our population. Most

### A CALL TO YOUTH

At the Young People's Conference held in St. Paul, Minn., last February, the opening service of worship used as a meditation the following poem by Thomas Curtis Clark, expressing the call of Christian service to young people of today.

You whose hearts possess a dream  
You whose vision still is true,  
Will you follow still the gleam?  
Will you build the world anew?

Futile is the reign of hate,  
Fated is the rule of gold;  
On your deeds great issues wait,  
Let your hearts with love be bold.

Vain are all the tools of war,  
Vain the boastings of success;  
These the dreams you battle for;  
Faith and truth and righteousness.

Let who will despise your youth,  
Let them trail your words in dust;  
You shall conquer, with the truth;  
In your visions be your trust.

You whose hearts possess a dream,  
God is God; His word is true;  
Follow still the luring gleam  
Till the world is built anew.

of it has been unjustified and un-American. This class consciousness of American people in the past few years has been an insidious poison that is making all of us ill.

"What the American people need today, as I see it, is faith in themselves individually, faith in their democracy, faith and tolerance among one another, faith in the American way of life. If we have faith and courage and the moral stamina to do what we know is right, we need not fear the future. Faith, courage, and morality are our national heritage; those are the qualities that made America; they are our anchors, our guarantee for the future."

### THE YOUTH CRUSADE

SHORTLY before the session of the General Conference, Bishop Kern, who himself is comparatively young and who understands youth, had a stirring article in our church papers, in which he advocated organization for a "Youth Crusade." The General Conference accepted the idea and made plans for carrying it into effect.

Submitting the suggestion to the Conference, the General Board of Christian Education made the following statement: "The Youth of other lands are being mobilized under the banner of nationalism. We believe that the time has come when the youth of America should mobilize under the banner of Christ. There has been a magnificent response on the part of our young people to the program of the Church during the past years. The eagerness with which they seized upon the opportunity to share in the Aldersgate Commemoration has been most encouraging. Their yearning for a source of authority and a sense of security in a world of confusion, has been plainly evident to all those who are close to their hearts. All these things lead us to believe that our College of Bishops has been led by divine wisdom in calling the Church to a crusade among young people during the ensuing quadrennium."

"We therefore recommend that the General Conference, convening on April 28, authorize such a crusade which shall reach all the young people in every local church and every college in our Connection with a challenge to holy living and consecrated service."

"We recommend that this Youth Crusade should attempt nothing less than the bringing of all our youth to a certainty of God in Christ Jesus; the setting up of the Christian standard of personal and social living, with absolute rejection of the current pagan standard; the establishment of a personal religion of such power that our youth will not only triumph over the evils which assail them, but arm them, every one, for the destruction of those evils in their organized and commercial forms."

The following are the objectives: "(1.) To win for Christ and Church membership not less than 400,000 young people in the South during the quadrennium; (2.) To strengthen present work of the Church with young people as authorized by our Discipline, by providing an organized program for young people in every local church in Methodism and on the campus of every Methodist college, and every state and independent college within our territory; (3.) To increase the number of Methodist young people attending our Methodist colleges; (4.) To arouse the interest of young people in the work of the Church and to increase their participation as efficient workers in the Church School, the Missionary Society, the Board of Stewards, and other work of the local church; (5.) To inspire young people to prepare themselves for full time service as preachers and missionaries." To all of which we say "Amen!"

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## METHODIST EVENTS

Layman's Conference, Mt. Sequoyah, July 2-4.  
Ark.-Mo. Methodist Conf., Mt. Sequoyah, July 4-10.  
Young People's Conference, Mt. Sequoyah, July 12-24.  
Missionary Conference, Mt. Sequoyah, July 25-31.  
Temperance Conference, Mt. Sequoyah, August 5-7.  
Leadership School, Mt. Sequoyah, August 8-19.  
Preaching, Bishop Selecman and Dr. Morrison, Mt.  
Sequoyah, August 20-30.  
N. Arkansas Conference, at Paragould, November 9.  
Little Rock Conference, at Camden, November 16.

## Personal and Other Items

**B**ISHOP JOHN M. MOORE addressed the  
Scandinavian Methodists at the Methodist  
camp-ground at Des Plaines, Ill., during their  
assembly June 30-July 17.

**R**EV. W. HENRY GOODLOE, our pastor at  
Rogers, who has been out of his charge for  
six weeks on account of ill health, is now back  
and at work and is feeling fine. His work is  
moving on splendidly.

**T**HE editor had very happy and interesting  
experiences last Saturday and Sunday while  
visiting in his boyhood community, in Mo., but  
cannot write about it this week, as he did not  
reach the office until Tuesday morning. There  
will be an account of the experiences in next  
week's paper.

**T**HE METHODISTS of the city of Little Rock  
were called together by Dr. J. D. Hammons,  
P. E., in a joint third quarterly conference last  
Monday. The reports were pronounced by Dr.  
Hammons as "the finest ever." Plans were made  
for meeting at five places in the city in a large  
tent purchased for that purpose. The tent meet-  
ing will begin Aug. 1 and continue until Oct. 15.

**O**NE of the stirring events of the General Con-  
ference was the introduction of Dr. C. A.  
Rush, a retired member of the Alabama Con-  
ference and great grandson of Bishop James O.  
Andrew. Dr. Rush said: "When the General  
Conference voted in favor of Methodist Union I  
said I thought my grandfather was rejoicing  
over it. He deplored the division of the Church.  
My sister, older than I, had read recently the  
life of my grandfather and while she had before  
been opposed to Union, after again reading the  
book she was heartily in favor of it. God bless  
you all."

**T**HE AMERICAN PROTESTANT, a new peri-  
odical with the motto, "An unbridled press  
fighting for the faith of the founding Fathers,"  
is interesting and profitable because of its 100%  
Americanism and its opposition to the things in  
current life that would destroy our liberties. The  
price is \$1.00. Order from The American Protes-  
tant, 1065 Wisconsin Ave., Washington, D. C.

**T**HE DOCTRINES AND DISCIPLINE of the  
Methodist Episcopal Church, a book similar  
to our Discipline, will be needed by many of our  
people so that they may study the polity of the  
great church with which ours is so soon to be  
joined in The Methodist Church. The price is  
55 cents by mail, and it may be ordered from  
the Methodist Book Concern at New York City  
or Cincinnati.

**A**T LAKE JUNALUSKA, N. C., the fourth an-  
nual program and open discussion Confer-  
ence of "The Council on a Christian Social  
Order," will be held on July 17-21. Some very  
fine speakers are announced. It will be a great  
opportunity to study one of the pressing ques-  
tions of the day. For program and other infor-  
mation address Rev. John W. Rustin, Mt. Ver-  
non Place Church, Washington, D. C.

**R**EV. J. L. LEONARD is in a revival meeting  
with Rev. W. F. Cooley at Whitten. This is  
a fine community in Mississippi County. The  
outlook is good for a great meeting. Bro. Leon-  
ard states that the meeting will continue until  
about the 20th. He has an open date for the  
first fifteen days in August. Should anyone  
desire to have his services in a meeting he will  
gladly assist. His address is 2123 Valmar, Little  
Rock.

**W**ORLD CHRISTIANITY for the third quar-  
ter of this year has a variety of intensely  
interesting articles, such as "America and The  
Next War," "How Shall Democracy Be Saved?"  
"Foreign Missions and Church Unity," "The  
Color Problem," "Youth in a Disordered World,"  
and "The College and Its World Relations." The  
price for a single issue is only 25 cents, for a  
year \$1.00. Its address is 140 S. Dearborn St.,  
Chicago.

**A**NATIONAL PROGRAM FOR THE RURAL  
CHURCH is a pamphlet containing the Find-  
ings of the Conference called in New York by  
the Committee on Town and Country of the  
Home Missions Council and the Federal Council  
of the Churches, Jan. 5-8. All who are inter-  
ested in these problems should have it. It is  
sold for 10 cents a copy, or special rates for  
larger quantities. Address Home Missions Coun-  
cil, 297 Fourth Ave., New York City.

**M**ETHODIST PROTESTANT DISCIPLINE,  
published by the Board of Publication of  
the Methodist Protestant Church, Baltimore, Md.,  
price 50 cents, is a small book that many of our  
preachers and leading laymen should have in  
view of the fact of Methodist Union. It con-  
tains a very interesting Historical Sketch and  
the Constitution of that Church. We should  
know as much as possible of this democratic  
church that is giving the United Methodism some  
of its important features.

**R**EV. O. C. BIRDWELL, our pastor at For-  
rester, and Mrs. Birdwell called Monday on  
their return from a vacation trip of ten days  
spent in Chicago, Springfield and St. Louis. The  
trip was the gift of a friend and they report a  
delightful vacation. Bro. Birdwell also reports  
a great community revival which was recently  
held at Forrester with Dr. B. J. Cathlin of the  
Baptist Seminary in Fort Worth doing the  
preaching and Mr. A. M. Hutton leading the  
singing. The result was 39 additions to the vari-  
ous churches. A fine Vacation School was held  
under the leadership of Mrs. Birdwell.

**T**HE campaign for signatures for the initiation  
of the local option bill by the Arkansas  
Anti-Saloon League, headed by Supt. J. H. Glass,  
brought approximately 2,000 more than the  
minimum actually required. This, however, is  
fortunate, because it will almost certainly fore-  
stall any effort to prevent its appearing on the  
ballot, as it is not likely that any considerable  
number of names might be found that cannot  
be legally counted. Those who have worked  
diligently for this measure are entitled to the  
full appreciation of the group that prepared and

championed the measure. It was not a "one-  
man" accomplishment; but the work of a large  
number of fine people. In the near future an-  
nouncements will be made about the conduct of  
the campaign for votes to carry the measure in  
the November election.

**B**ISHOP C. C. SELECMAN, visiting the Michi-  
gan Conference, spoke briefly, and the  
Michigan Christian Advocate reported that his  
remarks help on the way to a happy union with  
the South. Bishop Blake invited Bishop Selec-  
man to occupy the chair for a few minutes.  
Among the lay delegates elected to the United  
Conference was former Lieutenant Governor  
L. D. Dickinson, whom this editor has known for  
years as a prohibition leader and member of  
the Board of the National Anti-Saloon League.

**D**R. R. H. BLACKWELL, President of Ran-  
dolph-Macon College for the last 36 years,  
who had been ill in an Atlanta hospital since  
the close of the General Conference, passed away  
last week, at the age of 84 years. A graduate  
of the college, as a student and teacher he had  
been connected with it during almost his entire  
life. A scholar, a great administrator, a genuine  
Christian gentleman, well known in all educa-  
tional circles, he had an outstanding reputation  
and was regarded as one of Virginia's greatest  
citizens. A friend of this editor for almost forty  
years, he will be missed at the meetings he was  
accustomed to attend.

## THE LAYMEN'S MEETING AT MT. SEQUOYAH

**I** THOROUGHLY enjoyed this meeting from  
Saturday night till Monday noon. The at-  
tendance was not large; but the excellent pro-  
gram was fully executed, and all talks and ad-  
dresses were of unusual merit. Much of the  
success was due to the capable presidency of Mr.  
Charles Stuck. A quartet and pianist from  
Bentonville rendered highly acceptable music.  
Resolutions were adopted requesting the Gen-  
eral Board of Lay Activities to put on next  
summer a program equal to that which has been  
given Lake Junaluska. In the Laymen's Forum,  
Mr. Verhoeff, who was present taking notes, re-  
ports extracts from the addresses.

As it was my first visit to the Mount this  
season, I was delighted to see that all vegetation,  
refreshed by copious rains, was looking exceed-  
ingly lovely. The remodeled Superintendent's  
Home is a thing of beauty and increased use-  
fulness, as its capacity is greatly increased.

The members of the Methodist Episcopal  
group from Missouri and Arkansas were pour-  
ing in for their week's program which promised  
to be unusually interesting and attractive.

Traveling by bus on my way up, I missed a  
connection because of motor trouble and con-  
sequently lost the first part of the Laymen's  
program. However, as a part of the highway  
was over a piece of road that I had not traveled  
in years there was some compensation. The  
return trip Monday was in the car with Mr. and  
Mrs. Verhoeff to whom I am under many obli-  
gations for a safe and pleasant journey.—A. C. M.

## CIRCULATION REPORT

**S**INCE last report the following subscriptions  
have been received: El Dorado Ct., L. C.  
Gatlin, 3; Mountain Home, J. E. Lark, 100%,  
38; Snyder, E. L. McKay, 7; Rogers, W. H. Good-  
loe, 1; Hermitage Ct., O. C. Robison, 2; Conway,  
S. B. Wiggins, 1; Leola, M. K. Rogers, 1; Ola,  
W. A. Patty, 1; Carlisle, O. W. Teague, 2; Colt,  
Bates Sturdy, 1; Highland, O. L. Cole, 100%, 69;  
Hickory Plains Ct., O. L. Thompson, 1; Kibler  
Ct., J. C. Cofer, 3; Humphrey, W. C. Lewis, 1;  
Marked Tree, J. A. Womack, 1; Bingen, E. T.  
McAfee, 3; Asbury, R. B. Moore, by Hardin Bale,  
41; Cabot, J. W. Glover, 16; First Church, Little  
Rock, H. B. Watts, 350; Bear Branch Church,  
Browning Charge, (Mo.) W. M. Owen, 100%, 15;  
Junction City, J. R. Clayton, 1. This represents  
fine work which is appreciated. Again we ex-  
hort pastors to work up their lists and get many  
new subscribers in view of the unusual things  
that will doubtless occur both in Methodism and  
in the political and religious world in the near  
future. Get 100% Clubs wherever possible. It  
is possible in many places where, at first, it  
might seem difficult. But our pastors are noted  
for doing unusual things.

## A Peril That Must Be Watched

In the major Church assemblies recently held, it was proper that one of the emphases should be the constant encroachment of the State in the field of education, together with the pressure of radical groups and ultra-conservative groups, which are among the chief menaces of our time to free education and the future of the cultural college. Those who are thoughtful agree that education in America has already been secularized to a dangerous degree, and that the large and increasing grants of State-supported institutions not only threaten the future welfare of Church-supported colleges, but are hastening the hour when the politicians will tell the professors "not only how to teach, but what to teach."

Dr. Norman Vincent Peale, of the Marble Collegiate Church, New York, subjected himself to the charge of partisanship, which he utterly disclaimed, when he said in a recent address that because of the pressure of foreign ideologies rather than the direct intention of any political officials, individual freedom in our country is being absorbed by political powers. "It is a dangerous situation as regards the people," he cried, "when a political party can control four to five billion dollars of the people's money and use it to influence any election anywhere! I am not criticizing the Democratic party as such. I would say the same thing if the Republican party were in power. It is more important that democracy survive than any political party, and democracy is hanging in the balance today. Very subtly are the people's liberties taken away from them. I don't believe that any high official wants to violate the freedom of the people, but the pressure of foreign ideologies sweeping the country attacks the very foundations of democracy. It is better to die as free men with the scepter of sovereignty slipping from emaciated fingers at death, than to live in security and slavery."

Dr. Charles F. Wishart, President of the College of Wooster, in an address in behalf of Presbyterian colleges, protested against laws of a more or less rigid character in about 26 States of the Union, which require teachers to take an oath of loyalty to the Constitution. It is unfair, he says, to single out one class of men, and the suspicion will not down that this may be an entering wedge looking toward a situation when a professor's loyalty in the Constitution will be interpreted "not in the light of the constitutional guarantee of free speech, but in the light of the particular meaning which may be read into that document by a Fascist-minded legislator."

Calling attention to Germany, Russia, and Italy, where education has become "an elaborate system of political propaganda," Dr. Wishart declared that "If dictatorship ever should come in America, there could be no more ideal set-up for it than that the whole educational process should be under the control of the political machine." A college administrator who aims to teach students to keep their balance and to give breadth, tolerance and age-long wisdom to those he teaches is today between Scylla and Charybdis. "If an administrator leans to the Left a little," said Dr.

Wishart, "or if anybody in the faculty leans that way, or if the speaker on the platform leans that way, or if anybody who was ever graduated from his institution leans that way, he is probably being financed from Moscow! If, on the other hand, he or any of these groups whom I mention leans a little to the Right, he is unquestionably financed by Wall Street! The chances are, however, that he is trying to move forward in a clear, straight line, and is not being financed by anybody. This latter phase of the matter is most tragic!"

How are Church-supported schools to continue as worthy competitors of institutions which are receiving ever-growing appropriations from State or Federal treasuries, and who are being tempted to fall in line with the wishes of whatever party may be in power, in order that these appropriations may be increased? All the money that is placed in the hands of public officials, which is the people's own money, "can never buy for the people anything one-half so precious as what they are asked to sell." Indeed, such power to spend money which can influence the very philosophy of our educational institutions, should never be placed in the hands of any man. We must hope and pray that our schools and colleges will maintain their idealism in spite of their comparative poverty. In his report to the Eastern Synod, President McClure of Ursinus College discusses this "problem of growing seriousness" in these trenchant words: "The rapidly increasing wealth of the tax-supported institutions makes the work of the Church-related college increasingly difficult and increasingly important. Unless the privately-endowed college can continue to attract the best students and can continue to give these students superior advantages, the privately-endowed college is certain to decline in influence and prestige, and eventually to disappear. If the Protestant Church-related college is to survive, the people of the Protestant Churches must forget neither the difficulties of their colleges nor the growing importance of the work that these colleges can do in the future." It is indeed true that in the troubled days ahead the Christian institution is called upon to take a position of leadership in the vanguard of those who work for academic freedom and for the spiritual interpretation of life, over against all dictatorships and power politics.—The Messenger.

### THE METHODIST CHURCH SCHOOL MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

The Southern Methodist Church has decided to make a determined effort to turn the tide in church school enrollment and attendance. Reinforced by the Bishops of the Church, who named this as one of their objectives for the Conference year, the General Board of Christian Education, through the Department of the Local Church, is leading in a vigorous campaign to increase church school enrollment and attendance.

The guiding procedure in this effort is to encourage the church school superintendent and his teachers in each local church to study their own situation carefully and prayerfully and to decide themselves how many they should increase their enrollment this Conference year. When this number is

## Woman's Missionary Department

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### JUNCTION CITY AUXILIARY

Junction City, being a State line town, our little Auxiliary often feels that we are just "a little orphan" all to ourself. However, we are still in existence and striving to stay. Under the leadership of our splendid pastor, Rev. J. R. Clayton, we are working and praying that we may get our church building in good condition this year.

Our Auxiliary has had all meetings to date, both business and programs. Has studied "Out of Aldersgate" and "Stewardship for All of Life," and is planning to meet all obligations in full.—Mrs. P. E. Murphy, Publicity Supt.

### JONESBORO FIRST METHODIST CHURCH AUXILIARY

The June Literary meeting was held June 7 in the church recreation hall, with Circle No. 4, Mrs. G. D. Morris, being chairman, the hostess circle. The hall was beautifully

decorated with an abundance of colorful summer flowers.

The subject was "Building the Kingdom of God in Japan." Mrs. Lyle Keich played quiet music, and Mrs. Griffin offered prayer. The devotional, "Woman's Indebtedness to Jesus," was conducted by Mrs. Preston Hatcher. The topics discussed were: "Kindergarten in Japan," Mrs. W. P. Gordon; "Bible Women in Japan," Mrs. Ebbert; "Lambuth Training School for Christian Workers," Mrs. Wylie Nash; "Social Evangelistic Center," Mrs. Lincoln; "Hiroshima College for Women," Mrs. Morris; "Palmore Women's English Institute," Mrs. Ballard; "Night Schools in Japan," Mrs. H. M. Cooley. At the close of the program a short business session was conducted by the president, Mrs. Gordon. During a pleasant social hour the hostess Circle served delicious fruit punch and cookies. The lace-draped tea table was decorated with a large crystal bowl surrounded by a beautiful wreath of sweet peas. A gift corsage was presented to each one present. Our hearty appreciation and thanks to Mrs. Morris and her Circle for a most pleasant occasion.—Mrs. John Ed James, Supt. of Publicity.

### HARRISON AUXILIARY

The combined meeting of Missionary Circles met Friday in the home of Mrs. J. Sam Rowland with Mesdames E. F. Lusk, G. B. Price and W. H. Porter as associate hostesses.

The program was opened with music by Mrs. T. H. Jordan. Mrs. D. E. Fitton presided over the business session, at which time the secretary of each Circle and the members of the standing committees gave reports. Mrs. Rowland, who was a delegate to the Missionary Conference at Helena, gave an interesting report on the Conference. Mrs. F. E. Dodson, leader, conducted the following program: Hymn, "Lord of Life and King of Glory," by the group; Scripture readings, Mrs. D. E. Fitton and Mrs. John White; Meditation talk, "The Indebtedness of Women to Jesus," Mrs. Roy Hudspeth; responsive sentences read by Mrs. Dodson and answered by the group; hymn, "From All That Dwell Below the Skies"; Missionary topic, "Building the Kingdom of God in Japan," by Mrs. Lee T. Railsback and Mrs. J. E. Halter.

At the close the hostesses, assisted by Mrs. Floyd Smith, served refreshments of punch and angel food cake, topped with whipped cream and cherries to 38 members and one guest, Mrs. Ora Hudgins of Muskogee, Okla.

### ZONE MEETING AT WIDNER

Zone No. 2 of the Helena District met in Widner, June 30, in an all-day session, with Mrs. H. K. Smith chairman, of Wheatley, presiding.

The following program was given: Quiet music; song; devotional, Mrs. Hammond of Forrest City; song; welcome address, Mrs. McKnight, of Widner; response, Mrs. Claud of West Memphis; reports of Spiritual Life groups; reports from Colt, Forrest City, West Memphis, Wheatley, Hulbert, Hughes, Widner were given. Resolution committee, Mrs. Farrell of Forrest City, Mrs. L. J. Nelson of Hughes, Mrs. Naylor of West Memphis; address, "Meeting the Needs of Our Community," Rev. Mr. McKnight of Widner; round table discussion on

decided upon, it is to be reported to the Conference Executive Secretary by the superintendent.

In those Annual Conferences where this plan has been enthusiastically pushed by the Conference Executive Secretary, it has gone over in a big way. The reports from superintendents in local churches, up to June 28, showed a goal of 31,444 for increase this year. We have from three to five more months to work before the date for Annual Conference meetings. These reports are from only seventeen Annual Conferences. If the other nineteen Conferences will only do as well we should easily reach 50,000 new members this year. If we do, it will be the best record any large denomination has made in ten years.

The slogan which is suggested to the superintendent and his teachers for adoption in the local church is "We will send our pastor to Conference with a better report this year."

Brother Pastor, if your superintendents have not enlisted in this campaign, will you not write for the following free materials and put them in the hands of your superintendents at once, and drop your word of sincere encouragement to them to get into this movement?

1. Reaching Others. A leaflet for distribution to all church school officers and teachers.

2. The General Superintendent: Getting, Keeping, Reporting New Members. A leaflet for the general superintendent only.

3. Reporting the Church School to Annual Conference. A one-page sheet for the pastor and general superintendent.

Order these materials from the Department of the Local Church, J. Q. Schisler, Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

Attractive posters in connection with this campaign have been mailed to all general superintendents. If any superintendent failed to receive his poster, write to the above address and a free copy will be sent.



Christian Social Relations, Mrs. Williamson of Wheatley; solo, Mr. William Farrell of Forrest City; prayer, Rev. J. J. Galloway of Hughes; lunch.

Afternoon session: Song, offering; Prayer Retreat led by Mrs. Williamson of Wheatley; duet, Mrs. Owen and Mrs. Scott; sentence prayers; duet, Mrs. Owen and Mrs. Scott; song, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"; meeting adjourned to meet again the fourth Thursday in October at Wheatley; prayer, Rev. I. L. Claud of West Memphis.

Madeline Pickens, small granddaughter of Mrs. H. K. Smith, chairman of the Zone, was made a Life Member by the Zone.—Chairman, Mrs. H. K. Smith; Secretary, Mrs. E. G. Downs.

#### WHITE HALL AUXILIARY

An all-day meeting of the White Hall Missionary Society was held Wednesday at the home of Mrs. D. W. Coleman and the eleven members and ten guests spent the day sewing.

At noon a delicious lunch was served at tables arranged on the lawn, and Rev. Mr. Barnett gave the invocation.

During the afternoon a short business session was held, which opened with a hymn and prayer offered by Mrs. Gandy. The society voted to solicit funds with which to buy roofing for the church.

#### ATKINS AUXILIARY

Our Society recently completed the Mission Study, using "Rebuilding Rural America," as a text, supplemented by Dr. Ormond's book, "By the Waters of Bethesda." The course was given in four sessions. The first one in charge of Mrs. W. A. Lindsey, was a dramatization of the first chapter of "By the Waters of Bethesda," substituting a real community near us giving a picture of the situation as it really exists.

Mrs. Riley J. Godbey, as leader of the next session, presented Mr. Ardis Tyson, formerly an editor of our local paper, who discussed the rural situation in Pope county and means to improve conditions by co-operation in buying and selling farm products.

The next session was in charge of Mrs. T. A. Hillis, who introduced Mr. Roy Taylor, Smith-Hughes instructor, who talked on his work of teaching, supervising projects, and giving community service. A group of Future Farmers of America were unable to be present, so Mr. Taylor also told something of their program of study, recreation and community projects, and their value as a unit in preserving the rural community.

Mrs. I. J. Hughey led the fourth session on the Rural Church and Its Needs. She presented Rev. Grover Southerland, the pastor of a four point circuit in our county. He talked interestingly of his varied experiences as a rural pastor and told both of advantages and disadvantages of the rural church. Rev. W. A. Lindsey, local pastor, also talked on the same situation. Mrs. Ralph Jones, president of the Civic Club, told what the library was meaning to the average rural family. The Home Demonstration agent was prevented from coming to tell what the government agencies are doing to help the rural communities.

Besides the 16 members of the class there were a number of other women who attended some, read the books, listened to the "Farm and Home Hour," and watched the

papers and magazines for articles pertaining to the rural situation.

For a "follow up" project we want to help a rural group either in organization, study or program, and to assist the local library by buying or donating books.—Mrs. Mrs. Turner Hamlett, Pub. Supt.

#### ZONE MEETING AT ENGLAND

The annual meeting of Zone No. 2, Little Rock District, met June 14, in an all-day meeting at England, with 73 women attending. Mrs. T. E. Benton, District secretary, presiding. Rev. O. L. Cole led in prayer. Thanks was expressed to the hostess society for its kind and generous hospitality.

Visitors were introduced and their short talks were appreciated. Mrs. B. J. Reaves, Conference Superintendent, presented Christian Social Relations, giving many interesting and constructive suggestions, showing us how we may expand in this great work.

Interesting reports were given by presidents from Auxiliaries represented.

Mrs. T. E. Benton presented the following Auxiliaries with Council recognition cards: Keo, Capitol View, Twenty-Eighth Street, and England on "What Is This Moslem World?" England also on "Preference to Relations."

Mrs. Benton gave a financial and membership report, also calling special attention to the World Outlook.

A beautiful message in song, "Look for the Beautiful," was rendered by Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Williams, accompanied by Mrs. Casey of England, followed with prayer by Mrs. Benton.

Rev. Mr. Jordan, our pastor-host, brought a helpful message taken from the 10th chapter of St. Luke.

We were dismissed for luncheon with prayer by Mrs. E. L. Waller of Capitol View.

At the afternoon session report of the Missionary Conference held at Warren, was sketched by Mrs. Marler of Capitol View.

Mrs. B. F. Armhurst of Highland rendered a beautiful solo, "Face to Face," which was followed with a very interesting devotional given by Mrs. B. F. Red of Capitol View, her theme being "Faces," taken from II Cor. 5:17.

A prayer by Mrs. Houston of Twenty-Eighth St., brought to a close a day of fellowship and spiritual worship.—Mrs. V. M. Major, Secretary.

#### ZONE MEETING AT VANNDALE

Zone No. 3, of Helena District, met in Vanndale Wednesday morning, June 29. Wynne, Earle, Parkin, Weiner, Cherry Valley and Vanndale were represented. A total of 75 persons attended. Mrs. F. B. Porter of Earle, Zone chairman, was in charge. Minutes of the last Zone meeting were read by Mrs. E. E. Turner, secretary, also president of the Vanndale Society. Rev. A. L. Riggs, pastor of Vanndale church, gave the devotional. Mr. Riggs used as his subject, "Soldiers of the Cross," which he very ably discussed. Mr. H. L. Lessenberry of Vanndale, gave the welcome, with Mrs. M. L. Aldridge of Earle giving the response. Each Society represented gave an interesting report of the work done by its particular group this year. The Weiner Society gave the most outstanding report. The most interesting point was how they financed the building of their parsonage. The Societies all reported Children's Work and Baby Spec-

## Christian Education

### HAPPENINGS AT HENDRIX COLLEGE

President Reynolds attended two important conferences in Chicago and Washington last week. At Chicago he met with a commission to perfect plans for a conference uniting the three Methodisms next spring. At Washington he was one of a group of 30 Southern leaders called to consider the economic situation in the South.

The Biology Field Camp left July 2, under the direction of Dr. Spessard, professor of Biology, for a study of the flora of several Western states. They will visit the Grand Canyon, Pike's Peak, Boulder Dam, Yosemite National Park and other places of scientific interest. Students in the group are: Joe R. Shinpaugh, Little Rock; Paul Owens, Stamps; Robert Leibrock, DeWitt; L. E. Burch, Jr., Hughes, and Martin Munn, El Dorado.

The Christian Adventure Assembly in session from Tuesday to Sat-

urday. After lunch, given by the Vann-dale ladies Mrs. Porter re-opened the meeting. The hospitality committee, including Mrs. C. E. Morrison, Earle; Mrs. Miller, Harrisburg, and Mrs. T. M. Ellis, Wynne, gave their report. Mrs. Porter turned the meeting over to the Wynne Society, which numbered 31 and under the direction of Mrs. G. G. Dorris, president, gave the afternoon program.

Mrs. J. L. Hare led the prayer, Mrs. Harry Scott read the Scripture lesson, Mrs. George Gregory led the devotional, using as her subject, "The Indebtedness of Women to Jesus." Mrs. Harry Lollar, accompanied by Mrs. C. J. Coffin at the piano, sang "My Task." Following this was a very interesting and instructive talk on "Citizenship" by Mrs. Clifton Massey, after which Mrs. Lollar and Mrs. Scott, again accompanied by Mrs. Coffin, sang a duet, "Make This World Better."

Members of Circle Five of the Wynne group presented a playlet entitled "The Missionary Clinic." This was under the direction of Mrs. Charley Burrows, leader of Circle Five.

The next Zone meeting is scheduled for September, and will convene in Harrisburg, with Harrisburg Society in charge of the program.—Mrs. E. E. Turner, Sec.

### HAWLEY MEMORIAL AUXILIARY

In looking through the minutes of the Annual Conference W. M. S., I notice the report from Hawley Memorial seems to come up shy. The quarterly report that had the Week of Prayer, etc., took a vacation and did not reach headquarters in time to be reported last year. The M. O. was sent by a postal clerk and no one ever knew why it visited so many cities, including Washington, D. C., before it was corralled. So it will come in next year's minutes.

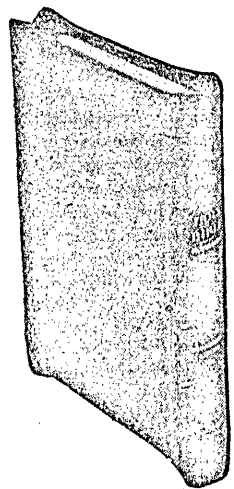
We have a superannuate and his wife in our midst, whom the people at Hawley love very much, Rev. and Mrs. L. W. Evans, and the W. M. S. sees to it that they are remembered each month, as a special, and they feature in all the other expenses of the church. They are a fine group and I felt this explanation was due them.—Mrs. J. A. Henderson.

urday at the college, set a new record of attendance. There were 96 delegates, which is 18 more than any previous year, and 19 members of the staff. Miss Mary Mitchell of Conway was elected president of the group.

Dr. Matt L. Ellis, Director of the Library, addressed the Conway Rotary Club on the vocation of the librarian at its luncheon Friday. Referring to the remarkable progress made by the Faulkner County Library since its establishment, he urged continued support.

Miss Lorene Storch, sophomore of Conway, has been called as councillor for the second two-week period of the Girls' Scout Camp Ouachita at Thornburg beginning

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last Wednesday. Miss Winnie McHenry, junior of Conway, councilor during the first period will continue her activities during the second period also.—G. A. Simmons.

#### HUMPHREY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

On July 1 we closed our Vacation Bible School, which was a great success. We had 43 in attendance and 39 regular attendance. Mrs. C. L. O'Daniel was director, and she is good one. Miss Grace Bogy taught the Juniors, and every pupil was charmed with her teaching. Misses Grace and Pauline Crum, had charge of the recreation and we all enjoyed their entertainments. The writer, together with Miss Johan Mathews, had charge of the Primary and Beginners grades. We will have a Vacation Bible School at Bayou Meto, and also at Stillwell.—W. C. Lewis, P. C.

#### VACATION SCHOOL AT UMSTED MEMORIAL

The Umsted Memorial Vacation Church School began June 20 with an enrollment of 50. The attendance held up well throughout the school. This was the first school to be held in a number of years, but it was eminently successful. Every attempt was made to tie the work on to the church school and to preserve its values.

The courses used were: Kent, "Children of One Father," for the Primaries; Battle, "How Nations Share," for the Juniors; and Clyde, "Discovering God in the Beautiful" for the Intermediates.

The assistance of the pastor with the use of a microscope in nature study, and with the use of his wood-working shop added greatly to the interest. All handwork was closely correlated with the work in the class rooms.

Much lasting benefit was gotten from this school, and plans will be made early for an even greater one next year.—Reporter.

#### YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK IN LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

By CLEM BAKER

**Mission Pledges:** Mission pledges paid by young people for year closing at recent Assembly was 33 1-3% larger than previous year, and pledges made for new year are already in excess of last year.

**Fred G. Roebuck** had the largest attendance we have ever had at the Morning Watch hour at the Assembly. He also conducted Vesper Services and concluded with one of the most impressive Consecration services at noon the last day I have ever seen.

**Prescott District:** Rev. C. H. Giesen has started his work as Director for this District in an auspicious way. He has set up an Epworth Training Conference to be held for the Elberta Union at Nashville the last week in September. He and Presiding Elder J. D. Baker, are planning a district-wide two day's Young People's Rally at Davidson Camp Ground the last of September.

**The Conference-Wide Young People's Council** will be held at Pulaski Heights Church, Little Rock, Sunday and Monday, September 4 and 5. It is expected that at least fifty people will attend. Those expected are: All Presiding Elders, all District Directors, all Union Presidents, all Conference officers. Our new president, Bryan Stephens, will preside.

**Mt. Sequoyah Leadership Confer-**

**ence:** It is expected that Little Rock Conference young people will be well represented at the Mt. Sequoyah Conference which is in session this week and next. A bus filled with young people left Little Rock early Tuesday morning.

**The Magnolia Assembly:** The Christian Adventure for Camden, Prescott and Texarkana Districts is in session at Magnolia A. & M. College this week: Rev. Neill Hart is Dean. Adults assisting are: Dr. C. M. Reves, Rev. Fred Harrison, Rev. J. W. Hammons, Miss Cora Read, Rev. A. J. Christie, Rev. J. L. Tucker, Rev. Edward Harris, Rev. K. L. Spore, Mrs. Ralph Clayton, Mrs. E. D. Galloway, Mrs. C. B. Nelson, Mrs. Ray Hutchinson, Rev. C. H. Giessen, Mrs. Jessie Bussey and Miss Elizabeth McNeely. District Directors: George Meyer, C. I. Parsons, and Charles Giessen will lead good delegations from their districts.

**Camp Ferncliff:** The Christian Adventure Camp for Little Rock and Arkadelphia Districts was held at Ferncliff, June 27-July 1, with a splendid group of Intermediates in attendance. Rev. R. E. Fawcett was Camp Director. He was assisted by Mrs. C. B. Nelson, Rev. G. W. Warren, Rev. and Mrs. C. R. Hozendorf, Miss Elizabeth McNeely, Rev. Jack Wilkes, Mrs. H. A. Brooks, Miss Pauline Goodman, Rev. D. T. Rowe, Miss Katherine Darnell, Miss Ida Judson Byrne, and Mrs. Welch the efficient nurse. It was the best camp we have had in Little Rock Conference. Ferncliff is an ideal place for a camp.

**Rev. Arthur Terry**, Conference Director, brought a great Aldersgate message to the young people at the Assembly at Conway and rendered service in many ways. The young people love and appreciate Brother Terry.

#### VACATION CHURCH SCHOOLS IN THE LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

Reports indicate that we will again have an increase in the number of Vacation Schools held this year. We urge all our pastors to see that report is sent to this office as soon as a school is held. We will be glad to send blank report forms to all who do not have them. This is one of the most encouraging phases of the work done throughout the bounds of our Conference.—Clem Baker.

#### A GOOD DAY WITH REV. T. M. ARMSTRONG

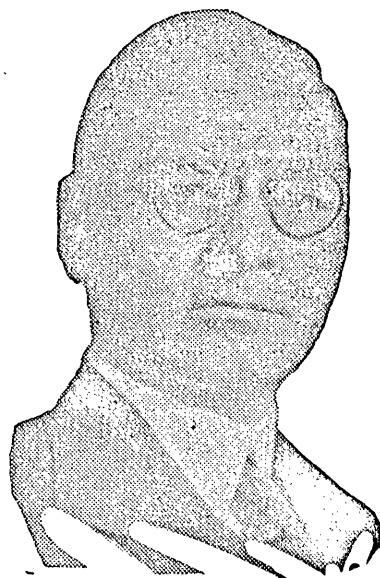
I spent Sunday with Rev. T. M. Armstrong on the Sherrill-Tucker Charge. Enjoyed speaking at the close of Sunday School at Tucker where Mrs. Kate Watson is the efficient Superintendent. Preached to a delightful audience at Tucker at 11 o'clock; enjoyed a visit and a bountiful meal with the Armstrongs and preached at the Wright plantation in the afternoon. Bro. Armstrong, in addition to full time work, is chaplain for the state farm at Tucker and has taken over our work for the government resettlement project on the Wright plantation. He is a busy man and has won the hearts of the people.—Clem Baker.

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Arkadelphia District	
Providence	.34
Macedonia	1.00
Dalark	.74
Traskwood	.45
Holly Springs	.85
Carthage	2.00
Oaklawn	9.00
Bethlehem	1.33
Tulip	.37
Leola	1.00
Princeton	.57
Morning Star	.29
Arkadelphia	9.00
Total	\$26.94
Camden District	
Sharmon	\$ 1.60
First Church, El Dorado	21.51
Thornton	.67
Stephens	2.00
Mt. Prospect	.62
Fairview	.50
Wesley's Chapel	.25
Parker's Chapel	2.00
Silver Springs	1.00
Strong	2.60
Thornton	13.32
Fordyce	8.25
Junction City	3.75
Smackover (2 mos.)	10.00
Harrell	1.80
Total	\$69.87
Little Rock District	
Capitol View	\$ 2.03
Douglasville (2 mos.)	4.00
Pepper's Lake	.89
Hickory Plains	1.01
Bethlehem	2.00
Hunter (2 mos.)	5.05
New Hope (2 mos.)	3.00
Roland	.45
28th Street	2.50

Geyer Springs	4.00
Asbury (4 mos.)	40.00
Total	\$64.93
Monticello District	
Lake Village	\$ 2.00
New Edinburg	.87
Hamburg	4.00
Prairie Chapel	.83
Watson	1.00
Crossett	7.95
Wilmar	3.86
Total	\$20.51
Pine Bluff District	
Bethel	\$ .50
Ulm	.50
Tucker	.50
Sherrill (3 mos.)	6.00
Humphrey (2 mos.)	1.89
Alzheimer	1.00
Sunshine	1.00
Grady	2.65
Gould	1.21
White Hall	1.00
First Church, P. B.	7.26
Swan Lake	.72
Lakeside	11.50
Sheridan	2.00
Humphrey	1.51
St. Charles (2 mos.)	1.44
Bayou Meto	1.00
Total	\$41.68
Prescott District	
Holly Grove	\$ .25
Spring Hill	2.26
Trinity	1.00
Nashville	3.70
Hope	7.50
Mineral Springs	4.51
Elevins	2.50
McCaskill	1.00
Doyle	.80
St. Paul	1.00
Delight	3.00
Emmet	2.27
Bierne	.50
Total	\$30.29



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Adv.

Texarkana District	
Horatio	\$ 1.75
Mena	5.00
Sylvirena	.93
First Church, Texarkana	15.24
Stamps	2.54
Richmond	1.46
Walnut Springs (3 mos.)	2.00
Total	\$28.92

Standings by Districts	
Arkadelphia	\$26.94—13 schools
Camden	69.87—15 schools
Little Rock	64.93—11 schools
Monticello	20.51—7 schools
Pine Bluff	41.63—17 schools
Prescott	30.29—13 schools
Texarkana	28.92—7 schools
Total	\$283.14—83

—C. K. Wilkerson, Treas.

### HOME AND FOREIGN MISSION SPECIAL, YOUNG PEOPLE'S ORGANIZATION, LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE, MONTH OF JUNE

Arkadelphia District	
Sardis	\$ 3.50
Butterfield	2.00
Benton	20.00
Malvern	30.00
Pullman Heights	6.00
Friendship	2.00
Arkadelphia	24.00
Manchester	2.50
Leola	5.00
Sparkman	4.00
Grand Avenue	12.00
L'Eau Fraie	3.50
Hollywood	2.35
Mt. Carmel	5.00
Total	\$121.85

Camden District	
Vantrease	\$ 1.50
Smackover	2.00
Camden	20.00
First Church, El Dorado	12.00
Magnolia	3.00
Lisbon	.50
Stephens	6.00
Buckner	5.00
Fordyce	5.85
Junction City	.90
Harrell	7.17
Norphlet	6.00
Total	\$ 69.92

Little Rock District	
28th Street	\$ 5.00
Asbury	25.00
Des Arc	5.00
Highland	25.00
Winfield (Sr.)	15.00
Winfield (Y.P.)	35.00
Pulaski Heights	20.00
Lonoke	6.50
Capitol View	15.00
Mabelvale	5.00
Hunter	5.50
Hazen	5.00
Total	\$167.00

Monticello District	
Warren	\$ 10.00
Lake Village	6.30
McGehee	1.00
Total	\$ 17.30

Pine Bluff District	
Rison	\$ 2.00
Wabbaseka	5.00
First Church, P. B.	9.00
Star City	10.00
Gillett	7.00
Lakeside	8.00
Carr Memorial	5.00
Roe	5.00
Humphrey	5.00
DeWitt	20.00
Good Faith	5.00
Hawley	3.00
Total	\$ 84.00

Prescott District	
Emmet	\$ 10.00
Hope	25.00
Prescott	10.00
Prescott (Int.)	5.00
Nashville	10.00
Delight	7.50
Total	\$ 67.50

Texarkana District	
Rondo	\$ 5.00
Harmony Grove	5.00
Stamps	10.50
College Hill	10.00
Fairview	15.50
Mena	5.00
First Church, Texarkana	8.15
Foreman	5.00
Ashdown	5.50
Total	\$ 69.65

Offering by Districts	
Arkadelphia	\$121.85
Camden	69.92
Little Rock	167.00
Monticello	17.30
Pine Bluff	84.00
Prescott	67.50
Texarkana	69.65
Grand Total	\$597.22

—Mrs. R. A. Thomas, Treas.

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Arkadelphia District	
Sparkman	\$ 5.00
Total	\$ 5.00
Camden District	
Bearden	\$ 12.08
Buckner Ct.	27.25
First Church, Camden	400.00
El Dorado Ct.	16.75
El Dorado-Vantrease	4.28
Wesley Chapel	2.79
Fordyce	10.00
Harrell	5.00
Huttig	4.00
Junction City	7.10
Buena Vista-Louann	7.00
Norphlet	7.00
Smackover	11.00
Stephens	10.70
Strong Ct.-Rhodes Chapel	2.00
Thornton Ct.	3.50
Waldo	6.56
Total	\$537.01

Little Rock District	
Bauxite-Sardis	\$ 10.00
Carlisle Station	14.00
Des Arc	2.50
New Bethel	.85
Douglasville-Geyer Spgs.	2.70
England	10.40
Hazen	15.00
Keo-Tomberlin	6.45
Little Rock: Asbury	26.23
Capitol View	22.25
First Church	81.00
Forest Park	5.00
Hunter Memorial	4.00
Highland	45.00
Henderson	10.00
28th Street	3.00
Pulaski Heights	27.75
Lonoke	25.00
Mabelvale	3.50
Primrose Chapel	12.00
Halstead	2.38
Roland Ct.	2.00
Total	\$331.01

Monticello District	
Crossett	\$ 25.00
Dermott	6.00
Dumas	9.50
Eudora	5.00
Hamburg	7.00
McGehee	5.65
Monticello	6.00
Montrose-Snyder	2.00
New Edinburg Ct.	18.85
Tillar-Winchester	10.00
Wilmar Ct.	17.80
Wilmot Ct.	5.00
Total	\$117.80

Pine Bluff District	
Altheimer-Wabbaseka	\$ 5.45
Grady-Gould	14.30
DeWitt	11.00
Glendale	1.00
Gillett	5.00
Pine Bluff: Carr Memorial	4.00
First Church	111.35
Hawley	5.00
Lakeside	25.00
Humphrey-Bayou Meto	3.50
Pine Bluff Ct.	1.29
Rison	3.50
Rowell Ct.	6.52
Sheridan Station	11.25
Star City Ct.	5.00
Stuttgart	18.25
White Hall	2.00
Total	\$233.41

Prescott District	
Bingen Ct.	\$ 1.50
Blackland S. S.-Mineral Spgs.-	
Center Point Ct.	2.81
Mineral Springs	4.05
Total	\$ 8.36

Texarkana District	
Dierks	\$ 6.90
Foreman	4.65
Hatfield Ct.	4.00
Lewisville-Bradley	12.00
Stamps	50.00
Macey	6.85
Texarkana-Fairview	191.50
First Church	275.90
Total	\$1,508.49

—C. E. Hayes, Treasurer.

### MINISTERIAL SUSTENTATION FUND

I have received to date the following remittances on the Ministerial Sustentation Fund:

Arkadelphia District	
R. E. Fawcett, P. E.	\$ 15.00
Camden District	
E. C. Rule, P. E., Camden Dist.	\$ 35.00
Camden Church	21.40
C. M. Reeves, P. C.	67.50
First Church, El Dorado	33.75
Albea Godbold, P. C.	33.75
Vantrease Memorial, El Dorado	5.00
Geo. G. Meyer, P. C.	11.60
Smackover Church	30.00
Little Rock District	
J. D. Hammons, P. E.	\$ 37.40
Pulaski Heights Church	22.50
Primrose Chapel	18.00

M. W. Miller, P. C.	18.00
Highland Church	15.00
O. L. Cole, P. C.	30.00
H. B. Watts	45.00
A. J. Shirey	8.55

### Pine Bluff District

Rowell Circuit	\$ 2.60
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### Prescott District

Blevins Ct., McCaskill Church	\$ 4.00
C. H. Giessen, P. C.	14.00
Murfreesboro Church	5.06
C. D. Cade	4.50
Delight Church	3.75
Bingen Ct., Doyle Church	.60
Glenwood Church	9.00
Rosboro Church	6.00
O. C. Birdwell	7.50
Hope Church	20.25
Fred R. Harrison, P. C.	10.50
J. D. Baker, P. E.	16.00

### Texarkana District

Edward Harris, P. C., Stamps	\$ 4.50
Stamps Church	13.50
Lewisville Church	11.00
Total	\$580.21

—C. E. Hayes, Treasurer.

### NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE, HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE JUNE 10-JULY 10

Batesville District	
Central Avenue	\$ 15.15
Bethesda	.61
Cotter	12.04
Cotter	1.05
Salado	1.21
Melbourne	1.21
Moorefield	3.18
Newark	2.10
Weldon	9.79
Total	\$ 45.13

Conway District	
Atkins	\$ 3.50
Havana	.50
Knoxville	2.00
Levy	1.71
Gardner Memorial	8.26
Perry	3.00
Bigelow	1.20
Oppelo	1.00
Vilonia	3.38
Mount Carmel	1.00
Total	\$25.55

Fayetteville District	
Bentonville	\$ 7.46
Oakley Chapel	1.40
Centerton	10.18
Springtown	6.39
Decatur	1.00
Harmon	3.96
Gravette	.55
Eureka Springs	5.85
Fayetteville	14.55
Green Forest	1.00
Pea Ridge	2.05
Alpena	1.00
Siloam Springs	7.72
Total	\$ 63.11

Fort Smith District	
Dodson Avenue	\$ 13.10
Midland Heights	4.00
Mansfield	2.61
Mt. Pleasant	1.55
Square Rock	1.10
Total	\$ 22.36

Helena District	
Colt	\$ 2.34
Crawfordsville	2.02
Earle	8.72
Haynes	2.25
Hughes	2.50
Hulbert	8.01
Cherry Valley	6.49
Vannale	1.50
Hickory Ridge	1.35
Widener	1.92
Total	\$ 37.10

Jonesboro District	
Blytheville, First	\$ 10.00
Promised Land	1.00
Dyess	2.00
Joiner	1.42
Fisher Street	9.85
Lake City	1.00
Leachville	1.87
Black Oak	2.55
Macey	1.05
Monette	3.00
Nettleton	4.41
Luxora	11.55
Trumann	3.00
Total	\$ 52.70

Paragould District	
Biggers	\$ .40
Mammoth Spring	1.77
Hoxie	8.46
Portia	.50
East Side, Paragould	7.93
Piggott	4.44
Pocahontas	9.44
Emmons Chapel	1.00
Ravenden Springs	.60
Walnut Ridge	4.00
Old Walnut Ridge	1.13
Total	\$ 39.67

Searcy District	
Augusta	\$ 2.89
Bald Knob	3.45
Beebe	6.04
Austin	1.27
Revel	.50
Ellis Chapel	.75
Griffithville	2.28
Hunter	3.00
White Hall	.22

Leslie	.85
McCrary	5.30
Garner	.96
16th Section	.85
Cross Roads	.26
Mt. Pisgah	1.73
Oak Grove	.88
Pangburn	1.40
Goodloe	.21
Mt. Pleasant	.90
Quitman	2.75
Smyrna	.48
Valley View	1.03
Total	\$ 38.00

Standing by Districts	
Fayetteville	\$ 63.11
Jonesboro	52.70
Batesville	45.13
Paragould	39.67
Searcy	38.00
Helena	37.10
Conway	25.55
Fort Smith	22.36
Grand Total	\$323.62

—Ira A. Brumley.

### SALUTING FLAG NOT REQUIRED

Federal Judge Albert M. Maris of Philadelphia, Pa., made a noteworthy ruling on June 18, 1938, reversing the decision in the case of the Minersville (Pa.) Public School Board. It appears that two students of that school, brother and sister, had refused to salute the flag of the United States by reason of their religious convictions. In November, 1935, the children were expelled, and since that time have been educated under legal compulsion at a school conducted by their religious sect (Jehovah's Witnesses).

After declaring it was clear from the evidence that the refusal of "these two earnest Christian children" to salute the flag could not even remotely prejudice or imperil the safety, health, morals, property, or personal rights of their fellows, Judge Maris pointed out that it was only necessary to glance at the current world scene to realize that the preservation of individual liberty is more important today than ever it was in the past; that the safety of our nation depends upon the extent to which we foster in each individual thought and action, which is essential in a democracy.

The loyalty of our people, the court said, is to be judged not so much by their words as by the part they play in the body politic. Judge Maris held that the country's safety surely does not depend upon the totalitarian idea of forcing all citizens into one common mold of thinking and acting, or requiring them to render a lip service of loyalty in a manner which conflicts with their sincere religious convictions.

Such a doctrine seemed to the jurist utterly alien to the genius and spirit of our Nation and destructive of that personal liberty of which our flag itself is the symbol.—Scot-tish Rite Bulletin.

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## The Laymen's Forum

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### LAYMEN TALK SHOP

The 1939 meeting of lay leaders for all Southern Methodism will be held on Mount Sequoyah at Fayetteville if plans of Arkansas laymen and officials of the Western Methodist Assembly materialize, it was announced at the close of the three-day laymen's meeting held on Mount Sequoyah July 2, 3 and 4. The 1938 meeting will be held next month at Lake Junaluska, North Carolina.

The closing address at the laymen's meeting was delivered by Judge M. E. Lawson of Liberty, Mo. He is president of the Judicial Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Speaking on July 4, he drew a parallel between patriotism to the nation and loyalty to the church, asserting that the church is as important as the nation and that the business of life is to build character.

"It is the duty of the church and the home to build character for character is the key to heaven," he declared. "The church needs to do more training of its laymen if the work of the church is to be carried on with a greater degree of success."

Another Judge, Robert J. Smith, of Springfield, Mo., discussed the Bible record of the first Board of Stewards and summarized the outlook today saying, "Ours (laymen and stewards) is a mission of hope and opportunity."

He quoted Professor Steinmetz, a noted scientist, who said that the greatest discoveries within the next 50 years will be in the field of religion and predicted that the Church in one generation will accomplish more than it has in the past four generations.

J. R. Cole of Tulsa, Okla., member of the Western Assembly Board, reviewed steps taken at the quadrennial conference in Birmingham last spring to enlarge the field of lay activity and stressed the importance of active laymen in the life of the church.

Charles A. Stuck of Jonesboro, lay leader for the North Arkansas Conference, presided over all sessions. The opening address was made by C. W. Harrington of Fayetteville, lay leader for the Fayetteville District. In sounding the keynote of the conference he said: "The gospel is as effective as ever. We are here to discuss our problems as laymen and seek ways to increase our usefulness to the church."

Mr. Harrington was followed by Dr. James W. Workman, pastor of the Methodist church in Fayetteville, who mentioned the extensive effort being made through relief agencies to provide jobs and food for the jobless and hungry and called attention to an equally important and neglected need that of providing a program of moral uplift through the church.

### Sermon In "Action"

Mr. Stuck directed a round table discussion with the following pertinent remarks:

"Too many laymen seem satisfied if they can meet the demands of respectability without being Christians at heart."—Mr. Uhl of Fayetteville.

"Laymen are as essential in the

## CHURCH NEWS

### A WORD FROM SUPT. GLASS

I am glad to announce the success of the initiative petition for local option. There were secured 2,011 signatures more than the required number to initiate the bill.

This was made possible by the faithful cooperation of many pastors of the state, of all denominations. Many laymen also gave faithful service and this includes a large number of women of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

The petition was filed with the Secretary of State at 5:25 o'clock Friday, July 8. This late filing was made necessary because many petitions came in during the day Friday, which had to be checked and tabulated before filing. This kept the regular office force busy, together with some extra help.

We appreciate very much the service rendered and the contributions made. We thank every person

*advancement of the Church as soldiers in the winning of wars. Generals or ministers working alone cannot accomplish very much.*—C. W. Harrington of Fayetteville.

"The biggest sermons are to be found in action on the part of laymen."—Charles A. Stuck.

"We have just been 'piddling' around at doing good for other people. It is high time that more real laymen are elected to our highest public offices in order that we might have better examples set for the people of the nation."

Speaking at the second session of the three-day conference, C. K. Wilkerson, Little Rock District lay leader, said: "People generally have become too much interested in things, and too little interested in their fellowmen. Church members allow themselves to become conformists and often are easily persuaded to do things they know they should not do. If we expect to do effective work we first must do some straight thinking."

"The Worth of the Church to the Layman" was the theme of an address Sunday morning (July 3) by Judge J. G. Moore of Morrilton. To ministers the Church is their life's work and a means of livelihood in addition to the benefits which accrue to the layman. To the layman the church means salvation for himself and the opportunity to be of assistance to others. Church membership alone is not enough to guarantee salvation. Laymen must be active and grow in their religious experiences, he told the group.

### Opportunities Neglected

Conducting the devotional at one of the sessions, Sam Galloway of Fort Smith, a district lay leader, said that too often the opportunity of the layman is an opportunity neglected.

Speaking at the Sunday night session, J. S. M. Cannon, lay leader for the Little Rock Conference, stressed the need for giving greater attention in meetings of boards of stewards to the spiritual affairs of the church and asserted that when this is done the financial affairs will be handled with greater ease and the general effectiveness of the church program increased.

B. R. Johnson of Searcy, lay leader for the Searcy District, spoke on the need for greater enthusiasm on the part of laymen and explained the finance program in the Searcy church.

who helped in any way, and pray the Divine blessings upon you. Sincerely yours,—John H. Glass, Supt.

### ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Since my last communication I have had much pleasure and have been given much encouragement in the work that I am engaged in.

I spent the first Sunday at Princeton, preaching for Brother Rutledge, the pastor of that Circuit, to a splendid audience. The occasion was an effort to get all the churches together for a rally and many people were present. Dinner was served on the ground and a more sumptuous meal I never saw spread. Rutledge is doing well there and the people on that Circuit are intensely interested in the Orphanage.

The second Sunday I spent in Pine Bluff, preaching for Dr. F. A. Buddin at First Church. It is always a pleasure for me to go to him when he calls because I not only love him and his family but the people of that great church occupy a place in my heart that I cannot define.

The report of Mrs. Steed's phy-

sician is that she is doing well and he has no doubt of her recovery. This makes us very happy. We have not been able to see how we could get along without her.

The children are all well and happy and we have no complaints to make as the troubles are only normal. Mrs. Cain, Mrs. Bergett and Miss Fannie Steed are carrying on nobly.

Hoping that the brethren will pray for us during these summer months and help us all they can, I am, yours truly,—James Thomas, Executive Secretary.

### THE METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Received in the Home during June (inadvertently omitted from last month's report): Whitehall Church, Pine Bluff Circuit, generous donation canned and preserved foods and groceries; Public Welfare Commissary, city, 50 lbs. cabbage; Received during June: M. M. Cohn Company, city, picnic food; Garrett Brothers, Florists, city, generous supply of plants; Keeton Enterprises, city, eight cases soda pop; Arkansas Amusement Corporation, city, big box all day suckers; Mrs. Pruett Grocery, city, lunch meat, turnip greens; Sunshine Class, First Church, city, picnic at Fair Park; Mr. R. P. Willis, Atlanta, Texas, 100 bushels Irish potatoes; Mr. Walter Mebane, Stuttgart, delivered by Mrs. J. D. Parks, city, 20 wild ducks; Mrs. L. B.

## If Husbands Had the Housework to Do . . .

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Leigh, Colorado Springs, Colo., 3 lovely oil paintings, toys, costumes and Christmas tree ornaments; Epworth League, Salem, \$2.00 for shoes for Cecil; Character Builders Class, Magnolia, big birthday cake and box of birthday gifts for Joel; Mrs. S. F. Sullivan, Park Hill, linens for Sullivan Room; Hickory Grove Church, generous donation of fresh and canned vegetables and fruits; Little Rock Senior High Scholarship Fund, Summer school scholarship for Dorothy Rae Hundley; Lee School Scholarship Fund, Summer school scholarship for Roy Russell; Mr. and Mrs. Luther Farmer, city, paid one boy's fee to Scout Camporal; Men's Bible Class, Highland Church, city, paid fees for six Scouts to go to Camporal; Mrs. McKnight's S. S. Class Ben Lomond, a visit of two weeks, party and miscellaneous shower for Helen; Young Woman's Missionary Society, College Hill Church, Texarkana, vacation of two weeks and many beautiful clothes for Geraldine; Mrs. Virginia Gresham, Rison, visit for Beatrice; Beginners Department of Gardner Memorial Church, North Little Rock, visited Home and brought marshmallows for the children; Mr. Hilliard, Traskwood, 1 bu. green beans.

Mrs. Steed is improving nicely, but is not able to be up yet.—Ruth Steed Davis.

#### ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE

1610 Elm Street  
We have received the following cash contributions for the Home during June:  
H. M. Martin Dairy, Little Rock, Rt. 3.....\$5.00  
Mae Jenkins Class, Winfield Church, City.....\$5.00  
McDonnell-Streepy Class, Pulaski Heights Church, Little Rock.....\$2.50  
Susanna Wesley Bible Class, First Church, Texarkana.....\$5.00  
We have received the following Christmas Offerings during June:  
Highland Church, Little Rock, additional.....\$5.00  
Hunter S. S., Hunter Circuit, Searcy District, additional.....\$4.00  
—James Thomas, Supt.

#### ENGLAND METHODISM

In the absence of our pastor, Rev. W. R. Jordan, who was away at Gettysburg, Rev. J. L. Tucker, of Bearden, preached for us on Sunday, July 3, at eleven. Bro. Tucker is among the most forceful and interesting preachers ever to appear in our church here. He brought us a most interesting and helpful message. England is having one of the most progressive and helpful years of her history, under the capable and tireless leadership of Bro. Jordan.—Reporter.

#### FOREMAN

Since the last Quarterly Conference the church school has seen an increase in average attendance and enrollment has risen from 122 to 143. In the week-day meetings of the Children's Division the workers have been directing study in the mission unit on the American Indians. The Vacation Bible school conducted by the staff of workers under the direction of Mrs. Fred Gantt had an enrollment of 50. The best in modern religious education methods is bringing fine results in this area. The Young People's meetings under the stimulus of the forum on Human Relationships have been building steadily in interest and attendance and cooperative spirit. Two plays by the young people have been presented this quarter. Four delegates went to the Assembly at Conway where a mission pledge of \$25.00 was made. Two young people are attending the Christian Adventure Assembly at Magnolia.

Thirteen members have been admitted into the Church since Easter, six by certificate and seven by baptism and vows. Fifteen persons have been baptized in this same period, seven infants and eight children and adults.

The Women's Missionary Society has been active in raising its pledge and conducting its usual study and business. Within its membership there is developing a Spiritual Life group. The Society recently turned

over \$50.00 to the church fund. A special study of Watkins' book, "Out of Aldersgate," was conducted by the pastor for six weeks joint meetings of the Missionary Society and the Lucy Wade Circle.

The results of the Aldersgate Commemoration in Foreman church are reflected in the general body of this report. An effort has been made to revitalize every area. A special series of sermons "Into Aldersgate," describing the pathways to conversion was preached followed by another series, "Out of Aldersgate," dealing with the fruits of Aldersgate. During Holy Week, services were held each evening culminating in Easter services where a number were received into church membership. A continuation program has been launched with a series of sermons, "Beyond Aldersgate to Oxford" with a parallel group of Sunday evening readings and drama on Peace, all designed to open up the broader implications of Aldersgate in its relation to the world.

A sermon has been preached around the list of objectives for an Aldersgate Continuation program, adopted at the 3rd Quarterly Conference. They are as follows:

#### New Life

No indebtedness.  
Enlightened heads and hearts.  
Working "workers."

Lifting community levels.  
Increasing membership.  
Friendly fellowship.  
Expanding world horizons.

—J. W. Hammons, P. C.

#### NORPHLET

Thirty-five additions were made to the Norphlet Methodist Church as a result of the two weeks' revival campaign which closed Sunday night. The evangelistic work was under the direction of the Rev. M. E. Scott, pastor, with the Rev. H. H. Griffin, pastor of the First Methodist Church, Jonesboro, Ark., doing the preaching. The music was under the direction of B. E. Whitmore, Supt. of Smackover Public Schools. The meeting was held under a large tent located on a vacant lot near the Missouri Pacific station.—Reporter.

#### BISHOP SELECMAN DEDICATES CENTERTON CHURCH

Bishop Selecman of Dallas, Texas, dedicated the Centerton Methodist church Sunday morning.

The dedicatory sermon, entitled "The Church" was taken from the text, "Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God hath shined." Bishop Selecman congratulated the congregation and the community on the dedication. In his dedication speech, he said the work of the church is the largest business in the world.

The ceremony was the first dedication at which Bishop Selecman has officiated since he recently was named bishop.

He was introduced by Rev. W. V. Womack, presiding elder of the Fayetteville District, which includes the Centerton church. Rev. Irl Bridenthal, pastor of the Centerton church for six years, presided.

Jewett Kinkead, chairman of the board of trustees, reviewed the history of the church, and stated that the church building debt has been paid.

The presiding Elder gave the opening prayer, with the benediction by Rev. W. Henry Goodloe, pastor of the Rogers church. Music was presented by a chorus choir,

with solos by Miss Elnora Kinkead and Mrs. C. E. Wallace, accompanied by Miss Joe Stroud.

A basket dinner was served at noon. Rev. F. R. Hamilton of Siloam Springs, former presiding elder, occupied the pulpit Sunday night.

The original Centerton church was erected in 1859 on land donated by Richard Womack, grandfather of Presiding Elder Womack.

#### LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT

As Treasurer of the Little Rock Conference, I report the following remittances received on Conference Claims since last Conference up through July 9:

Arkadelphia District	
Arkadelphia Station	\$125.00
Benton Station	350.00
Carthage-Tulip	25.00
Dalark Circuit	80.31
Friendship Circuit	18.25
Holly Springs Ct.	38.40
Hot Springs Ct.	41.00
Hot Springs: First Church	583.33
Grand Avenue	198.00
Oaklawn Church (in full)	127.00
Malvern Station	300.00
Princeton Circuit	34.70
Sparkman-Sardis	129.50
Traskwood Ct.	17.50
Total	\$2,067.99

Camden District	
Bearden	\$ 200.00
Buckner Circuit	63.00
El Dorado Ct.	105.80
Fordyce	200.00
First Church, Camden	1,260.00
First Church, El Dorado	1,500.00
Vantrease Memorial	28.66
Wesley Chapel	18.38
Smackover	277.00
Strong Ct., Rhodes Chapel	10.00
Taylor Circuit (in full)	125.00
Total	\$3,787.84

Little Rock District	
Carlisle Ct.	\$ 39.60
Carlisle Station	110.00
Des Arc-New Bethel (in full)	125.00
DeValls Bluff Charge	10.50
Douglasville-Geyer Sprngs	50.00
Hazen	100.00
Hickory Plains Ct.	30.78
Keo-Tomberlin	33.00
Little Rock: Asbury	1,068.86
Highland	100.00
Pulaski Heights	760.00
28th Street	68.00
Winfield	300.00
Primrose Chapel	92.00
Mabelvale	40.00
Roland Ct.	30.00
Hickory Plains Ct.	8.00
Total	\$2,965.74

Monticello District	
Ark. City-Watson	\$ 55.00
Crossett	450.00
Dermott	50.00
Fountain Hill Ct.	27.00
Hamburg	156.00
Montrose-Snyder	20.75
Wilmar Ct.	20.00
Total	\$ 778.75

Pine Bluff District	
DeWitt	\$ 200.00
Gillett	150.00
First Church, Pine Bluff	430.00
Good Faith Church-Good Faith and White Hall Charge	25.00
Roe Circuit	22.00
Rowell Circuit	18.47
Sheridan Station	100.00
Sheridan Circuit	9.00
St. Charles Ct.	75.00
Glendale Church	9.00
Star City Circuit	161.50
Swan Lake Circuit	30.00
Bayou Meto Church	12.00
Total	\$1,231.97

Prescott District	
Amity Circuit	\$ 9.60
Blevins Circuit	65.00
Hope	225.00
Nashville	125.00
Murfreesboro-Delight	207.44
Okolona	50.75
Prescott Station	217.00
Washington-Ozan	30.00
Springhill Circuit	21.20
Glenwood-Rosboro	39.00
Total	\$ 989.99

Texarkana District	
DeQueen	\$ 100.00
Dierks-Greens Chapel	43.40
Fonke Ct.	35.00
Hatfield Ct.	19.28
Lewisville-Bradley	51.00
Mena	41.00
Horatio (in full)	95.00
Stamps-Garland City	266.38
First Church, Texarkana	1,413.49
Texarkana Circuit (in full)	100.00
Lockesburg Ct. (in full)	100.00
Total	\$2,254.55

Golden Cross	
Foreman Church	\$ 4.00
DeValls Bluff	2.50
Total	\$ 6.50
Grand Total	\$14,083.33
—C. E. Hayes, Treasurer.	

#### HOMEcoming AT DALARK

On Sunday, June 19, the Methodist Church of Dalark held a homecoming for members living in the town and for members and sons and daughters of members of former years living in other places. The church, decorated with summer flowers, was filled to capacity with a congregation that had come to do honor to the memory of Mrs. J. F. Wilson, who, when she recently died, left five hundred dollars in memory of her husband, Dr. J. F. Wilson, a prominent member of the church, and to the fathers and grandfathers and their wives who had hewed out of the wilderness this place of worship. The Dalark church is the descendant of Old Manchester, founded in 1837, the oldest Methodist Church in this part of the country. Many who were present remembered hearing their fathers tell of their fathers' stories of carrying their guns to church at Old Manchester. The Dalark church, which was Old Manchester moved to town, was erected in 1888. Mr. A. W. Littlejohn, represented at the homecoming by three sons and four daughters and their children and grandchildren living in various parts of the state and other states, served as the first Sunday School superintendent until 1905, at which time his health failed and he was forced to give up the position. Mr. R. M. Atchley became superintendent at that time and remained until 1921, when he was succeeded by Mr. H. A. Atchley, who was in this position until he moved to Hot Springs in 1927. Mr. R. M. Atchley has held the position since that date. The heritage of a fine worshipfulness and courage of the men and women whose lives have gone into the making of this church, seemed very real and inspiring to the congregation gathered to hear the service planned for this occasion.

The pastor, Rev. A. J. Bearden, presented a former pastor, Rev. F. P. Doak, who delivered a fitting and sincere sermon on the obligations of Christians in the many departments of life, social, religious, political, to exemplify and keep uncompromised the ideals and teachings of Christ. His text was "Where is the Flock, the Beautiful Flock I have Given Thee?" Brother Doak had very graciously consented to appear instead of Rev. W. C. Hilliard, a former much loved pastor, who was to have been the speaker, but who at the last minute was unable to appear because of illness. The music was furnished by the Dalark church choir, directed by Miss Martha ("Pet") Atchley. The hour was one of memory and worship and rededication for many whose thoughts went back to the past of the church, made as it was by the dreams and faith of its pioneer founders. At the end of the service sacrament was administered.

The dinner, served in the churchyard, was the occasion for the renewal of many friendships and acquaintances. Probably more than is usual on such occasions, the tables ranged around the churchyard fence groaned beneath the weight

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of much good homecoming food. A short informal program was held after dinner. At this time the visitors were told that the legacy left by Mrs. Wilson had been spent on repairs of the church building. Many tributes were paid to the memory of Dr. and Mrs. Wilson. Mr. A. P. Green of Arkadelphia spoke on the character and achievements of the men and women of Dalark, how they had represented during their lives the best ideals of America; how their courage and zeal have been an inspiration to their descendants; and how the faith they held must be renewed and maintained for the preservation of all we hold good in living. Mrs. J. H. Cuffman, the granddaughter of Rev. A. W. Littlejohn, who was one of the first pastors of Old Manchester church in 1837, spoke for the family of Mr. A. W. Littlejohn, who was a member of this church for over a half century, and who was represented on this occasion by the families of his three sons and four daughters. Her reminiscences called to the attention of the group much that was fine in the history of the Dalark church.

One of the most entertaining features of the program was the singing of old church hymns by some of the best voices in Dallas County. Jno. N. Honeycutt had charge of the afternoon song service, this being the first time he had been at the old home church in many years. His friends enjoyed hearing his good voice again.

The homecoming was highly successful from the standpoint of fellowship, and the inspiration of sermon and music; and the backward glance to the lives of those who devoted their energies and hopes to the building of a place of worship. It is to be hoped that the homecoming can be made an annual event.—Reporter.

#### DEDICATION OF CENTERTON CHURCH

The dedication, Sunday, June 26, of the Methodist church at Center-ton, marks the climax of eighty years of Methodism at this place.

So far as is known, the first Methodist services in this community were held by some now unknown circuit rider in the home of Richard and Matilda Womack, in the latter 50's. The Womack family who were staunch church people, moved from Middle Tennessee to this community in 1855, and as soon as they were settled in their new home, had a cabin built on one corner of their land to be used for church and school purposes. No record is available earlier than 1866, at which time the preacher in charge was Jordan Banks.

In 1869 this log cabin was replaced by a frame building on the same lot, which was deeded by the Womacks to the church. The Womack family led the movement for the new church, aided by other friends of the cause. All gave as freely as they were able, considering their impoverished condition following the war. No record can be found, and none of the present members know when nor by whom that building was dedicated. In 1905 a new frame building was erected, which was dedicated in 1907, by Bishop Hendrix. The present church, a beautiful brick building was built in 1922.

The dedication services were most impressive. It seemed particularly fitting that a grandson of the founders, Rev. W. V. Womack,

should take part in the services in his office of presiding elder. As we listened to the inspiring words of Bishop Selecman, we thought of the multitude whose untiring work throughout the years has made this church possible; the early ministers whose names have been lost from our records, and those who within our own memories have served our church, from P. B. Hopkins in 1896, to Brother Bridenthal, under whose leadership the debt has been lifted from the church. The list is too long, but some of the names inscribed on the records are Summers, Sturdy, Johnsey, the Hamiltons (W. P. and J. M. C.), Hopkins, Gilmore, Blevins, T. A. Martin, and others of more recent date. Among the presiding elders who have aided in the work are: Sherman, Hughey, Stevenson, Davidson, Evans, Oliver, Hamilton and the two Womacks.

We thought of the founders of the church, and the numbers of faithful members whose names have been forgotten, but whose work lives on to bless us. We thought of the vast multitude of members of this congregation who have gone on before, and it seemed that surely on some celestial plain, they must be joining in our hour of praise and thanksgiving. We felt that the very ground on which we stood was indeed hallowed and we thanked God for the heritage that is ours as the result of eighty years of Methodism in this place.—Kate Fair Beasley.

#### ENTERTAINMENT OF UNITING CONFERENCE

On June 30, the Commission on Entertainment of the Uniting Conference held its first meeting at Evanston, Illinois. It was primarily a meeting for organization and for the study of principles that will guide in the selection of the proper location for the Uniting Conference.

The Commission consists of fifteen members, five from each of the participating churches in Methodist union. The five members from the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, are: Dr. S. S. McKenney, St. Paul's Methodist Church, Houston, Texas; Rev. C. W. Tadlock, Security Building, St. Louis, Missouri; Dr. H. P. Myers, Doctors' Building, Nashville, Tenn.; Mr. E. C. Watson, Clarksburg, West Virginia; and Mr. Miller S. Bell, Milledgeville, Georgia. All five members were present for this meeting. Out of the entire group of fifteen members only one person was absent.

The permanent organization resulted in the selection of the following: President, Dr. Isaac E. Miller, 3436 St. John's, Cincinnati, Ohio; Vice-President, Dr. F. W. Lineberry, 139 Division Street, Elkhart, Indiana; Sec.-Treas., Dr. H. P. Myers, Doctors' Building, Nashville, Tenn.

The Executive Committee is composed of the officers and three additional members: Mr. E. C. Watson, Clarksburg, West Virginia; Judge L. J. Lyons, National Fidelity Life Building, Kansas City, Mo.; and Judge Harry Shaw, Fairmont, West Virginia. A committee was appointed to visit the various cities that will be given serious consideration as possible locations. This Visitation Committee is composed of Mr. E. C. Watson, Chairman; Dr. Aubrey S. Moore, Dr. F. W. Lineberry, and Dr. Isaac E. Miller. The Commission will hold its next meeting August 30 in Cincinnati, O.

#### A Foregleam of Union in 1886

Perhaps the best-known Methodist layman of fifty years ago was General Clinton B. Fisk, rebuilder of Nashville, founder of Fisk University, member of several General Conferences, Prohibition candidate for the presidency, for many years a distinguished member of the Book Committee.

In May, 1886, fifty-two years ago, he and Mr. J. B. Cornell, with their families, were in Richmond, Va., at the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

The fraternal delegates from our church were Dr. John Miley, of Drew Seminary, and Governor J. B. Foraker, of Ohio, but Governor Foraker did not report for duty. An immense audience assembled, and after Dr. Miley's address, General Fisk was called out from the crowd.

They knew him, those delegates from the field of his efficient reconstruction labors. They remembered how he had restored their church to them after war's work was done. They recalled his earnest efforts to bring again the blessings of peace. They received him with the most tempestuous applause, as if he had been their own elect.

Over a hundred old Confederate soldiers and chaplains were among the delegates, and they welcomed the Northern general with a welcome he never forgot. He began his impromptu speech by offering these words of appreciation:

"I am greatly pleased that I have finally reached Richmond. It is nearly twenty-five years since I set out for this magnificent capital city of the Old Dominion. It was on a bright July day in 1861, on which, with several other travelers, I left Washington for this city. The Richmond Committee on Fraternal Relations met me far out upon the way; indeed, they came more than half way. With banner and band and the booming of artillery, they gave us a warm reception. Indeed, it was a hot welcome, so hot that I retired on Washington and countermanded my order to forward mail to Richmond. I am more fortunate in this later marching on Richmond. Declining capture then, I now find myself a willing captive in your hands with not the slightest wish to escape."

Addressing the chairman, the celebrated Bishop H. N. McTyer, he said: "Mr. President, my eyes grew dim, and my heart swelled with emotions of deep joy as you so graphically brought to mind that glad day at Louisville a dozen years ago, when for the first time in thirty years we struck glad hands of fraternal fellowship."

"It seems but yesterday that you

#### POETRY OF DE QUEEN MINISTER READ ON RADIO PROGRAM

Local radio auditors report that poems written by the Rev. E. D. Galloway, pastor of the Methodist Church at De Queen, have been featured in recent programs of the Tiptop Hour, broadcast daily from Station KTHS at Hot Springs. The time of the Tiptop Hour program is 8 to 9 o'clock a. m., with poems being read at 8:30. A volume of the De Queen minister's poems has recently been published under the title, "Illustrations and Preachments in Poetry," the price of the book being \$1.

and your associate bishops gave to my co-delegates and myself that sincere and hearty greeting. Alas, how busy since then has death been in our respective Episcopal boards! All of your bishops, as the board was then constituted, have climbed the steps of light, except Bishop Keener and yourself, and from our board a larger number have ceased from labor and entered into the rest eternal. Paine and Morris, Kavanaugh and Scott, Wightman and Ames, Simpson and Pierce, Marvin and Wiley, are in the shining city.

"Their united petitions involving God's blessing upon the good work then begun have been answered. The seeds of fraternity took root and have had a fair growth.

"There have been some impatient friends on both sides who would, like children who play at gardening, dig up the seed occasionally, to see why they did not sprout more promptly. And then there are those—and neither side has a monopoly in such—who go mourning all their days at the very thought of fraternity. They wander about in a very small circle with downcast eyes, never looking upward and outward upon the bright and beautiful things of the world.

"They remind me of a story told me by our lamented Dr. Green, whose genial soul brought joy to every circle he entered. When on duty at Nashville at the close of the war, in the work of reconstruction, restoration and rebuilding, Dr. McFerrin was my chief-of-staff, and Dr. Green my senior aide-de-camp, rendering invaluable service in many a time of doubt as to the best methods of establishing peace, harmonious relations, industry, and good order in certain sections of my large district, and in which territory these honored brethren had large acquaintance.

"On one occasion I had been written to by a man prominent in his neighborhood, who kindly yet emphatically criticized my administration. He was fearful I was not sufficiently radical in my views, and cautioned me against receiving advice from any one of the sort of McFerrin and Green. I assured my well-meaning adviser that I would exercise care in the discharge of

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my official duties, but should endeavor to follow after the things that would make for peace.

"Subsequently, at an interview with Dr. Green, I inquired of him touching this writing adviser, and the doctor said he would illustrate by telling me a story, as follows:

"He said that a friend of his, a tanner by trade, who ground his tanbark in a mill run by horse power, had a faithful old mule that year after year had made the continual round and round in furnishing power for the bark mill. The kindly disposed owner at last thought it a duty to emancipate the aged mule from future active service. He turned him out into a large royal pasture where he could graze upon timothy and clover over the wide range of the extensive field. The old mule surveyed the situation, discussed the new order of things with himself, and unanimously resolved to continue to abide within the narrow limits of an old-time tanbark circle he established around a stump, and there ended his days going round and round as of old, nipping away at the short grass, utterly refusing to enjoy the better things provided for him.

"There are men, so-called statesmen, politicians, and others, who will wander about in small circles, utterly oblivious to the mighty sweep of events around them. Let us lift up our eyes and behold the outstretching, widening opportunities for obedience to the command of our Divine Leader to carry the gospel of peace and reconciliation to all mankind; forgetting the things that are behind, let us press forward.

"My esteemed friend and brother, J. B. Cornell, who had never seen an old battlefield with its immense earthworks such as surrounded this fair city a score and more years ago, accompanied me out along some of the old lines, but how little evidence of war he found left! The snows of twenty winters and the rains of twenty summers had blotted out the tracks of fire and sword.

"Where once boomed the cannon's thunderous roar, we heard the tender notes of life and gladness; the blue bird was singing sweetly, and a torrent of melody bubbled from the overflowing throat of the mocking bird. There, where strong men strove and brave hearts bled, were bud and blossom, spangle and bloom, and busy bee.

"And daily on the slope's green breast,  
The tribes of blossoming things increase;  
But dearer far than all the rest,  
The fair white flower whose name is Peace;

"Whose gracious leaves to heal the ills  
Which sapped the nation's life are sent,  
Whose fragrance blesses all the hills,  
Whose fruits are Plenty and Content."

"Shall not all of us take a lesson from forgiving nature, whose maternal, loving soul levels the earthworks of war and strews them with the flowers of peace?"

Concluding, General Fisk gave this comprehensive benediction that none who heard ever forgot:

"And now, Mr. President, may our two Methodisms—no, our own Methodism in two communions—

march on waving the banner of the cross over all lands, and so adjusting our work at home and abroad as to prevent all waste of men and means, and moving toward each other as we move toward God, we shall command His blessing, and the world will say, 'Surely, they are one in spirit, one in purpose, one in fellowship.' God bless our united country! May peace and prosperity be within all our borders.

"Lord of the universe, shield us and guide us,  
Trusting Thee always through shadow and sun,  
Thou hast united us—who shall divide us?  
Keep us, O keep us, the many in one.

"Then up with our banner bright,  
sprinkled with starry light,  
Spread its fair emblems from mountain to shore,  
While through the sounding sky loud rings the nation's cry—  
Union and liberty, one evermore!" —The Christian Advocate.

#### PRESERVATION OF AUTOGRAPHS

The undersigned is securing autographs of interesting people, preachers, scientists, statesmen, reformers, editors, authors, inventors, soldiers and others, and will be pleased to be given letters and other documents which such persons have produced.

Especially, my aim is to get signatures of Methodists eminent in various walks of life. Just now I am trying to complete the list of bishops of the different branches of Methodism. What I am securing is signed letters and ordination certificates, written sermons and addresses, single and group photographs, seals and circulars—in a word whatever represents the writing of these men. I am not collecting books particularly unless personally autographed. Bible and works of their own or other authorship having their handwriting will be gladly received.

A great many items of the nature above mentioned are already in my hands, and I am deeply grateful to those who have presented them. When the work gets further along the plan is to mount the results in suitable form for permanent preservation and to have the whole kept in a fire-proof place for use by students as historical and biographical source-material.

I am deeply grateful to many persons for substantial aid given my quest. Among the leading helpers have been Dr. J. R. Joy, President John J. Tigert, Mr. E. E. Overholt, Mrs. J. D. Woolworth, Mrs. Seth Ward, Mrs. E. S. Tipple, Mrs. G. W. Whitsett, Mrs. W. B. Foster, Bishop C. E. Locke, Dr. R. A. Barnes, Dr. E. D. Kohlstedt, Mrs. Henry C. Miller, Dr. F. D. Blakeslee, Mrs. R. G. Waterhouse, Dr. Frank G. Porter.

Have you any letters, ordination certificates or other documents which you would like to have put into a permanent and valuable setting, in connection with a historical collection? If so, I will be very grateful for their donation and will see that full credit is given. It is a great pity that so many papers of interest to posterity have been neglected and lost. Very sincerely yours.—Frederick Deland Leete, Bishop Methodist Episcopal Church, University Terrace, DeLand, Fla.

#### OBITUARIES

MAHAN.—Dr. J. M. Mahan, a beloved physician of Bearden and Ouachita County for 50 years, entered into rest May 13, aged 86 years. There were no years of retirement for him, for when he was no longer able physically to answer calls, those to whom he had ministered in previous years continued to make their way to his home and bedside for medical advice and healing. Throughout his years of practice, many came without money and without price, but none went away with less than the best he could give them. Truly, all classes and races of people found in him a sympathetic, understanding friend. In his home he was the kind of husband and father who was honored and adored because of the poise and unselfish manner in which he carried every responsibility of life. Kindness was his dominant characteristic. In his community and church, his judgment and example was respected, and his keen interest in civic affairs linked his life with the progress of the community. Dr. Mahan is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Herbert Sprague, of Bearden; and Mrs. Bessie Brooks of Lewisville, Miss.; two

sons, Raymond, of Bearden; and Herbert of Denver, Colo.; one sister, Mrs. C. W. Knight, of Mena; three grandchildren reared in his home, Mrs. John Dilling and Miss Edna Wade of Bearden, and Miss Floy Hillier, of Houston, Texas; other grandchildren are Russell and Mary Catherine Mahan of Bearden; Milton, Betty, and Hillman Brooks of Lewisville, Miss., and Mrs. Cecil Shuford, of Denton, Texas. The funeral service was held in the Methodist Church at Bearden, in the presence of a large gathering of friends of both races. The Mahan family have been prominently identified with the life of the church and community for many years, and the memory and influence of his good life will continue to abide. John Leroy Tucker, the pastor, was assisted by a former pastor, the writer.—Fred G. Roebuck.

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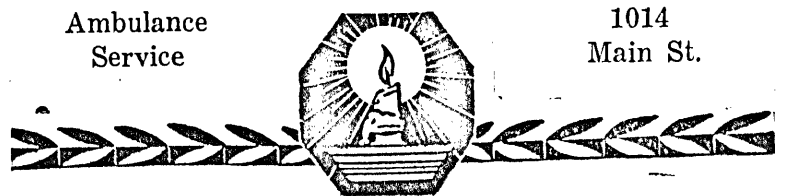
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The tiny birds to rest!

How beautiful are little lambs  
Within a peaceful fold,  
How kind the sky that spreads for them  
Its canopy of gold!

How peaceful are the herds that lie  
Among the grasses deep;  
How wonderful that dusk should bring  
This miracle of sleep!

—Our Dumb Animals.

### TAKE THE OTHER HAND

It was one of the first days of spring when a lady, who had been watching by the sick bed of her mother for some weeks, went out to take a little exercise and enjoy the fresh air. She hoped she might hear a bird sing, or see some little wild flower, which would speak to her of future hope, for her heart was heavy with anxiety and sorrow.

After walking some distance she came to a ropewalk. She was familiar with the place, and being fond of the smell of tar, she entered the place. At one end of the building she saw a little boy turning a very large wheel; she thought it was too laborious work for such a child, and as she came near him spoke to him.

"Who sent you to this place?" she asked.

"Nobody; I came of myself."

"Does your father know you are here?"

"I have no father."

"Are you paid for your labor?"

"Yes, I get ninepence a day."

"What do you do with all the money?"

"I give it to my mother."

"Do you like this work?"

"Well enough; but if I had not I should do it, that I might get money for my mother."

"How long do you work in the day?"

"From nine till twelve in the morning and from two till five in the afternoon."

"How old are you?"

"Almost nine."

"Are you never tired of turning this great wheel?"

"Yes, sometimes."

"And what do you do then?"

"I take the other hand."

The lady gave him a piece of money.

"Is this for my mother?" said he, looking pleased.

"No, it is for yourself."

"Thank you, ma'am," the boy said.

She went home strengthened in her devotion to duty and instructed in practical Christian philosophy by the words of the little child, and she said: "The next time that duty seems hard to me, I will, like this little boy, not complain, but 'take the other hand'."—Selected.

### JOHN WESLEY AND ANIMALS

In connection with the celebration of the two hundredth anniversary of the founding of Methodism, it is interesting to recall some of the outspoken words of John Wesley on war and on animals.

"All our declamations on the strength of human reason and the eminence of our virtues," he said, "are no more than the cant and jargon of pride and ignorance, so long as there is such a thing as war in the world."

Of the wonders of animal life he speaks eloquently: "If we turn our eyes to the minutest parts of ani-

mal life we shall be lost in astonishment . . . Proofs of a wise, a good and powerful being, are indeed deducible from everything around us, but the extremely great and the extremely small seem to furnish us with those that are most convincing . . . Even the actions of animals are an eloquent and pathetic language. Those that want to help a man have a thousand engaging ways which, like the voice of God, speaking to the heart, command him to preserve and cherish them."

Of man's conduct to animals, he says, in his sermon on "The General Deliverance": He pursues them over the wildest plains and through the thickest forests. He overtakes them out in the depths of the sea. Nor are the mild and friendly creatures who still own his sway and are duteous to his commands secured thereby from more than brutal violence, from outrage and abuse of various kinds . . . What returns for their long and faithful service do many of these poor creatures find? And what a dreadful difference is there between what they suffer from their fellow-brutes and what they suffer from the tyrant, man! . . . While 'the other creation groaneth together' (whether men attend or not), their groans are dispersed in idle air, but enter into the ears of Him that made them."—Our Dumb Animals.

### MY READING OFTEN FALLS INTO RUTS

"The lips of the righteous feed many." The text flashed on my understanding in utter newness. I listened to the preacher in amazement. He was leading me in paths untrod in my Bible reading. And yet I thought I knew the Scriptures! The Book of Proverbs was proving to me that I didn't. I had missed something very wise, very beautiful, very helpful.

I walked home from church humbly. I looked at my Bible. As I had suspected, it opened easily at certain passages—the fourteenth chapter of John, the thirteenth chapter of First Corinthians. The Psalms were well thumbed, the Gospels frequently underlined with an appreciative pencil. But many of the pages of the other books stuck together, or crackled uneasily as a spread them open for the first time.

I realized that I had fallen into ruts in my Bible reading.

And if my daily reading of the Bible followed lines of preference and familiarity, what of the scripture reading of my friends? Perhaps they also were contenting themselves with half a loaf or even a small slice when a whole loaf lay before them for the taking.

Yes, when I consulted them, my friends agreed with me. They also had fallen into ruts in their reading. We proved it by hurling texts at each other in quick succession. In some cases we didn't even know each other's favorite passages. But we didn't set to work and try to read our Bibles straight through for fear of missing something. Instead we invested in a good outline of the Scriptures and followed its suggestions for the most part.

We "searched the Scriptures," and it pleased us. We selected a new favorite text each day.

We compared passages instead of taking a lazy stroll in them.—Frances Kirkland in *The Challenge*.

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## INTERNATIONAL Sunday School Lesson

Lesson for July 17

### DEBORAH: EMERGENCY LEADERSHIP

LESSON TEXT—Judges 4:1-9, 12-14.

GOLDEN TEXT—Who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?—Es-ther 4:14.

"Every man did that which was right in his own eyes." Such is the divine summary of what was wrong in Israel during the period of the judges (Judg. 21:25). "There was no king in Israel," no competent and inspiring leadership. The people lived according to the whims of the day, and, as always, humanity left to itself drifted to lower and lower levels. This was true morally and spiritually and ultimately politically, for they came repeatedly into bondage to other nations and were only delivered as God raised up judges to lead them to repentance and victory, as well as to rule over them.

#### I. A People in Disorder (vv. 1-3).

Any people that forgets God and begins to live after the dictates of the flesh will at length come to the place where some strong man with "chariots of iron" will rule over them. We in America, look at the other nations of the world, viewing their plight with sympathy but ever assuring ourselves that "it can't happen here." We ought to arouse ourselves and face the facts lest our own land, happy in its possession of God's great blessings of "life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness," abuse those privileges, neglect the worship of God, spurn the leadership He gives us, and become "lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God; having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof" (II Tim. 3:4, 5). If we do not awake and repent the Lord may have to "sell" us, as He did Israel, into the hands of the oppressor.

#### II. A Leader Called of God (vv. 4-9).

God always has His man ready for the hour of need—only in this case His man was a woman. Glorious indeed is the record of faithful and capable womanhood in annals of God's work on earth. Deborah was a woman of unique gifts—a poetess, a prophetess, and withal "the wife of Lapidoth," evidently a woman who cared well for her own household.

Brains and natural ability are much needed, especially in a time such as ours when few there are who even care to think for themselves and few who have any desire to develop native ability except for the purpose of "making money." But true leadership calls for more than talent and intelligence; it calls for a burning in the soul, a divine zeal, the urge of God in the heart.

Deborah had this fiery touch upon her life. Barak, while undoubtedly a man of ability, evidently did not have it. Many excuses have been offered for the weakness indicated in verse eight. It has been said that he was cautious, or that he wanted to give the place of honor to Deborah as the leader of her people. These suggestions may be

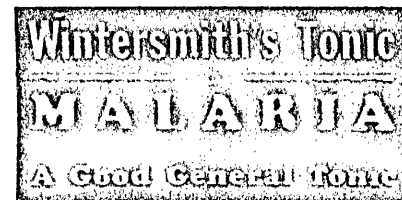
true, but somehow one has the feeling that what he really lacked was the "flaming heart." May God give it to us, that in our much doing of His work the divine fire may warm and inspire us!

#### III. A Divine Victory (vv. 12-14).

God gave Deborah and Barak a great victory, but note that it was God and not man who brought about the defeat of Jabin (Judg. 4:15, 23). It was a complete victory and the enemies of Israel troubled them no more for many a day.

Dr. Wilbur M. Smith aptly points out that we should look "upon these conflicts in the book of Judges as certainly symbols of the great conflict that every Christian knows as he wrestles, not with flesh and blood, but against principalities and powers, against the world-rulers of darkness and spiritual wickedness in heavenly places. Victory is certain only when the Lord is with us and only when we walk in His will and contend against evil in His power. We are more than conquerors but only through the Lord Jesus Christ" (Peloubet's Select Notes.)

In closing this lesson the writer of these notes wishes to recognize the blessing of God in enabling him to complete two years of this service to Him and to His people. He also wishes to thank those readers in every state of the Union and in a number of foreign countries who have written to him words of appreciation, encouragement and counsel.



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No. 2—Mrs. Paul E. James, Chairman, with Mrs. T. M. Stinnett, 4115 Lee Ave., 10:00 a. m.

No. 3—Mrs. C. B. Wilson, Chairman, no meeting.

No. 4—Mrs. James Thomas, Chairman, at the church, 10:00 a. m.

No. 5—Mrs. C. E. Hayes, Chairman, 8:30 breakfast at Boyle Park.

No. 6—Mrs. E. Q. Brothers, Chairman, with Mrs. Clifton Scott, 1711 Center, 10:30 a. m.

No. 7—Mrs. J. S. M. Cannon, Chairman, with Mrs. J. F. Lawrence, 1200 W. 35th, 10:00 a. m. Mrs. E. C. Reed will be co-hostess.

No. 8—Mrs. R. D. Ginocchio, Chairman, meeting and picnic at Boyle Park, 10:30 a. m.

No. 9—With Mrs. E. W. Beeson, Chairman, 1819 Gaines, 10:00 a. m.

No. 10—Mrs. E. F. Dixon, Chairman, no meeting.

### OUR SYMPATHY

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to the following members who have suffered bereavement recently:

To Miss Melba Garner, 1025 Commerce, whose mother, Mrs. Jess C. Garner, a devoted member of Winfield, passed away on July 7.

To Miss Grace Quindley, 620 N. Oak, whose mother, Mrs. Catherine Quindley, passed away July 3.

To Mrs. J. W. McGarry, 2123 Main, whose granddaughter, Jane Faulkner, passed away at her home in Jonesboro on July 4.

### ARE YOU A DEMOCRAT?

Democracy is more than a system of government; it is an ideal. The democratic principle involves the participation of the total group. It not only guarantees rights to all, but all have a responsibility in the exercise of these rights.

If we do not belong to the democratic party, we in America believe in the democratic principle. We believe that all men have certain inalienable rights. And we believe that all real citizens have certain inalienable responsibilities.

Our church ought to be more democratic. Of course all members of the church have equal rights. The Church School and the Sabbath worship services, the fellowship of Christian people, the personal services of the Church staff, all of these are available for everyone. But as all citizens have a responsibility to the government so all churchmen have a responsibility to the Church. Yet fully one-third of the membership accepts no responsibility, either in financial aid or in giving of time or talent to the program of the church.

About 700 members of Winfield pay regularly (weekly or monthly) to the budget of the church.

About 700 members pay spasmodically (once or twice a year, when a Steward calls on them).

About 700 members pay nothing to the church. Suffice it to say if Winfield Church were made up exclusively of the last 1400 members mentioned, it would have to close its doors. Which group are you in?

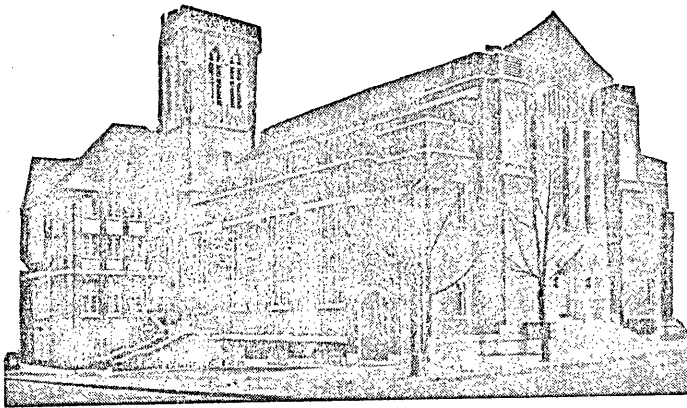
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Membership Secretary

MISS KATE BOSSINGER  
Organist

### Next Sunday At Winfield

10:00 A. M. Church School, J. H. Bowen, General Sup't.

11:00 A. M. LAYMEN'S DAY, "America The Beautiful"—Mr. J. J. HARRISON, Speaker. (One of the most eloquent and forceful speakers in Arkansas.)

### THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

By GASTON FOOTE

For the next ten days I will be in New York City attending the Pastor's School at Union Theological Seminary. It will be a real pleasure to attend the classes of these eminent religious teachers and preachers of America receiving fresh mental and spiritual stimulus in order to better serve the church.

The educational requirements for the ministry are endless. Being awarded a degree from a theological seminary does not mean that the minister's education is completed. It simply means that a good foundation has been laid to BEGIN his education. The minister who does not keep at least one step ahead of his people cannot hope to lead them into new fields of mental and spiritual endeavor. After all religion is truth and a religion that refuses to seek the truth cannot hope to challenge the minds and hearts of the youth of today. Long ago Jesus said, "I am the WAY, the TRUTH and the LIFE."

While I am away I will preach twice at Matthewson Street Methodist Church, Providence, Rhode Island, the mother church of the state. This church has an unbroken record of service to humanity extending through 150 years.

I am sure Winfield members will extend the same prayerful hearing to our pulpit guests during the next two Sundays that you continuously extend to your pastor. Next Sunday is Laymen's Day and will be under the direction of J. S. M. Cannon, our Conference Lay Leader. The speaker is Mr. J. J. Harrison of the Union Central Life Insurance Co., one of the most brilliant speakers in the state. The following Sunday the Rev. J. E. Cooper, pastor of Pulaski Heights Methodist Church, will be our guest preacher. Don't fail to hear them.

### Christian Education

By MARGUERITE CLARK

Church School Attendance  
Last Sunday ..... 443  
A Year Ago ..... 319

Departmental Report  
On Sty.  
Present Time Cont. Ch.  
Jr. High .... 57 40 40 40  
Sr. High .... 48 43 26 24  
Y. P. .... 27 23 6 20

Adult  
Couples Class ..... 45  
Carrie Hinton Bible Class ..... 36  
Men's Bible Class ..... 35  
Fidelity Class ..... 19  
Brothers' Couples Class ..... 16  
Mae Jenkins' Bible Class ..... 14  
Lila Ashby Bible Class ..... 10  
Total ..... 176

### MR. CANNON TO ADDRESS SENIORS

Members of the Senior High Department of our Church School will hold the third of a series of Sunday morning forums at their morning worship service next Sunday. Mr. J. S. M. Cannon will be the speaker and will use as his subject "Conflicting Loyalties."

These forums are being enjoyed by the Seniors very much and are proving very helpful to the group.

### FIDELITY CLASS HAS SPLENDID RECORD

The Fidelity Class of our Church School, which is a class for young girls and taught by Mrs. Foote, has a fine record to report. They have had a new member to join their class every Sunday for the past several months.

This Saturday about twenty of the members will go to Lakeside for swimming, boating, etc., and will spend the night as guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Beeson and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Dickinson. After an early morning worship service Sunday, they will return and attend services here.

### MAE JENKINS' CLASS HAS GUEST SPEAKER

Last Sunday morning during the Church School hour members of the Mae Jenkins' Class had the privilege of hearing Miss Jeanette Crawford, Business Manager of the Clara Swain Hospital in Bareilly, India. She told the class many interesting facts about her work there. Miss Crawford is the sister of Mrs. J. C. Bruce, a member of the class.

### WINFIELD BOY SCOUTS TO ATTEND CAMP

The Boy Scout Troop No. 25 of Winfield Church will hold their annual camp on Arch Street Pike July 18-23. Dr. Horace E. Ruff will be the camp physician and Mr. Russell Henderson will be Recreational Director. Mr. William A. Weidemeyer (Scoutmaster) and Dick Neal (Assistant Scoutmaster) will handle the Scout advancements.

They are now completing a new dining hall which will be in use this year. A cordial invitation to attend this camp is extended to all boys of Scout age who are interested in becoming a Scout.

### DO YOU INSIST

That your children be  
neither absent nor tardy  
at Public School?  
What about their Church  
School record?