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OUR GENERAL CONFERENCE PRONOUNCEMENT AND THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC

IN the report of the Board of Lay Activities which was adopted by our last General Conference, under the head of "Temperance," the following recommendations, in part, were adopted: "That we continue to put on temperance programs at each Annual Conference; that an outstanding speaker be procured and full publicity be given to the program; this to be arranged by the Bishop and Conference Lay Leader before the meeting of the Annual Conference; that all pastors be urged to preach special sermons on temperance and the evils of the drink habit, as well as the curse of the sale of intoxicating liquors and that they inform themselves so that they may educate as well as denounce; we urge that every member of our great Church loyally support our pastors, church editors, and others who are fighting for the cause of temperance and sobriety; recognizing that the Woman's Christian Temperance Union and the Anti-Saloon League of America are the two great national organizations co-operating with the Churches to oppose and destroy the intoxicating liquor traffic, we commend them for their useful activities and recommend that wherever desired the several Annual Conferences appoint representatives to work with these worthy organizations; and we urge our pastors and churches to co-operate for the purpose of opposing and destroying the hurtful traffic in intoxicating beverages."

In view of this strong deliverance we earnestly request that our pastors and people organize in the several counties and seek to get a good vote for the Initiated Act No. 1, which will give our citizens the right to control the traffic in their several communities. This is a thoroughly democratic measure and will restore to the people the right to decide what intoxicants may be sold in their municipality, township, and county. Every believer in the principles of democracy should be willing to support this measure.

THE FELLOWSHIP OF EVANGELISM

By HARRY DENMAN, Secretary
Department of Evangelism

NEARLY every public speaker in America today, whether he holds the highest political office or is a great statistician, renowned financier, preacher of national influence or pastor of Bethel Circuit, is saying that we need a revival or a spiritual awakening. Our laymen are hungry for it. The women are praying for it. We have discovered that spiritual recovery is more important than financial recovery, and that legislative panaceas cannot bring either.

The General Conference believed that we need to have a great evangelistic movement, and authorized a Fellowship of Evangelism. This Fellowship has been created, and we now give it to the Church.

We are seeking a revival of religion, and we have the courage to use the word "revival" because our people understand it and because it carries our meaning. It should be unnecessary to say that by the term we mean a "protracted meeting." Of course such meetings will constitute one part of the method—or one of the methods—by which we will strive to reach our objective. But there are other methods. There are as many methods as there are activities in our Church. We must not break up evangelism into a series of events—thinking of mass evangelism, educational evangelism, personal work evangelism, and the like. Evangelism is all-inclusive. It is the end of everything we do. Whether we preach, conduct a Church School,

* **THOU PREPAREST A TABLE BEFORE** *
* **ME IN THE PRESENCE OF MINE ENEM-** *
* **IES; THOU ANOINTEST MY HEAD** *
* **WITH OIL; MY CUP RUNNETH OVER.** *
* **SURELY GOODNESS AND MERCY** *
* **SHALL FOLLOW ME ALL THE DAYS** *
* **OF MY LIFE; AND I WILL DWELL IN** *
* **THE HOUSE OF THE LORD FOREVER.** *
* —Psalm 23:5-6. *

teach a class, hold an institute, raise benevolent collections, build a church, visit the members, organize a picnic, give an entertainment—it should all be evangelism. If any activity does not have for its conscious end the salvation of sinners and edification of believers, it is in so far out of place or inadequate in our churches.

We believe that if a revival is to come to an individual—a church—a community—a denomination—a nation—it must come through prayer. The great American Revival came because individuals and groups were praying. Jesus said, "Tarry," and the entire Church of that day spent ten days in prayer before Pentecost came. Many desire a spiritual awakening, but do we desire it to the degree that we will spend time "Tarrying?" I believe that we do—I will—

This revival will come in the same proportion that we consecrate our lives to the task. If sin is in our lives it must come out. We must live the Jesus way of living with our lives, and not with our lips alone. We must be known in the community as Christians because we live Christianity, and not only because we profess it. This revival can never come through a church, the officials of which are selfish—prayerless—greedy—gamblers—Sabbath breakers—robbers of employees and employers—sinful. We must go to the altar, confess our sins and so live that sinners will desire to become like us.

During the "Tarrying" period that Jesus prescribed for the first group of followers it is probable that many sins were confessed; James and John were forgiven for seeking place—Peter was forgiven for denying. Today, if we tarry, we will forgive those who have sinned against us. This consecration will include also preparation

for personal work by reading the Bible, books on methods of personal work, and devotional literature. Then we will speak to our brother and sister about Christ our Saviour.

What a gracious revival would come to our Church and to the Nation if our Bishops, Presiding Elders, Pastors, Connectional Officials, Editors, Stewards, Church School Teachers and Officers, Missionary Women, Young People and Members—would go to "Seek and Save" the lost "by all means." I know, of course, that all we do is commonly regarded as a means to that end, but suppose each one of us would make the effort to speak to some sinner about becoming a Christian each week—what a blessing would come to our Church, to ourselves and to mankind. "Make full proof of your ministry," by "preaching the word" and "doing the work of an evangelist." Will you prayerfully and conscientiously sign the Fellowship of Evangelism appearing in this periodical and mail to the address given thereon?

THE BOARD OF LAY ACTIVITIES AND THE CHURCH PRESS

AT the last meeting of the General Board of Lay Activities, held at Lake Junaluska, Aug. 15-18, the question of "The Church Press" in the United Church was discussed, and the following recommendation was adopted: "In the meantime it should be the purpose and program of the General Board of Lay Activities to give loyal support to the *Christian Advocate* and the Conference Organs as they now seek to meet the needs of our own Church for adequate publicity regarding the Church's program and the great social and moral problems of our day."

In view of this action, we trust that the lay leaders in the several charges may undertake to promote the circulation of the *ARKANSAS METHODIST*, so that all of our people may have it during the coming year while the changes required in the process of uniting are being effected.

SUNDAY AT STAMPS AND LEWISVILLE

TAKING train late Saturday night, I arrived at Stamps at 5:00 a. m., was met by the pastor, Rev. Edwin Harris, and went to bed till 9:00 to catch up with sleep. Addressed the Men's Class, and preached at eleven to a fair congregation. At 3:00 p. m. I preached at North Lewisville, and at night at Lewisville. Then I was carried by Presiding Elder J. Wayne Mann, who had held quarterly conferences at both Stamps and Lewisville, to Texarkana, where I entrained for home, arriving at 3:00 a. m., Monday, having had a quick round-trip, and a busy and delightful day. The connection, at Hope, of the Mo. Pacific and Louisiana and Arkansas Railways, is close, making a trip to Stamps and Shreveport easy.

Rev. Edwin Harris, Texarkana-born and reared, after completing work at the Texarkana Junior College, and taking his B.A. and B.D. at Emory University, has been the popular and efficient pastor at Stamps for nearly four years, and has made a fine record. Benevolences and salary (raised during the quadrennium) will be in full. Thirty-six members have been added this year. All organizations are operating satisfactorily, except the Young People's, which is depleted by the going of 15 students to college. W. R. Boney is chairman of the Board; N. E. Graham is Church School superintendent; and Mrs. T. H. Owens is president of the Woman's Missionary Society. The \$40,000 brick building is out of debt, complete, convenient, modern. (Continued on Page Two, Column Three)

FELLOWSHIP OF EVANGELISM

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METHODIST EVENTS

N. Arkansas Conference, at Paragould, November 9.
Little Rock Conference, at Camden, November 16.

Personal and Other Items

REV. EARLE CRAVENS, our pastor at Pig-
gott, announces that Bishop Selecman will
preach for him on Friday night, Oct. 7.

BISHOP SELECMAN will preach and dedicate
our church at Sheridan, at 11:00 a. m., Sept.
25. All former pastors are invited to be present
at the dedication.

BISHOP CHAS. C. SELECMAN is announced
to preach at Lakeside Church, Pine Bluff,
Monday, Sept. 26, at 7:30 p. m. All Methodists
in Southeastern Arkansas are invited to hear
him.

BISHOP SELECMAN is announced to preach
and dedicate our Church at Altheimer, Sun-
day, Sept. 25, at 7:30 p. m. Rev. R. A. Teeter
extends a cordial invitation to all former pastors,
presiding elders and friends to attend.

THE report of the Sixteenth Annual Session
of the General Board of Lay Activities of
our Church, recently held at Lake Junaluska,
has just been received. It contains much valu-
able matter and many helpful suggestions. Every
pastor and lay leader should have it.

KANSAS CITY, MO., has been selected as the
place for holding the Uniting Conference,
April 26, 1939. This brings it into our South
Central Jurisdiction and will be convenient for
those of us who wish to attend. Kansas City is
considered an ideal place for holding confer-
ences and conventions.

THE MISSIONARY YEAR BOOK, being the
ninety-second Annual Report of the Board
of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church,
South, has just been received. It contains 366
pages of interesting material that every mis-
sionary-minded member of our Church should
have. Even those who are not interested in
Missions would probably become interested
through reading this truly wonderful account of
the activities of our Church through its Board
of Missions.

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* Dear Reader, please look at your address *
* label. If it shows that you are in arrears, *
* a prompt remittance will be appreciated. *
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REV. J. T. THOMPSON, pastor of Forest Park
Church, bringing in subscriptions Monday,
reports that their "Rally Day" last Sunday was
a very pleasant occasion, with a number of visi-
tors present. The basement has been completed,
and there will be opening day exercises on Sun-
day, October 2.

THE editor's patriotic song for youth, "America,
Our Fatherland," has been reproduced on
the Youth's Page in the Farm and Ranch, Dallas,
Texas; and also in the Southern Music Magazine,
published at Greenville, S. C., a publication that
musicians and poets would enjoy having. Its
price is \$1.50 a year, or 20 cents a copy. Try a
copy. You will like it.

LAST Friday night the editor had a new ex-
perience. Sitting in his office, he heard a
loud noise as if an anvil had hit the floor, and
for a few seconds his swivel chair rocked vigor-
ously. Immediately he decided that it was an
earthquake. Next morning the newspaper con-
firmed his conclusion. Fortunately the quake
was not severe and no harm was done in the city.

CELEBRATION of the Centenary Year of Fran-
ces E. Willard will be inaugurated auspici-
ously by her own university and her own fra-
ternity, Wednesday, Sept. 28, on the ninety-ninth
anniversary of her birth, when the new Willard
Hall, just-completed \$600,000 freshman dormi-
tory at Northwestern University in Evanston,
Illinois, is to be dedicated with unique cere-
monies.

REV. G. W. CAGLE, our pastor at Thornton,
writes: "We have had our revival meetings
and are beginning to look toward the end of the
year. To date thirty persons have been added
to the churches, twenty on profession of faith.
Bros. S. B. Mann, Mouzon Mann, and J. L.
Tucker helped us in one meeting each and did
very fine work. I think we shall be in full in
all our finances."

THE UPPER ROOM, that remarkably pop-
ular booklet of devotional meditation, for
the last quarter, has just been received. This
issue has been prepared in co-operation with
the International Missionary Council, which is
to meet in Madras, India, Dec. 12-30, 1938. Many
of the contributors are delegates to the Madras
Council. This booklet makes a very appropriate
present to a friend. A yearly subscription costs
30 cents. Order of The Upper Room, 650 Doc-
tors' Building, Nashville, Tenn.

BOOK REVIEWS

I Saw the Morning Star; by Frances McKinnon
Morton; published by Henry Harrison,
Poetry Publisher, New York City; price
\$1.50.

This is a little volume of verse. The poems
are of the highest literary quality and are re-
plete with spiritual charm and beauty. Readers
who are familiar with Mrs. Morton's writings
will welcome this inspirational volume. Any
one who is looking for a choice bit of literature
for his own pleasure, or as a gift to a friend,
will not make a mistake in ordering this book.
Mrs. Morton is one of Arkansas's talented daugh-
ters and has many friends among our readers.
She says that any of her friends who wish an
autographed copy of her book may obtain it
without additional charge if they will place their
orders with her. Her address is Box 217, San
Marcos, Texas. In this poem, "The Poet's Song,"
we catch the spirit of the book:

"Today I cut the pages of a paper book
And chanced upon a song, half hidden in a
nook;
It was not long;
A few short lines contained the whole,
And yet it was a fragment of the poet's soul;
And, wondrous miracle of human heart and
will,
The little song was sentient,
Trembling, breathing still;
And swift my heart
With sympathy's quick pulse was stirred
And gratitude for human speech and written
word."

SUNDAY AT STAMPS AND LEWISVILLE

(Continued from Page One)

and well located. The parsonage is old, and, as
Bro. Harris is a bachelor, it is occupied by a
family, the pastor rooming there and taking his
meals at a cafe.

Stamps, once having the biggest lumber mill
in the South, since the mill has ceased to oper-
ate, has, with a good farming community and
enterprising citizens, held its own in a remark-
able way. It has good business houses, hand-
some residences, a very fine consolidated school
of which A. G. Shannon, the Men's Class teacher,
is superintendent, and with the oil development
within a few miles, seems to have a bright fu-
ture. The Baptists, Presbyterians, and Roman
Catholics have churches. In addition to Stamps,
the pastor has small congregations at Garland
City, just west of Red River, and at (old) North
Lewisville. This community, once the county
seat, is two miles north of Lewisville. I preached
there many years ago when Dr. J. W. Cline, our
missionary leader in China, was principal of the
public school. While it is a "deserted village,"
it is a good rural community and many fine peo-
ple live in and around it. Mrs. Daly, widow of
Rev. L. M. Daly, is now living there in her
childhood home. The little group gave me a
100% subscription to the paper. The pleasant
hours spent with Bro. Harris convinced me that
he is one of the most promising young preach-
ers of Little Rock Conference.

At Lewisville, I found Rev. A. W. Hamilton
and family enjoying the parsonage, which has
recently been improved both inside and outside,
at a cost of \$500, to make it thoroughly com-
fortable and modern. The church building is
substantial; but lacks space for a modern Sun-
day School. The church and parsonage, sur-
rounded by trees and shrubbery, have an elig-
ible location. Bro. Hamilton, in his second year,
reports that Benevolences and salary will be in
full and already 60 members have been received.
All organizations are strong, except the Young
People's and that is being strengthened. The
chairman of the Board is J. R. Meaders, who
has for many years been superintendent of the
excellent school system; the Church School
superintendent is W. W. McClenden; and the
president of the Woman's Missionary Society is
Mrs. W. F. Youmans. In addition to the church
at Lewisville Bro. Hamilton has churches at
Bradley, Walnut Hills, Bethel, and Wagenon
School House, and speaks in complimentary
terms of all. He is in love with his people and
they appreciate him. He is one of our most
useful and faithful pastors.

Lewisville, county seat of Lafayette County,
has a fine court house, is surrounded by a rich
agricultural country, is beautifully located in
the wooded hills just east of the Red River bot-
toms. Many of the residences would be con-
sidered fine in a larger city. Much improve-
ment has been made in recent years, and it is
regarded as a delightful community in which to
live. There are Baptist, Presbyterian and
Christian churches. Pleased with the parsonage
home and family, my hours at Lewisville were
"the end of a perfect day."

Riding with Presiding Elder Mann to Texar-
kana, I learned that the prospects for a good
report for Texarkana District are practically
certain. He is in excellent health and spirits.
I enjoyed his companionship.—A. C. M.

CIRCULATION REPORT

DURING the past week the following sub-
scriptions have been received: Heber
Springs, W. L. Oliver, 1; Camden, C. M. Reves,
by B. F. Scott, 97; Good Faith, M. O. Barnett,
finishes 100%, 5; Sparkman, R. C. Walsh, 2;
Junction City, J. R. Clayton, 1; Carlisle, Otto
Teague, 3; First Church, Pine Bluff, F. A. Bud-
din, 1; North Lewisville, Edwin Harris, 2;
Stamps, Edwin Harris, 1; Forest Park, J. T.
Thompson, 5; First Church, Texarkana, H. S.
DeVore, 1; Springdale, H. O. Bolin, 6. These fine
reports are appreciated. May many more come
in speedily. It is unusually important that our
people get the paper this epochal year. Lay lead-
ers may greatly help in increasing circulation.

LOCAL OPTION has a mighty hold on many
Pennsylvania municipalities," laments Tap
and Tavern.

The Rural Life Work Commission

The last General Conference of the M. E. Church, South, will be remembered for several reasons: It voted for Unification of American Methodism (The majority showed great magnanimity to the minority). It was perhaps the most spiritual General Conference ever held. It dispatched business without undue haste, but with a celerity most commendable. In two ways it showed its concern for the rural situation: First, by providing that each rural church may have a delegate in the Annual Conference. This may increase the burden of entertaining the Annual Conference, but it gives a chance for many obscure worthy laymen to come and learn something of the great program of his Church.

One of the most significant and potential actions was setting up the Rural Life Work Commission. Wise observers in our Church have watched with increasing anxiety our continual decline in the efficiency of our rural work. The facts need not here be arrayed nor the arguments made, but every keen observer knows that we are not doing creditable work on the rural problem. Our undeveloped constituency and our underpaid ministry make it impossible to do creditable work in the rural districts.

At the head of this Commission is Bishop Frank Smith, who immortalized himself by his fine leadership in the Aldersgate Commemoration. With him there is a body of far-seeing deeply religious people who have a genuine concern for rural life. In every Annual Conference there is a Rural Life Work Commission, Auxiliary to the General Commission. The personnel of this Conference Commission is made up from representatives of all the boards and all the presiding Elders. It should be thus, for all these agencies are interested. The Board of Christian Education wants to extend its superb program of Christian education to the remotest community. The Board of Missions wants to evangelize and Christianize every village and country side. The Board of Church Extension wants to see a domicile for every Methodist congregation. The Conference Missionary Society has longed for an opportunity to teach thousands of rural women with its fine program. It is not difficult to forecast at least fifty new Missionary Societies organized in the rural districts of our Conference during this quadrennium. Who could estimate the uplift that this missionary program would bring to thousands of country women? The Board of Lay Activities is eager to help in this challenging movement. The presiding elders have longed for help for their unreached and undeveloped territory. The hour has struck. The law making body of the church has given orders. Let every Methodist enlist in this campaign for increased efficiency in our rural work.

The Rural Life Work Commission of the North Arkansas Conference met at First Church, North Little Rock, September 6, with Bishop Sealeman. This Commission suggested that we start with two major lines of activity: Evangelism and Finances. Plans will be worked out to evangelize the village and rural districts of our Conference. This Commission is not willing to

Youth Replies

—by—

SUSIE McKINNON MILLAR

"So nigh is grandeur to our dust,
So nigh is God to man,
When Duty whispers low, thou
must,
The youth replies, I can!"
—Emerson.

CHAPTER II

"Wait, Mr. Johnson, I want to talk to you," called Phillip Andrews late one autumn afternoon as he spied Mr. Johnson coming out of the postoffice. "And it's important, too."

"Must be," agreed Mr. Johnson as Phillip caught up with him. "You look all hot and bothered. What's up?"

"More'n a plenty's up," declared Phillip, "and you'll be hot and bothered when you hear about it."

"Well," prompted Mr. Johnson.

"You 'member Mike and Alice Mahoney that came to Church School with me, and how they liked it, and how fast Mike was learning? When you left last month the trouble started, and, oh boy! was it trouble! Mr. Smith took your place and maybe he's all right but he hasn't got much sense."

"Why, Phillip," exclaimed Mr. Johnson, "I thought Mr. Smith knew a lot and that you boys would like him. You, of all boys, to make such a remark. I am surprised. What was the trouble?"

"Fights and quarrels and rough and tumble, free for all. I got my glasses broken, but they didn't cut me, just cut Stuff Jones's hand when he hit me and knocked them off."

"Mercy," interrupted Mr. Johnson, "that sounds fierce. But what started it?"

"Well, Stuff Jones passed the

leave our fine country boys and girls a ready prey for the "ites" and "isms" that infest the rural districts. We think Methodism has a responsibility and an opportunity with these boys and girls. It is proposed to tackle rural evangelism with all the skill human ingenuity can command and all the power that God will supply.

The Commission is greatly concerned about an adequate financial system for weaker charges. A subsidy from the Board of Missions and from better paid preachers is most helpful to the underpaid preachers. They must have this. But such payments are not constructive. The people who get the service must be taught to pay for that service. If all our people would tithe, any charge in the North Arkansas Conference could support a pastor. It has been suggested that we have a school on tithing in every church in the Conference—big ones as well as small ones. If the Rural Life Commission could put this North Arkansas Conference on a tithing basis it would do a monumental work.

This Commission is aware of the fact that it expires at the coming Conference and that a new Commission will be formed out of the new Boards. This Commission will turn over to its successors such suggestions as it has evolved up to date.

The purpose of this article is to get all the Conference to thinking and praying about our rural problem as this outgoing Commission is thinking and praying.—O. E. Goddard.

collection plate and when he came to Mike he bowed and said, 'Have some refreshments, Mr. Mahoney!' And when Mike put his nickel, that he'd had such a hard time saving, on the plate, Stuff said, 'Are you sure you put one down instead of taking one up? And you know it's stealing from the Lord?' Mike got red in the face and got up and started for the door. Mr. Smith said, 'Sit down there, Mahoney, and put that nickel back on the plate. Now's the time to break you of being a sneak-thief.'

"Bad, bad!" declared Mr. Johnson, "I wish I'd been there to prevent it."

Phillip continued, "I said, 'Mr. Smith, Mike isn't any more a sneak thief than you are. He hasn't taken any nickels and you can look in his pockets and see for yourself.' And I went and stood by Mike. Then Stuff tried to slip a nickel in Mike's pocket and I grabbed his hand and held it tight. Then he knocked my glasses off and broke them. That's when Mike got going, and was it a fight? Mr. Smith stood there and all he could think of was 'Boys, boys, calm down!' such disgraceful conduct. You're dismissed.' We went out, Mike and I leading the way. John Stewart and Bob Martin kept the other boys back and made 'em stop fighting. But the bad thing about it is Mike won't come back to class any more."

"We'll have to look into this and see if we can't get Mike to come back. I like Mike. He's a fine boy."

"Yes," agreed Phillip, "he's a grand guy, and he says you are swell, but Smith is nuts."

"Where can we find Mike this time of day?" inquired Mr. Johnson.

"Out in that new park on the hill beyond the Mahoney's home," answered Phillip. "He takes Alice there every afternoon when he can 'cause Alice is pretty near sick with all this hot weather and he thinks it better for her out there in the shade than at home where it's all soapy and hot where Mrs. Mahoney has to wash things—when she can get them to wash."

"Run in this drugstore and call up your folks and tell them you're out with me for the evening," said Mr. Johnson. "Then we'll catch the next car and run out there and see what we can do about Mike."

"Oh, bully for you! I'll be right back," cried Phillip as he dashed into the store to telephone.

(To be continued)

Woman's Missionary Department

MRS. A. C. MILLAR, Editor

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

TO NORTH ARKANSAS STUDY LEADERS

The following Conference dates are to be added to the list in last week's issue:

Paragould District, at Corning, Sept. 23.

Searcy District, at Heber Springs, Sept. 28.

Fayetteville District, at Fayetteville, Sept. 30.—Mrs. Peter Kittel.

EXECUTIVE MEETING AND RETREAT AT OZARK-LITHIA

The Executive Committee of the Little Rock Conference Woman's Missionary Society met in fall session at Ozark-Lithia, Hot Springs, September 12, at 2 o'clock.

The President, Mrs. J. M. Stinson, presided, and introduced Miss Daisy Davies, Chairman of the Spiritual Life Committee of the Women's Missionary Council, who conducted the worship.

Miss Davies chose as her topic, "Life's Adventure," based upon I Cor. 3:9-23, using hymn "Breathe On Me, Breath of God," with the opening prayer. The heart-searching message on our motivation for the work that we do as co-laborers with God, our purpose and will in helping to build the Kingdom of God, and the materials that we use in the building, was in preparation for the Retreat, which followed the business session. Sentence prayers closed the worship period.

The President greeted the members and the Secretary called the roll. Those present were: Mrs. J. M. Stinson, Mrs. A. R. McKinney, Mrs. H. K. Wade, Mrs. Walter Ryland, Mrs. Jessie Hotchkiss Smith, Mrs. H. B. Vaught, Mrs. B. J. Reaves, Mrs. O. A. Graves, Mrs. G. W. Kephart, Mrs. F. M. Williams, Mrs. L. K. McKinney, Mrs. J. M. Workman, Mrs. C. A. Evans, Miss Josephine

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Fort, Mrs. J. R. Campbell, Mrs. Charles Moseley, Mrs. V. O. Buck, Mrs. A. M. Hart, Mrs. R. N. Briant, and Mrs. James McGuyre. Expressions of regret from the absent members were given, and the Secretary was asked to write to Mrs. McLean and Mrs. Benton.

Mrs. A. R. McKinney, the new Vice-President, was welcomed, and as Chairman of the Committee on the Status of Women, she asked that the District Secretaries have this matter presented at the District meetings, and that they report to her the number of women attending District and Annual Conferences as delegates.

Mrs. Wade, the Conference Secretary, stated that Mrs. Fulton had accepted the invitation of the Committee to be our guest at the Annual Meeting, and date of the meeting was discussed.

Our scholarship at Scarritt is at present being used by Mrs. Campos of Brazil.

With regard to the celebration of the 60th anniversary, Mrs. Wade called attention to the \$1,000 increase, which was pledged to Council, and a goal of 500 new members was set for the Conference. The Auxiliaries are urged to strive to attain this goal.

Mrs. Stinson announced that Miss Lucy Wade, who will be married in January is leaving our work for other fields of Christian service. Miss Wade, in her letter to Mrs. Stinson, expressed her love for the women of the Little Rock Conference, and her appreciation of all that they had done for her.

A report and picture of the school in which Rhoda Buck Stinson, Bible Woman in Mexico, supported by the Monticello District, is serving, was viewed with interest.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Smith, reported that \$9,400 had been sent to Council on the pledge of \$18,500. Mrs. Smith thanked the women for the flowers and the many expressions of love that came to her during her recent illness. Mrs. Stinson asked that Mrs. Smith convey to her nephew, who so ably carried on the work at that time, the deep appreciation of the Committee.

Mrs. Vaughn's report of the Young Woman's Circles was most encouraging. The Young women are urged to attend both the Study Leaders Training Days and the District Meetings.

Mrs. Reaves, Supt. of Christian Social Relations, thanked the Committee for sending her to the Leadership School at Mount Sequoyah, and gave an insight into the splendid courses offered this year. She also told of the success of the Leadership school for negro women, held in Hope in August. Little Rock Conference had thirteen delegates and the North Arkansas Conference had five. The women are asked to give these delegates an opportunity to tell of the work of the school at District, Zone, or Auxiliary meetings.

Study Leaders Training Day was reported upon by the District Secretaries, and motion prevailed, that where the Conference Superintendent of Study is invited to present the work in a district her expense shall be borne by the District served.

Mrs. Graves' report of the Supply Department was most encouraging. Supplies for the Fourth Quarter are to go to Bethlehem Center at Chattanooga, or St. Mark's Hall, at New Orleans.

Mrs. Kephart asked that any changes in mailing list be sent her

promptly, that the literature may reach the Auxiliaries without delay. The World Outlook was stressed, and District Secretaries asked to urge Auxiliary superintendents to watch their expiration and secure renewals, that our goal may be reached.

Mrs. Workman stated that the Spiritual Life Groups are increasing and developing more constructive work. She emphasized the Week of Prayer, and asked that a Retreat be held in connection with each District meeting.

Miss Davies, whose presence was an inspiration to all, made some helpful suggestions regarding the Spiritual Life work, and asked that the groups remember the Committee on Evangelism in their prayers.

The Historian, Mrs. Williams, suggested that portraits of Mrs. Elza, Mrs. Stephens, and Mrs. Remmel, for whom the building was named, be placed in the Woman's Building at Mount Sequoyah and recommended a slight change in the front of the building, in order that the names might be seen.

Mrs. Stinson stated that the matter would be taken up at the next meeting of the Board of Control.

Mrs. L. K. McKinney reported for the Personnel Committee and on the Rural work of the Camden District. She formally introduced Miss Josephine Fort, who came to the work August 30, replacing Miss Hill who left the work August 21, and was married at Scarritt College early in September. Mrs. Stinson assured Miss Ford of the prayerful cooperation of the women of the Conference.

The President asked that the District Secretaries report to her by September 30, everything of a rural nature that had been done by the Auxiliaries.

The reports of the District Secretaries were most enthusiastic and encouraging. Splendid plans have been made for the District meetings, speakers selected, and the following dates set:

Arkadelphia District at Benton, October 14; Camden District at Magnolia, October 6; Little Rock District to be announced later; Monticello District at McGehee, October 13; Pine Bluff District, at First Church, Pine Bluff, October 19; Prescott District at Gurdon, date to be announced; Texarkana District at De Queen, October 18.

The business session was closed with prayer by Mrs. Workman.

The Retreat, conducted by Miss Davies, began with the Vesper hour Monday and continued until noon on Tuesday. This was a time of meditation, silence, heart-searching, and sharing of experiences, in which the presence of the Master was keenly felt. From these hours together came renewed strength and courage for the task of helping to build God's Kingdom on earth.—Mrs. Walter Ryland, Rec. Sec.

TEXARKANA FIRST CHURCH AUXILIARY

The executive council of WMS, First Methodist Church, met in an all-day session Monday at the church, with Mrs. Anna Bennett, Mrs. E. T. Kennedy and Mrs. J. E. Bruce serving as vestibule hostesses.

Mrs. Dewey Reasons presided in the absence of Mrs. A. R. McKinney, who was out of the city.

Mrs. Lillian Jones Porter led the devotional, after which Mrs. W. A. Bengé gave items from the Council Bulletin.

Mrs. R. B. Coles, Christian social relations chairman, presented Car-

Christian Education

BIBLE CLASS BANQUET AT MALVERN

Thursday night in the dining hall of the First Methodist Church, 126 men "sat down" to a splendid dinner of barbecue and all that goes with it. The invocation was pronounced by Presiding Elder Roy E. Fawcett. After the dinner, Quinton Coleman led the men in several popular songs, in which the men joined lustily. Dr. W. C. Watson then introduced the speaker, Dr. Gaston Foote, pastor of Winfield Church in Little Rock. In introducing the speaker, Dr. Watson said, he was a scholar, world traveler, writer of books, lecturer, preacher, and he measured up to it all. He spoke on "Mankind" in a very unusual way. It is doubtful if a finer address has ever been heard in Malvern, and Dr. Foote will be a welcome guest at any future time he may be able to come.

The following officers of the class were elected for another year: Edwin Hardin, president; Louis McDonald vice-president; Carl Young, secretary and T. J. Gentry, treasurer.

HAPPENINGS AT HENDRIX COLLEGE

A few days ago the Conway Log Cabin Democrat published in its "News of Other Days" column: "Twenty-five years ago, Hendrix College auspiciously opened its 29th session, its first under the presidency of Dr. J. H. Reynolds, with an enrollment exceeding 200, said to be much greater than on the first day of any previous session."

The 55th session, the 25th of Dr. Reynolds' presidency, opened last week with an enrollment of 370, and more are expected this week. Twelve states, besides Arkansas, are represented. They are: Alabama, Arizona, California, Georgia, Illinois, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio, Oklahoma, Tennessee, and Texas. One of the Ohio students, Louis Bake of College Corner, represents a compliment paid

rie Williams who gave a report on the Daily Vacation Bible church school, held in Hope, the trip made possible for her by the Texarkana, Ark., Methodist churches.

Dr. Harry S. DeVore, pastor of the First Church, and guest speaker at the meeting, talked on the work of the church outlined by general Conference, which stresses Christian Education, Evangelism and Youth.

The Council program on "Planting the Gospel in Mexico" was led by Mrs. E. Lee Tucker.

Topics covering all phases of the Mexican work were given by Mrs. H. M. Harper, Mrs. Harry S. DeVore, Mrs. J. S. Ragland, Mrs. R. B. Coles, Mrs. Dewey Reasons and Mrs. D. L. Venable.

Luncheon was served by Circle Six, Mrs. Charles Wetzell, chairman.

The afternoon session opened with a song, after which Mrs. Reasons heard reports of officers and chairmen. Several letters of thanks were read, and a number of members were reported ill.

It was announced that fall mission study of the society would begin September 26, Mrs. H. M. Harper leader.

Mrs. Reasons voiced the closing prayer.

to Hendrix College by R. E. Peck of the Marts & Lundy firm of college analysis in New York. Mr. Peck spent six weeks in Arkansas last year analyzing the present status and prospective development of Hendrix both financially and educationally. In his report, Mr. Peck said he believed Hendrix has the possibilities of becoming the strongest liberal arts college in the Southwest. Mr. Peck backed up his judgment by advising Louis Bake, brother of Mr. Peck's secretary, Miss Neva Bake, to enter Hendrix this fall. Bake arrived promptly on the opening day, accompanied by his sister and his mother, Mrs. Murray Bake.

Mr. H. Louis Freund, resident artist through a grant by the Carnegie Corporation, has returned to the campus after a summer spent largely at Eureka Springs, where he has bought and restored "Hatch-et Hall," the last home of Carrie Nation. He hopes to establish there a center for artists who are interested in recording Ozark life. Mr. Freund has announced his winning of a prize in a government art competition, held last spring in Vicksburg, Miss. His prize consists of a contract to paint a mural for the postoffice at Heber Springs, to be completed by next January.

Freshman week, registration, and classification were completed last Friday and classes began regular work Saturday. The opening sermon was preached Sunday morning at the Methodist Church by Dr. C. J. Greene, vice-president of the college, using the subject, "Know Thyself." The church was crowded with students, and, upon invitation of the pastor, Rev. Sam B. Wiggins, a large group of them took affiliate membership in this church.

President J. H. Reynolds attended a meeting of the Committee on Policy of Southern Methodist Colleges in Memphis two days last week. This Committee is beginning its second quadrennium of work, aimed at strengthening Methodist colleges. Bishop Paul B. Kern is chairman of the Committee.

Dr. Matt L. Ellis, Director of the Library, announces further improvement in library facilities; also several hundred volumes have been added during the summer.

Mr. Milton Lippman, Band Direc-

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tor, has announced a contest for an original "pep song" for the Hendrix Band. A prize of \$10 for the best song is offered by Mr. Ed T. Speaker, an alumnus of the college, recently elected sheriff of Faulkner County.

The first issue of The College Profile student newspaper, appeared Friday. Joe Clement of Pine Bluff is editor and Nym Barker of Broken Bow, Okla., is business manager.

Dr. J. E. Sanders, professor of Education, and Mrs. Jane Sanders, dean of women, have been chosen as Counselors for the Young People's Organization of the Methodist Church, and Maurice Manier, a Junior at Hendrix, is president of this group.

Wednesday evening the Methodist Church will have its annual "Open House for Students," a social occasion for getting acquainted with students who come to Conway to school.—G. A. Simmons.

N. ARKANSAS CONFERENCE, HOME AND FOREIGN MIS- SIONARY ENTERPRISE, AUGUST 10-SEPT. 10

| Batesville District | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Cushman | \$ 4.72 |
| Desha | 2.12 |
| Salado | 1.23 |
| Melbourne | .94 |
| Moorefield | 3.18 |
| Newark | 2.10 |
| Newport | 15.90 |
| Umsted Memorial | 2.00 |
| Oak Grove | 1.19 |
| Tuckerman | 11.18 |
| Total | \$ 44.56 |

| Conway District | |
|------------------|----------|
| Atkins | \$ 3.50 |
| Havana | 1.08 |
| Conway | 75.00 |
| Danville | 2.54 |
| Gardner Memorial | 5.63 |
| Greenbrier | .50 |
| Oppelo | 1.00 |
| Vilonia | 3.53 |
| Total | \$ 92.78 |

| Fayetteville District | |
|-----------------------|----------|
| Bentonville | \$ 10.35 |
| Council Grove | 10.51 |
| Eureka Springs | 3.11 |
| Alpena | 1.00 |
| Fayetteville | 14.55 |
| Decatur | 1.00 |
| Gravette | .52 |
| Green Forest | 1.00 |
| Central | 5.00 |
| Avoca | 3.75 |
| Prairie Grove | 3.40 |
| Siloam Springs | 7.43 |
| Springdale | 20.00 |
| Total | \$ 81.62 |

| Fort Smith District | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Alma | \$ 4.25 |
| Booneville | 25.00 |
| Mt. Olive | .25 |
| Fort Smith, First Church | 35.66 |
| Dodson Avenue | 6.75 |
| Midland Heights | 2.00 |
| Ronanza | 2.54 |
| Hackett | 3.00 |
| Huntington | 5.81 |
| New Hope | 2.82 |
| Mansfield | 2.94 |
| Grenade Chapel | 2.25 |
| Barling | .50 |
| South Fort Smith | 2.00 |
| Van Buren, First Church | 12.80 |
| Mt. Pleasant | .83 |
| Square Rock | .90 |
| Total | \$110.30 |

| Helena District | |
|-----------------|----------|
| Wesley | \$.79 |
| Crawfordsville | 2.00 |
| Earle | 7.30 |
| Hughes | 2.50 |
| Vandale | 1.44 |
| Hickory Ridge | 1.61 |
| Salem | 1.00 |
| Widener | 2.00 |
| Total | \$ 18.64 |

| Jonesboro District | |
|--------------------|----------|
| Yarbro | \$ 4.19 |
| Bono | .60 |
| Pleasant Grove | .90 |
| Dyess | .50 |
| Lake City | 1.00 |
| Leachville | 3.04 |
| Marion | 32.39 |
| Macey | .60 |
| Black Oak | 1.41 |
| Monette | 3.00 |
| Trumann | 3.00 |
| Wilson | 5.00 |
| Total | \$ 55.63 |

| Paragould District | |
|--------------------|--------|
| Ricgers | \$.50 |
| Corning | 10.30 |
| Portia | .50 |
| Imboden | 4.75 |

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| Mammoth Spring | 1.30 |
| Marmaduke | 1.00 |
| Paragould, First Church | 11.02 |
| Bard | 1.64 |
| East Side, Paragould | 12.17 |
| Piggott | 4.15 |
| Pocahontas | 8.99 |
| Ravenden Springs | 1.00 |
| Mt. Zion | 1.00 |
| Emmons Chapel | 1.00 |
| Walnut Ridge | 1.75 |
| Old Walnut Ridge | .53 |
| Total | \$ 61.60 |

| Searcy District | |
|-------------------|----------|
| Augusta | \$ 2.91 |
| Bald Knob | 1.48 |
| Beebe | 4.98 |
| Austin | 1.37 |
| Cotton Plant | 3.75 |
| Revel | .75 |
| Griffithville | 1.50 |
| Ellis Chapel | .40 |
| Harrison | 25.99 |
| Heber Springs | 6.53 |
| Hunter | 5.10 |
| White Hall | .37 |
| Bradford | 3.65 |
| Garner | .59 |
| McRae | 3.19 |
| Sixteenth Section | .50 |
| McCrory | 4.00 |
| Patterson | .51 |
| Cross Roads | .48 |
| Central | 2.13 |
| Goodloe | .24 |
| Quitman | 3.29 |
| Sulphur Springs | 1.00 |
| Smyrna | 1.00 |
| Valley Springs | 4.56 |
| Total | \$ 80.27 |

| Standing by Districts | |
|-----------------------|----------|
| Fort Smith | \$110.30 |
| Conway | 92.78 |
| Fayetteville | 81.62 |
| Searcy | 80.27 |
| Paragould | 61.60 |
| Jonesboro | 55.63 |
| Batesville | 44.56 |
| Helena | 18.64 |
| Grand Total | \$545.40 |

Note: The Offerings for this year (1937-38) total \$4,300.41. The total for the same period of last conference year was \$3,709.47.—Ira A. Brumley.

WOODRUFF COUNTY YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION

Our Union was organized in April, 1937. There are six churches belonging to it, with an average attendance of 75.

In August, in place of our regular meeting, our Union and the White County Union held an all-day picnic, at Spring Lake.

The following are the minutes of our meeting this month:

The Young People's Union of the Methodist Churches of Woodruff County met in McCrory Sunday, September 4, with 80 present, including members from Augusta, Gregory, Patterson, Hunter and McCrory.

The following program was given by the Gregory Young People: Songs, "Traveling Onward" and "Melody of Love," by the Gregory League; Scripture, Isaiah 53:3-4, by Ellen Wilson; Song, "Goodbye to This Old World," by Gregory; Prayer, led by Carl H. Kittrell; Reading, "Tommie's Prayer," by Elizabeth Jenkins; Song, "True-Hearted, Whole-Hearted," by all.

During the business session of the afternoon we voted to adopt this new plan for having our meetings. On the first month in each quarter of the year we will have an Executive meeting. The President, Vice-President and Counselor of each League and the Pastor of each church are expected to be at these meetings. The second month in each quarter we will have a regular program meeting, and the third month a social meeting.

At the close of the business, we were favored with another special song, "Father, Mother and Home," by the Gregory League. After this we assembled in the basement, where delicious refreshments were served by the McCrory Young People.

The next meeting will be an Executive meeting, which will be held in Patterson, Sunday, Oct. 2, at 2:30 p. m.—Annie Ruth Ball, President.

57 SCHOOLS REPORT 2,595 AS GOAL FOR INCREASED CHURCH SCHOOL ENROLLMENT IN LIT- TLE ROCK CONFERENCE

Since our last report sixteen schools have reported on Church School enrollment goals bringing the total now reported up to 57, with a total increased enrollment goal up to 2,595. This is one of the best showings made by this number of schools for any Conference in the Connection, and, when all schools have sent in their goals, we should at least reach the 5,000 goal which we have set. Now, that we are setting the goals, our job is to reach them and this is the very best time of the year to put on a "Membership Campaign." Promotion Day is next Sunday. This should be followed by "Rally Day" early in October. Then comes Childhood and Youth Week, all of which furnish unusual opportunities for promoting Church School enrollment. The schools reporting since our last report are as follows:

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| Hinton (Spring Hill Ct.) | 10 |
| Asbury | 150 |
| Oaklawn, H. S. | 42 |
| Gillett | 50 |
| First Church, Camden | 150 |
| DeQueen | 50 |
| Lewisville-Bradley Charge | 50 |
| Center Point | 50 |
| Manchester | 10 |
| Swan Lake | 5 |
| Foreman | 10 |
| Dalark | 100 |
| Wilmar | 31 |
| Carthage | 5 |
| Capitol View | 15 |
| Huttig | 200 |
| | 25 |

—Clem Baker.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION INSTI- TUTES SCHEDULED FOR TEX- ARKANA DISTRICT

Rev. J. W. Mann, Presiding Elder, together with his preachers, has scheduled the following Christian Education Institutes for charges in Texarkana District:

Stamps, Tuesday night, Sept. 27 and Wednesday, Sept. 28.

Lewisville, Wednesday night, Sept. 28 and Thursday, Sept. 29.

Olive Branch (Doddridge Ct.), Thursday night, Sept. 29 and Friday, Sept. 30.

Fouke, Friday night, Sept. 30.

Few Memorial (Texarkana Ct.), Monday night, Oct. 3 and Tuesday, Oct. 4.

Ashdown, Tuesday night, Oct. 4 and Wednesday, Oct. 5.

Richmond, Wednesday night, Oct. 5 and Thursday, Oct. 6.

Foreman, Thursday night, Oct. 6 and Friday, Oct. 7.

Winthrop, Friday night, Oct. 7.

Mena, Sunday night, Oct. 9 and Monday, Oct. 10.

Cherry Hill, Monday night, Oct. 10 and Tuesday, Oct. 11.

Hatfield, Tuesday night, Oct. 11 and Wednesday, Oct. 12.

Wofford's Chapel (Gillham Ct.), Wednesday night, Oct. 12 and Thursday, Oct. 13.

DeQueen, Thursday night, Oct. 13, and Friday morning, Oct. 14.

Horatio, 2:00 p. m., Friday, Oct. 14.

Dierks, Tuesday night, Oct. 18, Wednesday, Oct. 19.

Lockesburg, Wednesday night, Oct. 19 and Thursday morning, Oct. 20.

Texarkana (all churches), 2:00 p. m., Thursday, Oct. 20, and Thursday night.

The general plan is to begin each Institute with a mass meeting of all Church School workers from each church on the charge at the night meeting, to be followed by group meetings next day. The Presiding Elder is in general charge and will attend as many as possible. The local pastor is responsible for working up attendance. The Executive Secretary will attend all meetings. The Conference Director of Children's work will be present at most of them. The Conference Director of Young People's Work will attend as many as he can reach. The District Directors of the three age groups will participate in as many Institutes as they can attend. We are looking forward to a great three weeks in the Texarkana District.—Clem Baker.

IN THE CAMDEN DISTRICT THIS WEEK

Rev. E. C. Rule, Presiding Elder, has divided Camden District into four sections and is holding a Christian Education Institute in each this week. We begin tonight at Fordyce. This is in keeping with the intelligent leadership Brother Rule has furnished the educational forces throughout the quadrennium. More about Brother Rule and the work next week.—Clem Baker.

NINETY-ONE VACATION SCHOOLS REPORTED TO DATE

To date ninety-one Vacation Schools, held in Little Rock Conference this year, have been reported to this office. This is five more than the grand total reported all last year. We have unofficial reports indicating that at least 14 more schools have been held, but we are not allowed to report these schools until the official report is in our hands. We trust that pastors, superintendents, or directors of Vacation Schools will see that these reports get into our hands at once. We are beginning to compile records for Annual Conference reports and do not want any Vacation School left out. Reports to date indicate that Pine Bluff and Camden Districts are running "neck and neck" for first place in number of Vacation Schools held, while Monticello, Little Rock, and Texarkana Districts are tied for second place. We congratulate these five and all our districts on the good records, and beg everybody to send in reports.—Clem Baker.

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"Christians throughout the world could control war and all its horrors; governments could be directed in their proper channels, and people made happy in their individual lives, if Christians would take definite stands on major questions before them today," C. R. Hamilton, member of the faculty of the Little Rock schools, recently told one of the adult classes in the Winfield Church School.

Speaking on benefits of revivals recorded by historians, and pointing to the need today for a spiritual awakening, he propounded these questions: Do we as individuals seek God and desire to be associated with those who live Christian lives?

Do we have a Christian's love for members of other races?

Do we get joy out of helping others, do we make any effort to help fallen men and women to become good citizens and Christians?

Is life marked by gentleness and kindness, have we the patience of long suffering toward others?

"Affirmative answers to these questions," Mr. Hamilton said, "will reflect a spiritual awakening in our individual lives. This represents one form of revival. A second form is to be found in the teaching and preaching of Jesus, Luther, Wesley and others. Great revivals have so changed nations that histories recorded definite trends toward Christianity."

An effective method has been employed by stewards of First Church at Batesville to put the ARKANSAS METHODIST into the home of every member in that city, it was disclosed last week by C. D. Metcalf, chairman of the Board. Few churches anywhere can boast a record as good.

"We were not satisfied when we reached our quota of 120 subscriptions for Batesville," Mr. Metcalf said. "A plan was devised to give our Church paper 100 per cent circulation in our territory. The quota is based on a percentage of the membership in each of the Churches in the two Conferences."

"We found that it would take 240 copies each week to reach every Methodist home in Batesville, and only 120 copies were being received when we devised our plan."

In carrying out the plan in the Batesville Church a message was sent into each home explaining a special offer. The message follows: "On guarantee that every home receive the METHODIST, it will cost all of us only an average of 50 cents. (This figure was based on families rather than members.) To do this it is suggested that one third of the members each give \$1 to pay for their own subscription and that of another who is unable to pay anything. This leaves the remaining one-third to pay 50 cents which is the actual cost at the club rate."

"The response was so good that we were able to reach our goal within a short time" Mr. Metcalf said. The idea was handled through a standing committee of the Board, a committee on Church periodicals. This committee is recommended for appointment in all churches by Dr. George L. Morelock of Nashville in his book: A Steward in the Methodist Church.

The material for this week's col-

CHURCH NEWS

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE NOTICE

We call attention to the action of the North Arkansas Annual Conference last fall in session at Fort Smith:

Resolved that a fund for increasing the salaries of all full-time pastors be on the following basis: The salaries of all full-time supplies receiving less than \$600.00 and the salaries of all Conference pastors receiving less than \$1,000.00 be increased by requesting the charge paying less than these amounts to increase their pastor's salary as the resources of the respective churches will permit, and that the charges paying these amounts and above, together with their pastors, each paying an equal amount, to pay following percentage of the pastor's salary:

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|-----------------|----|
| \$1,000-\$1,500 | 1% |
| \$1,501-\$2,000 | 2% |
| \$2,001-\$3,000 | 3% |
| \$3,001- up | 4% |

Connectional men and presiding elders shall pay on the basis of the payment made by the pastors.

The Rural Work Commission in session at North Little Rock, Sept. 6, instructed the secretary to call the attention of the brethren to the above action of the Annual Conference and said Commission urges that the program be carried out this year. Payments should be sent to Rev. I. L. Claud, West Memphis, Ark.—Cecil R. Culver, Sec'y.

ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE

My contacts with the brethren of the ministry in the last week have been unusually interesting. So far as I can see and understand, there is almost universal happiness. This pleases me very much, because I have confidence in our Elders in doing the right thing for the glory of God and the interest of the Kingdom.

Last Sunday I worshipped at First Church, Little Rock, where I have many intimate and close friends, some of whom I love as dearly as if they were my twins. There was a great congregation assembled and two things impressed me: First, the character of music rendered under the leadership of that magnificent choir; and, second, a helpful and inspirational sermon from my dear friend and brother, the pastor, Dr. Watts. His subject was "Lord, Is It I?" and I felt that the whole congregation was blest.

I have been watching the improvements going on in the Home and I am glad to report that things are turning out in good shape. I need more money to do needed improvements yet to come. This year has been fraught with expenses on that line which in the very nature of the case all men know come.

I had a letter from a lady in Asheville, N. C., in which she enclosed me a check for \$50.00 for the Orphanage. We frequently have these surprises and they do my heart good. I think the brethren will find

umn was submitted by two interested laymen after the editor had learned of their activities and suggested that the information be submitted. Other contributions are sought. If you know of effective work done by any layman, or group of laymen, send in the information or suggest the name of some one in a position to submit details.—J. L. V.

ish out their Christmas allocations and send the money to me before Conference. I have that confidence in my fellow-workers.

I want to say to my brethren of Arkansas Methodism that I was never happier, my health is good and my interest in the Kingdom is unlimited. I exhort my brethren to go to Conference this year full of faith and hope and with the determination to do a better year's work after Conference than we have ever done.

In conversation with my matron this morning, I find conditions good with our group and everything gives promise to a good year in the school work.

When you feel like it, brethren, drop me a line even if it is nothing but criticism, as it will not offend me if you express yourself as you feel.

With love for all, I am, your brother.—James Thomas, Executive Secretary.

BISHOP SELECMAN TO DEDICATE SHERIDAN CHURCH

Bishop Selecman will preach for us and dedicate the Sheridan Methodist Church Sept. 25, at 11 a. m. But this is not all. Other outstanding ministers will preach on evenings from Sunday through Thursday:

Sunday, 7:30 p. m., Dr. H. Bascom Watts; Monday, 7:30 p. m., Dr. Gaston Foote; Tuesday, 7:30 p. m., Dr. J. D. Hammons; Wednesday, 7:30 p. m., Rev. Leland Clegg; Thursday, 7:30 p. m., Dr. H. T. Whaley.

A special invitation is given to all former pastors to be present for the dedication service.—B. F. Roebuck, P. C.

FIRST CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK

Mr. Howard Johnston was elected Chairman of the Board of Christian Education at the monthly meeting, September 14. Mr. Johnston succeeds Professor J. H. Atkinson who has served as Chairman during the last three years. Other officers of the Board are Mr. R. C. Stark, Vice-Chairman, and Mr. James Rice, Secretary. The remaining members are Dr. H. Bascom Watts, Rev. C. R. Hozendorf, Rev. Clem Baker, George H. Burden, J. H. Atkinson, H. W. Jeffries, W. E. Halbrook, Cooper Jacoway, H. E. Ribley, Arthur Jones, Mrs. O. W. Petway, Miss Sue Medlock, and Miss Hildegard Smith. Plans were made for special days and officers and teachers for 1938-1939 were elected.

September 25 has been designated as PROMOTION DAY in the Church School, and members of all departments below the Adult, will be promoted. Certificates of promotion will be awarded and Bibles will be given to those promoted from the Primary to the Junior Department.

The Worker's Council will be held September 27 at 6:15 p. m. All officers and teachers of the Church School will be guests for dinner. Plans for the year will be discussed and aims presented as approved by the Board of Christian Education. Every Church School worker is urged to be present.

The Board of Christian Education has set aside Sunday, October 2, as Rally Day. The workers will endeavor to reach every member of the school and have them present. Rally Day is comparable to the opening of the city schools. It is important that the pupil be present on the opening day of his day

school. It is just as important that he be present on Rally Day, the first Sunday in the new Church School year. Parents, bring your children to Church School on October 2 and find a class for yourself to attend during the entire year. The Church School offers you and your child spiritual enlightenment, Bible study, fellowship, worship and vital experiences in Christian living.

The Church School Workers will be installed at the Church service, October 2. Dr. Watts will deliver a sermon charging the workers with their responsibility and they will be installed in an impressive service. All teachers should be present.

Childhood and Youth Week will be observed October 16-23. The emphasis is "A Growing Understanding of God." During the week the teachers in the departments will visit homes of members of their class and talk with parents concerning the growth of the child's knowledge of God. Dr. Watts will preach on the relation of parents and teachers on Sunday, Oct. 16, and letters will be mailed to the entire church constituency. A number of books on Child Growth will be on display in the foyer of the church on October 16.

Several departments and classes elected officers for the coming year last Sunday. Some are as follows: Young People's Department: James Rice, President; Russell Feild, Vice-President; Carolyn Smith and Kay Reed, Secretaries; Hilda Halbrook, Treasurer; Mrs. John Summers, Organist; Marion Thiemie, Margaret Jordan, Kathleen Keenzel, Charles Bagley and Mahlen Withee, pianists; Mrs. Bernis Hardwick, Frances McBride, Emma Sue Bagley, Kathleen Keenzel, song leaders; Dorothy Arnold, publicity superintendent; Margaret Holt, morning worship; Eugene Coward, evening worship; Frances McBride and Nor-

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wood Jones, Recreation and Personnel Development; Gladys Alexander, Missions and World Friendship; Margaret Jordan and Tom Steele Ellis, Leadership Training; Kathleen Keenzel and John Emerson, Evangelism and Church Relationships; Dossie Chipman, Social Service; Charlotte Hamilton, Emma Sue Bagley, Dick Anderson, and Fred Storm, Sunday evening Fellowship; A. J. Almand, Editor of the "Spotlight"; John Emerson, Managing Editor; Faye Keenzel, Publisher; Sanders Bridges, Director of Plays and Pageants; Mrs. Roy Alexander, Assistant Counselor.

Senior High Department: Clarence French, President; Virginia Lou Trieschmann, Vice-President; Robert Raney, Secretary.

Young Adult League: C. W. (Pete) Wall, President; Daniel Cummings, Vice-President; Robert Martin, Secretary-Treasurer.

The Century Class: A. H. Hemmann, President; L. C. Holman, Vice-President; C. N. Lemon, Secretary; Olin Mitchell, Treasurer.

It is of great interest to our young people to know that, beginning October 2, there will be a Junior High League for boys and girls 12 to 14 years old. Mrs. W. S. Hoover is to be in charge every Sunday evening at 6 p. m. Mrs. Hoover is much interested in the young people and is a good leader. The programs will be planned by the young people themselves, and they will be in complete charge of the program. Mrs. Hoover is to advise concerning types of programs, but they will develop themselves by planning and executing programs.

Mrs. C. R. Hozendorf is organizing a league for the Senior High Department. The same officers elected for the morning group will serve for the evening group, and this meeting is to be an evening meeting of the same organization. The plan will be different from the morning session in that the young people will plan the total program of fellowship, worship, recreation, missions, evangelism, and social service activities and will execute these plans themselves. Classes will not be held, but a definite period of worship, conducted by the members, will be set aside. Every person in high school is invited and urged to attend.

Vacation time has ended; school has begun; and now is the time for us to enter into all the activities of the church. The church provides worthwhile activities for every age group. If you are not now participating in these activities, do not put off joining. The experiences provided are for your development. They are worthy of your support. You need what the church has to offer and the church needs your cooperation. Let us all work together toward the common goal of bringing about the Kingdom of God.—C. R. Hozendorf, Assistant Pastor.

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FOR THE CHILDREN

TWO LITTLE GIRLS I KNOW

I know a little girl
(You? Oh, no!)
Who when she's to go to bed,
Does just so—
She brings a dozen wrinkles out,
And takes the dimples in;
She puckers up her pretty lips,
And then she does begin—
"Oh, dear me! I don't see why!
All others sit up late,
And why can't I?"

Another little girl I know,
With curly pate,
Who says, "When I'm a great big girl
I'll sit up late.
But mamma says 'twill make me
grow
To be an early bird."
So she and dolly trot away
Without another word.
Oh, the sunny smile and the eye so
blue,
And why, yes, now I think of it,
She looks like you.
—Youth's Companion.

KATIE'S SATURDAY

"Dear me!" sighed Katie when she got up that Saturday morning. "What can be the matter?" said Mother, laughing at the doleful face. "O there's thousands and millions of things the matter!" said Katie crossly. She was a little girl who did not like to be laughed at.

"Now, Katie," said Mother, this time seriously, "as soon as you are dressed I have something I want you to do for me down in the library."

"Before breakfast?" asked Katie. "No, you can have your breakfast first," Mother answered, laughing again at the cloudy little face.

Katie was very curious to know what this was, and as, perhaps you are, too, we will skip the breakfast and go right into the library.

Mother was sitting at the desk, with a big piece of paper and a pencil in front of her.

"Now, Katie," she said, taking her on her lap, "I want you to write down a few of those things that trouble you. One thousand will do!"

"O Mother, you're laughing at me now," said Katie, "but I can think of at least ten right this minute."

"Very well," said Mother, "put down ten." So Katie wrote:

"1. It's raining, so we can't play croquet.

"2. Minnie is going away, so I will have to sit with that horrid little Jean Bascom on Monday.

"3. Here Katie bit her pencil, and then couldn't help laughing. "That's all I can think of just this minute," she said.

"Well," said her Mother. "I'll just keep this paper for a day or two."

That afternoon the rain had cleared, and her Mother sat at the window, saw Uncle Jack coming to take Katie riding, and, oh, what a jolly afternoon they had of it!

Monday, when Katie came home from school, she said: "O Mother, I didn't like Jean at all at first, but she is a lovely seatmate. I am so glad, aren't you?"

"O!" was all Mother said, but it made her think of her Saturday trouble and the paper.

"I guess I will tear up that paper now, Mother dear," she said, laughing rather shyly.

"And next time," said Mother, "why not let the troubles come before you cry about them?" There are so many of them that turn out very pleasant if you will only wait to see.—Selected.

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INTERNATIONAL Sunday School Lesson

Lesson for September 25

DAVID: TRIUMPHANT FAITH

LESSON TEXT—Psalms 23 and 27:1-6.

GOLDEN TEXT—The Lord is my shepherd: I shall not want. Psalm 23:1.

What a fitting conclusion to our three-month study of Old Testament characters it is to sound the note of "triumphant faith." The life stories which have passed in review have been true to life, as they have shifted from strength to weakness, from fear to courage, from moral responsibility to moral weakness. But God is the one who changeth not—and we would not close our series properly without the encouraging reminder that the man who truly believes God may know strength out of weakness, courage in place of fear, may like David rise out of degrading sin and defeat into the joy and victory of faith.

Two elemental needs are common to all mankind—provision for the maintenance of life, both physical and spiritual, and protection from the enemies of soul and body. Our first Scripture portion declares the faith of David in God as his providing shepherd and the second as his security from fear.

I. Provision (Ps. 23).
"The Lord is my shepherd." Putting God first in every detail of life means that there will be

1. No want (vv. 1-5). "My cup runneth over," and surely then there can be no lack of any good thing. God is able and willing. We, like David, should trust Him.

2. No weakness (v. 3). "He restoreth my soul." The world is puzzled by the rejuvenating power of the grace of God in the Christian's soul but it becomes very real to us through the Word, through prayer, through the indwelling Holy Spirit Himself.

3. No wandering (v. 3). "He leadeth me." In an unknown or dangerous country the essential thing is to stay close to one's guide. In the wilderness of this sinful world, we must keep close to our divine Leader. He knows where the still waters and the green pastures are to be found even in wildest and most barren land.

4. No worry (v. 6). "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life." It was true of David, it is (or should be) preeminently true of the Christian. Someone has said, "If we trust we do not worry; if we worry we do not trust."

5. But blessed assurance. Not only will the goodness of God follow us all our days, but we shall "dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

II. Protection (Ps. 27:1-6).
"The Lord is my light and my salvation"—could there be any greater certainty that we shall be delivered from every danger and difficulty? To the man who walks in that light there can be

1. No fear (v. 1). "The Lord is the strength of my life, of whom shall I be afraid?" He is the perfect and final answer to all of the fears of life.

2. No failure (vv. 2, 3). "Though


an host should encamp against me . . . in this will I be confident," that they shall but stumble and fall. One of the fears that dogs the footsteps of a man is that after all his effort and labor some enemy will come in and destroy. The Christian must often meet wicked and troublesome enemies—but though they be a host, he may be serene in his soul, knowing that if he is right with God the devices of man or devil against him shall only fail.

3. No failing (vv. 4, 5). "He shall set me upon a rock," and that rock is in "the secret of his tabernacle." The assurance of the believer in Christ is in Him. His work upon the cross and His certain word of promise.

David longed for the house of the Lord; He wanted to return to the temple from which his many wanderings so often separated him. How blessed is our lot as Christians for we have in our own bodies the temple of the Holy Spirit (I Cor. 8:16, 6:19; we have Christ in us as the hope of glory (Col. 1:22). We also long to be in God's house (that is if we really love Him), but if we are born again we have the temple of God wherever we may be.

4. No fainting (v. 6). "Now shall mine head be lifted up above mine enemies round about me." Just when, humanly speaking we would faint because of the enemies all around us, or by reason of the heat and pressure of the fight, then God causes our hearts to be lifted up and in the moment of apparent defeat there is victory.

5. But—a song. "I will sing praises unto the Lord." The atmosphere of praise, is one which the enemy of our soul cannot stand. It is too rare, too pure, too holy for him. Next time he tries to defeat you—why not "Try Praise"? It works!



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Winfield members during this Conference Year have contributed \$24,400 to the Church budget and the debt retirement fund. The amount is greater than was paid during the whole of the previous year. We have left seven weeks in this Conference year.

The financial goal for this year is \$32,430 of which \$14,690 is a debt reduction item, and \$17,740 for operating expenses. More than 75 per cent of the total has been raised and \$8,000 more is needed.

If there be those who think Winfield cannot raise \$8,000 in seven weeks, let us check the record of past performance. Last year in six weeks \$7,800 in cash was paid into the Church treasury. In 1936 a total of \$6,250 was raised in a similar period.

Members who signed pledges to the budget will pay \$4,500 of the \$8,000 needed. The remaining \$3,500 will be paid by members who now find it in their hearts to pay more than they promised a year ago, and by others who did not promise anything but have a greater love for their Church today than they had a year ago.

Success in this campaign will climax a series of financial drives this year. A \$10,500 debt refunding drive was subscribed 100 per cent and paid before the February 1 deadline. In July current operating expenses of the Church were placed on a cash basis.

Will you be one of the many interested members to share the joy of this effort to achieve another goal and add another glorious milestone in the life of a great Church?

THE UPPER ROOM

The fourth quarter edition of the devotional pamphlet, "The Upper Room," is now available. Copies may be had in the foyer of the church Sunday morning for five cents. You will derive many spiritual benefits from this booklet. We like to think of our members starting the day with similar family devotions and daily prayer. Reading of "The Upper Room" is an ideal way to acquire and keep the daily devotions habit.

LITTLE ROCK CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL DRIVE

Next week public spirited citizens will cooperate in putting over the Little Rock Crippled Children's Hospital drive. If you are not convinced that this is a worthy cause go by the hospital and see how crippled boys and girls are being brought to health and normalcy. If you can help help, this is truly a most worthy cause.

MRS. FOOTE TO DRAMATIZE "OUR TOWN"

This Friday evening, Sept. 23, at 2:30 in Fellowship Hall, Mrs. Gaston Foote will dramatize "Our Town," the 1938 Pulitzer Prize play. This dramatization is being sponsored by the Carrie Hinton Bible Class of our Church School and the price is 25c. Refreshments will be served. Buy your ticket from a member of the class or at the door.

"HAPPY HOUR"

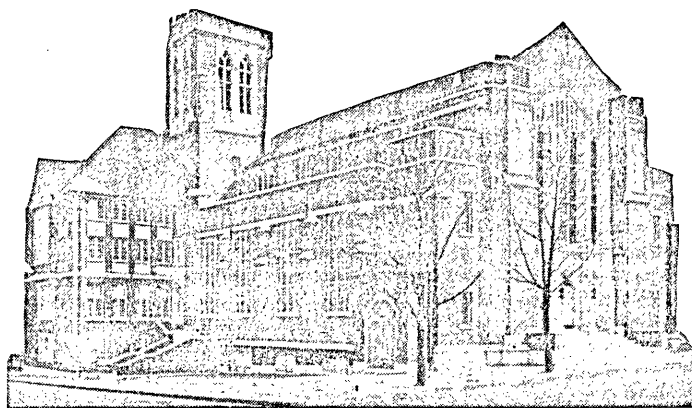
SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE 7:45

1. Sermon, "Lot in City Politics"—Mr. Foote.
2. Congregational Singing — Mr. Havekost.

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Next Sunday At Winfield

- 10:00 A. M. Church School, All Departments (Promotion day)
11:00 A. M. "The Soul's Highway"—Dr. J. D. Hammons
6:00 P. M. Senior, Young People's, and Young Adult Leagues
7:45 P. M. "Lot in City Politics"—Sermon by Pastor
(Second in series on "Whole Lot Family.")

THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

By GASTON FOOTE

Why Help Japan Fight?

For fourteen long weary months Japan has been fighting on Chinese soil. Indications are that for many more months the war will be waged. And according to the record we Americans have written in the last fourteen months WE ARE HELPING JAPAN fight China.

We are supplying Japan with raw materials for her weapons, assisting in the manufacturing of her bombs, shells and shrapnel, and, according to Clinton N. Howard of Washington, are selling her 23,000,000 barrels of her total supply of 34,000,000 barrels of oil without which Japan could not continue her nefarious invasion. The figures of the State Department for last May indicate that \$1,334,000 of U. S. bombing planes were sold to Japan in one month!

Is it possible that we think more of the money coming to the American munitions, oil and aircraft industries, than we do of the lives of defenseless Chinese women and children? Can we not see the hypocrisy of giving through the Red Cross money to save life in China and selling munitions to Japan that more Chinese may be killed? A wounded Chinese soldier could rise up and say to America, "Yes you provided \$1 for surgical material to dress my wounds, you gave me a morsel of bread when I lay dying, but American business made \$5 profit from the sale of the aeroplane and the bomb that tore my heart from my breast."

Who is responsible? The president is partly responsible since he can place an embargo on war shipments going to nations at war. Congress is partly responsible since it can pass a resolution making the neutrality law effective in this situation. Secretary Hull is partly responsible since he has authority to accept or reject all government consignments. The AMERICAN PEOPLE are partly responsible since we sit idly by and allow this thing to be carried on without raising a voice in protest.

Here is one instance in which even Mussolini was right. Said he, "America is the world's greatest exporter both of "sermons on peace" and "instruments of war." Lord, hasten the day when, as a nation, we shall practice what we preach.

Christian Education

By MARGUERITE CLARK

Church School Attendance

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| Last Sunday | 649 |
| A Year Ago | 580 |

Departmental Report

| | Present | On Time | Cont. | Sty. |
|----------------|---------|---------|-------|------|
| Jr. High | 83 | 70 | 51 | 55 |
| Sr. High | 58 | 47 | 30 | 36 |
| Y. P. | 27 | 23 | 11 | 23 |

Adult

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Carrie Hinton Bible Class | 63 |
| Couples Class | 59 |
| Men's Bible Class | 51 |
| Mae Jenkins' Bible Class | 32 |
| Fidelity Class | 24 |
| Brother's Couples Class | 23 |
| Lila Ashby Bible Class | 21 |
| Forum Class | 16 |
| Total | 289 |

WATCH SUNDAY SCHOOL GROW.

Winfield Church School has been breaking attendance records consistently for the past six months. Each monthly average has been higher than for the previous four or five years. BUT WE OUGHT BY NO MEANS TO BE SATISFIED! Every other adult in Winfield Church NEVER comes to Church School. Let's build a Church School with an average of 800 every Sunday. IT CAN and SHOULD be done.

Here is how—

1. HAVE A WEEKLY officers meeting of each adult class (possibly 9:30 a. m. Sunday, or after Wednesday evening fellowship dinner). Discuss absentees, new prospects and assign them to definite individuals for visitation.

2. Make members of class responsible for neighborhood visitations and for soliciting prospects not now enrolled in class.

3. Never let an absentee feel that he was not missed. Visit or phone them every week—if necessary bring them Sunday morning.

If adult classes attain the following PERMANENT ATTENDANCE GOALS our Church School will have an average of 800 in attendance. Which class will reach the goal first?

| Class Name | Goal |
|----------------|------|
| Ashby | 30 |
| Brothers | 35 |
| Couples | 75 |
| Fidelity | 30 |
| Forum | 25 |
| Mothers | 75 |
| Jenkins | 35 |
| Men's | 75 |

WE THANK YOU

The evening of fun sponsored by the Business Women's Circle last week is now a thing of the past, but the appreciation of the loyal support given to this organization by a large group of Winfield folk will never pass.

Never before has there been such a Master of Ceremonies as Mr. Dewey Price! Never such a cast for a womanless wedding! The evening was a success in every way and the circle wishes to say "Thank you for a lovely evening and for helping to support a worthy cause."

YOUNG ADULT LEAGUE

Begins Next Sunday
6:00 p. m.

In Couples Class

1. Fellowship Games.
2. Refreshments.
3. Good program.

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