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RELIGION AND DEMOCRACY

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THE American people have doubtless forgotten some of the cardinal facts in their early history. An elementary review of these facts shows that religion was a most decisive force in developing American civilization. Our colonial forefathers had a passion for religion; they fled from religious persecution; they had a thirst for knowledge and a zeal for a stable civil order. This explains their founding many colleges, all private and church-related. These colleges produced the great civil and religious leaders throughout the Colonial and early National period. These leaders founded the civil, educational and religious institutions of the nation. Perhaps no country ever had an abler leadership. So interwoven with the civil structure of the nation, religion was sometimes spoken of as the common law of the country.

The American people felt that religion was a basic principle underlying education and the state. Accordingly religion permeated all American education, elementary and higher, down to some eighty years ago. The Church, while separate from the State, should influence civil government through its all-preserving moral and spiritual influence. State education came into the picture in the early part of the 19th Century. So strong were the convictions that religion should pervade all education that even early state education was distinctively religious. Due to denominationalism or selfish interests the religious element slowly disappeared from state education.

This separation of religion from state education so impressed the poet laureate of England, Alfred Noyes, that at the hundredth anniversary of the founding of New York University, in 1932, he said to a group of distinguished educators that "the restoration of faith in God is the supreme need of education." "Ye have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where ye have laid him," he applied to American educators. Accordingly, he said that their biggest task is the restoration of religion as a fundamental fact in education.

Thomas Mann, a Nobel prize winner and perhaps one of the greatest living writers, made this significant statement at the Hotel Astor in New York, May 9 of this year, to a group of 1,000 dinner guests assembled to do him honor: "Democracy is nothing but the political name for the ideals which Christianity brought into the world as religion. These ideals themselves, whether one indicates them by their political or by their religious names, are threatened today."

These are significant words, not only because of the author, but also because he is a voluntary exile from his native Germany, and is keenly conscious that freedom in his country has been crushed by Hitler who has destroyed the free education of German schools.

The present world situation is a crisis for genuine religion. The dictators are reducing religion to serve state policies which, in the case of Germany and Russia, at least, are pagan. The gross materialistic spirit pervading the world, its reliance upon force, its manifestation in enormous armaments, are a menace to the Christian religion, and, according to Dr. Mann, if triumphant, will destroy not only democracy, but Christianity as well. Dr. Mann's view that democracy and Christianity are practically synonymous doubtless would have found many supporters in the early days of our republic.

The genius of Christianity is democracy, its emphasis on the individual and the rights of the individual spirit in its relation to God and the civil order.

Is it possible that America reached the con-

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BUT I SAY UNTO YOU, THAT EVERY IDLE WORD THAT MEN SHALL SPEAK, THEY SHALL GIVE AN ACCOUNT THEREOF IN THE DAY OF JUDGMENT. FOR BY THY WORDS THOU SHALT BE JUSTIFIED, AND BY THY WORDS THOU SHALT BE CONDEMNED.—Matt. 12:36-37.

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clusion to separate religion from public education on a wrong hypothesis? The two great English-speaking nations, in all of their early educational history, related education, both elementary and higher, to religion. Both were preeminently successful in developing great leaders who built up the civilization of the two nations. When it became necessary that the state in England assume an increasing responsibility in the education of the people, it took over the religious responsibility in the education of the people, it took over the religious element dominant in the church-related education and made it an integral part of state education. That continues down to the present. In the United States, through undue denominationalism and other forces, the opposite principle was established, namely, that religion must be separated from public education, treating education as a state function. Was this not a conclusion from a wrong hypothesis, namely, that church and religion are synonymous? And as we had separated Church from State, we likewise had to separate religion from public education, a state function. But religion and church are not synonymous. The Church is an ecclesiastical organization through which religious ideals are channeled.

Yes, Dr. Thomas Mann is right, democracy is the child of the Christian religion. Democracy is now losing ground and is indeed menaced by the rise of dictators and the materialistic philosophy now prevalent. Does not this furnish a challenge to the American people to restore religion to its place of power in American life and in American education? Do not the highest patriotic considerations involving the perpetuity of our free institutions call upon all citizens, irrespective of religious faith, to recognize the place of genuine religion in our civil order? Indeed, is it not true that religion and democracy are so interwoven that neither can exist without the other—at least democracy cannot exist without the supporting idealism of a vigorous Christian religion? Indeed, would it not be the part of wisdom for the American people to take up seriously the question whether they acted wisely in separating religion from public education; and whether a plan of permeating public education with religion is not feasible?

In this day of unrest and change, the full power of religion is needed in our civil order. The insight and the wisdom of the spiritual leaders of our churches, as well as the ablest civil and educational thinkers, are needed in order to lead in this hour of confusion. Woodrow Wilson said: "Our civilization cannot be saved materially until it is redeemed spiritually."

It is a fact that denominational ambition and selfish interests created a knotty problem for leaders in state education. But it was not necessary to "throw out the baby with the bath." The facts of religion can be taught, and the spirit and attitude can be awakened in the public schools, to the great benefit of future citizens and all churches, without invoking reasonably based objection from any church. There are schools of religion where state school teachers can be trained without denominational bias. Teachers so trained can present religion with as

much freedom from denominational partiality as teachers of politics, economics and other social subjects have in teaching their subjects.

On the other hand, Hendrix College, born of religious ideals, boldly challenges this view. She frankly recognizes her responsibility for moral and spiritual guidance as well as intellectual instruction. She trains her students in an atmosphere of religion and seeks to build strong character and sound scholarship. Her graduates show how successful she has been. The college seeks through social insight, rich scholarship, and genuine religion to build creative, independent socially-minded leaders.

Hendrix is a strong bulwark in Arkansas against loose thinking, low living, and social irresponsibility. She seeks for her students what John Ruskin said: "You do not educate a man by telling what he knew not, but by making him what he was not, and what he will remain forever."

Without sound religion neither the individual nor society has the power to meet the strains and stresses of modern life. Over against prevailing loose morals and social instability, Hendrix builds moral integrity and sound social attitudes; she is a powerful stabilizing force. Business and civil life sorely need such a service. Indeed, business, industry, and government never needed more than now the penetrating stabilizing spiritual ideals of religion.

Dictatorship has not solved Europe's national or international strains and maladjustments. Neither the materialistic philosophy of America, nor the atheism back of big armaments can bring us to a solution of the ills of today. The power of the great spiritual ideals is necessary in order to give the sanctions and vitality to our governmental and social institutions.

SUNDAY AT PRESCOTT AND BOYD'S CHAPEL

MET by the pastor, Rev. Andrew J. Christie, I was promptly brought to the hospitable parsonage at Prescott and enjoyed a good rest Saturday night after a strenuous day in the office. However I had a cold reception(?) Mrs. Christie served ice cream and cake on my arrival! Sunday morning I addressed a Sunday School group, after a very interesting presentation of Addison's hymns by Mr. Dan Pittman. Then I had an attentive and responsive congregation at eleven. After lunch, Bro. Christie, in ten minutes, delivered me at Boyd's Chapel, about two miles north of Emmet, where I found an interesting small Sunday School under the care of Superintendent J. M. Boyd. The service closed with a beautiful song by the young children. Then I commented on Music, the ARKANSAS METHODIST, and Act. No. 1, and preached. Rev. J. F. Walker, the pastor, had another engagement, but dropped in during the service and brought me back to Emmet, showed me the improvements in the parsonage, and left me to take the train home.

Bro. Christie, in his third year at Prescott, is delighted with his people and they seem deeply to appreciate him. During these years he has received 150 new members, 35 this year. Salary and Benevolences have been increased and all paid in full during these years. The heavy church debt, refinanced several years ago under the inspiring leadership of Mr. Dan Pittman, who is the capable chairman of the Board, is now only about \$10,000, and is being reduced by \$100.00 monthly payments. All the organizations are in tip-top condition. The Sunday School Superintendent is Mr. Fred L. Gordon; President of the W. M. S. is Mrs. J. M. Whitmore; and the President of the Senior Young (Continued on Page Two, Third Column)

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METHODIST EVENTS

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

Personal and Other Items

IN the old saloon days everybody recognized that liquor should not be sold in connection with dancing. No one would have tolerated bar maids.

MARRIED, Mr. Fred Davis and Miss Evelyn Tisdale, Oct. 1, at the home of the officiating minister, Rev. T. O. Rorie, 103 Alpine St., Hot Springs.

DEAR READER, please look at your address label, and if you find that it indicates that you are in arrears, make a prompt remittance. It will be appreciated.

WILMAR CHURCH will have a home-coming on Oct. 23. Rev. J. R. Sewell, the pastor, invites all former pastors and presiding elders to come and enjoy the Christian fellowship of that day.

REV. J. W. MOORE, our pastor at Nettleton, writes: "Our work is moving along very well, and we shall close out our third year with everything in full. Our Church Bulletin has been of great value to the work of the church."

MRS. McKAY, wife of Rev. E. L. McKay, pastor of Montrose charge, writes: "My husband has been confined to his bed for more than a week with a serious case of the 'flu.' He will not be able to be up for some time. However, work is being carried on. People here have been good to us."

THE PINE BLUFF COMMERCIAL of October 1 devoted two full pages to the churches of that city and the surrounding country. More than a half page was given to the Methodist churches, including pictures of all our churches and our pastors. It was well done, a fine thing for a secular paper.

REV. R. L. SORRELLS, pastor of our church at Chidester, writes to invite all former pastors and other friends to be present when Bishop Seccman dedicates their new \$5,000 brick church, the Rushing Memorial, Sunday night, Oct. 16. Bro. Sorrells is just back from Lufkin,

Texas, called there by the serious illness of his wife's father, Dr. C. T. Tally, formerly pastor of First Church, El Dorado.

MRS. MARGARET REESE POTTER, wife of Dr. E. W. Potter, P. E. of Jonesboro District, is the author of a very striking poem which has appeared in the Christian Advocate (Nashville) and a number of the Advocates of the Methodist Episcopal Church. It is entitled, "I Am The Church."

FRIENDS OF TEMPERANCE do not forget to keep initiated Act No. 1 in mind, and work for a good vote for it at the November election. Without it, you may yet have a liquor store located right at your home, and you cannot prevent it. This is a good law and deserves the support of every home-loving citizen.

BISHOP DOBBS, on account of illness, will take a temporary rest, hoping for full recovery. Bishop Decell will hold the North Mississippi Conference for him, and Bishop Darlington will hold the Mississippi and Memphis Conferences. His many friends in Arkansas will hope for the early and complete recovery of this good Bishop.

LAST week the University of Arkansas conferred the degree of LL.D. on J. N. Heiskell, the gifted and conscientious editor of the Arkansas Gazette. Because of his high character and the distinct service he has rendered Arkansas both as editor and citizen, this distinction is richly deserved. We compliment the University on this recognition of his worth.

BISHOP SELECMAN has been preaching in so many of our churches that we have not been able to keep up with all of his appointments. He deserves great credit for trying to know at first hand the pastors and churches of our state. He is being cordially received and is winning the goodwill of our people wherever he goes. He is the kind of bishop we need at this time.

DR. R. BLAND MITCHELL, of Birmingham, Ala., recently elected bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Arkansas, was last week consecrated bishop. According to all reports, he is gifted, experienced, religious and successful in his work as rector. We give him a hearty welcome, and trust that he may become as loved and honored by other denominations as was the late Bishop Winchester, our personal friend and brother. We are glad that the Episcopal Church in Arkansas is to have this capable leader.

A SUNDAY SCHOOL was organized on Petit Jean Mountain, Sept. 25, with 62 members and 14 visitors. Judge C. P. Newton, a teacher in Pulaski Heights Church, taught the Men's Class. The second Sunday 79 were present. Winfield Church furnished used song books. If any one has an old organ that might be donated, it would be acceptable and could be used. Mr. Carl E. Hootman, the superintendent of the Recreational Center, is the S. S. superintendent. Any one who will donate the organ may address him at Petit Jean State Park, via Morrilton.

THE EDITOR had the privilege of hearing Dr. Harry Denman, Secretary of the Department of Evangelism of our Church, at the Brotherhood meeting, at the Winfield Men's dinner, and in the Winfield auditorium. These addresses are earnest and logical appeals to both preachers and laymen for preaching the gospel to every creature and for preaching it in every possible way, from the pulpit, in private conversation, and in life. Although a layman, he is one of the most zealous and effective evangelists. His leadership should result in starting a real revival among us.

THE CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE of October 7 is devoted largely to information about our Publishing House and "Cokesbury Good Books." The story of the progress of our Publishing House, and especially the success of the "Cokesbury Press," a name adopted for use in publishing certain books so that they may not be regarded as strictly Methodist books, is extremely gratifying. The new name was adopted by the Book Committee in 1923, and now is well known by publishers and book sellers throughout the Christian world. There are book stores selling "Cokesbury Good Books" in Spain, France, Germany, Switzerland, Belgium, Poland, Hungary, Syria, and many other foreign places, as well as practically all book stores in this country. This

is a remarkable record of which we should be proud. We congratulate our Publishing Agents and those associated with them on this achievement.

INITIATED ACT NO. 1, the local option measure intended to restore to the people their right to decide whether they are willing to have any kind of intoxicants sold in their communities, is a very important measure. Our people should support it at the November election and endeavor to get others to vote for it. Under present conditions it will help to solve the liquor problems that confront us. It was carefully prepared under the guidance of a group of the best lawyers in the state. The definitions and penalties are exactly those in the present laws of the state, and consequently there will be no confusion as to their meaning.

SUNDAY AT PRESCOTT AND BOYD'S CHAPEL

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People is Miss Mary Lou Cadenhead. The ten or more youths who have gone off to college are missed. The parsonage is old and somewhat dilapidated; but some recent repairs have made it temporarily livable. However the leaders have it in mind to build a new one as soon as the church debt is out of the way. Nice shrubbery has been planted around the parsonage. The church building, costing about \$75,000, is one of the most beautiful and commodious and convenient in the state for a city the size of Prescott. This fine little city, county seat of Nevada County, is a substantial business community, with good supporting agricultural territory, which is rapidly developing. Last week a County Fair was held. The exhibits were unusually fine, admission was free and about 15,000 people attended. That is a helpful institution, and it is a good sign that many are being held in the state. Prescott is getting some benefit from the small oil development in the south end of the county. In recent years many beautiful homes have been erected, and they and others have some of the finest shade to be found. The other church buildings are commodious and sightly. The public school system is excellent. Altogether Prescott and its Methodism are in very satisfactory condition.

The Boyd's Chapel where I preached at 3:00 p. m., is a little frame, representing about \$500 in labor and materials, mostly donated, and was built largely for the benefit of the tenants of the Boyd Brothers big plantation, one of the best and most capably managed in that section. It is in a beautiful grove of stately pines and oaks. I had only a few minutes with the pastor, Rev. J. F. Walker, who is warm in praise of his good people. He and family are enjoying one of the best small parsonages in the Conference. This year it was improved and furniture added and a bathroom built with some \$500.00, the generous gift of Mrs. T. L. Garland. Benevolences and salary have been increased. The outlook is good. Bro. Walker is active and deeply appreciative of all that his people are doing for the church. I had the privilege of meeting a new member of the parsonage family, five-month-old J. F., Jr., who greeted me with a roguish smile.

As both churches visited had 100% clubs I did not need to push for the paper, and, arriving home in time for a good night's rest, I could feel again that it was the end of another "perfect day."—A. C. M.

CIRCULATION REPORT

DURING the past week the following subscriptions have been received: Nettleton, J. W. Moore, 8; Fisher St., Jonesboro, E. K. Sewel, 1; Waldron Ct., B. E. Robertson, 1; Colt, Bates Sturdy, 2; Van Buren, First Church, J. T. Byrd, 3; Weldon, C. W. Lewis, 100%, 13; Thornton, G. L. Cagle, 3; Griffithville, R. L. McLester, 2; Mammoth Spring, H. W. Jett, 4; Jessup & Shiloh, J. C. Richey, 100%, 7. These good reports are appreciated. Let others come speedily. Before going to Conference all pastors should secure all renewals and new subscriptions possible. It is especially important to get the paper into the homes of new members so that they may immediately become acquainted with the affairs of their Church. Pastors and official boards testify that reading the paper helps to carry on the work of the Church.

Shall the North Arkansas Conference Tithe?

One of our biggest and most difficult problems in our rural problems is financing the Church. The basic reason for having this almost insuperable problem is that our people have not been taught to follow the Bible in financing the Church. If the Rural Life Work Commission can educate the people to tithe, they will have laid the foundation for the final and permanent solution of the rural problem. Men of the best equipment hesitate to go to rural charges because they know, with present

standards of giving, that they will not have income enough to secure the actual necessities of food and clothing and shelter, to say nothing of books to read, means to educate their children, money to go places to make outside contacts to enlarge their culture, etc. Provide adequate salary and the best equipped young men will say to presiding elders, "Here am I, send me." The crux of the matter is to make it possible for these men to do justice to their families while serving rural charges.

Obviously the first duty of the Rural Life Work Commission will be to provide adequate remuneration for expert men for the rural charges. This cannot be done by subsidies, which are only temporary

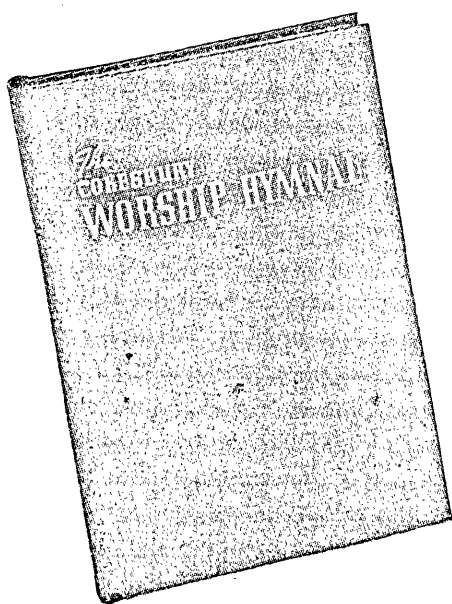
expedients to keep preachers' families from suffering; more accurately, to keep them from suffering more than they would without this help. The Board of Missions and generous well-paid pastors cannot supply adequate revenue.

As a student of Missions, I am more and more convinced that to educate the people receiving the service to pay the pastor is the only final solution. Can the charges do this? Before me lies the Journal of the last Conference. Take the first circuit my eyes fall on. Families, 205, paid the pastor \$425.00. This is strictly a rural charge. Suppose these 205 families had tithed all the corn, all the cotton, potatoes, increase from chickens and live stock,

in other words, suppose they had tithed all income. Suppose the average family made from all sources, crops, stock, outside labor, etc., \$200. I'm not talking about how much he sells, mainly how much he consumes, also, of course, what he sells. His meal, flour, potatoes, fruits which he consumes or sells, which he would have to buy were he living in a town or city, must be tithed. Every cow, calf or colt sold, every egg or chicken or hog eaten or sold, must be tithed. The farmer's cash income is very small. Tithing only the money received would not be all he is required to tithe. He must tithe all he makes whether he consumes it or sells it. The income from the circuit would be \$41,000.

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A tithe of that would be \$4,100.00. They could have paid the pastor \$1000, the presiding elder \$150, Benevolences \$400 and had left more than half of the Lord's tithe. Any circuit properly formed can pay the pastor \$1,000.00, the presiding elder \$150.00, and \$400.00 on the Benevolences, and have part of God's tithe for other matters. If this can be done, it ought to be done. When all tithe it will be done.

The big task of the Rural Life Work Commission, whether it put a commissioner in the field or works otherwise, is to put rural churches on a tithing basis. This will get all the revenue we need to pay adequate salaries and Benevolences, church debts and all. How can it be done?

The modus operandi. Let a text book, a catechism, be prepared (there seems to be none in existence suitable) and have it taught in every church. It does not require expert pedagogy to teach a catechism. There is some one in every church that can teach it. Hence no expense for imported help. Finally a copy of this catechism should be placed in every rural Methodist home in the Conference. This should be supplemented during the year with leaflets from Laymen, 730 Rush St., Chicago, Illinois.

These schools should be planned and supervised by the Rural Life Commissioner, if there is one, or by the presiding elders if there is no commissioner.

If the Bishop, the elders and all the Boards and the Women's Missionary Society will cooperate in putting rural Methodism in North Arkansas Conference on the tithing basis, that will be a good foundation for the solution of the rural problem.—O. E. Goddard, Fort Smith, Ark.

THE USE OF BOOKS

The first thing we need to know about books is how to select them. There are far too many books, unless they were better books. Half of them are not worth shelf room. Not a few people seem to think the number of their books on display in their libraries, marks them as being intellectual. It is often a pretty sure sign that they are superficial. A real man does not need very many books. But he must have a few masterful and basic books, and he must contrive to get into his head what is in these books. Any system of thought must have certain basic principles. These principles are like the baselines of a surveyor's plat. The first thing a real surveyor does is to run his baselines, run them from end to end and make sure he has run them correct. Thereafter he may check back to his baselines wherever he has any doubt as to the correctness of a collateral line. Thus he makes sure of his whole plat. So in a system of thought, basic principles run through it and the details of the system must accord with its main lines. Therefore it is that we have the basic books that settle these basic principles.

But how get the right books? We must remember that authors and publishers want to sell their books. We must remember that some reviewers of books know little of what they are discussing, and some other reviewers want to please the author or publisher. None of these are your best guides. What we need is the judgment of some man who has brains enough to know a book and honesty enough to tell you the truth about it. This man may be a publisher, an editor, or a book reviewer, and he may be just some friend who will be willing to advise you. But if he is both honest and intelligent, you may buy the book.

The second thing we need to know is how to read a book; how to build it into your own life. It must be done just as you build your food into your body. You must digest it. Better, far better, to digest a single page than to swallow a whole volume or to turn over a whole library. And the best way I know to digest a book is to make a "digest" of it. You will likely find much in the book that you already know. This you need not bother about. But you will find also what you have not known. This is what you must get. So, open up a note book. Read a page or a paragraph. Stop and ask, What exactly is said here? Frame an exact answer to this question. Make that answer so clear that you would know exactly what you meant should you come up on it ten years later: Do not put the answer into a multitude of words; use the fewest possible words that will express it clearly. Then write down your note. It will be seen that you cannot make such a note till you have thoroughly digested what the author says. When you have digested it, you have made it your own. When you sit down next day to continue the book, review carefully your notes; then continue as before. When you have thus read, digested and reviewed the book, you have it as part of your own mental equipment.

You will have more than that. Your notes will be a storehouse of material to be drawn upon whenever needed. And, mind you, they are your notes, made yours by honest labor, and you are not plagiarizing; you are "plowing with your

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 V.

"The Lord love us, Mike," called Mrs. Mahoney from the door where she stood anxiously peering into the dark. "Where have you been with that child? She had order have had her supper and been in bed this long time. I brought home a mite of milk and a wee bit of a roll. You feed her and put her straight to bed while I finish this ironing. Goodness knows where you'll get your supper."

"Alice is already asleep," announced Mike, "and we ain't hungry 'cause Mr. Johnson here gived us a picnic and a swell feed. He and Phillip came by with us and—Come right on in, Mr. Johnson. Ma, this is Mr. Johnson. He wants to talk to you."

"Good evening, Mrs. Mahoney," said Mr. Johnson, stepping into the room and extending his hand to greet her. "I'll not take up much of

own heifer." Pardon a personal reference. Many years ago I was called upon for six lectures on the Bible. I was obliged to prepare them in a short time and was under pressure of much other work that had to be done. At first I did not see how it would be possible for me to do the job. But a little later I remembered that several years before I had laid up some notes on Newman Smythe's "Old Faiths In New Lights." I dug up these notes. Having already blocked out the headings of my lectures, I went through the notes. I found one that was exactly what I wanted in lecture four. I blazed the face of this note in blue pencil, IV. I found another that was exactly what was needed in lecture two. I blazed this II. And, believe it or not, when I was through with my notes, I found that I needed little else to finish the lectures. I may add that Dr. John E. Godbey gave high praise to the lectures. So this is what I mean by laying up a storehouse.

Still further, the making of the notes that I have above described will result, if you keep long at it, in a most important by-product—power of statement. The very life of power of statement is lucidity and terseness. Your note must be lucid. Its use of the fewest possible number of words makes it brief, terse. What you say, in writing or speaking, goes like a rifle shot, straight to the spot.

I need to add that in this writing I have been dealing only with books that are to furnish working material, and not with books we read for recreation or pleasure. These may be read at ease. The method I have prescribed for reading books for our business, is a laborious method, but we must remember "there is no excellence without great labor." It is a method that will keep you from going to sleep over your reading—something not always easy to do—for you have "come alive" to make your notes. But the point is that such a method will get you somewhere.—Jas. A. Anderson.

your time, as you are busy and I must hurry home with this young Phillip before his aunt begins to worry about him. I noticed tonight that little Alice looks too thin and is too languid and listless and feverish. I'm sure she should have a doctor's attention."

"God rest her sweet soul, man," cried Mrs. Mahoney. "Man, don't you think me, her own mother, knows she's sick. But how can the likes of me ever pay a doctor? That's what I'd like to know?"

"That's just what I want to talk about," said Mr. Johnson. "My very good friend, Dr. Norris, is a baby specialist. I know he would be glad to look after Alice; and here's where Mike can help if he cares to."

"How? I'd like to know!" cried Mike. "Me just making a few thin dimes a week what no doctor'd look at. Let alone Dr. Norris with his swell offices and two good cars."

"That swell office is just where you come in. How would you like to be his office boy? He told me today that he was looking for an office boy that was big and strong and not afraid to pick up a baby and keep it from crying now and then. He said he was willing to pay well for a boy that wasn't afraid of babies nor afraid of work. And I think that's you, Mike."

"That's me all over Mr. Johnson," declared Mike. "I think that'd be a swell job. How'd I get it?"

"I'll send Norris out to see Alice tonight, and you and he can get together on the job. Now, good night, and think about coming back to our class as soon as you can make it. Come on, Phillip. Let's get going. We'd better hustle along."

Dr. Norris came and gave Alice soothing, quieting remedies and left simple instructions with Mrs. Mahoney and Mike. He and Mike came to a speedy agreement about the new job. Fortunately Mrs. Mahoney's work would keep her at home for several days and Mike was to report to the doctor at noon the very next day.

Alice improved rapidly. Mike fitted into his new job quickly and won the respect and gratitude of the doctor and of the mothers who brought their babies to the office. All the babies loved him and he never seemed to get tired of entertaining or caring for them. After he'd been in the office a few months Dr. Norris said: "I don't see how I ever got along without you, Mike. I'm giving you a raise next week, and don't you ever think about leaving me."

"You betcher your life I won't," said Mike. Then he added thoughtfully, "But I wisht I knew more about babies and what to do for them. Do you think I could learn? I can read real good. Maybe you could find me some things to read about 'em and answer me some questions that are too hard for me."

"Now that's an idea that'll bear looking into. We'll talk about that some more another time."

At the end of a year, Mike was still with Dr. Norris and just as useful and popular as a boy could be. He spent all of his spare time studying under Dr. Norris's direction and proved to be a most apt pupil. His pay was, in the eyes of the Mahoney household, real wealth. Mrs. Mahoney no longer spent long hours working away from home. Alice had the best of care under Dr. Norris's guidance. Life began to take on a rosier hue for Mike and he felt so grateful to Mr. Johnson that he promised at an early date

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to return to his class at the Sunday School.

On his way to the office one bright Saturday morning in early May he met Phillip and walked up town with him.

"Mike, old boy," said Phillip, "I don't see you half often enough. With me in school and you hard at work in the office, we don't have any time together. Alice and Mrs. Mahoney let me stop and rest and play with Alice while Mrs. Mahoney talks about you and what a grand guy you are. Boy, is she proud of you!"

"Shucks. Ma's funny that way. Like a fellow wouldn't just natch-erly do all he could for his Ma and little sister. Alice is a keen kid."

"I'll tell the world she is," agreed Phillip. "Mrs. Mahoney has promised to let her go to Sunday School with me tomorrow. I wish you'd come along with us too. We want you back in our class. So come along, old fellow."

"Don't count on me till you see me there," said Mike, as he turned to enter the office while Phillip went on to attend to his errand.

Mike decided he'd really go back to Mr. Johnson's class. Dr. Norris always let him off on Saturday afternoon, and all day on Sunday he had a special nurse from the hospital to help him, so Mike came and went as he pleased then. That Saturday afternoon he decided to take some of his week's pay and shop for a new outfit for Alice. He knew just the kind of hat and dress and shoes and even socks he wanted to get, but not how to make the clerk understand.

While he was in the store blushing and stammering, a stylish, slender, yes, pretty girl stopped at his elbow and watched him with fascinated interest. Finally she said to the clerk: "No, that's not what he wants. Show him those dresses and slips over there and those white shoes and socks with blue tops. Yes, those."

When the clerk put them on the counter before Mike, he realized that they really were just what he wanted.

He felt embarrassed and got quite red in the face and stammered, "T-thank y-you, m-miss. You are k-kind, but how'd you know what I wanted?"

"Well, I'm not ki-ki-kind either, and you'd say so too if you'd remember when you last saw me. I didn't know you at first either. You were so ragged and dirty when you tried to choke Bully for stealing Alice's sandwich. Now you remember, but don't let that bother you. I think you look real nice now, so let's be friends. Those things are for Alice, aren't they? That blue on this little bonnet and those socks will be just right for her. There's Thomas, looking for me. I don't want to keep Granddad waiting. I'll see you sometime and let's be friends."

She was gone. Fortunately the things she'd selected came within the range of Mike's pocketbook and he took them away with him, eagerly rushing home to try their effect on Alice.

His pride in his beautiful little sister could be easily understood as he walked proudly into the church with Alice between him and Phillip on the following morning.

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LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT MEETING

The District meeting of Woman's Missionary Society of Little Rock District will be held at First Church in Little Rock Thursday, Oct. 20, at 10 a. m.—Mrs. T. E. Benton, District Secretary.

LEOLA AUXILIARY

The Missionary Society met Monday, Sept. 26, in a social meeting with Mrs. L. D. Lea. Mrs. R. F. Livingston led a very interesting program from the Outlook.

Most everyone present had parts on the program. After the devotional and business meeting Miss Vera Atchley furnished us with three interesting games. The hostess, assisted by Mrs. J. C. Cox, served delicious refreshments.

There were 11 members and one visitor present.

Our society has sold ice cream all spring and summer. We have a quilt almost ready for quilting.

We have completed two mission study books this year. Our attendance has been splendid throughout the year.—Willie Alice Phillips, Publicity Supt.

ASBURY AUXILIARY

The Asbury Auxiliary had the pleasure of having as their visitors, the Geyer Springs Society at their regular monthly meeting of October. There were fifteen visitors present and each member was introduced by their president, Mrs. Horace Wilson. Each Auxiliary enjoyed the fellowship and met old friends and made new ones.

The meeting was held at the church with Mrs. M. E. Couch leading the spiritual life group and the president, Mrs. E. P. Ingram, presiding over the business session. Mrs. H. H. Hazer read the minutes and appreciation cards. Officers making reports were: Mesdames Hardin Bale, M. W. Marshall, W. H. McCain, C. E. Bennett, R. A. Raney, Harris Hogue, M. E. Couch, F. M. Taylor, W. M. Carmichael and J. C. Haynes. Mrs. C. E. Bennett announced the mission study books. The nominating committee announced by the president is: Mrs. Oscar Murrie, chairman; Mrs. C. J. Atkin-

son, Mrs. G. C. Killough and Mrs. M. T. Garner.

After luncheon, Mrs. T. L. Blankenship opened the meeting with the song, "Jesus Calls Us." Mrs. R. C. Peterson gave an inspirational devotional, and Mrs. Raney rendered a solo entitled "I Am a Stranger Here." The missionary topic was on Africa and was given by the leader, Mrs. Blankenship. Mrs. Ingram expressed appreciation of having the Geyer Springs Society as visitors and cordially invited them to visit Asbury again.—Mrs. Harris Hogue, Supt. of Publicity.

ZONE MEETING AT CABOT

Zone No. 2 of the Searcy District met in an all-day meeting at Cabot, Oct. 5.

Theme — "Southern Methodist Women and World Community."

Prayer—Bro. E. H. Hook, P. E. Devotional—Mrs. W. L. Oliver, Heber Springs.

Welcome address—Mrs. J. E. Gregory.

Response—Mrs. Bill Campbell, Bald Knob.

Business—Minutes and committees appointed. Courtesy committee named: Mrs. Garrett, Beebe; Mrs. White, Judsonia; Miss Pearce, Bald Knob.

"What the Missionary Society Means to Me"—Mrs. L. C. Graves, Searcy.

Gratifying reports were given by each Auxiliary.

"The Efficiency Aim," read and explained by District Secretary.

High points on Mission Study as gleaned from the Training Day in Heber Springs last week, by Mrs. W. R. Griffin.

Rev. S. A. Patty, of Beebe, dismissed us for lunch.

1:00 p. m.—Prayer, Bro. McLester, Griffithville.

Devotional, "Faith"—Mrs. Patty.

Solo—Given by Miss Amanda Dye of Searcy, dedicated to our girls on the foreign fields. Ten are over there, three being from our North Arkansas Conference, Miss Pearl McCann, Miss Edith Martin, Miss Nellie Dyer.

An offering of \$12.76 was given to a needy pastor of the District.

World Outlook presented by Mrs. Park, of Cabot.

The meeting closed by singing "I Can Hear My Saviour Calling" and everyone joining hands for "Blest Be the Tie."—Searcy Reporter.

DISTRICT STUDY LEADERS' MEETING AT FT. SMITH

Seventy-five were present at the Study Leaders' meeting at First Church, Fort Smith, Thursday, September 29. Mrs. Fred Stone, District Secretary, and Mrs. Peter Kittel, Conference Supt. of Study, were in charge of the program.

The session opened with a piano prelude followed by singing. The devotional was given by Mrs. J. T. Pearson, District Chairman of Spiritual Life. Special emphasis was laid on the efforts for peace being made at this time, and prayer was offered that we would have peace and not war.

Mrs. Kittel spoke on the study program and equipment necessary for study leaders. Special attention was given to the supplementary material necessary for the study and a full explanation of the spring study, "India."

Mrs. J. S. Holt of Fort Smith, gave an exceptionally fine talk on "Why Study the City." Lunch was served by the members of First Church, a special table was laid in

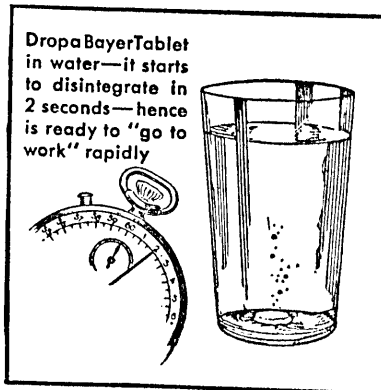
honor of the Conference officers and Zone Chairmen.

The afternoon session was opened with a devotional by Mrs. Alice Gold of Booneville. Mrs. O. E. Goddard of Dodson Avenue Church presented a group from that church in a playlet on "The Church At Work In the City." This dealt with the work of the Deaconesses in a large city, each deaconess reporting her work, showing their accomplishments, failures, joys, and sorrows. Mrs. J. T. Byrd, of Van Buren, listed and commented on "The City Man and His Problems." A group from First Church presented "City Lights and Shadows" in the form of an "Auto Ride" through a large city.

Mrs. Alfred Hathcock of Fayetteville, Conference Supt. of Christian Social Relations brought the suggestions for follow up projects that should be undertaken by the study classes so that the study would have lasting results and value. A brief but very helpful summary of the study and the day's activities was given by Mrs. Kittel. The last talk

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PROVIDENCE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Providence Missionary Society hold their regular meetings once a month at the church, with the cooperation of all the community ladies and also Rev. G. S. Rutledge. We are doing a great work. We have, along with other work, quilted a quilt for the Methodist Orphanage. Also we are planning

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HAPPENINGS AT HENDRIX COLLEGE

The staff of The Troubadour, 1939 Hendrix yearbook, is announced as follows: Editor, Morgan Hilton of Warren; assistant, Palmer Clemmons of Pine Bluff; business manager, Walter Wicker, Jr., of McGehee; assistant, James M. Reynolds of Pocahontas; feature writers, Victor D. Hill, Jr., of Conway, James E. Bradford of Little Rock, James W. Short of Helena, and Nap Smith of DeWitt; photographers, Albert Shepherd of Mabelvale, Joe Belleville of Little Rock, James Stroh of Stuttgart, Hodgie Henderson of Fort Smith and Buddy Terry of Blytheville; sports editors, Caruth Barker, Jr. of Atkins, and Victor G. Gordy of Little Rock.

J. Roy Calhoun of the Department of Justice, Washington, D. C., who graduated from Hendrix in 1920 and is a frequent and welcome visitor to the campus, delivered a most interesting address at chapel assembly Tuesday on "Your Fingers and Their Prints." "Your fingerprint is a signature that can't be forged."

The Hendrix Dames entertained their husbands and new members of the faculty and their wives with a picnic supper at the Conway Country Club Tuesday evening. The new members were: Dr. and Mrs. John P. Anderson, Dr. and Mrs. R. E. Yates, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Lippman, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Owen, Miss Louise McElwee, and Miss Marjorie DeLange. Mrs. G. A. Simmons is president of the Dames.

Professor W. C. Buthman of the Department of History was guest speaker for the Rotary Club at Stuttgart Tuesday. He spoke on Czechoslovakia and certain aspects of the European crisis.

Dr. John P. Anderson, instructor in remedial education, addressed the Junior and Senior High School P. T. A. at Pine Bluff Thursday on "The Improvement of Reading in Secondary Schools," and pointed out the general need for an all-school reading program.

Professor Paul P. Faris, professor of English, and four other camera enthusiasts—Joe Belleville, Robert Evans, Hodgie Henderson and Buddy Terry—have formed an amateur photographer's club. They plan to meet semi-monthly to study camera technique, all phases of darkroom work and such books on photography as the library affords.

The Hendrix Christian Association, Sloan Wayland president, has planned programs on the general theme "Building the Ideal Community," with emphasis placed on the part of youth in building. The first was on "The Nature and Reality of God," and was presented by Dr. Matt L. Ellis. A wide variety of topics in the realms of Religion, Races, Economics, Family Relations, Organized Society, Government, International Relations, etc., will be presented at the meetings.

Dr. Robert L. Campbell, professor of English, read Robert Browning's "Abt Vogler" in a chapel program which emphasized "Worship through Music." Mimeographed interpreta-

to quilt one next week as a gift for our pastor and wife.

We are all enjoying our programs and plan to have our Society grow in the near future.—Providence Reporter, Princeton Circuit.

tions of parts of the poem and music by Ned Robins and Clarence Isch, violinists; Helen Trotter and Mildred Ethridge, pianists, and Ann Swanson, vocal soloist, interspersed the program.

Dr. Matt L. Ellis was guest speaker for the International Association of Y Men's Clubs at Shreveport, Friday night. He spoke on "The Young Man's Place in the World Today." This organization is a service club for business men 23 to 40 years of age and is somewhat like Rotary and Kiwanis. The president of the Y Men's Club at Shreveport is George A. Holmes, Jr., who graduated from Hendrix in 1932.

Miss Janelle Gunn of Conway, Senior, led the program of Theta Alpha Epsilon music sorority at its meeting in Millar Hall. Subject was national symphony orchestras. Programs for the year on "Musical America" were distributed.

The Theta Mu social sorority spent Saturday night on Petit Jean mountain with Miss Louise McElwee, Physical Education instructor, as chaperone.

The Hendrix Christian Association, as supervisor of chapel worship programs, has selected Dale Ford of Conway, Senior, as director of the Chapel Choir this year. The members of the H. C. A. Worship Committee are John A. Bayliss, chairman, Ralph Hillis, Helen Trotter, and Dorothy Webb.—G. A. Simmons.

CHURCH SCHOOL MEMBERSHIP INCREASE CAMPAIGN IN THE LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

The campaign for increased enrollment in the Church Schools in the Little Rock Conference goes forward with increased interest. Wherever we go we find our preachers and Church School officers working at this job. It now looks like we will have at least 5,000 gain this year. Since our last report the following charges have reported their goals:

Malvern.....	50
Crossett.....	50
Prescott.....	10
Tigert Memorial.....	68
Saline.....	10
Buena Vista Circuit.....	44

—Clem Baker.

MALVERN TRAINING SCHOOL NEXT WEEK

Beginning next Sunday afternoon and continuing until Friday night, a three unit Standard Training School will be held at Malvern where Dr. W. C. Watson is the pastor. The instructors are: Rev. C. R. Hozendorf, Miss Fay McRae and Rev. Roy E. Fawcett, Presiding Elder. The school is being promoted by the Board of Christian Education at Malvern and it is hoped that schools on the surrounding charges will have representatives in the classes. Malvern always has a good school and Dr. Watson always succeeds in everything he attempts. It will be the Executive Secretary's happy privilege to preach in the Malvern Church Sunday night.—Clem Baker.

LITTLE ROCK UNION TO HAVE TRAINING CONFERENCE

Little Rock's Young People's Union is planning for their third annual Epworth Training Conference to be held at Winfield Church, Oct. 23-28. The instructors are: Rev. Edward Harris, Rev. J. E. Cooper and Rev. C. R. Hozendorf, A. D. Havekost, the new associate pastor at Winfield, is to serve as Dean and Frank Robbins of Conway and Miss Katherine Strozier of Little Rock

will direct the recreation. All the churches of Little Rock together with the church at Primrose, will participate. This school will be a fine preparation for the Youth Crusade and should be attended not only by our young people but by our adult leaders.—Clem Baker.

REV. LOGAN SIMPSON AND THE TEXARKANA CIRCUIT

Continuing our work in the Texarkana District we reached the Texarkana Circuit Monday night of last week and found a crowd of 150 gathered at Few Memorial from all over the circuit for a night service. The following day we had services at 9:00 a. m. for the workers at Few Memorial; at 11 a. m. for the workers at Harmony and Pleasant Hill, and at 2:00 p. m. for the workers at Rondo. Two delightful meals at the parsonage added to the joy. Rev. Logan Simpson is pastor of this charge and we know of no man doing a better piece of work. During the year material improvements have been made on three of the churches and \$1250.00 has been raised in cash for a new building which will begin soon at the fourth church. Few Memorial has put on

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a new roof and wired the building for electric lights at a cost of \$125. Harmony has spent \$85.00. Rondo is the church that will have a new building. The charge has put in electric lights in the parsonage at a cost of \$45.00. All claims on this circuit were paid by the middle of April. There have been twenty-four additions to date. We found a loyal, intelligent, and active membership. In fact we know of no charge in the Conference that is doing better than the Texarkana Circuit under the leadership of Brother Simpson.—Clem Baker.

FRANK MUSSER AND ASHDOWN

Our Institute at Ashdown was held Tuesday night. After a delightful visit in the parsonage home, we went to the church and found an attendance that surprised even the Executive Secretary, including 100 per cent attendance of officers and teachers. Brother Musser is closing out his third year at Ashdown and is in high favor with all his people. A new pipe organ has been installed and will soon be paid for. The Church School is well organized and growing. All claims will be paid in full. It is a real joy to visit in the Musser home from which a fine young preacher son has recently gone to Hendrix College.—Clem Baker.

REV. W. T. BONE AND THE RICHMOND CHARGE

Our meeting Wednesday night was with Rev. W. T. Bone and representatives from each church on his charge. We had a delightful dinner with the Bones. Mrs. Bone has her pantry stocked full of good things. Our church at Richmond is in splendid condition with adequate Sunday School rooms and a good teaching force. Every church on the charge is promoting the membership campaign. Brother Bone is doing excellent work and is loved by his people. We enjoyed our stay at Richmond.—Clem Baker.

REV. JOHN W. HAMMONS AND FOREMAN

Thursday afternoon found us at Foreman for a delightful visit in the parsonage home of Rev. and Mrs. John W. Hammons. This is the first charge that Brother Hammons has served, but you would never guess it from the business-like methods he uses in carrying on the work. He is one of the best educated young men to come into our Conference recently and his people say that he is already a great preacher. Among other accomplishments for this year will be the paying of a long-standing church debt. A good group of workers met Thursday night for a delightful institute. This school, led by Fred Gantt, is working for a substantial increase in Church School enrollment. Foreman is fortunate in that it has three of the four District Directors and of course the Foreman Church must show the way.—Clem Baker.

IN APPRECIATION OF THE FRED GANTTS

In all our Institutes last week we were associated with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gantt of Foreman. Fred is the District Director of Adult Work and Mrs. Gantt is District Director of Children's work. They make a great team and are sacrificial in their services. It is heartening to know the development of these as well as other volunteer district workers throughout the Conference. The people of Texarkana District love the Gantts.—Clem Baker.

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE ENROLLMENT REPORTS

A request has gone out to the general superintendents of the Church Schools of North Arkansas Conference for a report on Church School enrollment for the Church School year which closed the last Sunday in September. Reports have already been received from thirty. Twenty-one showed a membership gain, a total of 773 gain for these schools. The nine showing a loss showed a total loss of 167. Thus there was a gain of 606 members in the 30 church schools.

We are listing the schools which showed a gain: Mellwood, 6; Mammoth Spring, 42; Lanty, 26; Moro, 29; Bethel (Cato-Bethel charge), 22; Marion, 22; McRae, 26; Garner, 25; City Heights (Van Buren), 9; Hayes Chapel, 18; New Hope (Viola charge), 14; Bates, 46; Bono, 11; Washington Ave. (N. L. R.), 67; Lavaca, 41; Yellville, 14; Mulberry, 7; Hulbert, 9; West Memphis, 22; Conway, 209; and Blytheville, 108.

We are asking superintendents and pastors to assist by sending in reports on Church School membership for the past year.—Ira A. Brumley.

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE VACATION SCHOOL REPORTS

The North Arkansas Conference has had more than 100 vacation schools this year. The reports to our office show that the following churches have had vacation church schools:

Batesville District: Oak Grove, Corner Stone, Pleasant Plains, Mountain View, First Church Batesville, Central Avenue, Calico Rock, Umsted Memorial, Alicia, Yellville, Oil Trough, Elmo, Cushman, Moorefield.

Conway District: Conway, Hill Creek, Plummerville, Havana, First Church N. L. R., Russellville, Gardner Memorial, Gravelly, Morrilton, Washington Avenue, Perry.

Fayetteville District: Springtown, St. James (col.), Fayetteville, Prairie Grove, Green Forest, Alpena, War Eagle, Rock Branch, Monte Ne, Oak Grove, Siloam Springs, Bentonville, Pace's Chapel, Shady Grove, St. Paul (col.).

Fort Smith District: Dodson Avenue, First Church Van Buren, Waldron, South Fort Smith, Clarks-ville, Midland Heights, Booneville, Greenwood, Mansfield, Hartford, Magazine, Lavaca, Paris.

Helena District: LaGrange, Oak Forest, Forest Chapel, Moro, Aubrey, Wheatley, Parkin, Holly Grove, Crawfordville, Hulbert, West Memphis, Colt.

Jonesboro District: First Church Blytheville, First Church Jonesboro, Huntington Avenue, Dell, Road No. 14 (Dyess), Road No. 7 (Dyess), Fern Salvers School (Dyess), Dyess Methodist Church, Lake Street Blytheville, Leachville, Marked Tree.

Paragould District: East Side Paragould, First Church Paragould, Piggott, Pocahontas and Walnut Ridge.

Searcy District: Searcy, Cabot, Beebe, Bradford, Harrison, McRae, Quitman, Bellefonte, Clinton, Cotton Plant, Hunter, White Hall, Griffithville, Pangburn.

Should your church have conducted a Vacation School which has not been reported, please report same to Board of Christian Education, Hendrix College, Conway, Arkansas. If you need a report blank, write to us for same.—Ira A. Brumley.

BERRYVILLE YOUNG PEOPLE

The young people of Berryville met Sept. 22, at the Methodist Church, and elected the following officers for the coming year: Robert Spitze, President; Miss Winona Belle Evans, Vice-President; Miss Betty Jo Deweese, Secretary and Treasurer; Miss Ruth Maples, Reporter; W. A. Lindsey, Counselor.

It was decided that the president should select the chairman of the committees. The young people of the church enjoyed a weiner roast at Bunch Springs on the following Wednesday night with approximately thirty young people. The young people are putting on a drive to increase the membership at both the Sunday evening worship and the morning worship.

The young people voted to assess a fine of one cent for every church service, should any one of their members not attend. This plan has met with the whole-hearted cooperation and support of the young people of the church and is developing into a novel way of raising money and also getting the young people out at the services of the church. The Carroll County Young People's Union will meet at Berryville October 17.

SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY NEWS NOTES

With a thirty-three per cent increase in attendance over last year the School of Theology at Southern Methodist University recorded the largest enrollment in the history of the institution. One hundred and thirty-two students from eighteen states and two foreign countries, have entered for the fall term, taxing the facilities of the school to its capacity. Careful consideration was given to all students who sought to enroll in the School of Theology, but it was necessary to turn away several young men because of the lack of proper facilities to take care of such an unprecedented number. This unusually large enrollment may be, in part, attributed to a growing realization that

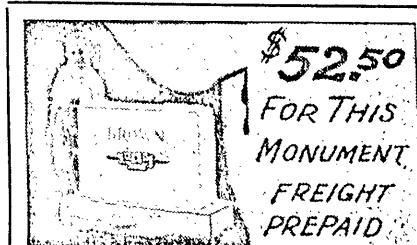
a trained ministry is necessary if our church is to have a competent leadership.

High standards of the School were recognized by the American Association of Theological Schools at a meeting held during the summer at which time the S. M. U. School of Theology was one of only three schools west of the Mississippi to be fully accredited.

During the coming year the School of Theology will bring to the campus some of the greatest church leaders of America. Some five hundred ministers, from many parts of the Southwest, will attend Ministers' Week, under the direction of the School of Theology.

Many outstanding religious lecturers and writers of international renown will take part in this week's program, scheduled for February 13-17. The Fondren Lecturer will be Dr. Edwin Lewis of Drew University and among the other prominent lecturers are Dr. Albert W. Palmer of the Chicago Theological Seminary; Dr. Rufus M. Jones, world known author and religious worker, and Dr. A. J. Walton, Director of Rural Program of the General Board of Christian Education of Nashville, Tennessee.—R. C. Knickerbocker.

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Believing that findings of members of a fact finding committee in one of the larger churches might be of general interest, some of the facts will be mentioned this week along with comment based on situations which the work of the committee has revealed.

When committee representatives introduced themselves at the home of a family of new members and explained the visit was part of a program to get old members acquainted with new members, one of the new members commented: "But we are not new members any longer; we joined three months ago."

After having apologized for not having called sooner, the old members asked: "Has anyone else from the Church called?"

The answer: "No, not since we joined."

"The word 'anyone' applied to a Church or any other organization takes in a lot of territory, and the phrase 'not since we joined' carries with it the implication that we are interested more in names on the church roll than we are interested in helping to interest new members in the program of the church."

The fact-finders found a young couple who had been active in a smaller church in another part of the state. This couple admitted a keen interest in the church and enjoyed taking an active part in the program of the church, but frankly admitted a reluctance to again become active because "too much is expected of a willing worker."

The case of the willing workers, who confessed they shun activity in a new church home, prompts this reference to an incident which supports the stand taken by these new members. At a meeting of a Board of Stewards some work was assigned. About half of the stewards attended the meeting and those who attended were expected to do all the work when it could have been apportioned to the entire board and handled with greater dispatch and brought better results.

A member well informed and interested in the program of the church, moved into a strange city and was without a church home for three years. Recently this member moved her letter and volunteered to sign a pledge to the budget. In signing the pledge she commented that her inability to pay what she thought might be expected had been a factor which caused her to delay moving her church letter.

Can it be possible that the financial affairs of the church have been stressed so much that persons who have grown up in the church shun it because of their inability to contribute as liberally as some seem to think they should?

One of the calls was made at the home of a couple where a new member lived. The couple had for years been very active members of the same church as the workers making the call to see the new member at that address. This couple expressed regret that church members do not visit more in the home of fellow members.

CHURCH NEWS

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE NOTICE

My statement appearing in the ARKANSAS METHODIST was misleading. Some thought that lay delegates were not to be furnished entertainment. Lay members of the Conference will be furnished entertainment just as clerical members will be. My statement was intended to apply to wives of preachers and wives of lay members. We find it impossible to entertain the wives and we trust that they will not be disappointed.

Paragould welcomes the Conference.—Cecil R. Culver, Pastor.

FOUR THINGS TO DO

Four things are suggested that the Methodist pastors of Arkansas do:

1. Thoroughly acquaint themselves with the provisions of Act No. 1.
2. Give that information to their congregations.
3. Observe International Temperance Sunday October 30, giving at least one service to the Temperance Cause, putting emphasis on the enactment of Act No. 1.
4. Encourage their people to vote on November 8. This is important. Many people knowing that a nomination is equal to election do not have the interest in a general election that they do in the primary. Their interest should be aroused to vote for Act No. 1.

This office will serve you in any way possible.—John H. Glass, Supt. 1139 Donaghey Bldg., Little Rock.

ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Since my last notes, I have had several stimulating experiences. First, I spent Sunday, October 2, with J. D. Montgomery and friends at Rison. Had a splendid congregation and a sweet and precious service. I was entertained by my good friend, Mr. L. C. Ackerman, in his ideal home, and enjoyed it much. From the reports I got, Brother Montgomery and his splendid wife have made friends of Rison and surrounding territory and the people love them.

Second, the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Methodist Orphanage, met on Tuesday, October 4, and we went thoroughly into all of the matters pertaining to the Orphanage, and I believe I can say that it was one of the most helpful meetings that I have ever attended of its kind. Our two new members, F. E. Dodson and Rev. Connor Morehead, were present and entered into the discussions with intelligence and interest. At noon, it being Thomas Day, we had about thirty guests for luncheon at the Orphanage. The fellowship was fine and all seemed to enjoy it.

Third, on Sunday, October 9, I was with Brother J. L. Dedman at First Church, Hot Springs, a visit that I always enjoy and never turn him down when he invites me. There was a good congregation and we had a splendid service. Dedman has had a great pastorate there. The church loves him and the city of Hot Springs is proud of his citizenship.

Matters at the Home are in a satisfactory condition. We are constantly letting out children and receiving them when conditions are met.

I beg the brethren to pray for us and keep in mind the fact that our people are perfectly willing to furnish the money to carry on this most important work if the preachers will lead them and keep the matter before them. I think the Orphanage is the most Christ-like work the Church has in our State.

It is my plan to attend both Conferences and meet friends and brethren, and I am looking forward to it with much joy. Pray for me.—James Thomas, Executive Sec'y.

ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE

During September, we have received the following cash contributions for the Home:

Mrs. M. A. Turner, Casa, R-1	\$ 3.00
H. M. Martin Dairy, Little Rock, R-3	2.00
Mrs. A. L. Johnson, Asheville, N. C.	50.00
Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Layton, Hatton	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Leon Layton, Altheimer	5.00
Inez Smith Bible Class, Pulaski Heights, city	4.00
McDonnell-Streepy Class, Pulaski Heights, city	2.50
Mae Jenkins Class, Winfield Memorial, city	5.00
Susanna Wesley Bible Class, First Church, Texarkana	5.00
We have received the following on the Christmas Offering:	
Old Walnut Ridge Church, Old Walnut Ridge Ct., Paragould District	\$1.41
Junior Dept., Hoxie S. S., Paragould District	5.00
Junior Dept., First Church, Paragould, Paragould Dist.	2.65
Miss Virginia McLaughlin, Fairview Church, Black Rock, Imboden Charge, Paragould District	1.00
Clarendon S. S., Helena Dist.	5.00
—James Thomas, Supt.	

MEETING AT DANVILLE

We had a nice meeting with Rev. C. W. Good at Danville. This is Bro. Good's fourth year and he is indeed beloved by all the people. He will close strong at Danville with everything up in fine shape.

I will be with Rev. C. H. Bumpers, McCrory, from Oct. 9 to 23. Have just time for one more meeting before Conference. Open date Oct. 24-Nov. 6.

Pastors wanting my services write me at McCrory in care of Rev. C. H. Bumpers.—H. C. Hankins, Evangelist, 900 Douglas St., Fayetteville.

BISHOP SELECMAN AT ALTHEIMER

Our Bishop Selecman, on the occasion of the dedication of the Altheimer church, Sunday evening, September 25, delivered a great and appropriate message on "The Beauty of the Church." The auditorium was filled with the local congregation and visitors from nearby cities and towns. The large audience was inspired and often moved to tears by the Bishop's eloquent portrayal of the beauty and glory of the church. The message inspired every one to greater loyalty and appreciation of his church. Visiting ministers who had formerly served the charge, either as presiding elder or pastor, were: Dr. James Thomas, Rev. M. O. Barnett and Rev. M. W. Miller; Rev. Richard McSwain and Rev. Fred Roebuck also attended. The Bishop was assisted in the dedication service by Rev. Leland Clegg, Presiding Elder,

and Rev. M. O. Barnett under whose ministry the church was built.

A brief summary of the achievements was given, showing that during the past three years the congregation has increased its membership by forty-five percent and its contributions to the annual budget, exclusive of payments on the indebtedness, by forty percent. The parsonage has also been repainted, repaired and refurnished.—R. A. Teeter, Pastor.

ROGERS

Dr. Atticus Webb, with the aid of a local cast drawn from all the churches in Rogers, gave the trial drama "Who's To Blame?" in our church last Thursday evening. A large audience was in attendance and the consensus of opinion rated the value of the production very highly.

Central Methodist Church, Rogers, has paid Benevolences in full, \$690.00, for the year. Other finances will be in full by the end of this month. We have received seventy-four members to date. Our Church School enrollment for the year is 597, being 111 more than reported last year.—W. H. Goodloe, P. C.

WALDRON CIRCUIT

Some two years ago the Bishop sent a man to Waldron Circuit to serve as pastor. This man came on the field and took up the work without a murmur and to our own knowledge he has gone on less money than he could have made at other things; for a man of his education and ability could do many



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other things. But he has made a great record for the work and as he is closing his second year we wish him well, but we do hope and trust that the Bishop will send him back for the third year. For fear you may not know him his name is B. E. Robertson. Reported by a friend of Christianity and the Church.—Reporter.

TREASURER'S REPORT, LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

As Treasurer of Little Rock Conference, I report the following received on Claims since last Conference, up through September 30: (* in full)

Arkadelphia District	
Arkadelphia Station	\$ 125.00
Benton Station	350.00
Carthage-Tulip	45.00
Dalark Ct.	94.65
Friendship Ct.	18.25
Holly Springs Ct.	38.40
Hot Springs Ct.	47.00
Hot Springs: First Church	583.33
Grand Avenue	198.00
Oaklawn Church	* 127.00
Malvern Station	400.00
Malvern Ct.	40.80
Princeton Ct.	64.70
Sparkman-Sardis	129.50
Traskwood Ct.	28.50
Total	\$2,290.13
Camden District	
Bearden	* \$ 200.00
Buckner Ct.	103.00
El Dorado Ct.	* plus 212.87
Fordyce	200.00
First Church, Camden	1,655.00
First Church, El Dorado	2,250.00
Vantrease, El Dorado	28.66
Wesley Chapel, El Dorado	35.00
Magnolia Ct.	9.00
Smackover	277.00
Stephens	65.00
Strong Ct.	20.00
Taylor Ct.	* 125.00
Thornton Ct.	14.00
Total	\$5,194.53
Little Rock District	
Carlisle Station	\$ 110.00
Carlisle Ct.	39.60
Bryant Ct.	100.00
Des Arc-New Bethel	* 125.00
DeValls Bluff Ct.	18.50
Douglasville-Geyer Springs	50.00
Hazen	100.00
Hickory Plains Ct.	38.78
Keo-Tomberlin	47.00
Little Rock: Asbury	1,068.86
Forest Park	12.75
Highland	150.00
Pulaski Heights	1,025.00
Hunter Memorial	10.00
28th Street	68.00
Winfield Memorial	300.00
Primrose Chapel	125.00
Mabelvale	40.00
Roland Ct.	30.00
Total	\$3,458.49
Monticello District	
Arkansas City-Watson	\$ 60.00
Crossett	575.00
Dermott	50.00
Fountain Hill Ct.	51.00
Hamburg	156.00
Montrose-Snyder	20.75
New Edinburg Ct.	94.37
Wilmar Ct.	20.00
Total	\$1,027.12
Pine Bluff District	
DeWitt Station	\$ 200.00
Gillett	150.00
First Church, Pine Bluff	430.00
Good Faith Church	25.00
Roe Circuit	22.00
Rowell Ct.	18.47
Sheridan Station	210.00
Sheridan Ct.	9.00
St. Charles Ct.	75.00
Glendale Church	9.00
Star City Ct.	151.50
Swan Lake Ct.	30.00
Bayou Meto Church	12.00
Total	\$1,341.97
Prescott District	
Amity Ct.	\$ 14.60
Bingen Ct.	25.00
Blevins Ct.	65.00
Forester	32.50
Hope	600.00
Murfreesboro-Delight	207.44
Mount Ida	20.00
Nashville	125.00
Okolona	50.75
Prescott Station	217.00
Springhill Ct.	29.30
Glenwood-Rosboro	39.00
Washington-Ozan	30.00
Total	\$1,455.59
Texarkana District	
DeQueen	\$ 100.00
Dierks-Greens Chapel	43.40
Fouke Ct.	35.00
Hatfield Ct.	30.61
Lewisville-Bradley	51.00
Mena	41.00
Horatio	* 95.00
Stamps-Garland City	295.38
First Church, Texarkana	1,938.49
Texarkana Ct.	* 100.00
Lockesburg Ct.	100.00
Total	\$2,823.88

Golden Cross	
Foreman Church	\$ 4.00
DeValls Bluff	2.50
First Church, El Dorado	100.00
Wilmar Ct.	1.00
Total	\$ 107.50
Grand Total	\$17,705.21
—C. E. Hayes, Conf. Treas.	

MINISTERIAL AID FUND, NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

The following have made contributions to the fund:

H. E. Pearce	\$ 1.41
P. V. Galloway	7.50
I. A. Brumley	10.00
J. M. Barnett	4.00
Alma Church	4.00
R. S. Hayden	41.00
L. M. Conyers	4.00
Gassville and Cotter Churches	4.00
J. Q. Schisler	50.00
H. C. Henderson	50.00
Augusta Church	18.00
Warren Johnston	25.00
A. W. Martin	40.00
I. L. Claud	5.00
G. G. Davidson	10.00
Cotton Plant Church	7.50
O. E. Goddard	37.50
Total	\$318.91
—I. L. Claud, Treasurer.	

DeVALLS BLUFF

DeValls Bluff church has been gradually picking up all year. Sunday School attendance has increased better than fifty per cent, and church attendance in proportion. Last Sunday the Sunday School attendance broke all records for several years. Four members were received by letter, and two reinstated, which makes a total of thirteen received for the year. There are several others who have been saved, and who should come into the church before the Conference year closes. We are expecting to have all Conference Claims in full by the fourth quarterly Conference.—J. A. Wade, P. C.

TWO DEDICATIONS NEXT SUNDAY

Bishop C. C. Seelman continues his strenuous program of work with two services in the Camden District next Sunday. He will preach at Stephens on Sunday morning and at Chidester on Sunday afternoon, and in the service at each place will dedicate the church building.

The church at Stephens is one of our best town congregations. The present building was erected under the leadership of Rev. H. H. McGuyre in 1925. The cost was \$25,000.00. A remaining debt was carried and had not been taken care of when the depression came. The congregation found itself in financial difficulties until the Board of Church Extension of our Church offered to refinance the obligation which was carried by a Camden bank. This was done under the leadership of Rev. J. T. Rodgers. Rev. W. R. Boyd came to be pastor in 1934. Under his leadership regular payments on the principal and interest were made. Then the first of this year the Board of Stewards, with Mr. H. G. McClerkin presiding as chairman, decided to lead an effort to retire the whole debt. As a result the church has a good plant, a comfortable parsonage and a beautiful church building, free of debt.

The church to be dedicated at Chidester Sunday evening is a new building. This is a church that was built without ever being in debt for anything. The building committee met every obligation for labor or material with cash as it came due. It is a handsome, commodious brick building with auditorium on the first floor, and with a semi-basement for Church School and social affairs. It is ample for the need of the congregation in years to come. The movement to build was started and completed under the leadership

of Rev. Rufus Sorrells, that being his first year in the ministry. The people of the local church gave liberally and were encouraged and assisted by the Rushing family, prominent in First Methodist Church in El Dorado.—E. C. Rule, P. E.

FIRST CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK

The four Epworth Leagues are functioning well at this time. The Young Adult League is carrying on a very fine program on Sunday evenings that is attended by many of the adults of our church as well as many that do not attend any other service of the church. The Young People's League is interesting many of the young people and the programs given are inspirational and worshipful. The Senior High League met for the second time last Sunday night with another good attendance. The group plans many interesting activities and urges all members to attend every Sunday evening. The Junior High League is claiming the active interest of a good number after its second meeting. The group plans to interest many more. All Junior High School students are invited to meet with this group at 6 p. m. every Sunday.

Childhood and Youth Week, Oct. 16 to 23, is to be observed at First Church again. The teachers will visit in the homes of their students during the week. Parents are asked to invite the teachers into the home so that they may get acquainted

with members of their class. On Sunday, Oct. 16, Dr. Watts will preach on "Social Control By Character," in keeping with the theme for the week, "A Growing Understanding of God." The teachers in some Adult classes will teach along this theme. The teachers are asked to try to have every member enrolled present so that all may take advantage of the opportunities of the Church School. Books will be on display in the foyer of the church, that will be helpful for parents.

Dr. and Mrs. Watts honored the choir with a dinner on Thursday evening, Oct. 6. Leffel Gentry acted as toastmaster. At the close of the dinner Mr. Gentry expressed the appreciation of the group. Dr. Watts responded, commending the fine work done by Mr. John Summers in directing the choir, and the fine spirit of the members of the choir in responding so wholeheartedly to every appeal. Dr. Hammons praised the high type of work done by Mr. Summers and the choir. The entire church appreciates and enjoys the beautiful music presented by the choir.

The "Mothercraft Class" of First Church has been reorganized and is now the "Anne Blakeney Class," named in honor of Mrs. Anne Blakeney who has been the teacher, until recently, since the class was first organized on April 24, 1927. Mrs. H. Bascom Watts is the new

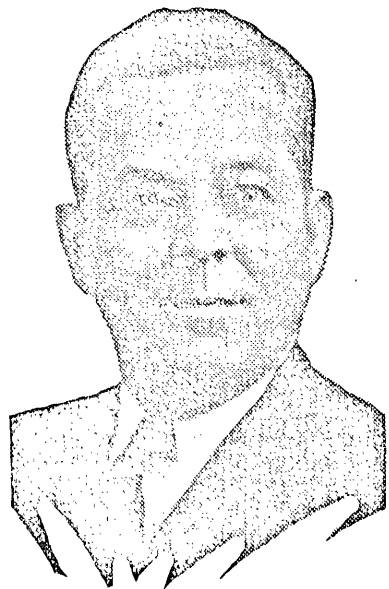
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teacher. Mrs. Frank K. Barton is the president and Mrs. Edward Woodford is secretary and treasurer. Throughout its history the Mothercraft class has accomplished many worthwhile things for which the members of the class are to be highly commended. The new class has a wonderful heritage and is expected to accomplish even greater things than have been accomplished heretofore.

The Little Rock Young People's Union Epworth Training Conference will be held October 23-28. Three good courses will be offered by competent instructors. These courses have been suggested by the young people themselves and they are expected to enroll immediately. At the council meeting Monday night Harry Howland, president of the Union, distributed the programs and the enrollment cards to be used in the local churches prior to the opening of the conference. Frank Robbins of Conway will direct the half hour of recreation between the class sessions for three sessions, and Miss Catherine Strozier will direct the period the other two nights. We are fortunate to secure the services of these capable young people. Make your plans now to attend.

First Church was privileged to hear Dr. Hammons, Presiding Elder, last Sunday morning. The hour was an inspiring one for the large assemblage of the members of First Church and the guests, members of the Business and Professional Women's Clubs of Arkansas. First Church always welcomes the opportunity to hear Dr. Hammons.

At the evening Vesper service Dr. Watts preached on "A Son's Lament." Members of Delta Kappa Fraternity from the Little Rock Junior College and their guests were special guests. Professor J. H. Atkinson, an active member of First Church, is the sponsor of this group of fine young men.

The well known game of volleyball is claiming the interest of many First Church young people. The Young People's Department has an interested group forming one team, and others are two other teams formed from interested members of the church. Tom Steele Ellis is the manager of the Young People's team, C. A. Butcher is manager of one of the others and Pete Wall manages the other. We are glad to see such interest and believe that, along with getting a lot of fun and building up our bodies, we will have winning teams in the league.—C. R. Hozendorf, Assistant Pastor.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT BROTHERHOOD

The Brotherhood meeting was held at Dermott on Monday, Oct. 3. Rev. H. B. Vaught, P. E., presiding. Bro. M. K. Irwin led in a most helpful devotional service, his theme being "Men of Honor."

The preachers gave brief reports indicating much constructive and progressive work in the District. Mr. T. A. Prewitt, District Lay Leader, spoke to the Brotherhood, urging larger use of laymen in the handling of the Benevolences, etc.

The Dermott W. M. S. served a delightful plate lunch, and we left for home refreshed and encouraged to finish the year up in full at all points, if humanly possible.

Reports made indicate that many improvements and much repair work has been done to churches and parsonages throughout the District.—C. R. Roy, District Secretary.

OBITUARIES

FLY.—Dr. Thomas M. Fly, health officer of Little Rock for the past two years, died suddenly at his home September 21. He was born September 16, 1879, in Texas, the second child of Mr. and Mrs. John Howard Fly. Dr. Micajah Fly of McLemoresville, Tenn., who was born in 1826, and passed to his reward in 1852, was Dr. T. M. Fly's paternal grandfather. At an early age Dr. Fly moved with his family to Arkansas. After his father's death he made his home with his grandparents, the late Mr. and Mrs. William J. Kirk of Fourche Dam. Dr. Fly attended Little Rock high school, and graduated with honors from the Arkansas Medical School in 1903. He served his internship at

CHURCHES CALLED TO OBSERVE TEMPERANCE SUNDAY

The need for a revival of temperance education has led the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America to issue a call for the observance of "Temperance Sunday" on October 30 throughout the country. The day was included in the Calendar for the Christian Year as prepared by the Federal Council's Committee on Worship last year the suggested date being the last Sunday in October which is already recognized in some quarters both in this country and abroad as "World Temperance Sunday." The designation of this Sunday was followed up by the Federal Council's Executive Committee at its meeting last month by a special call for a widespread observance of the day. The suggestion was made that in churches that are accustomed to recognize October 30 as Reformation Sunday the following Sunday, November 6, might well be observed as Temperance Sunday—or any other Sunday which in certain denominations might be found to be more satisfactory.

As a means for providing ministers and leaders in religious education with helpful materials for the observance of the day, the Federal Council of Churches has prepared a packet of ten pamphlets, selected from the best materials published by various denominational and interdenominational agencies, on the liquor problem and the relation of the Church to it. The pamphlets have been chosen from the particular standpoint of their educational value in the local church. The packet of ten publications is available at 70 cents, including postage, from the Federal Council's headquarters, 297 Fourth Avenue, New York. Among the materials included in the packet are:

The Liquor Traffic: Its Cost. (Congregational Council of Social Action).

Children and the Alcohol Problem. (American Baptist Publication Society).

Young People and the Liquor Problem. (Methodist Episcopal Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Public Morals).

The Sensational Rise in Liquor Consumption. (Methodist Episcopal Board of Temperance, Prohibition and Morals).

Christian Education and the Alcohol Problem. (International Council of Religious Education).

Liquor and Modern Life. (Presbyterian Board of Christian Education).

the City Hospital, and later was assistant surgeon for the Missouri-Pacific Hospital. He was a member of the Arkansas Medical School faculty for twenty years. 1911 to 1914 Dr. Fly served with the Rockefeller Foundation. He joined the medical corps during the World War, but was discharged at Fort Riley, Kansas, because of a heart ailment. He was married December 26, 1903, to Miss Lucia Lowe King. Mrs. Fly passed away September 29 last year. Two daughters, Mrs. George F. Perkins and Miss Mary John Fly, and two grandsons, John Thomas Perkins and George Frederick Perkins, all of White Plains, New York, survive him. Also a brother, R. J. Fly, and sister, Mrs. Ollie Fly Bathey and several close relatives. Dr. Fly was a member of the Methodist Church for many years. He gave freely of his services to the unfortunate of his community.—Mrs. Blanche Chenault Junkin.

HUSKEY.—Mrs. Carrie Eugenia Huskey, aged 62 died at her home near Prescott, Arkansas, June 9, after several years of ill health. During the last few weeks she suffered a great deal. She is survived by her husband, John R. Huskey, four sons, Watson and Harold Huskey of Arp, Texas; Clifford and Lee Huskey of Prescott; three daughters, Mrs. Thelma Black of Texarkana, Ark., Mrs. Inez Stephens, of Blevins, Ark. and Miss Carrie Mae Huskey of Prescott, Ark.; four grandchildren, three brothers and five sisters. Mrs. Huskey had been a member of the Methodist Church at Sweet Home for a number of years at the time of her death. She loved her Christ, her church, her neighbors and her home. Through all her suffering, she was patient, kind and true to her best self and the Christ she loved. Her funeral was held at Sweet Home Church, June 10, in charge of her pastor, Rev. Chas. H. Giessen with burial in the church cemetery.—Chas. H. Giessen.

BEAUCHAMP.—Miss Myrtle Wetherley Beauchamp daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Beauchamp, died at the home of her father, Aug. 25, after an illness of more than a year. During the last months she suffered intensely, yet she bore her troubles courageously. She joined the Methodist Church when a small child and has served faithfully in the church wherever she lived until the time of her death. She is survived by her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Beauchamp, one brother, Elroy Beauchamp, two sisters, Miss Bess Beauchamp and Mrs. Alena Smith. Her funeral was held in the Methodist Church at Blevins August 26, in charge of her pastor, Rev. Chas. H. Giessen. Burial was in the family lot in Macedonia cemetery.—Chas. H. Giessen.

LINDERMAN.—Columbus Franklin Lenderman was born July 28, 1866, near Greenville, South Carolina, and died Sept. 6, 1938. He came at the age of 18 years and settled in Lonoke County, where he has lived ever since. He is survived by his wife, one daughter, Mrs. J. M. Miller five boys, Earl, Judson and Theodore of Wattensaw; Smith and Richard of Des Arc and five grandchildren; also one brother, Joe of Ward. He was married to Cora Lela Burns, July 2, 1893, and in the same year he joined the Methodist Church, of which he has been an active member until death. The funeral was held at the home with Bro. John Glover of Cabot assisting the pastor. Burial was at the Hebron cemetery.—Orrie L. Thompson, Pastor.

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To make theirs brighter life?

There are some that's heavy hearted,
Burdened with a load of care;
Have we been to their assistance,
Have we scattered sunshine there?

If there's one that mourns a loved one;
Who has crossed the swelling tide,
God has sunshine that will help them,
And it reaches far and wide.

May we all be ever ready
To help a soul who is in need;
Change the shadows for the sunshine
With a kind word, thought or deed.
—Susie B. Mowbray.

INDIAN NAMES

Indian boys never have names they dislike. If they do, they can blame no one but themselves for according to custom they are called "sons of their father" until they are about 20 years old. Should Brave Bull have any sons they are called "Brave Bull's Sons" until they are old enough to choose names for themselves.

The name-choosing time comes when the young Indian comes of age. He must now select a name by which he will be known to his own and neighboring tribes. If he is a very swift runner he likes to be named after some fleet animal and will probably call himself "Swift-Running Deer" or "Running Antelope." If he is fond of watching the clouds and is a lover of the beautiful things in nature, he may choose to be known as "Red Cloud." If he is a swift rider he may wish to be named "White Thunder," which means "The white streak of lightning that shoots across the sky."

The girls, too, come in for a share in this jolly custom of choosing their own names. If an Indian girl is pretty she likes to be called "Little Deer," or "White Fawn," or "Eyes Like the Antelope." If she is a jolly smiling creature, her friends may call her "Laughing Water."

It is not unusual for the Indians to give their people nicknames which follow them all through life. A writer of Indian stories tells us of an Indian who killed a wild goose and put it in the sack in which he carried his arrows. Soon the young men of the tribe gave him a new name, "Cross Arrow Sack," which in the Dakota language is Wos-uah-Mahgab-We-Kinkope. The famous

Sitting Bull's name was "The Bull that Sits and Looks." One youth was nicknamed Esta-ko-ka-koosh, which means "Blind Pig."—King's Treasures.

THE STAY-IN-BED PARTY

To be eight years old was to have been such fun for little Terry Graham. In fact, he had looked forward to this day ever since his last birthday—yes, and even longer, for Mother had always said, "Terry, on your eighth birthday you shall have a party."

But now it was all spoiled. What could a little boy do even on his birthday when just one day before he had fallen down a whole flight of cellar steps and broken his leg?

Yes, there were gifts and nice ones, too. "But," sighed Terry, "what good is a fine football to me. And it's going to be weeks before I can use the roller skates that Uncle Frank sent." He examined the skates again. They were beauties, just the kind he had wanted.

It was Mother who came in then to see if her small son needed anything. "I was just over at Mrs. Baldwin's and Ned is in bed, too. The poor little fellow is crying with the earache."

"Is he, Mother? Perhaps he would like one of my new picture puzzles that I got for my birthday."

"I'll take it right over," volunteered Mother.

"This is a good idea. I am going to lend all my birthday toys. I can't use them now and it will be fun to make someone else happy," he said to himself. "Keith is at school now, but he will soon be home. He wanted skates for his birthday, but his Daddy couldn't get him any."

Just then Mother came back, and Keith was with her.

"Hello, Keith," said Terry, "you are just the one I wanted to see. Please hand me my skates, Mother."

And patting the shiny steel rollers lovingly, he said, "Keith you may take my new skates and use them for a week. They aren't any good to me right now."

A look of pleasure spread over Keith's face.

"Thank you, Terry. It will be such fun! I have wanted some for a long time. I'll take the best of care of them," he said as he hurried off to try them.

The telephone was within reach of Terry's bed. "There's my new football, Mother. May I call Louie and tell him the boys may use it for a game tonight?"

Terry had been especially pleased with the ball. Mother was proud of a boy who would be so generous with the things he prized so dearly.

Out of all the gifts there was a lovely book left. When the pain from the knitting leg was not too great, Terry busied himself with this.

That evening, from the open window, Terry could hear the excited voices of those who played ball. Keith skated up and down the street, whistling a merry tune as he went. Terry was happy as he thought of his playmates; and when Mother came up, Terry whispered "Today has been the nicest birthday I ever had. Why, Mother, sharing my gifts is as much fun as having a party!"—Herald of Holiness.

Every Methodist family in Arkansas needs to know the history of the Church. The History of Arkansas Methodism by J. A. Anderson will supply you with this information.

INTERNATIONAL Sunday School Lesson

Lesson for October 16

REVERENCE FOR GOD

LESSON TEXT—Exodus 20:7; Matthew 5:33-37; 12:33-37.

GOLDEN TEXT—Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name.—Matthew 6:9.

Character reveals itself through the words and deeds of a man. He may try to conceal his real spiritual condition and may assume an outward appearance of piety but he need not say many words, nor meet many of life's problems, before his true condition is revealed.

Our lesson for today touches primarily on the matter of the words of men, presenting first God's command that in speaking we are to show reverence for His name, and then leading up to the expression of that reverence in abstinence from swearing and from idle talk.

I. Reverence Commanded (Exod. 20:7).

The forbidden thing is the taking of the name of the Lord "in vain." Our use of the word "vain" carries the meaning of "useless, without purpose or meaning." This is part of what is in mind in this commandment, for the name of Jehovah is sacred and is to be revered as standing for the eternal God. It is never to be used carelessly, or for a frivolous purpose. All too often we tell jokes or stories which have no real purpose or meaning except to elicit a laugh and in them we use the name of God. We all need to exercise care at that point.

The Hebrew word translated "vain" has the additional meaning of "evil" and "falsehood." Men are so bold that they may even use the name of God to support themselves in a lie. God hears and will in no wise hold them guiltless.

II. Swearing Forbidden (Matt 5:33-37).

The Sermon on the Mount (so-called), from which this portion of Scripture is taken, is difficult to interpret to the satisfaction of all. Some disregard its evident application to the kingdom and, attempting to apply it in the midst of an ungodly generation, fall into such inconsistency that they abandon the effort and regard the teaching of the passage as impossible idealism. Others, who rightly interpret the passage as presenting the laws and principles of life in the kingdom of God when it shall be fully set up on earth with Jesus as King, fail to make any application of those principles to the life of those who are now living in this world—though not of it—but rather have their citizenship in heaven. This is also an unfortunate error.

We who follow the Lord Jesus are not to swear by either things sacred or things that might be called secular. Perhaps He has in mind that our lives should be so true that men will not need to have any kind of an oath to be assured of our sincerity and honesty. Some believe that all oaths even in court are forbidden, while others, with due respect for the feelings of those who hold this view, regard the taking of oaths in official matters as not being in mind. All would agree that

the careless and almost sacrilegious use of God's name in administering oaths would be taking His name in vain.

Swearing is also entirely beyond the pale with Christian men and women. It is all too common with both men and women. A great church has organized a "Holy Name Society" to keep its members from using the name of the Lord in profanity. What a telling comment on the times in which we live!

III. Judgment Assured (Matt. 12:33-37).

Jesus had cast out a demon who had possessed a man and made him blind and dumb. The Pharisees could not deny the miracle but attributed it to the power of Beelzebub, prince of the demons. Jesus closed their mouths by pointing out that Satan did not work against himself, and went on to speak solemn words regarding their and our responsibility for what we say.

A day of judgment is coming, when we shall answer for the idle and wicked words which we speak. While we would not bring condemnation upon those who indulge in the innocent pleasantries of life by making too severe an application of these words, neither should we destroy their evident import by failing to apply them to our daily conversation. One need not listen to the casual small talk of men and women in public places to realize that we need to give attention to the matter of elevating not only the conversation of others but our own as well to nobler and more helpful level. Surely Christians should speak for the glory of God on every occasion and in such circumstances of life.

The way to accomplish this worthy purpose, and the only way, is to have the heart and life filled with the good treasures of God's Word, for verily out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh. What do your words and mine indicate to others regarding what is in our hearts?

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No. 2—With Mrs. Paul E. James, Chairman, 5317 Southwood, 1:30 dessert luncheon.

No. 3—With Mrs. C. B. Wilson, Chairman, 801 N. Jackson, 1:30 dessert luncheon.

No. 4—Mrs. Jas. Thomas, Chairman, with Mrs. J. H. Krouse, 719 N. Spruce, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon.

No. 6—Mrs. E. Q. Brothers, Chairman, 12:30 luncheon at the Blind Women's Home, 1002 S. Oak.

No. 7—Mrs. J. S. M. Cannon, Chairman, with Mrs. A. R. Larsen, 1712 N. Monroe, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon.

No. 8—Mrs. R. D. Ginocchio, Chairman, with Mrs. Dewey Price, 2614 Ringo, 12:30 luncheon. Mrs. B. M. Whaley, co-hostess.

No. 9—Mrs. E. W. Beeson, Chairman, with Mrs. L. J. Ashby and Miss Lila Ashby, 1923 Gaines, 2 o'clock.

No. 10—Mrs. E. F. Dixon, Chairman, with Mrs. J. P. Moore, 208 Brown, 1:30 dessert luncheon.

PRO AND CON

Dr. Denman this week offered an excellent suggestion on how NOT to go about solving a Church finance problem. "Suppose," he said, "we need \$2,500 to \$3,500 in money not pledged and go to the more prosperous members to get an additional contribution. In some churches the wealthy members reason like this, unless they are real Christians: 'Let's see, we have 2,000 members; that would be about \$2 each and I'll give my share.' Then the Finance Committee is expected by these members in the higher income group to go to the other 2,000 members. Too often it happens the rest of the church reasons a thing out this way: 'Let's see, we have a half dozen men who could give \$500 each; that should make it easy to reach OUR goal.'"

The Finance Committee has a workable plan. Winfield has no really wealthy members. Those in the upper income group, for the most part, have given liberally and some will make additional contributions. There are others who are without incomes and cannot give. Those who have incomes should give something, and the Finance Committee plans to call on those in that group who have not after Sunday, signed a Finance Committee Memorandum which places interested members on record as follows: I will pay my pledge in full; or, I will pay my pledge plus..... dollars; or, I did not sign a pledge but will pay dollars by November 13 which is the last Sunday before Conference.

By signing this memorandum, individual members can leave the Finance Committee free to devote more time to interesting less active members in the program of Winfield Church. Many have signed these cards and by Sunday every member will have had an opportunity to turn in the card to the Church Secretary.

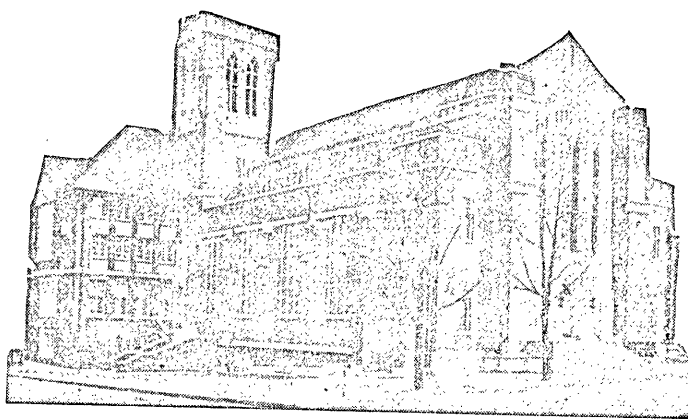
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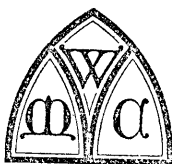
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Next Sunday At Winfield

- 10:00 A. M. Church School, All Departments
11:00 A. M. "STARVED SOULS"—Sermon by Pastor
6:00 P. M. Jr-High, Senior, Young People, Young Adult Leagues
(131 Present last Sunday evening)
7:30 P. M. "MRS. LOT LOVES HER SODOM"—Sermon by Pastor
(Third in series on "The Whole Lot Family")

THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

By GASTON FOOTE

Spiritual Unemployment

Unemployment is both a cause and an effect of economic adversity. Poor business conditions produce a great army of unemployed men and women and, because the unemployed are impoverished, business conditions are poor. The nation's number one problem is not the South, East or West, but the problem of securing sustaining jobs for fifteen million people who want to work and can't.

Strangely enough, the Church's number one problem is spiritual unemployment. No more pathetic words ever fell from the lips of Jesus than these, "The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few." He knew, even in the days of his popular ministry when thousands were coming to hear him, that few would remain to carry out His work of human redemption.

More than anything else the modern church needs laborers. We have better materials with which to labor than ever before. We have better buildings, better Church School facilities, a better trained ministry, better mediums of advertising the church, better roads and better methods of transportation to church, better choirs and better trained lay workers (though limited) than ever before in the history of Christendom. But the Church is desperately suffering from lack of workers to carry on her program.

To many people the Church is an arc of safety rather than an agency of redemption. The gospel is an anaesthetic rather than an irritant. Religion is an elective rather than an essential. They think of joining the church as an end in itself rather than a means to the end of assisting God build His Kingdom.

The true Church is "Christ's continuous labors among men." Jesus labored among men while on earth and we are called to assist Him in that labor. Every real Christian is a WORKING Christian. God has something for all of us to do. We can pray, for the Church, the preacher, the Church School teachers, the unsaved. We can speak to our neighbors about our church and our Christ. We can be friends to the stranger, the lonely, the discouraged. We can worship by regular attendance at divine services. We can pay to the regular program of the church. God needs workers—will YOU?

Christian Education

By ALVIN D. HAVEKOST

Church School Attendance

Last Sunday	647
A Year Ago	579

Departmental Report

	Present	On Time	Cont.	Sty.
Jr. High	73	60	47	50
Sr. High	77	61	55	42
Y. P.	61	52	19	48

Adult

Couples Class	72
Carrie Hinton Bible Class	38
Men's Bible Class	38
Mae Jenkins' Class	31
Brothers Couples Class	21
Fidelity Class	24
Lila Ashby Bible Class	17
Forum Class	11

Total.....252

ADULT CLASSES ELECT OFFICERS

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS—President, Mr. J. E. Matlock; Vice-President, Mr. C. C. Arnold; Second Vice-President, Mr. A. J. Graves; Secretary, Mr. Charles B. Carter.

FORUM CLASS—President, Mr. Earl J. Adkins; Vice-President, Mrs. Morris Smith; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Grace Schanafelt.

FIDELITY CLASS—The Fidelity Class will have a banquet in Fellowship Hall of Winfield Church, Tuesday at 8:00 p. m.

JUNIOR HIGH DEPARTMENT

Billie Louise Wilson will be in charge of the league topic Sunday evening. The topic to be discussed is "Missionary Heroes."

SENIOR DEPARTMENT

Miss Evelyn Ohleson will discuss "How We Spend Our Time," at the league meeting. Miss Joyce and Miss Loyce Craig will be hostesses.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT

The Young People are having a party at the church on Thursday at 7:30 p. m. This party is being given in honor of the new members of the department.

Miss Betty Hogan will be in charge of the discussion topic for the league meeting Sunday evening.

YOUNG ADULT LEAGUE

The following officers were elected last Sunday: President, Mr. Albert C. Graves; Vice-President, Mr. R. D. Huie; Chairman of Programs, Mr. Jesse Burton; Chairman of Publicity, Mr. Charles Hegarty; Chairman of Refreshments, Miss Mary Kimball; Chairman of Recreation, Miss Virginia Price; Chairman of Reception Committee, Miss Mary Marshall; Chairman of Attendance, Mr. Dewey Thompson.

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