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THESE are stirring days in the Church. Never in the history of American Methodism have there been times that were as filled with portents of coming events as these through which we are now living. At the end of nearly a century of separate life the great bodies of Methodism are looking toward union. There are many problems to be worked out. The drift and the current of our life will be crowded with issues upon which will hinge the effectiveness and power of a united Methodism. To be alive in such a day and to be at work in the Church is an experience filled with the thrill of a great adventure.

No preacher or layman can afford to be uninformed or uninspired by these movements. There is one voice in the Church that carries the full and official message to the churches regarding these and other movements. It is the Nashville Christian Advocate. It seems almost embarrassing that we should be calling upon our membership and our ministry to subscribe for this, the general organ of our Church, in a day like this. But there are many of our laymen who do not take it, and let it be said as softly as possible—there are some of our preachers who do not subscribe. The publishers are giving us an opportunity to make it unanimous for the Nashville Christian Advocate.

We are urgently requesting that in every church, in every district, in every conference a vigorous effort shall be made to secure new subscribers under the generous conditions just announced by the Publishing Agents. We need an informed Church, and we ought to be willing to pay the price for it. Let us join hands together and place this splendid weekly publication, which is crowded to its last column with interesting reading matter, in the hands of all of our people. We earnestly solicit your co-operation and are confident that by your assistance the subscription list of the Advocate can be more than doubled. Let us do it now with vigor and faith.—The College of Bishops.

CONTINUING THE CHRISTIAN EVANGEL

By BISHOP ARTHUR J. MOORE

At Sea, Sept. 4, 1938.—On board the S. S. Empress of Asia, I am returning to the Orient after an absence of seven months. It is my purpose to disembark at Yokohama, and, after a brief stay in Japan, proceed to Korea for the Annual Mission meeting and the General Conference of the Methodist Church of Korea, which meets in Seoul, October 5.

The Asia is a comfortable boat and I am fortunate to have a cabin alone. With so much travel, my only opportunity for rest and reading is on these ocean voyages. We will cross the Pacific by the northern route. This is the shortest route, but usually means fog and rough seas. There are many missionaries on board, but I seem to be the lone representative of our Methodism. The Empress of Japan, sailing two weeks ahead of us, carried about twenty-five of our missionaries returning to their work in the Orient. I left war-torn China last February with a heavy heart because of the unspeakable brutalities of war. My concern for the church in both Japan and China has rested like a great weight upon my heart. I do not know what awaits us upon my return, but the knowledge that I am on the King's business gives me courage.

September 11.—We have now been at sea one week. The sun has hardly shown its face, but on the whole we have had a kind sea. Much

* WHEREFORE PUTTING AWAY LYING, *
* SPEAK EVERY MAN TRUTH WITH HIS *
* NEIGHBOR; FOR WE ARE MEMBERS *
* ONE OF ANOTHER.—Eph. 4:25. *

of my time has been taken up with typhoid inoculations and smallpox vaccination. Judged by my reaction, I must have needed them for each has been followed by high temperature and aching bones. As soon as these are completed, it will be necessary to be inoculated against cholera, as that disease is taking terrible toll in China and Northern Korea. It would be folly to travel in the Orient without this protection.

We who are missionaries find joy and benefit in a daily meeting held in the tourist class dining salon. We discuss the changed situation in which the Christian Church finds itself, and try to devise new methods by which to meet these perplexing problems. To match our own strength and wisdom against these threatening forces would be sheer folly. Only in the eternal and inexhaustible resources of Christ, who promises to go with us, dare we trust. Unless our help comes from God it will not come at all.

There is a large party on board representing the United Church of Canada. They are bound for the province of Szechuan, away up in West China, near the border of Tibet. They will disembark at Hongkong and then by a long and dangerous journey through French-Indo China, enter from the back door of China. Train service is uncertain and passenger planes are being shot down. But when these lines are read these Christlike men and women will have sailed the seas, climbed mountains, and by some method found their way back to this far outpost of the Christian missionary enterprise. How all this must shame a host of people I know, who go on living comfortable, care-free lives, seemingly unaware of the distress of their brothers in these war-torn areas.

Yokohama, Japan, September 15.—When I looked out the porthole of my cabin early this morning, huge battleships nearby and the noise of fighting planes overhead could be heard. After eleven days at sea we were nearing the coast of Japan, and, while there was no fighting near, we had a first-class demonstration of Japan's preparedness for war.

Before noon we were alongside the dock, to be greeted by Dr. S. H. Wainwright, for fifty years a missionary in Japan, and some of our Japanese pastors. I was permitted to land without difficulty. Because of certain articles I had written and addresses made in America touching Japan's invasion of China, there was some speculation about my reception. My articles had been deleted from magazines coming into Japan and the explanation given was, "Against the peace and order of the nation."

My earnest desire to be of service to both nations, as well as my frankness in dealing with both sides, gave me the confidence which always accompanies sincerity. I must confess, however, that the hour of passport examination found me with an extraordinary interest in the outcome.

Last winter, while the battles were raging in Shanghai, someone in America cabled a dear friend who was in the battle zone, "We are greatly concerned about your safety." Promptly the friend replied, "So am I." Well, it all worked out without difficulty. Not even the military leaders of Japan would expect a Christian minister to defend war, and certainly not the kind I have seen in China. It is not my business to defend China or condemn Japan. My task is to uphold the right and reject the wrong, and to lift a little higher the flag of Christian teaching

which is the symbol of a world-wide fellowship transcending both race and nation.

Our missionaries in Japan carry on magnificently against heavy odds. They need and deserve our confidence, prayers and support. If ever a liberal, progressive, internationally-minded Japan is to be produced, the Christian Church must bear a large part of the responsibility.

Seoul, Korea, October 4.—Korea is known as "the land of the morning calm," but it is not very calm just now. All the hysteria and regimentation of war days is multiplied here. To take boat at Shiminosaki, Japan, and cross to Fusan, Korea, is to find yourself in a different atmosphere. You are still in the Japanese empire, but here a foreigner is under the constant oversight of the police. Travel is allowed, but always with the full knowledge and approval of the police. They check you out when you start, and greet you upon arrival at your destination. To prevent loneliness they frequently make the journey with you.

Since my arrival in Korea it has been my pleasure to visit Seoul, Wonsan, Chulwon, Songdo and Choon-Chun. These names mean but little to some of you, but in all these places sons and daughters of Southern Methodism live and work. They would not want me to praise them, but only through them can the Christian evangel be carried on. They are worthy of their missionary heritage and the church in America can well afford to be proud of them.

At the close of the world war, Sir Phillip Gibbs wrote a stirring book with the title, "Now It Can Be Told." There is much of great significance to the Church taking place in certain nations, but it is not wise to discuss it in the press. Whatever is printed passes immediately under the keen eye of the censor, and may be used to hinder the work of the missionary or native Christian. We were honored at all sessions of our Annual Mission Meeting by the presence of two or more "representatives of the government," sent to make notes on all our discussions.

In the very morning of my Christian life I volunteered as a missionary to Korea, but was rejected. Now, after nearly thirty years I am here and glad to have a humble share in the work of Methodism. If America does not stand by in understanding and support in this time of crisis, disaster may overtake the young Church we have helped to create.

October 14.—The Methodist Church of Korea was established in 1930 by a union of the Annual Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. I have just served as a member of the third General Conference, which was in session October 5 to 14. The Conference was composed of sixty-four delegates. More than half of them had been called upon to suffer for their faith during the last twelve months.

Dr. J. S. Ryang, so well known in America, was completing his eighth year as General Superintendent. He has proved a wise and capable leader and the Conference would gladly have changed the law to permit his re-election, but he felt compelled to decline. Not until the twenty-third ballot could the delegates decide upon his successor. On this ballot the choice fell upon the Rev. Kim Chong Oo, a true and trusted pastor. He takes office in a most difficult time, but his saintly life will greatly help in finding the solution of our problems. Eight years ago the Conference rejected the title of Bishop for its chief officer. After these years of experience they decided to accept Bishop as the designated title.

The Conference went on record as favoring
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Personal and Other Items

DR. J. D. HAMMONS, who, as vice-president
of Hendrix College, will devote much of
his time to promoting its financial interests, will
live at No. 2824 Gaines Street, Little Rock.

DR. ATTICUS WEBB, who for several months
used the radio and pageant to promote the
cause of temperance in our state, has gone to
Florida to engage in work for the National Anti-
Saloon League.

REV. W. C. HOUSE, formerly a member of
Little Rock and North Arkansas Confer-
ences now a member of Northwest Texas Con-
ference, has been appointed Presiding Elder of
Amarillo District.

REV. J. D. BAKER, P. E., Prescott District,
announces that he has a circuit that will pay
\$350 or \$400 with \$100 missionary appropriation
and a good parsonage, for which he needs a good
man. Write him at Prescott, giving particulars
about self.

REV. J. W. RUSHING, who was assigned to
Little Prairie Circuit, writes that on account
of the birth and death of an infant son, he has
been delayed in reaching his new appointment;
but hopes to arrive in a few days. His address
will be Tichnor.

THE following changes in appointments in
Little Rock Conferences have been made
since appointments were read at Camden: Rev.
R. S. Beasley to Mt. Ida; W. T. Bone to Dierks
and Green's Chapel; T. D. Spruce to Kingsland;
and Forney Harney to Richmond Ct.

THE appeal of our Bishops for increasing the
circulation of the Nashville *Christian Ad-
vocate*, should find a hearty response. We are
interested in increasing the circulation of the
Advocate, because we cannot in this paper pre-
sent all of the interests of the Church as fully
as they can be presented in that fine periodical.
We advise all our pastors to get the special
terms offered by our Publishing House for this
circulation campaign, and trust that they will
push this effort to increase the number of read-
ers of the General Organ.

REV. M. A. BIERBAUM writes: "I have just
closed the best year of my ministry, 57 re-
ceived into the church, 45 on profession of faith,
100% on Benevolences and salaries. I have been
re-appointed by Bishop A. Frank Smith to serve
the Mineola Circuit, Tyler District, Texas Con-
ference. As you know I am in the School of
Theology of Southern Methodist University and
serve my circuit on week-ends as we only have
classes four days. My circuit is 90 miles from
Dallas."

MRS. GRACE MAXFIELD HAWLEY, widow
of Rev. J. M. Hawley, passed away at a
hospital in Batesville on Nov. 17, after an ill-
ness of some eight years. Rev. J. M. Hawley,
a member of Little Rock Conference and for sev-
eral years Professor in Hendrix College, died in
Pine Bluff, in 1904, while pastor of First Church,
leaving a new-born son, James M., Jr., who now
lives at Wheeling, W. Va. Mrs. Hawley was the
daughter of the late Theodore Maxfield, and is
survived by her son and three sisters and a
brother. She was a quiet, sweet-spirited Chris-
tian, a gifted musician, and a faithful church
worker.

BISHOP SELECMAN, who was in attendance
at a meeting of the Executive Committee of
the Trustees of the Western Methodist Assembly
at Fayetteville last Friday, authorized the an-
nouncement that he was preparing to move to
Oklahoma City and would be at home there
after Jan. 1. He has a very heavy schedule that
will keep him almost constantly on the road
during the interval. While Arkansas Methodism
would have been pleased to have the bishop
make his residence in our city, we recognize the
fact that the problems of uniting Methodism in
Oklahoma and the interests of the University in
Oklahoma City fully justify him in his decision
to reside in that city.

MRS. HARRIET ANN REID, widow of the
late Rev. D. W. Reid of the old White River
Conference, passed away at her home in Con-
way, Nov. 21, at the ripe age of 83. Born in
Bedford County, Tenn., she came to Arkansas
with her parents and grew up in Melbourne, and
was married to Rev. D. W. Reid in 1872. After
his death in 1895 she moved to Searcy and later
to Conway. A life-long member of the Meth-
odist Church, she was active in missionary and
other church work until forced to cease on ac-
count of ill health. She is survived by three
daughters, three sons, one sister and two broth-
ers. Her funeral was in charge of Rev. S. B.
Wiggins and Rev. E. T. Wayland, and burial was
at Conway.

THE SOVIET-RUSSIAN GODLESS ASSO-
CIATIONS have decided that the coming
International Godless Congress will be held in
the United States either in New York or Chi-
cago. Some 600 delegates are expected to at-
tend. They propose the adoption of the follow-
ing oath: "I swear faithfulness to International
Atheism till my last breath. I also swear that
I have broken with the church and religion and
having joined the Atheistic Movement, and I
shall struggle for this idea and protect this ideal
with my life. I swear fidelity to the interests of
the struggle against the moral oppression of
the working masses through the clergy and I
will follow the decisions of the organs of Inter-
national Atheism."

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE of the West-
ern Methodist Assembly, meeting on Mt.
Sequoyah last Friday, with Bishop Selecmán
presiding, entered into a contract with Mrs.
Sarah Clapp of Siloam Springs, to accept a gift
of \$6,000 to be used in building an auditorium.
As an annuity feature for a small amount is in-
volved, the contract must be approved by the
full Board before it becomes effective. For the
purpose of ratifying the contract and selecting
the site of the Auditorium the Board is called
to meet on Dec. 27 on Mt. Sequoyah. As the
auditorium is greatly needed and the terms are
favorable, it is expected that the contract will
be approved and plans and bids accepted so
that work may begin at the earliest favorable
day. The generous offer by Mrs. Clapp is highly
appreciated by the members of the Executive
Committee. Naturally Supt. Yancey is delight-
ed, because this is one of the objectives for
which he has been working.

DO YOU KNOW ITS POWER?

WHAT do you know about the power of the
religious press of America? Has it oc-
curred to you that every week, year in and year
out, it goes into hundreds of thousands of the
finest homes in the United States? That it is
read and re-read and passed along from one
family to another? That hundreds of thousands
of people, among them the outstanding leaders
of thought in this country, have faith in the high
integrity of these journals and that their lives
are motivated by the principles for which they
stand? Alongside the chaotic life of the world
today, as you see it mirrored in your daily paper,
put the world that is visioned in the pages of the
religious press.

For which would you vote, The world as it is
or the world as the religious press believes it
can be? The Christian world for which that
press pleads in its every issue?

And remember the constant reiteration of
that plea, as it goes into hundreds of thousands
of homes. Don't underestimate the power of
your religious press!—Associated Church Press.

DEATH OF REV. J. M. McANALLY

REV. JESSE M. McANALLY, aged 80, who
died in a hospital at Fort Smith, Nov. 17,
was buried at Ozark near his boyhood home.
Joining the old Arkansas Conference in 1886, he
was active for 37 years. After retiring he lived
in Talihina, Okla., and sometimes supplied cir-
cuits in that region. Most of his active ministry
was spent in the western part of the State and
on hard charges. A fine singer and a revivalist,
he had many conversions and added many to
the membership of the church. Earnest, conse-
crated, faithful, tireless, he was one of the best
loved and most useful preachers of his day. His
memory is green among the people whom he
served. A thoroughly good man has gone to
his reward.

CONTINUING THE CHRISTIAN EVANGEL

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union with the Methodist Church of Japan. A
committee was named to work with a commit-
tee from the Japanese Church. It is too early to
predict the result. Union, if sought by both
Churches, would be most desirable, but it is cer-
tainly not the sort of thing to be achieved by
pressure from governmental authorities. This
young Church, true to the best traditions of the
Wesleyan movement, faces many difficulties, but
will not be found wanting in courage and hope.

My heart has been heavy over the invasion
of Czecho-Slovakia. Evidently the leaders of
that brave little democracy have been compelled
to accept the demands made by a strong and
brutal Germany. More and more we live in a
world of "big stick."

Tonight I sail from Nagasaki, Japan, for
Shanghai to help grapple with the problems
created by another brutal aggression. These
are dark and bloody days in China.

CIRCULATION REPORT

SINCE last report the following subscriptions
have been received: St. Charles, G. E. Wil-
liams, 3; Arkadelphia, J. L. Hoover, 29; Cabot,
J. W. Glover, 1; DeQueen, E. D. Galloway, 1.
Accept our thanks, brethren, for work done.
Naturally, just after the Conference sessions few
reports are expected. However, if pastors will
immediately arrange for 100% Clubs, good re-
ports should come in. Within a few days the
circulars, explaining the 100% plan, will be
mailed. Pastors are requested to keep these
circulars for reference. It is highly important
this year that the paper should go into every
Methodist home. Let pastors work for that. It
can be done.

LET us with caution indulge the supposition
that morality can be maintained without
religion. Whatever may be conceded to the in-
fluence of refined education on minds of pe-
culiar structure, reason and experience both for-
bid us to expect that national morality can pre-
vail in exclusion of religious principle.—George
Washington.

"GEORGE OF THE PARSONAGE"

THE ABOVE is the title of a little book, written by Mrs. Susie McKinnon Millar and published by Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Co., Grand Rapids, Mich. The publishers recommend it as follows: "From the minute the new family moved into the parsonage, George began to make things happen. He made some people laugh; he made a few of them angry; and he made one of them very much ashamed. George's adventures included one that changed the whole town. How it happened, and what the result was, are a part of a story that will delight young readers. Parents and teachers will value the wholesome, distinctively Christian atmosphere of this story." The many friends of Mrs. Millar who have read her stories will be interested in this book for children. It will make a fine Christmas gift. The price is only fifty cents. It may be ordered from Mrs. Millar, 1018 Scott St., Little Rock, or from the publishers.

BOOK REVIEWS

If The Minister Is To Succeed; by U. S. Brown; published by Wm. B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, Grand Rapids, Mich.; price \$1.50.

Sound, practical, and extremely helpful advice is to be gained by a thoughtful reading of this book. Dr. Brown considers the preacher's successful ministry of vital importance, since it not only concerns him individually, but is of utmost importance to the congregations he serves. After years of experience and observation and intimate contact with outstanding preachers and laymen, he presents this practical guide to success. The central thought is that it is of vital importance to place God at the center of all our activities and keep him there as we work toward the accomplishment of our threefold task of personal regeneration, social salvation, and world evangelism.

Blocking Back; by B. J. Chute; published by the Macmillan Co., New York; price \$1.75.

If you want to spend a season in a Prep. school with a bunch of live-wire boys, read this tale by B. J. Chute, who understands the game of football as well as the heart of a boy who is ready to do or dare anything honorable for the sake of his school, a boy who is willing to sacrifice his own advancement for the success of the team. It is a good story, worthwhile in its interpretation and portrayal of character development. Give the book to your boy for Christmas.

Maris; by Grace Livingston Hill; published by J. B. Lippincott Company, Philadelphia; price \$2.00.

In a colorful graphic manner Mrs. Hill presents the story of a charming young girl whose sincere loyalty to her family and her Christian ideals saved her from an unhappy marriage with a worldly selfish and dissipated young man, and led her safely into the heart of a worthy lover. Her family, from the father to the youngest child, is vividly and aptly portrayed. Their problems are very human and understandable. The reader will follow Maris with interest as she works her way through to a happy conclusion.

Castle Camp; by Fjeril Hess; published by the Macmillan Co., New York; price \$2.00.

This is an interesting story of a young American girl engaged in social work in Czechoslovakia after the World war. The scene is in and around Prague, and deals with the adventures of establishing and running a camp for underprivileged girls. It is wholesome and interesting from start to finish, and the author shows an intimate knowledge of the country and a love and sympathetic understanding of its people. The illustrations, by Edward Caswell, add greatly to the charm of the book. This is the third volume in a trilogy of the same young American Girl's Adventures in Central Europe. One or all of these stories would make an exceptional holiday gift.

The Faith Of Betty Scott Stam In Poem and Verse; by Elizabeth Alden Scott Stam; published by Fleming H. Revell Company, New York; price \$1.00.

This volume was arranged by Betty's parents, after Betty's tragic death in the Mission fields of China. The collection contains childhood poems, College Day poems, poems written while she attended the Moody Bible Institute and poems during her missionary days. The poems hold interest and inspiration for the reader. There are ample biographical notes to complete the picture of the short and beautiful life Betty spent on earth.

The Far-Distant Oxus; by Katherine Hull and Pamela Whitlock; published by the Macmillan Co., New York; price \$2.00.

This story of vacation adventures is in every sense of the word a children's book. It was written by two girls, fifteen and sixteen years old. It is fresh and lively with events and adventures that will appeal to the child's imagi-

nation. Scattered through the story are a few understanding grown people; but they no more interfere with the flow of the story than grown-ups directed the writing of the book. Ponies and dogs—or rather one dog—play important roles in the adventures. Get the book for the children, and you will enjoy reading it yourself.

Anim Runs Away; by Adele and Cateau De Leeuw; published by the Macmillan Company, New York; price \$1.50.

This is a beautiful little volume. The story is simply and vividly told and the book is beautifully illustrated with paintings characteristic of the country described. Read the story and you'll have a better insight into the character and customs of Anim's people. You'll enjoy the day spent with Anim as he encounters one adventure after another and when you lay the book aside you'll feel as though you'd really spent the day with Anim on the island of Java. It is a book that will delight the heart of a child.

Plain Facts For Girls and Young Women; by Belle Wood-Comstock, M.D.; published by the Pacific Press Publishing Association, Mountain View, Calif.; price 25 cents.

This booklet discusses, in a frank, straightforward, and enlightening manner, questions girls must face. It is prepared by a woman doctor whose reputation gives weight to her words. The treatise is divided into three sections. The first deals with the subject of "Narcotic Drugs," the second with "Alcohol and Liquor," and the third with "Tobacco." Wide use should be made of this book by all teachers and leaders of girls. Give the book to your daughters, place it in classes and study clubs, but first, by all means, familiarize yourself with its contents so that you may truly prove a safe guide to young womanhood.

WHY substitute government management for business management? The average politician is in politics because he was a failure in everything else. They do not believe in a balanced budget because they never had one. They do not understand finance because they never made a dollar. Their currency is votes, not dollars, their balance sheets are election returns, not book accounts, and their stock in trade is nostrums for people afflicted with a disease known as gullibility. It is bad enough that they must run the government. Pray heaven business may escape them.—Senator Bailey of North Carolina.

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CHRIST LAID HOLD ON ME

(Written after hearing Bishop Sealeman's sermon at Camden.)

Christ, my Lord, laid hold on me,
And by his grace hath made me free,
Through his redeeming love;
Through salvation in his name,
I am made free from sin and shame,
And in full freedom move.

Christ, my Lord, hath saved my soul,
And by his blood I am made whole;
His saving power I know;
Now I'm walking day by day,
And he goes with me all the way,
His blessings to bestow.

Christ, my Lord, in me abides,
And 'neath his sheltering wings he hides
My life when tempests rise.
Yea, his hand doth hold me still,
While I obey his sovereign will,
In loving sacrifice.

Christ, my Lord, laid hold on me,
That I a child of God must be,
That I in him might dwell.
Day by day he holds my hand,
While I obey his high command,
And his salvation tell.

Christ, my Lord laid hold on me,
Before him now on bended knee,
His holy name I praise.
Christ, my Lord, my Savior, King,
All honor to thy name I bring,
While hymns of joy I raise.
—Geo. N. Cannon, Stephens, Ark.

Thanksgiving—Origin and Observance

Tomorrow's date is in red ink on my calendar. It is, literally, a red-letter day. It belongs in the same class with New Year's Day, Washington's birthday, Independence Day. It is a national holiday.

Then, too, this date is the same color as Good Friday, Christmas, and all the Sundays of the year; these are not holidays, but Holy Days; they are times of special significance to people with religious interests and inclinations.

My little son came to me recently with his ten thousandth question: "Daddy, what do people do on Thanksgiving Day?" With real candor I told him that some would go hunting; many would attend football games; most people would overeat, and spend the afternoon sleeping; and then a host of people would end the day with cocktail parties and dances.

He was silent for a moment; then he said: "That's a funny way to spend Thanksgiving, isn't it, Daddy?" Yes; it is; and yet, to many of us tomorrow is not a day of thanksgiving; it is only another day to demonstrate selfishness; it contradicts the purpose of the celebration.

Who started this Thanksgiving idea, anyway? If you did not know you would never guess. It was a group of sick, shivering, starving folks. They had once been a colony of one hundred; now they were but fifty; the others were already buried beneath the snow. A dozen were even then ill. No one knew when his turn would come. Their harvests were inadequate. Indian neighbors were suspicious of them, or openly hostile to them. They were in a sorrowful state; and yet, in the midst of their troubles, they decreed a period of solemn thanksgiving to God.

For what? For things which they had, of course. There were no luxuries among them; but at least they had the necessities of life. They did not possess provisions to last through the winter; yet there was game in the forests, and their fowling-pieces were still in working order. They felt alone often; but they still had friends back in the old country, who loved them and

sympathized with them. They worried at times; but they retained a firm faith in God, in their cause, and in their destiny. They were grateful for other strange things, also. Death had come to half of them, indeed; but they were thankful that the other half still lived. Illness was in their camp, to be sure; but they could still find courage to thank God, for, as they said, there were some "hale and hearty to care for the stricken." Perhaps it is really true, as one has told us, that mankind must go through affliction before he can learn wisdom; and he must learn wisdom before he can waken gratitude.

We live in a different age. Compared to the times of the Pilgrims, our lot is happy indeed. But in our self-sufficiency we forget thankfulness. Moreover, our philosophy of life has dried up the fountains of gratitude within us. We have become a nation of thumb-jerkers, on the false assumption that the other man owes us a ride; we have bred a generation of parasites who believe that the government owes us an income; we are rapidly sinking into that deplorable theory, in short, that the world owes us a living. We have so far degenerated that all we think of is "getting;" and that spirit kills the more noble spirit of "giving"—even the giving of thanks.

It is interesting to note that in the old English language two words came from the same root; even now they look and sound somewhat the same; they are the words, Think, and, Thank.

In other parts of the world today there are thousands of people starving; we are well fed. Elsewhere there are wars and rumors of wars; among us there is peace. In some countries men are afraid to hold any personal opinions, for fear of imprisonment or death; here we have freedom of thought and expression. Incredible as it seems, there are nations in Europe today, where men have no option, even in the matter of worship; here we rejoice in complete liberty of conscience. "To think is to thank." If we were to reflect on the good fortune of our land and its people, this would be a real Thanksgiving Day for us.

Yet, the tragedy of it! Even when a special day is set apart, for the one essential purpose of giving thanks, we seize it as another opportunity for selfish pleasure. We go hunting; we stuff our stomachs; we attend football games, parties, dances; and we never give a moment's thought to the holy nature of the day.

The Pilgrims had a sense which puts us all to shame. Things never became too bad for them to be grateful. It would be the finest thing for us personally, for Little Rock as a city, for America as a nation, if we were all to spend even a few minutes tomorrow in the original purpose of the day. Thanksgiving. It is true, as it always was, that, "to think is to thank."

Take a sheet of paper, jot down on it all those things which you have for which to be grateful; and before you finish you will need not one, but many Thanksgiving Days, to pay your bill of gratitude.—R. D. Adams, Pastor, First Presbyterian Church, Little Rock, in Arkansas Democrat.

Children should be taught the history of the Church in Arkansas —Anderson's History will serve the purpose. Encourage them to read it.

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 XI

Katherine and Rose hurried from Mr. Johnson's office and got into the car, and as Katherine drove skillfully through the congested traffic of the noon hour, both girls were quiet, each engrossed in her own dreams and plans.

At Junior College entrance Katherine stopped the car and hopped lightly out. "Wait there, Rose. I'll be back in a jiffy. I'm picking up Phillip and taking him along."

"But," called Rose, "he isn't there. He's gone—"

"Oh, he's here all right," called Katherine. "I know because he's having a final on his Bible course at this hour. If he isn't through he can cut it short and still have enough to pass on." With that she vanished through the open door, but reappeared almost immediately. "You were right. He's not there and believe me, his teacher is mad. He declares he's going to flunk Phillip for cutting his exam. And he's gone off on the wildest scheme. He's gone to the District Conference to get them to make a preacher out of him. The craziest idea. He'll have to snap out of that. I've other plans for him."

"What's so crazy about Phillip's being a preacher?" asked Rose. "He'll make a good one or I miss my guess."

"Well, I'll do what I can to make you miss your guess," snapped Katherine.

"I don't see what you can do to prevent it if Phillip has made up his mind. And I judge from the way he talked when he came by the office to tell Mr. Johnson what he was planning to do that he had his mind pretty well settled on that point."

"Mind settled, nothing!" insisted Katherine. "Why, he's too young to know what he wants to do with his life. He's not quite seventeen, at least a year and a half younger than I—"

"But haven't you always been able to make up your mind?" asked Rose. "Then why shouldn't Phillip? He told Mr. Johnson, when Mr. Johnson advised him to wait a year or two, that both the presiding elder and the pastor advised him not to wait and that the president of the college told him to go ahead, that it was never too early to start on a worthy career."

"It's utterly ridiculous!" insisted Katherine. "And that's what his Bible teacher said. He also said that he'd do his best to keep him from graduating next week, but he knew the president of the college would take Phillip's part. Phillip's just carried away with the ideas he's been getting at these League Conferences. When anybody goes off on a line like that: 'Save your fellowmen, and raise them up from the mire. It's either a passing enthusiasm or a pose. The one that shouts the loudest 'Save 'em, Lord save 'em from the mire,' is either a fool or a full fledged liar."

"You don't mean that, Katherine. You're just provoked because you are disappointed not to have Phillip with us for lunch."

"Provoked and disappointed! Nothing of the kind. I'm just plain mad and disgusted with such tomfoolery. We're almost there and Mason and John will be waiting. I guess we can do without Phillip and his foolishness for this once. But speaking of foolishness and folly, what's all this nonsense about you leaving next week and meeting old Johnson in your home town?"

"It's just that I've finally decided to do something that I've been considering seriously for more than a year."

"And have never mentioned to me," interrupted Katherine. "Why, Rose, I thought we were close friends. Whatever is it? You're surely not considering marrying Mr. Johnson. He's old enough to be your father."

"No such luck. He's not in love with me nor I with him; but if we did love each other, his age would not stop me, for he's the finest Christian gentleman I've ever known. He's like a father to me, and I turn to him for advice. You know, my parents died when I was a baby and my guardian is all right, but much more interested in building and strengthening my fortune than he is in developing my character, and character, Christian character is what I very much want to develop."

"Oh, there you go," exclaimed Katherine, "with more of Phillip's nonsense. Stop it, please, and let's hear about your plans. Have you suddenly decided to go to Europe and study voice? That would be a sensible thing to do. Oh, do let's do just that. I know I could make Granddad let me go, too."

"No," said Rose, "I've decided to take up settlement work at home and use my voice to bring hope and comfort and cheer to my less fortunate brothers. O, Katherine, they are so poor, so hopeless, they have so little and I have so much! I'm eager to begin sharing with them. Mr. Johnson has a friend who is at the head of one of our largest settlement houses, and they need a singer in their work. And Mr. Johnson's coming up next week to help me get the place and get started off in the work."

"Oh, you're crazy, just plain crazy," cried Katherine, "giving up all your fun to work in the slums. You'll never stand it. Why that's even worse than Phillip's preaching. He might get a clean up-to-date church among smart people but there's no chance for you except to live and work, day in and day out, in the midst of filth and ignorance."

She drew up at the Inn and waved to Mason and John. As she got out of the car she said to Rose "Don't let's talk about it any more until we get home. It makes me sick. You needn't be surprised if I can't eat a thing. That may be lucky, because I'll scarcely be able to digest your news."

"Don't take it so hard," laughed Rose, "and just watch me eat. I'm as hungry as a wolf. And I never was so happy over anything in my life as I am over this plan of mine. It's simply glorious."

Katherine shook her head sadly as she mounted the steps murmuring, "It beats me, simply beats me."

(To be continued)

Woman's Missionary Department

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LAVACA OBSERVED WEEK OF PRAYER

The Lavaca Auxiliary observed Week of Prayer Nov. 10, with an all-day meeting and a covered dish luncheon.

Mrs. S. E. West led the program. Taking parts were Mrs. Braley, Mrs. Bevins, Mrs. Sam Ingram, Mrs. Coker, Mrs. Anna West, Mrs. Cheek, Mrs. J. O. Ingram, Mrs. Warren West, Miss Willie Ferrell. Mrs. Cheek and Mrs. Warren West furnished special music. Mrs. Merwin Ingram and Miss Carolyn West were present. Mrs. Coker dismissed with prayer.—Willie Ferrell, Reporter.

HARRELL AUXILIARY

The Auxiliary met at the church Saturday night, Nov. 12, to celebrate the Sixtieth anniversary of the Woman's Missionary work in the South, and also to observe the Week of Prayer.

Miss Elise Neal was in charge of the program for the celebration. Some interesting papers were read and discussed. Brother Alfred Doss gave a splendid report on the meeting at Magnolia.

At this time sandwiches, cookies, pickles and coffee were served.

Mrs. Lillian Carlson had charge of next program, which was very impressive. Interesting talks were given on the sufferings of the Far East, and of the sacrifices that our missionaries are so willing to make to relieve and help in their struggles. Let's not forget them in our prayers.—Mrs. Minnie Harrell, Pub. Supt.

FISHER STREET AUXILIARY

The Auxiliary of the Fisher Street Methodist Church successfully closed the fall study of "The American City and Its Church" on Monday night, October 26, in the home of the president, Mrs. T. N. Stephens on North Fisher Street. Twenty of our thirty members enthusiastically entered into the study and attended all of the four sessions led by the Study Leader, Miss Mildred Osment.

The first session, a definite prayer and meditation period was experienced. Prayer for the leadership of the Holy Spirit in the study we were beginning. Quiet music was played during the reading of scripture lesson, quiet meditation, audible prayers and an appropriate psalm was read by Mrs. Hoyt Cope-land.

"We Look at the City" was presented through a skit given by Mrs. E. K. Sewell, Misses Myrtle Walker, Maxine Casey, Nadine McCracken and Mary Davis. Following the skit we looked at our own city and found definite needs that we could help by work of our Auxiliary.

The second session we presented "Problems City People Meet," and some of the things that are being done to solve the problems. A dialogue was given on "Memphis Housing Project" that was enjoyed a great deal by people who were not familiar with the work being done by such projects.

To acquaint ourselves with "The Family and Its Home" in the city, interesting letters were read from former members, who for the past few years have been making their homes in some of the largest American cities. One was especially interesting from Mrs. Fay Elrod of New York City.

To accentuate "What the City Does to the Church" a true story of the life of a boy and his mother was read by Mrs. Clara Daughy. The life of these two people was lived in three large American cities—Atlanta, Ga., Philadelphia, Penn., and Sacramento, Calif.

"What the Church Does to the City" was given in a playlet written by Miss Mildred Osment. Misses Osment, Leton Adams and Essie Ford presented "Visiting Memphis' City Mission."

Our last session was a beautiful pledge service giving our lives to the Christ who gave his life for us that we might be more worshipful in our churches and labor more strenuously in our cities to help solve the material and spiritual problems of its people.—Myrtle Walker, Supt. of Publicity.

OPPELO AUXILIARY

The Oppelo Society met at the church Wednesday in observance of the Week of Prayer.

Scripture readings were given by Mrs. Darrell Wear and Mrs. Lois Clayton. Prayer by Mrs. A. E. Goode. Mrs. A. E. Goode and Mrs. O. A. Wear discussed "Our Stakes In China," and Mrs. Garland Con- atser told interesting facts about "Sharing the Sufferings of Others." Mrs. Darrell Wear explained about the MacDonell Mission, and the things needed there and an offering was given.

The program closed with sentence prayers led by Mrs. Goode and closed by Mrs. Loid Sadler. There were 22 members present.

The committee appointed to select the characters for the plays to be given soon met after the meeting adjourned.—Mrs. Jas. T. Moore, Publicity Chairman.

CHILDREN'S WORK IN THE LIT- TLE ROCK CONFERENCE

Through the courtesy of the District Secretaries and the District Directors of Children's Work, missionary activities of children were discussed at all of the District Conferences. We feel that there is a better understanding of the cooperative plan and that missionary education is becoming a recognized part in the ongoing program for children. Not only more church schools are taking the definite study of missions, but an increasingly large number, we learn, are having regular week-day or Sunday afternoon sessions.

Since this is the time for the election of new officers, we are urging that every Auxiliary include in the list a Secretary of Children's Work. Please send me the name and address of this person as soon as she is elected, also include her name on the list of all officers that will be sent to your District Secretary.

The special missionary unit will be during January with Brazil as the study, for this reason report blanks will not be sent in December but some time during the latter part of January.

For small churches the materials will be found in Our Little People, Junior Lessons and the Elementary Teacher. For the large church, sep-

arate units, in booklet form, have been prepared and are now available, for Primaries, "A Visiting We Go" by Lina A. Rauschenberg; for Juniors, "Neighbors South," by Una R. Smith.

Additional materials may be had in the January issues of The World Outlook and Boys and Girls and a special Picture Sheet which may be ordered with the units from Whitmore and Smith.

We are sure that more churches will be studying these missionary units than ever before, and if each Auxiliary will return the report blank, we can know what our Little Rock Conference is doing in the missionary education of children and she can take her place along with the first when Miss Dunn makes her report to the Council, which is to meet in Asheville in March.

Let the churches using the Group Graded material remember that you will use the Brazil units as a part of the regular church School lessons and will therefore have a report to make.—Mrs. N. J. Gantt Secretary of Children's Work, Little Rock Conference.

BLEVINS AUXILIARY

The Missionary Society met Monday at the home of Mrs. P. C. Stephens, Jr., with Mrs. Chester E. Stephens hostess. Fourteen members were present.

The program was under the leadership of Mrs. Chester E. Stephens.

Mrs. Alena Smith read the Scripture. The Missionary topic was, "Bridging National and Racial Barriers," and the following parts were given: "Bringing Peace at Home," and "Out of Darkness In China," Mrs. Herbert M. Stephens; "The Light of Good-Will In Japan," Mrs. A. B. Wetherington.

To celebrate the sixtieth anniversary of Women's Work, a brief synopsis of "We Are Sixty" was given by Mrs. H. W. Timberlake.

MOUNTAIN HOME AUXILIARY

At a social meeting of the W. M. S. held Tuesday afternoon, new officers were elected as follows: Mrs. Ben Tilley, president; Mrs. Floyd Baker, vice-president; Mrs. E. M. Gray, corresponding secretary; Mrs. M. C. Gillespie, recording secretary; Mrs. Geo. Higginbotham, treasurer; Mrs. Jim Martin, chairman of work; Mrs. Neil Eastman, Supt. of publicity; Mrs. J. H. Girkin, study leader; Mrs. H. O. Tipton, chairman World Outlook.

A program was given by Mrs. Floyd Baker and Mrs. Ben Tilley, with Mrs. T. H. McClure leading. Hostesses were Mrs. Omar Bucher, Mrs. E. M. Gray and Mrs. Jim Martin and they served lovely refreshments.

SCARRITT REPRESENTATIVE FOR LITTLE ROCK CON- FERENCE

Mrs. W. S. Anderson of Wilmar is our Little Rock Conference representative for Scarritt College and is enthusiastically pressing forward in its interest. Scarritt fills a vital need in our church and the growing demands for its services call for our increased support. Let us give Mrs. Anderson our hearty cooperation. One dollar will make you an associate member and help make possible a greater Scarritt College. Write to Mrs. Anderson for further information and don't forget to send her your dollar for membership.—Mrs. A. C. Millar.

LINCOLN AUXILIARY

The W. M. S. of Lincoln has started the study of the American City Church. Eighteen were present at the first meeting. A survey is being made of the community by Christian Social Relations Committee, hoping some very effective work can be done in regard to our needs locally. Week of Prayer was observed with an all-day meeting November 16. Also the sixtieth anniversary of Women's Work was observed with a program at the church hour Sunday, Nov. 6.

Spiritual life group meetings are being held each Monday morning with good interest and attendance. The meetings started with a group of five women, increasing until we plan to have four Circles at the next meeting. Members of other churches are also taking part.—Mrs. A. D. Norwood.

PARKIN AUXILIARY

Our Society has met regularly during November with fair attendance. The work has gone steadily on. We observed the Week of Prayer and had a nice offering to send in. Several of us attended the Annual Conference at Paragould.

We held election of officers last week, and had only a few changes, most of us serving again. Officers will be installed at Community House Dec. 5, and will have a pot-luck lunch.

Although late in days, we have purchased fans for our church, and have them paid for, so they only need to be installed at beginning of summer.

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ESTHER CASE SOCIETY, BATESVILLE, FIRST CHURCH

The following officers have been elected: President, Mrs. J. Hugh Kennard; vice-president, Mrs. Conner Morehead; corresponding secretary, Miss Vela Jernigan; recording secretary, Mrs. W. P. Jones; treasurer, Mrs. Ben Jernigan; local treasurer, Mrs. J. O. Spencer; Superintendents: Local, Mrs. W. S. Stokes; young women's circle, Mrs. Phil Deal; World Outlook, Mrs. C. V. Butler; baby special, Mrs. Frank Stuart; mission study, Mrs. Capp Shanks; publicity, Mrs. Pane Fiser; Christian social relations, Mrs. I. N. Barnett, Jr.; supplies, Mrs. R. W. Tucker.

TEXARKANA FIRST CHURCH AUXILIARY

The fellowship and council meeting took place Monday when a Harvest Day program was presented.

Items from the Council Bulletin were given.

Mrs. E. B. Coles read the fourth quarterly letter from the Council superintendent of Christian Relations.

Mrs. R. E. Martin gave the Scripture reading and introduced Mrs. L. O. Leet, guest speaker, who gave the devotional on "I Am Thankful."

Mrs. Ernest Bauer presented the Council program on "Bridging National and Racial Barriers." Mrs. Bauer was assisted by Mrs. J. B. Magee and Mrs. W. A. Bengé.

Luncheon was served by the general chairman, Mrs. Martin Watkins, assisted by Mrs. W. F. Covington, Mrs. D. L. Venable, Mrs. J. A. Black, Mrs. I. V. Ferdue, Mrs. C. R. Jones and Mrs. Will Owen.

During luncheon Mrs. J. S. Ragland made a fitting talk on the sixtieth anniversary of the missionary work and gave a birthday offering.

Mrs. A. R. McKinney presided over the business session when reports were given, showing 68 visits to the sick, 64 visits to non-going members and 54 visits to church members.

An average of 65 attended the all-day meetings.

Plans were announced for a reception for the new pastor, when all members of the church will be invited to attend.

One new member was welcomed and several members were reported ill. Mrs. W. F. Meissner presided.

The officers are: Mrs. A. R. McKinney, president; Mrs. Has Owen, vice-president; Mrs. Watson Popling, recording secretary; Mrs. J. R. Wiseman, corresponding secretary; Mrs. D. F. McLaurine, Conference treasurer; Mrs. Herbert Wren, Jr., assistant Conference and local treasurer; Mrs. H. M. Harper, superintendent of Mission study; Miss R. D. Coles, assistant Supt. of Mission study; Miss Kate Cargile, Supt. of Christian social relations; Mrs. Joe Fuqua, Supt. of supplies; Mrs. W. A. Bengé, Supt. of literature and publicity; Mrs. Lynn Smith, Supt. of children's work; Mrs. I. V. Ferdue, Supt. of World Outlook; Mrs. Martin Watkins, Supt. of local work; Mrs. W. F. Covington, Supt. of baby specials.

A vote of thanks was given the nominating committee, composed of Mrs. C. L. Cabe, Mrs. Watson Jopling, Mrs. George Parson and Mrs. E. Lee Tucker.—Mrs. W. A. Bengé, Supt. Publicity.

Christian Education

HAPPENINGS AT HENDRIX COLLEGE

Hendrix talent was well represented and received in several Thanksgiving programs last week. Tuesday night a prominent place on the program of speech and song, sponsored by the Conway Recreation Council, was given to Hendrix musicians. Irish and Welch melodies were rendered by the Violin Quartet—Helen Fisher, Billie Womack, Vivian Steed and Marian Keck; a vocal solo by John Bayliss; and two Marimba solos by Mary Lou Brewer. Conway pastors and musicians from Central College, Arkansas Teachers College, and Conway High School also had part in this patriotic program. This community Thanksgiving celebration attracted a crowded house of appreciative and grateful citizens, grateful for American freedom and peace.

Wednesday Dr. J. M. Williams was guest speaker at the Thanksgiving convocation in Conway High School. Speaking on "Make the Most of What God Has Given You," he told the students they must build themselves physically, mentally and in personality. His witticism made a hit with the audience.

The Hendrix Christian Association prepared a special candlelight Thanksgiving service in the chapel. A feature was a large picture of Christ in a stained-glass gothic-arch window lighted from behind, prepared and painted by Misses Mabel Martin of Warren and Doris Williamson of Russellville. Dr. Greene administered the sacrament, assisted by John Bayliss and Mouzon Mann. The program, led by Joel Cooper of Paragould, included a story told by Byron McKinney of Conway, and music by the String Quartet composed of David R. Robertson and Clarence Isch, violins; Ned Romine, viola; and Marjorie DeLange, cello.

President Reynolds left Friday on a week's trip to New York.

Dr. J. D. Hammons, recently elected vice-president of the college, and Mrs. Hammons were guests of friends in Conway over the weekend. Hendrix College is indeed proud to have added to its administrative staff this distinguished alumnus, who has long been one of the college's truest supporters. They expect to continue residence in Little Rock at 2428 Gaines Street.

Theta Mu sorority entertained sponsors and guests with a dinner party at the home of Miss Erma Alice Hill, Sophomore, Tuesday evening. The guests included Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Sanders, Dr. and Mrs. H. I. Lane, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Buthman, Dr. and Mrs. E. S. Wallace, Miss Vivian Hill, and Miss Myrtle Charles, and Mrs. Mabel Charles Shearin, an alumna living in Oklahoma City.

Dr. Green, vice-president, speaking at chapel on "The Contribution of the Hebrew Race to Civilization" said two of its chief contributions have been "a man and a book, Jesus Christ and the Bible."

Members of the Hendrix Chapter of Alpha Chi, national honor society, met at Dr. Campbell's for a discussion of modern methods in printing. Dr. Campbell, who worked as a printer while a student in school and college, told the history of printing and the operations now required. They visited the Conway

Printing Company, after which they returned to Dr. Campbell's for refreshments and discussion.

Sloan Wayland, Junior and president of the Hendrix Christian Association, attended a meeting of the Southwest Council of Student Christian Associations at Camp Parthenia, a camp near Tulsa, Oklahoma. The Southwest Council includes representatives from Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas. The administrative committee made plans for summer conferences, assemblies and study groups; heard reports of area Councils.

The French Club entertained its new members at the home of Miss Myrtle Charles, Saturday night. A former member, Mary Delia Carrigan of Hope, was a special graduate guest. After dinner French games were played.

The Hendrix Symphony Orchestra, composed of 34 members playing 14 different instruments under the direction of Professor D. R. Robertson, opened its concert season with a varied program in Conway High School Sunday afternoon. Both group and solo parts were enthusiastically received. The same program was presented at Lonoke High School, at DeWitt High School and at Clarendon under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher Association.

Professor R. B. Capel, head of the Department of Speech, and Dr. E. S. Wallace of the Department of Economics started Wednesday with two carloads of Hendrix debaters on a four-day trip of competitions. With Dr. Wallace, Sloan Wayland, Bryan Harris, Mouzon Mann, and Byron Cravens will go to West Tennessee Teachers College, thence to the University of Mississippi, debating twice at each place. With Professor Capel will go Edward Dunlap, Maurice Lanier, Bob Evans, W. P. Hamilton, and John Mann. They will stop first at El Dorado, where Dunlap and Lanier will conduct prayer meeting at First Methodist Church. The next day they will debate twice at Louisiana Polytechnic Institute. Both cars will then go to Jackson, Miss., for a two-day tournament at Millsaps College.—G. A. Simmons.

RIVERVIEW CENTER

Last Friday evening, at the Methodist-sponsored Riverview Community Center in Little Rock, some 88 residents of the surrounding area enjoyed a somewhat belated, but nevertheless very satisfying Thanksgiving dinner. Roast beef, rather than turkey, constituted the entree, it is true; but such fitting dishes as dressing and brown gravy, cranberry sauce, mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes with marshmallows, celery, coffee and hot chocolate caused this feature to pale into insignificance. Although a crowd of only about 60 had been expected, the outlay of nutriment was such that no one in the more-than-capacity crowd had to depart without having consumed adequate sustenance.

Nor was the gastronomical aspect of the occasion alone taken care of in a sumptuous manner. Mr. Mitchell and Mrs. McCormick, members of the Center, provided musical entertainment, while the younger children were engaged in appropriate games immediately after the repast. Mr. T. W. Barrett of the Little Rock Y. M. C. A. presented three talking pictures, the latter two of which were comedies, to close the evening's festivities.

Mrs. W. F. Bates of Pulaski Heights Church, assisted by Mrs. C. R. Waites, had charge of the preparations for the party. Six other members of churches in the city assisted in seeing to it that the affair came off smoothly. The food for the dinner was furnished by the members of the party, by the Senior and Young People's Departments of Winfield Church, and by the several circles of the Missionary Society of the latter institution.

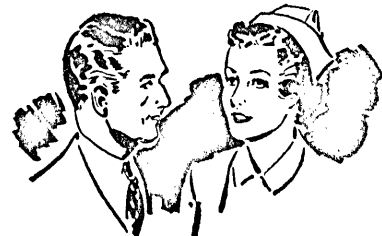
The affair was also the occasion for many getting their first look at the Clinic building, which that day had been moved to the island and placed to the front and south of the Center. This structure is to house the clinic for pre-school children, which every Tuesday afternoon is conducted by Dr. B. R. Briggs of Little Rock for the benefit of the babies of the region. This group is furnished some nourishment every weekday by Mrs. Leta Steiner, house supervisor.

OUR HOME AND FOREIGN MISSION SPECIAL

It will be noted that Mr. Wilkerson's report on Home and Foreign Missionary Offerings for October was one of the best we have had for this cause. Every month, for the entire Conference year closing with the Camden Conference, was better than the corresponding

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month the previous year. Some twenty-five new schools joined this faithful group and sent in fourth Sunday offerings last year. Last Sunday was the first fourth Sunday in the new year. We trust that every school in the Conference will join us in making this 100% this year. If the cold weather last Sunday prevented an offering in some of our schools, we trust that it will be made up and some kind of an offering sent to Mr. Wilkerson before December 24 at which time our books close on November offerings.—Clem Baker.

DISTRICT-WIDE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTES TO BE HELD IN DECEMBER

The first big district-wide gathering for the new year in Little Rock Conference, will be the district Educational Institutes, which were set by the recent session of the Conference as follows:

Little Rock District, at First Church, Dec. 7.

Pine Bluff District, at First Church, Pine Bluff, Dec. 8.

Monticello District, at Dermott, Dec. 9.

Camden District, at Camden, December 13.

Texarkana District, at First Church, Texarkana, Dec. 14.

Prescott District, at Prescott, December 15.

Arkadelphia District, at Arkadelphia, Dec. 16.

In all these districts, except Camden, the meeting will begin at ten a. m. and continue until three p. m. Where convenient, the Presiding Elders will arrange for the local Missionary Societies to provide a twenty-five cent lunch. The Presiding Elders will be in charge of these meetings. The program will be arranged by each Presiding Elder and his staff. The whole program for Christian Education for each district will be launched. Special emphasis will be given to the new program for Hendrix College. Participating on the program, in addition to the Presiding Elder and his staff, will be: Dr. J. D. Hammons, Dr. C. M. Reeves, Mr. J. S. M. Cannon, Rev. Arthur Terry, Miss Fay McRae, a young minister from Hendrix College and Clem Baker. We want just as many people as possible present at these meetings, including all pastors, all general superintendents, divisional superintendents of the Church School, all presidents of the Woman's Missionary Societies, and all chairmen of Boards of Christian Education, together with just as many representative young people and adults as can come. Presiding Elder Leland Clegg will announce the hour for his meeting in the Camden District on Tuesday, December 13. It is possible that his meeting will be held at night, but the Elder will advise local pastors.—Clem Baker.

CARROLL COUNTY YOUNG PEOPLE

The young people of Carroll County met Monday at the Methodist church at Eureka Springs, and about 60 young people attended. The Eureka Springs group gave a Thanksgiving program and devotional, followed by a business meeting and installation of officers. W. A. Downum of Berryville, Conference director of Young People, also director of the Fayetteville District, was in charge.—Reporter of Berryville Young People.

PARENTS AND CHURCH MEMBERSHIP OF CHILDREN

This all important theme will be emphasized in the February issue of the *Christian Home*. Special helps will be furnished to parents showing how they may work with pastors and teachers in the church school in preparing their children for becoming intelligent and active members in the church. Sample copies of this issue can be secured by writing to Editorial Department, General Board of Christian Education, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tennessee.

THE BRAZIL UNITS For the Small Church

The small church which uses group graded lessons—that is, pupil's materials found in *Our Little People* and *Junior Lessons*, and teachers' helps found in *The Elementary Teacher*, will discover by turning to those periodicals that the lesson material provided for January, 1939, is on Brazil. The missionary unit provided for primary children was written by Lina A. Rauschenberg, and is found in the January issue of *The Elementary Teacher* and in the January folders, *Our Little People*, and is entitled "Luiza Visits Her Grandmother in

Brazil." The missionary unit provided for junior children in small churches was written by Edith Kent Battle and is found in *Junior Lessons* and in the January issue of *The Elementary Teacher*, and is entitled "Finding Friends in Brazil." Those who use this regular group graded literature will not need the units in separate booklet form described below. However, these booklets—even though they are prepared for use in larger churches—contain a wealth of material and suggestions which can undoubtedly enrich the missionary units found in group graded lessons.

For the Large Church

Because of the fact that closely graded lessons are prepared interdenominationally to be used over a period of years, it was impossible for us to write into these lessons the units on Brazil. Separate units, in booklet form, have therefore been provided for use in churches using closely graded courses. The booklets for January are entitled *A Visiting We Will Go* (for primaries), by Lina A. Rauschenberg, and *Neighbors South* (juniors), by Una R. Smith. They sell for 25 cents each, and may be purchased from the Methodist Publishing House,

Nashville, Dallas, or Richmond. They will be ready for sale around November 15. Each teacher and each superintendent in the Primary and Junior Departments should have a copy of the primary or junior unit, as the case may be. Some teachers in Junior Departments have found it helpful to have at least one extra copy of the junior unit for each class so that more material will be available for the use of the boys and girls in their research work.—World Friendship Bulletin.

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NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY OFFERINGS; ANNUAL REPORT, 1937-38

Batesville District	
Central Avenue	\$ 86.84
Batesville, First	200.00
Bethesda	6.85
Cushman	29.63
Calico Rock	18.74
Cotter	47.20
Gassville	14.06
Desha	9.15
McHue	1.57
Salado	6.99
Evening Shade	7.83
Sidney	3.00
Melbourne	15.30
Wiseman	4.50
Mountain Home	6.00
Mt. View	12.00
Moorefield	35.99
Newark	25.20
Newport	67.66
Umsted Memorial	10.00
Oak Grove	12.06
Salem	12.00
Alicia	3.50
Tuckerman	39.04
Viola	6.56
Weldon	42.70
Yellville	6.00
Total	\$730.37

Conway District	
Atkins	\$ 40.00
Belleville	5.13
Havana	5.86
Conway	100.00
Danville	31.59
Dardanelle	42.78
Bluffton	2.22
Centerville	4.95
Greenbrier	10.13
Bigelow	1.20
Lamar	1.00
Knoxville	4.00
Levy	7.86
Morrilton	15.87
North Little Rock, First	72.52
Gardner Memorial	37.27
Washington Avenue	14.85
Oppelo	3.00
Perry	5.00
Perryville	7.00
Plainview	5.00
Russellville	60.00
Vilonia	17.81
Mt. Carmel	10.90
Lanty	1.55
Total	\$507.49

Fayetteville District	
Bentonville	\$ 51.95
Berryville	10.83
Centeron	45.89
Oakley's Chapel	9.02
Council Grove	10.51
Cincinnati	4.10
Elm Springs	13.31
Thornberry	2.69
Harmon	17.76
Eureka Springs	38.06
Farmington	1.65
Fayetteville	174.60
Gentry	11.21
Gravette	6.85
Decatur	9.00
Green Forest	12.00
Alpena	5.50
Huntsville	6.00
Lincoln	12.00
Viney Grove	6.00
Morrow	9.93
Pea Ridge	7.70
Avoca	15.29
Tuck's Chapel	2.51
Prairie Grove	42.80
Rogers	61.41
Siloam Springs	47.41
Springdale	81.21
Springtown	24.90
Highfill	2.15
Winslow	23.91
Camp Oquoyah	11.07
Total	\$779.22

Fort Smith District	
Alma	\$ 19.81
Mulberry	13.43
Altus	2.00
Gar Creek	8.61
Booneville	60.00
Ratcliff	7.50
Charleston	3.00
Clarksville	72.00
Mt. Olive	.70
Fort Smith, First	187.74
Dodson Avenue	76.97
Second Church	18.00
Midland Heights	26.00
Greenwood	22.75
Hackett	4.00
Bethel	3.00
Bonanza	5.45
Hartford	12.00
Huntington	24.14
Hartman	10.17
Spadra	7.61
Hays Chapel	6.00
Mt. Zion	5.49
Kibler	2.23
Mt. View	15.40
New Hope	21.10
Central	5.50
Oak Grove	1.00
Lavaca	4.50
Mansfield	27.82
Magazine	3.00

Ozark	34.42
Grenada Chapel	9.00
Paris	88.00
Prairie View	3.00
Scranton	6.00
New Blaine	1.20
McKendree	1.20
Pioneer Memorial	.60
South Fort Smith	12.00
Barling	2.50
Van Buren, First	47.89
East Van Buren	13.00
City Heights	12.00
Waldron	24.00
Mt. Pleasant	5.64
Square Rock	9.36
Total	\$946.73

Helena District	
Aubrey	\$ 6.02
Brinkley	18.01
Clarendon	33.84
Crawfordsville	25.15
Colt	4.58
Wesley's Chapel	8.30
Earle	36.20
Melwood	6.00
Forrest City	60.00
Harrisburg	24.00
Haynes	9.00
LaGrange	5.27
Lexa	9.25
Helena, First	100.00
Holly Grove	56.12
Hughes	32.50
Hulbert	26.18
West Memphis	48.32
Marianna	22.93
Parkin	24.12
Cherry Valley	20.49
Vann Dale	18.66
Hickory Ridge	18.49
Brasfield	6.00
Salem	1.60
Widener	21.90
Wynne	24.00
Total	\$666.93

Jonesboro District	
Blytheville, First	\$100.00
Lake Street	4.88
Promised Land	9.07
Yarbro	20.18
Trinity	4.00
Bono	5.78
Fifty-Six	3.00
Mt. Carmel	2.00
Brookland	5.50
Pine Log	2.50
Pleasant Grove	2.15
Forest Home	2.00
New Haven	2.26
Dell	11.11
Half Moon	6.00
Dyess	6.00
Joiner	26.57
Jonesboro, First	100.00
Fisher Street	42.65
Huntington Avenue	24.00
Lake City	12.00
Caraway	4.50
Pleasant Valley	1.59
Leachville	32.41
Lepanto	30.00
Keiser	24.32
Luxora	27.45
Manila	28.53
Marion	98.10
Marked Tree	48.00
Macey	12.60
Monette	36.00
Black Oak	30.00
Nettleton	18.00
Bay	1.00
Osceola	28.00
Trumann	36.00
Tyronza	8.00
Wilson	20.00
Rehobeth Chapel	.85
Total	\$877.00

Paragould District	
Biggers	\$ 5.90
Corning	20.14
Gainesville	5.17
Camden	4.86
Ravenden Springs	31.06
Hoxie	5.95
Portia	4.75
Imboden	6.56
Knobel	1.00
Warren's Chapel	20.40
Mammoth Spring	1.00
Hurricane	13.15
Marmaduke	1.50
Harvey Chapel	135.68
Paragould, First	50.20
Paragould East Side	1.64
Bard	3.23
Pruitt's Chapel	56.94
Piggott	61.63
Pocahontas	4.53
Attica	30.00
Rector	2.00
Lynn	1.00
Cummins Chapel	7.00
Mt. Zion	12.00
Pollard	30.83
Walnut Ridge	7.75
Old Walnut Ridge	525.87
Total	\$525.87

Searcy District	
Antioch	\$ 7.32
Augusta	41.44
Beebe	58.86
Bald Knob	16.89
Austin	14.98
Jacksonville	12.00
Cabot	41.27
Cato	.66
Clinton	19.80
Cotton Plant	51.19

Revel	6.12
Ellis Chapel	5.40
Griffithville	9.06
Higginson	9.27
Harrison	51.35
Heber Springs	71.98
Hunter	24.05
White Hall	2.08
Bradford	17.10
Leslie	8.92
McCrory	65.09
Patterson	9.33
Copperas	3.50
Lebanon	1.04
McRae	28.96
Section	8.75
Garner	10.11
Cross Roads	1.78
Pangburn	16.24
Oak Grove	4.34
Mt. Pisgah	5.10
Central	3.33
Goodloe	1.29
New Hope	2.22
Enders	4.35
Mt. Pleasant	10.32
Quitman	30.49
Smyrna	10.39
Searcy	60.00
Bellefonte	1.61
Basen	4.91
Valley View	2.52
Valley Springs	15.58
Total	\$770.87

Standing by Districts	
Fort Smith	\$ 946.73
Jonesboro	877.00
Fayetteville	779.22
Searcy	770.87
Batesville	730.37
Helena	666.93
Paragould	525.87
Conway	507.49
Grand Total	\$5,804.48

Note: Our Conference during the Conference year just closed shows a gain of \$516.79 over the offerings of the Conference year 1936-'37. The offerings for the new conference year should reach a total of \$6,000.00. —Ira A. Brumley.

HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY OFFERINGS, LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE, FOR OCTOBER

Arkadelphia District	
Magnet	\$.60
Butterfield	.40
Hollywood	.75
Mt. Olivet	1.00
Leola	1.00
Dalark	1.38
Mt. Zion	1.18
Bethlehem (2 mos.)	3.57
Princeton	1.19
Macedonia	1.68
Oaklawn	3.00
Midway	1.50
Tulip	.35
Carthage	2.00
Point View	.44
Waverly	.18
First Church, Hot Springs	7.50
Manchester	1.74
Traskwood	.45
Oaklawn	5.00
Sparkman (4 mos.)	2.25
Tigert (2 mos.)	2.00
Arkadelphia	10.00
Malvern (Ch's Div.)	3.88
Benton (Conf. Year)	5.00
Total	\$ 58.04

Camden District	
Mt. Prospect	\$.66
Stephens	2.00
Fairview	2.00
Harmony (2 mos.)	.90
Marysville (3 mos.)	2.79
New Hope (2 mos.)	1.45
Silver Springs	1.60
Sharon (2 mos.)	.87
Camden	15.00
First Church, El Dorado	30.00
Norphlet	2.00
Thornton (2 mos.)	3.36
Harrell	1.50
Magnolia (3 mos.)	15.00
Parker's Chapel	3.77
Strong	1.80
Fredonia	2.25
Centennial	2.84
Fredonia	3.27
Total	\$ 93.06

Little Rock District	
Capitol View	\$ 2.46
New Hope (3 mos.)	3.00
Roland	.67
Pulaski Heights (2 mos.)	20.00
Pepper's Lake	.79
Carlisle (12 mos.)	24.00
First Church, Little Rock	24.56
Hickory Plains	1.32
Keo (3 mos.)	3.00
Douglasville (2 mos.)	4.00
Hunter Memorial	3.86
Mt. Zion (12 mos.)	2.50
Smyrna (12 mos.)	2.50
Geyer Springs	1.00
28th Street	2.50
Winfield (12 mos.)	100.00
DeVall's Bluff	1.00
Total	\$197.16

Monticello District	
Hermitage (2 mos.)	\$ 2.30
Watson	1.00
Eudora	8.89
Crossett (2 mos.)	10.11

Wilmar	2.33
Fountain Hill	1.50
Jersey	.46
Rock Springs	1.12
New Edinburg	1.26
Warren (12 mos.)	25.00
Banks (12 mos.)	3.00
Watson	1.00
Monticello (12 mos.)	36.17
Winchester (Conf. Year)	12.00
Newton's Chapel (Conf. Year)	6.15
Portland (Conf. Year)	31.00
Parkdale	1.77
Total	\$145.06

Pine Bluff District	
Bethel (3 mos.)	\$ 1.05
Poyen	.35
Redfield	.53
New Hope	.53
Faith (2 mos.)	.50
Union (Rowell Ct.)	.70
Sherrill	2.00
Tucker	1.47
Rison	2.00
Ulm	.84
Campshed	1.00
Swan Lake	.40
Center	.50
Sheridan	2.00
Roe (3 mos.)	3.47
Humphrey	.71
Gould	1.65
Gillett (3 mos.)	3.00
Lakeside	11.40
Glendale	.56
Scott's	.25
Bethel	.25
Hunter's	.25
Shiloh	.25
Crockett's	.25
DeLuce	.63
Brewer	15.50
First Church, P. B.	1.00
St. Charles (2 mos.)	.92
Prairie Union	6.42
Grady (2 mos.)	1.00
White Hall	1.00
Hawley	.24
Bonner's	1.56
Altheimer	64.42
Total	\$ 64.42

Prescott District	
Prescott	\$ 3.00
Emmet (2 mos.)	4.62
Bierne (3 mos.)	1.50
Bingen	.50
Doyle	.90
Mineral Springs	2.86
Blevins	2.50
McCaskill	1.00
Nashville	5.50
St. Paul (3 mos.)	3.00
Holly Grove	.25
Delight	2.00
Murfreesboro	6.00
Sallie	1.98
Center Grove (2 mos.)	2.23
Total	\$ 38.84

Texarkana District	
Mena	\$ 5.00
Wofford's (2 mos.)	.50
Sylvana	.64
Stamps	1.76
Olive Branch	3.88
Cherry Hill	.41
Rock Hill	2.07
Lockesburg	1.50
Richmond	1.01
Bradley (6 mos.)	12.84
Horatio	1.85
Dierks (12 mos.)	5.00
Stamps	4.01
Vandervoort	.94
Lewisville (3 mos.)	12.26
Wickes	1.50
Oak Hill	.35
Allene	.42
Old Cove	.50
DeQueen (12 mos.)	20.00
Stamps	3.77
Fairview (3 mos.)	5.00
Total	\$ 85.21

Offerings by Districts	
Arkadelphia District	\$ 58.04—25 schools
Camden District	93.06—19 schools
Little Rock District	197.16—17 schools
Monticello District	145.06—17 schools
Pine Bluff District	64.42—35 schools
Prescott District	38.84—15 schools
Texarkana District	85.21—22 schools
—C. K. Wilkerson, Treas.	

HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY OFFERINGS

Young People's Organization Little Rock Conference for November

Camden District	
Smackover	\$ 2.00
Norphlet	1.00
Vantrease Sr.	1.00
Vantrease Int.	.50
Centennial	.50
Fordyce	3.00
Junction City (2 mos.)	.90
Fredonia	2.50
Total	\$11.40

Little Rock District	
Primrose	\$ 1.25
Monticello District	
Crossett (2 mos.)	\$ 3.63
Grand Total	\$16.28
—Mrs. R. A. Thomas, Treas.	

Every layman should read Anderson's History of Arkansas Methodism.

The Laymen's Forum

J. L. VERHOEFF, Editor
Address: 1018 Scott St.

Methodists of Arkansas during the past twelve months contributed \$1,228,535 to the churches in the Little Rock and North Arkansas Conferences.

That figure represents an income of \$12,285,000 a year for Methodists living in the state, if we assume that those who contributed tithed. If what the Methodists of Arkansas give to their church is less than a tithe, their importance as an economic factor in the state increases rather than decreases.

The official reports from the two Conferences held last month in Camden and Paragould reflect that Southern Methodists in Arkansas now number 152,099 with 6,155 members received during the past year. Considering only the number of new members, it indicates that interest in the Church is not at a low ebb, as some would have us believe.

It seems that the Methodists have something to show for their money, too. The Conference records reflect that the total value of the church's real estate in Arkansas is \$11,095,506, which gives each member an equity of around \$75. Does that indicate that the church is a dying institution?

There are 895 church structures in the two Conferences and they are valued at \$6,455,229 with an indebtedness of \$538,748. A total of 343 parsonages is valued at \$726,855. Homes for the 15 presiding elders increase the value of church property \$89,500. Add to this total \$851,500 representing an investment in a hospital, \$782,422 in a college, and \$100,000 in an orphanage and you have a brief word picture of the physical plant of the Methodist Church in Arkansas.

Finance committee workers sometimes find a Methodist who wants to be "just an average member" when it comes to giving, instead of giving out of the bigness of his, or her heart. Various surveys indicate that not more than one out of every three members is active in the Church. Assuming this conclusion is correct, we find that the average Methodist pays approximately 50 cents a week to his church, or to be exact, \$24.60 annually. That figure stacks up in rather liberal fashion when we compare it with other statistics which reflect that the income for the average family in America is around \$750 a year.

Methodist ministers and presiding elders in Arkansas are paid salaries of \$481,485 a year, an average of \$2,250 for each of the 300 ministers and 15 presiding elders.

Inactive church members, who might chance to read this, should be reminded that 851 Sunday Schools are operated in Arkansas by Methodists for any and all who care to come next Sunday, or each Sunday year after year. These Church Schools have an enrollment of 108,788 and are manned by 9,840 teachers and officers who give their services week after week to this important branch of the church's

CHURCH NEWS

CENTERTON-SPRINGTOWN

We are finding a good spirit among all our people as we begin the new year.

Springtown has already paid the Conference Claims in full, the first week after Conference.

This is our seventh year at Centerton and the second year on the Springtown half of the charge.—Irl Bridenthal, P. C.

LINCOLN

In appreciation of the Christian activities of the young people, a group of fifty were entertained with a social and banquet plate.

Church School had an enrollment of 90 members with good average attendance and much interest shown. A work program is being carried out with members donating time and material. Two coats of paint are being applied to the outside of the building, water being piped into the church, screens being rebuilt for class rooms, and general repairs being made.

Rev. B. A. McKnight is our new pastor. In the absence of our former pastor, Rev. Jeff Smith, who enrolled in the S. M. University in September, Rev. Walter Dillon, pastor of First M. E. Church has been serving us part time.

A well-rounded program is being carried out in the church generally and we are looking forward to a good year.—Reporter.

ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE

I attended the sessions of both Conferences in our state, one at Paragould and one at Camden and they were great Conferences. Bishop Selecman presided with satisfaction and all fell in love with him as an administrator.

We are very busy at the Orphanage. Our friends made it possible for us to have a good Thanksgiving dinner for our family and all seems to be moving well.

The Little Rock Conference committed itself to \$6,000 for the Christmas Offering and we very much appreciate this as they will pay it. Generally all of the amounts allocated to each charge are paid in full plus. We have a great set of preachers.

The North Arkansas Conference, I am sure, will make the best report they have ever made on the Christmas Offering this year.

program for the advancement of Christianity.

T. S. Buzbee, Little Rock attorney and a leader among Methodist laymen, knew whereof he spoke when he said to his Sunday School class: "We should get it out of our heads that the Church is a poor neglected institution. It is alive, growing and accomplishing great things. The Church today is not a failure; it is the biggest, best and fastest growing institution in the world."

Methodists will find the outlook most encouraging when they add to their own progress the programs of other Protestant churches of Arkansas and realize that the Christian program within the state involves an expenditure of upwards of \$5,000,000 and includes the services of some 25,000 to 50,000 volunteer workers.

Today we accepted three children from Marmaduke, thus relieving a very pitiful situation.

We are looking forward to the Christmas Offering and we believe that every preacher in the state will do better this year than ever before on this offering. Our faith is strong and our needs are great.

With love for all, I am,
Yours truly, James Thomas, Executive Secretary.

MEETING OF APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE OF BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION

The Appropriations Committee of the Board of Church Extension of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will hold its second meeting for the fiscal year closing March 31, 1939, in the Church Extension Building, 1115 Fourth Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky, Wednesday, January 11, 1939, at 9:00 a. m. All applications must be approved by the Conference Board of Church Extension and in the office of the General Board on or before January 5. No application will be entered on the calendar after this date.—T. D. Ellis, Secretary.

THE CONFERENCE AT PARAGOULD

I am at home safe and sound by the good grace of my dear P. E., who took me to the Conference and back. I owe a debt of gratitude I'll never be able to pay. Our magnetic Bishop Selecman was full of the old-time heartfelt religion, and it emanated from his mouth and eyes, and scattered itself all over the Conference congregations. It was the most religious Conference I have attended since the days of Kavanaugh, Pierce, Keefer, Hoss and Candler and some others. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His Holy Name.

On our way home Bro. Morehead said, "Brother Jernigan, I want one thousand converts on the District this year and I want you to help us." Preachers and laymen of a grand old district, go to your knees, and stay there like old Jacob did until you prevail with God, as he did, and then you will prevail with men. The best and biggest sermons any of us can preach won't preach the old and young sinners out of their homes and into our congregations, but a pastoral visit to their

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home, prayer, song, and the reading of God's Word will get hold of them and bring them to the church and then we have somebody to preach to. Back, back to the people! If "the mountain won't go to Mohamet, let Mahomet go to the mountain." The home is our filling station. It's our commissary. It's our recruiting office. Let us go to school again to the Holy Ghost College and get our degree of S. W. (Soul Winner). The Good Book says something like this, "The Holy Ghost teacheth." We are filled up with "human teaching," to which I make no objection, if the human teaching is taught by the Holy Ghost. Let me teach the head and the Holy Ghost teach the heart, and you have team work, and as a negro preacher said to me once, "You kin pull more wid two hosses dan you kin wid one." Amen! Hallelujah! God bless you all!—James F. Jernigan.

LOYALTY DAY AT FIRST CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK

Sunday, Dec. 4, is Loyalty Day. At this time the members of the church will be given opportunity to express their loyalty to the program of the church by voluntarily making a pledge for its support. At 10:45, Dr. Watts will preach on "The Divine Presence." From 2 to 5 in the afternoon every member is asked to come to the church to make a pledge to the church budget for the year 1938-1939. In assuming the responsibility of voluntarily making your subscription you are placing the duty where it belongs, on you alone. Every member will welcome this opportunity to express his loyalty to his church. The occasion offers opportunity for fellowship and to get acquainted with many of our members. The ladies of the Woman's Missionary Society will serve refreshments. Dr. and Mrs. C. M. Reves, Dr. and Mrs. H. Bascom Watts, Mr. and Mrs. John Summers, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Burden, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Petway, Miss Sue Medlock, Miss Kathleen Keenzel, and other officials will make up the informal receiving line. Make your plans today to attend this annual occasion.—C. R. Hozendorf, Assistant Pastor.

WHY LOCK DOORS?

Friday evening I was invited out to dinner. My husband being away at Conference, I did the unusual thing and locked the house both front and back doors to make sure no one could be inside when I returned and had to go into the house alone. A short time after we had eaten the evening meal, the phone rang. My neighbor was calling, saying that someone had come who was very anxious to get in touch with me. I came straight home. Found the house dark and locked as I had left it. I unlocked the door and turned on the light, and this house was full of people. I do not see how so many folk could get into one little house, especially when the door was locked. They began singing a song of welcome to me composed by Mrs. John Dixon. We played games, and then there appeared before me something that looked like a snow covered mountain. I removed the cover, and what do you suppose it was? A shower for me. I had to pinch myself to be sure I was not dreaming. I was not intending to get married any more; nor was I expecting a baby. Well,

there was everything a preacher's wife would want to make her pretty, to keep her nose clean, things for the house and things to eat. The best part about it was my husband was away and he could not claim a bit of it. And he had better not let me catch him wearing any of my things either.

The people here at Primrose have been so good to my husband, my daughter and myself that there is just nothing left for Old Santa Claus to bring. So if any of you see him, tell him that he need not stop at our house at all.

If you have not been in the habit of locking your doors, just try it once. I kinda like for people to break into my house.—Mrs. M. W. Miller.

A NEW QUARTERLY CONFERENCE QUESTION AND A GOOD ONE

The 1938 Discipline of our Church, recently published, contains new words in paragraph number 110, which should serve to reduce the number of inactive and "lost" members of our church rolls. The additional words to the quarterly conference's questions which must be answered by the pastor's report call for the reporting of the "(c) names of members who are now residing within the bounds of another charge whose names have been reported to the pastor of the charge, or presiding elder of the district, where they now reside; (d) names of members of other charges who now reside within the bounds of this charge that have been reported."

The responsibility placed upon the pastor by the Discipline is no different from that intended in requiring pastors to report to other pastors the names of members of their churches moving out of their charges, which has been in paragraph 171 for many, many years, as follows: "Notice of the removal of a member shall be sent to the pastor of the charge, or to the presiding elder of the district, into which the member shall remove." But not having to report these names to his quarterly conference the pastor has often forgotten to send notice to his fellow pastors and many of his church members moving to a new community, and not having been visited by a Methodist pastor have lost contact with the church unless they were mighty good members. This new quarterly conference question will help each pastor to check upon the thoroughness of his work.

Then, too, there is the other side of this matter. The pastor must report to his conference the names of Methodists living within the bounds of his charge who have their certificates in other charges and whose names have been reported to him by other pastors. With these names written into the record the pastor will have the minutes of his conference to remind him of those he should see about the transferring of their memberships, and the reading of their names at quarterly conference should result in some laymen visiting the new Methodists in the community.

In writing their reports for the fourth quarterly conference this year pastors will include answers to this new part of question number 110 and their answers at this and subsequent conferences should be a means by which many of our members will be saved from becoming "lost" or inactive.—Warren Roberts in Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

METHODIST CULTURE AND THE CHURCH PRESS

What is Methodist culture? Perhaps there are those who will say, "It isn't." Whether there is or is not a Methodist culture may be open to discussion, but certainly the processes through which such culture may be had admit of no argument.

In the first place, a cultured Methodist is one who has had a definite Christian experience. No amount of reading or knowledge, whether of the Bible, church history, the church press, or anything else, can take the place of this one essential.

In the second place, he is one who has a fair knowledge of the Bible. "The Holy Scripture containeth all things necessary to salvation," so it will be found helpful to know what the Scripture saith.

In the third place, he is one who has a fair knowledge of Methodist history. One could not expect to be a cultured citizen and be ignorant of his country history. No more could one be a cultured Methodist and remain in ignorance of the glorious history of Methodism.

Finally, one cannot be a cultured Methodist and be ignorant of the program and activities within organized Methodism. Through her Conferences Methodism has developed a great Connectional institution. Every local church has some part in all the far-flung connectional interests of the Church. Many Methodists do not know what is going on within the organization outside their local church, and, alas! many do not know what the local church is doing. Many Methodists do not know where and for what purpose money contributed for benevolences is used.

What avenues, then, are open to one who would acquire this final essential? Whatever may be said in favor of various sources of information, nothing can take the place of the church press.

The Nashville Christian Advocate, general organ of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is a paper which no Methodist can be without except at the expense of his maximum usefulness to his Church. This is especially true in the case of stewards and other local officials. Stewards should be able to answer pertinent questions of the membership relating to different phases of local and connectional activities of the Church. This knowledge will be of great aid to the steward in his contacts with the membership.

Certainly, then, every pastor and the chairman of official boards should make an earnest effort to place the Advocate in the hands of every steward and local church official. Let true Methodist culture prevail in our local churches.—J. S. M. Cannon in Christian Advocate.

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LOSING THE POWER TO CHOOSE

One difference between present-day amusements and those of my yesterdays is that I'm not allowed to choose my fun as much as I once was.

The picture show has considered the mass mind, but for that very reason it can't bother about the likes and dislikes of even so important an individual as I think I am.

And that's true of the radio. I have to take what's on the air, and there's no help for it. Of course, I can shop around the dial, and select what program seems to me most interesting. But tuning out what I don't like is no more than a negative sort of choosing.

This is becoming a familiar fact in many other forms of amusement and relaxation. Our range of choice is constantly narrowing, and we are less and less inclined to invent our own pastimes.

I wonder if all this isn't having some influence on what we sometimes flatteringly call our will power. In this can, carton, and package era, though we have access to far more variety than we once did, the opportunity to live our own lives is distinctly less than it was.

And we may be growing content with our comfortable, trouble-free days. We may be developing a sort of passive consent to being so efficiently served by the electric switch, the can opener, the radio dial, and the bookstore's list of best sellers.

But we'd better look out. In the most important business of life, we still need will, decision, the desire and the power to choose. And we can't afford to weaken these faculties.

"Choose!" said Joshua. "Choose!" said Elijah. "Choose!" said John the Baptist.

And as for our Lord himself, He does not call us by crowds; He does not ask us to answer with one voice and one united gesture of loyalty. He says, "Whosoever will!"

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Crime and Your Home

(Extracts from address by J. Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C., before convention of General Federation of Women's Clubs, May 17, 1938.)

"The women of the world, and particularly the women of America, have always reflected a zealous desire to live upon a higher plane than has currently existed. The spirit of Motherhood is the motivating factor behind this desire. It has been truly said that 'the hand that rocks the cradle rules the world.' Where the women of a community inculcate, by precept and example, the highest ideals of ethical living, these communities have progressed and life within their borders has brought peace and happiness. In those communities where the women have been indifferent to the high duty of inspiring their children, sweethearts, brothers, and husbands to better things, conditions have rapidly deteriorated and ultimate moral chaos has been the result."

"Nothing can exceed in influence upon mankind the vitalizing and idealizing effect of uplifting home life. All other civilized institutions remain of minor importance. This applies to the church, the school, and any and every community endeavor, since they are but the reflections of the homes they serve. When the moral force that emanates from the home loses its efficacy, there is little for which we may hope."

"It is also true that the home suffers most and worst from the evils that follow in the wake of crime. The subversive forces of lawlessness strike first and hardest at the home. I am not referring to monetary losses, although these are sufficiently serious to warrant some attention. Each man, woman and child in America pays an annual crime bill of nearly \$120. Each home is threatened by an army of lawlessness numbering over 4,500,000 criminals."

"Think of the millions of mothers whose lives were saddened and crushed by these 4,500,000 sons and daughters who prove recreant to the high hopes, that greeted their entry upon their earthly careers—shattered hopes, broken hearts, grief and sorrow for the mothers of these individuals, and suffering and terror for the mothers of those who became their victims. They carried grief and sorrow every 22 seconds into some home last year by the commission of nearly 1,500,000 major crimes, such as murder, manslaughter, robbery, burglary and aggravated assault."

"No home in this broad land of ours is free from the hourly menace of the racketeer, from the constant threat of the overlords of debauchery, from the ceaseless guerrilla warfare waged by the cohorts of crime against the law-abiding men, women and children of our communities."

"Communities are simply groups of families. Cities and countries are groups of communities, all resting upon the home as the common base. Criminals are developed in our homes through errors of commission or omission. The responsibility is primarily that of the mothers. From the doorstep of the American home must come the ultimate solution of the crime problem."

"... In the community we find conditions which tend to break

down the character-building that has been successfully applied in the home. We find that the youth who has been reared with a full knowledge of ethical values and the distinctive, eternal difference between right and wrong meets companions who have adopted lawlessness as a vocation. During the past year 18% of the persons arrested were under 21 years of age. They, however, accounted for 13% of the murderers, 28% of robbers, 42% of burglars, 30% of thieves, 50% of car thieves, and 24% of the rapists arrested in our United States. These youths are the living examples of neglected home training, and the failure of society to properly meet its obligations to the younger generation."

"... Society in many of its manifestations seems to have entered into a conspiracy to handicap and shackle the officers of law enforcement engaged in attempting to enforce the laws of our country and properly protect peaceful, law-abiding citizens. The case files of any law enforcement agency are so replete with instances of this kind that it would take hours to reflect upon them. A specific case is that of a chief of police who was relegated to the parolling of a beat on the outskirts of a city simply because he did his duty and would not follow the dictates of a venal political boss. Another chief of police received orders to desist from his endeavors to close dens of vice and debauchery. He was forced to resign. How can youth be taught to respect law and order when the very symbols of constituted authority are openly violated?"

"... The indifference with which many of our people view the crime situation is the greatest possible obstacle to the attainment of law enforcement ideals. Suppose, any one of my audience should find on his or her doorstep in the morning a man, lying in a pool of blood, with his head practically blown off by racketeering shotguns of gangdom. This horrible sight would probably remain with the ordinary, peaceful, law-abiding citizen for a life time. ... Yet, every newspaper portrays more or less graphically similar incidents, and they are read in the same superficial, somewhat apathetic manner with which we view an unexciting movie. America must be awakened to the full realization of the horrible significance of lawlessness, and once America is aroused, crime will meet its Waterloo."

"The crime problem could be solved overnight if the women of the country resolved that it should and must be solved."

"On two battlefields we need the active assistance of the women of the country—in the home and in civic life. The more important of these is still the home. In the home can be instilled those ideals of conduct, primarily imparted by example, that will make our future citizens law-abiding, law-respecting, law-venerating—a credit to themselves, an honor to their families, and a glory to their country. In civic life there can be developed a definitely higher form of civic responsibility so that the laws of our country may be efficiently enforced."

"The field of the home preeminently belongs to the women. There can be enunciated those lessons in constructive discipline which seem so sadly lacking in these modern times in which the exotic flower of

expressionism has run riot. We are told that our children must express themselves, but it means only too often that they must express the viler phases of their individual natures which should be definitely and eternally repressed. We can have no expression of our higher qualifications unless the lower, conflicting elements are repressed by discipline."

"Discipline, in my opinion, is more and more the need of the modern home. Either you will teach your children discipline or the world will teach them discipline in ways that will be destructive of their individual happiness. You have no choice—either they will learn discipline at home, or they will learn it from an antagonistic environment."

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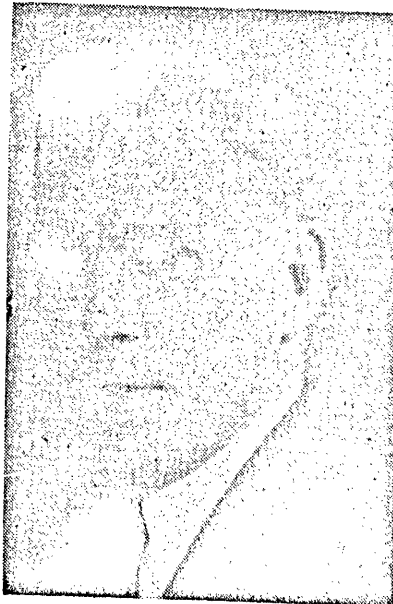
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General Missionary Council At San Antonio

The General Missionary Council will hold its next session at San Antonio, Texas, January 3-6, 1939. It has been designated as the Unification session of the Council, and missionary and other leaders from the other two branches of Methodism in Unification will appear on the program.

The General Missionary Council is the outstanding annual gathering of the Church. While it has a membership made up of the officers of the General and Annual Conference Boards of Missions, its programs have always been inspirational in nature and have attracted throngs of people from all over the country, especially in the territory adjacent to the city where the meeting is held. The Aldersgate session at Savannah last year was attended by more than 2,000 Methodists. Inasmuch as the leading topics of interest among all American Methodists next year will be the completion of Unification, it is believed the Unification session at San Antonio will be equally well attended.

The public program will begin on the night of Tuesday, January 3, with addresses on "United Methodism and the Conquest of the World," by Bishop John M. Moore and Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes, the Chairmen of the Commissions on Unification of the two Churches. On the morning of January 4, the missionary history and the present missionary situation in the three contracting Churches, will be the subject of addresses delivered by Dr. Paul N. Garber of Duke University, Dr. W. E. Shaw, Missionary Secretary of the M. E. Church, Dr. J. W. Hawley of the Methodist Protestant Church, and Dr. W. G. Cram, Missionary Secretary of the M. E. Church, South.

The afternoon of January 4 will be devoted to Home Missions, the speakers being Bishop W. T. Watkins, Bishop Ernest G. Richardson, President of the Board of Home Missionary Societies of the M. E. Church. On the evening of January 4, missionary addresses will be made by Mrs. Thomas Nicholson, President of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, and Bishop Arthur J. Moore, Missionary Bishop of the M. E. Church, South.

The morning of January 5 will be devoted to Evangelism with addresses by Bishop J. L. Decell, Bishop Clare Purcell, Bishop W. C. Martin and Bishop Paul B. Kern. The theme for the afternoon will be the Deepening of Spiritual Life, the speakers being Dr. James H. Straughn, President of the Methodist Protestant Church, Dr. Forney Hutchinson of Tulsa, Okla., and Mrs. J. H. Spillman, noted woman evangelist of the M. E. Church South, Harrodsburg, Ky.

In the evening, addresses will be made by Bishop Ralph S. Cushman and Bishop C. C. Sealeman, Chairman of the Commissions on Evangelism of the M. E. Church and the M. E. Church, South.

On the morning of January 6 on the theme "United Methodism and the Future," there will be addresses by Bishop W. W. Peele, Bishop Ivan Lee Holt, Bishop A. Frank Smith and Bishop Adna W. Leonard. The afternoon will be devoted to a forum on the various problems connected with Unification, and the

session will adjourn with a love feast and benediction.

This Council offers several unique opportunities, notably those of visiting one of the most interesting cities in America and the gateway to Mexico and the Rio Grande Valley, receiving the inspiration of addresses by some of the most notable men of Methodism, and participating in what will probably be the last great gathering of the M. E. Church, South, as a distinct denomination. All our preachers and as many of our people as possible should begin immediately their arrangements to attend. For details as to the program, hotel accommodations and other information, address Dr. Elmer T. Clark, Program Director, Box 510, Nashville, Tenn.

TAKING STOCK

The story is told of the old Negro who spent his life with never one thin dime to rub against the other and who one day found himself the possessor of a magnificent inheritance of \$100. Upon going to town, he purchased a few needed socks and nicknacks at a haberdashery. Pulling out his worn pocketbook, a fifty dollar bill—one-half of his new wealth—dropped to the floor and the clerk stooped to retrieve it.

"Nevah mind, suh," the old Negro said, "it's only fifty dollahs!"

Too often, these days, the same general disregard is evidenced by the public in looking at the mounting government debt.

A stock-taking in terms that people can understand is surely in order. In such a stock-taking the following facts, compiled from official statistics of the government, are enlightening:

1. The actual federal deficit for July and August, the first two months of the present fiscal year, was \$40,000,000 in excess of the average annual federal expenditures from 1900 to 1913.

2. The estimated federal deficit for the fiscal year 1939 is \$4,485,000,000 or \$633,000,000 in excess of the total expenditures of \$3,852,000,000 from 1789 to 1865, the end of the War between the States.

3. The nine years deficit from 1931-1939 of \$25,314,000,000 is \$792,000,000 in excess of all federal expenditures 1789 to 1913—125 years.

4. The federal government during the current fiscal year will spend almost exactly twice as much as it will cost through taxes, according to the latest budget estimates. More than 47 cents of each dollar spent must be borrowed by government.

5. Although 1938 tax collections were at a record high—with internal revenue taxes exceeding by \$250,000,000 the previous high record of 1920—federal receipts still lagged behind federal spending by 1½ billion dollars.

6. According to latest budget estimates, the cost of regular government, that is the Legislative and Judicial branches and the various departments, will be 20 per cent higher this year than last.

7. The interest which will be paid this year on the federal debt is an amount which 45 years ago would have been sufficient to wipe out the entire outstanding debt of the federal government.

8. The federal government has become the largest single business in the country with about 1,200,000 persons on its regular payroll, and in addition 3,260,000 on WPA; 300,000 in the CCC; and 340,000 people on other federal projects.—Industrial Press Service.

REPORT OF NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN LITERATURE

The Board of Christian Literature is glad to report that the Publishing House made a profit of \$127,073.75 during the year ending February 28, 1938.

The Book Committee sent to this Conference \$2,581.72, which is our apportionment for Superannuates.

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The Board of Christian Literature presents the following from the report of the Arkansas Methodist Commission:

"The subscriptions still stand at about 10,000. Collections are slightly less than last year. Few are in arrears. Many have been dropped. During the year there has been no criticism. We majored on General Conference, Bishops' Crusade, Aldersgate and Evangelism. There will be no change in papers until General Conference meets. It is important that we be ready for change."

The Board recommends that the subscription price be continued at \$1.00, with a 50c Club Rate, and that all pastors and officials be encouraged to increase the circulation of the paper.

From the Conference we ask the assessment of \$3,000.00 to be apportioned as follows: To the salaries of Dr. Millar and his assistant secretary \$1,270.00. One sixth of the income of the Board shall be paid into the hands of the Rural Work Commission as a fund for the circulation of Christian Literature. The January check from the Conference treasurer, not to exceed \$300.00, shall be turned over to the Rural Work Commission, and the balance of the agreed amount paid at Annual Conference. Necessary

expenses of the Commissioners of the Arkansas Methodist shall be paid. The remaining income shall be designated as Arkansas Methodist Funds.

The reappointment of Dr. A. C. Millar as editor is recommended and also the election of Revs. H. F. McDonal, W. A. Lindsay, and J. Lloyd Shouse, as Commissioners.

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The literature published by our Church is of the highest order. Our Church School periodicals are in general use throughout the Church. We urge that all Methodist Church Schools use Methodist literature.

The Christian Advocate is one of the ranking denominational papers in the United States. It is endeavoring to serve the Church as an expression of our life and thought and as a channel of denominational information. We recommend the support of club subscriptions.

The World Outlook is not a magazine for women, but a magazine that should be read by every member of our Church.

The popularity of the ARKANSAS METHODIST is increasing. Our pastors and laymen cannot fully understand the program of the Church if they do not read their Conference Organ.

The recommendations for the circulation of the Arkansas Methodist are as follows:

Continue \$1.00 rate and fifty cent club rate; Urge pastors to make early canvass and work for 100% clubs; Request Bishop, Presiding Elders, Lay Leaders and W. M. S. to cooperate and insist on the duty of officials taking the paper; Request the Conference to continue same assessment as last year; Recommend the election of same editor, Dr. A. C. Millar, for one year.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION BOARD

Your Conference Board of Church Extension reports that applications received during the year asking for aid, run far in excess of the available funds in the hands of the Board for distribution.

Again, as for several years past, a large amount of our funds have been used to aid distressed churches clear indebtedness which threatened their existence. Because of this fact, we have been unable to give aid to many country churches for making needed repairs and for building purposes.

Your Board has placed only one small loan, notwithstanding the fact that it has more than \$1000.00 in its loan fund available for making loans. Payment on existing loans has been disappointing. We trust that a more determined effort will be made next year to reduce the loans now outstanding.

We trust the brethren will be patient with us, as we are doing all that we can with the funds at our disposal. We have used our best judgment in making donations, and we are convinced that of the applications received the most urgent cases only have been aided.

Financial Statement

Receipts—	
On hand with General Board last statement	\$ 512.08
Received from Conference Treasurer	1,167.89
Total	1,679.97
Overdraft	54.63
Total	1,725.60
Disbursements—	
Donations made to churches during the past year	\$1,350.00
Donations made to parsonages	375.60
Total	\$1,725.60
Your Conference Board is now indebted to the General Board in	

the sum of \$45.63 advanced by them to pay donations made by us. We are also indebted to the General Board for their kind and helpful cooperation.

Loan Fund

Balance on hand and available for making loans	\$1,062.82
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REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF FINANCE

I herewith submit report of the Treasurer of the Little Rock Conference Board of Finance for the fiscal year ending October 31. Upon order of our Conference Secretary, Dr. C. J. Greene, our books were audited Nov. 14, by Mr. Glenn Priest of the People's National Bank, Little Rock, and his report is attached:

Receipts	
Balance on hand Nov. 1, 1937	\$ 4,784.29
Special Superannuate Homes (Capital) Fund	365.95
Interest on above special fund	7.34
General Board of Finance, St. Louis	1,816.22
Whitmore & Smith, Publishing Agents	2,418.32
C. E. Hayes, Conf. Treas. (Balance 1937)	4,510.74
C. E. Hayes, Conf. Treas. during 1938	2,300.00
Church at Gillett by Earl Lewis	5.18
Church at Fordyce, by J. M. Workman	37.00
Brewster Memorial Fund	2,000.00
Total	\$18,245.04

Disbursements	
To Conference Claimants (Regular Fund)	\$13,695.00
To Emergency Relief and new Claimants	175.00
To Tilson, Stevens & Company, for surety bond	18.75
To L. R. Conf. Widows and Orphans Benefit Fund	128.75
To J. M. Workman, for postage and office help	3.20
To Duplicator expense, postage and travel	10.00
Total Expenditures	\$14,030.80
Balance in Bank October 31	3,840.95
Special Superannuate Homes (Capital) Fund	365.95
Interest on above Special Fund	7.34
Total accounted for	\$18,245.04

Your Treasurer is bonded by one of the leading surety companies of America, Tilson, Stevens & Company, Texarkana National Bank Building, Texarkana, U. S. A.

Below we give report of the auditor:

"This is to certify that I, Glenn Priest, have examined the records and bank book of the Board of Finance, Little Rock Conference, and find them to be in correct form and properly kept. I also find that the bank deposits and vouchers tally, and all records have been faithfully and accurately kept."

REPORT OF BOARD OF FINANCE

In September, 1918, the amount of the Superannuate Endowment fund was \$446,080.25. Today it is \$3,886,932.84. Only \$332,062 of this is subject to annuity. The income from this available for claimants on March 31, 1918, was \$128,441.39. From this the Little Rock Conference receives this year \$1,676.00.

Since the beginning of the Superannuate Endowment movement, it has yielded a total of \$3,613,165.67 for the support of the Church's Claimants and all of this sum, except necessary reserves for service years not reported and other contingencies, has been distributed among the Claimants. The total book value of Endowment now in the hands of the Board (both General and Conference funds) is \$6,417,492.66. And, in addition to this, there is \$46,219.28 in the Capital Reserve Fund.

We urge the completion of the payment on adjusted quotas, which amount to \$7,121.00 for the Little Rock Conference.

Special action is asked of the Presiding Elders at their district Conference in providing a place on their program for presenting the cause of the superannuate preachers.

There have died during the year the following claimants: S. C. Dean, J. W. Harrell, R. A. McClintock, J. A. Sage, J. B. Williams, Mrs. J. M. Hawley, Mrs. M. A. Browning, Mrs.

F. F. Harrell, Mrs. Geo. W. Logan, Mrs. Hugh Reveley.

1. That the Little Rock Conference confirm the election of J. D. Reynolds, as Commissioner and Trustee of the Little Rock Conference Board of Finance, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, with full authority to accept deeds to property for the said Board of Finance, and with full authority to execute deeds of conveyance for said Board of Finance as Commissioner and Trustees of same. Provided no deeds of conveyance shall be executed without the consent of this Board of Finance.

2. That M. W. Miller be continued as Conference Director of Superannuate Endowment for the coming Conference year as requested by the Dr. Chas. W. Tadlock, Secretary of the Board of Finance of the Methodist Church, South.

REPORT ON THE HISTORY COMMISSION

The Little Rock Conference History Commission, appointed as a self-perpetuating body, created to collect and preserve Conference documents of historical value, is directed to make a report quadrennially at the session of the Conference next following the General Conference session.

The Commission has on hand in a fire-proof vault and a safe the following: Four manuscript volumes of Minutes covering the time from the organization of the Conference in 1854 to 1881; two printed and bound volumes covering the period from 1881 to 1914; and from 1914 to 1937 the Minutes of each quadrennium have been bound into a volumes, making a total of 6 volumes.

There is a volume of the General Minutes covering the period from 1858 to 1863.

There are also a few District Conference records.

The Commission has, from the pen of Dr. Andrew Hunter, an autobiographical sketch; a series of "Recollections" of the General Conference of 1844, of which he was a member; a forty-three page "History of the Introduction of Methodism into Arkansas"; and a scrap book containing twenty or thirty articles on early Methodism.

It also has biographical sketches of about sixty clerical members and former members of the Conference, and a few miscellaneous records of historical interest.

Your Commission requests that

old records of historical value and interest be sent to Dr. C. J. Greene, custodian, care Hendrix College, Conway, Arkansas, for safe keeping.

We further recommend that an earnest effort be made to place a copy of Anderson's History of Arkansas Methodism in every church library, and in every public library in our Conference.

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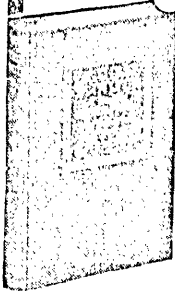
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proof vault of Hendrix College be designated as the depository for these valuable documents.

We have elected Harold D. Sadler to succeed J. Frank Simmons, deceased; and Robert B. Moore to succeed J. A. Sage, deceased.—A. C. Millar, Chairman; C. J. Greene, Secretary and Custodian; S. T. Baugh, Harold D. Sadler, Robert B. Moore.

PLAN FOR MINISTERIAL SUSTENTATION FUND

We wish to express our deep satisfaction and appreciation for the response made by preachers and charges to this cause. For the aid of underpaid pastors the sum of \$1,854.98 was raised; for superannuates, \$1,142.00. We consider this a very fine showing for the first year of operation of the plan. We recommend the continuance of the plan and its publication in the Journal as follows:

I. Commission

1. On nomination of the Presiding Elder the Annual Conference shall elect one person from each district annually during the session of the Annual Conference. Members of the Commission may be either preachers or laymen, women as well as men being eligible to serve. The Presiding Elders shall be ex-officio members of the Commission.
2. This Commission shall be known as the Little Rock Ministerial Sustentation.
3. The Commission shall elect its own Chairman and such other officers as its needs require.
4. The Commission shall meet at least once a year during the session of the Annual Conference, and at such other times and places as need may require, at the call of the chairman.

II. Beneficiaries

1. To benefit under this plan a preacher must be a member of the Conference, or duly admitted on trial and serving a charge under appointment from the Bishop; provided local preachers who have served four consecutive years as supplies shall be eligible on the same conditions as members of the Conference except that the minimum for such cases shall be six hundred dollars instead of eight hundred dollars, provided that when his term of service has reached eight years, the minimum shall be the same as for members of the Conference.
2. The sum of \$800.00 shall be fixed as the minimum below which, if a charge pay the pastor becomes eligible to receive aid, all other conditions being met.
3. To receive aid under this plan the charge served must increase the amount paid to the pastor over and above the average paid by the charge for the three years, 1935, 1936, and 1937. Such increases will be matched dollar for dollar by the Commission up to \$800. No aid will be given where this condition is not met.

III. Raising Funds

1. All members of the Conference receiving a salary of \$1,200.00 or more, are asked to contribute one per cent of same to this fund.
2. All charges paying salary of \$1,200.00 or more, are asked to contribute an amount equal to one per cent of the salary paid to the pastor.
3. All effective preachers serving under appointment from the Bishop are asked to contribute one half of one percent of their salary and all pastoral charges are asked

to contribute an amount equal to one half of one per cent of the salary paid to the pastor for the benefit of our Superannuates same to be administered by the Board of Finance.

IV. Supplementary

Changes or amendment of any part of this plan may be made at any session of the Annual Conference on a majority vote of the Conference. Details for administering this plan shall be worked out by the Commission subject to the conditions set forth herein.

OBITUARIES

BECKER.—Mrs. Aurelia D. Becker was born February 17, 1869, at Jeffersonville, Indiana. She was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Drosta, early settlers of Kentucky, and Indiana. She was married to George F. Becker July 22, 1908. They came to Pine Bluff about 20 years ago, where they have made their home. She joined the Methodist Church at Jeffersonville, Indiana, when a young woman. She attended Carr Memorial Church occasionally, and early in this year she expressed a desire to become a member of this church. Her certificate of membership was secured, February, 1938. Ill health prevented her attending again. She died in her home November 9. Her body was laid to rest in Bellwood cemetery, Pine Bluff. She is survived by her husband, two sisters, Mrs. J. R. Story, of Victoria, Texas, and Mrs. Oscar Lacy, of Louisville,

Ky., and one niece, Miss Elizabeth Wood, of Victoria, Texas. Mrs. Becker was a patient sufferer. She wished to live but her frail body was unable to survive. Being quite deaf, I talked with her through the written page. She appreciated much the words of comfort written by her pastor and friends. She was always interested in the success of the church. At one time she offered a neighbor a right to sell in order that she might contribute more to the

church. The life for which she longed is here in a larger and finer sense. Her prayers have been answered more abundantly than she wished.—S. T. Baugh.

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Three Age Groups Where Tuberculosis Takes Heavy Toll



Babies under one year are safer today from tuberculosis than was the case in 1928. Ten years ago, 1,300 infants less than one year old died of tuberculosis in this country, while in recent years the annual toll has been 670. The disease is not inherited, but young children are liable to be innocent victims if they are exposed to persons who have active tuberculosis. Christmas Seals are enabling parents to learn more about tuberculosis, thereby protecting their children.



Young girls are particularly susceptible to tuberculosis. Intensive efforts, financed by Christmas Seals, are directed toward turning back the threat of this disease from young people. Many schools and colleges throughout the country recommend tuberculin testing and X-raying to discover whether or not their students have tuberculosis. Out of 200 persons who die every day from tuberculosis in the United States, 33 are between the ages of 15 and 25.



While more women than men are victims of tuberculosis up to 30 years of age, the toll among men 40 to 65 years of age is approximately twice that among women of the same age. Medical authorities emphasize the importance of parents being free from tuberculosis in order to reduce the danger of infecting their children. The anti-tuberculosis movement receives its main support from Christmas Seals.

FOR THE CHILDREN

"RUN PATSY"

When Aunt Lucy came to live at Patsy's house, Patsy was not a bit pleased. Aunt Lucy was very old, and Patsy's great-aunt. She couldn't stand much noise. Patsy had to keep quiet in the house, and she didn't like that. Aunt Lucy was troublesome, too; she was always calling on Patsy to run errands for her.

"Run, child," she would say, "run and fetch me a pillow. My back hurts." Or "Run child, and bring me my old carpet slippers. My feet hurt."

Aunt Lucy had a canary bird. He lived in a cage that hung by the window in Aunt Lucy's room. The canary was named Twitter. Every morning Aunt Lucy called on Patsy to come and help her clean Twitter's cage, and put fresh water in his fountain, and fresh seed in his pan. At first Patsy enjoyed helping to care for Twitter, but soon she grew very tired of it. Aunt Lucy was very particular, she made Patsy do everything in a certain way.

Another thing that made trouble for Patsy—Aunt Lucy couldn't see very well. She had to use two pairs of glasses. She was always calling, "Run, Patsy, and get my other pair of specs. I can't read without the other pair. Look on the table."

One night Patsy said to her mother, "I wish Aunt Lucy hadn't come to live with us. All I do is wait on her."

"Try not to mind too much, Patsy," said mother; "when I was a little girl, and my mother was sick for years and years, Aunt Lucy took mighty good care of me."

In January Patsy was sick. She broke out all over with a fine red rash. She itched and she scratched, she burned and ached with fever; in fact, she was just as miserable as a child could be. The doctor said she

had measles. The worst of it was that her eyes got very weak. For several days she had to lie in a darkened room. It was very dull, and Patsy got very cross.

One morning, the day after her eyes got bad, Patsy had a visitor. It was Aunt Lucy. She sat down in a rocker by Patsy's bed. She said, "I know how you feel, child. When my eyes first got bad I didn't know how to pass my time. I couldn't read. I couldn't sew. I had to sit with a bandage on my eyes. Then I got a canary bird. He was a sight of company to me. And ever since I've kept a bird. When my eyes hurt, and I can't read, I just sit and listen to Twitter."

Aunt Lucy told Patsy a nice story about her mother when she was a little girl. She told how her mother wanted curls and tried to curl her hair with irons, while no one was looking, and scorched her hair. It was a funny story. Patsy laughed and laughed.

Next day Aunt Lucy came in again. She brought Twitter in his cage. She hung the cage near Patsy's bed. "I thought you might like to hear him sing a while," she said. "Thank you, Aunt Lucy," said Patsy, and she felt a little ashamed that she had complained about helping to take care of Twitter.

Every day, until Patsy's eyes were well again, Aunt Lucy came in. In one way or another, she made the long day seem much shorter. One day Patsy said, "Mother, I love Aunt Lucy now. I'm glad she came to live with us."

And when Patsy's eyes were well again, and she could run and play, she listened for Aunt Lucy's call. She didn't mind when she had to stop playing to run for Aunt Lucy's specs.

"I know I'm a heap of trouble to you, child," said Aunt Lucy, one day.

"No, you're not," said Patsy. "I love you and I want to help you."—Frances F. Wright, in Story Time.

INTERNATIONAL
Sunday School
Lesson

Lesson for December 4

THE SIN OF LYING

LESSON TEXT—Exodus 20:16;
John 8:42-47; Ephesians 4:25.GOLDEN TEXT—Behold, thou
desireth truth in the inward parts.
—Psalm 51:6.

"God is truth. The word truth describes the very nature of God. Lying, therefore, reveals a character opposite from God. Satan is a liar. He was a liar from the beginning and is spiritually the father of all liars. A lie does not necessarily have to be an untruth. A statement of a truth may be a lie if its purpose is to deceive. A half truth may be the worst kind of a lie. Satan's lies . . . are usually mixed with truth." Consider "modernism, which has enough truth in it to make it accepted by thousands of people, but sufficient error to deprive it of any power to save souls" (L. D. Higley).

I. Forbidden to Lie (Exod. 20:16).

This commandment specifically forbids perjury, which is one of the worst forms of lying, because it may result in the forfeiture of the very life of a fellow being. It is obvious, however, that it includes all forms of lying, whether in business, in social contacts, in the home, or in the church. We might do well to consider what the Bible has to say about whisperers, talebearers, backbiters, and others (see Lev. 19:6; II Cor. 12:20). A man's reputation may be as easily ruined by a whispered lie over the back fence or the luncheon table as by formal perjury in the courtroom. "Thou shalt not bear false witness" at any time, anywhere, or in any way.

II. Fountain of Lies (Matt. 15:19, 20).

Our constant concern for the body that it may be healthy, clean, and well groomed is commendable up to the point where it becomes an attempt to "glorify" the flesh. But after all, the body is not the most important thing. The heart is what makes a man (read Matt. 15:7-11). But what comes out of man's unregenerate heart? What a horrible catalogue we read in verse 19: It is not what a man eats or what he wears that makes him, but what is in his heart. How foolish then to hope to redeem humanity by improving housing, having better schools and bigger playgrounds. All these are desirable, but the one thing needful is that man's heart be washed in the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ, that he be born again.

III. Father of Lies (John 8:42-47).

Liars had better consider their "family tree" and see how they like their spiritual father. He is lustful, murderous, and there is no truth in him (v. 44). If you belong to that family would you not like to change families and be born into God's family.

As we have already suggested, the prize lie of Satan is modern religious liberalism. We quote again from Mr. Higley: "The first lie was told by Satan and it brought about the fall of the human race. The last lie . . . by Satan is being told even now . . . in the form of modernism, that makes the Church impotent even to save its own people." Let us have no part in putting forward this falsehood.

Note that in verses 45-47 Jesus challenges His enemies to convict Him of sin or of falsehood. No one has ever been able to meet that challenge. Even those who deny His Godhood and Saviourhood speak swelling words of commendation of His pure life and exalted moral teaching. If then He told the truth about other things, surely He spoke the truth about Himself. The claims He made for Himself as the Son of God and the Saviour of the world are plain and unmistakable. If we deny them we either make Jesus a liar, or we lie ourselves, and it is obvious that the latter is the case.

IV. Forsaking of Lies (Eph. 4:25).

"Wherefore" refers us back to the preceding verses where we are told how, as Christians, we have put off the life of the "old man" (v. 22) and put on the "new man"; therefore we are to live in true holiness. But evidently the Ephesian Christians still fell into their old heathen habits of lying. Would that the tendency had died out with the early Church, but as a matter of fact, it seems to have become aggravated as the years have come and gone.

Being in Christ—members of His body and thus united to one another in Him—should make us scrupulously truthful toward all men. Let us—which means you and me—scrutinize every relationship of life and be sure that we have not by word, act, or inference told lies. Think carefully of your family life, your church life, your community life. Deal with such practical things as grocery bills, taxes, tendencies to gossip. We preachers need to consider our sermons. Are they true to God's Word? Are they honestly prepared? Do we "stretch" our illustrations to make them effective? Surely all of us who bear the name of Christ must put away every form of falsehood.

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Quarterly Conferences

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT:

First Round

First Church, Little Rock, Nov. 27, a. m.
Keo-Tomberlin at K., Nov. 27, p. m.
Primrose, Dec. 4, a. m.
Asbury, Dec. 4, p. m.
Bryant Ct., at B., Dec. 11, a. m.
Capitol View, Dec. 11, p. m.

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First Round

Doddridge Ct., at Olive Branch, a. m., Dec. 4.
Fouke Ct., at Fouke, 7:30 p. m., Dec. 4.
Lewisville-Bradley, at B., a. m., Dec. 11.
Stamps-G. City, at S., 7:30, Dec. 11.
Horatio Ct., at H., a. m., Dec. 18.
Fairview, 7:30, Dec. 18.
Texarkana Ct., at Harmony Grove, a. m., Dec. 25.
College Hill, 7:30, Dec. 25.
Richmond Ct., at Wilton, a. m., Jan. 1.
Ashdown, 7:30, Jan. 1.
Winthrop Ct., at W., a. m., Jan. 8.
Foreman Station, 7:30, Jan. 8.
Hatfield Ct., at Vandervoort, a. m., Jan. 15.
DeQueen, 7:30, Jan. 15.
Cherry Hill Ct., at Dallas, a. m., Jan. 22.
Mena, 7:30, Jan. 22.
Gilham Ct., at G., a. m., Jan. 29.
Lockesburg Ct., at L., 7:30, Jan. 29.
Dierks-Green's Chapel, at D., a. m., Feb. 5.
First Church, 7:30, Feb. 5.
—J. W. Mann, P. E.

More Pledges Needed

The response from the pledge campaign launched Sunday, which is being centered on work with new members and members who did not sign pledges last year, is encouraging, according to Finance Committee members who are continuing the campaign through this week.

The number of pledges, new and also continuous pledges which were signed a year ago, is not sufficient to fully cover the anticipated budget for 1939. A preliminary study of the new budget will be made Friday and a tentative budget submitted to the Executive Committee for approval and to the Board of Stewards for final action.

JOINT CIRCLE MEETING NEXT MONDAY

The regular Joint Circle Meeting will be held at the church next Monday morning at 10:30. Members of Circle No. 10 will present a Christmas program with Mrs. C. C. Arnold as leader. Others taking part on the program will be Mrs. E. F. Dixon, Mrs. W. B. Wilburn, and Mrs. Charles Mehaffy. Mrs. A. S. Ross, General Chairman, will preside over the business session. Lunch will be served by members of Circle No. 6, Mrs. E. Q. Brothers, Chairman.

OUR NEW MEMBERS

We are happy to welcome into the fellowship of Winfield the following members who joined last Sunday, November 27:

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Huddleston, 2009 Kavanaugh.

Miss Frances Rumrill, Mr. Jack Rumrill, and Sherry Louise Rumrill, 303 Magnolia, Park Hill.

AMONG OUR MEMBERS

Mrs. Ben D. Brickhouse is ill at St. Vincent's Hospital, having undergone an operation last Friday.

Mr. Joe Beale, the father of Mr. Frank Beale, has been sick at his home, 1705 Fair Park Blvd., for several weeks.

Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Springer, 210 N. Woodrow, upon the birth of a son, William Paul, on Nov. 18.

Billy Larsen, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Larsen, 1712 N. Monroe, is much improved after having been very ill for several weeks.

CHURCH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Some classes have made splendid records of attendance while others have not done so well. There are, in fact, some classes and some departments which have less than fifty percent of their enrolled members in attendance.

If the situation suggested above is true in your department, it is time to get to work. We are asking all class and department secretaries to report absentees to the desk of the General Secretary next Sunday morning. Special blanks will be available. Then throughout the week we shall exert every effort to contact every absentee.

"FOUR GREATEST WORDS OF JESUS"

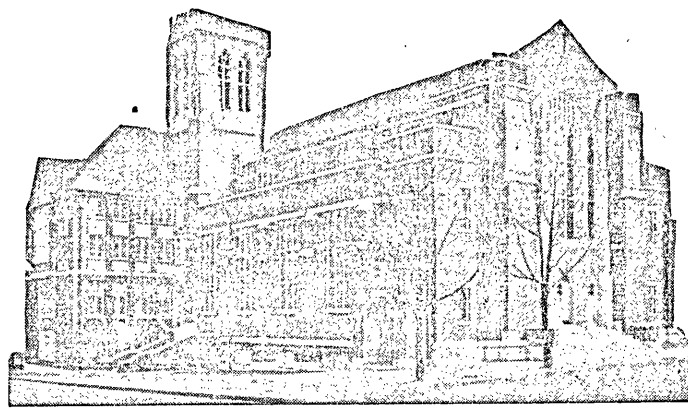
—Sermon by Pastor at 7:30

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Next Sunday At Winfield

- 10:00 A. M. Church School, All Departments
11:00 A. M. "WHY FEAR?"—Sermon by Pastor
6:00 P. M. Jr-High, Senior, and Y. P. Leagues and Sunday Evening Club (Young Adult)
7:30 P. M. "FOUR GREAT WORDS OF JESUS"—Sermon by Pastor

THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

By GASTON FOOTE

The Sabbath School

In the year 1800, one American out of every six was a member of some church, Protestant, Catholic or Jewish. In 1936 almost exactly one person out of every two (to be exact 49.43%) was a member of some church. Chief among these factors making for an increase in church membership over the increase in population is the Sunday School. Fully 75% of those who unite with the church each year come through the channels of the Sunday School. Indeed, the portal of the Church is the Church School.

It is the business of every wide-awake church to increase its scope of influence in the lives of an increasing number of people. How can this be done? We believe it to be through the Church School. Jesus is seldom referred to as a great preacher. But throughout the Gospels He is called the great TEACHER. The Church School is primarily the teaching arm of the church. While all sermons and all worship services teach great truths, it nevertheless remains that the Church School is the great teaching force of the church.

In the shadow of practically every church in America there are, however, more boys and girls and men and women who are NOT in Church School than those who ARE in Church School. The fact is, TWO MEMBERS OF WINFIELD CHURCH remain at home from 10 to 11 o'clock on Sunday morning where one comes to Church School. This fact ought to make us hang our heads in shame.

Now a great number of the nearly ONE HUNDRED officers and teachers of our Church School spend untold hours every week working unselfishly for the program of the Church. But too many who are teaching today feel that their job has been well done if they prepare an interesting lesson. Jesus said "GO YE . . . and TEACH . . ." He did not say "Let those who will COME . . . then I will teach them . . ." And a teacher who does not see that SOMEONE visits or calls the absent members of the class is simply shouting to that absent member "WE DON'T CARE WHETHER YOU COME OR NOT . . ."

If the one hundred officers and teachers of our Church School spent a minute of one hour each week, VISITING or CALLING by phone the absentees and prospects Winfield would have a Church School with an average attendance of 1,000 each Sunday. This is Christ's program for US. God never failed us. Let's not fail Him! OFFICERS AND TEACHERS—let's go get them and, at the point of personal sacrifice, bring them NEXT SUNDAY.

Christian Education

By ALVIN D. HAVEKOST

Church School Attendance

Last Sunday	578
A Year Ago	526

Departmental Report

	On	Sty.
Present	Time	Cont.
Jr. High	72	66
Sr. High	69	49
Y. P.	44	43

Adult Classes

Couples Class	45
Fidelity Class	36
Men's Class	36
Mother's Class	31
Forum Class	26
Jankins Class	24
Brothers Class	20
Ashby Class	16
Total	234

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Local Board of Christian Education will meet Wednesday December 7, at 6:00 p. m., for its regular monthly dinner meeting. The members of this board for the new conference year are: Dr. Gaston Foote, Rev. A. D. Havekost, Mr. C. E. Hayes, Mr. J. H. Bowen, Mr. R. Henderson, Mr. J. S. M. Cannon, Mrs. I. J. Steed, Miss Fay McRae, Miss Margaret Paynter, Mrs. A. S. Ross, Mr. T. M. Stinnett, Mr. Dennis Williams, and Mr. Thomas Holliman.

SENIOR DEPARTMENT

Dell Kerr will be the leader for the league meeting next Sunday evening. The topic to be studied is, "Teach Me To Pray."

The Seniors had a fine outing last Friday evening in the form of a hay-ride party. About thirty members of the Department enjoyed a splendid evening at Granite Mountain.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT

Miss Tibby McWhirter will be in charge of a program entitled, "The Old Sings a New Song," next Sunday morning. Miss Troy Morris will lead in the worship program for the evening meeting.

FORUM AND FIDELITY CLASSES MAKE SUBSTANTIAL GROWTH

Six short months ago the Fidelity Class had seven present. Last Sunday this class, which meets in the tower class room, tied for SECOND PLACE, having the second largest attendance. There were 36 present. This attractive class of young ladies is really doing things under the leadership of Miss Nell Scott, president and Mrs. Foote, teacher.

Three short months ago the Forum Class had three present. Last Sunday there were 26 present. This fine growth has been the result of hard work on the part of all the fine members of the class but especially the hard work of the president, Mr. Earl J. Adkins, and the teacher, Mr. T. M. Stinnett. Thanks a million for the fine work this class is doing.

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For Greater Attendance

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