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#### THE VALUE OF MASS SINGING

PECENTLY Mr. Grover Sims, of Quincy, Ill., called attention to the fact that Dr. Samuel Francis Smith, when he wrote our national hymn "America," wrote six stanzas. The two that have been omitted in our singing are: "Our glorious land today, 'neath education's sway, soars upward still. Its halls of learning fair whose bounties all may share, behold them everywhere on vale and hill. Thy safe-guard, liberty, the school shall ever be, our Nation's pride! No tyrant hand shall smite, while with encircling might all there are taught the right with truth allied."

Mr. Sims comments as follows: "Four centuries ago, Martin Luther, one of the greatest teachers of all time, exemplified the value of having the entire audience, rather than a selected few, join together in singing the Psalms, after which he would preach to them. truly great evangelist, since the days of Luther, has emulated this greatest of reformers. Luther's 'A Mighty Fortress Is Our God,' which was the 'theme song' of the Reformation, was the greatest single factor in that great movement, which literally turned Europe 'upside down.' Pep songs are effectively used today as a factor in winning athletic contests. Crowd Psychology has not changed. Let us apply these principles to winning our fight to preserve democracy, by having the masses sing our fine patriotic songs, using the six stanzas of Dr. Smith's America as a starting point. We can keep America 'right side up' by selling America back to Americans."

#### MUNICH AND LIMA

THE contrast between Munich and Lima is spectacularly complete. Munich was the incarnation of the dictatorial method—streamlined, glittering, as efficient as a bombing plane and as callous to human suffering; dominated by one man who did the talking and dictated the terms. Lima by comparison seemed old-fashioned, mawkish in its sentiment, floundering in its procedure, its voice the voice of several hundred delegates, all of them red in the face and all talking at once.

The men of Munich were hailed as saviors. The delegates at Lima had bad publicity up to the end. Because the Argentine Foreign Minister was somewhere on the edge of the Patagonian desert, resting, and could not be reached for instructions, the Lima Conference lay deadlocked for a fortnight. Its final resolution of solidarity was a fourth draft. Verbose, it bound its signers to nothing but a vague unity in time of danger.

On the surface of things, the Munich Conference would seem to have been a success, the Lima Conference a failure. But the surface is not the story.

Two of the four men at Munich went home feeling that, though they had saved peace, their own countries had suffered in prestige or the loss of vital interests. Europe, hysterically grateful to have escaped war, yet wondered dully if life under the nervous strain of constant war cries was worth living. Every small nation was left frightened or embittered. Germany emerged the most hated country in the world.

No delegate left Lima with the feeling that he had been badgered into decisions harmful to his nation's good. The Argentines and the Mexicans, who at one point in the debate were shaking fists, ended by embracing each other. Uncle Sam emerged more popular with his neighbors than ever before. Nobody lost anything; everybody gained. Twenty-one nations

JESUS ANSWERED AND SAID UNTO HIM, IF A MAN LOVE ME, HE WILL KEEP MY WORDS; AND MY FATHER WILL LOVE HIM, AND WE WILL COME UNTO HIM, AND MAKE OUR ABODE WITH HIM. HE THAT LOVETH ME NOT KEEPETH NOT MY SAYING; AND THE WORD WHICH YE HEAR IS NOT MINE, BUT THE FATHER'S WHICH SENT ME.—John 14:23-24.

voluntarily put their names to a credo of friend-

The strength of democracy cannot be photographed like a battleship. Intangible, it is made up of bickerings and compromises and deep, basic good-will. Though not all the nations at Lima were democracies, the Lima method was the essence of democracy. If it did nothing else, it gave mankind an alternative to Munich. It proved that peace need not be a fearsome armed nightmare; that it can be a simple, friendly thing founded on ordinary human decency, respect for the other fellow's point of view, and little conferences about road-building and the preservation of wild-life.—Pathfinder.

#### AMERICAN YOUTH ARE FINE

OMMENTING on his experience in the recent Preaching Mission to American Colleges, Dr. E. Stanley Jones, the great missionary leader, has said: "I expected to find a blase, fed-up, sophisticated group of young people; but instead I found the finest raw human material that this country has ever produced-frank, upstanding, prepared, but confused, and, when you can get to it, wistful and hungry. They are far finer and more open than the students of ten years ago. But one thing they do not havethey have no cause. They are all dressed up and do not know where to go. Nothing grips them supremely. And the tragedy is that they do not see it. One youth objected in these words when I said they did not have a cause: "But we do have a cause; we want to succeed." Personal success is the only gripping thing on the campus. And the tragedy is that he thought that a cause. But that confusion has been bequeathed by the older generation. Personal success in terms of money accumulation and power, is the best that an economic and social order such as ours can give to youth. Did ever anything so reveal its own bankruptcy? Just as I was about to speak to a sorority, a sweet young thing turned to me and, in earnest tones and solemn, said: 'These girls are very indifferent to religion. You give them hell. They need it.' I did! They seemed to like it. But, and this is the point, I am not sure that this is the generation that needs it. We of the older generation have bequeathed to them a messed-up world and no cause. Perhaps we shall all have to repent together as equally guilty and inadequate. But have we a cause? Yes, we have: The Kingdom of God."

It is very gratifying to learn that Dr. Jones has discovered the fineness of our American college youth. We have been saying, at every opportunity for years, that there has never in history been a finer body of youth than the seven or eight million who today belong to the various organizations for Christian young people. Our Bishop Kern, who first suggested the "Youth Crusade" as one of the movements for our Church, believed in the essential fineness of our young church people and that they needed only some definite objective to stir them to earnest and self-sacrificing Christian endeavor.

It is natural for youth to seek adventure. Successful soldiers, with few exceptions, have been young men. A few old men, with large experience and training, may plan a campaign; but it is the young captains and colonels who enthusiastically lead the youthful soldiers to the charge. So now, while our Bishops and General Conference have seen the need of a forward movement and outlined the objectives, it will be the young members of our Church who will adopt as their battle cry, "Loyalty to The Kingdom of God through Christlike Living and Increased Activity in the Church."

We thoroughly believe in the youth of our Church, and can trust them to consecrate themselves to the Kingdom cause and push the battle that we older members have almost despaired of winning. The Youth Crusade is a Christian Adventure that challenges the best that is in the rising generation. Let us all pray for them; encourage them; and co-operate without trying to take the movement out of their capable and willing hands.

#### SUNDAY AT DERMOTT AND McGEHEE

AGOOD Saturday supper and bed at the Der-Amott parsonage prepared me for activities Sunday. After speaking briefly to a class of young people, I preached at Dermott at eleven, and then preached at McGehee at night. Both congregations were small, but apparently appreciative, and the pastors hoped that my presence and exhortations would enable them to have 100% clubs for the paper.

Rev. W. R. Burks, in his third year at Dermott, is enjoying a happy pastorate. With approximately 400 members, he has had 35 additions. Last year salary and all claims were in With several payments on various kinds of church debts, the total is now a little less than \$7,000, and is being steadily reduced. The church building, on a street with beautiful parking, won a prize several years ago as the most attractive church in the land in a community of the size of Dermott. It is not only beautiful, but convenient and adequate for all kinds of church activities. The membership is well organized and co-operative. Mr. H. C. McQurter is the capable chairman of an efficient official board. Mrs. J. C. Hoffman is president of one of the best W. M. Societies in the Conference. The Sunday School, under the able superintendency of E. E. Thompson, is in good condition. The Young People, with Mrs. A. Prothro as president, are quite active, and Miss Lucile Ward leads a fine young people's choir. Mrs. G. E. Kenney, editor and proprietor of the Dermott News, assisted by Mrs. G. R. Kirkpatrick, leads an unusually fine adult choir, as was demonstrated in the rendering of my own song as a special.

Dermott, once a rough and ragged-looking town, is now one of the most beautiful with handsome residences, paved streets, tree-lined avenues, and substantial business section. Many people are moving down from the hills to farm in the fertile bottoms, and consequently there is considerable increase in population. The city owns the water works, and the water from a deep well is chemically pure. There are various wood-working mills and other industries. handle factory sells all its products to European countries, and furnishes Russia with material for skis. A consolidated district has fine school buildings; has free transportation for miles around; and is A grade, under the superintendency of R. D. Harrison, a Hendrix College graduate. The growth of population is overcrowding the schools and more space is needed. At Jerome, abandoned mill town some ten miles south,

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# Personal and Other Items

OUR HUTTIG church building, according to reports in the secular press, has been destroyed by fire. It was a handsome structure, built only some three years ago after another building had burned.

RRESTS for drunkenness since Repeal have A increased in Los Angeles 345%, while arrests for all other causes have increased only 41%. Consequently the Police Department has requested 1,000 additional policemen to enforce the law.

SAM MORRIS' Voice of Temperance is now heard from coast-to-coast three times a day over another super-power station, XEAW, which operates on 960 kilocycles. Mr. Morris presents his daily commentary on the liquor problem at 6:00 a. m., 6:30 p. m., 8:15 p. m., Central Time.

YEARBOOK OF RAILROAD INFORMA-A TION for 1938 contains much valuable data concerning the whole question of transportation. You can have a copy free by applying to the Committee on Public Relations of the Eastern Railroads, 143 Liberty St., New York

COMETIMES you read that most big jobs are filled by men who started working in their early teens, who had no opportunity to win college diplomas. But it is becoming increasingly true that the highest positions in America are now being filled by college graduates. And this is likely to become still more true in the future. -B. C. Forbes, Editor of Forbes Business Maga-

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m EV.}$  GUY C. AMES, transferred from Oklahoma and stationed at Clarksville, sending in a 100% Club, writes: "We were appointed to Clarksville church at the last Annual Conference, transferring from Oklahoma Conference, and have been well received by the good people. We are happy in our work and many things are coming to pass for the Kingdom. Great crowds at each service, finances, as well as the general interest, are moving upward. The evangelistic spirit, as well as the Youth Crusade, has moved upon our people and many have been blessed. a good number having joined the church on profession of faith."

**P**EV. G. C. TAYLOR writes: "We are in our third year with the Rector church. I believe there is better interest on the part of the majority of our people than there was in either of the other two years. We had our First Quarterly Conference the 18th with Bro. Wade, our new Presiding Elder, making a good impression on our people. The Quarterly Conference assumed a 10% increase on the claims. Our attendance at both services has increased.

OLONEL R. C. HALL, according to the Journal of Arkansas Education, is in his thirtieth year as superintendent of the Little Rock Schools. Quiet and conservative, he has been able to lead in the development of a very fine system. When the history of education in Arkansas is written, he will have an important place and the worth of his work will be recognized. He has long been a member of the official Board of our First Church.

PR. J. E. BUTLER, President of the Arkansas Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, accompanied by his wife, last Friday called at our office while on their way to Northeast Arkansas, where Dr. Butler is to hold a series of Quarterly Conferences. He is greatly pleased with the Plan to unite the three Methodisms in the United States, and will be a member of the Uniting Conference at Kansas City next spring. We are indebted to him for a copy of the Journal of the Arkansas Annual Conference.

THE MINISTERS' WEEK, sponsored by the School of Theology of Southern Methodist University, includes Feb. 13-17. The program is built around the Fondren Lectures which will be delivered by Dr. Edwin Lewis of Drew Theological Seminary, who writes for our Church School Magazine and is the author of a remarkable book, "The Christian Manifesto." lecturers are Dr. R. M. Jones, emeritus Professor of Philosophy at Haverford College, and Dr. Albert W. Palmer, President of the Chicago Theological Seminary. For information address Dean E. B. Hawk.

CCORDING to the report of Dr. Curtis B. A Haley, editor of the General Minutes of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for the past year, the increase in membership of our Church is 63,958, making the total membership at this time 2,919,197. The number received on protime 2,919,197. fession of faith during the past year, was 117,432. The largest increase was in Bishop Smith's District, which includes Indian Mission, Louisiana, Texas, Texas Mexican, and West Texas Conferences, 10,853. In Bishop Selecman's District, including Oklahoma, Little Rock and North Arkansas Conferences, the increase was 5,239.

DEV. JOHN P. LOWRY, aged 91, died at the N home of his daughter, Mrs. D. E. Barbee, in this city, Jan. 18. A Confederate soldier at the age of the 15, he had been chaplain of the Arkansas Division of the Confederate Veterans. A local preacher, he had been a successful evangelist for many years, holding meetings in many States. He had also supplied as pastor Henderson, Forest Park, and 28th Street Churches in this city. A member of First Church, when able, he might always have been found in his seat with his wife, who recently passed on after a union lasting 67 years. Widely known and instrumental in bringing a multitude of souls into the Kingdom, he will be missed by many.

THE leaders of the Quapaw Area, Boy Scouts I of America, met in their convention in this city Jan. 19. In company with other ministers of the city the editor was their guest at a dinner at the East Side Junior High School. After this pleasant affair, in the auditorium exercises were held, and an interesting address was delivered by Mr. Walter W. Head, President of the National Council. It was profitable to learn of the success of this truly wonderful organization. This editor feels that he has missed much by not having the privilege of such an organization ioin when he was a boy. All boys Parents should encourage, and all preachers should co-operate in getting the boys into the Boy Scouts. It co-operates with the churches in trying to make real men out of the boys. Mr. Head, who is president of the General American Life Insurance Co. of St. Louis, has given much time to this work and is an outstanding authority on problems of youth. His giving three days to the Scout work in Arkansas is appreciated.

#### **BOOK REVIEWS**

The Validity of Religious Experience; by Albert C. Knudson; published by the Abingdon Press, New York; price \$2.00.

This book contains the Fondren Lectures of 1937, as delivered at Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas. In these lectures Dean Knudson applies the tests of philosophy to the Methodist doctrine of "Religious Experience." In the first lecture he defines Religious Experience, what agencies are concerned, and how they are to be recognized. Then, under the topics of "Immediacy," "Value," and "Self Verification," he makes a study of general religious experience as shown to be valid by these Tests of Philosophy. In his closing lecture Dean Knudson presents the "Peculiarity of the Christian Experience," in which is to be found the consciousness of sin and the presence of God in Christ. The book reflects a familiarity with the entire field of modern "Religious Philosophy" on the subject of "Experience." It will help many of us to evaluate many of the offerings of modern Philosophy more satisfactorily. It should be of service to these seeking a scholarly understanding of the "Methodist Doctrine of Religious Experience."

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the government has started a colony with good prospects, on cut-over lands. Bro. and Sister Burks, with their sweet little boy and girl, occupy a convenient parsonage, and gave me delightful entertainment.

Coming for me about 3:00 p. m., Bro. and Sister Hefley carried me over to McGehee, where after a few hours of pleasant conversation and an appetizing supper, I preached and then took the train, arriving home about mid-night at the end of another "perfect day."

Bro. Hefley is in his second year; has a membership of about 475, and last year added 29 members. Salary and claims were paid in full, and provision has been made for a \$300 increase in salary and acceptance of full Benevolence quota. Debts of various kinds have been paid. and now the combined debts are about \$6,000 and are being systematically reduced by monthly payments. The church building is substantial and sightly, and the parsonage is roomy, and, with some interior repairs, is more comfortable than formerly. The official board, with Lester Warrick as chairman, relieves the pastor of all financial responsibility. Bro. Warrick is also S. S. superintendent of a well organized school. Mrs. J. W. Willoughby is president of a live W. M. S., and Ernest Bishop is leading a fine group of Young People in their three divisions. New hymnbooks have been purchased. The membership, as the community is a railroad division point, is changeable; but our members are loyal and interested and the future of the church decidedly hopeful. With railroads and a fine farming country, the town is growing and fairly prosperous. Different wood and cotton industries furnish employment to a considerable group. The buildings of a consolidated school district are large and imposing in appearance, but hampered with debt. The capable superintendent is H. G. Boyd, a Hendrix College graduate. Using cut-over lands nearby, a Negro colony has been created by the Government. Brother and Sister Hefley are busy and happy in their work and expect a prosperous year. Methodism in these two communities is flourishing and its future is bright.—A. C. M.

#### CIRCULATION REPORT

SINCE last week the following subscriptions have been received: Columbus Ct., W. I. Small, 10; Warren, L. E. N. Hundley, 6; Henderson, H. H. McGuyre, 2; Clarksville, Guy C. derson, n. 11. McGayler, 2, States, Guy C. Ames, 100%, 100; Rector, G. C. Taylor, 100%, 36; Chidester, G. L. Cagle, by H. R. Nabors, 18. These fine reports are highly appreciated. Rev. Guy C. Ames, transferred from Oklahoma, has made a fine start by having a 100% Club. It is made a line start by harmony of Clubs will soon be hoped that many more 100% Clubs will soon be reported. Reading members will be more loyal and active. Today, as never before, the Church needs well informed members. All pastors should have an ambition to make this the best year in their ministry, and the paper will help toward that achievement.

#### MISSIONARY COUNCIL ON SHIPMENT OF WAR **MATERIALS**

The General Missionary Council has heard with dismay and sadness of heart of the ravages of war in China and the destruction of the property of our Church and the homes and lives of our people there. We have further been informed that in considerable degree this war is being carried on with implements and American-mad materials, and that certain of our industrialists are reaping a financial profit from the death of human beings. On the other hand, we are informed that certain large American business interests have refused the orders for Japan for instruments. machines and materials to be used by that nation in her war upon China.

Therefore, be it resolved:

(1) That this Council extends profound sympathy and affection to the Chinese people, especially to the members of our Church in China, and assures the Chinese Methodists of our determination to continue among them the religious ministry which we have so long fostered;

(2) That we condemn the practice of turning the blood of men, women and children into financial profits by furnishing to aggressor nations any materials for their use in waging war, and we urge all our people in any way connected with industries producing or distributing such materials to use their influence against the practice;

(3) That we commend any and all American business men and corporations that have refused to sell war materials to Japan or any other aggressor nation, and urge all American industry to adopt a similar at-

titude; and,

(4) That we respectfully call upon the President and the Congress of our country to take such steps as may be necessary to give practical application to these principles, which we are convinced represent not only the sentiment of the Church but also the will of the American people.

#### RESOLUTIONS OF THE MIS-SIONARY COUNCIL

The General Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at the close of its most remarkable sessions, is impressed with the fact that the Church it represents was never more missionary minded and never had a better and more well rounded missionary program than it has at the present time. We rejoice that our Church will enter the merger of American Methodism with such a program and spirit.

1. We desire to commend especially the new program of Evangelism set up by the last General Conference, and now being organized throughout the Church by the Board of Missions and the Commission on Evangelism. We urge all churches to undertake the organization of the Fellowship of Evangelism according to the regulations prescribed for the same. We believe that this fellowship offers a wonderful opportunity for deepening the spiritual life of the people and enlisting in active service the maximum number of our members. We call upon our churches, preachers, and people to give especial attention to the matter of Evangelism during this year, to the end that there may be kindled a new, throughout the nation the revival fires which have always character-

ized the progress of the Methodist

2. We commend the Youth Crusade authorized by the General Conference and now being promoted by the Christian Education forces of the church. We pledge our cooperation and support to this great movement and urge the missionary workers of the Church to do everything in their power to bring the Youth Crusade to the greatest possible success.

3. The Rural Work Commission of the Board of Missions has made studies and outlined policies of great significance. The problem of the rural church and population is most serious, and challenges the Church to renewed devotion and sacrifice in the evangelization of these neglected areas of the country. We commend the work of the Commission and urge upon all the forces of our Church the importance of carrying out all the plans and programs which this well informed and representative body may originate and recommend.

4. We express our desire to cooperate with the General Commission on Benevolences and urge our people to the utmost liberality in the financial support of the benevolent interests of the Church. The benevolent askings represent the lifeline of the Church's philanthropic activity. In the field of missions they are urgently needed. We cannot too strongly stress the necessity of the full acceptance and payment on the part of the churches of the entire amounts asked of them by the General and Annual Conferences.

#### TEXT OF THE DECLARATION AT LIMA

Following is the text of the "Declaration of Lima" as signed by all twenty-one American delegations at Lima:

Declaration of the Solidarity of America.

Eighth Inter-American Conference of American States.

Considering: That the people of America have achieved spiritual unity through the similarity of their republican institutions, their unshakeable will for peace, their profound sentiment of humanity and tolerance and through their absolute adherence to the principles of international law, of equal sovereignty of States and of individual liberty without religious or racial prejudices; That respect for the personality, sovereignty and independence of each American State constitutes the essence of international order sustained by continental solidarity, which historically has found expression in the declaration of the various States, or in agreements that were applied, and sustained by new declarations and by treaties in force; That the Inter-American Conference for the Maintenance of Peace in Buenos Aires approved on December 21, 1936, a Declaration of Principles of Inter-American Solidarity and Co-operation and approved on December 23, 1936, a protocol of non-intervention:

The governments of the American States declare: First, that they reaffirm their continental solidarity and their purpose to collaborate in the maintenance of principles upon which said solidarity is based; Second, that, faithful to the abovementioned principles and to their absolute sovereignty, they reaffirm their decision to maintain them and defend them against all foreign

intervention or activity that may threaten them; Third, and in case the peace, security or territorial integrity of any American republic is thus threatened by acts of any nature that may impair them, they proclaim their common concern and their determination to make effective their solidarity, co-ordinating their respective sovereign wills by means of the procedure of consultation established by the conventions of peace and by declarations of inter-American conferences, using measures that in each case circumstances may make advisable; It is understood that the governments of the American republics will act independently in their individual capacities, recognizing fully their judicial equality as sovereign States; Fourth, that, in order to facilitate the consultations established in this and other American peace instruments, the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the American republics, when deemed desirable and at the initiative of any one of them, will meet in their several capitals by rotation and without protocolary character; Each government may, under special circumstances or for special reasons, designate a representative as a substitute for its Minister of Foreign Affairs; Fifth, this declaration shall be known as the Declaration of Lima.

#### SOME FIRST THINGS

The first place to show kindness, patience and love, is in your own home. No one on the outside is so much entitled to this.

The first business of a college is character building. This is true whether or not the college is called a Christian college. It is true for the reason that character is more important than mental training or any other form of training. It is true for the reason that power in the hands of any man or any nation of men without moral character to direct the use of power, is always a dangerous thing. It would not be a bad thing if we could see emblazoned in box car letters on the walls of every college this motto: "Character is the first aim of this College: Training comes second."

The first business of the Christian religion is evangelization. The second business is training for Christian service. After Nicodemus had seen and heard Jesus in Jerusalem he sought Him out. Convinced that here was a teacher come from God, he wanted to know at first hand what it was all about. Jesus did not even wait for His visitor to put his question into words, but, discussing the purpose of the visit, went directly to the core of His whole program: "Ye must be born again!" And nothing that men can do will produce the new birth; it is "from above." "Born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God."

The first business of a man's life is to seek and obtain and maintain a proper relation to God. This will involve also a proper relation to his fellowman. The second business of a man is to make a living for himself and those dependent upon him. -Jas. A. Anderson.

MEET in the center

OF THE LOOP

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, 1 can!"

#### CHAPTER XVIII

Great was the joy that shone on the faces of Jose and Manuela as they brought in Phillip's breakfast and saw that the delirium and the fever had left him and that he was smiling at them in friendly greet-

ing.
"Ah," exclaimed Manuela, "eet ees the recover. Now he make good health. Meester Charlie most best

doctor I ever see."

"Heem okay doctor," agreed Jose. "Heem say, 'No talka much; make Pheelep comfort queeck; geeve hees breakfas. Let heem sleep.' So we do."

Swiftly suiting actions to words they beamed on Phillip and vanished quickly, leaving him cool,

comfortable and sleepy.

Old Charlie had sent a letter to his friend, the Bishop, explaining the situation. The Bishop arranged through Brother Dickey to send a preacher to complete the year's work on the Highgate Circuit. He also advised Charlie to urge Phillip to return to school. When Phillip grew strong enough, Charlie told him these things.

"But," protested Phillip, "I have not the money nor do I know where I could possibly earn or borrow it. All the circuits anywhere near the University I prefer are supplied with preachers who are working their way through school, and I'm sure it's that way everywhere. I did that when I was taking my B. A., but I couldn't make the course at the university, at least not if my presiding elder were another Brother Dickey and my circuit another Highgate. I'd better try to make my way up in the Conference and save up my money for school later. I won't be too old. Lots of really old men go to school."

"I know," agreed Old Charlie, "but I have a better plan than that to propose. I think the idea of school should not be dropped, for after all other people have encountered these

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same problems you have faced here and you should have the benefit of their experience before attempting anything so difficult. You see, you have been too much in the thick of things to have time to really study them out."

"Oh," exclaimed Phillip, "I hope it is a plan that I can carry out. I'm sure it must be a good one. The more I think about it the worse I want to go to school. Whether I get to school or not, I'm going to spend my life trying to help people wherever I am, just as Jose tells me you've been helping every needy soul for miles and miles around here. He says you not only geeva them the bread of thees world, but you geeva them the bread of life for the nexta world."

"I see," laughed Charlie, "Jose's been telling tales out of school. Don't listen to him. But here's my plan. I want you to listen to it carefully and weigh it in the light of reason before you decide."

"I'll do the best I can," agreed Phillip, "to. be reasonable, but I can't place much faith in my own judgment. Just look what a mess I've made of this work out here."

"Too impatient son," said Charlie. "Often it takes years to see any good results from our tasks. We must pray God to help us learn to labor and to wait his good time for the harvest. But here's my plan. I have plenty of money on hand right now, and I want to invest some of it on your university course. No, don't interrupt me. Wait until I've finished. I'm an old man. I have no relations. I'm not deeply interested in building up a great business to fall, perhaps, into the hands of some worldly person and be diverted from the Master's work. So years ago I dedicated my fortune to helping the needy and to educating people to carry on the work when I'm gone. You need one of my scholarships, and I want you to accept it. Use it and repay it in loving service to the needy. You will be under no obligations to me. Pay in character building for the future.'

"I feel unworthy of such a great trust. You have already done so much for me, a stranger. You've restored my broken health and given me back my faith and courage. Whether I accept the scholarship or not, I'll always be more of a man and have a richer, fuller Christian experience on account of my contact with you. Isn't there some little something that I might render you? I can think of no service, however hard, that I'd not gladly un-

dertake for you."
"Boy, boy," laughed Old Charlie, "you'll make me vain. I'm beginning already to feel puffed up with pride. I deserve no such praise. It is my own selfish whims I'm honor-

ing. "No," protested Phillip. "I mean it. I truly love you and want to serve you. Why not let me stay here with you and help you with your scattered peoples? A year here with you would be worth more to me than many years of theological study at the University."

"Ah, now you've more than repaid me," declared Old Charlie. "Your love and trust and desire to share my life and work are my richest reward. I'd love nothing better than having you with me, but that would not be best for you. You must get out and finish school, learn all you can of the people and the social conditions under which they live. Stay in the Conference and work with organized Christianity.

### Woman's Missionary Department

MRS. A. C. MILLAR, Editor

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

#### FAIRVIEW AUXILIARY

The Fairview Society met Monday, January 16.

Prayer, Mrs. A. C. Hale.

For our Bible study we are using "The Radiant Heart." Mrs. Hale gave chapter 1 of this book.

Mrs. W. B. Lawson gave a very interesting talk on "The Outstanding Women of the New Testament."

We are most happy to have our pastor and family living in our new parsonage and also to have Mrs. Arnold as a new member of our Society.—Reporter.

#### NEW SOCIETY AT BIGGERS

The ladies of the Biggers Church met at the home of Mrs. Harry Hite Wednesday afternoon to organize a Woman's Missionary Society. following officers were elected: Mrs. Leon Williamson, president; Mrs. Harry Hite, vice-president; Mrs. Williams, secretary-treasurer; Paul Rev. W. Williams, study superintendent; Mrs. C. C. Smith, publicity superintendent; Mrs. Vivian Lloyd and Mrs. Ella Smith, program committee.

It was voted to meet each Wednesday afternoon. The meeting was closed with a short prayer by Mrs. W. Williams.—Mrs. C. C. Smith, Publicity Supt.

#### PERRY AUXILIARY

Our Society met January 2 for our monthly program. The following officers were elected:

President, Mrs. A. B. Green; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Fauline Wood; Corresponding Sec., Mrs. O. O. Oates; Recording Sec., Mrs. Roy Haydon; Treasurer, Mrs. G. B. Colvin; Sec. of Young People, Mrs. Dib Farish; Sec. of Children's Work, Mrs. Ocie Herndon; Supt. of Study, Mrs. A. H. Dulaney; Supt. of Publicity, Mrs. W. A. Glenn; Supt. of World Outlook, Miss Polly Buckingham; Supt. of Christian Social Relations, Mrs. H. C. Holbrook; Supt. of Supplies, Mrs. Virgil Crager; Supt. of Baby

That is the better plan, the surer and quicker way to bring God's kingdom to this earth and, by means of universal Christian brotherhood, establish real peace on earth and good will toward men. Yes, go, my boy, and try your strength against the evil forces of the world; and when you have served your day, come back here to my retreat and carry on, bravely and worthily, as I'm sure you will, until you go to receive your reward at the hands of our Master. I know that I have not long to tarry here. I'll labor joyfully as long as the Master requires it; then gladly lay aside my tasks to join Him in the blessed life of the hereafter.".

"Let me stay with you," pleaded

Phillip. ' insisted Charlie, "tomorrow 'No,′ you must leave for the university. And be comforted about my welfare. Manuela and Jose have elected

to stay and take care of me. You gave me them and their friendship."

"And," said Phillip, "the three of you gave me back my life." (To be continued)

Special, Mrs. W. A. Glenn; Chairman of Spiritual Life Group, Mrs. O. O. Oates.

Refreshments were served by the hospitality committee.—Mrs. W. A. Glenn, Supt. of Publicity.

#### FREDONIA AUXILIARY

The Fredonia Society of Shuler held their Fledge Service Wednesday, Jan. 11, in the home of Mrs. Dee Justice with eleven members present.

The Pledge program from the Yearbook was used. Mrs. A. W. Paine was leader. She was assisted by Mrs. J. W. Fowler, Mrs. Duke Sewell, Mrs. Doyle Fair and Miss Ruth Sewell.

The next meeting will be with

Mrs. Alvin Sewell.

The Society sponsored a pie supper at the Church Friday evening, and \$12.75 was made. The proceeds will go toward helping buy a new stove for the parsonage. — Mrs. Doyle Fair.

#### NEWPORT FIRST CHURCH AUXILIARY

The Society met Monday afternoon. Mrs. Curry Martin, leader of the program opened with quiet music. The theme was New Horizons in Personal Service. Mrs. Jas. H. Johnston gave the meditation.

The Missionary topic, New Horizons of Sacrificial Service, was given in five parts by Mrs. E. E. McBride, Mrs. B. W. Jamison, Mrs. E. D. Sharp, Mrs. H. U. Williamson, and Mrs. Curry Martin.

Mrs. C. A. Colthorp, president, presided over the business session, and told of the origin of the Woman's Missionary Society, Mrs. M. A. Umsted, treasurer, talked on Gifts of Money, and passed out pledge cards. After the reports of the committee the session was closed with prayer by Mrs. M. L. Har-

During the social hour dainty refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. J. T. Henderson, Mrs. T. P. Umsted and Mrs. L. O. Umsted to the twenty-nine members present.-Mrs. C. S. Shivley, Supt. of Publicity.

#### ZONE NO. 3, TEXARKANA DISTRICT

The Missionary Society of Zone Number Three met at Ogden Jan. 11, in an all-day session, combining the training for officers with the regular zone program.

Mrs. Willard Locke, Zone chairman, had charge of the business and program period.

A welcome from Ogden was expressed by Mrs. I. N. Hutt. A worship service was conducted by Mrs. W. W. Gardner of Richmond.

Mesdames J. H. Furlow, L. A. Bowden and Miss Lucille Bowden sang "Sailing in My Dream Boat." Pianist, Mrs. Bates Furlow.

Three new pastors and their wives

were introduced.

Reports of the last quarter's work were given by the seven Auxiliaries represented. Mrs. McGuyre, District Secretary, announced that Ashdown Auxiliary led in the Efficiency Aim on Baby Specials and the Foreman Auxiliary on giving per capita. She illustrated this contest by a poster of "Boats Entering the Harbor."

Mrs. McGuyre talked to the study superintendents on the spring study of India. Mrs. W. W. Gardner told the leaders her method of presenting the studies.

The Young Women's Circle from Foreman gave a playlet called "Be-

fore the Meeting." Those taking part were Mesdames Jas. McGuyre, Irvin Tipton, Daisy Gathright, Roy Callans, Pete Blakely, Loyd Reid and Miss Ora Lee Smith.

Under the topic "Widening Horizons," Mrs. A. T. Hemphill of Ashdown conducted the Officers' Training period. The disputed questions were thrashed out in the discussion. Mrs. A. R. McKinney, Conference Vice President, assisted Mrs. Hemphill.

At 12:30 the meeting was adjourned for lunch in the basement of the school. This room had been decorated with ferns and potted plants. Delicious baked ham, bread, salads, cakes, pickles and hot coffee were served cafeteria style. The pot luck luncheon was contributed by the Auxiliaries present.

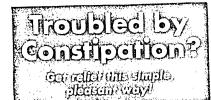
The high point came when Miss Josephine Fort, rural worker of the Camden District, told of her work in the oil fields and rural sections. She organizes Missionary Societies, forms Bible study groups, Sunday Schools and in various ways makes contact with the isolated rural dwellers.

Ashdown was selected as the next place of meeting.

There were sixty persons present. Visitors from outside the county were Miss Josephine Fort, rural worker, and her friend, Miss Myers, both from El Dorado, Mesdames



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#### MINERAL SPRINGS AUXILIARY

The Auxiliary met in December for election of officers. After a brief program the following were elected: President, Miss Henry McKinnon; Vice-President, Mrs. Ernest Knight; Sec'y-Treas., Mrs. Jesse Worley; Rec.-Sec'y, Mrs. Julia Reed; Supt. of Mission and Bible Study, Mrs. W. H. Latimer; Supt. of Supplies, Mrs. R. J. Raiford; Supt. of Social Service, Mrs. T. L. DeLong; Supt. of Young People, Mrs. F. H. McLarty; Supt. of World Outlook, Mrs. E. H. Martin; Supt. of Publicity, Mrs. J. C. Kent.
Our Auxiliary has purchased a

piano for our new Sunday School rooms, which are under construc-

We have had a pleasant and profitable year's work, and since the holidays have several new members.—Reporter.

#### TEXARKANA FIRST CHURCH **AUXILIARY**

The monthly fellowship and program meeting of First Church took place Monday. The meeting opened with a musical meditation by Mrs. J. C. Lauderdale.

News from the Council Bulletin was followed by a pledge service program, led by Mrs. Lynn Smith. Mrs. E. Lee Tucker and Mrs. R. E. Martin, accompanied by Mrs. Pratt Bacon, sang "O, Galilee."

Mrs. Lillian Jones Porter read the Scripture lesson.

Mrs. R. B. Coles talked on "Line

of Discovery.'

Accompanied by Mrs. Bacon, Mrs. Ira F. Key sang "Consecrated Lord

Mrs. Ben Cook talked on the Life of Muriel Lester; Mrs. Watson Joplin spoke on Martha Perry; Mrs. George Parson gave a sketch of the life of Dr. Albert Schweitzer and Mrs. G. A. Couch talked on Martin Niemoller.

A directed prayer was led by Mrs. Lynn Smith.

Mrs. A. R. McKinney spoke on "The Gift of Service," and Mrs. D. F. McLaurine spoke on "The Gift of Money."

As pledge cards were signed, Mrs. Key, Mrs. Tucker and Mrs. Martin softly sang an appropriate song, Mrs. Bacon at the piano.

The period was closed with prayer by Mrs. A. S. DeLamar.

Dr. Ira F. Key talked on the church program after which luncheon was served by Circle One, Mrs. I. V. Perdue, chairman.

Sixty-seven members were present, and three visitors and four new members were introduced.

Following luncheon Mrs. A. R. McKinney presided over the business session, opened with a musical meditation by Mrs. Watson Joplin. Reports of the year's work were given. The Society has made 1080 visits to the sick; visited 515 members of the church; visited 391 prospective members; given to pledges and systematic giving, \$1345.91.

The average attendance has been 64 members.

The Society voted to continue the calendar method of raising funds for the harvest offering.

The vestibule committee for the day were chairman of circles, Mrs. I. V. Perdue, Mrs. E. R. Heath, Mrs. A. B. Clark, Mrs. Will Owen, Mrs. R. S. Potter and Mrs. John Gieboff.

### The Laymen's Forum

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#### PUBLIC SERVANTS

Those public servants in the lower house of the General Assembly who were elected to promote the interests of a sovereign state seem to have a very poor opinion of the ability of voters to decide for themselves what they want in the matter of constitutional rights.

Of course the voters were "wise" in selecting the representatives they did, but some of these lawmakers by their acts now are saying that the voters who elected them were too dumb to know what they were doing when they ratified Proposed Constitutional Amendment No. 32, now Amendment No. 29.

This amendment is a mandate to the Legislature to make provision for either a preferential, or a runoff primary, which should go a long way toward giving the people better officials in state, district, county and municipal offices. Because a double primary system does not fit the selfish interests of the politicians, some House members are desperate in their effort to find a way to thwart the will of the people, whose best interests they took an oath to serve less than a month

In the House three proposals have been offered. The latest plan is to submit to the electors a proposed amendment which would repeal the one the electors adopted last November and have not had a single opportunity to use. The other two proposals only exemplify the ends to which politicians will go to thwart the will of an enlightened

The Senate has taken a different attitude and quickly passed a bill setting up machinery for a preferential primary which is preferable to a run-off primary. A House committee refused to put its stamp of approval on the bill from the Senate and at this writing the opponents persist in their effort to prevent Arkansas citizens from having an opportunity to secure better public officials.

#### WHOSE CLAMOR

Much time was devoted two years ago to passage of a civil service law. Sponsors said the law would provide job security for state employes. if they were capable, and promote more efficiency in government. Now it seems that a majority of the legislators would have their constituents believe that civil serice was a mistake.

The clamor for quick repeal of civil service did not come from the rank and file of voters, and neither did it come from those working under civil service. Did it originate with those legislators who were reluctant to surrender patronage

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bill that would do what can reasonably be expected of a law which actually puts the selection of employes on a merit basis, whether they be on or off the payroll at the time the law becomes effective. The law should also provide methods for punishing the political master minds who devise clever ways to evade provisions intended to enable employes of a government to be free from political influences.

#### TO MEET AN EMERGENCY

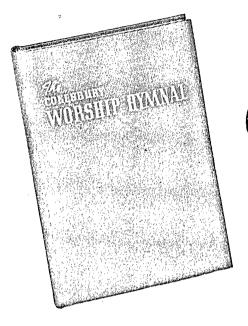
How many burdened taxpayers recall the promises made four years ago that the two per cent sales tax was emergency legislation to be effective for two years and no more. Two years ago the emergency was extended another two years. Now, a bill to extend the life of the sales tax is again before the General Assembly and probably can be made a permanent tax with little trouble. Really, the legislators can all go home after the session and boast they were able to stifle efforts of powerful interests who wanted to increase the levy to three per cent.

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#### A STEP UPWARD

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The chrysalis of childhood broken through,
The wings of new-found life and
Youth unrolled,

Thus have we come to do the work you do

And take our place within this Chris-

And take our place within this Christian fold.

The warm and cheerful welcome that

you give—
The fellowship with Jesus that you teach—
These things alone may help us each to

A Christian life with Christ the goal to reach.

And we have come with wills to do and

dare, To help you lift our Saviour's banner

up; To brave each earthly storm, avoid each

snare,
That we may say, "Christ, we can drink Thy cup."

And so as we the upward path pursue
This earnest prayer to Heaven we
shall send:

shall send:
That we may ever grow as Jesus grew
In favor with our God and fellowmen.

# NEW ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF YOUTH CRUSADE

May I introduce Rev. Paul Worley who has recently been added to our Directing Staff for the Youth Crusade in the capacity of Associate Director.

He is a Mississippian by birth and is a member of the Holston Conference. He comes to Nashville direct from the pastorate at Glade Springs, Virginia. His college and seminary work were done at Emory and Henry College and Emory University

You will be interested to know of the service he has been rendering in the field of Young People's work in the Church. He "came up" through our youth program, has served as District Director of Young People's Work, Union Counselor, instructor and leader in Assemblies, accredited instructor in youth courses, and the like, and in his pastorate he has done outstanding work with youth. His background for leadership in the Youth Crusade

is exceptional.

Although Mr. Worley has been a pastor for five years, he has several mile posts still to pass before he reaches thirty. We feel that you will heartily approve the selection of a man for youth leadership whose judgment is mature and who has had successful pastoral experience, and yet who is young in years as well as in zeal and enthusiasm. You are going to like Mr. Worley.—Walter Towner.

#### THE CHRISTIAN HOME

The February issue of The Christian Home is unusually interesting and valuable for parents of children from eight or nine to fourteen. The article, "Dad, I Want to Join the Church," by Edith Kent Battle, gives a good discussion of a parent's attitude toward the child who wants to join the church. Another article which deals with the place of the Christian home in preparing for church membership is by J. Calloway Robertson, "The Child's Way to Effective Church Membership." Dr. Robert W. Goodloe, an authority on Church History, has a helpful article on "What Church Membership Means to Parents," in which he elucidates some of the passages of the ritual for the reception of

members into the Methodist Church. The program of Educational Evangelism which our Church Schools endeavor to carry out from the nursery through the Adult Departments is discussed by E. B. Chappell in "How the Child Is Saved."

There are two articles that deal directly with home activities. The one, "Tongues in Trees," gives the absorbing story of a father and son who made a study of nature. "The Family at Worship" reminds us of the many opportunities for spontaneous or planned worship during the day. There is also a section of worship and meditation for every day in February. Any parent will find both inspiration and specific help in this copy of The Christian Home.—Mrs. Dewey Price.

# LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE YOUTH CRUSADE NOTES

By CLEM BAKER
Miss Jeanette Hartsell of El Dorado has been chosen by the District Committee to speak on "Youth
Is Ready" at the Camden District
Youth Crusade Rally.

Rev. Chas. H. Giessen, Director for the Prescott District, reports that two Unions, the Elberta and Henderson, have arranged for deputations of young people to visit the sixty churches participating in these Unions in the interest of the Youth Crusade Rally to be held for that District at Prescott.

Rev. J. L. Hoover is arranging for a great Youth Rally at his night service on February 5, with Rev. Mouzon Mann as the speaker.

The Henderson Union in Prescott District has made plans for an Epworth Training Conference to be held in March.

Miss Mavis Lee Roper of Fairview, Texarkana, has been chosen by the District Committee to speak on "Youth Is Ready" at the Texarkana District Youth Crusade Rally.

Mr. Wallace Calloway of Murfreesboro has been chosen by the District Committee to be the young people's speaker at the Frescott District Youth Crusade Rally. Wallace is president of the Elberta Union.

The Young People of Columbus have recently formed an organization and had 47 present at the first meeting.

The Young People of Spring Hill Circuit have challenged the young people of the Prescott Circuit in a contest for attendance at the Prescott District Youth Crusade Rally Each circuit has set at least 75 as its attendance goal.

The Young People of the Mineral Springs Circuit have chartered two busses, with a total capacity of 80 persons, to carry the young people from that circuit to the Youth Crusade Rally at Prescott.

Rev. Edward Harris of Fordyce is writing the "Suggestions for Worship in the Sunday School Hour" for the young people, appearing each month in the Epworth Highroad. These are splendid programs. Our Little Rock Conference young people are proud of Edward.

The DeWitt Young People will have Robert McCammon of Hendrix as the speaker for their program on Sunday night, January 29.

Rev. Edward Dunlap of Hendrix will be the special speaker at a young people's program at Monticelle Sunday wight January 20.

Rev. Edward Dunlap of Hendrix will be the special speaker at a young people's program at Monticello, Sunday night, January 29. Edward is a former student at Monticello A. & M., and is much loved by the young people of that section.

Rev. Arthur Terry is in great sorrow over the serious illness of his mother who lives with him at Nashville. Brother Terry will have the sympathy and prayers of all Little Rock Conference young people who love and appreciate him for the great contribution he has made to their program.

? The Prescott District Young People have set a minimum of 750 as their goal for attendance in the Prescott District Young People's Crusade Rally.

Rev. Bryan Stephens of Hendrix College will speak to the Gurdon young people on Sunday night, January 29, and to the young people of First Church, El Dorado, at their evening program on February 5.

Rev. H. D. Sadler has invited Rev. Ben Musser of Hendrix College to speak to his young people at Benton on Sunday night, January 29. Ben will also be with the young people of the Sherrill-Tucker charge on February 5.

Lester Woosley of Carlisle will preside at the Little Rock District Youth Crusade Rally. Lester is president of the James Thomas Union

Rev. Marvin Wilson of Hendrix College will represent the college and speak at the young people's meeting at Smackover on Sunday, February 5.

Rev. Robert McCammon will speak at Carlisle, Sunday, January 29 in the morning and at DeQueen, Sunday morning, February 5. He will speak at Ashdown Sunday evening, February 5.

The Magnolia and Stamps Young People will have the pleasure of hearing Mouzon Mann on Sunday, January 29. He will be at Magnolia in the morning and at Stamps that night.

#### FIELD NOTES FROM THE LIT-TLE ROCK CONFERENCE By CLEM BAKER

Rev. J. A. Henderson continues to grow in favor with his people at Hawley Memorial. Writing for survey cards and Youth Crusade literature, he states that everything is moving at high tide.

Rev. L. E. N. Hundley enters upon his fourth year at Warren with every prospect of its being the best of the quadrennium.

Rev. É. H. Martin is leading his people at Mineral Springs in the building of a large basement and kitchen which will be paid for when the work is completed.

Rev. O. C. Birdwell is still branching out around Forester. His latest accomplishment is a new Sunday School at Harvey.

Rev. S. K. Burnett reports that the contract has been let for the pews to be installed in the new church completed at Sardis last year.



Rev. Alfred Doss has organized a Circuit Board of Christian Education on the Hampton-Harrell charge, which is so unique and effective that we recommend this procedure for other charges.

Rev. C. H. Farmer and our people at Huttig have the sympathy of all the Conference in the loss of their magnificent church by fire last Sunday. Every report indicates that our church at Huttig under Brother Farmer's leadership was making rapid strides.

Rev. O. E. Holmes, our new pastor at Prescott, has acquired Pleasant Ridge on the Prescott Circuit as an afternoon appointment.

Rev. Jesse Davis, our pastor on the Prescott Circuit, has established a new preaching place, secured a lot, material and subscriptions for a new church at Newark, a new oil field community in south Nevada County, near where we established a church at Waterloo last year. Brother Davis was licensed to preach last summer.

Rev. W. I. Small, who has been camping in an old church building at Columbus, reports that his people will have a new parsonage ready for occupancy in the near future

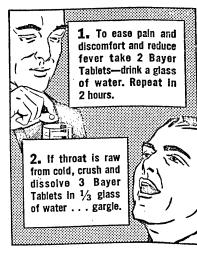
Rev. K. L. Spore, in addition to giving full time at Hope, has taken over Centerville and Oak Grove as afternoon appointments.

Dr. C. M. Reves, new Presiding Elder on Little Rock District, is spending much time with the country churches. Dr. Reves has not

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Dr. Gaston Foote, our pastor at Winfield, has been elected President of the Little Rock Ministerial Alliance and is giving it vigorous leadership.

Rev. Otto Teague of Fairview, Texarkana, has been appointed Director of Training work for the Texarkana District.

Rev. Frank Walker of Emmet has been appointed Director of Training Work for Prescott District and will lead that group in reaching its goal of at least one Training Class for each church in the District.

#### CONTINUING OUR RURAL CHURCH CONFERENCE

The District Rural Church Conferences which have become a regular phase of our year's program in Little Rock Conference, have been better this year than before. Three were held last week, the first at Nashville for Prescott District. In spite of rain, we had nearly a perfect attendance, which included nearly all preachers in the District since most of the station preachers have taken over at least one country church as an afternoon appointment. We began at 9:30 and ran till nearly 4:00, with a short intermission for lunch served by the ladies. In spite of the serious illness of his mother, Brother Terry made an ideal host and was with us every minute he could spare from his mother's bedside. The Prescott District promises to have another great year in promotion of country

Our second conference of the week, was at DeQueen with Brother Mann and preachers of Texarkana District. We had a 100% attend-We had an all-day session with a dinner served by the ladies. Rev. and Mrs. Galloway, as host and hostess, did everything possible for our comfort. It was a joy to be with the country preachers where we spent six weeks last fall visiting country churches. The preachers love and believe in their Elder. They are hoping that the Uniting Conference will remove the limitation so that they can keep Brother Mann for six years.

Our final Conference of the week was at Camden with Brother Clegg and his preachers. We had a perfect attendance and put in the day from 9:30 till 6:00, with only a short intermission for lunch served by the ladies of Camden church. Brother Hoover provided beautifully for our entertainment. The District Staff met to plan for four Training Schools, scheduled for early Autumn. An outstanding feature was the planning for 20 Training Classes to be taught in as many churches the latter part of February. Bro. Clegg is getting off to a great year, in his first year on this District, and will have the loyal support of as fine a group of preachers as we have even seen. Already Brother Clegg

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has sent to each pastor a letter reviewing the work and reminding each of the goals set. Our final Rural Church Conference will be held for Arkadelphia District at Princeton, Tuesday of this week.-Clem Baker.

### HOME AND FOREIGN MISSION-ARY OFFERINGS, LITTLE

ROCK CONFERENCE, FOR	
DECEMBER	
Arkadelphia District	
Oaklawn	2.00
Point View	.46
Butterfield	
Tulip	
Dalark	.87
New Salem	1.00
Princeton	.57
Macedonia	.91
Tigert	1.00
Manchester	
Mt. Zion	.73
Carthage (2 mos.)	
Total\$	14.07
Camden District	
Atlanta	
Smackover	5.00
Philadelphia	.36 8.55
Strong	$\frac{8.55}{2.00}$
Camden	
Fredonia	3.00
Christie Chanel	.40
Buckner (3 mos.)	3.00
Fredonia Ckristie Chapel Buckner (3 mos.) Harmony Grove (3 mos.)	2.37
Marysville (2 mos.)	1.55
Hampton (November)	.50
Mt. Prospect	.75
Harmony	1.00
Harrell	2.10
Kingsland	
McNeil Stephens	
Rhodes Chanel (2 mos.)	3.00
Rhodes Chapel (3 mos.)	.25
Total	\$49.18
Little Rock District	
First Church, L. R.	\$17.97
Hunter (2 mos.)	5.20
Primrose	2.00
Pepper's Lake Hickory Plains	.87
Hickory Plains	.93
Forest Park (3 mos.)	4.50
Duladri Hoighta	4.31 10.00
Pulaski Heights 28th Street	2.50
Gever Springs	1 00
Highland (2 mos.)	8.00
Eagle	. 1.00
Hazen (9 mog)	2.50
First Church, Little Rock (Nov.)	30.93
Keo (3 mos.)	3.00
Total	\$94.71
Monticello District	<b>e</b> 70

rightand (2 mos.)	0.00
Eagle	1.00
Hazen (2 mos.)	2.50
First Church, Little Rock (Nov.)	
Keo (3 mos.)	
Total\$	94.71
Monticello District	
Banks\$	.70
Jersey (2 mos.)	1.57
Rock Springs	1.77
New Edinburg	1.12
Total\$	5.16
Pine Bluff District	
Ulm\$	1.00
Prairie Union	.72
Sherrill	2.00
Gould	1.16
Altheimer	3.39
	11.61
Grady (2 mos.)	4.50
First Church, P. B. (Dec.)	10.82
Union	.81
Swan Lake	1.38
Roe (2 mos.)	2.87
Wabbaseka	2.00
Bayou Meto	1.00
DeWitt (4 mos.)	
	16.28
Stuttgart	
Total\$	79.77
Prescott District	
Doyle	
Amity (2 mos.)	1.00

Bayou Meto	1.00
DeWitt (4 mos.)	13.00
First Church, P. B. (Nov.)	
Stuttgart	
Total	
Prescott District	φισιιι
Doyle	\$ .60
Amity (2 mos.)	
Mineral Springs (2 mos.)	
Pump Springs (6 mos.)	
Nashville	
McCaskill	
Blevins	2.50
Holly Grove (2 mos.)	
Springs Hill	
Saline	
Total	\$15.93
Texarkana District	410100
Foreman (2 mos.)	\$ 2.00
Horatio	
Wofford's Chapel	
Dallas (2 mos.)	
Mena	
Stamps (2 mos.)	
First Church, Texas (3 mos.)	
Sylvarino	1.15
Vandervoort	
Total	
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District		Reporting
Camden District	\$49.18	20
Pine Bluff District		16
Arkadelphia District	. 14.07	13
Little Rock District	. 94.71	15
Prescott District	. 15.93	10
Texarkana District	. 54.48	9
Monticello District	. 5.16	4
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### **CHURCH NEWS**

👌 FIRST CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK

The First Church A Cappella Choir, directed by Mr. John Summers, minister of music, will give a musical Sunday afternoon at 5:00 o'clock. The entire choir, numbering forty voices will be seated in the rear gallery of the church for the service. Mrs. John Summers, guest organist, will play several numbers between numbers of the choir. This is the fourth in a series of monthly musicals presented by the choir and Mr. Summers during the winter. The fifty-three candles placed in the chancel will provide most of the light for the service. Those who have heard the choir on special occasions, know the fine quality of music presented. Mrs. Summers is a graduate in organ and plays beautifully. The choir is always well balanced, and presents a

#### HOME AND FOREIGN MISSION-ARY OFFERINGS, YOUNG PEOPLE'S ORGANIZATION, LITTLE ROCK CONFER-ENCE FOR JANUARY

O	
Camden District	
Smackover	2.00
Magnolia (Jr. Hi)	2.00
Fredonia (2 mos.)	2.64
Centennial (Int. & Sr.)	75
Vantrease	. 1.50
Total	.\$ 8.39
Little Rock District	
Primrose	\$ 1.25
- Monticello District	
Tillar	.\$ 2.50
Rock Springs	. 1.40
Total	
Prescott District	•
McCaskill	.\$ 1.50
Murfreesboro (2 mos.)	
Antoine	

finished product.

A series of broadcasts have been arranged on the Youth Crusade during February. Tune in on radio station KGHI every morning, Monday through Saturday, January 30 to February 26, for information concerning the Crusade. You will hear ministers and young people and get their viewpoint of the potentialities of the Crusade.

The Youth Crusade Rally will be held at First Church, Wednesday night, February 1, at 7:15 o'clock. All Methodist young people of Little Rock District will meet here to find out about the Crusade and to voice their opinion of the possibilities of crusading for the worthy objectives set up by the Crusade Commission. All young people, 12 to 24, are expected and all workers with young people.

The Young People's Workers of Greater Little Rock will meet Thursday evening, January 26, at 7:30, to hear the Rev. Clem Baker,

Prescott	50
Grand Total ——Mrs. R. A. The	\$21.44

#### CARROLL COUNTY UNION

The Young People of Carroll County League Union held their monthly meeting at Eureka Springs January 16. The program and entertainment was furnished by the Eureka Springs League. Numbers consisted of solos and a play built around the "Youth Crusade." After a short business meeting, followed by a recreation period, refreshments were served to about seventy-five guests.-Ruth Maples, Reporter.



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Executive Secretary of Little Rock Conference speak on the Crusade. All workers with youth are urged to attend.—C. R. Hozendorf, Assistant Pastor.

#### ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE

The past week has been one of mixed joy and anxiety. The "flu" is a mighty old monster proceeding slowly but sure, taking your strength and committing you to your own room. I feel though that I am better and everything in my faithful line-up at the Orphanage is doing well. I hope to be out in a few days, though I cannot tell.

I wish the brethren would see to it that the Christmas Offerings are taken, covered and sent in to me, as we need the money badly. Some of the churches have done remarkably well, many have done well, others are a little slow

I wish to be remembered to my friends and brethren throughout the state.—James Thomas, Executive Secretary.

#### ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE

I am making the fourth report of receipts on Christmas Offerings as of January 21:

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE	Ξ
Arkadelphia District	
Amount previously reported\$	391.45
Arkadelphia Station	90.00
Holly Springs Ct.	8.55
Oaklawn Church, Hot Springs	10.00
Hot Springs Ct.: New Salem	1.00
Hot Springs Ct.: Gum Springs	1.00
Malvern Station, additional	25.00
Traskwood Ct., Traskwood S. S.	4.00
Total\$	531.00
Camden District	00
Camden District	662.83
Amount previously reported\$	10.00
Kingsland Ct.	672.83
Total\$	014.00
Little Rock District	440.50
Amount previously reported\$1	,442.52
Des Arc	10.00
Des Arc	9.00

Kingsland Ct.
Total\$ 672.83
i ittle Rock District
A aunt proviously reported \$1.442.52
Dog Arc 10.00
Des Arc 10.00 DeVall's Bluff 9.00
Little Rock:
Capital View (additional) 4.00
Dulacki Heights (additional) 5.08
Total \$1,470.60
Monticello District
Amount previously reported\$ 291.78
Walso S S 4.00
Crossett
Total\$ 357.30
Pine Bluff District
Amount previously reported\$ 760.24
Good Faith 10.00
Pine Bluff Ct., Mt. Carmel S. S. 1.00
Rison
Total\$ 807.24
Prescott District
Amount previously reported\$ 321.38
Saline Ct.: Pike City S. S
Saline S. S
Total\$ 324.38
Total Texarkana District
Amount previously reported\$ 900.87
Amount previously reported
Hattleid Church
10ta1
Individual Gifts, previously

North Arkansas Conference Batesville District	
Amount previously reported\$	46.0
Melbourne Ct.: Melbourne	3.0
Larkin	1.5
Wiseman	2.0
Forrest Chapel	3.5
Total\$	56.0
Conway District Amount previously reported\$'	218.1

Grand Total from Little

Rock Conference

.\$5,071.22

Atkins		5.0
Gardner Memorial, Little Rock		10.0
Total	8 :	331.1
Total		
Fayetteville District	œ	100.6
Amount previously reported	Υ	10.0
Springdale	_	
Total	\$	110.6
Fort Smith District		
Amount previously reported	\$	133.1
Helena District		
Amount previously reported	\$	121.5
Jonesboro District	•	
	¢	187.7
Amount previously reported	Ψ	3.0
Manila S. S		2.3
St. John		
Total	\$	193.0
Paragould District		
Amount previously reported	\$	71.9
Biggers Ct., Datto		2.5
Success		1.0
Total		75.4
	Ψ	
Searcy District		203.5
Amount previously reported		1.7
McRae Ct., Garner S. S.,		
· motel	\$	205.2

Grand Total received from

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both Conferences ...

North Arkansas Conference \$1,129.87

-James Thomas, Supt.

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#### JONESBORO DISTRICT INSTITUTE

The Missionary Institute of Jonesboro District met at Blytheville January 16. More than a hundred pastors and lay-workers were present. Only three pastors were absent. These were kept away. The following visitors were presented: Dr. J. M. Williams, of Hendrix College; Dr. R. J. Parker, of El Paso, Texas; and I. A. Brumley, T. C. Chambliss, C. R. Culver, G. C. Johnson, A. N. Storey, H. L. Wade, and J. T. Wilcoxen, all of North Arkansas Conference.

The meeting was called to order by Presiding Elder E. W. Potter, after which Rev. J. A. Womack led in the devotional service. A high spiritual tone was felt throughout.

Rev. A. W. Martin, pastor of First Church, Jonesboro, spoke on evan-

Rev. Grover C. Johnson, Conference Director of Rural Work, spoke on getting to work on the task of evangelism, and offered practical suggestions.

Dr. R. J. Parker, Presiding Elder of El Paso District of the Western Mexican Conference brought us a stirring message on the Holy Spirit.

An excellent plate lunch was served. During the lunch we heard from the following: Mrs. A. P. Patton, Mr. J. P. Womack, Rev. I. L. Brumley, Rev. G. L. McGhehey, Rev. C. W. Good, and Rev. B. L. Wilford.

After lunch Dr. J. M. Williams spoke on our college as a training ground for Christian leadership.

The Woman's Missionary Society workers met with Mrs. Patton, and the General and Adult Superintendents met with Mr. Womack, leaving the preachers alone with their Elder.

Each pastor made a brief report of conditions in his church and future plans. All reports were encouraging. It was especially apparent that the Young People's Crusade and Evangelism would be given much attention.

The whole group reconvened to hear a report on the new missionary book, The Invincible Advance, by A. W. Wasson. This report was made by Rev. Ray L. McLester. Rev. C. W. Good distributed the books.-Reporter.

#### MALVERN

I am glad to announce to my friends that I am rapidly recovering from my recent serious illness. I was stricken with influenza and pneumonia the day after my return from Conference and for some five weeks it looked as if the time had come for me to cross over, but, thank God, I "felt no fear."

The way my people and friends of the other churches stood by me was beautiful, and I shall not live long enough to get through thanking them. They came in droves to see me, many bringing delicacies of nearly every known variety, and as a climax to all their doings, my Official Board met during my illness and raised my salary upon my entrance of the fifth year as their pastor, making three times they have done that since my coming here. It was perfectly wonderful the way the church functioned while I was out. All that makes me love and appreciate them the more.

I am brought under obligation to our young and wide-awake Presiding Elder Fred R. Harrison, H. A. Brooks, W. C. Davidson, Clem

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Baker and J. D. Hammons for preaching for me and to the delight of my congregation during this time. \_W. C. Watson, P. C.

#### CARLISLE

We are very happily located in Carlisle. The people have been most kind, honoring us with a surprise reception at the church one prayer meeting night, taking charge of the program and introducing representatives of the Baptist Church and the different organizations in our church who made us feel that they are happy to have us here, and as proof of their words informed us of the gifts they had left in another room. These we found to be many and lovely. Many other kindnesses were shown us at the Christmas season, expressing the real Christ Spirit to the strangers in their midst. They have made some repairs on the parsonage and we are cozy and comfortable, and, above all, finding a spirit of cooperation for which we feel sure our predecessor is partially responsible. Both Mrs. Workman and my self are keenly appreciative of all this and hope to serve here in the best way possible.—J. M. Workman, P. C.

#### **HOXIE-PORTIA**

I have just concluded a week of special services at Portia. Sixteen were received into the church, nine on profession of faith. At one service we could scarcely accomodate the huge crowd, for all aisles were full and people were standing. A collection was taken and half of our Conference Claims were raised. A splendid offering was made for the parsonage improvement fund. We have five acres of cotton dedicated to the Lord, three and a half acres of watermelons, and three small pigs. The proceeds will be used to repair the property at Portia, as the building needs to be repaired.

Two new Sunday School classes were organized and last Sunday witnessed the largest attendance at the Church School on record.-Jeff Smith, P. C.

#### FARMINGTON CIRCUIT

We are starting on what we hope will be a great year. Our charge has paid about one-half of the Benevolences; the Uniting Conference Fund in full, and placed the ARKAN-SAS METHODIST in many of the homes. We are redecorating the interior of our church at Farmington. We are looking to God for Spiritual blessings. I pray and trust that our church paper and those responsible for it may have a good year, rich with happy experiences. -Floyd G. Villines, Jr., P. C.

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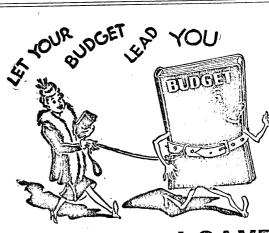
### NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO SELL

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, as Executrix of the Estate of Robert B. McCombs, deceased, will on Friday, February 10, 1939, or as soon thereafter as the court can hear it, make application over probate matters in Pulaski tion over probate matters in Pulaski County, State of Arkansas, for an order by that court to sell the following described lands situated in Pulaski County,

scribed lands situated in Pulaski County, State of Arkansas, to pay the debts of said deceased's estate, to-wit:

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#### FOR THE CHILDREN

#### RAINDROPS

Pitter, patter, pitter patter Down the windowpane, Hear the merry raindrops Sing their sweet refrain.

See them slip and slide and run On their cheerful way, Happy little raindrops Busy all the day.

First they dance across the lawn To the garden fair, Visit every little flower That is growing there.

Next into the orchard
Skip the raindrops gay,
Teasing all the birds and bees
That they find at play.

Now the sun comes peeping out From behind the barn, And the little raindrops Are filled with quick alarm.

Hurry, scurry, bustle,
Not a bit too soon.
Singing as they disappear
Their cheerful little tune.
—The Evangelical Messenger.

#### WORK OR PLAY

It was such a bright, sunny day. Peter planned to play all day with Scotty, the ranch collie. But just as he poured syrup on his fourth pancake, Grandpa said, looking out of the window, "Those clouds over the mountains mean business. It's fixing to snow. We've got to pitch right in with the work."

Grandma, glancing out, nodded wisely. She said, "I'll get at the garden vegetables while you are in the fields. Tomorrow we'll pick apples. Isn't it nice that Peter is here to help?"

But Peter had slipped out, sly as a mouse, in grandma's pantry. He thought crossly, "It isn't fair to have to work on Saturday. The sun's warm and it won't snow for days. I won't pitch in, so there! Here, Scotty," he called as he raced past the barn where the horses stood waiting to be hitched to the wagon.

Scotty wagged and barked, saying plainly, "Sorry, but I must stay with the team. That's my business and it's a fine day for work"

and it's a fine day for work."

"Aw, come on," coaxed Peter.
"We'll play in the woods and scare the squirrels, and chase the rabbit that kicks up his heels at you."

Scotty wanted to go, but he just



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couldn't. He heard grandpa whistle and ran eagerly to meet him. Peter slipped around the barn and down the path to the creek where Malta, the cat, was hunting.

Peter wanted to play with her, but Malta put up her back crossly and said, "Meow, don't bother me, Peter. I'm catching field mice for my family. Go away, do"

Up in the pine woods Peter found all the little wild creatures running about busily. At first Peter thought, "They're playing games. Hide and seek and tag" But pretty soon he changed his mind. Every bushytailed squirrel was frisking up and down the trees and burying nuts for winter food. Every tiny chipmunk was working away to make his underground bedroom snug and safe. The field mice were whisking here and there with seeds and corn they were hiding in secret cellars.

"Well, aren't they silly?" thought Peter, turning up his nose. "To waste a nice day like this! I'll go up in the meadow and watch the beaver children playing."

But it was just the same up in the pleasant high meadow Old Granddaddy Beaver was bossing the whole tribe around. Some of the beavers were cutting down aspen and willow trees with their sharp teeth. Others rolled the logs into the pond and pushed them across to the Beaver Town pantry. Many workers were plastering over the two-story houses so that no hungry sharp-clawed enemy could harm them when the pond froze

"Well," decided Peter, "I never saw people pitch in the way they do" He began to notice that most of the birds were gone. The big crested bluejays scolded him and told him to go away. High on a rocky shelf Peter saw one Rocky Mountain sheep keeping sharp watch while the rest of the band cropped the sweet, dry grass.

"I don't guess he likes to stand and keep guard," thought Peter soberly. "I guess he had rather pitch in and eat."

Whistling, he started down the slope and ran along the creek until he came in sight of grandpa's field where the corn shocks stood like Indian tepees.

"Woof-woof! Look here! Peter's coming to help!" barked Scotty joy-

"Need you? I should say I do," declared grandpa when Peter showed up a bit sheepishly. "We need a boy to load pumpkins. And be sure you hide a few away," grandpa winked, "for Hallowe'en. Grandma's looking for a boy to help her put the garden vegetables in the cellar. Pitch right in, Peter"

"Gingerbread!" sniffed Peter later, when he was helping grandma. "And do I smell chicken, grandma?" he asked hopefully.

"Hen and dumplings," smiled grandma. "When people work hard they deserve a good dinner, Peter. The gingerbread is frosted."

"Why, it's all cloudy!" exclaimed Peter the second day when the orchard was stripped of fruit and ready for winter. "Boo! Isn't the wind cold?"

"It's bringing the snow," nodded grandma. "We'll get out our daddy's big sled for you, Peter. Now, fill the woodbox."

Peter was off to the wood-pile with Scotty leaping beside him.

"I'm glad we pitched in and got our work done," Peter said. And Scotty agreed with a hearty wag and woof.—Daisy D. Stephenson in Story Time.

# INTERNATIONAL Sunday School Lesson

Lesson for January 29

#### PETER DECLARES HIS LOVE

LESSON TEXT—John 21:11-19.
GOLDEN TEXT—If ye love me, keep my commandments.— John 14:15

This is the "Lovest thou me?" question our Lord asked Peter. It comes to us today. Do we love our Lord? It is a simple question, but also a very searching one. "We also a very searching one. may know much, and do much, and profess much, and talk much, and work much, and give much, and go through much, and make much show in our religion, and yet be dead before God from want of love There is no life where there is no love . . . Knowledge orthodoxy, correct views . . . a respectable moral life-all these do not make up a true Christian. There must be some personal feeling toward Christ" (J. C. Ryle).

The instructive story, the center of which is Peter's declaration of love for Christ, presents a picture of a life of true devotion and service to the Lord we love.

## I. Fishing at Christ's Command (v. 11).

Peter had led the disciples in a fruitless fishing expedition (vv. 2, 3). There may have been some unbelieving self-will in his "I go afishing." It may also have been the need of food on the part of the disciples who had not yet been sent forth to preach. But in any case they caught nothing until they went to work at the Lord's direction.

Useless and pathetic is the effort of the Church to win men to Christ except as He directs and blesses the work. He knows when, where, and how we ought to fish for men. Let us seek His guidance rather than suffer the disappointment which goes with man-directed campaigns and "drives." As a matter of fact, we need more divine directing and less human driving.

#### II. Fellowship With the Lord (vv.

There are some folk who seem to think that following Christ is a doleful matter, devoid of every pleasant contact. Jesus never taught any such thing. He attended weddings and dinners even in the homes of those despised by men. Remember that He always did it for their spiritual good, not merely for His own enjoyment, and that He always brought the gathering up to His own spiritual level, rather than stooping to any worldly or wicked standards. Here we find Him with a glowing

fire upon which fish is broiling and

with bread ready for the hungry fishermen. It is just like him thus to meet in most delightful and satisfying fellowship those who serve Him. Draw up to the fire, Christian friends who are standing afar off. You may be so timid that, like the disciples, you will not dare to call Him by name (v. 12), but if you will come you will find that the precious fellowship will soon warm your heart.

III. Feeding His Flock (vv. 15-17). Many (perhaps most) after-dinner speeches and conversations yield little profit. Here is an occasion when such was not the case. One wonders whether we would not be wise to take the suggestion and turn our thoughts and those of our dinner guests to spiritual things. Surely it should be so among Christian friends and in a Christian home.

Three times Peter is asked to declare his love for Christ. Such a public confession was quite in place, before the man who had thrice denied his Lord is restored to a place of leadership. The words "more than these" (v. 15), indicate that Jesus was asking of him a high measure of devotion. It is no more than He has a right to expect of us.

The expression of love to Chirst means practically nothing except as it manifests itself in service. like Peter, are to be diligent about feeding His flock, whether they be the young and inexperienced lamb, or the mature sheep of the fold. Observe that we are to catch the fish (the unconverted) and feed the flock (the redeemed). Sometimes it seems that we are trying to catch the Christians to forward some scheme of advancement, and failing to win the unconverted, because we are feeding them spiritual food that belongs to the flock of God.

## IV. Following Christ to the End (vv. 18, 19).

The Christian (and surely the Christian worker) is to glorify God even by his death (v. 19). What a significant reply John Wesley made when his followers were criticised; "At any rate, our people die well." Peter was to go on to the end, knowing that he faced martyrdom for Christ.

We are not only called to die like Christians, we are to live for Him. When Jesus "had spoken this, he saith unto him, Follow me" (v. 19). Just as we said that the Church needs more divine directing and less human driving, so we say that the crying need of the Church now is not more leaders, but a greater host of faithful followers of Jesus. Will you, because you love him, follow Him in life and death?

#### EVANGELIST'S NOTICE

Have some open dates for revival meetings. Guarantee sound and abiding service. Will give one-fourth of collections on Conference Claims.—R. F. Shinn (Blind Evangelist), Lewisville, Texas. 2t



#### Church School Visitation Campaign

Winfield Church School will grow if and when its officers and teachers and pupils VISIT the absentees and prospects. Believing THIS the entire membership of the Church School is being asked to participate in our visitation campaign. Every pupil from the Junior High Department through the Adult Department will be asked every Sunday the number of visits he made during the week. Class and department secretaries will give assignment cards to all who will agree to visit in the name of the Church School. Please take an assignment card of two or three absentees next Sunday, visit them, then report the number of visits you made the following Sunday. This is EVERY-BODY'S job. Help build a bigger Church School.

#### REMEMBER WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

On next Wednesday, February 1, there will be an all-day District Missionary meeting at First Church. From 10 to 12 the Missionary Institute will be held at which time Bishop Selecman and Dr. Wesley M. Carr of Brazil will speak. All are invited.

After lunch (to be provided for 25c), the Commission on Evangelism will have charge and Bishop Selecman will speak.

At 7:15 p. m. there is to be a gigantic Youth Rally and young people throughout the District will come in great numbers. Bishop Selecman will bring a special message in connection with the Youth Crusade. Winfield young people are asked to meet at Winfield at 7:00 p. m. and go in a body.

#### OUR NEW MEMBERS

Mr. J. E. Byers, 1801 Johnson. Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Coleman, R-3. Mrs. N. B. Goatcher, 2500 Grove Circle.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Marvin Stevens, 5416 "T" Street.

Mrs. Beatrice VanSickle, 1501

Broadway.

Mrs. Addie C. Weldon, 5416 "T"
Street.

#### WINFIELD'S KNOWN SICK

Miss Bernice Franklin, Baptist Hospital.

Mr. David Morton, Jr., 2708 Gaines.

#### OUR SYMPATHY

The heartfelt sympathy of the congregation is extended to the following members who have suffered bereavement during the past week:

To Mr. Marvin Wesson whose mother, Mrs. M. O. Wesson, Sr., passed away on January 17. Mrs. Wesson has been a faithful member of Winfield since 1926.

To Mrs. James Thomas whose brother, Charles C. Baldauf, passed away on January 22.

#### YOUTH CRUSADE RALLY

Remember the Youth Crusade Rally, Wednesday, Feb. 1. Young People will meet at Winfield Church at 7:00 p. m. and go to First Church in a body.

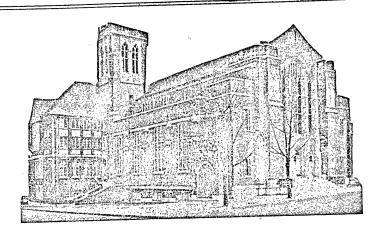
#### YOU ARE INVITED

to the Wednesday evening fellowship dinners (25c) 6:30

EACH Wednesday.

Devotions 7:00-7:30

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Sixteenth and Louisiana, Little Rock

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### Next Sunday At Winfield

10:00 A. M. Church School. Bring the Whole Family
11:00 A. M. "THE ESCAPE FROM FEAR"—Sermon by Pastor
6:00 P. M. Leagues for members of Jr-High, Senior and Young

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People's Dep't. Sunday Eve. Club (Young Adults)
7:30 P. M. "Insured Religion"—Sermon by DR. C. M. REVES

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# THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

By GASTON FOOTE

### Shall We Hate?

In a world in which there are such characters as Adolf Hitler and such nations as Japan it is exceedingly easy to hate. Sometime ago a religious leader, in his attack upon Hitler, advocated a program of bitter retaliation against the entire German nation. At first thought most of us would say "So mote it be." We simply have no time for a person who would so ruthlessly persecute the Jews or a nation that would take advantage of an almost defenseless China.

But rather than give vent to what seems to be a reasonably justifiable animosity let us soberly ask what should be a Christian's attitude? What would be Christ's attitude? "Ye have heard that it hath been said thou shalt love thy neighbor and hate thine enemy. But I say unto you, love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you and persecute you." (Matt. 5:44.)

It is obviously easy to love the English, the Canadians or the Chinese. But to love Hitler and Germany and Japan . . . that IS difficult. Nevertheless you must do one of two things; either consign the teachings of Jesus to the realm of idealistic impracticality, or BELIEVE that Christ and Christianity teaches us to love even these. For if we hate Hitler as vehemently as Hitler hates the Semites are we much better than he? Hate is the ABSENCE of God, whether in our hearts or in the heart of Hitler. But love is the visible presence of God and if Christ's teachings be practical we must love.

This does not mean that we shall condone the viciously selfish and inhuman policies of Japan or Hitler. Obviously we can hate unchristian policies and love the people that pursue them. Jesus on the cross PRAYED FOR the hands that smote him. Hate means fear—fear means war—and war is the triumph of hell. But love wins—for nations—for individuals. It is winning for Christ!

## Christian Education

By ALVIN D. HAVEKOST

Church School Attendance

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Sunday Evening (	Club		27
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Couples Class			54
Men's Class			52
Carrie Hinton Clas	SS		43
Fidelity Class			36
Jenkins Class			36
Brothers Class			18
Forum Class			17
Ashby Class			16
Total			272
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#### BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDU-CATION

The regular supper meeting of the Local Board of Christian Education will be held Wednesday, February 1, at 6:00 p. m.

#### SENIOR DEPARTMENT

John Shepherd will, be in charge of the League program next Sunday evening. Rev. A. D. Havekost will speak on the topic, "What A Crusader Needs." Mary Lynn Oates and Jimmie Pence will lead in the social period.

#### YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT

Miss Evelyn Heard will lead in a service of worship next Sunday morning. The theme of the worship program is, "A New Youth Crusade." Laura Alice Payne will address the group Sunday evening on the topic, "Things That Need A Crusade."

#### SUNDAY EVENING CLUB

Mr. Hubert Mayes will speak to our club next Sunday evening. The subject of his address is, "A Christian Attitude In A Troubled World." Mr. Mayes is a prominent young attorney of our city and a member of Winfield Church.

Miss Madeleine Murphy and Mrs. Claryce Graves will serve refreshments. Miss Virginia Price will lead in the recreational period.

#### BROTHERS CLASS PARTY

Members of the Brothers Class are invited to a dinner party in Fellowship Hall, Friday evening, January 27, at 6:30 p. m.

#### FIDELITY CLASS OFFICERS

The newly elected officers of the Fidelity Class are as follows: Pres., Miss Mary Marshall; V.-Pres., Miss Muriel Smither; Sec., Miss Margaret James; Hostess, Miss Madeleine Murphy; Treas., Miss Muriel Mc-Cullars; Chr. Worship, Miss Lucy Kate Reynolds; Chr. Local Work, Miss Evelyn Shaffhauser; Chr. Rec., Miss Virginia Sower; Pianist, Miss Helen Harrison and Song Leader, Miss Elizabeth Duffer.

# JOIN THE VISITATION CAMPAIGN

Assignment cards are provided at conclusion of Church School class sessions each Sunday. Do your part. Build a bigger Sunday School.