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## DEVOTIONAL ADDRESS BY BISHOP CHARLES C. SELECMAN

TWO brief passages of Scripture will form the basis for my message this morning. The first is in the nineteenth chapter of Luke, a part of that beautiful account of the visit of Jesus to the home of Zacchaeus that day, "For the Son of man came to seek and to save that which was lost."

The second is, "As the Father hath sent Me into the world, even so send I you."

It is my hope and my earnest request that you will not think me presumptuous this morning nor guilty of any impropriety if I use the minutes which are available to me to speak on "Evangelism" or "The Evangelistic Mission of Methodism."

A recent English author, who has written a volume entitled, "The Spirit of Methodism" asks in his final chapter, "Shall Methodism be true to herself?" And he quotes that famous passage, "This above all, to thine own self be true."

### Methodism's Mission

He asks, "Shall Methodism be true to herself?" Perhaps we could go a step further and ask, Shall Methodism enter this third century of her history with a sense of mission? "That the Father hath sent Me, even so send I you." If so, I would venture the statement that Methodism must continue her emphasis upon Christian experience, upon the new birth, the witness of the spirit; the privilege of fellowship with Christ and one another and the joy of winning disciples; that Methodism shall not only put accent upon a joyful Christian experience, a transforming spiritual power, but that she must continue to realize a heavenly mission to the masses of men and women in the world today who are without Christ, without God and without hope in the world; that Methodism must continue to feel the pressure of her mission as a representative of Jesus Christ, who came not only to save that which was lost, but to seek and to save that which was lost.

One of the eminent members of our own General Conference, Dr. Lynn Harold Ough, has defined evangelism as "intelligence on fire." That sounds in harmony with what is said of early Methodism—that Methodism is Christianity in earnest.

### Intelligence Needs Fire

I submit that intelligence without fire is not sufficient, that intelligence alone is apt to become cold and formal and dull and fruitless, and we shall find ourselves singing without much meaning:

*In vain we tune our formal songs  
In vain we strive to rise;  
Hosannas languish on our tongues,  
And our devotion dies."*

The great Dr. Jowett has a sermon entitled "A Pure Church, An Increasing Church." Unless Methodism combines fire with intelligence—and God give us more—and with her scholarship, and may we continue to encourage scholarship, and to build institutions of learning, and to teach in the local church and from the pulpit, but if Methodism loses from her intelligence the spirit of fire, I submit to you that there is an open question as to whether Methodism will be true to herself.

On the other hand, fire without intelligence is apt to degenerate into an empty, noisy emotionalism, and run out into one of those many forms of fanaticism that are so popular and so wide-reaching in certain sections of our American population at the present time.

Therefore, answering the question to ourselves, "Shall Methodism be true to herself?"

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\* BUT OF HIM ARE YE IN CHRIST \*  
\* JESUS, WHO OF GOD IS MADE UNTO \*  
\* US WISDOM AND RIGHTEOUSNESS \*  
\* AND SANCTIFICATION AND REDEMPTION; \*  
\* THAT, ACCORDING AS IT IS \*  
\* WRITTEN, HE THAT GLORIETH, LET \*  
\* HIM GLORY IN THE LORD.—I Cor. \*  
\* 1:30-31. \*  
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Shall this great united Methodist Church go forth, not with an eight-million swagger, but with a sense of mission, baptized with earnestness and power from on high, we must have not only intelligence but fire, and not only fire but intelligence?

### A Rising Tide of Evangelism

Another member of our body who has blessed the world by his leadership, Dr. John R. Mott, has said, recently, in a volume that he prepared for Madras, that there is a rising tide of evangelism throughout the world. And perhaps we are justified in agreement with that great statesman. From this platform the other day the statement was made that the Protestant churches of America added one million members, or there was an increase, a net increase, of a million members last year. And from this platform another statement was made that our Methodist churches in America added nearly a million on profession of faith. Perhaps those two things may be traced in part at least to the great Preaching Mission put on by the Federal Council of Churches, and in our own communion largely to our celebration, our Aldersgate celebration.

I am interested because I have devoted nearly fifteen years of my life to trying to build up an educational institution. I could not fail to be interested in the educational mission of our Church, but I venture to say that our Methodism in America drifted almost unconsciously into a position we did not intend to occupy, that in putting emphasis upon Christian education we drifted to a point where we not only removed the emphasis from evangelism but at times we assumed an almost critical attitude toward evangelism.

### Evangelism and Education

I heard of this in China. I think Bishop Arthur Moore found it in China, a motto over a church in China, that ran like this: "Evangelism without education is not permanent. Education without evangelism is not effective."

I have been thinking of late that this "either . . . or," which so frequently confronts us, should not only be "both . . . and" in this connection; but that we should say, not only that the Church must be interested in education, Christian education, and in evangelism, but that these are not separate traffic lanes, along which we may run, that they overlap each other, that Christian education without the spirit of evangelism is not a hundred per cent Christian education, and that evangelism without Christian education is not a wholesome type of evangelism.

I have time to say just two or three things. One is, if we are going to keep the accent on evangelism, we must stress the witnessing mission of the Church. I have just come from the Morning Watch Service; and, while I had the privilege of only a few moments there, my heart was stirred with the renewed assurance that there is still a witness in the hearts of believers, and I doubt if anything that we say to our modern world challenges this materialistic age of ours with more appeal than the ability to say what Christ is to you and me and what he has done for us.

### Preaching for a Verdict

In the second place, we must turn our attention afresh to evangelistic preaching. In other words, we who stand in the pulpit must serve notice upon ourselves that we are preaching not merely to gather a great congregation and win popularity and approval, but that we are preaching for a verdict—to cry forth to men, "Behold the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world."

The great Alexander Whyte, we are told in recent volume, analyzed Wesley's sermons. He went through his "Journal" and other literature in order to discover the texts from which he preached, and the type of sermons that Wesley preached in order to produce the results that came forth in the great Wesleyan revival. It might be well for us to begin to ask ourselves whether or not the type of preaching we are doing is calculated to do the thing that Methodism ought to do for America and for the world in this new century; and, if we are going to do that, perhaps to our books we should add some great books on evangelism, such as Jowett's "Passion for Souls," not a new book, but ever an appeal to our hearts, or the "Tongue of Fire," or Goodell's "Personal and Pastoral Evangelism."

### Rich Materials in Both Testaments

I venture to say that both preachers and laymen need to turn their attention not merely to Biblical literature and theological and philosophical discourses but the study of the rich materials in the Old Testament and in the New Testament for evangelistic preaching.

There is the hope and the prayer in many a heart that Methodism may not only return with renewed consecration to the Lord, but may have a heart for the winning of the masses who are today restless as sheep without a shepherd. How many unanchored lives there are, and hungry lives, lost, drifting men and women, which may be saved by a church that goes forth with a renewed sense of mission from on high to win souls, and thereby not only build up the Church but extend the Kingdom of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. What a new assurance it would give to your heart and mine if Methodism could swing into this third century of her history, if United Methodism could swing into this era of a United Church with a pulpit baptized afresh with fire, and her people praying and working for the salvation of men and women and children.

### SPENDING VERSUS GIVING

SINCE 1932 the income of the people of the United States has increased 77%, or a total of \$35,000,000,000. During the same period gifts to the churches have decreased 19%; to church benevolences 28%, to community chests 22%. While these decreases in giving have occurred, the concern for the situation is greatly deepened by the fact that expenditures for jewelry have increased 24%; for army and navy, 39%; theater, 41%; tobacco, 43%; automobiles 188%; whiskey, 100%; beer, 602%; steel production, 275%; radio sets, 220%. In 1935 the American people spent \$4,340,000,000 for recreation, or 8.2% of their income. During the same year they spent \$500,000,000 for organized religion, or 1% of their income.—The American Friend.

HOWARD HEINZ, head of the H. J. Heinz Co., the "57 Varieties" company, says: "The biggest thing my father left me was his character, his principles of dealing with employees and customers."

UNLESS a man has been kicked around a little, you can't really depend upon him to amount to anything.—William Feather.

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## Personal and Other Items

**MARRIED**, at the parsonage at Doddridge,  
June 10, Cecil Jones and Miss Ruth Magee,  
both of Doddridge, Rev. W. C. Lewis officiating.

**REV. S. K. BURNETT** announces that Bishop  
C. C. Selecman will dedicate the new church  
at Sardis, a few miles out from Bauxite, at 11:00  
a. m., Sunday, June 18. All friends are invited.

**REV. H. C. HANKINS**, evangelist, will be with  
Rev. C. W. Good at Lepanto, July 9-23, in a  
meeting. He has an open date beginning July  
24. Pastors desiring his services should write  
him at Fayetteville.

**THE LAYMEN'S CONFERENCE** on Mt. Se-  
quoyah, July 10-14, will have an attractive  
program and speakers of national reputation.  
Every church in Arkansas should have a repre-  
sentative there. For reservation address Supt.  
S. M. Yancey, Fayetteville.

**THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON CHRISTIAN  
EDUCATION** of The Methodist Church will  
meet at an early date. The representatives from  
the Southern Church will be Bishop Paul B.  
Kern, Wm. F. Quillian, C. A. Bowen, J. Emerson  
Ford, J. Q. Schisler, Paul Quillian and W. M.  
Alexander.

**MARRIED**, June 5, in First Methodist Church,  
Houston, Rev. Robert E. Goodrich, Jr., and  
Miss Thelma Quillian, by the groom's father, Dr.  
R. E. Goodrich, pastor of Laurel Heights Church,  
San Antonio. Miss Quillian is the daughter of  
Dr. P. W. Quillian formerly a member of Little  
Rock Conference.

**REV. E. G. WATTS**, son of Dr. H. Bascom  
Watts, pastor of First Church, Little Rock,  
has been awarded the Yale University prize for  
greatest originality in expository preaching, on  
his recent graduation from the Divinity School.  
He is a graduate of Southern Methodist Univer-  
sity. After preaching in First Church July 2, he  
will engage in religious work in west Texas.

**REV. J. L. TUCKER** preached the sermon for  
the class at Bearden this year, using as his  
theme, "Seven Lights of Education." Hon. Oran  
Harris, prosecuting attorney at El Dorado, de-  
livered the class address. The class was one of

the largest in the history of the school, with  
twenty-seven members. Miss Bettie Gene Higgs,  
an outstanding young leader of the Methodist  
church, was the valedictorian. Miss Higgs plans  
to enter college this fall.

**THE** editor spent two days last week at the  
Pastors' School at Conway and attended sev-  
eral lectures with profit; but was especially  
pleased with the lectures to ministers by Bishop  
Ralph Magee of Des Moines, Ia. By his thor-  
ough acquaintance with the duties and qualifi-  
cations of a minister, his ready wit, his good  
humor, and especially his brotherliness, he won  
the admiration and love of all. These Northern  
bishops who have been coming to us during the  
last few years have captured Southern Method-  
ists.

**REV. T. OTTO NALL** of Cincinnati was elected  
by the Book Committee as the successor of  
the late Dan B. Brummitt in the editorship of  
the Central and Northwestern editions of *The  
Christian Advocate*. Dr. Nall was born in 1900  
in Indiana, and attended Hamline, Minnesota,  
and Northwestern University. His training for  
the ministry was received at Garrett, from which  
he received the honorary doctorate of divinity  
in 1936. He has served the church as associate  
editor of *The Epworth Herald* and later as rep-  
resentative at Cincinnati of the editorial board  
of *The Christian Advocate*. He is the author of  
"Youth's Work in the New World" and "New  
Occupations for Youth." Dr. Nall will move to  
Kansas City to take over Dr. Brummitt's work.

## SUNDAY AT HOT SPRINGS

**ATTENDING** the meeting of the Arkansas  
Press Association at Hot Springs last week,  
on the invitation of Rev. H. H. Griffin, pastor of  
First Church, I remained and occupied his pulpit  
at the morning hour, having one of the best con-  
gregations I have ever seen in that beautiful  
auditorium for a regular service.

After three very successful years on Fort  
Smith District and a happy pastorate at First  
Church, Jonesboro, Bro. Griffin was last fall sent  
to First Church, Hot Springs, and is now in the  
midst of an unusually successful year. Salary,  
Benevolences, and all other financial claims  
have been increased and are paid to date. Church  
School attendance has grown 25%; con-  
gregations are good at both morning and night  
services; and 104 members have been added.  
This fine old church, strategically located in this  
wonderful health resort, is prospering and Bro.  
Griffin is happy in his work. Being a tireless  
worker, looking after all details of administra-  
tion, Bro. Griffin is an ideal pastor for this im-  
portant place. My relation as a Presiding Elder  
to this church was such that it is always a dis-  
tinct pleasure to return and meet with the mem-  
bers and make new acquaintances of the strang-  
ers that are found within its doors.—A. C. M.

## OUR PHILANDER SMITH COLLEGE

**THIS** fine college for Negroes was established  
by the Methodist Episcopal Church in Little  
Rock in 1877. It has enrolled during its history  
more than 10,000 students. Its graduates are  
rendering valuable service in nearly all sections  
of our country and even in foreign lands. It is  
the only accredited four-year church-related  
college exclusively for Negroes north of Texas  
and west of the Mississippi River. In its im-  
mediate territory, Arkansas, Missouri and Okla-  
homa, are about 1,000,000 members of that race.  
It has a strong faculty, a large enrollment, a  
balanced budget, and is recognized by the white  
people of this city as a genuinely worth while  
institution. It has a group of substantial build-  
ings and a fair campus; but needs more ground  
for future growth. Ultimately it is working to-  
ward a \$100,000 increase in buildings and an  
equal amount in endowment. At present it is  
asking for \$7,500, and Little Rock is asked to  
contribute \$2,500, every dollar to be matched  
by a friend outside the state. This modest ask-  
ing is approved by the Little Rock Chamber of  
Commerce and editorially commended by the  
Arkansas Gazette and the Arkansas Democrat.  
Friends who wish to contribute may communi-  
cate with the Chamber of Commerce or with  
President M. L. Harris at the College. Those  
who desire to know more about the college, are

invited to visit it. The President and faculty  
will be pleased to show the plant and explain  
the work. The editor of this paper, who is now  
a member of the Board, assures his readers that  
he heartily approves the plans and purposes of  
the management.

## FIFTY YEARS AGO

(Arkansas Gazette, June 13, 1889.)

**ALTUS**, JUNE 11,—It has been known for some  
time that the educational institution here  
has been doing full college work and that it was  
cramped by the title "Collegiate Institute." At a  
meeting of the Board of Trustees last June it  
was decided to change the name though none  
was agreed on at the time. At the present meet-  
ing of the board the name of Hendrix College  
was chosen, honoring Bishop E. R. Hendrix who,  
next to Bishop Galloway, is the youngest bishop  
of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. The  
commencement exercises continued today, at-  
tracting a large audience. Student orations were  
delivered by Calvin T. Cotham of Monticello,  
O. E. Goddard of Hartford, John H. Reynolds of  
Cascade and George C. Millar of Brookfield, Mo.

## BOOK REVIEWS

*The Faith We Declare*; by Edwin Lewis; pub-  
lished by the Cokesbury Press, Nashville,  
Tenn.; price \$2.00.

Doctor Lewis needs no introduction to the  
readers of religious literature. He is equally  
successful as preacher, teacher, and lecturer.  
This book is based on his Fondren Lectures for  
1939. Although the reader may not agree with  
the author's conclusion in every particular, he  
cannot fail to be deeply stirred by the challenge  
sounded by Christianity. In no uncertain terms  
Dr. Lewis declares his faith and points out the  
fact that we, too, must declare our faith and be  
prepared to live by it if we wish to preserve  
our Christian civilization.

*Energy and Business Values*; by Halsey Taft  
Tichenor; published by the Margent Press,  
New York; price \$2.00.

This analytical study of our civilization  
grows out of a long and intimate study of busi-  
ness values. The author is a retired business  
man, and daringly presents his theories and ob-  
servations. His viewpoint may clash with yours,  
but you will be aroused to do some constructive  
thinking along these lines: "Energy And Its  
Mental Control," "Value," "Economics and Busi-  
ness," "Taxation and Public Expenditure," "Edu-  
cation And Religion." In discussing education  
and religion, the author claims that schools  
flourish and churches languish because we value  
material gain above spiritual wealth. In com-  
paring selfishness with unselfishness he says:  
"We should study these two forces of selfishness  
and unselfishness. For it is in overcoming sel-  
fishness that the characters of personality are  
developed. Let us use our minds to impart the  
thought of physical mechanical reality to these  
two actions of selfishness and unselfishness, for  
there are no more powerful forces than these in  
the world. Selfishness builds the dam behind  
which are heaped material riches in the midst  
of poverty. Strikes, bloodshed and war are the  
products of selfishness. Selfishness is the source  
of the dictator's power. He capitalizes the indi-  
vidual selfishness of the voters into a force  
which destroys their liberty." The book is, in-  
deed, full of thought-provoking ideas. With  
some we find ourselves in hearty accord, while  
others arouse our antagonism.

## CIRCULATION REPORT

**DURING** the past week the following subscrip-  
tions have been received: Greenwood, J. M.  
Barnett, by Mrs. Clifford Bell, 21; Hunter, M. L.  
Kaylor, 2; Lake City, R. L. McLester, 2; Dodd-  
ridge, W. C. Lewis, 1; Imboden, C. E. Gray, 2;  
Smackover, W. L. Arnold, by Mrs. Roy Price, 7;  
Fayetteville, J. W. Workman, 100%, 216. These  
fine reports are fully appreciated. May others  
be provoked by these good examples. If pastors  
wish to know the standing of the subscriptions  
of members, let them drop a card asking for the  
mailing list. Now is the psychological time to  
seek subscriptions, because members will want  
to know about the new Methodist Church.

## Devotional Address By Bishop Edgar Blake

I should like to read a passage from Scripture for the morning lesson. One of the parables of Jesus is found in the Gospel of St. Luke 13:6-9.

The fig tree was a failure; its branches were barren. It had nothing to show for the efforts that had been put forth in its behalf.

I suppose that is about the saddest thing that can be said of one. He is a failure; he has nothing to show for the life he has lived. He is a disappointment; he has come to the end of his days with nothing to justify his life.

I never wasted very much sympathy—for that matter, I never waste any sympathy at all—upon the owner of the vineyard. There were plenty of figs in the market and I judge that he, being the owner of the vineyard, had plenty of money with which to satisfy his appetite and his desires.

### The Anguish of Failure

If you really desire figs there are plenty to be had. I never waste sympathy on anybody who has the wherewithal with which to satisfy his desires and does not avail himself of that which he has to meet his needs. My sympathy has always been with this fig tree. My sympathy has always been with its failure for if the tree had been an essential thing, if it had been conscious of its own conditions, if it could have been realized for himself, the barrenness of its branches and its fruitlessness, then I think that the regret of the owner of the vineyard would have been nothing as compared with the anguish of the tree itself.

I suppose there is nothing that comes nearer to the bitterness of the damned than to realize that your life is wasted; that you have had your chance and you have missed it; that you have had your opportunity and not improved it; that you are a disappointment to your family and friends; that you have not realized the hopes of your youth. You have nothing to show for the life you have lived.

If there is anything that has in it more of anguish and tense pitiness than such a consciousness of the failure of one's life, I do not know where it is.

*Across the fields of yesterday  
He sometimes comes to me;  
A little just out from school—  
The lad I used to be.*

*And oh, he looks so wistfully  
Once he has crept within;  
I wonder if he hoped to see  
The man I might have been."*

### Harsh Judgment of Failure

The owner lost his patience with this failure. He called his vine-dresser and said: "Cut this thing down! Get it out of the way. I am weary of seeing it about." He exercised, I say, a sort of peremptory judgment upon the thing. He was very human about it, and that is the way we deal with failures. We exercise a sort of peremptory judgment upon them and that is the end.

No one has much patience with a failure. One of the amazing things about America is the size of our scrap heaps, the failures that line our highways—and there are plenty of them, God knows, to be seen!

You let a man commit a wrong, you let a man violate the codes of his community and the laws of his

day, and if he is found guilty, if he is imprisoned, it is pretty much the end of him.

The Board of Pardons and Paroles in one of the states in which I minister no longer gives out the names and the addresses of the men who are pardoned or paroled by the Board because, just as sure as it is known that a man has "done time" for some crime, the hands of society are against him.

We have no patience with folks who have failed. You let a woman commit a fault, you let a girl make a misstep and it is the end of her. Alas, for the heritage of Christian charity. Oh, it is pitiful!

### The Charity of the Vine Dresser

When this owner said to the old vine dresser, "Cut this thing down; get it out of the way; I'm weary seeing it around!" then that dear old vine dresser spoke up and said: "Lord, Lord, let us give it another chance! Let me dig about it, let me fertilize it, let me see if we can not make it bear fruit."

I love that old vine dresser. If I ever get to the heaven of God, he is going to be one of the first men I look up. I want to thank him because he was kindness and consideration over the failure. I love him.

Now usually this parable is interpreted to mean that it was God who was always lenient. I think I have never read any commentary who did not interpret the parable after this manner: it was God who was always lenient. It was God who said: "Get the thing out of my sight."

### Bible Its Own Best Commentary

I would like to say this by way of passing: The one commentary upon the word of God that is final is the word of God itself. And the one commentary which is the authority on the words of Jesus are the words of Jesus himself. Whenever you find any interpretation of the Scriptures that does not square with the teaching of the spirit of Christ, it is pretty safe to lay that interpretation aside for the time being, until new light breaks out upon it.

I never get any satisfaction, I say, out of these commentaries. One morning I was reading this little volume again, and happened to flip the pages of the New Testament to the fifteenth chapter of John's Gospel, and there I got it. You remember the opening words of John's Gospel, you remember he says, "I am the vine; my Father is the vine dresser." My Father is the vine dresser. The vine dresser said, "Let me dig about it, let me fertilize it, let me see if we cannot make it bear fruit. Let us give it another chance."

That brought a thrill to my heart and to my life. But I think that is like God. I think God is exactly like that: The old vine dresser ready to fertilize, ready to help a failure come back and give him another chance. That makes it beautiful to me. That seems to me to be the very heart of the whole gospel of Jesus. That seems to me to be the mission of Christ when his father sent him into the world to seek and to save those who are lost.

### An Immortal Story of Forgiveness

I knew a boy who robbed his brother of his birthright, who lied to his old blind father to estrange his father from him, too. And then, when his evil came to light and he was forced to flee to escape the vengeance of those whom he robbed, he fled far away into the wilderness,

as far as his limbs would carry him during the day, and when night came on, he fell down and pillowed his head on the stone, with the sky for a covering and the stars for candlelight. As he slept in his fitful fashion, God appeared unto him, and showed him a ladder reaching from earth to heaven with angels descending and ascending. And God spoke to this boy, this failure, and said, "My son, I built this ladder from earth to heaven. I want thee to climb back to the heights from whence thou art fallen, and I have brought my angels here to help thee up again."

That is God. The Old Testament is full of that, and when you come to the New, it is the same. Most of the work of God in the world has been by failures. Abraham was a failure. Isaac was a failure. Jacob was a failure. Isaiah was a failure. David was a failure. Call the list—they are all failures. The Disciples were failures. St. Paul was a failure. And so it goes.

### John Wesley's Failures

John Wesley is a very conspicuous example of a failure. You remember that the first thirteen years of John Wesley's ministry were absolutely barren of spiritual results. You remember he came to this country as a missionary to serve in Oglethorpe's colony in Georgia, stayed there two years, and that was as long as he could stay. One of the most tragic things in John Wesley's life to me is to see him stealing away from Savannah under cover of darkness of the night and making his way through the swamps of Georgia and the swamps of Carolina to Charleston, and waiting there to find a ship that would take him back to the shores of England.

The day he arrived on the shores of England he wrote these words in his diary: "My heart is altogether corrupt and abominable. I am a child of wrath, and an heir of hell."

That is what he wrote. And that is a failure.

Yet, in less than four months—in less than four months—God had appeared unto him and brought him that strange warming of the heart, and gave him another chance and sent him out as his own prophet. And then he tried again. For fifty years John Wesley went up and down England and Ireland and Wales, thrilling the English people, and this morning we are here trying to engage in this effort to unite these three great Churches with their eight millions of members. We are here solely because the good God gave John Wesley, a failure, another chance, and let him try again.

### An Apt Quotation

They do me wrong, who say I come no more,  
When once I knock and fail to find you in,  
For every day I stand outside your door  
And bid you wait and rise and fight and win.  
Weep not for precious chances passed away  
Wail not for golden ages on the wane  
At night I burn the records of the day;  
At sunrise every soul is born again.

Art thou a mourner? Rouse thee from thy spell.  
Art thou a sinner? Sins may be forgiven.  
Each morning gives thee wings to flee from hell.  
Each night a star to guide thy ship home to heaven.

The Divine Blessor said, "Let me dig around it. Let me fertilize it. Let me see if we cannot make it bear fruit." And Jesus said, "Divine mercy, he is my father."

## The Next Generation

By BISHOP IVAN LEE HOLT

In Methodism we rejoice in gains in Church School enrollment, but we must not be pleased enough to cease our efforts. A year ago the Superintendent of Education in one of our large western cities called me into his office to say this: "A survey shows that twenty-five per cent of the Roman Catholic children in this community receive no ethical, moral or religious instruction in school or church; fifty per cent of the Jewish children receive no such instruction, and sixty per cent of the Protestant children. I have called you because I want you to see if you can bring the religious leaders of this community to face these facts. The Board of Education will cooperate with any program on which the three religious groups agree."

Then he went on to say this even more significant thing: "Millions of children are marching into the future with starved bodies and starved souls. The situation is so tragic—when we think of tomorrow—that the public educators of this country will do something about it if the religious groups continue to play with the problem."

That is the challenge! We are not beginning to meet the situation by our increases in Church School attendance. Thank God for what we have done, but we must do more! The future is with God—that is true! But those of us who serve Him here and now have no time to waste. We must do far more! God help us!

### REPORT ON CHINA REHABILITATION OFFERING

Tomorrow on the S. S. Queen Mary, I sail for the Conferences abroad. It seems wise that a report be given the Church on our China Rehabilitation Campaign. The final results are not yet known, but we are rejoicing in what has been done and the assurance that sufficient funds are now in sight to give the Church in China the buildings necessary for the carrying on of its fine ministry.

While in China last winter with evidences of destruction all around me, I said to my missionary and Chinese colleagues: "If the Church in America can somehow provide two hundred thousand dollars we will rebuild these destroyed and damaged properties and go on serving the souls, bodies and minds of the Chinese people."

Well did I know that was a large sum to ask from the "Mother Church." But our hearts are filled with gratitude because we now have in hand from all sources one hundred and seventy thousand dollars.

This amount has been received from three sources. The Woman's Missionary Council with its usual prompt and generous assistance has provided one hundred thousand dollars; The Board of Church Extension has made an emergency appropriation of five thousand dollars. The receipts from the special appeal made in all our churches on April 23, have reached sixty-five thousand dollars. The returns from the Churches increase this amount daily. It is our wish and confident belief that when all the returns from this appeal are in we will have the amount we estimated as needed for the restoration and continuance of our Church in China.

I desire to add two words. First: I beg every pastor or church treasurer with funds in hand for China rehabilitation, to send them at once



to Mr. J. F. Rawls, Doctors Building, Nashville, Tennessee.

Second: In the name of our brothers and sisters in China who walk in a furnace of fire, I thank each and every one for this glorious expression of Christian love. The Church in China will justify your confidence and the history of Methodism both in China and America will record faith and courage greater than the devastation of a brutal war. From the depths of my heart I do thank you.—Arthur J. Moore.

### "THE METHODISTS ARE ONE PEOPLE"

The Uniting Conference of The Methodist Church is now a matter of history. Over ten thousand people took part in the closing service, "The Declaration of Union—The Methodist Church." By the unanimous vote of the nine hundred delegates standing with upraised right hands the union was consummated. Thus the denominations formerly known as The Methodist Episcopal Church, The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and The Methodist Protestant Church, become one denomination known as The Methodist Church with a combined membership of over seven million people.

The address of the evening was made by Bishop Edwin Holt Hughes, one of the chairmen of the Joint Commission. In picturesque language he outlined the efforts resulting in the present union and the significance of the union. He challenged the church to a union deeper than that of organization, a union of love and spiritual oneness such as Jesus prayed for, "Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; that they all may be one." Dramatically he brought the message to a climax by the frequent use of the term, "The Methodists Are One People."

On the marble top table on which The Plan of Separation was signed in 1844 dividing the two branches of The Methodist Episcopal Church, the declaration of union was signed bringing these churches together. It was a most impressive service; a momentous occasion. One felt that something of great importance was happening. If these seven million Methodists were possessed of the passion and spiritual fervor of the early Methodists they could precipitate a revival of religion that would save the world from war and our civilization from a near collapse just as the revival under Wesley and his contemporaries saved England from a revolution.—Herald of Holiness.

### THE ORIGIN OF MAN

It was a great scientist, Sir William Dawson, president of McGill University, who once said: "I know nothing about the origin of man, except what I am told in the Scripture—that God created him. I do not know anything more than that, and I do not know of anybody who does." Then comes George McCready Price, a scientist of first rank, and approvingly quotes this statement, in his "New Geology," and asserts that nobody knows anything more about the origin of man now than was known in Dawson's day. And who will take issue with this statement? What has happened in the last three or four decades to add any light on man's origin, save the same sort of speculating and theorizing that had been going on before Sir William Dawson made that significant statement?—Religious Telescope.

## Woman's Missionary Department

MRS. A. C. MILLAR, Editor

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### STANFORD AUXILIARY

The Society met June 1 at the Stanford Methodist Church, with 8 members present. After a short business session, in charge of Mrs. S. M. Self, president, Rev. Mr. Edgington gave an interesting talk and Mrs. Edgington and Ardell Chapel gave reports on their Auxiliary at Lorado. The meeting was closed by prayer. They will meet again June 15 at the church.—Lucille Robb, Corresponding Sec'y.

### PERRY AUXILIARY

On May 29 the W. M. S. met at the home of Mrs. G. B. Colvin with twelve members and one visitor. Meeting was begun with a devotional service. Prayer by Mrs. Oates. We continued our study of the constitution of the U. S. Also had a display of our national colors. Then came the business in which we collected for some quilting and planned to quilt some more. We had a pot-luck dinner and quilting at the home of Mrs. W. A. Glenn Thursday with 27 at lunch time and nine coming in the afternoon. Surely had a nice time.

We have also made our contribution to our Hospital at Memphis. Five visits to sick, two bouquets, and two trays, were reported.—Mrs. W. A. Glenn, Supt. of Publicity.

### THE GURDON AUXILIARY

The Gurdon Auxiliary is carrying on a well rounded Missionary program, under the presidency of Mrs. C. J. Steed. The enrollment has increased at least 25% this year. A Business and Professional Women's Circle has been organized and meets twice a month at eight with Bible study and regular Missionary programs. Our Auxiliary has four meetings a month including the Circles' meetings.

Our society is especially active in the Christian Social Relations Department and has done a splendid work in this field under the leadership of Mrs. H. M. Jeffery. In addition to all connectional financial obligations which are being met promptly the society has spent about \$300 on new furniture and interior decoration in the parsonage, which now gives Gurdon a very comfortable and convenient parsonage. All circles are using "The Radiant Heart" for their Bible Study.

Every fifth Monday we meet with the other Missionary Societies of Gurdon in a Federation meeting.—Chairman of Publicity.

### PARKIN AUXILIARY

Our Auxiliary has been well represented at all of the Zone meetings, as well as carrying on our home work with good attendance at most of our regular meetings. We had our Zone meeting here last Wednesday with just a fair attendance. Many of our members were out of town. The meeting was good and a good program was presented by the Earle ladies and quite a few of them were here. We have had a splendid study course. The electric fans have been installed at the church. These were given by our Auxiliary last week. We have also

voted to have a new curtain put around the chancel rail. We continue to help all we can in all causes. We donated \$5.00 to the colored M. E. Church to help them put a new roof on their church. We will carry on all through the summer, as there is always something to be done.—Mrs. W. C. Drummond, Publicity Supt.

### HARRISON AUXILIARY

Mrs. S. B. Wilford, wife of the pastor of the Harrison Church, entertained the members of the Edith Martin Circle of the Woman's Missionary Society at a coffee on Tuesday, May 22, between the hours of 9:00 and 11:30. Presiding at the table was Mrs. Ralph Rae, chairman of the Edith Martin Circle, assisted by Mrs. Harold Womack, chairman of the local finance committee. Mrs. Wilford was assisted in receiving the guests by Mrs. M. McKimney, president of the Woman's Missionary Society. A special guest of Mrs. Wilford was Mrs. Fred Newman, chairman of the Business and Professional Women's Circle of the Midland Heights Church at Fort Smith, and zone chairman of the Fort Smith Zone.

The occasion for the coffee was the purchase, by the Edith Martin Circle, of a new gas range for the parsonage.—Mrs. Robert E. Adcock, Publicity Superintendent.

### ZONE MEETING AT MALVERN

The semi-annual Zone meeting of the Arkadelphia District met in Malvern June 7. Mrs. Fred Harrison is the Zone leader. Her program was an outstanding one, with a full report from the Uniting Conference held in Kansas City, given by Mrs. H. King Wade of Hot Springs.

Other outstanding talks were given by Mesdames Utley, Moon and McClain. Mrs. R. W. Huie of Arkadelphia gave a very helpful devotional at noon. A lovely lunch was served.

This was a well attended meeting. We were glad to have Bro. and Mrs. Jack Taylor with us.

The women of the Little Rock Conference feel honored in that out of the 25 scholarships offered for six weeks' training at the Scarritt Training School, three were chosen from this Conference. Mrs. T. J. McClain of Malvern, Mrs. B. J. Reaves of Little Rock, and Miss Ruth Rorie of Arkadelphia.—Mrs. Claude Phillips, Sec'y.

### ZONE MEETING IN MONTICELLO DISTRICT

Zone No. 4 of the Monticello District met at McGehee on May 18. The president, Mrs. C. R. Roy, presided over the meeting, which was a memorial service to Mrs. James Gabbie. Soft music was played by Mrs. Boyd, after which the congregation sang "Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone?" The devotional was given by Miss Elizabeth Peacock, and was followed by a prayer by Rev. Mr. Hefley.

The roll call revealed that the McGehee, Tillar, Winchester and Dumas societies were represented by a total of forty-two members and that seven visitors were present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Winchester was designated as the next meeting place.

Rev. H. B. Vaught gave some helpful suggestions in his talk on Christian Service, in which he pointed out that the first essential was a Christian person, and that the many activities must follow.

Mrs. T. A. Prewitt gave a report

of the Unification program. She attended the Conference in Kansas City, and was able to give a wonderful summary of the events in a very clear and fine manner.

The congregation sang "Oh Master Let Me Walk With Thee."

Mrs. V. O. Buck told of the Pine Bluff Conference, and stressed evangelistic work for the year.

Mrs. C. C. Price made a talk and told of the untiring efforts of Mrs. Gabbie as she worked so faithfully in the Zone. It was a fitting expression of her fine character.

Tennyson's "Greatness of Souls" was read by Mrs. Roy.

Special memorial songs, including "A Perfect Day" were sung by Mrs. Robert May. She was accompanied by Mrs. Boyd.

Rev. Mr. Roy dismissed the session.

A social hour was enjoyed and refreshments were served.—Reporter.

### SEARCY DISTRICT MEETING AT AUGUSTA

A district meeting of Missionary Societies was held in Augusta June 13. Mrs. W. R. Griffin presiding.

The devotional was given by Bro. Wm. Sherman, using as his Scripture Matt. 9:35-39.

We were favored with an organ solo by Mrs. I. J. Storey.

Mrs. Griffin introduced the Conference officers and other guests.

The Mission study was given by Mrs. W. J. Jones, Cotton Plant.

A paper on "Christian Social Relations," prepared by Mrs. Dayton Lockett of Beebe, was read by Mrs. J. C. Loving. Mrs. Loving is from California and extended greetings from her Society.

Mrs. Griffin appointed the following courtesy committee: Mrs. L. N. Sturdivant, McCrory; Mrs. R. W. Bailey, Higginson, and Mrs. Jack Glass, Griffithville.

Mrs. B. E. Snetzer, Conference Secretary, spoke on the "Efficiency Aims."

At noon the Augusta ladies served a delicious lunch.

We re-assembled at one o'clock.

Prayer—Mrs. W. A. Authors from Cotton Plant.

"Scarritt," by Mrs. L. W. Sturdivant, McCrory.

Mrs. Griffin appointed Mrs. Marion Douglass, Heber Springs, as district librarian.

Thomas Jefferson Stacey, Jr., was made a baby life member.

Eight Auxiliaries answered roll call.

Mrs. Sturdivant read the report from the Courtesy committee thanking the Augusta ladies for their gracious hospitality.

Mrs. Vance Thompson of McCrory led the Scripture devotional on Prayer as the closing number.

Mrs. Tom Stanley, Sr., gave "A Call to Prayer."

A special prayer for our prayer lives was led by Mrs. Thompson and closed by Mrs. Oliver.

We felt that this prayer was quite fitting after such an interesting devotional with Mrs. Thompson.

Dismissed with a prayer by Mrs. Griffin.—Mrs. Alex Miller, Sec'y for Meeting.

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## The Laymen's Forum

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### MILESTONE NO. 11

The eleventh annual Laymen's Day for Methodism was observed Sunday in many churches of the two Arkansas Conferences. It is gratifying to observe the growing interest in the work of the General Board of Lay Activities. As topics for Laymen's Day in years past the Board suggested such subjects as these: The Ideal Layman; A Man and His Church; Laymen and Evangelism; Why Go to Church, and this year; Adequate Support of the Ministry.

What is adequate support for the ministry? Too often we as laymen in our complacency do not obtain a full perspective of the Church and the bigness of its program. We sometimes get the idea adequate financing is merely paying the pastor's salary.

Some figures presented at the last Quadrennial Conference disclose that adequate salaries are not always paid, for in Southern Methodism in 1937 it was found that 729 ministers were paid less than \$500 for a year's work; that 2,538 received less than \$1,000, and that 4,310 did not receive more than \$1,500. Figures for the two Arkansas Conferences show that the average salary last year was a little more than \$1,200.

It is easy to conceive that \$1,200 might be adequate for many families, but we do not take into consideration the demands that are made of leaders and we expect our pastors to be community leaders as well as leaders within the Church. We do not hesitate to cut out a man-sized task for our pastors.

Laymen need to remember that it takes more than finances to give the Church an effective program. It takes a willingness to work alongside the pastor and when Laymen really go about this business of interesting inactive members they will find the perplexing financial problems will almost take care of themselves because *interested members are paying members*.

One of the most significant remarks that came out of the United Methodist campaign of evangelism in Greater Little Rock last March was the assertion by Bishop A. Frank Smith of Houston, Texas, in which he said: "If we could make the present membership alive to the possibilities within their own lives, those outside the Church would become so anxious to join that we could not keep them out."

The Church is Christianity at work. As Laymen, to be worthy of the name we should interest ourselves to the extent that we can see Christianity at work, and seeing find a willingness to give joyously and generously as many are doing with regularity.

### LAYMEN'S CONFERENCE

Observance of Laymen's Day in the individual churches Sunday was but the forerunner of another event for Laymen. A five-day conference at Mount Sequoyah at Fayetteville will begin July 10 for Laymen of several states. How many Churches are planning to send representatives? How many pastors and chairmen of Boards of Stewards are interested in seeing that their Church makes the most of the op-

## Christian Education

### VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL AT PARKER'S CHAPEL, EL DORADO CIRCUIT

On Friday evening, June 2, 44 pupils received certificates showing that they had satisfactorily completed two weeks' work in the Vacation Church School at Parker's Chapel, on the El Dorado Circuit.

Mrs. L. W. Stratton, Director, laid her plans carefully and as a result the school was one of the best ever held at Parker's Chapel. The faculty was composed of regular workers in the Church School who were familiar with the children and their need and in worship, study, work, and play, Christian attitudes were emphasized and practiced.

Miss Edna Laurence, regular teacher of the Beginner group, gave her time to other groups because the smaller children did not attend. Whether it was handwork, games, music, or creative activities, she "lent a hand" in her usual helpful and efficient way.

Mrs. Cora Slater, Primary teacher in our public school, used "Bible Homes and Homes Today" for the Primary children, and the little play used in the closing program, showing a happy home in Palestine, was entered into with spirit and understanding by the children.

Miss Sophie Hinson led a fine group of Juniors in a study of "The Land Where Jesus Lived" and the moving picture made illustrating the life of Jesus, was greatly enjoyed by both children and their parents.

One of the best groups of intermediates we have ever had took the course "O, Come Let Us Worship," with Mrs. Horace Williamson as leader. With the love and understanding that nine months of High School work together had created, it was no trouble for the group to transfer public school interest and loyalty to Vacation School, and a high type of work was done. The silhouettes made during the activity period were beautiful, and the "Puppet Show" they put on for the closing program, showing "The Prodigal Son" was well worth the hours of labor and thought it cost them, and was enjoyed and appreciated by young and old.

No activity at Parker's Chapel is ever complete without Miss Willie Mae Pendelton having her "finger in the pie" and Vacation School was no exception. She fitted in where she was most needed, helping each group with their music and other activities.

The pastor, Rev. C. D. Cade, gave

portunity of having an interested Layman at this meeting?

### DO SOMETHING

The editor of the Christian Herald recently offered an answer to the often-heard lament, "Why doesn't the Church do something?" It was found in the report of the Federation of Protestant Welfare Agencies on contributions received during 1938. The total was \$20,000,000 received and used for child care, youth aid, old age assistance, convalescent care and general relief.

"In all fairness," the editor commented, "we must realize that this is one job the Church is not specifically called upon to do; it is a spiritual agency and not a charity office. Yet it has gone the second mile, to the tune of \$20,000,000, in just one year."

his usual attention to what he considers one of the most worthwhile parts of the year's program, and was always ready for worship or work. While the larger boys gave most of their time to the "Puppet Theatre" and "Movie," the new crop of "little boys" made, with age-old zest, their bird houses, tie-racks, Noah's Ark, etc.

One of the outstanding features of the school was the regular and punctual attendance, showing that interest was keen. One father, who works at night and sleeps in the day, roused himself at eight to take the children in the car, and after going back to sleep, woke again at eleven to "fetch them home." A father who can do this ten days on a stretch loves his church and loves his children.

We wish there could be a Vacation Church School in every rural church.—Mrs. C. D. Cade.

### BEARDEN VACATION SCHOOL

The Vacation Church School at Bearden which has just closed was in many respects the most successful ever held here. There was a total enrollment of 87 and Certificates of Awards were presented to 63 boys and girls of the Intermediate, Junior, Primary, and Beginner Ages. At the close of the school hand work and articles of wood work were placed on display for the entire church school and public.

Mrs. J. L. Tucker, wife of the pastor, was the supervisor for the school and was assisted by a fine group of teachers and workers. Rev. J. L. Tucker taught the course on Worship, using the text: "O come, let us worship"; Mrs. H. H. Gammill taught the course for Juniors, using the text, "What is in your Bible"; and Mrs. John Booth taught the Primaries and Beginners, using the text, "Exploring God's Out-of-doors." Mrs. John Sloan, Mrs. Fred Huggins, and Mrs. L. B. Sorrells were the superintendents for the Primary, the Junior and Intermediate Departments respectively. Mr. Jim Henry supervised the boys in woodwork, Mrs. Fred Huggins, Mrs. H. B. Jordan, Mrs. H. H. Gammill, Mrs. John Sloan, Mrs. J. L. Tucker, Mrs. John Booth, Mrs. Ganius, Misses Mary Elizabeth Anthony, Sarah and Billy Henry all supervised the hand work. Mrs. R. R. Mahan, Mrs. J. Glen Coker, and Mrs. Booth were the musicians for the school.

One of the very finest things in connection with our school here is the general worship service which opens the program for each day's work. The worship service is held for twenty minutes the first thing each morning. It consisted of hymns, scripture, prayer, and a Bible story. At the close of the worship period announcements, suggestions and remarks, having to do with the whole group and school, were made before dismissing for divisional work. Rev. J. L. Tucker was in charge of this general worship program. Mrs. T. G. Henry, who is one of the finest Bible instructors in the Little Rock Conference, gave the devotional one morning. Perhaps one of the most appropriate and most interesting worship services was conducted on the closing day by a group of Intermediate boys and girls who had been well coached. Their program grew out of their study in the course of worship. A group picture was made of each group and one for the entire school. On the closing afternoon a picnic spread and outing was enjoyed on the lake.—Mrs. R. R. Mahan, Secretary.

### BERRYVILLE YOUNG PEOPLE

The Berryville Young People's Division began a new year of service with an election of officers Sunday evening, June 4, in the nearly finished new recreational building. The young people enjoyed a sandwich supper early in the evening, after which the election was carried on. The qualifications and duties of the various officers were thoroughly discussed. The following officers were selected: James K. Trimble, President; Virgil Schoepel, Vice-President; Helen Baker, Secretary-Treasurer; Robert Spitzke, Publicity Superintendent, and Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Guise, Adult Counselors.

The young people adopted a new plan to be used in the church service every Sunday evening after all business has been taken care of. The group is the choir for the song service and presents a devotional before the sermon by the pastor.

Arrangements were made to have an ice cream social on the following Friday evening which will be the first function of the recreational program of the year. The young people attended the regular monthly meeting of the County Union on June 12. All members seem thoroughly interested and great gains

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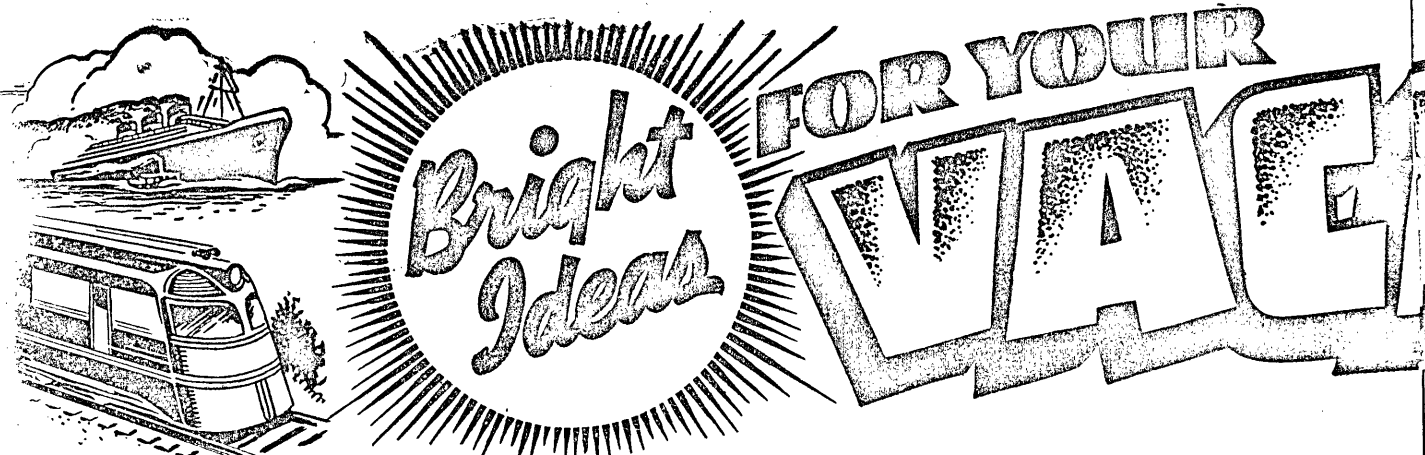


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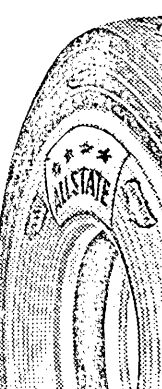
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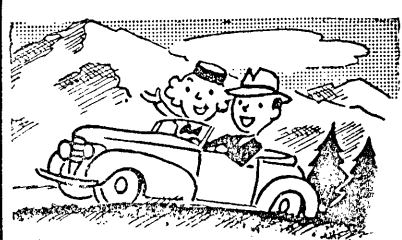
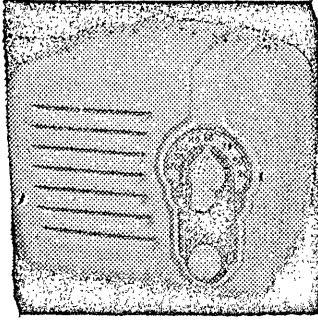
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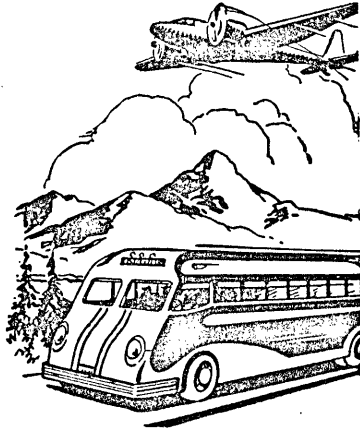
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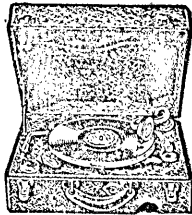
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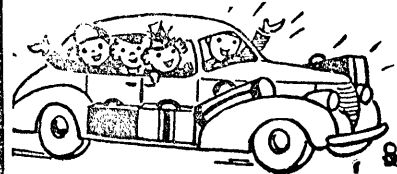
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are the motives for the new year.—  
Reporter.

#### HAPPENINGS AT HENDRIX

President Reynolds has been accorded an honor by New York University. Dr. John H. Finley, formerly editor of the New York Times and a director of the Hall of Fame at New York University, writes that the University Senate has elected President Reynolds to membership in the college of electors of its Hall of Fame. Members are chosen in every state of the Union, and their principal service is selecting names to be added to the Hall of Fame. The next meeting of the electors will be May, 1940.

Last week the Arkansas Pastors' School began its annual two weeks' session at Hendrix with an enrollment of 222 members. Seven instructors are teaching 12 courses and Bishop J. Ralph Magee of Des Moines, Ia., was platform lecturer, speaking twice daily. Monday and Tuesday of this week, Dr. John Donaho, pastor of Oaklawn Methodist Church in Dallas, Texas, is platform lecturer taking the place of President Humphrey Lee of Southern Methodist University, who was prevented from coming by illness in his family. Bishop C. C. Seelman of Oklahoma City is scheduled to begin a series of lectures on Wednesday.

Among the speakers at the celebration of the 100th year of Teacher Training at Arkansas Teachers College last Friday were President J. H. Reynolds, who spoke at the morning session on "A Hundred Years of Teacher Training"; and in the afternoon Dr. Walter W. Parker, a graduate of Hendrix College in 1912 and now president of the State Teachers College at Cape Girardeau, Mo., who spoke on "Future Trends in Secondary Education."

Professor Clem A. Towner and Mrs. Bernice Horrell Towner, director and instructor respectively in the Department of Music during the past decade, have resigned and will go to California about July 1 to live. In accepting their resignation, President Reynolds spoke in very complimentary terms of their work, their large contribution in developing the Department of Music, and especially their remarkable success in choral training and in fostering appreciation for sacred music.

Dr. and Mrs. C. J. Greene are spending the week-end with relatives in Muskogee, Okla.

Dr. J. E. Sanders, Professor of Education, and Mrs. Jane Sanders, acting Dean of Women, will be in Magnolia during the first summer term of the A. & M. College, in which Dr. Sanders is teaching courses in education. They plan to spend the remainder of the summer in Riverside, Calif.

Professor D. R. Robertson, Instructor in Violin, and Mrs. Robertson have gone to Iowa City, Ia., where Mr. Robertson will teach during the summer session.

Professor Benjamin Owen, Instructor in Piano and Theory, and Mrs. Owen will be connected with the Lamont School of Music in Denver, Colo., until the middle of July. They expect to spend the remainder of the summer in Los Angeles, Calif.

Professor R. B. Capel, Head of the Department of Speech, and Mrs. Capel after a brief visit with relatives in Oskaloosa, Iowa, will go to Madison, Wisconsin, for special work in the University of Wisconsin.

Miss Wenonah Fay Baughn of Conway has been elected to assist

Professor Capel in the Speech Department. She takes the place held the past two years by Miss Marguerite Pearce of Searcy, who was graduated June 4. Miss Baughn is a B. S. graduate of Arkansas State Teachers College and has been teaching in the high school at Portland the past two years. She will attend the University of Wisconsin during the summer session, taking courses in Speech.

Miss Mary Louise McElwee, Instructor in Physical Education for women, is taking courses in her work at the University of Oklahoma this summer.

Miss Martha Barry, Instructor in Art, is continuing her art study in Cambridge, Mass., during the summer.

Professor H. L. Freund, Carnegie resident artist, is spending the summer in art work at Hatchet Hall, Eureka Springs.

Professor M. J. Lippman, bandmaster, will have band work at Superior, Wisconsin, during June, and in Chicago during July and August.

Miss Katherine Gaw, Teacher of Voice, and Mrs. C. E. McNutt, Teacher of Public School Music, will spend the vacation period with relatives in Fulton, Mo., and Cambridge, Ohio, respectively.

Miss Janelle Gunn of Conway, who was graduated B. A. with class 1939, has been elected to membership in the high school faculty at Earle, Ark., for next year.

Byron McKinney of Conway, B. A. 1939, left Conway June 4 for Abington, Virginia, where he has an engagement to play in the Barter Theatre until September 5.

Elmo L. Scott, of Rogers, B. A. 1939, has been elected to teach in the high school at Dumas and to coach athletic teams next year.

Miss Letitia Neal of Conway, B. A. 1939, entered Peabody College last Monday for special courses in education during the summer session.—G. A. Simmons.

#### GOOD FRIDAY FAST OFFERING

Do you remember Easter and the Youth Crusade? At that particular season, Methodist youth realized that suffering was the common lot of various groups in many parts of the world and resolved to express their brotherly concern for those who suffered. Thus, as a part of Easter and the Youth Crusade, the Good Friday Fellowship of Fasting was emphasized. Many young people sincerely desired to enter more closely into the fellowship of His suffering. They recognized that to do so, they must share the suffering of the "least of his brethren" who endured tribulation and persecution in the world. This solemn purpose was dramatized in their own spirit and made symbolically specific in the fast which young people observed on Friday before Easter.

It is estimated that over five thousand young people denied themselves food for one or two meals on Good Friday. The monetary value was computed and given as an offering to be distributed through the Youth Crusade—every penny of it—to relieve human suffering somewhere in the world. Over \$1,200 has been received to date, and offerings are still coming into this office.

Compared with the untold need existing among groups in the world, the size of the offering might be labeled as small, but this expression from youth circles is of commendable significance. Youth symbolically shared the fellowship of sacrifice and was brought spiritually nearer to the suffering groups. One young lady placed her gold ring in the of-

fering as part of her sacrifice. It was not merely "another money raising scheme," but a great blessing to those who found a new spiritual meaning in the "fellowship of the suffering Christ."

The Executive Committee of the Youth Crusade Commission, in session at Nashville on May 29, directed these funds toward groups in China, Japan, Korea, Germany, Spain and Negroes in America. Here and there over the world, this sacrificial expression of love is being used to make many people more aware of God and to bind all men closer into brotherhood.

#### CHURCH SCHOOL DAY OFFERINGS, LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE, RECEIVED DURING WEEK CLOSING JUNE 10

Butterfield	\$ 3.88
Holly Springs	3.00
Mt. Olivet	6.00
Thornton	2.00
Rhodes Chapel	3.25
Bolding	2.75
Magnolia Ct.	2.00
Faustina	1.05
Magnolia	60.00
Jersey	2.55
Arkansas City	5.00
Sherrill	17.00
Mt. Carmel	1.00
Tucker	8.00
Murfreesboro	16.00
Norman	2.00
Stamps	22.00
Total	\$157.48

Totals By Districts	
Camden	\$448.63
Little Rock (previously rep.)	471.81
Pine Bluff	351.98
Arkadelphia	284.38
Prescott	247.55
Monticello	155.05
Texarkana	138.74
Total	\$2138.14

Percentage By Districts	
Camden	.86 plus
Prescott	.74 plus
Pine Bluff	.69 plus
Arkadelphia	.69
Little Rock	.66 plus
Monticello	.41 plus
Texarkana	.33 plus

#### Honor Roll

Four more charges paid their Church School Day Offerings in full this week and thus placed the names of their pastor on our Conference Honor Roll. They are: Roy E. Fawcett, B. F. Musser, A. C. Rogers and C. B. Wyatt.—C. K. Wilkerson, Treasurer.

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

Batesville District	
Central Avenue	\$ 7.84
Bethesda	1.51
Cave City	3.05
Sidney	1.50
Moorefield	6.43
Mt. Home	2.50
Newark	2.10
Oak Grove	1.01
Tuckerman	3.26
Total	\$ 29.20

Conway District	
Atkins	\$ 2.50
Belleville	3.27
Havana	1.21
Danville	2.89
Onk Grove	2.45
Greenbrier	.97
Bigelow	.40
Gardner Memorial	3.05
Plummerville	1.28
Total	\$ 18.02

Fayetteville District	
Bentonville	\$ 4.58
Berryville	1.79
Elm Springs	3.43
Farmington	.50
Fayetteville	12.50
Green Forest	1.25
Bestwater	1.38
Prairie Grove	5.52
Siloam Springs	4.02
Total	\$ 34.97

Fort Smith District	
Alma	\$ 4.28
Grenade Chapel	2.25
Clarksville	8.00
Dodson Avenue	7.50
Spadra	4.07
Dyer	.95
Mountain View	1.28
Central City	2.00
Oak Grove	3.00
Mansfield	2.64
Total	\$ 36.37

Helena District	
Wesley	\$ .62
Crawfordsville	4.04

Hughes	2.50
Hickory Ridge	2.34
West Memphis	3.09
Widener	1.20
Vannale	2.28
Total	\$ 21.08

Jonesboro District	
Blytheville, First	\$ 50.00
Yarbro	4.44
Brookland	1.00
Pine Log	.25
Dyess	1.00
Huntington Avenue	4.00
Joiner	2.84
Fisher Street	10.98
Lake City	1.00
Lepanto	6.00
Black Oak	3.00
Monette	2.00
Osceola	8.00
Trumann	3.00
Wilson	5.00
Total	\$102.51

Paragould District	
Corning	\$ 9.73
Portia	1.00
Ravenden Springs	.75
Mammoth Spring	1.76
Marmaduke	1.00
Oak Grove	1.90
Paragould, First	15.38
East Side	7.64
Piggott	4.03
St. Francis	1.00
Walnut Ridge	\$3.30
Total	\$ 47.49

Searcy District	
Antioch	\$ 3.85
Augusta	8.51
Bald Knob	2.00
Bradford	1.50
Beebe	4.98
Cabot	5.00
Clinton	2.50
Ellis Chapel	.40
Griffithville	1.50
Garner	1.03
Gregory	1.60
Revel	1.50
Harrison	5.00
Heber Springs	8.85
Hunter	2.50
White Hall	.43
McCrory	3.50
Patterson	.57
Sixteenth Section	.92
Oak Grove	.60
Goodloe	.21
Smyrna	1.00
Valley Springs	1.14
Total	\$ 59.09

Standing By Districts	
Jonesboro	\$102.51
Searcy	59.09
Paragould	47.49
Fort Smith	26.97
Fayetteville	34.97
Batesville	23.20
Helena	21.08
Conway	18.02
Total	\$349.33

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## Youth's Day at Kansas City

There have been many thrills at Kansas City. There was that first moment when the visitor stepped into the great balcony of the arena in the Municipal Auditorium and looked down upon nearly 1,000 delegates at their desks. There was that thrilling moment when the Conference was declared in order.

No one will forget the parade of bishops, missionaries, and nationals from the four corners of the world as they marched across the stage in the colorful costumes of their various lands. No one but a person totally devoid of feeling could have failed to be thrilled by the beautiful duet sung by a young woman from Japan and a young Chinese student.

Then there was that solemn moment when the first two men ever to be ordained as bishops of the "Methodist Church" were consecrated.

But possibly the most thrilling event so far was the giant youth rally, where 6,000 young Methodists from the three uniting churches came together for the first united rally of the new Methodist Church. Distance seemed to be a small matter. Busloads arrived from neighboring states. Delegations came hundreds of miles from Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan. From distant Connecticut came one girl. From still farther California came one young man.

The program opened with an afternoon assembly and a series of twenty-one seminars. Outstanding youth workers and Conference delegates served as leaders. Despite lack of adequate time and facilities, these seminars functioned smoothly. Topics covered a wide range of interest and spirited discussion testified to the educational growth taking place.

The afternoon program culminated in a vesper service. Although several were heard to remark at the poor choice of hymns for a youth meeting the service was thoroughly redeemed when Bishop Paul B. Kern long a close friend of Southern youth, arose to give a dynamic and powerful address that challenged the great audience assembled before him to loyalty and service in an adventurous church.

The youth rally proper was the evening session. There it was that

the vast multitude, estimated at from 6,000 to 8,000 came together for a program that will go down in Methodist history. It was a young people's meeting from start to finish. All the participants with the exception of the principal speaker would be definitely classified as youth. Youth sang, youth presided, youth prayed, youth spoke, youth participated in the pageant! It was youth's night.

Three youth speakers from the three uniting churches spoke on "What Youth May Expect in the Methodist Church," "What Youth Will Give to the New Church," and "The Challenge of Tomorrow." Speaking eloquently for the Methodist Episcopal group was Miss Harriet Lewis, of Great Falls, Mont., president of the National Council of Methodist Youth.

"If we as Christians are true to our faith at every point," Miss Lewis stated, "we would be ostracized by many. We must admit that whenever our Christian convictions bring us into direct conflict with established practices there is a job to be done. We want a church that will choose, if necessary, poverty and unpopularity above wealth and respectability. We want a church that realizes nothing short of fundamental change in our economic and social structure will open the way for lasting peace."

Equally forceful were the presentations of Donald Barss, of the Methodist Protestant Church, and George Wesley Jones, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Donald Barss pointed out the idealism, the vigor, the dynamic and "dynamite" that youth were ready to contribute to the new church. The Southern speaker stressed the challenges that Christian youth must face, and especially that of war.

When the third speaker had finished no one who had not heard them introduced would have been able to tell which was the "Northerner," the "Southerner," or the "Protestant." It was a united message!

Featured speaker for the evening was Dr. Harold C. Case, of Scranton, Pa. As he stepped forward several people were heard to remark that he would have to "go some" to equal the youth speakers preceding him. He "came through"! Spontaneous bursts of applause greeted each new challenge as he pointed out that the Christian way is to take hold of the "live ends" instead of the various "dead ends" of life. "Christianity gives life," he asserted—"it gives awareness of wrongs. As long as there is a starving person, the alert Christian cannot quite be comfortable. While there is insecurity anywhere he cannot feel secure."

He added: "We are obliged to produce a convincing laboratory of the workability of Christianity. While we talk about Christian living in another person's life we evade the real issue. That is the most certain modern way to crucify Jesus."

With this as the background, the dramatic cavalcade, "Calling All Youth," prepared by Harold A. Ehrnsperger especially for that evening, came as a great climax.

Young people found their way to Kansas City as members of the Methodist Episcopal, Methodist Episcopal, South, and Methodist Protestant Churches. They left acutely conscious that they were now one. Methodist youth are going forward to the great task God has called them—together.—Thomas R. Pendell in The Advocates.

## CHURCH NEWS

### ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE

I am impressed that my relation to unfortunate children, that is, to fatherless and motherless children, has grown to such an extent that I find that people in all classes of social and financial life have troubles and many of them come to me, seeking a solution until my office has grown to be almost a confessional. My readers would be amazed if I were permitted to publish the names and the sources from which they come—young men, young women and parents.

As I understand the Gospel which I am trying to live, it is the Gospel of compassion and we not only have to undertake to relieve them of their troubles, but we must try to create a stream of joy and take them out of the realm of gloom. If I were an artist, I would try to draw some pictures today and put before you a great multitude upon which Jesus had compassion.

I must desist or there would be no end to this article. Pray for me and for my family of fatherless and motherless children and especially ask God to qualify me in my efforts to help the people who come to me for help.

We are getting along well at the Home. Pray for us and come to see us when you can.—James Thomas, Executive Secretary.

### CONFERENCE ON EVANGELISM

Beginning on Saturday, July 15 and continuing through Sunday and Monday, there will be held at Mt. Sequoyah a Conference on Evangelism. This Conference is being sponsored by the Management of the Sequoyah Assembly and also the General Conference Commission on Evangelism. The speakers will be Bishop John C. Broomfield and Harry Denman. There will be discussions on personal work and the preparation, promotion and conservation of the revival. There will not be any registration fee for this Conference. All preachers, laymen, missionary women, Sunday School teachers and officers are invited to come and participate in this Conference on Evangelism.

Bishop John C. Broomfield will preach twice on Sunday, July 16 and he will also preach Monday night, July 17.

Those who desire further information concerning this Conference on Evangelism should write to Rev. Sam M. Yancey, Manager of the Sequoyah Assembly, Fayetteville, Arkansas, or to the Department of Evangelism, Board of Missions, 626 Doctors' Building, Nashville, Tenn.

### FIRST CHURCH, HOT SPRINGS

Sometimes we are too busy to tell others what we are doing, but after the first half of the year First Church is happy to tell friends and former co-laborers that things are going well under the leadership of Rev. H. H. Griffin.

The financial budget for the first half of the year was met with an overplus, the attendance at regular worship is very good with an overflow on special occasions. Increase in Church School attendance for the first quarter was 43 each Sunday, and for the second quarter 81 each Sunday. 103 have been received into the church, averaging four for each Sunday. 100 children attended the Daily Vacation Bible School. Attendance is good at Junior and Senior Leagues. A beautiful reception

was tendered the 34 graduates of High School who were members of the Church School, many of whom will attend church leadership schools.

The Woman's Missionary Society is active and the Board of Christian Education functions in a regular and helpful manner. Bro. Griffin is a faithful worker, a good preacher and the fine spirit of this historic church is maintained under his leadership. Thus is added another name to the roster of fine servants of God who have served this great church.—Mrs. F. M. Williams.

### LAKE CITY

We have had a very interesting year here on the Lake City Charge. All finances are well in hand. We have five churches on the charge, four Church Schools and all are doing good work. We have three Missionary Societies. The one at Lake View, which is an open country church, will compare favorably with any small station group. Those at Caraway and Lake City are new. These churches had "Ladies' Aids" which they have converted into W. M. S. Building committees are now at work on plans for building new educational annexes to the church buildings at both Lake City and Lake View. These will be a \$1000 to \$1200 project at each place. We have had 40 additions on profession of faith and baptism so far this year. We yet have three revivals to hold on the work.

We had the privilege of preaching the closing sermons for the schools at Lake View and Lake City. At the latter our twin boys, Ray and Clay, age 18, were members of the graduating class. We considered this a rare privilege and honor.—Ray L. McLester, P. C.

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In the last five years the faculty has increased from 14 to 27 and the enrollment from 166 to 320 resident students exclusive of those in the summer school. All available space is in use and the outlook for 1939-40 is that the institution will be greatly overcrowded unless provision is made for the increase in registration indicated in the number of pre-registration candidates.

These facts are presented by leaders of the school who are asking that the people of Little Rock contribute \$2,500, one-fourth of the debt of the college. Every dollar thus raised will be matched by a friend outside the state. Other agencies will secure the additional \$5,000.

It is a worthy cause and one which deserves the support of all Little Rock folks who realize the tremendous influence the college has had upon the Negroes of the city. Its cultural contributions to the community have been great. It has

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## Soochow University

By Y. C. YANG

Soochow University is the only Methodist University in China today. It was a great Southern Methodist University but is now, in the new day of United, Greater Methodism, a great Methodist University. For while the former M. E. Church has a share in several union institutions it has no university distinctly its own.

The University was founded in 1901 with Dr. Young J. Allen as the first President of the Board of Trustees and Dr. D. L. Anderson as the first President of the University. The establishment of Soochow University marked the consolidation and culmination of all the previous efforts of the former Southern Methodist Church in the realm of higher education in China, for in it was merged the old Buffington Institute and the Anglo-Chinese College, both lineal predecessors of Soochow University.

Three missionaries have successfully and successively served as its President: Dr. D. L. Anderson, from 1901 to 1911, Dr. John W. Cline, from 1911 to 1922, and Dr. W. B. Nance, from 1922 to 1927, when Dr. Y. C. Yang was elected by the Board of Trustees to be the first Chinese president of the university. Upon the foundation so well laid in the earlier periods, he has been able to rapidly continue the building up of this Christian university, almost doubling the number of buildings on the campus, besides greatly strengthening the faculty and increasing the enrollment, during the decade under the present administration.

As at present constituted, the university has three colleges—Arts, Science and Law.

The Law College, also known as the Comparative Law School of China, is the most outstanding one of the only two law schools recognized by the Chinese National Government as being qualified to offer graduate work. A few years ago the principal of this law school was commissioned to make the first draft of the new Constitution for China.

The Science College is an institution of very high standing and great prestige, having graduates occupying positions of prominence in almost every one of the Christian universities and many other institutions in China, and having, as part of its Biology Department, the only Biological Supply Service in China, which supplies two, three hundred schools each year with specimen and teaching materials for instruction in Biology.

The Arts College is a standard institution of its kind, doing efficient standard work, offering courses of instruction in literature, philosophy, religion, education, sociology, history, political science and economics.

Attached to the university are two high schools, which are under the same administration and forming an integral part of the whole Soochow University system.

It now has a total enrollment of 1500 students, of which about eight hundred are in the colleges and seven hundred in the high schools. The university is now co-educational, with over two hundred women students on the campus.

Having been forced by circumstances out of its own campus in Soochow, it is now carrying on in full force in the International Settlement in Shanghai, working in

close cooperation with St. John University (Episcopalian), Shanghai University (Baptist), and Hangchow Christian College (Presbyterian), operating in one great big downtown office building, and maintaining a joint library and joint laboratories, with free exchange of courses among themselves.

The educational objective of the university is expressed in its English motto: "Unto a Full Grown Man," (Eph. 4:13), and in its Chinese motto, an English translation of which would read: "Nourish the Atmosphere of Truth in the Universe; Emulate the Perfect Man of Ages."

Many of its graduates have gone into the world and distinguished themselves in different walks of life as preachers, teachers, social workers, judges, lawyers, scientists, educators, bank managers, government officials, legislators, business men, etc., etc. The fact that of the Chinese delegates to the recent International Missionary Council in Madras, India, all four of those having membership in the Southern Methodist Church were graduates of Soochow University is a good illustration of its direct contribution to the Christian Church and Christian movement in China.

The relationship between the university and the Church is very close and very happy. Although not at all elected because of ex-officio relationship, the Chairman of the Executive Council of the China Conference has been over ten years Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the university, while the president of the university has been chairman of the Board of Christian Education ever since its organization and has always been either the secretary or member of the Executive Council of the China Conference.

In program of work also the same intimacy is maintained between the university and the Church. The rural program of our Church has always had the active cooperation of the faculty and students of the sociology department. More recently a circulating library for the free use of the preachers of the Conference has been instituted as a joint enterprise between the university and the Board of Christian Education, each providing half of the fund required.

Effort is also made to bring this Methodist university in China into closer relationship and fellowship with the Methodist universities in this country. During recent years Soochow University has had the honor of having as visiting professors such eminent men as Prof. Frank S. Hickman of Duke University, Dr. M. L. Smith, now president of Millsap College, and Dr. E. V. Jones, head of Chemistry Department of Birmingham-Southern College.

It is also hoped that arrangement can be made with the great universities of our church here for scholarships and fellowships so that promising young instructors may be sent over from China to such institutions for advanced work or special training. It is believed that the presence of such students will be a healthy, stimulating influence to promote the Christian spirit of international fellowship and worldwide vision and interest on the campus of such institutions.

Although Soochow University is under the General Department of the Board of Missions, the Women's Department is co-operating to the extent of appointing one of their missionary teachers to serve on the

faculty of the university. In view of the rapid development of co-educational work, it is hoped that Women's Council can take a larger share in this effort of our Church to provide Christian higher education for the women of China, both inside and outside of our own Church.

With the union of the three Methodist Churches into one great and greater Church, Soochow University will have wider relations than when she was only a part of the former Southern Methodist Church. It is hoped that in this new day she will be able to render even greater and more efficient services as an integral part and an important agency of our church to Christianize the thought of China and to provide our Church and the country with well trained Christian leaders.

## OBITUARIES

**WILLIAMS.**—Mrs. Ora Ella Jordan Williams, wife of Rev. J. C. Williams, was born in Calhoun county, Arkansas, December 8, 1873. Departed this life at Holly Springs May 28, 1939. She was united in matrimony to J. C. Williams at Harlow, Arkansas, February 8, 1888. To this union were born 12 children, six girls and six boys; of these three girls and two boys survive: J. J. of New Orleans; F. V. of Sparkman; Mrs. Rachel Edmiston of Hope, Ark.; Mrs. Roy Chambers of Glendale, Ark.; Mrs. Ruth Hunter of Holly Springs, Ark. Also ten grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; one sister, Mrs. Thomas Pate of Bearden; one brother, W. H. Jordan of Benton, La., and a host of other relatives. She professed faith in Christ during the pastorate of Rev. Joe Baker in 1889, at Mt. Carmel Church on the Holly Springs Charge and joined the Methodist Church with her husband, where she remained a faithful and loyal member until death. For 34 years she lived in Methodist parsonages in active service with her husband, who served several poor circuits, but at no time did she ever complain. She was a member of all the Missionary Societies wherever she lived, making a host of friends everywhere and was loved by all that knew her. She was devoted to her husband and precious children. Truly can it be said that the Church has lost a friend and husband and

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children a sacrificing loved one. But we all know where to find her. Her request before death was that her body be laid to rest where her husband last preached. This was observed. Her funeral was conducted by Bro. J. H. Cummins, of Hot Springs, assisted by Rev. A. J. Bearden of Dalark, Bro. Sorrels of Sparkman, Bro. Tucker of Bearden, and Rev. Fred R. Harrison of Arkadelphia District. The church was packed to overflowing and a large crowd was on the outside. Her body was placed in the Holly Springs cemetery. We confess that the cloud is dark and the hours lonely, but by the grace of God we must wipe the tears away and some bright day we will all meet around the eternal throne of God.—Her Husband.

**REV. T. H. WRIGHT.**—Thomas Henderson Wright was born Aug. 7, 1874, at Church Hill, in Hawkins County, Tenn. At the age of eight, with his parents, he moved to Arkansas near Morrilton and lived there until he was twenty-two years old. At that age he was licensed to preach and entered the traveling ministry. On Feb. 8, 1903, he was married to Jimmie Harkey at Morganton, Ark. The places he has served as pastor are St. Paul, Brightwater, Sunnyside, Morganton, Martinville, Beech Grove, Paragould Circuit, Tuckerman Circuit, Mountain View, Sulphur Rock, Harrisburg Circuit, Colt, Haynes and Lexa, Widener-Madison, Cotter, Salem, Gravette, Elm Springs and Lincoln.

## FOR THE CHILDREN

### COOKIE THOUGHTS

When we eat a cookie, let's  
Think what cookies mean,  
Wheatfields waving in the wind,  
Nodding heads of green,  
Sugar cane in tall stiff rows,  
Grapes from swinging vine,  
Dried to make the raisin sweet,  
In your bite and mine.  
Spices brought in giant ships,  
Far across the sea,  
Eggs from off the hayloft high,  
Laid for you and me.  
In the milk sweet clover scent,  
Helps to all remind,  
That the gentle bossy cow,  
Does not lag behind.  
All this in the cookie bite  
That we eat for tea,  
Many things that bite could tell,  
To you, my dear, and me.  
—“The Evangelical Messenger.”

### “SCOTCH GRANITE”

A little Scotch boy came to this country to live with his cousins. He went with them to school. At night the teacher called the roll, and the boys began to answer “Ten.” When Willie understood that he was to say ten if he had not whispered during the day, he replied: “I have whispered?”

“More than once”

“Yes, sir,” answered Willie.

“As many as ten times?”

“Maybe I have,” faltered Willie.

“Then I shall mark you zero,” said the teacher sternly, “and that is a great disgrace.”

“Why, I did not see you whisper once,” said his cousin, that night after school.

“Well, I did. I saw others doing it, and so I asked to borrow a book; then I lent a slate pencil, and asked a boy for a knife, and did several such things. I supposed it was allowed.”

“Oh, we all do it,” said Burt, red-denying. “There isn’t any sense in the old rule, and nobody could keep it; nobody does.”

“I will, or else I will say I have

He took the superannuate relation four years ago. He went Home June 2, 1939. He leaves his wife, one brother, J. H. Wright of Redfield, Ark., and one sister, Sallie Wright of Dover, Ark. Funeral services were held in the Methodist Church at Gravette June 4. Burial in the Elm Springs Cemetery. Services were conducted by Rev. W. V. Womack and words of tribute were by Rev. J. W. Workman, Fayetteville, Rev. Glenn F. Sanford, Bentonville, Rev. W. R. Dalton, Siloam Springs, Rev. Irl Bridenthal, Center-ton, and Dr. Rider of Sulphur Springs.

### A DESIRABLE MEMBER

When Henry Ward Beecher expressed his admiration for a horse he was hiring, the liveryman responded enthusiastically, “He’ll work any place you put him and will do all that any horse can do.”

Beecher regarded the horse with greater admiration than before and said wistfully, “I wish he were a member of my Church!”—Duplex Envelope Co.

### GOD’S OWN SPIRIT

To believe, not because we are learned and can prove, but because there is a something in us, even God’s own spirit, which makes us feel light and truth as truth—this is the blessed faith.—F. W. Robertson.

If we would have anything of benefit we must work for it.—Beecher.

not,” said Willie. “Do you suppose I will tell ten lies in a heap?”

“Oh, we don’t call them lies,” muttered Johnnie. “There wouldn’t be a credit amongst us at night if we were so strict.”

“What of that if you told the truth?” laughed Willie bravely.

In a short time the boys all saw how it was with him. He studied hard, played with all his might in playtime, but, according to his account, he lost more credits than any of the rest.

The boys answered “Nine” and “Eight” oftener than they used to. Yet the schoolroom was quieter. Sometimes, when Willie’s mark was even lower than usual, the teacher would smile peculiarly, but said no more of disgrace, and it made the boys ashamed of themselves, seeing that this sturdy, blue-eyed boy must tell the truth.

They talked him all over, and loved him, if they did nickname him “Scotch Granite,” he was so firm. And at the end of the term, Willie’s name was low down on the credit list. When it was read he had hard work not to cry, for he had tried to be perfect.

But the last thing that day was a speech by the teacher, who told of once seeing a man muffled up in a cloak. He was passing him without a look, when he was told the man was General —, the great hero, “The signs of his rank were hidden, but the hero was there just the same,” said the teacher.

“And now, boys, you will see what I mean when I give a little gold medal to the most faithful boy—the one really the most conscientiously perfect in his deportment among you. Who shall it be?”

“Little Scotch Granite!” shouted forty boys at once, for the child whose name was so low on the credit list, because he had been true, had made truth noble in their eyes, and they honored him for it.—Selected.

## INTERNATIONAL Sunday School Lesson

Lesson for June 18

### PAUL WRITES PERSONAL LETTERS

LESSON TEXT—II Timothy 1:1-6; Philemon 1-7, 21, 23.

GOLDEN TEXT—Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.—II Timothy 2:15.

Letters—what interest we all take in them! We go to town to get the mail, or we stop our work at the familiar signal of the postman. Too little thought is given to the possibility that our letters may be a means of blessing in God’s hand. Paul has given us modern Christian epistles.

In considering our lesson it is difficult to indicate specific verses, but the reader can readily identify the truth taken from the lesson under each division.

#### I. Remembrance.

Paul did not write letters which were impersonal and distant in spirit. The warmth of a loving heart, the refreshing recollection of past fellowship, a genuine interest in the joys and sorrows of his brethren put love into every sentence of his letters.

We need to learn the art of writing letters. Even so-called business communications may often carry a touch of encouragement or inspiration. Personal letters should certainly be a constant medium of keeping bright the flame of affection between parents and children, brothers and sisters, and Christian friends separated by distance.

Observe that the remembrance of Paul had to do with both personal and spiritual matters, and note how naturally and easily the two blend. There should be no need of being offensively “preachy” in writing letters. The personal and spiritual interests of our lives should be so close together that we normally and without effort can put them forth as one in spirit.

#### II. Inspiration.

Who has not had the unforgettable experience of receiving a letter just when its cheering word was needed. Many a man has been saved from despair and possible destruction by such “a word fitly spoken” which is “like apples of gold in pictures of silver” (Prov. 25:11). “A word spoken in due season, how good is it!” (Prov. 15:23).

We enjoy receiving such letters—do we make an effort to write them to others? Or do we excuse ourselves by saying, “You know I am

such a poor letter-writer!” when the fact is that we are probably lazy or indifferent to the needs of our friends?

Notice that Paul’s inspiration and instruction to his friends revolved around two points—his constant prayers on their behalf and his faithful presentation of the teaching of God’s Word. If we would follow his example we must first really pray and then study God’s Word for ourselves before we shall be ready to pass it on to others.

#### III. Admonition.

Scolding has no place in a letter, but kindly admonition is quite in order. Paul improved every opportunity to urge his readers to personal piety, Christian fellowship, attendance upon the means of grace, prayer, and the study of God’s Word. He also urged his young brother in the Lord’s service to “stir up the gift of God” which was in him. The influence of the world, the pressure of work, or some burden of spirit might cause a man to bog down in the slough of despond or of mediocrity. A letter from a true Christian friend at such a time might well be the means in God’s hand of renewing holy resolves and of stimulating renewed endeavor. Do you think of someone who is waiting for that kind of a letter from you?

#### IV. Co-operation.

Friendship and fellowship are not one-sided. The very words demand the existence and interaction of two personal beings. “A man that hath friends must show himself friendly” (Prov. 18:24). Paul recognized this, and when he wrote to Philemon he gave him opportunity to respond in loving obedience to a request while at the same time he showed the highest degree of Christian consideration and courtesy toward Philemon. The epistle is a “masterpiece of persuasive tact and delicacy and an enduring model of truest Christian courtesy” (Ellicott).

No right thinking person is satisfied to be the constant recipient of the love and thoughtfulness of another with no opportunity to reciprocate. The smallest child or the humblest individual who must receive help wants to show his loving appreciation. A considerate friend will therefore open such an opportunity, not as a command or in a spirit of expecting something in return, but as an act of Christian courtesy.

### KNOW METHODIST HISTORY

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## Hot Weather is Here— Beware of Biliousness!

Have you ever noticed that in very hot weather your organs of digestion and elimination seem to become torpid or lazy? Your food sours, forms gas, causes belching, heartburn, and a feeling of restlessness and irritability. Perhaps you may have sick headache, nausea and dizziness or blind spells on suddenly rising. Your tongue may be coated, your complexion bilious and your bowel actions sluggish or insufficient.

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## Circles To Meet Next Monday

No. 1—Mrs. N. J. Sebastian, Chairman, with Mrs. J. L. Verhoeff, 1724 N. Jackson, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon. Mrs. Horace Sims, co-hostess.

No. 2—Mrs. W. M. Freemyer, Chairman, with Mrs. R. M. McKinney, 5001 Crestwood, 10:00 a. m., Mrs. Charles Carter, co-hostess.

No. 3—Mrs. E. W. Beeson, Chairman, will not meet this month but will meet at the regular time next month.

No. 4—Mrs. James Thomas, Chairman, with Mrs. J. R. Cullings, 2104 W. 12th, 10:30 a. m. Mrs. G. I. Wharton, co-hostess.

No. 5—Mrs. E. Q. Brothers, Chairman, 12:30 pot-luck luncheon at Blind Women's Home, 1002 S. Oak.

No. 6—Mrs. L. H. Caldwell, Chairman, with Mrs. O. F. Woodyard, 2122 Center, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon. Mrs. G. H. McCasland, co-hostess.

No. 7—Mrs. W. P. Ivy, Chairman, picnic at Spring Lake at 12 o'clock.

No. 8—Mrs. J. H. Krouse, Chairman, with Mrs. R. G. Paschal, 5024 Lee Ave., 1:30 dessert luncheon. Mrs. N. T. Hollis, co-hostess.

No. 9—Mrs. Cage Cross, Chairman. Members will be notified.

No. 10—Miss Zora Cross, Chairman, with Mrs. George Thornburgh, 1624 Spring, 10:00 a. m.

### OUR KNOWN SICK

Mrs. Dewey Glasscock, St. Vincent's Hospital.

Mr. E. W. Beeson, 1819 Gaines.

Mrs. Alice Braswell, 1819 Gaines.

Mr. C. T. Lovell, 1309 Gaines.

Mrs. W. L. Ray, 1604 Pine.

Mrs. Vada Ott, 1850 Summitt.

### OUR SYMPATHY

The sincere sympathy of the congregation is extended to Mrs. John R. Fordyce, Sr., and John Fordyce, Jr., whose husband and father, Col. John R. Fordyce, passed away last week.

Also to Mr. J. H. Collier, 311 Beech, whose father, J. H. Collier, Sr., passed away at his home in Charleston, Ark., on May 29.

### CONGRATULATIONS

To Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Moose, 3108 Battery, upon the birth of a daughter, Anita Lorraine, June 5.

To Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Day, 2122½ Rock, upon the birth of a son, Marshall, Jr., on May 23.

To Dr. and Mrs. Alvin D. Havekost, our Associate Pastor, upon the birth of a daughter, Kathleen Ruth, on June 13.

### MARRIED

Mr. Fletcher Lord, son of Mrs. Pearl Lord, and Miss Marion Crow were married last week. After a wedding trip they will live at the Capitol Hill Apartments.

Our congratulations and best wishes to these young people.

### THE PRAYER HINGE

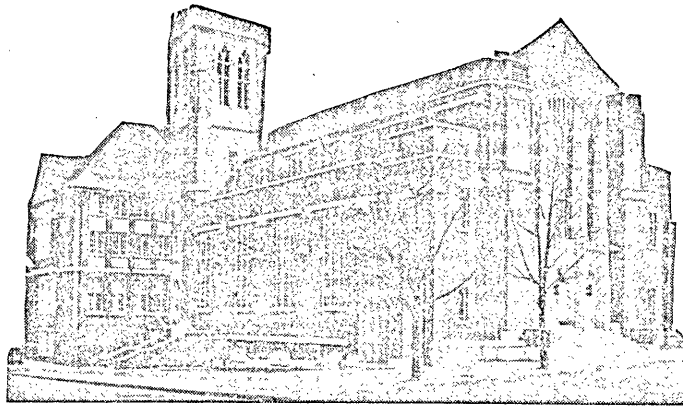
Matt. 7:7-14

We read about "ask," "seek," "knock," and the definite results. It sounds beautiful, easy, thus far. But there are always conditions. We all want results. And he wants us to have the results. That is why he tells us so plainly how to live so that our prayers will get and find and open. The prayer hinges on the life. The life hinges on obedience. Obedience hinges on a set purpose and his grace.—S. D. Gordon.

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## Winfield Methodist Church

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### Next Sunday At Winfield

10:00 A. M. CHURCH SCHOOL—WE ARE SWATTING THE SUMMER SLUMP

11:00 A. M. "GNATS AND CAMELS"—Sermon by Pastor

6:30 P. M. Junior-High, Senior, Young People's Leagues and The Sunday Evening Club (Young Adult)

8:00 P. M. "GOLFING"—Sermon by Pastor  
(Third in series on Sports in June)

### THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

By GASTON FOOTE

### Regular In Attendance

"And they continued steadfastly in the apostle's fellowship"

—Acts 2:42.

How we scorn regularity in these liberal days! It is no longer a virtue with many of us; it is a vice. To be regular in anything, particularly in church attendance, seems to betray a cramping lack of imagination or variety of interests. We boast that we live by the spirit, not by the letter. We leave regularity to the naive, to the unsophisticated, to the benighted orthodox. We know a trick worth two of that. We SELECT our occasions.

But here, tucked away in the most suggestive explanation of the secrets of the apostolic church, is regularity of attendance. They "continued steadfastly," (devoted themselves, Moffatt translates). What a dull anti-climax! Yet could it be that the first century has something to teach the twentieth in regard to the preliminary conditions of apostolic success?

Regularity of attendance is never anti-climax. The appalling anti-climax to this picture of a growing church is the impotence of so many contemporary churches, with their flimsy undergirding of haphazard attendance, looseness of obligation, and specious disdain for "regularity."

From "The Acts of the Apostles"  
By Halford E. Luccock.

### Chungking Bombed!

Chungking, provincial capital of China was bombed by the Japanese last week. Incendiary bombs made the densely populated city (225,000 per square mile—N. Y. has 25,000) a blazing inferno. Five thousand charred bodies of innocent men, women and children were found amid the ashes. We in America simply cannot imagine the suffering. But if we pay our UNPAID MISSION PLEDGE it will alleviate some of it. People who PAY THEIR CHURCH PLEDGE TO DATE IMMEDIATELY may know that they are helping in a small way to prevent further suffering among these downtrodden yet hopeful people. Won't YOU make a sacrifice for their sakes?

## Christian Education

By ALVIN D. HAVEKOST

### Church School Attendance

Last Sunday .....583  
A Year Ago .....492

### Departmental Report

	Pres.	Time	Cont.	Ch.	League
Jr. Hi	54	50	27	30	24
Sr. Hi	68	51	48	43	25
Y. P.	48	42	10	40	24
Sunday Evening Club					29

### Adult Report

Class	Roll	Pres.	Col.
Men's	93	42	\$ .25
Mother's	99	40	2.86
Couples	107	38	.00
Fidelity	55	33	12.15
Brothers	72	29	.50
Jenkins	63	28	.00
Forum	46	24	1.00
Ashby	41	16	1.50

PAYING YOUR WEEKLY OFFERING TO THE CHURCH THROUGH SUNDAY SCHOOL is the same as paying it at morning worship. All envelope money collected at Church School and at church goes through the general budget which supports the Church School as well as the church. People who of necessity must leave church after the Church School period should pay budget payments through the Sunday School class. But those who are regular at both services MAY PAY THROUGH SUNDAY SCHOOL classes, thus avoiding necessity of carrying envelope around an additional hour.

"The Sanctuary is cooler than the home."

### THERE'S NO SUMMER SLUMP ON SUNDAY EVENINGS

While in some departments of the church there has been a slight slump in attendance in June such is not the case of the Sunday evening crowds. There were more people present last Sunday evening than were present on an average on Sunday evening during April. Put the Sunday evening service on your religious schedule. The pastor preaches next Sunday evening on "GOLFING," third in the series on "Sports In June." "The Sanctuary is cooler than the home."

### SENIORS AND YOUNG PEOPLE TO HAVE JOINT MEETING

Mrs. C. B. Nelson, Associate Director of the Little Rock District Young People's Work, will be the guest speaker at a joint meeting of the Seniors and Young People Sunday evening at 6:30. She will speak on "Hobbies" and will present a display showing various hobbies for young people. Anna Grace and John Driver will be hostess and host during the social period.

### CHURCH SCHOOL WORKERS TO HAVE PICNIC

The annual picnic for all workers in our Church School will be held at Boyle Park this Friday evening, June 16, beginning at 5 o'clock. Each worker is to get in touch with his Department head or Class President as to transportation and what he is to bring. Dewey Thompson is in charge of all arrangements.

### JUNIOR HIGH PROGRAM

Members of the Junior High Department will continue their study of "Christian Service" in the evening meeting at 6:30. Delores Fuller, Nina Mae Edwards, and Joon Carraway will have parts on the program.