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## SHALL WE LEARN THE LESSONS?

A FIRE has been lighted that may be somewhat localized, or that may yet set all Europe on fire and consume civilization as we know it. Such amazing things have happened, and are happening every day, that I think only a very hardy mind will venture to predict anything about the future, even the near future. With more information, more readily available to more people, than was ever the case before, the world was never so much in the dark. How shall we think and what shall we do in days like these? I want to say one thing for the strengthening of your faith; and that is that God always vindicates Himself in history; whether man does good or evil, keeps peace or makes war. **THE LORD IS KING.** To give us character, God gives us freedom. We can act as we will, in accordance with God's Laws or contrary to them. It lies in our own hands whether we shall seek the righteousness that makes for peace or the unrighteousness that makes for war. A selfish, materialistic world, riddled with fear, greed and hate, is going to have war. War is the final confusion and misery of a selfish humanity. God wants at all times to reach the hearts of all of us. God will reach us by love if possible. But God will reach us by judgment if necessary. If we will not listen to the call of His love, then we must be reminded of Him by the outworkings of His law. When individuals or the world at large put themselves beyond God's immediate control, they do it because they want to be selfish; but that selfishness goes on to produce such a world as drives them back, in the long run, to the God from whom they have run away, who alone can produce in us the decency that will create a decent world. God always has two strings to His bow, love and law. He would rather play on the string of love every time; but if we deafen our ears to that sound, then He has to play on the string of law, to which we must all listen. War is not His punishment to us; it is our own foolish refusal to take His way; it is the consequence of taking our own way. It ought to be a very direct proof to us that we have taken the wrong way, and a very sharp reminder that there is another way, the way of God. One will often hear in these days that "Christianity has failed." Has it? You and I and thousands like us everywhere in the Church throughout the world, have failed to give to the world a sufficient demonstration of Christianity as applied to immediate personal and local problems as would make the world want to apply Christianity to its problems. . . . The general level of living on the part of Christians and church people is not sufficiently above that of the rest of mankind to convince him that we have anything he does not have. In this we have failed. But when Christians begin admitting their own faults, apologizing for them to men as well as to God, and so bring about a reconciliation in homes, in business, in politics, then you have the practical demonstration which will commend itself to statesmen in settling national and international disputes. Christianity has not failed and cannot fail. We Christians have failed lamentably and almost universally. The coming of war is a judgment on us for our failures to bring the answer to the world, as much as it is a judgment upon the world for not seeking God's answer. Our task, clearly, is not to run away from what we have been trying to do; it is rather to put into practice the things that we have been talking about. It is perfectly obvious that what the world needs is more of Christianity, not less of it. . . . Can we reverse all this and become responsible for peace? Can

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 \* **AND THE LORD SAID, SIMON, SIMON,** \*  
 \* **BEHOLD SATAN HATH DESIRED TO** \*  
 \* **HAVE YOU, THAT HE MAY SIFT YOU** \*  
 \* **AS WHEAT; BUT I HAVE PRAYED FOR** \*  
 \* **THEE, THAT THY FAITH FAIL NOT;** \*  
 \* **AND WHEN THOU ART CONVERTED,** \*  
 \* **STRENGTHEN THY BRETHERN.—Luke** \*  
 \* **22:31-2.** \*  
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we keep so creative under God that He uses us all the time to mend broken lives, broken homes, broken relationships in industry, and bring people the answer through the personal admission of wrong and through the adequacy of His direction to give the right plan? Can we rise up as individuals, as a parish, as a city, as a nation with a new spirit, and bring that new spirit to other individuals, parishes, cities, and eventually to nations? I see no other hope for the world, and no other significance for our own existence. —Samuel M. Shoemaker, Rector of Calvary Protestant Episcopal Church of New York, in *The United States News*.

## CHURCH PAPERS IN THE NEW METHODISM

ONE of the most important problems Methodism faces is the problem of the church paper. Not the papers now in operation but the papers the Church ought to have in order to meet today's needs. We are living in a day of publicity and the age has developed a passion for inquiry. The church press helps to meet the imperative need which grows out of this condition. It visualizes the meaning and the value of a spiritual outlook.

To quote from an Associated Church press release: "Newspaper headlines reveal why there has never been a time when this was more necessary than today. Civilization, so close to collapse, is groping for the enlightenment which the leaders of religious thought are constantly contributing to the pages of the church press. It is more than a coincidence that so many secular publications are giving more attention to religious topics. Editors and publishers as well as the public look to the church press for an authentic presentation of the news and the views of the church. The editorial value of the church press is alone a sufficient reason for giving it your support."

The New Methodism could do nothing of greater value than to get into the field of religious journalism in a worthy way. We are in competition with other organizations that spend millions of dollars for printers ink and for radio broadcasts. Think what immense sums the liquor interests spend. By printing alone the cigarette manufacturers put their products between the lips of millions of American women. Printers ink, together with the radio, has changed the trends in American life.

Will the Church allow them to go unchallenged? Nothing could be more stupid and more certainly insure defeat.

The Uniting Conference postponed action on the church press until the General Conference meets next spring. This worked a real hardship on the papers now being published by leaving all of them in a state of uncertainty.

There appears to be a fairly general purpose to establish one paper for American Methodism. In addition it is expected that each Jurisdiction will have one or more papers under the authority and control of the Jurisdictional Conference. That nation-wide journal cannot effectively

serve the entire Church. Area interests must have the support of area papers and the national weekly must not be in competition with area papers. As an outstanding journal of religious thought it will be of real value. The idea of one editor for American Methodist papers will not appeal to our people. Regional interests are varied and each section needs editorial expression suited to its needs.

Right here is the greatest opportunity in American Methodism for the investment of endowment money. We know of no place where endowment funds will be one tenth as productive as they will invested in a great religious journal.

Suppose the Southwestern Advocate had an endowment of one million dollars. It could with this aid go into one-hundred-thousand homes every week. In addition and in connection with it high class radio broadcasts could reach several million every day. Within twelve months the change in trends here in the Southwest would be amazing.

We challenge anybody to conceive of any undertaking that would be as far reaching and as beneficent as this would be. You may think this is just the dream of a man who has given sixteen years to religious journalism. But it is a noble dream.—*The Southwestern Advocate*.

## METHODISM'S STAND ON WAR AND PEACE

WE recognize the need of an army and navy for police purposes. We stand for the repudiation of war and for the discovery and development of all reasonable methods to attain peace, for the reduction of armaments by all nations, participation in international agencies for the peaceful settlement of controversies, and for the building of a cooperative spirit among the nations. We insist that the agencies of the church shall not be used in the preparation for war, but in the promulgation of peace. We believe that war is utterly destructive and is our greatest collective social sin and a denial of the ideals of Christ. We stand upon this ground, that The Methodist Church as an institution cannot endorse war nor support or participate in it.

The Methodist Church, true to the principles of the New Testament, teaches respect for properly constituted civil authority. It holds that government rests upon the support of its conscientious citizenship, and that conscientious objectors to war in any or all of its manifestations are a natural outgrowth of the principle of good will and the Christian desire for universal peace; and holds that such objectors should not be oppressed by compulsory military service anywhere or at any time. We ask and claim exemption from all forms of military preparation or service for all conscientious objectors who may be members of The Methodist Church. In this they have the authority and support of their church. However, we recognize the right of the individual to answer the call of his government in an emergency according to the dictates of his Christian conscience.—From the Social Creed adopted by the Uniting Conference.

THE ORPHANAGE, or Children's Home and Nursery, at Brussels, Belgium, was organized by the Southern Methodist Church in 1919 to receive war orphans. Today it is operated by the Belgian Methodist Church and takes care of an average of fifty destitute boys and girls. An annex was organized some ten years ago to receive destitute babies until they are old enough to be put into the orphanage.

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## Personal and Other Items

**T**HE WORLD OUTLOOK, according to a comment in the Pacific Edition of The Christian Advocate, is "the best looking missionary magazine published."

**H**APPY the man who can endure the highest and the lowest fortune. He who has endured such vicissitudes with equanimity has deprived misfortune of its power.—Seneca.

**N**EARLY 500 lepers are now being taken care of in the two leper colonies of the Congo Mission. The colony near Minga now has 239 lepers and the new colony near Tunda is taking care of 228.

**D**R. F. M. TOLLESON, pastor of Danville Church, sending in his 100% Club, reports that he is closing in a fine way with everything in full, 13 members recently received and one of his happiest years.

**V**ANDERBILT UNIVERSITY, Nashville, Tenn., has received more than \$1,500,000 from the estate of the late Frederick W. Vanderbilt. This is a substantial part of the University's share of the \$77,000,000 estate.

**R**EV. L. C. GATLIN, our pastor at Gillett, came in Monday with a nice list of subscribers. He reports that all things are going well and that he will have his usual report at Conference. He is now squirrel hunting almost every day with fine results.

**D**R. FORNEY HUTCHINSON, formerly of Little Rock Conference, but for the last five years pastor of Boston Avenue Church, Tulsa, Okla., has announced that about Nov. 1, he will give up his pastorate and move to Fayetteville, Ark., to spend a year while submitting to and recovering from an operation for cataract.

**F**ORMAL inauguration of Dr. Umphrey Lee, new president of Southern Methodist University, has been set for November 5-6. Religious ceremonies will be held Sunday, Nov. 5, in McFarlin Memorial Auditorium, preparatory to the actual inauguration, which will be held in student assembly the following morning.

**T**HE total enrollment in the department of Theology at Kwansai Gakuin, Methodism's largest school in Japan, was this year 53. Out of the ten new students entering the department for the year, six were sons of ministers. Seven graduates were in the class of 1939, of whom five Japanese students have received appointments and are now actively engaged in the work of the ministry.

**F**OLLOWING a two-day registration period which netted an enrollment of 1,821 day students, Dr. Umphrey Lee, president of Southern Methodist University, formally opened the new school year by greeting students in a McFarlin Auditorium assembly. This figure compares with 1,796 of last year and does not include students of Dallas College, downtown extension of the University.

**C**OLONEL R. C. HALL, Superintendent of Little Rock Schools, last week informed the principals of the several schools that this editor was available for addresses on Forest and Soil Conservation. Many invitations followed, and six schools were addressed. The attention of the young people was perfect and the speaker enjoyed seeing them and the fine condition of the schools. Other addresses are dated.

**A**N English newspaper states that one of the few remaining places in London where the custom of family prayers is maintained every morning is Buckingham Palace. This applies whether or not their Majesties are in residence. The service takes place in the private chapel and is conducted by the King's domestic chaplain. It includes a short reading from the Bible. The custom of daily prayers at the Palace is a direct link with the reign of Queen Victoria, and nothing is permitted to interfere with it.—Pentecostal Evangel.

**M**R. JOE A. GOETZ, an official member of First Church, North Little Rock, came in last week with a remarkable list of subscribers, 105, or 100%. The pastor, Rev. E. H. Hook, had made announcement from the pulpit and distributed sample copies. Then Brother Goetz went out and made a house to house canvass with the above result. This is the first time that church has had a 100% Club. And it would have been practically impossible to get it in any other way. Brother Goetz has shown how it can be done. He thinks it will pay in increased interest among the members and thus make his work and that of the pastor more successful. Would that a devout and wise layman in each church would take the same view and undertake to do what Brother Goetz has done. It would be a really worth while achievement.

## BOOK REVIEWS

*The Opening Doors of Childhood*; by Lewis Joseph Sherrill; published by the Macmillan Co., New York; price \$1.75.

Dean Sherrill has thought, taught and written much and ably on the different phases of religious education. He realizes that the resources of Christian religion are essential elements in the development of a sane, healthy and forceful personality. His wide observation has led him to believe that parents and those who teach young children would welcome any reliable instruction in the field of teaching the child religion. In this volume he offers to parents, teachers and ministers a full and most reliable guide book.

*The Evangel Of A New World*; by Albert Edward Day; published by the Cokesbury Press, Nashville, Tenn.; price \$1.50.

This is a hope-inspiring interpretation of present-day problems. It presents, in a clear and most convincing way, Christ and his teachings as a remedy for our social and economic ills. He claims that only a Christ who is able to convict men of sin and create in them aspirations after holiness, is able to prevent the chaos which threatens the world today. The author explains the nature of the Evangel and states the task ahead for those who would present the good news to their fellowmen. He says: "The Evangel for today must have significance for two worlds. It is an evangel just because it is good news about the most important things—good news about life in this crazy world, good news

about a life which offers milleniums for growth and creative activity." But he claims: "That news needs restatement if our time is to recognize how true it is and how good it is." He claims that the message is obscured by archaic terms and adds, "But words and phrases can be found in our rich human speech, which will interpret to our time the redeeming qualities with which all time is surrounded."

*Sherrill Blandon's Call*; by Zenobia Bird; published by Fleming H. Revell Co., New York; price \$1.50.

This is the story of a girl, who bravely and against great odds, followed her call to her Master's service—and, in being true to her Christian faith and high ideals, met with rich rewards. In her work among the lowly ones who attended the city mission, she was able to comfort, save, and inspire many needy souls. Her contacts with these led her into almost daily adventure and brought her the admiration, respect and love of her fellow-workers. There is a love story that does much to hold the interest of the reader.

## SHALL WE DECLARE WAR?

**T**HE MICHIGAN CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, organ of Michigan Methodism, makes the following announcement: "The Michigan Christian Advocate has declared war. The Ministers of both Michigan Conferences have enlisted for action, to put the *Advocate* into the very last possible Methodist home. . . . We are not engaged in doing something for the *Advocate*. We are making a frontal attack on shallow mindedness and spiritual indifference in high places, against gross ignorance of the Way of Christ. We are training the power of the printed page upon churchmen who do not know what they believe, and who, in emergencies of life, fall easy prey to so-called scientists and isms. We are leveling the linotype machine gun on homes which know no family altar and which do not hear the voice of private prayer. We are laying a barrage from our saintliest calabered minds upon the men and women in our church who mean well but who have never caught the vision or known the joy 'of leaving all and following Him.' There simply cannot be intelligent, transformed, fruitful disciples without their minds being constantly renewed in Christian truth. Therefore, we ministers now declare war upon all indifference to Christ and insist that the *Michigan Christian Advocate* be read in each Methodist home and family. And we hereby draft every likeminded layman to serve throughout the duration of this forward movement. . . . Our biggest task is to teach our people to read—their Bible, meaty books of spiritual content, their church periodical. There is no other pathway to alert, purposeful discipleship. Month by month with deadly persistence, seasoned with a variety of appeal in sermon allusion, bulletin squibs, house to house calling and distribution, this is a permanent feature of our ministerial and lay task."

We are sure that, if that program is carried out, the objective can be attained. If it can be done in Michigan, it can also be done in Arkansas. Our preachers and laymen can do what any other group can do. It is purely a question of deciding positively to undertake it and then living up to that decision. Shall we declare this kind of war in Arkansas? Let us make this declaration at the sessions of our Annual Conferences.

## CIRCULATION REPORT

**D**URING the past week the following subscriptions have been received: Malvern, W. C. Watson, 1; Antioch-Jacksonville, R. B. Howerton, 6; First Church, N. Little Rock, E. H. Hook, by Joe A. Goetz, 100%, 105; Lakeside, Pine Bluff, F. G. Roebuck, 1; Henderson, H. H. McGuyre, 2; Good Faith-Whitehall, E. T. Miller, 2; Fisher St., Jonesboro, E. K. Sewell, 29; Strong, L. O. Lee, 2; Gillett, L. C. Gatlin, 10; Danville, F. M. Tolleson, 100%, 42. These are fine reports and are appreciated. Mr. Joe A. Goetz, who by personal work secured the 100% Club, deserves special credit. He has demonstrated that the paper can be put into practically every home. Let others try his method. It will succeed.

**AUTUMN—1939**

Outlined in gold athwart the western sky  
A lory cloud at sunset hangs aflame,  
The glory of God's heaven to declare,  
While flowers breathe the fragrance of his name.

Placid the brook that else laughed merrily,  
While droning locusts mark the burning heat:  
The highway shimmers gleaming bright ahead;  
Beneath, the cooling grasses at my feet.

The checkered fields of clover and of corn  
God's horn of plenty paused to quench and fill,  
While yonder like a giant phalanx stand  
The wooded grenadiers of either hill.

But mute they stand, no weapons do they bear  
Incapable of slaughter and of pain,  
Save that their rugged bark, defiant like,  
Spears them the while, as reapers mow the plain.

Halfway across the world in mortal woe,  
Fearful and hunted, footsore pilgrims lie  
From death and more. O whither may they go  
While sunshine pours from out our peaceful sky?

How long, O Lord, the battle cry? How long  
From sword to plowshare, blood and tears to song?  
—Carl W. Hiser in Religious Telescope.

**NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE RURAL WORK COMMISSION**

One of the most constructive pieces of legislation enacted by the 1938 General Conference at Birmingham was the provision for General and Conference Commissions on Rural Work. Recognizing the need for presenting a united front toward the problems of the rural church, the General Conference designed the Rural Work Commission to serve the very practical purpose of correlating the effects of the several agencies of the Church already at work in the rural field. In the North Arkansas Annual Conference, for example, the Rural Work Commission includes in its membership, in addition to all the presiding elders (district superintendents), one to three representatives from the Board of Missions, the Woman's Missionary Society, the Board of Christian Education, the Board of Christian Literature, the Board of Lay Activities, and the Board of Church Extension.

On September 26 this Commission met for its annual pre-Conference meeting in First Methodist Church, North Little Rock, with practically 100% attendance. The report of the Rural Work Secretary, Rev. G. C. Johnson, was carefully studied and plans made for carrying forward the work of the Com-

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mission in the United Church. Three major objectives were studied and recommended to the participating boards and agencies, and to the Annual Conference for amendment, rejection or approval.

1. *Evangelism.*—The Commission is committed to a vigorous and continuous program of evangelism in all areas, but with particular emphasis upon directing the combined resources of all agencies in the Conference upon rural areas. To that end, the Commission recommended that, in so far as it is practical, the Conference Commission on Evangelism and the Rural Work Commission be identical in membership, and that the Rural Work Secretary continue to give a large portion of his time to assisting district superintendents and pastors in organizing and carrying our definite evangelistic programs in rural areas.

2. *Improving the Financial Programs of Rural Churches.*—During the present year, more than fifty pastors and district superintendents, under the direction of Brother Johnson, the Rural Work Secretary, have led the way in formulating and putting into usable form a "Practical Plan of Finances" for the smaller churches of the Conference. This plan has been tried out in numerous churches and is proving its value in an improved financial situation wherever given a fair chance. The Commission is bringing this plan before the Conference for adoption, and is recommending that Brother Johnson give at least one half of his time during the next year to assisting pastors in improving the financial program of the churches under their care.

3. *Sustentation Fund for Underpaid Pastors.*—The Uniting Conference at Kansas City wrote into the Discipline of the Methodist Church a provision that makes it possible for our Conference to improve greatly the plan of aiding underpaid pastors, which we have carried forward on a volunteer basis during the past three years. The Commission voted unanimously to approve the continuation of the present plan until the shift could be made to the plan provided for in the Discipline of the new Church, and a committee was set up to bring recommendations to the Annual Conference regarding this matter.

From this expression of judgment in the meeting of the Commission, one would draw the unqualified conclusion that, as far as the North Arkansas Conference is concerned, there is a deep conviction that the Rural Work Commission helps to meet one of our most important problems, namely, the problem of how best to help the rural church.

Brother G. C. Johnson's work was approved, and his reappointment as Rural Work Secretary was unanimously recommended.—A. W. Martin, Chairman.

**FRAMING OUR LIVES**

Religion does not consist in the performance of certain ceremonial acts at specified times, outside which acts and times it has no place; but consists in framing our whole life, and all our acts, upon a distinct view of our position as created beings, charged by the fact of our creation, with duties both to our fellow creatures and to our Creator.—Edward Denison.

The best gift you can make to your boy or your girl would be a copy of Anderson's History of Arkansas Methodism.

**Woman's  
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**EXECUTIVE MEETING**

The fall Executive meeting of the Little Rock Conference Woman's Missionary Society was held in the chapel of First Methodist Church, Little Rock, Sep. 21, at 10 a. m.

The following were present: Mrs. J. M. Stinson Mrs. A. R. McKinney, Mrs. H. K. Wade, Mrs. Walter Ryland, Mrs. Jessie Hotchkiss Smith, Mrs. H. B. Vaught, Mrs. N. J. Gantt, Mrs. B. J. Reaves, Mrs. Tom McLean, Mrs. O. A. Graves, Mrs. G. N. Kephart, Mrs. J. M. Workman, Mrs. L. K. McKinney, Miss Josephine Fort, Miss Ruth Heflin, Mrs. J. R. Campbell, Mrs. T. E. Benton, Mrs. V. O. Buck, Mrs. A. M. Hart, Mrs. R. M. Briant and Mrs. E. D. Galloway.

The meeting was more in the nature of a retreat than a regular business session, as those members who had had special privileges this summer shared their experiences with the others.

Mrs. Stinson led the morning worship, opening with hymn "O God our help in-ages past," and using as her Scripture lesson Palm 121. "God is over and around this world, and we may rest secure in the Father's love."

Silent prayer for God's guidance in these trying times was closed by Mrs. L. K. McKinney.

Mrs. E. D. Galloway, Secretary of the Texarkana District, and Miss Ruth Heflin, Deaconess in charge of the mission project of the Little Rock District, were introduced.

Mrs. Stinson, who had been a delegate to the Uniting Conference, brought some interesting and inspirational thoughts on our part in a United Methodism.

Mrs. Wade, Conference Secretary, urged the women to carry on the work just as they are until after the Council meeting and the meeting of the Jurisdictional Conference, in the spring.

She announced that the Scarritt scholarships will be used this year by Miss Lillian Day of Pine Bluff, and Miss Sarah Margaret Dawsey, of Brazil.

Mrs. A. R. McKinney spoke briefly on the Study of Women in the new Methodist Church.

Mrs. Smith, the Treasurer, stated that \$9001.50 had been paid to Council on the pledge of \$19,000; and that the \$100.00 Honorary Life Membership had been paid.

The Conference Secretary was instructed to get a statement of our Scarritt endowment funds.

Mrs. Smith gave a splendid report of the work of the treasurers at Sequoyah during the School of Missions. She spoke of the beautiful pictures of Mrs. Elza and Mrs. Remmel which had been placed in the Woman's Building, the pictures of Mrs. Elza being a gift of Mrs. R. M. Briant.

Mrs. Reaves had attended a six weeks' course on Christian Social Relations at Scarritt College. She gave a beautiful account of life on the Scarritt campus, and made an earnest plea for more Scarritt associate members.

The reports of Mrs. Gantt on Children's work, Mrs. Vaught on the Young Women's Circles, and Mrs. Graves on Supplies, showed in-

creasing interest along all these lines.

Mrs. Workman thanked the women for the gift and many expressions of love that were sent to her during her serious illness, and stated that Mrs. Ryland will continue to act as her secretary for a while.

Mrs. Ryland, who had attended the Spiritual Life Conference at Scarritt, substituting for Mrs. Workman, led the noon retreat on "Alliance to Jesus Christ." Preparation for worship was led by Mrs. Workman and the closing prayer was given by Mrs. R. M. Briant.

The afternoon session opened with prayer by Miss Heflin.

Supt. of Study, Mrs. McLean, stated that preparation for the fall study had been made in all districts. Study Leaders' Days have been well attended. Mrs. McLean shared with the members her impressions of the beauty and inspiration of Scarritt, and closed with the beautiful poem, "Scarritt's Dreams."

In reporting on Literature and Publicity, Mrs. Kephart reminded us that our World Outlook subscriptions have not reached the goal of 1300.

Mrs. L. K. McKinney stated that the rural work in the Camden District is working along nicely, and Miss Fort gave a brief report of her activities since Conference.

Miss Heflin told something of her work in the Little Rock District.

Interesting and helpful echoes from the Missionary Conference at Sequoyah and Junaluska were given by the District Secretaries, and the dates for the District meetings were set as follows:

Arkadelphia District at Hot Springs, First Church, Oct. 12.

Camden District at Camden, First Church, Oct. 10.

Little Rock District, at Bauxite, Oct. 31.

Monticello District, at Monticello, Oct. 19.

Pine Bluff District, at Pine Bluff, Lakeside, Oct. 26.

Prescott District at Nashville, October 24.

Texarkana District at Stamps, October 25.

The Board voted to leave the calling of the January Executive meeting to the discretion of the officers.

For the closing worship period Mrs. Ryland brought thoughts from the Spiritual Life Conference, in which a group of Christian women came together for the purpose of prayer, meditation and fellowship, searching for a better understanding of what allegiance to Jesus Christ means, and seeking a renewed experience of His reality, His wonder, His greatness, His power, and His love.

The meeting closed with prayer.—Mrs. Walter Ryland, Recording Secretary.

**"AN EXCELLENT CLASS!  
CONGRATULATIONS!"**

These words were the comment written by Mrs. Bourne on an application for special Council recognition for a study of "India" sent by an Auxiliary in the North Arkansas Conference in June. Knowing that every study leader would like to know what kind of report won such praise from our Council officer in charge of Study, I am giving you the answer to all questions except routine ones as to text, author, number of class sessions, etc.

List reference books and other materials: Map; many leaflets from former M. E. Church on their work there; Mother India, and A Son of Mother India Answers; Lancer at Large; The Rains Came; Encyclopedia; National Geographic; Life;



World Outlook; Readers' Digest; Epworth Highroad; Asia; Newspapers; four other books borrowed from a public library, one—A Journey Through India, two on Political Issues, and one on Religions.

Describe assignments given by the teacher and state some results of study: Text was read by entire class before classes began. Four lessons were assigned: (1) Geography, (2) Politics and History, (3) People, and (4) Religious Issues. For first lesson sixth grade geographies and encyclopedias were distributed to all members. Class was conducted as public school would have been. Second lesson: Mimeographed material was distributed for study and special reports were assigned on History of India and Life of Gandhi, also a debate on Home Rule. Third lesson: Report from books circulated, exhibit of pictures, discussion of good and bad features of Indian living. Fourth lesson: Report from each of special leaflets sent by Board of Foreign Missions of M. E. Church, reports on different religions in India. These women all take a contributing, relevant and intelligent part in the discussion. Without having been prodded by the leader, the class suggested and voted to make a cash offering to the work of the former M. E. Church Missions in India in order to express interest in and appreciation of the generous provision of material for the course and to make unification a reality to us.

State methods used in conducting class sessions: Special reports on outside reading, discussion on lines studied out by the leader, pooling of information gleaned from current reading and radio by members.

This particular study leader has an excellent educational background, but it is her enthusiasm for her task, her willingness to work, and her availing herself of every opportunity for special preparation for leading missions courses, which make her a successful leader. All of those are within reach of each of us.

Appreciating every study leader in the Conference and every effort she puts forth to do her work to the best of her ability.—Mrs. Peter Kittel, Conf. Supt. of Study, N. Ark. Conference.

#### DISTRICT STUDY LEADERS MEET AT TURRELL

The Jonesboro District Study Leaders meeting was held at Turrell Sept. 28. Mrs. A. P. Patton, District Secretary, presided at the morning session. Rev. Paul Galloway, pastor of Osceola church, taking a text from Jeremiah, used the theme, "Looking Through a Keyhole" for a most inspiring devotional.

Mrs. Peter Kittel, Conference Supt. of Study, was present and gave us a most helpful discussion of "The Principles and Objectives of Missionary Education."

Mrs. Lester Weaver of Tyronza, as District Spiritual Life Chairman, was assisted by Mrs. W. F. Cooley of Joiner and Mrs. Gus Tucker of Monette in giving the afternoon worship with the theme, "Come, Follow Me."

After introductory remarks on the text, "Through Tragedy To Triumph," were given by the District Study Leader, the afternoon program was as follows:

"Report and Significance of the Madras Conference," by Mrs. M. H. Ladd of Jonesboro.

A skit, "Letting Down Our Hair," presenting the problem of four nations represented, Mrs. W. P. Gordon, Mrs. J. T. Altman, Mrs. Rudolph Morris and Mrs. A. L. Ma-

lone of Jonesboro, representing Africa, Japan, China and Latin America respectively.

"The Unfinished Task That Lies Before Us," Mrs. R. B. Watkins of Monette.

Again we were privileged to have Mrs. Kittel lead us in an interesting discussion on "The Business of the Church."

A vote of thanks was given the Turrell Auxiliary for their day of hospitality.

The meeting closed with a deep inspirational worship period, given by Mrs. E. W. Potter, wherein here was an abiding sense of the reality of God, and we were challenged to the task of "Building a World Christian Community."—Mildred Osment, Dist. Study Leader.

#### A PLEA FOR SCARRITT FUNDS

Last week at our District Study meeting held in Dermott it was my privilege to hear Miss Daisy Davies who was holding a series of meetings there. I also secured two more associate members from Snyder Auxiliary—Mrs. Dr. Parker and Mrs. I. T. Cone, for Scarritt College.

Wilmar Auxiliary has also become an associate member.

The memberships are slowly increasing. Our District Superintendent has promised to raise \$40.00 of the remaining \$195.00 for Scarritt in his District. Now, if the other six will cooperate with me in this way we will go over the top.

Again let me urge all Zone Leaders and District Secretaries to give some time for a presentation of Scarritt at your meeting. I read the reports in The Methodist of Auxiliary meetings and also Zone meetings and only once or twice have I seen that the cause of Scarritt has been presented outside of my own Zone. Send for Scarritt poster material. It is beautiful and tells you much of Scarritt College.

Let us pray, work and talk for Scarritt until we have accomplished our goal. We will have become Scarritt-minded and next year it will not be so difficult to do what we are asked.

Please do not put this matter off any longer, but while it is on your mind send me your dollar or more. Time is short. It takes a lot of postage to write personal letters and quite a bit of time. I am counting on you. Hopefully yours.—Mrs. W. S. Anderson, Scarritt Rep. of the Little Rock Conference.

#### TUCKERMAN AUXILIARY

Our Auxiliary has just finished the study of "The Church Takes Root In India," under the very capable leadership of Mrs. Marcus Harris. Altogether the weather was uncomfortably warm, the attendance was good.

One of the worth-while things we have done this quarter was to send a girl to the Training School for colored workers held in Little Rock. Hazel Ridley, a bright girl and a leader in her church, was elected to go. She attended our last Auxiliary meeting and gave a detailed report, which was very interesting.

We are planning a pot-luck dinner with free-will offering next week.—Mrs. R. A. Condit, Publicity Supt.

#### PARKIN AUXILIARY

We have met regularly all summer with fair attendance at most meetings. We met at our Community House and have accomplished a great deal. A few attended the Zone meeting at Crawfordsville, which was a very good meeting. Picnic dinner was served on the church lawn. We have just had our fall church cleaning and had new cur-

## The Laymen's Forum

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### RELIGIOUS JOURNALISM HAS A FUTURE

Methodist leaders at the General Conference in Atlantic City, N. J., next April will decide the future of religious journalism within the three united churches and determine the role it will have in keeping some eight million members of the denomination informed about affairs of interest to Christians.

Division of opinion at the Uniting Conference in Kansas City this year caused the matter of church publications to be carried over for more careful consideration.

Dr. L. O. Hartman of Boston, Mass., editor of Zions Herald, a publication of the New England Conferences of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, in a recent issue said on this subject: "Some leaders have stoutly asserted that a church paper must be developed which meets the demand of laymen."

Dr. Hartman listed some of the arguments offered by those seeking a change. It is insisted, he said, that "Methodist weeklies have been edited too largely for preachers, and have carried too much theological material, news of conferences and boards, book reviews, and propaganda releases for missionary, educational and charitable institutions."

The editor of this column, a layman, doubts if laymen generally are enough interested in church publications to be demanding anything. They should be interested to the extent that they would demand that denominational publications be edited to meet the reading needs of layman.

Even though a general demand is not made by laymen, those in control of the future of Methodist papers should make certain that the weekly conference organs, and perhaps a monthly magazine for the entire church, will be edited by men who know what Methodist laymen and women need, and will read.

It may be that two general publications are needed, one for ministers and edited by a minister in order to be certain that it is published to best meet ministerial needs.

The other general publication should be designed for laymen and women with particular emphasis on things of interest to leaders in the individual churches. It is our belief this publication should be edited by a layman, one who has ten, perhaps twenty, years experience in the editorial department of a daily newspaper. As a further qualification it should be mandatory that he have an equally long record of service as a Methodist steward.

These two papers should be augmented by weeklies which would serve one or more Conferences.

tains put around the chancel rail, a carpet down the aisles and around pulpit, which was given to the church by the Missionary ladies. We continue to help where it is needed. We will begin meeting in the homes again today. We have accomplished quite a good deal in our work so far and we feel very thankful for all we have accomplished in His name.—Mrs. W. C. Drummond, Supt. of Publicity.

These publications should be patterned as nearly as possible after the secular weeklies, but retaining everything that should be a part of a church paper. *These papers could be edited by ministers, who have had newspaper training, or by laymen who have actual newspaper experience and have demonstrated a keen interest in religious journalism.*

To promote maximum efficiency and hold publishing costs to a minimum for the Conference organs, a board in charge of the central publications should have authority to employ at least six men with wide newspaper experience and demonstrated ability in the field of religious journalism. These men would serve the editors of the Conference publications in an advisory capacity, and also provide news matter of general interest to the church papers within their jurisdictions.

In reality these trained newspapermen would work as combination field agents for the editor of the one general publication for laymen, and at the same time be roving reporters, within their respective jurisdictions, for the conference papers within their areas. These men should be capable of commanding salaries of not less than \$5,000 a year in the field of secular journalism.

*These roving reporters for the church press could also serve as directors of information and keep in contact with the dailies in the larger cities and the press associations.*

As proof that such a plan is practical, allow me to cite what happened on one occasion. A reporter, active as a layman, was assigned to one of the annual conferences. He obtained a Page One item on expected conference appointments of wide interest. The item was used with the consent of the bishop. At the close of the conference this reporter wrote another news story dealing with conference statistics (cold figures to most readers when presented in the usual form), which was given Page One space, and a position second to only one other story in a daily of state-wide circulation.

What one reporter did on this occasion could be duplicated for each conference each year by roving reporters working for the Methodist church, and the benefits to the denomination would have value far greater than the cost involved.

*It is my opinion that the field of religious journalism, properly developed, can become the church's greatest frontier, one where maximum benefits can be obtained with minimum expense. That does not mean that the field can be developed until it has been given financial support much greater than it has had in the past. It does offer the possibility that the church press can become so efficient and effective that it eventually will pay its own way.*

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**Christian Education**

**HAPPENINGS AT HENDRIX**

Mr. Bruce H. Kettelle of Huron, S. D., has been selected by President Reynolds to teach temporarily the science courses of Dr. L. O. Leach, professor of physics and chemistry, who is ill and in the Army and Navy Hospital at Hot Springs. Mr. Kettelle, after graduating from Huron College with B. A. degree in 1936, has been a graduate student in the University of Chicago and part-time teacher in the evening school of North Park College in Chicago. Dr. Leach is reported to be improving.

Rev. Harold Fey of New York City, a minister in the Disciples of Christ Church and secretary of the Fellowship of Reconciliation, who is on a lecture tour in the interest of peace, addresses the Hendrix Christian Association at its regular meeting Thursday night on "America Can Stay Out of War."

The Christian Association will meet in three groups the next six weeks, as announced by Sloan Wayland, to study certain student problems. Freshmen, led by Miss Myrtle Charles, professor of French, and Mabel Martin, Senior of Warren, and Wallis Callaway, Freshman of Murfreesboro, will study "Personal Religious Problems." An upper-class group, led by Miss Flora Marie Meredith, dean of Women; Dr. J. E. Sanders, professor of Education; Marion Tally, Senior of Lufkin, Texas; and Jim Major, Junior of Little Rock, will discuss "Personal Relationships on the Campus." A third group, led by Dr. Matt L. Ellis, professor philosophy, and Edward Dunlap, Junior of Pine Bluff, have the topic "Why Be Good?"

Professor Capel, head of the speech department, announced at a meeting of the debating squad that the first trip will probably be to Jackson, Miss., early in December. All members of last year's teams have returned and prospects for a large debate squad are good.

Few members of the Hendrix chapter of Tau Kappa Alpha, national debate fraternity, are Edward Dunlap of Pine Bluff, Robert Evans of Batesville, Elizabeth Ann McCuen of Little Rock, Byron Cravens of Piggott, and Mouzon Mann of Buckner.

The Student Senate, meeting Monday night, voted to give the speech department \$75 to be used for producing an additional play, making a total of four dramatic performances for the Hendrix Players.

Joe W. Clement, Jr., a Junior of Pine Bluff, who has been editor of the Hendrix Profile since the second semester of his Freshman year, has resigned, and E. M. Terry of Blytheville was appointed editor by the Student Senate. Terry, formerly co-editor of the Hendrix Troubadour, with Paul Young of Malvern, resigned that position and Young was appointed editor-in-chief of the Troubadour.

William G. Pledger, Freshman from Pine Bluff, has been appointed to the United States Naval Academy for 1940, according to announcement by Representative W. F. Norrell at Washington. Pledger is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Pledger of Pine Bluff and was graduated from the Pine Bluff High School in 1938.

The Hendrix Symphony Orchestra elected the following officers: President, J. T. Matthews of Heber Springs; Secretary-Treasurer, H. C. Henderson of Fort Smith; and Con-

certmeister, Mildred Levan of Springfield, Mo. The orchestra will present its first campus concert this semester on November 26. Two other concerts will be given later and an extensive trip is planned for the second semester. It will also sponsor, as it did last year, the all-state high school orchestra festival.

Mr. Percy Goynes, alumni secretary, in the current issue of the Hendrix Bulletin sets forth the need of a new dormitory for girls at Hendrix. For lack of dormitory accommodations this fall, 30 girls and 15 boys room in 12 houses off the campus and the President's Home is being used to house a number of girls. A new large dormitory for girls would make Millar Hall, now used for girls, available for boys who who cannot be accommodated in Martin Hall.

Four Hendrix alumni were awarded graduate or professional degrees by the University of Arkansas at its autumn convocation last week. The Master of Arts degree was awarded to Uzzell S. Branson, Jr., of Blytheville, who was graduated from Hendrix in 1936, and to Miss Louise Phillips of Conway, class 1934; the Master of Science degree to Louis C. Hawley of Grady, class 1927; and the Bachelor of Laws degree to Charles E. Yingling, Jr., of Searcy, who completed his pre-legal course at Hendrix in 1935. Since graduating from Hendrix Mr. Branson has been teaching Science in the high schools at New Edinburg and Stuttgart; Miss Phillips teaches English at Wilson; and Mr. Hawley is principal of the Forrest City High School.

M. J. Lippman, band director at Hendrix, has announced that in response to numerous requests he will open an instrumental studio at the store of the Bean Music Company in Little Rock on October 7.

Dr. Bruce M. Bigelow, director of admissions at Brown University in Providence, R. I., plans to visit Hendrix sometime during the present year in connection with the Carnegie grant.—G. A. Simmons.

**THE LITTLE ROCK TRAINING SCHOOL**

The twenty-first session of the Little Rock Training School was held the week of Sept. 24-29. While not as large as some sessions, it was regarded by many leaders as one of the most helpful schools we have ever had. It came at just the right time from it. All our teachers were unusually good. For our Children's Work we used our own Arkansas teachers, Miss Fay McRae, Mrs. Clay E. Smith and Miss Elizabeth Workman. For our Young People's Division, Rev. J. E. Cooper, who is one of the most popular teachers in the Conference, taught one course and the other two courses were taught by Mrs. J. A. Bays of Kingsport, Tenn., and Miss Wyness Tate of Anniston, Alabama. Miss Lucy Foreman of the General Board staff did excellent work in the course for young adults and Bishop Watkins of Atlanta, Georgia, taught one of the largest courses we have ever had in Bible and delivered the inspirational addresses. Dr. C. M. Reves was Dean of the school and Dr. H. B. Watts, pastor host. The churches from North Little Rock as well as pastors from over the district cooperated beautifully. Twenty-three Methodist preachers participated in the school and a large number of others visited it for one or two nights while in Little Rock attending various Board and Committee meetings.—Clem Baker.

**THE EL DORADO TRAINING SCHOOL**

What was said to be the best Training School ever held in El Dorado closed last Friday night. It was held at First Church with Dr. Albea Godbold serving as Dean and pastor host. Nine pastoral charges participated in the school, headed by their pastors. In addition to Brother Godbold there were: Revs. George Meyer, P. D. Alston, C. D. Cade, R. O. Beck, T. M. Armstrong, W. L. Arnold, L. O. Lee, and C. H. Farmer. The instructors were: Rev. O. W. Moerner and Miss Freddie Henry of the General Board, with Mrs. J. A. Bays of Kingsport, Tenn., and Miss Wyness Tate of Anniston, Ala.—Clem Baker.

**THE MAGNOLIA TRAINING SCHOOL**

While the El Dorado Training School was in session at El Dorado, Miss Fay McRae and the writer were the teachers in a Training School at Magnolia. We always have a good school at Magnolia and this was one of the best. There were more than 60 enrolled in the class that I taught on The New Methodist Church with forty credits. Miss McRae also had a good class. Rev. Roy E. Fawcett was pastor host and dean of the school. Seven pastors with representatives from their churches participated. In addition to Brother Fawcett they were: Revs. S. B. Mann, Herschel Richert, M. E. Scott, H. D. Ginther, Geo. Warren and S. E. Dugger, pastor of the Ebenezer charge of the Methodist Protestant Church.—Clem Baker.

**EPWORTH TRAINING CONFERENCE AT NASHVILLE**

A splendid Epworth Training Conference was held for the Elberta Young People's Union in the Prescott District at Nashville last week. Careful plans had been made by our Conference Director, Rev. Arthur Terry and the District Director, Rev. C. H. Giessen. There were three courses, taught by Bros. Terry, Giessen and J. E. Cooper, Director of Young People's Work for the Little Rock District. Ten churches were represented in the credit list. We congratulate the Prescott District and the Elberta Union. We have one of the finest groups of young people in the Prescott District to be found anywhere in the Conference. Rev. J. D. Baker is the Presiding Elder and it will be remembered that his District had the largest attendance of all at the Youth Crusade Rally last spring.—Clem Baker.

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**SCHOOLS AT PINE BLUFF AND HOT SPRINGS NEXT WEEK**

Next week, training schools will be held at Pine Bluff and Hot Springs in Pine Bluff and Arkadelphia Districts. The following week our school will be held at Stuttgart. On the week of October 29 the school will be held for the Prescott District at Prescott and the following week a cooperative school with the Presbyterians will be held at Monticello. This is the heaviest program of training work that our Board has ever put on in the fall and will have the best training record it has had for ten years.—Clem Baker.

**EPWORTH TRAINING CONFERENCE AT DEWITT**

Led by the energetic Presiding Elder, Rev. Neill Hart, and the fine young pastor, Rev. A. J. Christie, a splendid Epworth Training Conference was held at DeWitt with Bro. Christie and Bro. Hozendorf of Little Rock serving as instructors. Bro.

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Christie taught the course on Evangelism in the Young People's Division and Bro. Hozendorf the course on Administration. The Stuttgart, DeWitt, Gillett, and Little Prairie charges, led by their pastors, Revs. R. L. Long, A. J. Christie, L. C. Gatlin, and J. W. Rushing participated. This is one of the three schools to be held in the Pine Bluff District this month. Bro. Hart, active along all lines, is to be congratulated for the splendid work he is doing in leadership training.—Clem Baker.

**TRAINING SCHOOLS AT FORDYCE AND CAMDEN THIS WEEK**

Continuing our intensive fall program of Training Schools covering the Conference, schools are being held this week at Fordyce and Camden. Rev. Edward Harris is pastor host and Dean of the School at Fordyce and the instructors are: Miss Elizabeth Workman, Rev. Fred R. Harrison and Rev. Roy E. Fawcett. All the charges in that section of the District are participating. The school at Camden, with Rev. J. L. Hoover, pastor host and Dean, has as its instructors, Miss Fay McRae, Miss Yynness Tate and Clem Baker. This school is for all the charges in the Camden section of the Camden District. A splendid series of schools was held in the Camden District early in the spring covering most of the small town and rural charges. Presiding Elder Clegg has set his goal for as many credits as he has officers and teachers and it looks like this goal will be reached.—Clem Baker.

**IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT, LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE**

The fiscal year for the Board of Education for the Little Rock Conference closes the first day of November. This gives us only ten days this year to prepare our accounts for the auditor and to prepare our reports in the beautiful Year Book we have ready for distribution at Conference. We are anxious to include in this report all Fourth Sunday offerings and all Church School Day offerings that will be sent. We are, therefore, urging that all pastors, general superintendents and all treasurers please make a special effort to get their offerings for both Church School Day and Fourth Sunday in before the last day of October. Of course money received even up to the opening day of Conference will count in the report published in the Conference Journal but our brethren can see how it would be impossible for us to get it in the report of our Year Book.

Our brethren have been unusually fine and loyal in their support this year and we want again to express our appreciation for all they have done to make our work possible.—Clem Baker.

**YOUTH CRUSADE AT McCORRY**

One of the most inspiring and helpful projects of the entire year has been the observance of Youth Crusade Week in our church. The youth of the Methodist Church and other young people of the town cooperated most enthusiastically. Parents and other adults declared the meetings a blessing to themselves and to their young people.

On Sunday, Sept. 24 four services were conducted by and for young people. These included Church School worship led by three young people; special sermon by pastor; model League program; evening worship led by young people, and a choir consisting of 25 members sang at both morning and evening services. Since the purpose

was not to "put on" a program, activities were planned to fit into the regular plan of the church.

The schedule for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings was as follows: 7:00-7:45, study classes in Worship, Organization, Recreation and Adult Forum; 7:45-8:30, Public Worship, led by young people; 8:30-10:00, Recreation. Rev. Alfred A. Knox was platform speaker each of these evenings. Classes were taught by Mrs. Vance Thompson, Mrs. R. L. Frazier, Mrs. John Miller and Mrs. Ruth E. Beasley.

On Thursday evening an outdoor meeting was held at Stanley Grove. In this beautiful setting, after games and a fine picnic supper, Vespers, group singing, and a Maltese Cross ceremony climaxed a glorious Christian experience.

The high point of the week was the closing meeting, a candle-light Communion Service in which both youth and adults reconsecrated themselves to the joyous way of the Master.

We are greatly indebted to Mrs. Beasley who made this possible. She is proving to be one of the very best leaders of young people and we are happy to have her in our church.—C. H. Bumpers, Pastor.

**ELBERTA UNION TRAINING CONFERENCE**

The second annual Epworth Training Conference of the Elberta Young People's Union in Prescott District, was held at Nashville October 2-5.

The instructors and courses were as follows: Rev. J. E. Cooper, "Worship"; Rev. Chas. H. Giessen, "Teaching"; Rev. Arthur Terry, "Recreation and Personal Development."

Ten churches of the Union participated with an enrollment of 54 and a total number of 35 credits issued. To Rev. E. T. McAfee, of the Bingen Circuit, goes the honor of having 16 persons enrolled from five churches of the circuit. All but two of the 16 received credit. Nashville enrolled 19 persons and received 12 credits.

The outstanding feature of the Conference was the intermission each evening. The first evening the group had directed recreation on the lawn. Tuesday evening there was a "sing song." Wednesday evening the class on "Worship" presented a model worship service. On Thursday evening other young people, not attending the Conference, came in large numbers from over the Union area and a model union meeting was executed by the president, Miss Mary E. Young.

Each intermission program was well planned in advance and was successfully presented so that the group had an excellent illustration of what can be done in each of these four areas.—Mary Evelyn Johnson, Union Secretary.

**SARDIS INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE**

On Sunday night, Oct. 1 the Intermediate Department met and elected the following officers: President, Minnie Bradbury; Vice-President, Ernest Tabor; Secretary and Treasurer, Holland Miller; Publicity Superintendent, Cassie Hobby; Chairman of Worship Service, Mrs. Ernest Tabor; Chairman of Recreation, Dorothy May Miller.

Our League meets every Sunday night at seven o'clock. All visitors are welcome.—Supt. of Publicity.

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**CHURCH NEWS**

**ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE**

Oh, if our people only knew of the broken homes and the distressed condition so many are in they would be in real sympathy with those of us who are trying to lead in the Orphanage work.

We are not supposed to take anyone into our Home that cannot meet the conditions (1) as to health, (2) as to mentality, and (3) as to conduct. In spite of all of these conditions, however we occasionally get a child that is innately belligerent and we sometimes have to resort to other means to try to save them.

We are winding up the affairs of the Home for the fiscal year in good shape and hope next year will be even more pleasant than this one has been.

We are receiving letters from Sunday School Classes and Woman's Missionary Societies and individuals from time to time and we are thankful.

I am concerned now about the Christmas Offering and I do hope the two Conferences will do more next year than they have done this year. I sometimes blush with shame when I read the reports of the Christmas Offerings in other denominations as well as of ours outside of Arkansas as compared with our meager giving. We are growing, thank God, in liberality and in love for the unfortunates.

Pray for us and come to see us.—James Thomas, Executive Sec'y.

**NEWS FROM BRAZIL**

Dona Manuella, a widow who lives in the south of Brazil, is a strong Christian and a strong believer in education, though she cannot read or write. She has to wash clothes to support her family, yet she has managed to send all four of her children to school.

One day Dona Manuella heard some one read the Christmas number of the "Voz Missionaria," (Missionary Voice), the woman's magazine in Brazil, started by Miss Lelia Epp. After the reading was over Dona Manuella announced that she was going out and get twenty subscriptions to the magazine among the Catholic women of the city. And she did. She has all the magazines mailed direct to her and she delivers them one at a time each night after her work is done. She asks each subscriber to read it to her straight through. So twenty successive days she hears the "Voz Missionaria" read twenty times until she knows it by heart and is able to tell it word for word to others, who like herself cannot read.

**PRESCOTT DISTRICT PREACHERS' MEETING**

The preachers of the Prescott District were the guests of the Wakefield Methodist, on the Mineral Springs charge, Tuesday, Oct. 3.

A revival meeting, in which the district superintendent, Rev. J. D. Baker, was doing the preaching, was in full swing. During the day two forceful sermons were delivered to large and appreciative audiences. At 11 a. m. Rev. C. H. Giessen, pastor at Blevins, preached on the theme "Satisfaction Guaranteed." In the afternoon at 3 o'clock Rev. A. C. Carraway, pastor at Gurdon delivered a sermon on the subject, "The Truth Shall Make You Free."

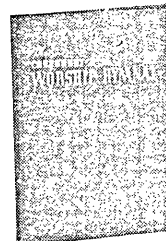
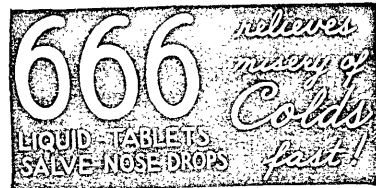
Rev. J. D. Baker opened the meeting at 9:30 a. m., using as the subject of his devotional message "Religious Audacity."

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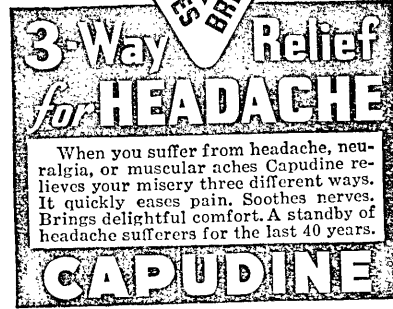


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Heights and Rev. Chas. B. Wyatt of Stamps were guests of the meeting. The roll call revealed the presence of all preachers save Bryon Stephens, pastors of the Okolona Circuit. His absence was excused by his being a student in Hendrix College.

The reports of the pastors were heard and revealed that the charges of the District will have paid all askings in full by Conference with all Benevolences in full by Nov. 1; that all programs of the church will have been faithfully executed and that at the present the all-time record of the number of additions on profession of faith, established in 1906, has been tied and will be greatly exceeded by Conference.—Arthur Terry, Secretary.

**WHEATLEY CHARGE**

Report at fourth Quarterly Conference: 22 additions to charge, 12 training credits, 11 months salary paid to pastor, Presiding Elder's salary paid in full for year, one-half Benevolences paid, other half pledged, paid \$500 on parsonage debt, Church School enrollment increased 20%, Missionary Society enrollment increased 10%, 100% club on Arkansas Methodist. This year salary and Benevolences increased 10%, making the second time during Bro. Couchman's pastorate that salary had been raised. The fourth Quarterly Conference voted a raise in salaries and Benevolences for next year. The parsonage debt has been reduced from \$3,000 to \$1,000 during the past 12 months.

**THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT AND HIS WORK**

One of the outstanding features in the Leadership Schools of the General Board of Christian Education, held at Mt. Sequoyah and Lake Junaluska, was the course on "The District Superintendent and His Work," led by Bishop W. C. Martin and Bishop W. W. Peele, respectively. More than thirty enrolled at Mt. Sequoyah and over fifty at the lake.

The report from the members of the group indicate quite satisfactory results. The interest was so keen that considerably more time was given each day to the discussions

than is usually given to courses in training schools. The reports from the Bishops themselves with reference to the interest of the participants in the classes and values found in the enterprises are stimulating.

Such vital topics were considered as the district superintendent himself, his relation to pastors, laymen and young people, his position in connectional Methodism, the use of the district staff, making the quarterly conference more effective and the district program of evangelism, missions and Christian education.

Strong recommendations were adopted by the classes asking that similar opportunities for district superintendents be offered annually. It appears that there are many important items that could not be considered for lack of time. Plans are under way to make reports from the groups available to all district superintendents in the South Central and Southeastern Jurisdictions.

The program of the Board of Christian Education at Mt. Sequoyah and Lake Junaluska included a two-week and one-week school and a Young People's Conference at each place. Around 1400 people were enrolled in these schools. In addition, the pastor's conference was held at Lake Junaluska. Unusually strong faculty members and platform speakers made the programs very effective. Both Mt. Sequoyah and Lake Junaluska have a large place in the future of Methodism.—J. Fisher Simpson, Director of Leadership Training.

**GRACIOUS AMID GLOOM**

Yet for all my Lord's gloom, I find Him sweet, gracious, loving, kind; and I want both pen and words to set forth the fairness, beauty and sweetness of Christ's love, and the honor of this cross of Christ, which is glorious to me, though the world thinketh shame thereof.—Samuel Rutherford.

In Japan a law forbidding boys under 21 to purchase or consume cigarettes or alcoholic beverages has recently gone into effect.—Ex.

"Please, ma'am, it was the snail on the wall," replied Tommy, timidly.

At this the other pupils laughed. "You need not laugh, children, for we may learn much from such things as snails. How did the snail teach you, Tommy?"

"I saw it crawl up the wall a little at a time. It did not stop nor turn back to see how far it had gone, but went on and on, and I thought I would do the same with my piece. So I learned it little by little, and did not give up. By the time the snail reached the top of the wall I had learned the whole poem."—Sunshine.

**AS BIG AS A TURNIP**

A troop of Boy Scouts was encamped on the creek bank on the Blogg farm. The scoutmaster announced that they would have stew for dinner and told one of the boys to ask Blogg for a turnip.

"Do you want a fairly big one?" asked the boy.

"About the size of your head," said the scoutmaster.

Fifteen minutes later Farmer Blogg raced into the camp. "One of your boys needs attention!" he yelled at the scoutmaster. "He's pulling up my turnips and trying his hat on them.—Selected.

**INTERNATIONAL Sunday School Lesson**

Lesson for October 15

**THE TEMPTATION OF JESUS**

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 4:1-11.

GOLDEN TEXT—For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.—Hebrews 4:15.

Temptation is the common lot of all mankind (I Cor. 10:13). The strongest and most noble of men are subject to it; angels were tempted, and our scripture reveals that even Jesus was tempted. We recognize that Jesus was tempted as the Messiah (vv. 3, 6) and a one without sin (Heb. 4:15), but it is also true that He was tempted in all points as we are, apart from sin, and that we may learn from His temptation how we may meet and be the victors over temptation.

**I. What Is Temptation?**

"Temptation is seduction to evil, solicitation to wrong. It stands distinguished from trial thus: trial tests, seeks to discover the man's moral qualities or character; but temptation persuades to evil, deludes, that it may ruin. God tries; Satan tempts" (A. M. Fairbairn).

Temptations is not sin, but yielding to temptation is sin. Luther said, "We cannot keep the birds from flying over our heads, but we can keep them from building nests in our hair." Temptation comes from within, that is, from our own lusts (James 1:13, 14). Satan also tempts us (Eph. 6:11). God may permit temptation as a means of proving our faith (James 1:2, 3).

**II. How Temptation Works.**

It is significant that the temptations of Jesus were along the threefold line of the temptations of Adam and Eve (Gen. 3:6) and the general threefold temptation of all men, namely, the lust of the flesh, the pride of life, and the lust of the eyes (I John 2:16). These three temptations really exhaust Satan's bag of tricks, but he can dress up these three fundamental temptations with almost endless variety. He works

1. By appealing to the flesh (vv. 2, 3). He observes the normal appetites and desires of a man's body, excites them to a high degree, and then suggests an improper method of satisfying them. Hunger is normal and a sign of good health. Jesus had fasted forty days and Satan took advantage of that fact to suggest the use of His divine power to satisfy His hunger. This would involve a denial of His entire mission on earth, namely, the redemption of man by a divine person who had become a real man.

2. By appealing to pride (vv. 5, 6). Satan misapplied Scripture to tempt Jesus to presumption on the assumption that He was exercising faith. God had promised to keep Him "in all his ways" (Ps. 91:11). To cast himself down from the temple was not one of the ways in which Christ was called to walk. Satan comes to us with the same kind of temptation. If he cannot get us to forsake faith, he tempts us to become fanatic and to proudly substitute presumption for truth.

3. By appealing to the eyes (vv. 8, 9). By showing Christ the king-

doms of the world and offering them to Him by the short-cut of a brief act of worship rather than by the way of the cross, Satan tempted Him again. Here the devil showed his true desire that man should worship him rather than God.

**III. How to Meet Temptation (vv. 4, 7, 10).**

1. By the right use of Scripture. If Jesus needed that weapon, how can we do without it? How can we use Scripture if we do not study it and hide it in our hearts?

2. By dependence on God. Every Scripture used by Jesus honored God. We cannot fight Satan in our own strength. To attempt to do so is to fail utterly. The real victory for the Christian is to bring Satan back to the cross where Christ won a decisive victory over him.

3. By denouncing Satan. Jesus sent him on his way. We may do the same in Jesus' name. It is always a serious error to try to argue with Satan or to engage in any discussion with him. Let us meet him with Scripture and with a "Get thee hence."

**IV. The Result.**

Satan left and angels came to minister to Christ. The overcoming of temptation results in peace, victory and blessing. This is ever so in the life of the believer. Temptation overcome makes us stronger to meet the next temptation, and also enables us to help our weaker brethren.

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Who slowly, surely digs his way Through problems hard a score, And still has grit and courage left To try as many more.—Popular Speaker and Writer.

**THE SNAIL ON THE WALL**

"Well done, Tommy Brooks," exclaimed the teacher in pleased surprise when the "dunce" of the school spoke his piece without omitting a single word.

The other boys and girls laughed when he arose to speak, for they expected a bad failure. But when the rest of the class had tried, the teacher said Tommy had done the best of all, and gave him the prize.

"And now tell me," said the teacher, "how you learned the poem so well."

**The Debate Goes On**

The fellowship dinner held last night was well attended with Mr. C. R. Hamilton and Mr. Dewey Price discussing various phases of the question "Why Go To Church?" Conclusive arguments were offered in favor of regular church attendance.

The second of the fall fellowship dinners will be held tonight (Thursday) and it offers a good time to begin now that second mile opportunity for supporting the church by your presence.

**CIRCLES TO MEET NEXT MONDAY**

No. 1—Mrs. N. J. Sebastian, Chairman, with Mrs. D. M. Garrison, 1415 Park, 2 p. m. Mrs. Frank Botsford, co-hostess.

No. 2—Mrs. W. N. Freemyer, Chairman, with Mrs. Douglas Thom, 2413 State, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon. Mrs. W. A. Welch and Mrs. R. T. Marsden, co-hostess.

No. 3—Mrs. E. W. Beeson, Chairman, with Mrs. E. A. Battle, 12th Street Pike, 12:30 covered dish luncheon.

No. 4—Mrs. James Thomas, Chairman, with Mrs. A. J. Hale, 1419 Hanger, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon.

No. 5—Mrs. E. Q. Brothers, Chairman, with Mrs. George Wooldridge, 2113 Center, 12:30 dessert luncheon. Mrs. D. W. Gordon co-hostess.

No. 6—Mrs. L. H. Caldwell, Chairman, with Mrs. George K. Swaim, 2422 Scott, 1:30 dessert luncheon. Mrs. James Byers, co-hostess.

No. 7—Mrs. W. P. Ivy, Chairman, with Mrs. J. L. Todd, 302 Thayer, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon. Mrs. Carrie Boren, co-hostess.

No. 8—Mrs. J. H. Krouse, Chairman, with Mrs. F. M. Stevens, 5416 "T" St., 1:30 dessert luncheon.

No. 9—Mrs. Cage Cross, Chairman, with Mrs. E. V. Markham, 1825 N. Spruce, 1:30 dessert luncheon.

No. 10—Miss Zora Cross, Chairman, with Mrs. E. F. Dixon, 615 E. 21st, 12:30 luncheon. Mrs. W. B. Wilbourne, co-hostess.

**PULPIT FLOWERS**

The beautiful flowers used in the Sanctuary last Sunday were given by Mrs. Rufus Hunt in memory of her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Lewis.

**REV. HAL PINNELL ELECTED ASSOCIATE PASTOR**

Subject to the appointment by the Bishop and his Cabinet Rev. Hal H. Pinnell, pastor of our Church at Marshfield, Mo., has been elected by the Board of Stewards of Winfield as associate pastor, taking the place made vacant by the resignation of Dr. Havekost. Mr. Pinnell, a member of the Southwest Missouri Conference, though a young man, has been preaching for 12 years and has met with no little success, especially among young people. He is president of the Young People's Division of his Conference and for the past three years has been director of Intermediate work at Mt. Sequoyah during the summer. He will arrive in Little Rock next week and will probably begin his work on Oct 20.

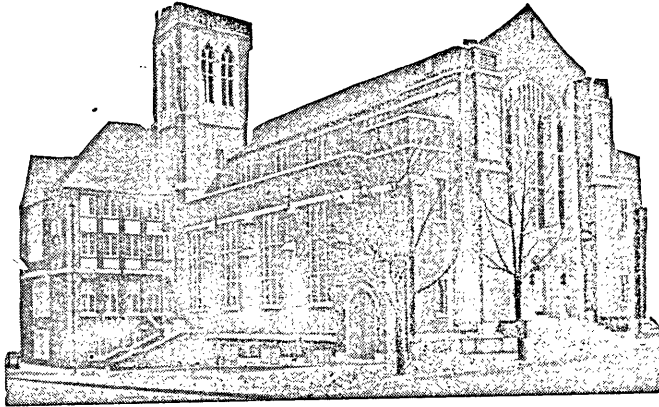
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**Next Sunday At Winfield**

- 10:00 A. M. CHURCH SCHOOL. (We need YOU to help us reach our goal of 700 Sunday)
  - 11:00 A. M. "HUMAN NATURE CAN BE CHANGED"—Sermon by Pastor
  - 6:00 P. M. Junior-High, Senior, and Young People's Leagues and The Sunday Evening Club (Young Adults)
  - 7:30 P. M. "CHRISTIANS IN AN UNCHRISTIAN WORLD"—Sermon by Pastor
- Wednesday evening, 6:30—Fellowship dinner. Everyone invited.

**THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE**

By GASTON FOOTE

**Let's Clarify The Issue**

We do not propose to enter into a long discussion of the present neutrality law or the proposed revision. Issues, however, ought to be made clear in order that we might have an intelligent opinion concerning it.

We have frequently read that the issue before Congress was the arms embargo versus the cash and carry principle. This is a false anti-thesis. The arms embargo is an entirely separate item from the cash and carry plan. The issue is not arms embargo VERSUS cash and carry. Senator Borah and others are fighting for arms embargo AND cash and carry. Both sides seem to want the original cash and carry clause (which expired last May). This applies to all exports to belligerent nations and, if rewritten into the law, would certainly keep American ships out of war zones and prevent the loss of American life. Thus the real issue is RETENTION of the arms embargo clause or REPEAL of the clause.

The present Neutrality act was confirmed by the Senate May 1, 1937, by a vote of 63 to 6. It was approved by the House by a vote of 376 to 13, and immediately signed by the President. Yet on September 21, 1939, the President said, "I regret that Congress passed that act. I regret equally that I signed it."

We all want to keep America neutral. But the very moment we take sides we cease to be neutral. It seems to us that repeal of the arms embargo during the war, allowing shipment of munitions to belligerent (and Germany knows these shipments would go to England and France) could not be construed as a neutral act.

But someone suggests that failure to repeal the arms embargo would be to help Germany. By the same token every neutral nation in the world would be helping Germany. Traffic in arms will not hurt Germany nearly so much as it will hurt America. The President's refusal to acknowledge a state of war between Japan and China (preventing enforcement of the Neutrality Act) not only helped Japan but hurt China. Are we going to let our guns kill on two war fronts? Let's rewrite the cash and carry clause—but keep the arms embargo.

**Kirby Page At Winfield Oct. 22nd**

Winfield Church will have the unusual opportunity of hearing one of America's outstanding authors and lecturers on social and international questions. Kirby Page will speak here Sunday Evening, October 22nd. Dr. Page, here some four years ago, is a great peace advocate and his message at this time will be particularly appropriate. Plan now to take advantage of this unusual opportunity.

**Christian Education**

**Church School Attendance**

Last Sunday	676
A Year Ago	647

**Departmental Reports**

	On		Stay League		
	Pres.	Time	Cont.	Ch. Attend.	
Jr. Hi	79	70	51	44	25
Sr. Hi	75	70	53	44	33
Y. P.	59	47	22	39	28
Sunday Evening Club (young adults)					20

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Young Men's Class	9
Total	269

**SUNDAY EVENING PROGRAMS**  
6:30 p. m.

Junior High League—Margaret Finger, Pres., will be in charge of program. Jim Major will continue discussion on "Choosing Friends."

Senior High League—Ralph Caldwell, Pres., will lead a discussion on "Showing Reverence In Our Worship."

Young People's League—Robert McNeely, Pres., will lead a discussion on "Setting Our Goals."

**FORTY-FOUR SECOND MILERS**

Winfield's finance campaign entered its third week with 44 members having expressed willingness to contribute sums greater than they had pledged at the beginning of the Conference year. It is expected that at least 200 members will agree before Nov. 1 to pay more than they had pledged.

A payment of \$3,200 on the principal of the church debt will be due on Nov. 1. Also on Nov. 10 \$2,725 must be paid on Conference Claims.

**REMEMBER FELLOWSHIP DINNERS EACH WEDNESDAY, 6:30**

There is no better place for fellowship and inspiration than the weekly fellowship dinners (25c) each Wednesday evening. Come and bring the family next week. Dr. Foote begins a series of studies on "We Methodists" presenting the program and objectives of United Methodist Church. Don't miss them.

**ASHBY CLASS MEETING POSTPONED**

The meeting of the Lila Ashby Bible Class which was to have been held with Miss Marguerite Brickhouse, 324 N. Cedar, at 7:30 last Monday night will be held next Monday night, Oct. 16, at the same time and place.

**OUR NEW MEMBERS**

Miss Virginia Blackwell, 2423 Arch. . . . Sally Jane Fraser, 2018 W. 18th. . . . Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Hale, 5008 W. 29th. . . . Mr. William L. Little, 2510 Broadway. . . . Mr. H. I. Trotter, 1715 Summit. . . . Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Traylor, 108 Thayer. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Paul L. Welker, 2116 Center.

**OUR KNOWN SICK**

Miss Marynelle Thomposn, Trinity Hospital. . . . Mr. R. F. Whid-don, Baptist Hospital.

You Will Enjoy the Friendly Informal Sunday Evening Service, 7:30

Sermon by Pastor: "CHRISTIANS IN AN UN-CHRISTIAN WORLD"