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METHODIST ADVANCE: NOT DISCOVERY BUT RENEWAL

(Address by Bishop W. W. Peele at The Missionary Council)

THE Uniting Conference did not discover something new in Methodism and as the result project the Methodist Advance. Rather the movement had its origin in the feeling of obligation and responsibility inherent in what Methodism has stood for throughout its entire history. The forces that have made our Methodism are the forces that will make for our larger Methodism. These are the forces that will be given renewed emphasis by the Methodist Advance. What are some of the things that have enriched Methodism and have contributed to our glorious heritage?

One force that has made for Methodist success is the emphasis that has been placed upon Christian living. Our weakness today is anaemic; uncreative living. Methodism has always given the place of first emphasis to experience rather than to doctrine. It has insisted that right living must precede correct thinking. The relation of daily living to the formulated doctrines of our faith is of great importance. It is out of life that our doctrines have come. Christian living is the only way Christianity can be effectively exported. We must help men into a richer experience of God. The force that has made Methodism is the force to enlarge Methodism and to empower it for leadership and conquest, and one thing is the experience of a genuine quality of life within that gives birth to doctrine and creed.

Another force in the making of Methodism is the zeal and power of a great vital and vitalizing evangelism. Our objective must be the creation of individuals possessing a distinct kind, or quality, of life. The spirit of evangelism should permeate the entire program of the church throughout the entire year. Sustained evangelism is our goal. This is possible only where the spirit of evangelism becomes the natural, normal part of the life of the people. Regular systematic devotions have a large place in the development of Christian character. Our evangelism must be all-inclusive. Limitations must never be placed upon Christianity. John Wesley said, "The world is my parish."

By the side of this evangelistic force in Methodism and making it more effective and permanent has been the educational emphasis of our church. We have stood for clear thinking along with clean living. Methodism has never seen any conflict between education and evangelism. The objectives are the same. People need to be exhorted to love God with all their minds as much as to love God with all their hearts. It is just as heavenly to save an intellect from stupidity as it is to save a soul from irreverence. Salvation is the realization of the potentiality of every life in its fullness and the use of this power in doing the will of God. Salvation involves the whole man. The fullest experience will come to him who is not afraid to think courageously, to have the emotions stirred by truth in all its powers, and to respond in self-sacrificing service. There is no part of the individual that God does not need in the carrying forward of his kingdom.

John Wesley not only preached Christian stewardship. He gave not to God, but for God. To him stewardship was not a means of raising money, but a way to invest a life. It was the grace of God expressing itself through personality. It was truth made flesh. As Methodists we have not taken this force very seriously, yet the doctrine of Christian stewardship has always had a place in the history of Methodism.

* **THY THRONE, O GOD, IS FOR EVER** *
* **AND EVER; THE SCEPTER OF THY** *
* **KINGDOM IS A RIGHT SCEPTER. THOU** *
* **LOVEST RIGHTEOUSNESS, AND HAT-** *
* **EST WICKEDNESS; THEREFORE GOD,** *
* **THY GOD, HATH ANOINTED THEE** *
* **WITH THE OIL OF GLADNESS ABOVE** *
* **THY FELLOWS.—Psalm 45:6-7.** *

These are only a few of the forces that have made Methodism and they are the forces that will enlarge Methodism and will empower her with leadership to march forward to conquest and to victory. The Methodist Advance is not the discovery of something new, but rather a renewed emphasis given to those forces that have been tried and have made the rich history which is ours.

WORTH THINKING OVER

THE first Jackson Day dinner to be held in Washington took place on Thursday, January 8, 1835. The dinner was given in honor of the extinguishment of the national debt, and in commemoration of the battle of New Orleans. President Jackson not only balanced the budget, but paid off the last dollar of the national debt during his Administration!—Ex.

ACT PROMPTLY

A BILL to stop the advertising of intoxicating liquors, including beer and wine, over the radio, is now before the Senate, and its author, Senator Johnson of Colorado, has indicated that he will, at an early date, call it up for discussion and vote. As radio advertising of intoxicants brings the appeal of liquor into the home where it is heard by our youth, it is the most objectionable kind of advertising, and should be stopped. If you object to this obnoxious use of radio, write immediately to Senators Caraway and Miller and express your approval of this bill and urge them to support it. We feel reasonably sure that these Senators will vote right; but they should be encouraged by your backing. Act promptly, and let us free our homes of this menace to morals.

A LOSS TO THE WHOLE NATION

IN the passing of Senator Borah of Idaho last week the whole nation has suffered the loss of one of its best known, best loved and most highly honored statesmen. Many men in public life are mere politicians; but Senator Borah was a real statesman, who had definite opinions on practically all important matters and was willing to stand for them. His greatest mistake, as we see it, was in helping to prevent our nation from joining the League of Nations; but that was because he believed strongly that we should keep out of the affairs of other countries. It was this editor's privilege to sit in the Senate gallery when the League of Nations was under consideration, and I was impressed with his capable handling of the question. The other Senators seemed as pigmies in comparison with this giant in debate. While one might not agree with him on all questions, one was compelled to admire him for his learning, his eloquence, and his independence and honesty. He was a sincere supporter of the cause of prohibition, and will be missed in the contests that will soon come. His place in history is established and he will be numbered with the most distinguished members of our Congress.

PRESENT CONDITIONS LIKE OLD DAYS IN ROME

DR. Joseph Fort Newton, 33*, noted Masonic writer, voices the opinion of many others when he says that conditions existing in the world today are strikingly similar to conditions outlined by Edward Gibbon in his Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire as those leading to the collapse of that great Empire.

Gibbon laid the fall of the Roman State to the rapid increase of divorce, increased taxes with public money going for bread and circuses, the mad craze for thrills marked by more exciting and brutal sports, the huge armament program and the decay of religion.

The noted historian was a Mason, having joined Friendship Lodge No. 6 in London in 1775.

THE EDITOR'S TRAVELOG

STARTING to the Missionary Council at Charlotte, I fell in with Mr. Adam Trieschmann, formerly of Crossett, but for several years at Chicago. He graciously invited me to dine with him. It was a pleasure to discuss matters of mutual interest and especially to learn that he had returned to Arkansas and in order to represent his organization at both Crossett and Fordyce, he was living at El Dorado. One of our most useful laymen, he is welcomed among us.

At Memphis, while I was waiting, a young man opened conversation, saying that he liked to talk with old people, because he could always learn something. He, with a group of youth, had joined the army, and expected to train in Panama. When I remarked that he would be greatly tempted there, he put out his hand and said, "Put her there. I promised my father and mother that I would keep straight and clean. I know it pays." He was volunteering because he expected our country to become involved in war, and preferred to get in now and train as a mechanic, as he liked to work with machinery. He impressed me as having sensible notions.

On the way between Birmingham and Atlanta, I could see the trees bending under their loads of ice. With the sun shining on them, they were dazzlingly beautiful. A few miles north of Atlanta, the snow had melted, and when I reached Charlotte, it was foggy with some ice on the streets. Having lost sleep two nights, I took a good warm bath and slept, without waking, until almost time to go to the Council. It was freezing a little, but not very cold, and by using the street busses, I was able to make my way around without difficulty. The Council meetings, as described in last week's paper, were intensely interesting, and the addresses highly inspiring. Of course, I met many old friends and made new ones, and this is one of the attractive features of Council meetings.

As practically all of the members of the Southern Methodist Press Association were entertained at the Selwyn Hotel, we had opportunity to have our first meeting there, and then accepted an invitation to be guests of the Chamber of Commerce. Meeting an hour before the dinner, we agreed to perpetuate our organization so that we might be ready to co-operate with the editors of other sections of our Methodism. After adopting resolutions in memory of our deceased President, Dr. A. J. Weeks, Dr. F. K. Gamble, editor of the Alabama Christian Advocate, who as vice-president was presiding, was elected President; Rev. J. M. Rast, editor of the Southern Christian Advocate, Vice-President; Rev. G. S. Reamey, editor of the Virginia Methodist Advocate, Secretary; and Rev. A. W. Plyler, editor of the North Carolina Christian Ad-

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METHODIST EVENTS

Methodist Advance, at Little Rock, 9:30 a. m., Feb. 5.
N. Ark. Conf. WMS Conference, Conway, March 26-28.

Personal and Other Items

REV. AND MRS. F. W. SCHWENDIMANN of Amity are the happy parents of a son, Fred, Jr., born at the Conway hospital, Jan. 11.

IN mentioning those who were attending the Missionary Council, the presence of Rev. C. H. Farmer, of Huttig, Little Rock Conference, was unintentionally overlooked.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH at Heber Springs was damaged by fire last Sunday. The pastor, Rev. W. L. Oliver, estimates the damage at \$5,000.00, only partially covered by insurance.

THE LITTLE ROCK MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE last Monday, with a record attendance, discussed a report on Religious Education in the Public Schools, presented by Dr. G. G. Sias, and left the question open for further study.

DR. J. M. WILLIAMS, of Hendrix College, last Sunday taught a Sunday School class and delivered an educational address at Gardner Memorial, North Little Rock, in the morning, and addressed the First Church congregation at night.

MINISTERS' WEEK, highlighted by the twenty-first Fondren Lecture Series to be delivered this year by Dr. Albert Day, pastor of the First Methodist Church at Pasadena, Calif., will be held Feb. 5 to 11 at Southern Methodist University.

BISHOP PEELE SAYS: "The Virginia Methodist Advocate is a necessary and invaluable instrument in carrying forward the work of the Church in the Virginia Conference. Through its columns are promoted all causes of the Church. Enthusiasm is born of knowledge. The reading of the Advocate registers itself in Church support and Church loyalty. Our Conference Paper deserves, and I am glad to say is receiving, the support of our people."

REV. G. R. DITTERLINE, pastor of our church at La Mesa, New Mexico, sending in a tribute to W. R. Schisler, father of Dr. J. Q. Schisler, writes: "I love my work here, where the sun shines every day in the year; but I miss my brethren of North Arkansas Conference. I wish I could visit with them."

"HERALDS OF DESTINY," adventure stories of civilization building and humanitarianism taken from the annals, past and present, of the Baptist and Methodist churches, are being presented weekly over Radio Station KARK in Little Rock. The programs will be heard at 3:15 o'clock on Wednesday afternoons.

ANNOUNCING the eighteenth annual observance of Race Relations Sunday, February 11, which will be one feature of Interracial Brotherhood Month, the Federal Council of Churches has issued through its Department of Race Relations a message emphasizing the Christian obligation to make the United States of America a nation in which brotherhood prevails.

AS there was an error in the announcements of Little Rock Conference Missionary Institutes, attention is called to the Arkadelphia District Institute, which is to be held at Malvern, January 26, beginning at 10:00 a. m. Adjournment will be in time for pastors to take their young people to Hot Springs that night for the Youth Crusade Rally. Also note that the Institute for Little Rock District will be held Jan. 29 at First Church, Little Rock.

REFUSE to open your purse, and soon you cannot open your sympathy. Refuse to give, and soon you will cease to enjoy that which you have. Refuse to love, and you lose the power to love and be loved. Withhold your affections and you become a moral paralytic. But the moment you open wider the door of your life, and like the rose, send out without stint your fragrance and beauty, you let the sunshine of your life into your own soul.—The Tither.

THE EDITOR'S TRAVELOG

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vocate, Treasurer. A memorial to the General Conference expressing the belief that Methodism needed one great Connectional Organ to solidify the new Church and organs for Annual Conferences and groups of Conferences to represent local and Conference interests, was adopted and a committee was appointed to submit this Memorial to the Committee charged with the duty of presenting plans for our periodicals to the General Conference. After adjournment the editors enjoyed a sumptuous dinner given by the Chamber of Commerce, and heard a brief address by Mayor B. E. Douglass and the Executive Vice-President, Mr. C. O. Kuester. Literature supplied by the C. of C. demonstrated that Charlotte, the largest city of North Carolina, was a great trade center for the manufacturing communities for a radius of some 100 miles. In it are many historic places and it has been the scene of countless important gatherings. In it was adopted the famous Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence on May 20, 1775. (a copy was given each editor.) It is a church and educational center, with great banking and business houses, and handsome residences. Here is the Ivy Department Store, of which Mr. J. B. Ivy, brother of the late Dr. T. N. Ivy, editor of the Christian Advocate, is the head. It is an immense establishment occupying six stories, and having 19,000 credit accounts. It was my privilege to go through it under the guidance of Mr. Ivy. Gold was once mined in considerable quantities near Charlotte. It is surrounded by such cities as Gastonia, Concord, Salisbury and others, all great textile mill communities. Much more might be said of this fine city, if space were available.

Leaving Charlotte, I ran, via Greensboro, to Durham, and spent a few hours in the Duke University Hospital with my nephew, Dr. Wm. M. Millar, (recently a member of the Faculty of the Medical Department of the University of Cincinnati), who was in Duke Hospital for special treatment which he could not get elsewhere. It is truly a great hospital, well equipped and I appreciate the courteous consideration accorded.

My friend and colleague in the Judicial Council Dr. R. L. Flowers, Vice-President of the University, sent his car for me and, after a brief conversation, had me conveyed back to the hotel. My time was so limited that I did not have opportunity to meet other members of the faculty. This great institution with its really magnificent group of buildings of native stone, with its campus of more than 5,000 acres, and a large and distinguished Faculty, has a capacity enrollment, with many coming from the North and West for the special advantages. With its artistically landscaped campus, it is beautiful for surroundings and is impressive on account of its leadership among the great universities of the land.

From Durham, I traveled to Raleigh where I was delightfully entertained by my old friend and colleague, Dr. J. C. Glenn, now pastor of the Edenton Street Church. This is one of the old churches with a membership of nearly 3,000, a fine old building and a very handsome and commodious Education Annex. With a well furnished parsonage, a good salary and pleasant surroundings, Dr. Glenn and family are enjoying this goodly charge. James, who graduated at Central College and married while the Glens were in Kansas City, after studying law in Washington, D. C., is now practicing at Goldsboro, N. C., and Junior will finish at Central this year.

After a rather tiresome night trip to Atlanta, I was met by my good friend Dr. Robert C. Rhodes, a member of Little Rock Conference, who is head Professor of Biology in Emory University, and carried to his home, where, as the guest of this fine family, I spent a part of a day and night. As it was Saturday, I was not able to meet other friends as I would have done on any other day. At night I was a guest of Dr. Rhodes at a meeting of the Georgia Naturalist Club, and enjoyed a bounteous dinner, and had opportunity to see a large variety of color photographs of the gardens and flowers of Georgia. Introducing the photographer, was Dr. Woolford B. Baker, a cousin of our own Rev. Clem Baker. He is Junior Professor of Biology and stands high in the esteem of his colleagues. Getting up at 5:00 in the morning, after an appetizing breakfast under the care of that model housekeeper, Mrs. Rhodes, I was carried through fog by Dr. Rhodes to the railroad station and that night was safe at home. I appreciated the excellent service of the Rock Island, Frisco and Seaboard Railroads, whose trains, air-conditioned and convenient, were running on time in spite of unfavorable weather.

On this trip there were two things that impressed themselves on my mind. One was the horrible erosion of much of the land in the States through which I traveled. It is bad enough in Arkansas, but on account of the fact that the farms in that section were much older than ours, and for years had been cultivated without terracing, the loss of soil seems to be enormous. Then, too, the forests had been largely cut, and in many places fires had hindered regrowth. When one thinks of the terrible treatment to Mother Earth it is enough to make one weep over the wounds and loss. The other thing is the fact that, by the use of the abundant water power, electricity was running a multitude of mills and factories, found in almost every community, and thus industry was becoming a substitute for agriculture. After attending the Missionary Council and seeing the churches and colleges, I was heartened with the thought that the people of the South were trying in a very sane and helpful manner to care for the best interests of this part of our country.—A. C. M.

CIRCULATION REPORT

SINCE last week the following subscriptions have been received: Swan Lake, L. R. Sparks, 5; DeWitt, A. J. Christie, 1; Paron, J. W. Nethercutt, 1; First Church, Hot Springs, H. H. Griffin, 1; First Church, El Dorado, Albea Godbold, 100%, 165; Carlisle, J. M. Workman, 1; Leola, A. J. Bearden, 4; Amity, Fred Schwendimann, 12; Wilmar, J. R. Sewell, 2; Harmony Grove, Fairview Ct., F. L. Arnold, 1; Fairview, Texarkana, O. W. Teague, 3. We appreciate the good work of these pastors. Others are urged to make up their clubs speedily so that their people may have the latest information about the plans and activities of the new Methodism.

Our Methodist Bishops

Excerpts from an address at the Chicago Social Union banquet, December 8th.

By Bishop Edwin H. Hughes

During the eventful years of American Methodism we have had 108 episcopal leaders, and I have personally known all but twenty.

I have been associated in the board with every bishop, beginning with Henry White Warren, who was number thirty—save only with the eight who died prior to 1908.

The first bishop I ever met was the sixteenth bishop elected in our history—Matthew Simpson, who gave me his benediction with his hand on my head when I was eleven years of age.

The first bishop I ever heard preach was Randolph S. Foster. He gave a sermon two hours and twenty minutes long. I slept for more than the first hour. Then the noisy West Virginia preachers became enthusiastic over the episcopal discourse and interrupted my slumbers. When the sermon began I was twelve years of age—when it ended I was one hundred and forty—minutes older.

The first missionary bishop I met was the heroic Bishop Taylor. He had the most wonderful whiskers I ever saw. In dealing with him a cannibal would have had to be selective. One of the most marvelous sermons I ever heard was delivered by our mystical missionary messenger to India—Bishop Thoburn. Of our seventeen missionary bishops I have known all but two—while I have known every one of our eight Central Conference bishops.

Our fiftieth bishop was that imperial statesman, James W. Bashford. Our one-hundredth bishop was James C. Baker. We never reached par until we elected a man from Illinois.

The bishops began 155 years ago—with Coke and Asbury. Spiritually and ecclesiastically they had their apostolic succession from John Wesley—and from whatever kind of descent, episcopal or presbyterial, lay back of him, even to the earthly day of the Saviour.

On the Southern side I am not wholly without knowledge. I have met all but seventeen of their fifty-eight bishops elected from 1846 to 1938.

On the Northern side the best informed bishop I have ever known was John M. Walden, and the most terribly industrious. The most symmetrical was Edward G. Andrews. The best ecclesiastical lawyers were Bishops Merrill, Charles W. Smith, and Luther B. Wilson. The best financial promoters were McCabe and Hamilton.

The most ornate in speech and melodious in public address was Robert McIntyre. The most scintillating in his use of words was Bishop Quayle, actually converted in a little room in Kansas, when he knelt at an unabridged dictionary made into an altar.

The most distinctive in manner and speech was Bishop McDowell. The most strenuously energetic was Bishop Henderson. The most prophetic and persistent in advocacy of Methodist Union was Bishop Cranston.

In order to complete the picture I must say a word about the two latest recruits. Bishop Straughn was

born on the eastern shore of Maryland, and he has never recovered. He often frequents the oyster beds. He still "goes crabbing"—but not at Conference sessions or bishops' meetings.

Bishop Broomfield, being the infant of the council, is naturally the smallest. So, it comes to pass that the last bishop thus far, is almost exactly the size of the first bishop. John Wesley and Thomas Coke were both small men. Those mountainous bishops are all radical departures from the original models.

But a Methodist bishop directly broke the bachelor tradition so effectually that his successors have imitated him unanimously. For about 125 years every bishop has been brought into matrimonial captivity. For all of them there have been glowing hearthstones and window lights.

Like Asbury they have been men of the long road; but, unlike him, they have known where a door would open and a hand would beckon. Francis Asbury died in the log house of a friend. Our later bishops dropped their loads at diverse points along the way.

Coke died alone in his cabin on a ship and they buried his dust in the ocean as if it were the only fitting sepulchre for his missionary heart.

Kingsley died at Beirut, Syria; Fitz-Gerald died in China; Erastus Haven breathed his last in Oregon in the open door of a Conference church; Moore died in a Pullman sleeping car; Lambuth died in Japan, and was born and buried at Shanghai; McCabe dropped on the busy streets of New York City and was soon singing in Paradise; Joyce fell on the platform at a camp meeting and had an exit appropriate to an evangelist; Hartzell traveled safely amid the wilds of Africa and then died in his own home at the hands of American robbers; Spellmeyer died in an Atlantic City hotel, and his brethren, alarmed when he came not to the Conference session, found him in peaceful, final sleep across the couch where he had put himself down to ease a fluttering heart; Seth Ward died in a foreign land while on his episcopal tour; Matthew Simpson Hughes died at a Sunday's dawn in a Cleveland inn—hoping to the last that he might preach three times on that Easter Day.

But, though these men died far from home, they died in sight of home.

I close with a statement that I trust is not wretchedly personal. Fifty-three years ago last September, Thomas Bowman, elected a bishop in 1872, first read out my name in Annual Conference appointments—"Madison, supplied by Ed. H. Hughes."

I did not attend the session, for reasons "pecuniary" to myself. When my father told me where I was appointed, I was not enlightened. But, on a black horse and astride the traditional saddlebags, I started on the itinerant road.

By the coincidences of the years I have succeeded Thomas Bowman twice, in a college presidency and in the episcopacy. Once again he and I will meet on earth. Our grave plots are across the road from each other at Greencastle, Ind., his on higher ground and with a taller monument than mine—as is meet.

Not so far away on the DePauw campus the dust of Methodism's sixth bishop, Robert R. Roberts,

ADVANCE OF KINGDOM IS DEPENDENT UPON BENEVOLENCES

Christianity is a world task. We have never entered into the mind and heart of Christ until we have heeded His call, "Go ye into all the world and preach my gospel unto every creature."

Why is this call so urgent? It is this—to refuse to heed this challenge is to forfeit the power and presence of our Living Lord. The command of Jesus was not a command to stay, but a command to go. That which He came to bring to men was not for private enjoyment, but for all people everywhere. In giving us His Gospel He did not mean that it was to terminate with us, but rather that we were to be channels of His grace. The gospel is good enough and great enough for all time to come. Within this good news is to be found peace for the heavy laden, joy for the lonely, comfort for the sorrowing, hope for the dying and life for all. It has the power to lift the barriers of race and creed, it is to be proclaimed to young and old, to rich and poor, to the weak and to the strong, to the small and to the great. Therefore, let it be said with the greatest emphasis that the cause of the Benevolences is the heart beat of the Church. When the heart stops the Church will die, when it beats faintly people suffer. When it beats warm and steady the Church becomes a glory to men and to God.

Sheer gratitude ought to make us a world-minded Church. It ought to make the cause of the Benevolences our first consideration. Especially in consideration of the fact that religion, like knowledge, is something that is not diminished by dividing, but is multiplied. It is twice blessed—it blesses him that gives and him that takes. If we are lacking in this gratitude, to remember that once our fathers were heathen, ought to cause it to live in our hearts. About the year 586 there lived in Rome a young monk named Gregory. He had been born to high rank and great wealth, but laid aside both to serve the Church. When he became Pope, he exercised his missionary mindedness by attempting, with a few monks, to convert Britain. He sent a party of monks under Augustine to evangelize the British Isles. They got as far as France, but heard such reports of the savages that they were sent to convert that they turned back in despair; but on returning, Augustine heard from Gregory these words, "I did not ask you to return, I sent you to go." The missionaries went, worked and taught; Christianity took root in the British Isles. That is how we became Christians. Therefore, if someone thought of our fathers enough to labor for their salvation, we, their sons, can do nothing less than take

sleeps where many thousands of students have marched by the resting place of a pioneer benefactor. But Roberts and Bowman have greeted many of these companions of whom I have been speaking. When there comes—

Life's later afternoon,
Where cool and long the shadows
grow;
I rise to meet the night that soon
Shall shape and shadow overflow,

beyond all strifes and joys of earthly contests, I expect to greet the serried ranks of my beloved brother bishops and to be welcomed by them into the eternal tabernacles.

—In *The Christian Advocates*.

this gospel to people across the world who have it not. History records that the English-speaking civilization is the product of Christianity. Therefore, gratitude should prompt us to lay upon the altar of Christ our money, our consecration, our prayers, that this liberating, comforting, empowering gospel might be heard and practiced in all the world.

We are praying for another spiritual awakening in the Church. When will it come? With all my heart I believe that it will not come until we have brought our tithes into the storehouse. Then and only then will God open the windows of heaven and pour us out a blessing that our hearts will not be able to receive. "God so loved the world that He gave." In the light of that precious gift we turn away from our own giving with a sense of shame. We have proved ourselves deserters to His cause. The tide must change. The Church must rally. We must turn our faces to the storm. To sit complacently within our churches is to end in torpor and death. To let our lives, clothed with consecration and liberality, fall in the ground of the mission enterprise, is to see it blossom forth into life that is abundant for ourselves and others. In this way, and this way alone, will the Church reap a harvest of joy and power.

What is the heartbeat of your church? What is your own heartbeat in regard to this cause? God grant, for the sake of Christ's worldwide Kingdom, it may beat strong and steady within our breasts and the breast of the Church. If this be so, benevolent giving will be a joy. Liberal giving will not be the exception but the rule!—Albert F. Shirkey, Travis Park Church, San Antonio, Texas.

PAINS IN BACK, Nervous, Rheumatic?

Wrong foods and drinks, worry, overwork and colds often put a strain on the Kidneys and non-systemic and non-organic Kidney and Bladder troubles may be the true cause of Excess Acidity, Getting Up Nights, Burning Passages, Leg Pains, Nervousness, Dizziness, Swollen Ankles, Rheumatic Pains, and Puffy Eyelids. In many such cases the diuretic action of the Doctor's prescription Cystex helps the Kidneys clean out Excess Acids. This plus the palliative work of Cystex may easily make you feel like a new person in just a few days. Try Cystex under the guarantee of money back unless completely satisfied. Cystex costs only 3c a dose at druggists and the guarantee protects you.

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By SUSIE McKINNON MILLAR

CHAPTER IV

Rob Rogers rolled out from under the car he was tinkering on and called in answer to Helen's hello!

"Hello, yourselves, girls, I didn't hear your car. Where did you park it? Where's the old bus? Just lead me to it. I can fill anything short of a tooth."

So infectious was Rob's grin that they gave him grin for grin and all joined in a hearty laugh when Helen said: "The car parked it self about two miles back up that mountain road. It didn't make a sound; just parked. Perhaps that's why you didn't hear it."

"Careless of it, I'd say," laughed Rob. "What was it thinking about?"

"Thinking that it shouldn't be expected to run without gas. And, please, will you sell us gas and get it to that poor lonely car as soon as possible?"

"I'll sell you all the gas you want and get it to your car as soon as possible, but that possible won't be very soon. I'll have to ask you to wait here a while. This old bus I'm working on refuses to run and my neighbor is out with my truck and isn't due to return for an hour or more yet I'm sorry, but it's the best I can do."

"Then to wait here is the best we can do, isn't it?" asked Helen. "We'll find a place where we can sit down and be comfortable. How about up in this old car?"

"Better than that," said Rob, "I'll call my 'old sister'." ~~Swinging his attention to the words he called, "Becky, hi-yi there, Becky, come a-runnin'! That'll fetch her, and she'll make you comfortable and amuse you while you wait, too. She's as much fun as a box of monkeys, but she's a great kid and I'm sure you'll like her."~~

"Here she comes now," said Helen, "and she's all out of breath from running."

"Here, Sis," said Rob, "take these ladies down to the house and look after them until I can go for their car that's coughed its last back up the road a piece."

Helen smiled at Becky and said, "I am Helen Wilson and my friend is Olive Newton, and we think it is lovely of you to take us on while we are waiting for our car. Do with us what you please."

Rebecca blushed, straightened up, swallowed hard and swallowed again, but grinned a big, wide friendly grin as she said, "I'm Rebecca Rogers, and may I present my brother Rob? Now come on, girls. I'm awfully glad to have you here. This farm's so far from everywhere that I'm lonesome. But come on. Let's go see what Ma's got for supper. I see Pa coming from the cow pen and Ma was finishing off the butter when Rob called and I lit out. We'll be just in time to eat."

"But we shouldn't be making so much trouble," protested Helen, "unless you'll let us pay for our supper."

"Tain't nothing to pay for," declared Rebecca. "Ma always cooks more'n we can eat and the hogs and chickens get it. But if you must, I guess Ma'll let you pay, maybe a dime or a quarter."

She led them into a big old-fashioned kitchen; wide, deep windows flaunted gay gingham curtains, an

old-fashioned wood range, a corner cupboard and a huge sink that was decidedly an afterthought, stood along one side of the room. Near one window stood the kitchen table; across the room was a dining table and chairs, and against the wall a bench that could serve when needed.

"Look, Ma, we're going to have company for supper. Girls, these are my parents, Pa and Ma Rogers to everybody in this neck of the woods. For parents they are pretty keen, except when they won't let me have my own way. I hope you'll like 'em; and, Ma and Pa, these are the girls. This one's Helen and this one's Olive. I've got their last names mixed, but that won't matter so much for some day they'll both marry and get themselves another name."

"You're right welcome," said Ma, "but landsakes, Becky, do stop chattering long enough to get your breath. Supper's jest about ready to dish up. Take the girls to your room. They maybe'd like to freshen up a mite. But hurry, I don't want the chicken to fry too hard nor the biscuit to burn. Now git out from underfoot, so'ze I can move."

Becky and Olive started from the kitchen, but Helen stood still, leaning eagerly toward Pa Rogers, watching him strain the milk. She turned toward Ma Rogers asking eagerly, "Oh, please, may I have a glass of this milk while it's all warm and foamy? They always gave me some where I stayed in Switzerland."

"Ha, ha!" shouted Pa Rogers, as he poured a glass brimming full for her. "So, you're a little calf and like it hot Shucks, I'd drink it hot, too, if it'd make me look as much like peaches and cream as you do."

Helen drank her glass of milk, thanked Pa Rogers and followed Rebecca and Olive from the room.

Half an hour later they were all gathered around the table doing full justice to the delicious meal when Rob came in and took his place at the table. "I'll have time to lay in a supply of food before my truck comes. Then I'll feel more like hauling in your car. I'll say! You are all so far ahead of me. Maybe I'd better start a row among you so that I can catch up. How about it, Becky? Have you told the girls that you aim to go to college without money and without your parents' consent, even, you might say, against their wishes or without my help?"

"That's not funny, Rob Rogers," declared Rebecca. "I haven't told anybody. But all the same I am going. Just you watch me. Ma's already half a notion to help me, and Pa says now if I can get into one of those cooperative homes at some college that it won't cost me much and he's half a mind to let me try it."

"Becky sets a lot of store on gettin' an education," said Ma. "An' 'twouldn't be so bad if she didn't try to educate Pa and me. Graduat' from high school has spiled her for marryin' any of these boys around here."

"Don't be too sure on that pint, Ma," drawled Pa. "Becky sure set quiet and listened while Martin was in here 'tuther day talkin' cooperative methods. That's what gave her the idea of goin' to school on next to nothin'. Martin claims he got through college that way, and he aims to make this whole community into one big organization where

we'll work out this business of buying and selling together. Cooperation he calls it, and he claims he and a bunch of other poor boys went through college that-away. Sounds good to me."

"And it sounds good to me, too," declared Rebecca. "If Martin made his way through college on next to nothing I know I can."

"Tell me more about it," begged Olive. "I want to go to college, too, and I'll have to make my own way."

"Count me in on that, too," said Helen. "I have to make my way in the world from now on, and I'd like to begin by going to college on next to nothing."

Rob pushed back his chair and laughed. "I knew I could get my share of eats and catch up with the rest of you if I got Becky started on going to college. This time luck was with me. When you all began trying to get in on the ground floor of the Next-to-Nothing Club, I got ahead on eats. I ate your piece of pie, too, Becky. It sure was good. Well, there comes my truck. I'll take my neighbor along to bring back my truck and I'll bring your car. You girls can fight it out about the college while I'm gone; but I cast my vote for the college at Welton. It's a grand old college and not so far away. Miss Helen, may I have your keys?"

Helen handed Rob the key. "Are you sure you don't mind bringing it here for us? I really do want to hear more about this plan for going to college."

"Stay and make your plans and I'll be back before you know it. My truck's a fast runner. How's your car for speed?"

"Give it the gas it needs, and you won't have much trouble making it keep up with your truck," laughed Helen.

Pa and Ma Rogers were as eager to answer questions about the cooperative methods as the girls were to ask them. Then the girls began to wonder if Welton had a cooperative home for girls.

"If they have," said Olive, "I hope they'll have room in it for us."

"We might manage to stay in college until we graduate," said Helen, "if we could get into a place like that. Oh, I'm getting all excited over the idea."

"Don't get too het-up over it," drawled Pa Rogers. "More'n likely they ain't got no sich place."

"Why, Pa Rogers," said Ma indignantly, "More'n likely they have."

"Don't worry, Ma," said Becky. "Pa was just trying to scare me off from going to college. Even if they haven't already organized a cooperative home, we could start one of our own."

"I believe we could," agreed Olive.

"And make a go of it, too," declared Helen. "Please tell us more about how it works, Pa Rogers, and then just you sit back and watch us work it."

By the time Rob returned with the car the three girls had made up their minds to go to Welton College and try out their plans of living in a cooperative home, even if they had first to organize one.

Rob promised to bring Rebecca to Helen's at the end of the week so that the girls might perfect their plans.

As Helen and Olive drove off, Rob said to Rebecca, "Now, Sis, I'm all for you going to college. Either of those girls could educate me. I'd

The Laymen's Forum

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EDITORS CONDEMN CANDIDATES' PAPERS

Arkansans who are interested in good government should welcome action taken at the mid-winter meeting of the Arkansas Press Association. The editors adopted a resolution branding as "unwholesome" the creation of political newspapers merely to espouse the cause of some particular candidate.

Many laymen doubtless will recall the charges and counter-charges hurled two years ago by editors of two rival publications espousing the causes of their particular candidates.

Voters, whose ballots cannot be purchased for a song, or the promise of a song, probably will agree it is best to disbelieve anything that cannot be published in a daily or weekly newspaper which gets out editions week after week, and year after year.

Editors of established papers, knowing that libel laws are real, are careful not to carry political statements containing sensational charges which could not be proved before a jury.

With another party primary but a few months away, it is time for all good citizens to begin gathering factual records of the candidates as they make their ambitions known. Votes should be cast on the basis of records of past performances rather than promises of future deeds of valor. The candidates' records need to be studied from the viewpoint of the "man that he has been, and is," rather than from a single political angle. Even then mistakes will be made for every biennium some respectable men get elected and then fail to come out of office with the glory that was theirs in the beginning of their public careers.

OPPORTUNITIES AWAIT AMATEURS IN RELIGION

Writing in "Men At Work," a publication for Methodist Laymen, Dean Taylor of Fairfield, Iowa, who is a layman and an editor, stressed the opportunities which exist for laymen to do effective work in the field of evangelism.

Of amateur effort, he said:

"The preacher is a professional. The layman is an amateur; all that he does is voluntary. Even though it may seem a small effort it carries extra weight with some people. Today it has come to a place where a Christian businessman must be ready to show his colors in a sincere and dignified manner or his religion will fade away. The world dimly senses that there is a spiritual force. Christian men must have it."

Mr. Taylor in the article urged laymen to do more than assist their pastors in special evangelistic work; he urged them to conserve the results. "After special evangelistic efforts there is imperative need for earnest laymen to assist their pastors in conserving the results. There is follow-up work and the need for contacts with every new Christian," he said.

take it from them and like it."

"It will educate me just to be with them," said Rebecca. "I fell for both of them in a big way."

(To be continued)

Woman's Department of Christian Service

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ATTENTION, WOMEN OF THE NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

The Women's organizations of the Church have not, as yet, been united. The plans as adopted at the Uniting Conference are being developed as rapidly as possible. Directions for the permanent organization will be sent out after the meeting of the General Conference in April. No organizational changes can be made until that time.

During the weeks in April preceding the General Conference, all Council officers will be busy in committee work. For this reason many of the Woman's Missionary Annual Conferences this year are set for earlier dates than usual.

The North Arkansas Conference Annual meeting will be held at Conway, beginning at 2:30 p. m. on Tuesday, March 26, and closing Thursday afternoon, March 28. The Executive Committee will meet at 10 a. m. on March 26. Mrs. Helen B. Bourne, Secretary of Education and Cultivation, will be our Council guest. Please begin now to make arrangements to send your delegates to this meeting.

We have had hearty response and cooperation from the District Superintendents and pastors in the series of Provisional Meetings now being held in the Conference. One of the purposes of these Provisional Meetings was to try to reach the large number of Methodist women not connected with the Missionary Society. The meetings are being used in ways which should greatly help and promote our organization.

Records for 1939 are closed. It was a good year, showing a large increase in auxiliaries and membership, and all financial pledges overpaid. We hope and believe there has been a deepening of the spiritual life of the women, and a broadening of our outlook upon the world as our field of service. Let us pray that in 1940 we may recover even more of the spirit of cross-bearing; indeed, that we may get under the whole program of the church. Let us help to make this, the first year of our United Methodism, one worthy of our great Church and which will honor and glorify Christ.—Mrs. Henkel Pewett, Conference President.

SHERRILL AUXILIARY

We of the Methodist Parsonage, Sherrill, are enjoying an unusual experience, that of having the privilege of serving again the dear people we worked with ten years ago.

We find a splendid Woman's Society of Christian Service, with a membership of about thirty. Practically every family in the church has a representative in this organization. The first meeting I was privileged to attend was in the home of Mrs. Atkinson. The new president, with Mrs. Marie Quattlebaum in charge of the program, stressing "The Next Step in Missions," Mrs. Rush Barrett, Miss Helen Roland, Miss Doris Willis and Mrs. Jordan gave talks concerning

different phases of the work. Mrs. Lee Quattlebaum led the devotional.

The next was our Christmas program and tree in the home of Mrs. Lee Quattlebaum, with the husbands also invited. We had a most enjoyable evening. Bro. Jordan read the beautiful Christmas story from Luke and led in prayer. Then we sang Christmas carols. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Quattlebaum were out of town guests. Mr. Quattlebaum sang beautifully, "The Holy City," and Mrs. Quattlebaum told us an interesting Christmas story of five grown-up children of the modern type who almost forgot father and mother at Christmas time. This was followed by distribution of gifts from the Christmas tree.

Then, on January 9, we met in the home of Mrs. Lee Quattlebaum with Mrs. Jordan co-hostess, for our January meeting. Mrs. Atkinson was in charge. The life of Miss Belle Bennett was discussed. Plans were made for the coming year with the making of pledges and a round table discussion of the work. \$100.00 was pledged to defray expense of new furniture for the parsonage, payable, ten dollars monthly, from the penny sunshine bags. After each of these meetings, delicious refreshments were served.

Both Sherrill and Tucker have pounded the new preacher's family bountifully, lovely things coming from every section.

How wonderful it all is and how much we do appreciate it cannot be expressed in words. May God's richest blessings rest upon each one, is my prayer.—Mrs. W. R. Jordan.

ZONE MEETING AT VAN BUREN

Our program was arranged as a "New Year Program" as follows:

"As We Begin"—Rev. F. G. Villines, East Van Buren.

"Greetings"—Introduction of visitors, etc.

"The Bells Ring Out"—Response of Auxiliary President to a Questionnaire by way of reporting work.

"New Year Resolutions"—Mrs. J. B. Randolph, of Altus, District Sec. "Wishing You a Prosperous Year"—Mrs. W. T. Bacon, of Booneville, Conference Treasurer.

Offering.
Meditation on "Prayer"—Mrs. C. W. Martin, First Church, Fort Smith.

Luncheon.
Play, "The Missionary Barrel"—By Van Buren Auxiliary.

"Korean Chimes"—Miss Nellie Dyer, missionary from Korea.

"Confetti," (Miscellaneous business).

Benediction.
The East Van Buren Church, through Mrs. J. A. Fine, presented a Baby Life membership to a child of their W. M. S.

Although the weather was bad and the roads dangerous for travel, we had eleven Auxiliaries represented. The hostess church served a nice luncheon at the noon hour.

Rev. W. V. Womack, District Supt. made an announcement concerning the District Missionary Institute to be held at Goddard Memorial Church, Fort Smith, Jan. 25.

Miss Nellie Dyer, missionary from Korea, who is on furlough and who is visiting relatives in Conway, Fort Smith and Van Buren, was a guest speaker Friday at an all-day meeting of Zone 1 of the Woman's Missionary Society. She gave an informal talk, describing her work and telling of the habits and customs of the Koreans.—Mrs. Sam Wakefield.

Christian Education

HENDRIX COLLEGE NEWS

Final examinations for the first semester are being held this week and the second semester will begin on Thursday, February 1. Students will be registered for the second semester on January 30 and 31.

Miss Maggie Culpepper of Pine Bluff and James Beard of Little Rock are completing all requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degree at the end of this semester.

Majoring in history, Miss Culpepper received the Schisler History award in 1938. For four years she has served as secretary to the office of examinations and personnel. During her freshman and sophomore year she was secretary of the Hendrix Christian Association, and during her senior year she was vice-president of Alpha Chi, national honorary scholastic society. She was also a member of the Hendrix Choristers and of the chapel choir.

Majoring in social science, Beard was a member of the Hendrix band during his first three years and a member of the men's club for four years. He transferred to the University of Arkansas for one semester's work and returned to Hendrix to complete the requirements for his degree.

First event of the new semester at Hendrix will be an exhibit of sculpture by Miss Helen Ziehm of Pine Bluff, who is a student at Louisiana State University. The works will be shown from February 1 to 16.

One of two Hendrix women's debate teams won four out of six debates to tie for third place in a recent invitational tournament at Murray, Ky., and the other team won three out of six. The two teams took part in the tournament to gain experience for participation in the annual mid-South tournament to be held February 8 and 9 in Arkadelphia. Robert B. Capel, debate coach, and Mrs. Capel accompanied the teams.

Members of the team which won third place are Misses Mary Griffin, of Hot Springs, and Virginia Rhine, of Thornton. The other team is composed of Misses Aileen Pardee, of Camden, and Suzanna Byrd of Smackover.

Members of the Women's Athletic Association were entertained with a banquet in Tabor Hall last Thursday night. Miss Patricia LaGrone of Pickens presided, and talks were made by Miss Mary Louise McElwee, teacher of Woman's Physical Education, and several others. It was announced that letters would be awarded to the Conway girl's hockey team, which won a recent tournament, and to Miss Martha Williams of Fordyce, tennis champion.

Sloan Wayland of Conway, Hendrix senior and president of the Hendrix Christian Association, spoke last Wednesday night at the Central Presbyterian Church in Little Rock, as the first speaker of a series who are scheduled to discuss missionary subjects. He told of the World Conference of Christian youth, which he attended at Amsterdam, Netherlands, last summer.—Victor Hill.

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LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT RURAL CHURCH CONFERENCE

The Rural Church Conference for Little Rock District, with Dr. C. M. Reves, presiding and all the preachers serving Rural Churches present, was held at First Church, Little Rock, last Monday, January 15. The work began with the consideration of the Financial Program of the small church. This was followed by a careful study of all Church School literature available for use in the Sunday Schools and Young People's meetings of small churches. Samples of each type of literature were placed in the hands of all pastors and all the pastors agreed to hold a "Literature Institute" in their several charges. A program of Training Work for small churches was outlined as the next feature of the program. Plans have been made to hold Training Schools in every charge in this district. Under Dr. Reves' leadership the various features of the district program for the next three months were explained and the preachers pledged their cooperation in carrying out this program in every detail. Mrs. W. F. Bates, District Director of Children's Work, made a helpful contribution to the meeting in her presentation of plans for promoting the work in this Division.—Clem Baker.

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT RURAL CHURCH CONFERENCE

The Rural Church Conference for the Arkadelphia District was opened at 9:00 a. m., at First Church, Malvern, January 16, and continued until nearly 4:00 p. m. The wide-awake District Superintendent, Rev. Fred R. Harrison, had invited all the preachers of the district to participate and all were present except three or four who were sick with the flu. We were encouraged by the report that Brother Cummins, who has been sick for some three weeks in the hospital, is better. The Conference was opened with a beautiful devotional, led by Rev. J. C. Williams. Every preacher made a contribution to the discussions. Bro. Harrison is putting special emphasis on the financial program for the country church. He had already presented this program in practically all his Quarterly Conferences and the reports indicate splendid results already obtained from this plan. Bro. Harrison also is giving special emphasis to his training pro-

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gram. Dates and places were set for seven three-unit schools to be held this spring. There are prospects of other one-unit schools sufficient to reach every charge. This District Superintendent is not forgetting any phase of the District program. He is on the job day and night and we expect the old Arkadelphia District to have a great year in building the Kingdom.—Clem Baker.

OUR TRAINING SCHOOL FOR CROSSETT-HAMBURG CHARGES

Last week was a busy week for this writer. In addition to the Rural Church Conference at Little Rock and Malvern, he taught a training school at Crossett for Crossett and Hamburg charges. Two units were taught. Miss Fay McRae taught the course for Children's Workers, using the text "The Use of the Bible With Children." The Executive Secretary taught the course on "The New Methodist Church." We both had splendid classes with unusually fine interest and faithful attendance. The weather was the coldest that section of the state had had in years. The Hamburg people had to drive through the cold each night, but we did not lose a single credit pupil from either Hamburg or Crossett. Rev. Coy Whitten, our pastor at Hamburg, and Rev. T. T. McNeal, our pastor at Crossett, did fine work in promoting the school. Both attended and received credit along with their people. It was a joy to be back in this section of the state where this writer was born and in the church to which he belonged when he joined the Conference. Rev. Harold D. Sadler, the new District Superintendent, is vigorously promoting all phases of the district program and spent two days at Crossett and Hamburg while the school was in session. We heard good reports from him throughout his district.—Clem Baker.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE HAS GREAT PROGRAM

We have just finished our second round of all the districts since the meeting of our Annual Conference. In December we held our Education Institutes and in January we have made the rounds of the districts holding the Rural Church Conferences. In the Education Conferences we had unusually fine attendance, including practically all the preachers and splendid delegations of lay workers. In the Rural Church Conferences, which were confined to District Superintendents and pastors interested in the small church, we had all the District Superintendents and 107 pastors in attendance. It is our conviction that the Little Rock Conference is entering upon the most encouraging year that we have seen in a quarter of a century. Our District Superintendents are in high favor and working hard. Our pastors are all delighted with their charges and, so far as we can hear, our people are pleased with their pastors. Each district has adopted a carefully worked out program with high objectives and each district seems determined to reach all the goals set by the District Staff. Our District Staff members are all on the job and each seems to be determined to carry out that phase of the work committed to him. We are especially happy over the reception given the financial program adopted by the Little Rock Conference and carefully explained at all the Rural Church Conferences. Never before have we had so many Train-

CHURCH NEWS

ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE

These have been happy years. For almost seventeen years, I have been Superintendent of our Home for distressed children. The fact is that it seems like the whole life of happiness has been mine.

I have made many mistakes of the head, doubtless, but I am sure none of the heart. Doubtless I have been misunderstood at times and sometimes criticized, and advised all of the time, but, thank God, we have been able to balance the budget each year and this comes by reason of the loyalty, sympathy and hard work of the Church in Arkansas. I want all of the brethren of the Little Rock and North Arkansas Conference to know that no one loves them more than I do and no one appreciates their efforts more than the managers of our Home. I beg you to write me when you have any criticism or advice to give and I will at least do the best I can to analyze positions taken by friends and carry on.

You will notice from the financial statement of the Christmas Offerings that the Little Rock Conference is nearly out in its payment of the \$6000.00, that was accepted by the Conference and advised to be paid. You will also notice that the North Arkansas Conference has put on the work everywhere. I have been advised by several of the brethren to publish the Little Rock Conference allocations and the amount paid in same by charges and this I will do in the issue of the Methodist of February 8th. May God bless you all and give you a great year.—James Thomas, Supt.

ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE

This is my fourth report of the receipts of the Christmas Offerings. Those who have not sent in your offerings, please do so at once that I may close this matter out.

Little Rock Conference

Arkadelphia District	
Amount previously reported	\$ 564.01
Malvern Ct., Rockport S. S.	3.00
Magnet S. S.	2.75
Keith Memorial	.41
Rhodes Chapel	1.00
Princeton Ct., Macedonia	6.00
Zion	2.50
Providence	1.50
Total	\$ 581.17
Camden District	
Amount previously reported	\$ 842.48
Magnolia Station	50.00
Thornton Ct., Thornton S. S.	5.00
Total	\$ 897.48
Little Rock District	
Amount previously reported	\$ 1533.42
Austin Circuit	15.00
DeValls Bluff S. S., Des Arc,	
New Bethel Charge	7.00
Total	\$ 1555.42

ing Schools planned and the Conference shows no signs of letting up in its interest in the training program. Again we are determined to reach our 10% increase in the Church School enrollment. Our Conference is also planning a great Evangelistic Campaign with a definite determination of reaching a 5% net increase in membership this year. It is encouraging to note the number of churches that are making early payments on Conference Claims. Certain churches that have always waited until fall are sending in their claims by the month. Our goal is "Claims in full by Easter," except where these claims are paid regularly through the budget each month. Certainly this is to be a year of Advance among the people called "Methodists" in that section of the state called the Little Rock Conference.—Clem Baker.

Monticello District	
Amount previously reported	\$ 668.84
New Edinburg Ct., Additional	5.00
Total	\$ 673.84
Pine Bluff District	
Amount previously reported	\$ 817.56
Rison	30.00
Total	\$ 847.56
Prescott District	
Amount previously reported	\$ 266.01
Bingen Ct., Sweet Home	1.50
Gurdon	35.00
Total	\$ 302.51
Texarkana District	
Amount previously reported	\$ 896.88
Lockesburg S. S.	15.00
Total	\$ 911.88
Grand Total	\$ 5769.86

North Arkansas Conference

Batesville District	
Amount previously reported	\$ 103.19
Auvergne S. S., Weldon,	
Tupelo Ct.	2.50
Total	\$ 105.69
Conway District	
Amount previously reported	\$ 238.35
Washington Ave., N. Little Rock	3.46
Russellville S. S.	25.00
Houston S. S., Perry-Houston	
Charge	1.00
Total	\$ 267.81
Fayetteville District	
Amount previously reported	\$ 82.60
Fort Smith District	
Amount previously reported	\$ 136.85
Hartman-Spadra	13.03
Lavaca S. S.	2.47
Total	\$ 152.41
Helena District	
Amount previously reported	\$ 212.53
Jonesboro District	
Amount previously reported	\$ 207.83
Fisher Street, Jonesboro	5.00
Keiser Ct., Keiser S. S.	4.00
Garden Point	1.00
Lake City Ct., Lake City S. S.	2.00
Lakeview S. S.	4.00
Caraway	2.00
Lunsford	2.00
Pleasant Valley	2.00
Total	\$ 230.83
Paragould District	
Amount previously reported	\$ 118.32
Hoxie Ct., Portia S. S.	3.48
Knobel Ct., Knobel S. S.	2.00
Total	\$ 123.80
Searcy District	
Amount previously reported	\$ 120.88
Clinton S. S.	5.00
Rosebud Ct., Rosebud S. S.	2.00
Total	\$ 127.88
Grand Total	\$ 1303.55
Individual Gifts previously reported	\$ 5.00
Grand Total received from both Conferences and all sources	\$ 7078.41
—James Thomas, Superintendent	

OLA-CENTERVILLE CHARGE

We arrived at the parsonage on the afternoon of Nov. 18. We were invited out for supper in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Kolb. There several members of the Ola Church came to invite us to come to the church to meet the membership. Upon arriving we found that the part of the membership that wasn't there had sent a gift. This was our "pounding." We were so surprised and elated that we could hardly make a speech of thanks.

Then on the third Sunday of December Centerville gave us a "pounding" and also paid their Benevolences in full for the Conference year. Two new members came by letter to make December the 16 a red letter day.

The people have received us in such a way that we feel welcome and deeply indebted to them. Ola is taking three Sundays and Centerville one. This is a step forward. Everything is moving in that direction. The young people have organized their Epworth League and are meeting each Sunday evening. I have made 190 pastoral calls. One has been received by vows and one by letter at Ola. In addition to the generous "pounding" everyone has shown every kindness and sympathy possible in the illness of my wife. Also the Woman's Missionary Society, with the aid of the church membership, is making the parsonage as comfortable and beautiful as possible, by placing new window shades in the living room and din-

ing room, a built-in cabinet and sink in the kitchen, linoleum for kitchen and dining room. Paint for living room floor and borders of other rooms, and a new living room suite. We appreciate these many things beyond words of expression. We shall strive to repay by the best service we are capable of rendering.—C. Everette Patton, P. C.

TO FORMER M. P. PASTORS

Within the bounds of both the Little Rock and the North Arkansas Conferences, and in the extreme northern part of the Louisiana Conference are pastors serving former M. P. Churches. Rev. W. O. Lynch, whose address is Logansport, La., has requested that pastors serving these churches write him their names and addresses as soon as possible; for as Treasurer of the Arkansas Conference, Bro. Lynch desires to correspond with them, and will receive all claims collected by them for the General Boards of the church, until the next meeting of the General Conference. Also, the writer would like to learn the address of the pastors who served in the Arkansas Conference last year, and who have moved from their former address. We need this information that we may mail you a

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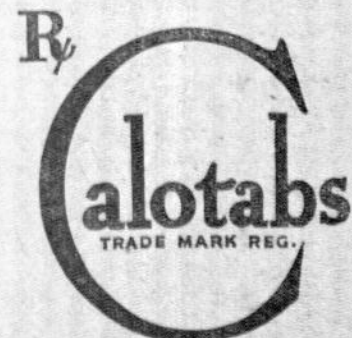
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copy of the Minutes of the Conference, and that we may, as the president of the Church Extension Board and member of the Continuation Committee of the Arkansas Conference, correspond with you about such matters as may concern you before the General Conference convenes.—W. O. Tisdale, Secretary, Arkansas Conference, Methodist Protestant Church, Magnolia, Ark.

FIRST CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK

In order to get better acquainted with our Church families we are conducting a family census. The pastor is anxious to know the connection of all individuals in the Church and the information will be invaluable to the Church School as a source of increase in attendance. When you are called, please give this information to the ladies who are representing your Church. We want to serve you, and can best do so if we have the information sought. Miss Rebecca Barber, Mrs. Clem Baker, Mrs. T. B. Fatherree, Mrs. J. D. Hammons, Mrs. Henry Leigh, Mrs. Braxton Eifer, Mrs. Charles Oliver, Mrs. C. E. Roberts, Mrs. H. C. Rule, Sr., Mrs. Edwin Stewart, Miss Frances Terrell, Mrs. W. A. Treadway, Jr., Miss Mary Ward and Mrs. Paul Zander are calling to get this information. Welcome the caller and cooperate with your church.

The Methodist Advance Committee of the church met last week to select the names of 100 couples in First Church who would accept the responsibility of visiting five families regularly to create a good will for the church. Your name may be among the list. If it is, we want you to share the joy of making the

church more meaningful to other members of our family. We can best serve by our personal interest in others. Let us make it our business to welcome our friends, visitors and members of the church. In this way we may serve others and have the pleasure of enriching our personal life.

The Junior Choir, directed by Mr. John Summers, minister of music, meets every Wednesday afternoon, at 4 o'clock. All members of the Junior and Junior High Departments are invited to attend the rehearsals. This is an opportunity for the children and young people of our church to get good training in choral music and in the order of service. Mr. Summers is well qualified to lead this group. Let as many of this group take advantage of the training as possible.

The Chapel Choir for members of the Senior High and Young People's Departments meets every Wednesday at 7 p. m. for practice. Mrs. Frank Delony and Mr. Robert Gannaway are directing the group and giving some splendid training in choral work. Every young person in the church from fifteen to twenty-four is invited to attend the practice and to take part in the musical program of the church.

During February the Junior High Department is studying the various Protestant denominations and inviting one of them to plan the worship service for the Epworth League meeting at 6 p. m. The purpose is to learn more about these denominations and to create a feeling of good will and brotherhood. Interesting and inspiring and instructive programs are in store for us.—C. R. Hozendorf, Assistant Pastor.

FOR THE CHILDREN

LITTLE MR. BY-AND-BY

Little Mr. By-and-By,
You will mark him by his cry,
And the way he loiters when
Called again and yet again.
Gloom if he must leave his play,
Though all time be holiday.

Little Mr. By-and-By,
Eyes cast down and mouth awry!
In the mountains of the moon
He is known as Pretty Soon;
And he's cousin to Don't Care,
As, no doubt, you're well aware.

Little Mr. By-and-By
Always has a fretful "Why?"
When he's asked to come or go:
Like his sister, Susan Slow.
Hope we'll never—you nor I—
Be like Mr. By-and-By.—Selected.

A BIRD STORY

Do birds think? Let me tell you of a little bird I once had. The little bird was a female mocking-bird, which had a nest of young ones about a week old. The baby birds were very unhealthy, inheriting weakness from their father, that had asthma.

Early one morning I was awakened by the mother bird standing on my pillow, pouring into my ear the most mournful notes I ever heard. I knew something was wrong, and arose at once. The mother flew to her nest—then looked to see if I was following, which I was. As soon as I reached the nest, she took hold one of the baby birds' wings, pinched it gently with her beak, and watched it eagerly, I think, to see if it moved. Then she took hold of one of the little feet, and pinched it in the same manner; and, finding it did not move, she looked up at me in a pleading way, as if she wanted me to awaken them.

I examined the lifeless little bodies, and when I withdrew my hand, the mother hastened to hover over the little ones, seeming to think that, if she could warm them, they would awaken. In a few moments she hopped off the nest, looked at her babies, held food close to their mouths, and coaxed and called them; but in vain. She flew all around the room, as if in search of some untried remedy. Several times she perched on my shoulder, and then looked so distressed and pitiful I could scarcely keep from crying. I put her in a cage and hung her in the sunshine, to see if she would become quiet. She took a bath but still remained nervous and seemed anxious, and, by-and-by, grew so restless I had to take her out of the cage and let her go to the nest again.

She stood quite a while looking at her dead children. Then she went over all the bodies—pinching them gently, and watching them closely to see if they moved. When she saw no signs of life, she seemed puzzled. She seemed at last to make up her mind the little ones were dead. And one by one she lifted them tenderly in her beak, and laid them side by side in the middle of the room. She looked at them lovingly for a moment, then flew to her empty nest and gazed wonderingly into that. Finally she perched on my shoulder, and looked into my eyes, as if to ask: "What does all this mean?"

What a lesson of love and devotion that little bird taught! She always fed the little ones before taking a mouthful herself, and sometimes she would stand coaxing them to take one more mouthful, and, finding they had enough, would swallow it herself.—Selected.

INTERNATIONAL Sunday School Lesson

Lesson for January 28

JESUS DRAMATICALLY PROCLAIMS HIS MESSIAHSHIP

LESSON TEXT—Matthew 21:1-16.
GOLDEN TEXT—Behold, thy King cometh unto thee.—Matthew, 21:5.

The official presentation of Himself to the Jewish people as their King, their rejection of Him, and what was even more solemnly meaningful, His rejection of the Hebrew nation because of unbelief—such are the stirring events which face us as we enter with our Lord into the last week of His earthly life. The first event in that sequence is the one we study in our lesson for today, namely, the coming of the King to Jerusalem. Jesus on this occasion did a very dramatic and unusual thing, a fact which indicates that here is an incident of extraordinary import to which we do well to give careful study.

I. Preparation and Presentation (vv. 1-7).

The King comes, but even in His hour of royal triumph He gives to His followers the unexplainable but inestimable joy of meeting His need.

1. "The Lord Hath Need" (vv. 1-4). He had need of disciples who would do His bidding without question or hesitation—"and the disciples went, and did even as Jesus had appointed them" (v. 6). How precious is such obedience! Let us also go and do what He commands. He needed the colt and the ass. How simple and lowly was that need, and yet how glorious that a man was ready to meet it! God's plans are worked out in the little things as well as the great. Prophecy was being fulfilled here (see v. 5) by a little thing. Is God waiting to carry out some great purpose through some little thing which you are withholding from Him? Why hinder Him any longer?

2. "Behold Thy King Cometh" (vv. 5-7). Though He did not come with the pomp and trappings of an earthly potentate, the King of Glory came to His people to offer them for the last time the opportunity to receive Him. He asks you to yield your life to His kingship. What will your answer be?

II. Acceptance and Rejection (vv. 8-11, 15, 16).

1. "The Multitude... Cried... Hosannah" (vv. 8-11). The fact that before the week was over many of the same voices cried, "Crucify Him!" should not obscure the fact that there were childlike believers (v. 16) who really had faith in Christ. There is something inspiring about that picture of enthusiasm and devotion. Real faith in Christ ought to result in a fervor of spirit which will stir hearts and our cities. Are we not altogether too dead and formal in much of our worship today? Do we not need more holy enthusiasm for Christ and for His Church?

2. "The Chief Priests and Scribes... Were Sore Displeased" (vv. 15, 16). Small wonder, for not only had the children put them to open shame by recognizing the Christ whom they had ignored, but He had in turn ruined their polite religious

racket which made them such a lovely profit. Mark this—when anyone is displeased with Jesus or with His true children or with His work on earth, you can be sure that there is a reason, and not a holy, upright or good reason either.

III. Judgment and Compassion (vv. 12-14).

What a remarkable picture! In the midst of flaming judgment and destruction we find loving compassion upon the blind and the lame. Folk who think that Christ has no message but love need to look on Him as He cleanses the temple. On the other hand, those who think that He has no word but judgment need to behold Him as He stands in the midst of the overturned tables and debris and heals the needy. Inconsistent? Not at all. God is love, but He is also absolute holiness.

1. "Jesus Cast Out... and Overthrew" (vv. 12, 13). He knew where to begin to cleanse the city. He started in the temple. Absolutely right is the man who suggested that the place to start to clean up a city is not in the slums but in the churches. You will be ready to clean out the tavern or that other low place where the gang hangs out in your town after you have cleaned out the church. The same is true of the individual. A regenerated heart will bring a reformed life, not vice versa.

2. "He Healed Them" (v. 14). The very hands which had just overthrown the tables and cast out the money-changers now gently touched the lame and the blind with healing. The eyes which had blazed with holy indignation now shone with love and compassion. The scene of judgment and chaos became the house of prayer and of answered prayer. On the very spot where one man had received condemnation, another received healing. Each one received that which he sought by his action. How will you, my dear reader, meet Jesus—as your Judge or as your Savior? You must make the choice.

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Methodist Advance, Feb. 5

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Mr. Tom Marshall, 1109 W. 6th.
Dr. and Mrs. Forest Davidson, 128 Crest View, Park Hill.

OUR KNOWN SICK

Mrs. Frank Botsford, Baptist Hospital.
Mr. J. S. Goodman, Sr., Baptist Hospital.
Mrs. J. C. Reed, 1115 Schiller.
Wanda Mae Lunn, 2421 W. 6th.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Scott, 1309 Rock, upon the birth of a daughter, Rebecca Ann, January 9.

To Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Trotter, 1715 Summit, upon the birth of a son, Richard Irby, January 14.

Mr. and Mrs. V. T. Harvey, Ridge Road, Park Hill, upon the birth of a daughter, Judith Carolyn, Jan. 16.

TITHERS OF WINFIELD CHURCH

There may be a greater number of tithers in Winfield than are included here but these are the persons whom the secretary indicated are tithing. The list is growing from month to month. Surely God's plan of church finance ought to be the plan of a greater number of our people.

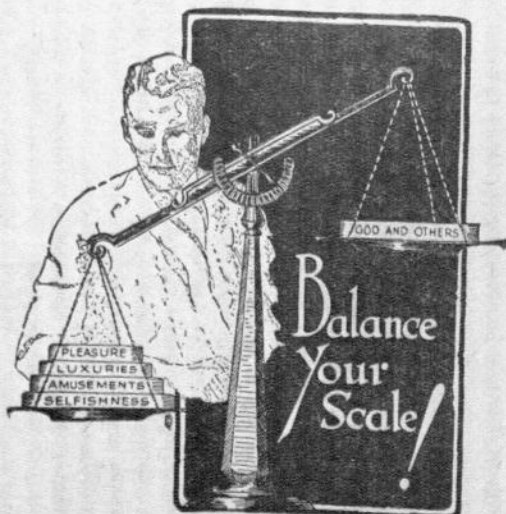
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Mrs. Kate Pieper
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Mr. and Mrs. Foote
Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Weidemeyer
Miss Inez Slack
Miss Irene Ricks
Mr. J. E. Byers
Mr. John Ricks.

READ I COR. 16:2

"Upon the first day of the week (Sunday) let every one of you lay by (present offering) in store (church) as God has prospered him (according to means)."

YOUNG PEOPLE TO HAVE PARTY

A "Li'l Abner Party" will be held in the Young People's Parlor this Friday night, Jan. 26, at 7:30 for all members of the Department. Each one is to come dressed as one of the characters in "Li'l Abner".



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Next Sunday At Winfield

10:00 A. M. CHURCH SCHOOL—"Bring Your Friend"
11:00 A. M. "THE PAGANISM OF PESSIMISM"—The Pastor
6:00 P. M. Junior-High, Senior, Young People's Leagues and The Sunday Evening Club
7:30 P. M. "LIFE'S ENDS"—Sermon by Hal H. Pinnell, Associate Pastor. (Last of series on "The Beatitudes of Life")

THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

By GASTON FOOTE

Tell Others About Your Church

The Proctor and Gamble Company of America is within the next six weeks giving away 60 new Buicks, in a contest, in order to get 130,000,000 Americans to talk about Ivory soap. This company knows that the best advertising for its product is that which encourages the general public to talk about it. What a fine thing it would be if every church member in America would spend two minutes a day praising the merits of his church.

The best publicity a church can receive is the personal endorsement of its members. If seventy-five per cent of the articles of commerce are sold over the personal endorsement of satisfied customers why cannot church people boost their church by their personal testimony of the church's value to them? Why not

TELL Others About Your Church

If one half of the people in America are not identified with any religious organization, if one half of the children in America from 5 to 21 years of age are receiving no religious instruction whatever, if one half of those who are members of the church do not actively participate in the program of the church, and if there are people about you every day who need the influence of your church, why not

Tell OTHERS About Your Church

If you enjoy the fine fellowship of a good Church School class, the stimulating class discussions, the spiritual uplift of the worship service, why not

Tell Others About YOUR Church

If you have time to talk about the merits of your family, your car, your merchandise, your political party, your club, or yourself, why not

Tell Others About Your CHURCH

Winfield can double its attendance at every service if every member will spend TWO MINUTES A DAY talking to others about HIS CHURCH.

Christian Education

By HAL H. PINNELL

Church School Attendance

Last Sunday 550
A Year Ago 655

Departmental Reports

	Pres.	On Time	Cont.	Stay Ch.
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Y. P.	49	35	27	37

Adult Report

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Hinton Class	33
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Jenkin's Class	20
Ashby's Class	15
Forum Class	14
Young Men's Class	13
Total	237

Evening Groups

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Senior High	36
Junior High	21
Sunday Evening Club	20

"THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION"

Young People and Senior High Joint Meeting

The subject Sunday evening, 6:45 p. m., "The Church's One Foundation." Leader, Miss Evelyn Heard. Violin solo, Miss Vivian Steed.

Those participating in the program are these: Robert McNeely, Alma Marshall, Bill Wilson, Aldridge Johnson, Ralph Caldwell.

SUNDAY EVENING CLUB

"The Living Bible," subject for the service Sunday evening; the leader, Mr. Dewey Price.

Fellowship period prior to the program beginning at 6:00 p. m.

The Sunday Evening Club composed of Young Adults of the church provides an interesting program for all young adults. Get the habit of attending this meeting.

ADULT CLASS MINIMUM GOALS SET

Minimum attendance goals were set for the nine adult classes last Sunday. These goals are not to be reached just one time but are to be the AVERAGE attendance. All of them are clearly within reach. LET US REACH THEM NEXT SUNDAY—AND THE NEXT. HERE IS HOW: (1) Contact absentees, (2) Bring new members or potential members to class, and (3) Make class so interesting they will continue to come. Minimum Goals are:

Ashby	25	Brothers	35
Fidelity	35	Couples	60
Jenkins	35	Forum	30
Mothers	50	Men's	60
Young Men's	20		

LET'S REACH THE GOAL SUNDAY!

BROTHERS' CLASS

Members of the Brothers' Couples Class will meet this Friday night, Jan. 26, at 6:30 in Fellowship Hall for a "Hamburger Supper".

WEEK'S FINANCES

Necessary to run church, (week)	\$493
Received between Jan. 14 and 21	\$425
Deficit	\$68
Envelopes Received	376

—PAY BY WEEK—