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## THE METHODIST COLLEGE: RETROSPECT AND PROSPECT

THE accomplishment of Methodist reunion affords an opportune moment for a profitable though brief appraisal of some of the college efforts of Methodism in the past and for an estimate of what may lie ahead in the church college field. In the South the near-century of separate Methodist existence has witnessed the rise and the passing of hundreds of small academies, seminaries, and so-called colleges. This period also witnessed the founding and development of most of our present group of strong colleges and universities. All told, 777 educational institutions of various types have served the Church during this period. Of this number there now remain three universities, twenty-six four-year colleges, sixteen junior colleges, and three academies, but these forty-eight institutions bring into united Methodism an educational prestige of which the Church may be justly proud. In statistical showing this group of institutions represents financial assets of \$117,863,471, serving a student enrollment of 33,316.

Of outstanding importance during this period has been the emergence of the four-year liberal arts college as the chief effort of the Church to meet its educational responsibility. The academy had its day and served well. More recently the junior college has come to its place of useful service. At the present time the church-related university is emerging into a new prominence. The four-year liberal arts college, however, seems to be the chief cornerstone upon which the Church must rest its case in insisting upon its essential place in the educational field.

During the decade just closing the Church has made remarkable progress toward achieving its avowed goals of "Genuine Colleges, Genuinely Christian," and "Fewer but Stronger Colleges, Strategically Located." Since the beginning of the decade, twenty-three institutions have ceased to exist as separate entities, but their contributions happily have not been lost. Their values have been merged into the educational stream represented by the much stronger group of forty-eight institutions which remain.

By way of *Prospect*, our chief concern now is to give proper interpretation to what Methodism's educational past means for its college program in the future. In this matter St. Paul's exhortation is to the point: "Whereunto we have already attained let us walk by the same rule." The review of our aims and an inventory of our record tell us what has and will stand the test of time. With a high sense of mission we are coming into united Methodism with a field nation-wide in scope, with 137 educational institutions representing assets of over \$300,000,000, and with an impressive enrollment of nearly 100,000 students. But the future also presents some difficult and unsolved problems which for lack of space can only be cited here but which should be faced resolutely and without delay. Some of these are as follows:

1. To meet rapidly expanding demands the Church must find or open the way to finding greatly increased financial resources for its stronger colleges.

2. Failing in this, it must of necessity face the alternative of attempting to combine some of its weaker institutions in apparently over-colleged areas into fewer but stronger units.

3. Since the church college is a service institution both to the Church and to society in general, what part of its support should come from the Church and what from the general public or other sources?

4. Likewise, the extent to which the Church

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should wisely go in exercising ownership and control over its colleges is a question needing serious consideration.

5. Finally, since the Church has a responsibility to serve all Methodist students wherever found, the question of adequately supporting its own institutions and at the same time providing adequate religious leadership for its students not in Methodist colleges merits urgent and careful attention.—W. M. Alexander in *Christian Education Magazine*.

## CHURCH'S MINISTRY TO STUDENTS THROUGH THE METHODIST STUDENT MOVEMENT

IS the Church really serving the Methodist students on the college campus? Is the Methodist Student Movement a force that is helping students find themselves and their place in the building of a better world? Or is this just an unrealized objective of the Church?

The goal for which an organization or movement is striving may be determined by the objectives set up, but how well these objectives are being reached can be determined only by the results obtained. So the objectives of the Church's ministry through the Methodist Student Movement can be easily found in reading the literature of the Church but the pertinent question is how well are these objectives being realized in the lives of students on the campus? The Methodist Student Movement is the program of the Church on the campus and as such it seeks to meet the needs of the student and to help him adjust himself to his own campus community and fit himself, through a variety of experiences, to take his place in the larger community of life. While it is basically a part of the Church, it must be integrated into the general life on the campus if it is to meet the religious needs of the students.

The basic need of the student today seems to be the need for stability. Stability is gained by having something to which one can give oneself that is big enough to challenge one's highest living. Does the Methodist Student Movement bring this challenge to the students on Church and State college campuses? One student on a State campus says: "The Wesley Foundation (Methodist Student Movement) has given me something to live for. It has been a decidedly steadying influence, the one thing that gives me a feeling that the world does make sense." Another states, "It gives me a concrete basis for Christianity—something to grasp, something real and alive—it makes me desire and strive for a positive and active religion rather than a passive one." Still another says, "Life is full of question marks, but many of these have been erased for me by the Wesley Foundation."

But, you question, is this a mere loyalty to a campus organization, or will it carry over into the larger phases of life—does it mean allegiance to God and Christian ideals? Three students have recently answered:

"The word of the Methodist Student Movement means more to me than anything else on

the campus. It is a place to do work that will mean something to someone else as well as to me, and the development and influence of this experience will guide me more after college than any other organization here. Its activities present a goal instead of just something to do every day that will all be over when I graduate."

"First of all the work of the Methodist Student Movement is the work of the Church; it is the work of Christ. Every phase of church life is renewed and energized through growing knowledge, better understanding, closer fellowship, and deeper spirituality. I have gotten all these from the Methodist Student Movement at work on our campus."

"It is a well-rounded organization that has influenced my living and thinking while I have been in college, bringing me a new conception of the value and influence of church work and its relation to people."

Did you ever feel like you were the only person in the world supporting a cause or who didn't think the world was all right as it was? Do you recall that feeling of aloneness? The fellowship provided by the Methodist Student Movement on the campus is one of its greater contributions to student life. A girl says: "It has meant particularly much to me because of the chances I have had to make new friends—friends who hold only the highest ideals and attitudes toward life." Another says: "It means the most wonderful fellowship—it is work, fun, education, and everything that stands for the highest and most sincere type of living." Still another student evaluates it this way: "It has shown God to me more clearly than I had ever seen him through music, poetry, beauty, and most of all through personalities. This force . . . has awakened something within me."

There is always the danger of becoming exclusive, maybe even snobbish and self-centered, when a group of students on a campus are interested and working at the same thing. The Methodist Student Movement reaches out beyond the boundaries of a campus and brings together all the Methodist students within the State. The State Student Conference offers broader contacts in every way—not only in rich fellowship—but there are sermons and discussions (official and unofficial—the unofficial are always best if you are fortunate enough as a leader to get in undiscovered), addresses by nationally known leaders of youth, workshop periods, worship services, that help to deepen the experience and sometimes in some Conferences there are thrilling new experiences that change attitudes toward some phases of life. The State Student Conference, like the campus work, is an organization for students, with student officers and committees. The Church through this broader area has an opportunity to use its finest materials and its best trained adult leadership in an enriched ministry to students.

Last June the Methodist Student Movement advanced into an even larger area by having a National Methodist Student Conference. This experience was so rich and offered such possibilities for an even greater ministry for the Church that plans are being made for further advancement in this field.

The ministry of the Church through the Methodist Student Movement differs only in local organizational set-up on the church school campus and in the State or tax-supported college. The movement on the church college campus is called "The Christian Student Movement" and on the State campus "The Wesley Foundation." The organization on either campus is for students with a student council and with student committees. The adult leader in each situation

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## METHODIST EVENTS

General Conference, Atlantic City, April 24.  
Conway District Conference, Dardanelle, April 29-30.  
Fayetteville Dist. Conf., at Prairie Grove, April 30.  
Helena Dist. Conf., Marianna, May 2.  
Fort Smith District Conference, at Booneville, May 7.  
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Texarkana Dist. Conf., Hatfield, May 16.  
Prescott Dist. Conf., Mineral Springs, May 21.  
Jurisdictional Conference, Oklahoma City, May 28.  
Arkadelphia Dist. Conf., Keith Memorial, May 22.

## Personal and Other Items

**STUDENTS** of the United States are expected  
to join in a two-day observance of prayer  
and dedication to the cause of peace Saturday  
and Sunday, April 20 and 21.

**THE** editor will start for Atlantic City, New  
Jersey, Sunday night to attend the General  
Conference. His address will be Hotel Miller  
Cottage, 7-17 N. Georgia Avenue.

**REV. W. J. FAUST**, pastor of Bethesda-Cush-  
man Charge, writes: "We were very kindly  
received here for the third year and the work  
is moving pleasantly. We are hopeful of a good  
year."

**BISHOP FREDERICK D. LEETE** announces  
that Prof. Paul N. Garber was unanimously  
elected Secretary of the Western section of the  
Ecumenical Methodist Council succeeding Dr.  
A. J. Weeks. Dr. Garber is professor in Duke  
University, an historian worthy of Methodism.

**MARRIED**, J. W. Shackelford and Mrs. Mar-  
garet E. Wren, April 10, at Pulaski Heights  
parsonage, Rev. J. E. Cooper officiating. Mr.  
Shackelford is a prominent layman of DeWitt,  
and Mrs. Shackelford is the daughter of the  
late Rev. R. A. Sebren of Belmont, La. The  
couple will reside at 3201 E. Broadway, North  
Little Rock.

**THE PUBLISHING AGENTS** have allocated  
the printing of the Discipline of 1940 to the  
House at Nashville; the Journal of the 1940 Con-  
ference to the Book Concern at New York City;  
the Handbook for the General Conference to the  
Chicago House, and the Delegates Manual to the

Cincinnati House. The 47,000 new Disciplines  
which were printed have practically all been  
sold.

**MR. HUGH S. FAWCETT**, aged 83, died at his  
home in Lonoke last Tuesday. He was the  
father of Rev. Roy E. Fawcett, a member of  
Little Rock Conference. He is survived by three  
daughters and four sons. A successful farmer,  
a leading citizen, and a loyal Methodist, he was  
always on the side of right and progress. The  
funeral was conducted by Dr. C. M. Reves and  
Rev. D. T. Rowe, and burial was at old Austin,  
his birth place.

**REV. J. M. HARRISON**, our pastor at Prairie  
Grove, writes: "Our work is moving along  
very well. We have paid 50% of our accept-  
ances on benevolences for the year. Since pay-  
ing off the debt on our church building last year  
considerable work has been done in repairing  
and finishing the educational building. We are  
to have the Fayetteville District Conference with  
us on April 30th. Dr. Forney Hutchinson will be  
the Conference preacher."

**THE GOVERNMENT**, in planning for the work  
of census enumerators has been unfair and  
inconsistent in requiring that the work be done  
in a limited time with a comparatively small  
number of enumerators. In order to complete  
the job within the limit fixed most of the  
enumerators have had to work from twelve to  
sixteen hours a day, although the government  
has by law reduced the number of hours that  
may lawfully be required by employers to six  
or eight. A longer period should have been  
planned or more enumerators employed. Some  
of the women have been compelled to work in  
the rain and often to nine o'clock at night. But,  
"Consistency, thou art a jewel."

**AFTER** visiting Harding College last Friday,  
this editor accepted the invitation of Mr. A.  
J. Troxell, Soil Conservationist, to see maps and  
records in his office and inspect several farms  
which are being treated for soil erosion in the  
vicinity of Searcy. He is an enthusiast, knows  
his stuff, and takes delight in showing and ex-  
plaining it. We suggest that readers who are in-  
terested and wish to see a demonstration of this  
kind of work might visit the activities in White  
county. The transformation of gullied fields  
into properly terraced, drained and productive  
farms is marvelous. This kind of work, under  
the direction of the government, is entitled to  
hearty commendation. It is a combination of  
soil and forest conservation and flood control,  
the very thing the South needs to improve agri-  
culture.

## A GROWING INSTITUTION

**HARDING COLLEGE**, at Searcy, is a consoli-  
dation of Arkansas Christian College and  
Harper (Kansas) College. Growing rapidly, it  
needed a bigger and better plant. Consequently  
its Board leased the plant which had been Gal-  
loway College, and finally was able to pay for it  
at a bargain price. Before relocating, it had  
about 300 students. Now it has an enrollment  
of 475 from 26 states, and 408 are in college  
classes. Its faculty, under the presidency of  
Dr. G. S. Benson, numbers some 32 members,  
most of whom have advanced degrees. Full four-  
year college courses are offered, leading to the  
degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science,  
and Bachelor of Music. Bible study and chapel  
attendance are required. The name "Harding"  
was given in honor of Dr. James A. Harding, a  
great leader in Christian Education. The Gallo-  
way College plant, as we know, was fine, and  
some additions have been made to it. Conse-  
quently, without debt and with an increasing  
enrollment, it is a fast growing institution. It  
was my privilege last week to address this fine-  
looking body of students, and to meet President  
Benson, President-Emeritus Armstrong, and oth-  
er members of the faculty. I appreciated the  
introduction by Mr. Oren J. Vaughan, a Hendrix  
student, and former State Commander of the  
American Legion. While Arkansas Methodists  
cannot help regretting the loss to Methodism of  
Galloway College, there is satisfaction in the  
fact that the property now provides for a worthy  
institution that is promoting Christian education.  
—A. C. M.

## THE PASSING OF DR. J. G. BENSON

**LAST** Monday Dr. J. G. Benson, aged 91,  
entered into rest at his home in this city.  
Born in England he came to this country with  
his parents as a child. In 1875 he was admitted  
into the Northern New York Conference, and at  
the time of his death was the oldest member of  
that Conference in which he had served twelve  
charges. In 1881 he married Miss Celia Maltby,  
who died in 1897, survived by a son, Earl M.  
Benson, who is now Master of the English High  
School in Boston, Mass. In 1898, Dr. Benson  
married Miss Ada Rummel, who survives him.  
She is a sister of the late Hon. H. L. Rummel,  
prominent business man and Republican leader  
in Arkansas. Retiring in 1921, Dr. Benson has  
lived in Little Rock, and was actively connected  
with the Scott Street Methodist Church. A  
sweet-spirited, genuine Christian gentleman,  
thoroughly in favor of Methodist Union, he was  
happy over the consummation of that union.  
Honored and loved by members of both  
Churches, he will long be remembered by Little  
Rock Methodists. Funeral services Tuesday at  
the Scott Street Church, were conducted by Dr.  
C. M. Reves, assisted by Rev. Roy L. Brown and  
Rev. Warren Johnston. Burial will be in Poland,  
New York.

## ALASKA FOR REFUGEE FINNS

**IT** has been suggested that Finns who desire to  
leave Finland might be given land and special  
opportunities in Alaska. We would not encour-  
age a single Finn who really wishes to remain in  
his homeland to leave. But if conditions are  
such that some should leave, it would be a fine  
thing both for them and for the United States  
if they could be colonized in Alaska. They are  
unusually fine people and would make useful  
citizens; and because of their experience in a  
cold climate, they would be better adapted to  
life in Alaska than any other people. With a  
hundred thousand such citizens Alaska could be  
developed and perhaps soon attain to statehood.  
We hope Congress will consider the suggestion  
favorably. If any of our readers approve, let  
them write members of Congress about it.

## CHURCH'S MINISTRY TO STUDENTS THROUGH THE METHODIST STUDENT MOVEMENT

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has a real opportunity to serve both students  
and the Church through counseling and guid-  
ance and by using every resource of trained  
leadership. The Student Council, however, is  
the heart of the Methodist Student Movement  
and one of the richest ministries of the Church  
is in training these young people in leadership.  
Through the Council the program of the Church  
is given expression through varied activities,  
such as: worship, Christian social action, re-  
ligious drama, discussion groups, deputation  
groups, and friendly hours.

The Methodist Church, if she is wise, will  
strive increasingly to provide adequate religious  
education for her "leaders-in-training." We  
have called to witness a few of these young  
potential leaders of the Church. They have  
given testimony of the ministry of the Church  
through the Methodist Student Movement. Evi-  
dence points to the fact that these represent only  
a few of the thousands of young people The  
Methodist Church is serving.—Ethelene Sampley  
in Christian Education Magazine.

## CIRCULATION REPORT

**DURING** the past week the following subscrip-  
tions have been received: Vilonia, J. H.  
Humphreys, by Mrs. W. A. Simpson, 3; Hartman,  
Bates Sturdy, 2; Prairie Grove, J. M. Harrison,  
14; Hunter Memorial, Little Rock, A. J. Shirey,  
32; Antioch Ct., R. B. Howerton, 2; First Church,  
Pine Bluff, E. C. Rule, 1; Yarbrow-Promised Land,  
A. W. Harris, 100%, 11. Appreciation is due  
these good pastors. May many others rush their  
lists so that their members may have the news  
of General and Jurisdictional Conferences. Pas-  
tors cannot afford to let their people be unin-  
formed about the progress of the United Church.



## Report of Education and Promotion

With this meeting, the Board of Missions of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is closing out its work, therefore, I propose to take a look backward and to give a brief historical sketch of what has been done in this field of missionary education since the turn of the century.

### Historical Sketch

Missionary education in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was the outgrowth of work among students inaugurated as far back as 1898. Initiated by the Rev. P. L. Cobb, the movement had by 1902 taken definite shape as a phase of the work of the Board of Missions. It was known as the "Young People's Department." When Dr. Lambuth became General Secretary of the Board of Missions in 1902, with the eyes of a seer he looked into the future and envisioned what this education among young people might mean, and made definite plans for its development. In 1903 he asked Rev. John W. Shackford to take charge of this new feature and so popular and so successful had the work become that by 1906 the General Conference recognized its value and authorized the establishment by the Board of Missions of a definite department of missionary education to be known as "The Young People's Department."

In June, 1906, Dr. Ed F. Cook was elected secretary of this new department. Under Dr. Cook new features were introduced. One was the establishment in 1908 of a bureau of illustrated lectures for the use of pastors, Sunday School superintendents, and League officers interested in missions. A second was begun in 1909 when the Executive Committee directed the educational secretary to secure from schools and colleges a list of Student Volunteers of the Southern Church and maintain a file of these students and to keep in touch with them through correspondence. This was the inauguration of "Candidate Work" of the Board. Another forward step was

taken in 1908 when a resolution was passed changing the name of the Young People's Department to DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OF THE BOARD OF MISSIONS OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH.

The year 1910 saw definite changes. Dr. Lambuth was elected Bishop; Dr. W. W. Pinson was made General Secretary; and Dr. E. F. Cook was elected to the foreign secretaryship, while Dr. E. H. Rawlings and Miss Mabel Head were chosen Secretaries of Education for the general and women's sections.

In his first report Dr. Rawlings noted more than 1000 classes organized for mission study. In 1912 a campaign was begun for a "special surplus gift to missions," which resulted in four Conferences raising a special fund totaling \$100,000 for definite missionary objectives over and above their regular gifts to missions. This is the first record we have of a definite "Missionary Special." The General Conference of 1914 set its stamp of approval upon missionary education in the Sunday School by requiring every school to appoint a missionary committee, to observe a monthly missionary day, and to take a missionary offering.

In 1916 it was felt that greater emphasis should be placed upon student work, and Dr. C. G. Hounshell was elected as the special Secretary of Student Work.

In 1917 Dr. Cook resigned as Foreign Secretary and the Board elected Dr. Rawlings to the office, and made Dr. Hounshell head of the Educational Department and in charge of student work.

The Centenary period afforded the largest opportunity for missionary education the Board of Missions has ever had. Dr. W. B. Beauchamp, who reported as Director General of the Centenary in 1920, notes that one half of all the expenses of the campaign from June, 1917 to March, 1920 went into the work of missionary education—money which he declared would in the years to come bring to the Church larger returns than any other money invested. At this time Dr. C. G. Hounshell was put at the head of the Life Service work for the Centenary. The stere-

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### ENCOURAGING

SUPT. CLYDE C. COULTER has returned from a considerable trip and reported a hearty reception wherever he has been. Many have received petitions and have promised to circulate them. Several completed petitions have been received. In one case the residences and voting precincts were not included, and the petition was returned for the necessary data. Those who circulate petitions should see that every requirement is met so that it may not be necessary to send petitions back for amendment. While the response has been gratifying, still no one should hold back; but those who have petitions should push circulation and others who have no petitions, but who are willing to work should immediately request Supt Coulter to mail what they need. Let us put over this job with a bang.

### TWO GOOD PROPOSED LAWS

THE ARKANSAS FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS, in recent session, adopted a resolution to the effect that a petition would be circulated for a bill to repeal our notorious and nefarious 90-day divorce law. This follows severe criticism by the Supreme Court of the law. It is sincerely hoped that this effort will be successful. A petition is also being circulated for a bill to repeal legalized gambling on horse and dog racing. This too should succeed. Both laws

were enacted for the purpose of increasing business and raising revenue. The results have been only limited financial returns and a bad reputation for our State. Good citizens should back both efforts.

### THE SLAUGHTER OF THE INNOCENTS

GERMANY'S attack on Denmark and Norway, following the earlier attacks of both Germany and Russia upon other weak and helpless countries, is a demonstration of the ruthless use of irresponsible power. These small nations have been afraid to resist, because they realized that they could be crushed before aid could come from Great Britain and France. If it is not already too late, these small nations should unite and join with the friends of democracy in opposing grasping greed. David Lawrence in the United States News says: "Every time a new victim is added to the long list of smaller nations whose sovereignty is snuffed out by the aggression of powerful nations, the prospect is that for some time to come the area of slavery will be enlarged." While we must if possible, keep out of war, it seems a pity that we cannot, in some way, help stop this slaughter of the innocents.

THE NEW YORK STATE GRANGE, in its recent convention, adopted an appeal to the Legislature to ban advertising of alcoholic beverages including beer.

### BOOK REVIEWS

*Modern Man And The Cross*; by John C. Schroeder; published by Charles Scribner's Sons, New York; price \$1.50.

The author, who is Professor of Homiletics and Pastoral Theology at Yale Divinity School, says: "One of the difficult things to understand about Christianity is that its symbol should be a cross. Christianity seems to have made its successes in human history in spite of the Cross." It is said: "Around the enduring symbol of the Christian religion—the Cross—a mass of legend, superstition, and sentimentality has gathered through the years, until its original significance has been almost totally obscured. Wondering, as have many before him, why Christianity's standard is so bitter and cruel a symbol, Dr. Schroeder here seeks to find in the Cross its real meaning." The book is full of interesting illustrations and paradoxical sentences, and from a historical viewpoint the author's object is fairly attained. However, it is disappointing in that it does not clearly indicate how the Master's command "to take up the cross daily" can be obeyed in everyday life. That the Cross is the outstanding symbol of Christianity may be freely admitted; but what men today need, above everything else, is a practical explanation of continual living that involves real cross-bearing. However, it is an interesting and worthwhile book.



optican department was built up to large proportions; 100,000 minute men spoke in churches from Sunday to Sunday educating the people about missions; literature on stewardship and tithing was widely distributed, and the church press was widely used for disseminating missionary information.

Following the Centenary, the educational department, established the first SCHOOL OF MISSIONS at Lake Junaluska in 1921 with credit courses.

With the re-organization of the Board in 1922, there was no General Secretary. The work of missionary education was separated from the candidate work and Dr. A. C. Zumbrunnen was put at the head of the Department of Education for the general section, with the title of Home Cultivation Secretary, and Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb and Miss Estelle Haskin were in the Home Cultivation office for the woman's section. Dr. Zumbrunnen's plans included not only summer schools of Missions, correspondence courses, cooperation with the Sunday School Board in holding standard training schools, but mission courses in summer schools for pastors, and thus laid the foundation for the work of the Pastors' Schools which culminated in 1926 with the holding of sixteen Pastors' Schools under the direction of Rev. R. H. Ruff.

In 1926, the Board was again reorganized, with Dr. Cram as General Secretary and Dr. Rawlings in charge of missionary education. The work of education was given the name "Department of Promotion" which it has borne ever since. The January-February cultivation period was also inaugurated, with provision for a mission study book to be distributed widely throughout the Church. In December of 1926, the first meeting of the General Missionary Council was held. 1928 saw the beginning of the District Missionary Institute which has become today one of the strongest features of our educational program.

Dr. Rawlings continued as secretary of the Department of Education and Promotion till 1933, when the depression struck the Board. It was then decided that he should give full time to the editorship of World Outlook, and the work of the Department of Education and Promotion was carried on jointly by the General Secretary, Dr. Cram, and his assistant secretary, Dr. Elmer T. Clark. The work of Missionary Institutes and mission study and cultivation was continued along the lines previously laid down, until 1936, when the present incumbent became secretary of the Department of Education and Promotion.

It is of considerable interest to review this program of missionary education as it has developed from 1902 under Dr. Lambuth and Dr. John Shackford to the present, and to note the distinct contribution that each in turn has made as he has added to the work of his predecessor. We labor today in a worthy succession. The foundations have been well and carefully laid. Much of what has been done will be passed on into the organization of the new Board of Missions and Church Extension in the United Methodist Church. It is a continuing process and movement. How fortunate to be alive! Not only to witness what is taking place but to have the opportunity of making our own contribution to the Movement!

### This Year's Report

During the past twelve months there have been few changes in the policies and programs.

Sufficient to say, we have not changed our strategy or line of approach to the main problem—namely, the development of a missionary-minded Church. Accepting this as our ultimate objective, we seek to hold it constantly before ourselves and before the leadership of the Church. It is our judgment that there is no problem more central, and none more essential or more difficult to accomplish than to develop within the local church a strong missionary morale. This is basic. Failing at this point, it is only a matter of time until the results of our neglect and our short-sighted policy will be seen and felt, not only at the center but on the outermost rim of the continents.

We are happy to report a deepening interest in this work. Many leaders are beginning to take this program of missionary education seriously and they are giving this Department the finest sort of cooperation.

There are a number of very definite and concrete evidences of this—notably the cooperation they are giving to mission study and the Missionary Institutes. While the weather throughout the South at the time fixed for the institutes, this year, was unusually severe, the attendance was good, and the program as arranged by the District Superintendents was the most constructive we have had. The Missionary Institute constitutes a great opportunity for your Board to get to the local district and its membership. We are seeking to magnify this opportunity and to use it increasingly for a worthwhile program of missionary education. Results have been as fine this year as we could hope to see.

Reports coming to me concerning mission study are most heartening. Such study is taking the form of a "School of Missions" as a usual thing, whereby for five nights during a week, men, women and young people, under the direction of the pastor, study together a text such as "Methodists United for Action." From reports just received from District Secretaries, reports which, in most cases, were declared incomplete, I gather that approximately 3000 such "Schools" have been held this year. This is most heartening, and indicates that many of our people are taking the matter of mission study seriously. The women have given fine cooperation in these Schools of Mission, for which we wish to record our sincere appreciation. It should be stated also that we are cooperating as far as possible with the Board of Christian Education, as well as with the women, in making a unified approach to the local church.

In the cultivation program, as it affects the local congregation, we are making large use of our materials, such as literature, books, brochures, leaflets, which we seek to keep up-to-date and varied in content; by use of the Church Bulletin, by use of visual means, illustrated lectures, etc., which have proved so popular that we can, with difficulty, keep up with the demand. The editors of our Church Press are giving the fullest cooperation.

In the new legislation, we have provision for a local church Council of Missions. This is one of the most important features of the new program. The Council contains rich and

large possibilities for cultivation within the local membership. We have been pushing the organization of these local Councils, and approximately 5000 have been set up. In the new church, this matter should be pressed with vigor.

The development of the work of the District Missionary Secretary is perhaps the most important phase of our work now. These men are doing a most constructive piece of work. Without exception, they are volunteer workers, busy pastors, and the time and energy and consecration many are giving to this task within the bounds of their respective districts constitutes the most heartening thing I know. They aid in distributing vast amounts of literature, assist pastors with schools of Missions, conduct hundreds of Zone Meetings, and in various ways save the Board of Missions hundreds of dollars in its promotional program, besides making possible an intensive and effective program of missionary education which would be impossible without their aid.

A distinct value of such a program lies in the fact that the district program, thus developed, is not "handed-down" from a central office, nor super-imposed, but is one that is developed within the district by local leadership.

Perhaps the most constructive thing I have been able to do this year has been to go into an Annual Conference and bring together at one point all the District Superintendents and District Secretaries for a one or two-day conference, during which we study plans of missionary education and promotion for that particular Conference. Such procedure has yielded the finest results.

As members of this Board, I take this opportunity of expressing appreciation to our District Secretaries for their "Labor of love," and the fine contribution they are making.

The study book this year, "Methodists United for Action" has enjoyed a wide circulation. Plans are being made to continue such a policy in the new church and a manuscript will be ready by early Fall after the reorganization of the Board.

Plans are about complete for the Summer Missionary Conferences this year—first, at Sequoyah, July 16-23; and then at Lake Junaluska, July 30-August 6. We were rather proud of the programs last summer and grateful for the generous response on the part of those in attendance. We believe we have a program for this summer equal to that of last year in strength of personnel and content.

Almost four years ago I left the active pastorate to assume the responsibilities of this Department of Education and Promotion. As I am able to assess them, these have been the fullest, richest and most worthwhile years of my ministry, and I'm grateful to the Board of Missions and Church Extension for the opportunity of working for these years in what I believe to be one of the most needy fields of the church.

I close with a statement not my own—it is this—"With increased facilities there is no reason why the systematic study of missions should not be carried into every district in the Connection."

This statement did not originate with me, though it expresses fully my ideas about an intensive and extensive program of missionary

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By Harry Emerson Fosdick  
(A Digest by Chas. Franklin)

#### Chapter IV

#### The Idea of Suffering

Nevertheless, when the Old Testament had interpreted some suffering as punitive, some as disciplinary, and some as redemptive, the residue of mystery was still baffling. Disaster indiscriminately falls with tragic incidence on good and evil. In Indian philosophy, reincarnation and transfiguration could explain all suffering by reference to a previous existence. The Hebrew mind, however, was far too factual and realistic to try this easy retreat into the obscurities of pre-existence. They rejected a solution so theoretically metaphysical, and left suffering still a mystery. The Persian religion, as Zoroastrianism, conceived one true god and a god of all evil, each without beginning and in perpetual conflict, as the source of all evil and suffering. The problem was thus carried back to a precedent, continuous conflict in the cosmos. Satan, a native of Persia, became naturalized in Judea. Yet angelology and demonology within the Old Testament bulks small. Nowhere was Jewish monotheism more uncompromising than here. Isaiah insisted that the one God alone was the responsible creator of the world, with its light and its darkness, its good and its evil. Nowhere in the Old Testament is the ultimate responsibility of God mitigated in the least. Jewish thought refused an easy escape and faced, in its full, unqualified difficulty the mystery of evil in a world

cultivation in every conference, district, circuit, and charge in the Methodist Church.

The statement is the voice of Southern Methodism's greatest missionary statesman, Bishop Lambuth, speaking to us across the years. He spoke these words before this very Board while he was General Secretary of the Board of Missions, at the meeting of the Board in May, 1905. And after thirty-five years, in the words of Bishop Lambuth, I am again presenting that same challenge to the Board. Could any message be more timely or more inspiring, as we are about to enter upon plans for a greater work in our great new Methodist Church?

"WITH INCREASED FACILITIES THERE IS NO REASON WHY THE SYSTEMATIC STUDY OF MISSIONS SHOULD NOT BE CARRIED INTO EVERY DISTRICT IN THE CONNECTION."—H. P. Myers.

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whose god is both omnipotent and good. Job's virtue is, not that he solved the problem, but that so candidly he recognized its insolubility—a perpetual memorial to the intellectual honesty of the unknown writer of the ancient drama. Job resolves his difficulties by religious experience, not philosophical theory. In that experience he finds not an explanation of evil, but he was absolutely sure of God, and the assurance that there is an explanation. Also in the seventy-third Psalm "the problem of evil is left an intellectual mystery." It is characterized by cynicism at the prosperity of the wicked. But he finds a solution in the postponement of justice to a later day, together with his own reward: "God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever." The Book of Ecclesiastes is hopelessly cynical, and asserts an indiscriminate inequity in life—"All things come alike to all," "Man hath no preeminence over the beasts." The very search for a solution of life's problem was "A striving after wind," "Vanity of vanities, all is vanity." "There is no better thing under the sun, than to eat, and to drink, and to be merry."

With regard to the idea of suffering the most notable effect of the era between the Testaments sprang from its accentuation of the apocalyptic hope. The Messianic age was imminent, the judgment day was at hand—here was the solution of life's injustice, the vindication of God's justice in reward and retribution.

(1) In the New Testament the reign of moral law, stated in terms of cause and consequence, is clearly seen. But, while the New Testament constantly argues from sin to consequent trouble, it never argues from trouble back to preceding sin as a necessary formula of explanation. As Jesus saw life, some trouble falls on all without regard to moral character. In this impartiality of disaster, this unbending administration of the universe, this steady inflexibility of God's cosmic method, this austere disregard of ethical considerations, this vast background of procedure without thought of human merit or demerit, Jesus saw "A dependable, impartial training ground for souls." To him life's cosmic setting was utterly unlike the old Theodicy's imagination of it—rain and sunshine, storm and flood, falling towers and tragic personal afflictions, come with equal impact upon both good and evil men. In the New Testament, as a whole, the crucifixion made this attitude imperative. Golgotha was a terrific exemplification of the pessimist's saying, "All things come alike to all." On the central Cross a character, "holy, guileless, undefiled, separated from sinners" was crucified, and such suffering was obviously not retribution.

(2) That some trouble is disciplinary was similarly taken for granted. Even Jesus learned obedience by the things which he suffered. Affliction was to be borne, not as punishment, but as chastening. The explanation of suffering lay not behind in past sin, but ahead in future good consequence. That no softly-cushioned life ever can be wise or strong or good runs throughout the New Testament. The typical Jewish treatment of trouble looks backward to antecedent conduct as the explanation, while the New Testament habitually looks forward to the high spiritual uses of affliction. Not the negative endurance of trou-

ble, but its positive use, not its explanation in the past but its purpose in the future, occupies the center of attention. "Inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings, rejoice."

(3) The belief in an equitable outcome of man's tragic experience was naturally phrased in the New Testament, as in the Old, in terms of adversity for the wicked and prosperity for the righteous in the world to come. The injustices of time would be righted in eternity, and the scales, here unbalanced, would there hang even. In no regard is the attitude of certain passages in the New Testament more troublesome to modern minds than in this insistence that eternal bliss for the good and eternal torment for the bad would be an ethically satisfying finale for the universe. "The modern conscience remains unconvinced." "Universal annihilation would be far better." That apocalyptic elements in general, and pictures of future punishment in particular, were carried over from current Judaism into Jesus' thinking and speaking seems obvious. The vital matter in the New Testament's appeal lies in the deep conviction that the "one far-off divine event" will be ethically adequate. The distinctive element in the New Testament's future hope lies in a quality of spirit worth permanent continuance and going on, through death to its fulfillment—a universal victory of God, in which "every knee shall bow," and God "be all and in all." The kingdom does not mean a future, imminent, catastrophic event; but while future in its full consummation, it is immediately here, and entrance into it is the crowning privilege of the present. Within the Christian Scriptures an ethically satisfying outcome rises in the end into a hope of universal redemption, when God will "sum up all things in Christ."

(4) And yet there is the sting of inexplicable mystery in suffering. A scientist steadily believes in the law-abiding nature of reality even when he is baffled in his endeavor to discern the laws. The real triumphs of the spirit have been won by those who trusted God when his ways were inexplicable. Indeed, the major function of religion has been not so much the explanation of life, as life's conquest—the winning of spiritual triumph in the midst of mysterious adversity. Jesus did not say, "I have explained the world," but "I have overcome the world." Far from being driven away from God by unexplained suffering, Christians were driven to Him. They did not expect wholly to understand life, but they did expect triumphantly to surmount its difficulties.

(5) The climactic element in the New Testament's contribution to the understanding of suffering is to be found in its treatment of vicarious self-sacrifice. In the endeavor to understand the sacrificial experience of Jesus the great Isaiah received his long postponed coronation. Jesus was the first to have a thoroughly sympathetic understanding of him. Jesus first saw in the prophet's Suffering Servant the real meaning of Messiahship and the directive principle of his own mission. The redemptive idea of suffering became in the New Testament the organizing center of the Gospel. "Affliction, being thus redemptive, was in consequence itself redeemed." It would be difficult to exaggerate the difference in

this regard between the Old and New Testaments. The inveterate Jewish association of goodness with prosperity and of badness with adversity here breaks down completely, and the supreme sufferer becomes the highest revelation of God and the noblest ideal of man. Far from being cradled in fortunate circumstances, Christianity began in the kind of disastrous experience commonly supposed to make faith in God impossible. In the Old Testament this would have seemingly justified the doubts of skepticism and the despair of pessimists. But instead of faith meeting defeat it achieved victory; the tragic cross proved to be so saving a force as to redeem tragedy itself. Indeed the possible uses of suffering were so far exalted and suffering itself was so clearly seen to be an integral part of the universe, not an alien intruder in it, that God himself was portrayed as the eternal sufferer. His sacrificial compassion is incarnate in the suffering of Christ. There is indeed a cosmic outlook on suffering as belonging to the warp and the woof of the universe—"The whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now."

Despite the importance of this Biblical attitude toward human affliction, both Judaism and Christianity were aggressive faiths, not teaching resignation to life's evil, but vigorous attack upon it. To the Hebrew prophets the problem of evil was not mainly an affair of apologetics; it was to them rather a practical problem, "especially the monstrous inhumanity of man to man"—not only a conflict of ideas, but a struggle for justice and equity, both personal and social. Not explanation but eradication was the prophetic goal. Of this prophetic tradition Jesus and his disciples were the inheritors. While exploring the meaning and right attitude to evil and suffering, they faced the world of monstrous and needless cruelty—their program was to turn the world upside down, their objective was "a new heaven and a new earth." The New Testament is not only a thoughtful but a militant book. The hosts of good and evil are at war. Whether in terms of devils or of evil man, evil in the New Testament is faced not mainly as a fact to be explained, but a force to be conquered. Christians

are "God's fellow-workers." Discipleship to Jesus, while it saved men from lower orders of suffering, such as penalty for sin, called men to the higher order of self-sacrifice. Suffering, far from being in itself a curse, is an essential, integral part of sentient living, the necessary concomitant of organic experience. Always in the organic world it is the best who can suffer most, and therefore has the deepest poignancy of feeling and sensitivity. The aim of life, therefore, is not to abolish suffering, for that would be to abolish sensitivity, but to eliminate its cruel, barbarous and useless forms; to make it humane, stimulating, unselfish and creative. In this regenerative task all Biblical ideas culminate. "In its most essential nature and most continuous meaning, it was and is a costly adventure for the Kingdom of God."

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By SUSIE MCKINNON MILLAR

### CHAPTER XVI

Rebecca came running down the walk and paused at the head of the steps leading to the porch of the co-op. "That you, Helen?"

"I can't deny it," laughed Helen. "If President Gordon or even the Chief of Police was to ask me that question I'd have to break down and confess Helen Wilson is my name. But why are you here? Come and confess."

"I missed you at the Forum," said Rebecca, dropping into a seat beside Helen. "And I thought I'd find you here and I wanted to have a pow wow."

"I'm here," said Helen. "But why the pow wow? I wasn't feeling quite up to the Forum tonight."

"But you should have been there," declared Rebecca. "It was better than ever. More of the boys and girls dropped in and seemed to be interested in the discussions. Some of them even took part."

"I tell you I wasn't equal to Forum tonight," sighed Helen. "Personal problems almost had me down. But I'm about out of the woods. Perhaps I should have gone. It might have helped me to see how unimportant and even non-existent my little problems really are."

"You've got problems aplenty," declared Rebecca. "I'm one, I know, and so are we all, here in this co-op."

"Who led the discussions tonight? And what did they discuss? Let's drop my problems. I'm tired of them and want something better and more interesting to think about."

"At first it was exciting. Earl Hampton came dashing in a little late, almost running, and called, 'Frank, sanctuary! Give me sanctuary! My temper is about to overtake me and I don't want it to get me down. If I'd stayed out there a minute longer there's a fellow there who'd have got the worst beating of his life. Let's discuss these questions: 'Temper, its uses and abuses'; 'How can you find good in a fellow when it's practically non-existent?' 'Is there anything that can make us love everybody?' Everybody laughed because Earl looked so comical, but Frank welcomed him and said, 'Come on up here by me, fellah."

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You're headed in the right direction. We'll take up your questions during the general discussion period."

"And did they?" asked Helen eagerly. "I should like to have heard the discussions, because those questions cover nearly every one of my own problems."

"Yes, they had a hot discussion, and Earl discusses as skillfully as he plays football."

"Then he's some debater," agreed Helen. "But tell me, will the discussion cool his temper and help him to see good in his enemy?"

"It will do just that. Frank convinced him, and almost convinced me, that a temper well handled was worthwhile and that in every human being there was good or possibilities for good that would be called forth by systematic understanding. And that the love of Christ in our own hearts would help us to love our fellowmen, and that that was the only thing that could help us to help each other."

"Maybe you don't think I've been honestly trying to understand and help Flora since we decided to give her another chance," said Helen. "We've all tried. And have you noticed any improvement?"

"She's just what I rushed home from the Forum to talk about. I think we ought to talk to her again and tell her a few things that she must do and a few that she must not do, if she expects to stay here with us. And we'd better make it strong and simple if we expect to get it across to her."

"You've got something there," said Helen. "She can't stay here and continue doing as she is doing."

"No. She's getting in my hair, and I think we've all caught up on 'Miss Flora's folly,' as everything she does might be termed. I'm in favor—" Rebecca broke off abruptly and exclaimed, "As I live and breathe, it's your policeman."

A motorcycle stopped at the gate, the policeman dismounted and came up to the porch.

"Excuse me, Miss, but does a Miss Helen Wilson live here?" he asked.

Helen stood up and stepped forward as she answered, "Yes, I am Helen Wilson. What can I do for you?"

"You can explain how you got here so quickly from Chester street where you deserted that car you tried to get away with after we ordered you to stop on account of reckless driving."

"You are the one who should explain," said Helen. "I don't understand what you're talking about. I've been right here all the evening. I don't know where Chester street is, and I haven't been in a car since I've been in Welton. Really, I think you are the one who should explain."

"Well, Sister, you're a cool one, I must say. Most any girl would be out of breath from running, or if she'd caught a ride she'd still be nervous at the sight of a cop, especially if she knew he had the goods on her."

"I still don't understand," insisted Helen. "Will you please tell me of what I'm accused?"

"Reckless driving and failure to stop when ordered to. I'm blamed if I believe you're the girl, but she was about your size and had hair the color of yours. I didn't get a close-up on her, but she was flashy, not classy, if you get what I mean. But here's the evidence." He extended a purse. "Did you ever see this purse? Is it yours?"

"It certainly is mine," said Helen, as she took the purse and examined it closely. "Where did you get it?"

"On the seat of the car you deserted on Chester street. I'm afraid you'll have to come along with me to headquarters, Miss, and get all this straightened out."

"But that's absurd," protested Rebecca, no longer able to keep quiet. "Helen has been here all the evening. Besides she's used to cars and couldn't drive recklessly even if she tried. I didn't see the other girl, but I'm sure I know who she is. You'd better get this straightened out without going to headquarters. Oh, my goodness, here comes another policeman. What can he want?"

"Well, Carlton, you may call off your dogs," he called as he came up. "It was a bright idea to leave me to watch the car. The girl came back after the purse, and I nabbed her at once. She called the Dean's office and here and talked to Miss Matthews, who agreed to pay her fine and take charge of the girl. And for the sake of the school, we've agreed not to make the matter public."

"Oh boy, am I relieved?" exclaimed Policeman Carlton; and turning to Helen he said, "Miss Wilson, I most certainly beg your pardon for having disturbed you. I hope you'll find it in your heart to forgive me, and please remember that I was trying to do my duty. If, in the future I can serve you in any way, please don't hesitate to call on me."

"I can see your side of the question," said Helen, "and assure you that your mistake is forgiven."

"Thank you, and good-night, ladies," called Carlton as he mounted his wheel, "and may we sometime meet under happier circumstances."

"Ugh," shuddered Helen. "I'm glad that's over."

"But is it?" asked Rebecca. "It was Flora. I know it was. I knew it all the time. Should we do anything about it tonight? I'd like to wring her neck. Ought we to go over and take her off of Miss Matthews' hands?"

"Better let well enough alone. She's safer with Miss Matthews than she would be here. If you feel like wringing her neck, how do you think I feel?"

"But how about Miss Matthews?" insisted Rebecca. "What will she do with Flora? Hadn't we better go see what she wants?"

"No," said Helen. "I don't think she'd want us to call her or come to her office tonight. She's more experienced and can manage without our help. I'd be mighty little help with Flora tonight. The cheap little thing! I'd like to strangle her. Police headquarters may not have any horrors for her, but not any of it for me, if you please. Why, I simply nearly boil over when I think of it. Do you realize that I'd have had to spend the night at Police Headquarters if they hadn't found Flora? I'll not go to Miss Matthews until I'm called. Let's forget it and turn in. I'm all shot to pieces now. Maybe I'll get hold of myself by morning."

"That's O. K. by me," said Rebecca; "but I want you to know, Helen, I'm with you in this whatever you decide on. What you say goes with me, and with the other girls, too."

"Thank you, Rebecca. You're a darling and a great comfort to me. Good-night."

(To be continued)

## Women's Department of Christian Service

MRS. A. C. MILLAR, Editor

Communications should be received not later than Saturday for the following week.

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### NOTE OF SYMPATHY

It was with genuine regret that I read this past week of the death of Dr. F. M. Williams of Hot Springs, husband of our co-worker, Mrs. F. M. Williams, who has so loyally and so efficiently served the cause of missions. I'm confident that her many friends and admirers join me in extending sympathy and that we pray that God's healing grace may comfort her in this hour of sorrow.—Susie McKinnon Millar.



DR. F. M. WILLIAMS

Dr. F. M. Williams, 77 years of age, was born in Franklin, Tenn.; was married 49 years ago, and is survived by his wife, who has been a leader in the Woman's Missionary work of Little Rock Conference. Graduating from Vanderbilt University, he was a resident physician in Hot Springs for 43 years, and a steward and trustee in First Methodist Church during this period. After a very brief illness, he passed away at his home last week. The funeral service was conducted by his pastor, Rev. H. H. Griffin, assisted by Dr. W. C. Watson, Dr. J. D. Hammons, and Rev. C. D. Meux. Burial was in Greenwood cemetery.

### BETHLEHEM AUXILIARY

Our 22 members are in fine spirits; all trying to do their bit. We have had our regular meetings despite the severe weather and are working on our budget to re-cover and paper the church. We have gained two new members during the quarter. On March 27 quite a number of the community met at the church and planted shrubbery and flowers and did quite a bit toward landscaping the grounds.

We will visit our pastor and family at the parsonage at Hickory Plains with a pot-luck lunch soon. We have invited Providence Auxiliary to be our guests at our June meeting.

Our series of meetings began Sunday night, March 27, with Rev. J. W. Nethercutt, a former pastor, assisting our fine pastor, Bro. Martin. Everyone welcomed Bro. Nethercutt as only a well beloved and long absent brother can be welcomed, and despite the rains the first of the week, we had a fine meeting. There were six adult additions



and one infant baptized. At the closing service there was a fine accord-ion trio by Mrs. Luther Glover, Mrs. Sam Cochran and Mr. Thompson.—Mrs. Gertrude Baldwin, Reporter.

#### NORTH ARKANSAS ADDITIONAL REPORT

The Conference meeting at Conway conferred Life Memberships on all the officers who had not already received that honor. Those receiving certificates and pins were: Mrs. John T. Patton, Jonesboro, Supt. of Children; Mrs. Alfred Hathcock, Fayetteville, Supt. S. S. R.; Mrs. Clifford Blackburn, North Little Rock, Literature and Pub.; Mrs. J. E. Critz, Russellville, Supplies; Mrs. J. W. Workman, Fayetteville, Young Women; Mrs. W. E. Smith, Fort Smith, Rec. Secretary; Miss Lavinia Jelks, Batesville, Dist. Sec.; Mrs. T. A. Hillis, Conway, Dist. Sec.; Mrs. E. M. Murphy, Fayetteville, Dist. Sec.; Mrs. J. B. Randolph, Fort Smith, Dist. Sec.; Mrs. Ben DeVoll, Paragould, Dist. Sec.; Mrs. W. R. Griffin, Searcy, Dist. Sec.

Several of these names were omitted when reported to the Gazette, and Mrs. Potter in her report of the Conference in the Methodist omitted two. Please publish the above, so all may receive the proper recognition.—Mrs. W. T. Bacon, Conference Treasurer.

#### NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE, FINANCIAL REPORT, FIRST QUARTER

Receipts:	
Pledge	\$ 3,884.66
Scarritt	168.70
Edith Martin	113.50
Baby Special	29.53
Bible Women	90.00
Scholarships	114.00
Life, Adult	25.00
Baby Life	20.40
Africa's Girls' Home	2.50
Total	\$ 4,448.29
Local	\$ 6,998.22
C. S. R.	607.32
Supplies	40.72
Grand Total	\$12,084.55
Expenditures:	
To Council: Pledge	\$ 2,026.27
Scarritt	168.70
Baby Special	29.53
Bible Women	90.00
Scholarships	127.00
Life	225.00
Baby Life	15.00
Girls' Home, Africa	52.50
China	40.00
Missionaries	1,450.00
Deaconesses	1,200.00
Total	\$ 5,524.00
Conference:	
Administrative	\$ 430.27
Annual Conference	12.00
Exchange	7.10
Rural Worker	125.00
Audit	5.00
Car Insurance	31.70
Refunds	7.40
Total	\$ 618.47
Receipts:	
Reports	\$ 4,448.29
Refunds	16.91
Conference Offering	23.85
Total	\$ 4,489.05
Balance First Quarter	\$ 1,714.69
Baby Life: Thomas Ernest Land, Winslow; Harry Joe Arnold, Mary Jo Hunziker, Paris; Adult Life: Mrs. Carl W. Martin, Fort Smith, First Church. Martin, Fort Smith, First Church.—Mrs. W. T. Bacon, Treasurer.	

#### LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE SCARRITT ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

It was a pleasure to enroll the following as associate members of Scarritt for 1940, after the Scarritt dinner of the El Dorado Conference. Arkadelphia District, Mrs. Tom McLean; Camden District, Mrs. Al-bea Godbold; Monticello District, Mrs. J. C. Hoffman; Little Rock District, Mrs. W. P. McDermott; Little Rock District, Mrs. M. E. Couch. Our Conference is assessed \$270 for the year. If each District will average \$40.00 we will "go over the top." I urge each superintendent

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and each District secretary to lay this cause on the hearts of their hearers, that we may not fall behind. With each Auxiliary president as my co-worker I feel sure we will do our part.

Monticello District has sent in the most money up to date, due to the work of Mrs. L. W. Moffatt of Crossett. I do so much want our quota raised. Please help.—Mrs. W. S. Anderson, Wilmar, Little Rock Conference Representative.

#### TEXARKANA FIRST CHURCH AUXILIARY

An all-day program and fellowship meeting took place Monday.

Mrs. David L. Venable opened with a musical meditation.

Mrs. C. M. Robertson led the singing.

Mrs. A. R. McKinney gave a report of the Council meeting, held in New Orleans.

Mrs. J. T. Robison, guest speaker, gave an inspiring talk on "Diagnosis of the World's Troubles."

Mrs. Albert Little led the Council program on "Birthright Missionaries," giving a sketch of Bishop Lambuth.

Mrs. Pratt Bacon gave personal reminiscences on the visits of Dr. Lambuth and Dr. Cline 25 years ago.

Several members of the newly organized Girls' Circle were introduced. Mrs. Jack Reaves, Jr., is the organizer, and chairman. Mrs. McKinney announced that the Rev. Aubrey Walton will begin teaching "Methodists United for Action," Tuesday of next week in church parlors.

Circle Four, Mrs. Will Owen, chairman, served luncheon at noon. Mrs. Owen's circle won the attendance award, with 12 members present.

Following luncheon, Mrs. Haas Owen conducted the business session when routine reports were made.

Mrs. Jay Alan Reid gave a report of the Little Rock Conference meeting held in El Dorado.

#### GRADY AUXILIARY

The Society met at the home of Mrs. T. S. Lovett, Thursday afternoon. In the absence of Mrs. T. G. Bratton, president, Mrs. Lovett presided over the business meeting.

Mrs. Ray Wood gave the devotional; subject, "The World for Christ." The topic of the program, the "Life of Dr. Lambuth," was presented by Mrs. Jimmie Rogers and Mrs. Gertrude Rogers. Closed with prayer by Mrs. W. C. Tindall.

Mrs. T. S. Lovett was appointed Superintendent of Christian Social Relations, with Mrs. Charles Appleberry assisting.

Interesting reports on the Annual Missionary Conference at El Dorado were given by Mrs. Ray Wood, Mrs. Jimmie Rogers and Mrs. Lovett.

A social hour followed the meeting.

#### PARKIN AUXILIARY

We meet regularly every Tuesday with increasing attendance. We have several projects and are planning more. Everyone is getting more interested and more willing to work. Our study lessons are interesting and helpful. We have good programs. We meet all our obligations promptly. Sent two delegates to Conway to Conference and they brought back good reports. I have the privilege of being one of the two visitors to attend and we two

were entertained in the home of one of our former pastors and his good wife, Rev. and Mrs. Chas. Franklin. It was good to again meet many old friends.—Mrs. W. C. Drummond, Supt. of Publicity.

#### MACEY SOCIETY

Mrs. Dewey Taylor was hostess to the Society April 5.

Mrs. Joe Harrell gave the devotional reading. Prayer by Mrs. Richard Clyatt.

Monthly reports were given by officers present.

Eleven members answered roll call and reported a large number of visits and favors.

We were sorry to hear of Mrs. Lena Hughes' illness.

Our study of "Radiant Heart" has been finished and the first lesson of the "Homeland Harvest" will be presented at the next meeting at the home of Mrs. Clyatt April 19.

The hostess, assisted by Mrs. John Hout, served delicious refreshments.—Mrs. DeWitt Haynes, Reporter.

#### SPRING HILL AUXILIARY

The monthly meeting was held March 14 with Mrs. Howard Calhoun, with 15 members present and 20 visitors from churches of the charge.

The devotional was led by Mrs. Mildred Riddling. Prayer was offered by Mrs. H. C. Bolton.

We had an old-fashioned quilting in the morning and a grab-box in the afternoon, the funds to go for the repair of the parsonage.

We meet twice a month, on Wednesday before the third Sunday and first Sunday.—Mrs. Noel Cross, Reporter.

#### BIRTHDAY PARTY

The Missionary Society of Forester was entertained at a birthday party on March 28 given in honor of the ladies whose birthdays occurred in January, February and March. Each honorary guest gave an offering of one cent for each year and was presented with a birthday gift. This offering is to be used for flowers for the sick.

Refreshments were served carrying out colors of pink and white.

At the end of each quarter we will have a birthday party.—Supt. of Publicity.

#### CENTRAL UNION OF TEXARKANA

The Central League Union of Texarkana District met at Wofford's Chapel on April 9. A very beautiful and impressive program, "Oh That Men Would Praise God More for His Goodness," was presented by members of the Wofford's Chapel League.

Dierks won the attendance banner, and refreshments were served to 135. Leagues represented were: DeQueen, Ashdown, Dierks, Horatio, Lockesburg, and our hosts.—Mary Kizer, Secretary.

#### MISSION STUDY AT DE QUEEN

The School of Missions, which has been held on six consecutive Wednesday evenings, came to a close April 10, with the discussion program led by Mrs. E. D. Galloway.

Many people have been made more missionary minded by this course.—Mary Kizer, Secretary.

Faith is our human personal appropriation of the limitless power of God that is always at our disposal even when we do not realize it.—Ex.

### The Laymen's Forum

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#### MARTYRS, MONKS, AND METHODISTS

What a strange company! No Methodist, but Episcopal Dean Hodges puts them together into one detachment of Christian soldiers and points out the fact that they have made the most startlingly significant contributions to Christianity. Further, he notes that most of them have been laymen!

In these days, when we are trying to formulate programs of lay activities that will be more than mere activity, it may be profitable to look at the commanding characteristics of martyrs, monks, and Methodists.

Martyrs—glorious men and women who care more for their spiritual life than they did for their business, social, or professional life, more for their spiritual life than they did for their family life or fraternal life.

Monks—self-denying men who came apart from the world, not that they might save themselves, but that they might save others. (It seems to the writer that Francis of Assisi was the only one of the great monastic leaders, however, who came near the true meaning of Christian renunciation, for he did not turn away from the earth, but instead found in the earth something that made him glad.)

Methodist—obedient men and women who yielded their lives to the lordship of the Master. There was no doubt about the allegiance they gave, the loyalty they paid. They clung tightly to the absolute values, and that probably would have delighted the good editors of Fortune, if they had been able to keep in stride with such absolutism.

If Methodist laymen of today and tomorrow are to bring gifts to Christianity in the tradition of the martyrs, the monks, and the early Methodists, what must they do? The writer, having no business to make suggestions because he is a clergyman, makes them anyway:

Methodist laymen will talk religion. The conversation at the luncheon club, on the golf course, and on the street corners (if Methodist laymen have any time to spend there) will be of religion, not of politics and government debts.

Methodist laymen will turn their primary attention from paying the bills of the church (with every member giving regularly, that will be easy) to what a better critic than the Fortune editors has called the neglected tasks of the church—feeding the hungry, educating the young, and saving the lost.

Methodist laymen will catch the vision of the world-wide task of Methodism. Looking forward, The Methodist Recorder, of London, said recently: "We should like to think that world Methodism will undertake its due share of responsibility in the work of reconstruction. Probably there is no other church, save the Roman Catholic, which has the possibilities of world influence which Methodism possesses. The suggestion has already been made that the Ecumenical Conference, which is to meet in Oxford in 1941, shall be abandoned. The actual assembly of the conference may prove to be an impossibility, but every opportunity of consultation with a

view to united action should be seized."

Here are but three of many things that Methodist laymen can do, as they confront the opportunities in the new church.—The Christian Advocate (Central Edition).

#### FEARLESS MINISTER-EDITOR SPEAKS ABOUT PUBLICATIONS

Editors throughout Methodism in recent weeks have been thinking about the future of the church's publications and what the General Conference will do at Atlantic City to solve this important problem.

The best treatise on this subject which has been called to my attention is an article by Dr. Dan B. Brummitt, written three years before his death in 1939. He was the editor of the Northwestern Christian Advocate and the article was written for Zion's Herald and published February 26, 1936.

The article was captioned, "The Church Press—What Next?" The Zion's Herald editor said at that time: "A Methodist editor sees hope for the future of religious journalism in a frank and fearless facing of the facts of the present situation."

The situation which existed four years ago, exists today. This fearless editor four years ago said: "What should be, with church papers as with all things, must begin with what is. Here's an outline of what is: 'A large fact: Most church people do not read church papers.'

"A sufficient reason: Most church people do not want to read church papers."

"A partial explanation: Most church people do not want to read church papers because they do not share the papers' point of view."

"A matter of emphasis: They do not share the papers' point of view because they are laymen, while the papers are very largely ecclesiastical, official-minded and preacher-aimed."

"Now for 'what next', still in outline."

"A business judgment: When the people won't come to the papers, the papers must come to the people."

"A detachable assertion: A church paper can be made which most church people will want to read. The problem is not impossible of solution."

#### Facing Extinction

"Church papers are not yet extinct, but they are a dying species, if the records of the past thirty years mean anything. When an institution seems to be passing off the scene, one of two things may be done. The first is nothing; let the institution die. The second is to see if some drastic change in the institution itself may not save it."

"It is easy to say this is not the time for anything drastic. But it is not true. We have had years of persistent retreat and retrenchment. The church today is holding a long stretch of a very thin line—the line of the religious newspaper. Some denominations have practically abandoned it. Confronting that line, together with much that is good, there is cheapness, suggestiveness and complete secularity. The radio, the movies, the theater, the newspaper, have vast resources for the secularizing of all life."

"Most of what our people read is out of line with what they hear from our pulpits. Much of their reading directly discounts the work of the minister and the church."

"The non-readers are not much (Continued on Page Ten)



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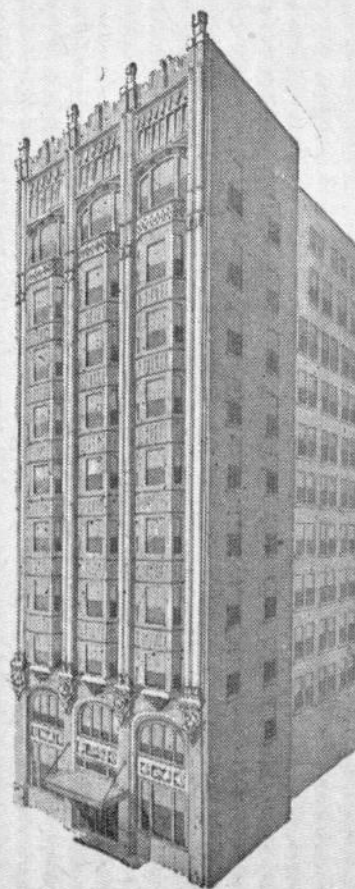
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worried about the church's work or about its future, although they need be. Beyond what is said in the pulpit when they are present, and what can be done in necessarily brief and infrequent pastoral calls, they hear little about the church of today and tomorrow. **The one agency that could give them a real awareness is the church paper. . . .**

"The problem is upon us now in acutest form because we still accept as true three or four plainly inexact notions of the church paper. One notion is that it is on its way to extinction. We must face the calamity extinction of church papers would be. . . .

"Another inexact and really disastrous notion is that the church paper must always be made with one editorial eye—and often both—on the preacher. Sixty seconds of straight thinking will show how mistaken it is. Church papers average about twelve lay subscribers for each minister who takes the church paper.

"The commonest and most persistent of all lay complaints about the church paper is that it is made for the preachers. But why should it be so made? This mistaken notion is devastating for it shuts the door on the one thing we must have: a larger circulation. . . .

#### The Real Question

"That brings me to the real question. What next? First, the church paper must not be allowed to die. To eliminate the papers now is but to prolong the ravages of the depression on the church's whole work. . . . The church paper must deal with eternal verities under the aspect of life that now is, not the life of our grandfathers. To us the very regions of pioneering have utterly changed.

"The church paper must be a paper for the laymen—yes, and, if need be, made by a layman, or by a minister who has studied and himself practiced the movements of a lay mind.

"The church paper must deliberately and daringly set itself to secure at least three times the present circulation. When it does that, it will still miss every other church home. But at present figures (this was 1936) it misses three out of four, or even five out of six church homes. With a three-fold increase in circulation, the paper can hope to be a power for God and the church in every charge."

#### DISTRICT CONFERENCE ADOPTS MEMORIAL

Delegates to the Little Rock District Conference, held at Des Arc last week, adopted a memorial offered by J. S. M. Cannon, Little Rock, Conference lay leader, urging the General Conference at Atlantic City to make provision for a paper of church-wide circulation, for encouragement by the General Conference of local publications, and for the creation of a Methodist Bureau of Public Relations with branch offices for each jurisdiction.

#### NAMING INDIAN CHILDREN

The Indian children were not named, as were white children—that is, by their parents—but their cognomens were chosen by a council of squaws. At the annual green corn festival all the papooses born within the year were named, the chief announcing the names during the festivities. Although new names could be tacked on, the original name could not be changed.

## Christian Education

### HENDRIX COLLEGE NEWS

Hendrix College received honors at the 13-state Southern Debate Tournament held in Chattanooga, Tenn., including the following: Mouzon Mann won first place in oratory and was elected chaplain of the Congress of Human Relations; David Conyers tied for third place with Baylor University in after-dinner speaking; Ed Dunlap reached the finals of extemporaneous speaking; and Sloan Wayland was named chairman of the Industry Committee of the Congress. The Hendrix debate team made up of the four students won four out of six debates. Only four teams made better records and no team won all six debates. Coach Robert B. Capel, who will continue as editor of the Southern Speech Bulletin for two years, made a report on the publication and spoke on "The Use of the Motion Picture Camera in Fundamental Speech Classes" before a meeting of the Southern Association of Teachers of Speech convention.

The Hendrix Choristers, directed by J. Glenn Metcalf, presented a Sunday concert at Lakeside Methodist Church in Pine Bluff and at Winfield Memorial Methodist Church in Little Rock.

H. Louis Freund, resident artist at Hendrix, through a grant from the Carnegie Corporation has been given a fellowship for nine months' study in the art school of Princeton University. The fellowship was awarded in recognition of the contribution Mr. Freund has made to the cultural life of Hendrix and the whole state since he came to Hendrix in January, 1938.

Rev. Hubert Pearce, who was graduated from Hendrix in 1930 and is now pastor of the Methodist Church in Crawfordsville, received considerable space in the April 15 issue of Life magazine, which has an article concerning the work done in the field of extra-sensory perception by Dr. J. B. Rhine of Duke University. A picture of Mr. Pearce is included in the article.

Speaking before the Hendrix assembly, Rabbi Carl I. Miller of Helena summed up the religious beliefs of the Jews and the connection they have with the Talmud, the body of Jewish civil and canonical law not in the Pentateuch.

Hendrix professors have recently been attending the following educational meetings: Dr. Robert L. Campbell, participated at Chicago in a study by the American Council on Education of possible ways for improving the training of college teachers; Dr. H. I. Lane, and O. T. Gooden, spent several days in Chicago attending conferences in connection with the cooperative study in General Education, which is directed by a central staff with headquarters at the University of Chicago; John P. Anderson attended a meeting of representatives of Arkansas colleges at Little Rock Junior College, at which talks were given by two members of the central staff of the cooperative study; and Dr. T. S. Staples read a paper on General Education at a conference of the deans of Southern colleges and universities in Atlanta.

Mrs. Helen Lockwood Eichenbaum of Little Rock, mezzo-soprano, was presented by Hendrix in a guest

artist recital at the college. She presented a program of songs in different languages and was encored several times.

The Hendrix Profile, edited by Buddy Terry, was given second class all-American ranking by the Associated Collegiate Press of Minneapolis.

The third annual traveling exhibit of the Arkansas Water Color Society is being shown at Hendrix. Included among the 22 paintings making up the exhibit are several by persons connected with Hendrix.

A Co-ed edition of the College Profile was issued last week entirely by a female staff. Betty Ann Nicholson was editor for the week. The issue was printed on colored paper and scented with perfume. A panel of silhouettes drawn by Margaret Schisler, appeared on the front page. Other members of the staff included, assistant editor, Ann Brown; feature staff, Virginia Harrison, Jayne Branch, Mary Griffin, Sarah Musser and Lucille Callicot; society editor, Patsy Franklin; sports editor, Jane Keatts, Ardath Buzbee, Pat Weny, Suzannah Byrd, Betty Lester, Ann Porter Burney and Frances Murry.—Victor Hill.

### CIRCUIT TRAINING PROGRAMS

The Lake City Charge of Jonesboro District, Rev. Ray L. McLester, pastor; and the Greenbrier Charge of Conway District, Rev. T. C. Huff, pastor, have made great training records. These charges are showing what can be done with the short-course training program, largely on the Training Class plan.

The Lake City Charge has completed the following program of Training Classes: Conway had fifteen enrolled and twelve credits in class in "Christian Education in the Small Church." Lake View had fourteen enrolled and ten credits in class in "The Christian Religion." Pleasant Valley had twenty enrolled and fourteen credits in class in "A Methodist and his Church." Lunsford had twelve enrolled and twelve credits in class in "The Christian Religion." Lake City had fourteen enrolled with ten credits in class in "The Christian Religion." This charge had five enrolled in the Jonesboro Training School. Another Training Class on this charge is offering the course on "What Is Teaching?"

### CHRISTIAN TRAINING PROGRAM

This program has been made possible by the careful planning of the pastor and his lay workers. Early in the year the leadership of this charge was called together by the pastor, Rev. Grover Johnson, Secretary of Town and Country Work, met with this group to lead their thinking in working out a financial problem. It was decided that they must plan a program in terms of the total life of the church. Since the leadership needed training the Superintendents of the church schools agreed to cooperate with the pastor in making possible a better trained leadership. These training classes have followed with splendid results.

The Greenbrier Charge has completed the following training program: two training schools, in which the course on "Teaching" was offered, have been taught. One of these schools was at Mallettown and the other at Centerville. Greenbrier has completed three training class programs, using the following course: "A Methodist and His Church; The Life of Jesus; and "A Study of the New Testament." One training class has been conducted at Mallettown, using the course "A Methodist and His Church."

More than seventy credits have been earned in these training schools and classes on Greenbrier Charge.

A training class is in progress at Greenbrier, the course on "The Christian Religion" being used. This program has been made possible by the work of Rev. and Mrs. Huff and the splendid cooperation given by their people.

Reports coming from Lake City and Greenbrier Charges indicate that both charges are being strengthened in all their program because of these training schools and classes.

It is to be noted that the work on each charge has been carried out by the local leadership, with little help from the outside.—Ira A. Brumley.

### MORE TRAINING CLASSES HELD

The North Arkansas Conference has held a leading place in training class work for a number of years. Already this year more training classes have been held in the Conference than for the entire Conference year last year.

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classes have already been planned for the year. Many others will be planned. Training classes are being held not only in the small churches but in the large ones as well.—Ira A. Brumley.

#### SIX MORE CHARGES IN FULL ON CHURCH SCHOOL DAY

Since our last report six more charges have sent their Church School Day offering in full and thus placed their pastor's name on the Honor Roll in advance of the date set for Church School Day observance. The charges are: 28th Street, Rev. B. F. Fitzhugh, \$12.50; First Church, Little Rock, Rev. Warren Johnston, \$165.00; Pulaski Heights, Rev. J. E. Cooper, \$65.00; Lake Village, Rev. M. K. Irvin, \$15.00; Grand Avenue, Stuttgart, Rev. Roland E. Darrow, \$35.00; Gurdon, Rev. A. C. Caraway, \$30.00. This makes a total of sixteen charges out in full with their pastor's name on the Roll of Honor.—Clem Baker.

#### NEXT SUNDAY IS CHURCH SCHOOL DAY IN LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

Next Sunday, April 21, will be celebrated throughout Little Rock Conference as Church School Day. From the number of programs ordered and reports that we are getting, the largest number of schools in our history will observe this day. It will be a great day in our Conference. Last Sunday was a beautiful day and reports that we are getting indicate the largest attendance at Sunday School we have had this year. Next Sunday should be even better. This is the one day in all the year when the whole church lays aside other things in honor of its Sunday School officers, teachers and pupils. The offering on this day is used to promote the biggest program of education our Conference has undertaken in ten years. It is hoped the offering will be in full in each charge and that it will be sent to the Treasurer, Mr. C. K. Wilkerson, 723 Center Street, Little Rock, Arkansas.—Clem Baker.

#### CONFERENCE-WIDE TRAINING SCHOOL AND RURAL CHURCH CONFERENCE IN LITTLE ROCK, SEPTEMBER 22-27

It was a great meeting when the members of the Boards of Christian Education of Little Rock churches met at Winfield last Friday night. Each of the fourteen churches in the Little Rock area was represented. Twelve chairmen of Boards of Christian Education, eleven Superintendents and all the pastors, together with one hundred other members of the Board of Christian Education, were on hand. Dr. Reves presided and Miss Margaret Paynter of Winfield church was elected Secretary. The purpose was to make plans for the work immediately ahead in this district and to perfect our organization for a great conference-wide school and Rural Pastors' Conference to be held in Little Rock, September 22-27. This is the school originally planned to be held in March, but postponed on account of the flu epidemic. It was agreed Friday night to begin at once the promotion of this school with the view of making it equal to the great schools held here in other years. Those on the program at the Winfield meeting were: Dr. Reves, Rev. Warren Johnston, Rev. Hal H. Pinnell, Rev. C. R. Hozendorf, Miss Fay McRae, Mrs. W. F. Bates, Mrs. Herbert Smith, Mr. Jerry Bowen, Rev. J. E. Cooper, and Rev. Clem

Baker. A Board of Managers composed of the pastors, superintendents and chairmen of the Boards of Christian Education, was elected and this group had its first meeting Monday of this week.—Clem Baker.

#### OUR TRAINING SCHOOL AT DUMAS

The Executive Secretary has been teaching in training school almost continuously. He has had a number of delightful experiences, but our school at Dumas last week was one of the finest that we have ever held. Rev. Van Harrell with his wife, together with the superintendent, Wilbourn Killingsworth, and other members of the Board of Education had made every preparation and practically every one came. We had 52; 40 were in regular attendance and 27 received credit. The course was the New Methodist Church. The interest and attendance grew with each session. Rev. Harold D. Sadler and Rev. J. M. Hamilton were delightful visitors. Our Church at Dumas has always been a good church, but never have we seen it as active as now. A new financial system is in operation and the church is up to date on every item. Lamar Grisham is at the head of the financial system and his financial statement each week would do credit to the First National Bank of any city. It was a joy to have a visit with Mrs. J. W. Harrell who was spending the week with son Van.—Clem Baker.

#### TRAINING SCHOOLS AT PINE BLUFF AND McGEHEE THIS WEEK

In addition to several one-unit schools being held over the Conference, two standard long-term schools are being held this week. One is at Pine Bluff, where all the churches of the city are joining in a school for parents. This is an interesting experiment. Dr. D. M. Maynard of Scarritt College is the instructor. Rev. E. C. Rule, Chairman of the Board of Education, Rev. F. G. Roebuck, another member of our Board, Rev. W. Neill Hart, District Superintendent, Rev. J. A. Henderson and Rev. S. T. Baugh, together with the Superintendents of the Church Schools are the promoters of the school.

The other school is being held at McGehee and Dermott where Miss Elizabeth Workman is teaching the course for Children's workers; Rev. C. R. Hozendorf the course for young people and young people's workers, and Rev. Clem Baker the course on the New Church. Four charges were represented at the first session Arkansas City, Tillar, Dermott and McGehee. Rev. J. B. Hefley is Dean and has done splendid work in its promotion.—Clem Baker.

#### WARREN TO HAVE TRAINING SCHOOL, MAY 5-10

A standard long-term training school for Warren and the other churches within that area will be held at Warren, where Rev. L. E. N. Hundley is pastor, the week of May 5-10. The following courses will be offered: The Use of the Bible With Children, by Miss Fay McRae; Guiding Young People's Worship, Rev. J. E. Cooper; The Teachings of Jesus, by Rev. R. L. Long. The Board of Managers is composed of Rev. L. E. N. Hundley, Professor O. C. Landers, Mrs. D. L. Purkins, Mrs. Karl Neal, Mrs. W. F. Murray, Mrs. Hugh Moseley and Fred Holt. We have always had good training

## CHURCH NEWS

#### ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Since last week's note, my time has been much occupied in church affairs.

For the first time I can recall I missed my District Conference on account of the annual meeting of the Board of Church Extension in Louisville, which I had to attend. I have been a member of this Board for more than twenty-five years and they insist upon my presence at every meeting.

It is distressing to hear the brethren talk about the idea of putting the headquarters of the Church Extension Board and Home Missions in New York; they think it so far out of the center that the expense of attending the Board meeting will be enormous. However, we will await action of the General Conference, and do whatever they say.

I have heard reports of our District Conference at Des Arc and I am sure the meeting was interesting and profitable. Dr. Reves has made a good Presiding Elder and all of us love him.

Yesterday I had calls from a number of brethren from over the Conference and I am so happy to know that everything seems to be getting along well, and this is true not only in the Little Rock Conference, but so far as I have contacted, in North Arkansas Conference. In spite of our weaknesses and failures as preachers, the Church moves on.

I have enjoyed Bishop Sealeman's contributions to the Methodist during the last two weeks. He is a man full of energy and is perfectly sane in his leadership. I am looking forward to one of the best years that the Home for fatherless and motherless children has ever had.

schools at Warren and are looking to this being equal to any we have had. On our visit last week we found Brother Hundley and his people rejoicing over the splendid service they had held the Sunday before in which eight adults came into the church on profession of faith. We have no more efficient pastor than Brother Hundley and the above mentioned results came not as a result of revival meeting, but in response to his untiring efforts continued over his long pastorate to win all men to our Savior.—Clem Baker.

#### PORTLAND SCHOOL TO BE HELD APRIL 28-MAY 3

The Monticello District is putting on one of the most active Training programs in the Conference this year. Continuing this program a one-unit long-term school will be held at Portland for Portland, Parkdale, Montrose and Wilnot charges the week of April 28-May 3, Rev. R. E. Simpson who is having a splendid pastorate at Portland, is chairman of the Board of Managers, with J. A. Monk, Mrs. Edwin Haskell, Mrs. Hilliard Machen, Mrs. David Herren, Rev. M. O. Barnett, and Rev. J. W. Thomas serving with him as the managers. The instructor will be Rev. H. M. Fikes, pastor of Highland Methodist Church, who will teach "The Meaning and Mission of the Christian's Religion." We are fortunate in securing Brother Fikes. He is one of our best instructors, a graduate of S. M. U., and will prove a blessing to the people in the Portland area.—Clem Baker.

We are now doing some very much needed repairs at considerable expense. This comes naturally with a building that is getting as old as ours. With much love for all, I am Your brother,—James Thomas, Executive Secretary.

#### VICTORY CELEBRATION AT GRAND AVENUE

Grand Avenue Methodist Church of Hot Springs is preparing to celebrate a victory on Sunday, May 5, and, in order that the readers of the Arkansas Methodist and our friends over the State may know what we mean when we say victory, I will give just a brief history of the Church up to the present time.

It was first organized and worked under the name of South Hot Springs Methodist Church and, after a number of years of splendid work under that name, the faithful membership was able to build a new church in a new location; hence, the name was changed to Third Street Methodist Church. Under that name it had many years of success and its faithful membership was known throughout the Little Rock Conference for their loyalty and earnest work. There are many things that I could say regarding this Church, but must pass them by and continue by saying that back in 1926 our Church purchased from the U. S. Government the lot on which our present church is located. A new building was started and was finished in 1928 at the contract cost of \$53,000.00. Bonds were issued in the amount of \$45,000.00. The difference between the above figures was raised by the congregation. To some of us this seemed to be a top heavy obligation, but we began the fight and paid about \$8,000.00 in interest and \$3,500.00 on the principal. Then the crash (depression) came, leaving us with \$41,500.00 principal debt, together with accumulated interest which, of course, meant nothing else but a default in payments. To further aggravate the situation, we were thrown into a Street Improvement District, adding another heavy burden upon us. We were able to pay only a little more than one assessment on this obligation. Then the cry immediately went up that "It can't be done! The Church is lost." And consequently it was lost by allowing it to be sold in Chancery Court for taxes the first of the year 1938.

However, this did not stop a few faithful members who continued to say, "It can and will be saved for the Church." At the annual Conference in the fall of 1938, a plan was presented to our Bishop and he accepted this plan and sent to us Rev. J. H. Cummins, who has the record of never failing on a church debt. We began under his leadership early in 1939 to work out this plan, which was continued throughout the year. It was a hard fought battle which seemed at times hopeless, but, thanks to the courageous board, who continued to say, "It can and must be done," we continued on until the early part of this year and won the victory which we are to celebrate Sunday, May 5.

We reduced our total indebtedness from approximately \$65,000.00,

**SKIN IRRITATION**  
ITCHING and BURNING of  
**RESINOL OINTMENT**  
AND SOAP  
Gently cleanse affected parts and quickly relieve fiery torment with



which we are determined, by the help of God, to pay as it comes due. There are a number of pastors and others connected with this church whom we would like to have mentioned, but time and space will not permit us to do so. However, we are extending to a number of those who came to our assistance a cordial invitation to be with us on Sunday, May 5, for an all-day celebration. Some day we may again change the name of our Church to Cummins Memorial Methodist Church.—R. L. Keith.

#### FIRST CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK

The workers' Council, April 10, voted to increase the attendance average for April and May 107 above that of March. Each Department and Class accepted an increase for the coming months. All seemed enthusiastic to make this a successful period. Mr. George H. Burden presided; Miss Marjorie LeFever discussed the observance of Children's Day, and Rev. Warren Johnston discussed attendance plans. Departmental meetings followed.

A Children's Day Program will be given in the main auditorium Sunday, April 21, at 9:30 a. m. in observance of Church School Day. The Nursery, Beginner, Primary, Junior and Junior High Departments will share some of their regular activities with the entire school. The Gallery (children) and Chapel (Young people) Chorus, directed by Mr. John Summers, assisted by Mrs. Frank Delony and Robert Gannaway, will provide the music. The Senior High Department will provide ushers. The Adult Classes will meet in their rooms for the opening, and then go in a body to the Auditorium. The Committee on arrangements is composed of Miss Marjorie LeFever, chairman, Mrs. A. H. Hamman, and Mrs. Dudley Johnson.

The Young Men's Class, recently organized and taught by Mr. Print Hudson, is growing. There were twelve present last Sunday and they seemed anxious to bring others next Sunday. The class was organized for men 24 years old and above. All are invited to attend.

A Young Women's Class was organized last Sunday to become a part of the Adult Division of the Church School. Heretofore there has been no class in the Adult Division especially designed for young women leaving the Young People's Department. This class was organized at the request of the young women themselves and is expected to grow rapidly. All young women above the young people's age limit of 24 are invited to join. At the initial meeting Miss Eva Raney was elected president; Mrs. Amis Guthridge, vice president; Miss Elizabeth Thomas, secretary and treasurer, and Miss Scotty Horton, reporter.

The Nonpareil Class, which has always been a part of the Young People's Department, will remain so with young business girls under 24 constituting its membership. This class has made a valuable contribution to the work of the department and is expected to continue its splendid work and make an even better record.

Sunday School attendance last Sunday was 693, just 8 short of our goal of 701. The Anne Blakeney Class and the Elizabeth Rimmel Bible Class went above their goals of 31 and 50 respectively. The Bethell Class was only one short of its goal of 80 with the Century Class a close second with 76 present. The Rule,

Sunshine and Young Men's Classes were each three short of their goals with 12, 17 and 12 present in the order named. The Senior High Department took first honors among the departments with 79 present, with the Junior High with 76, and the Junior with 73 close behind. The Nursery Department went 4 over its goal with 30 present and the Beginner reached its goal of 28. The Primary with 55 and the Young People with 60 were 5 and 10 short of their goals.

Rev. H. N. Moore, membership secretary of the Y. M. C. A., spoke to the Senior High League last Sunday on "How I Can Achieve Christian Character." Mr. Cooper Jacobway, city attorney, spoke at the Sunday school session of the department. Rev. Warren Johnston will speak to the League next Sunday on "Developing a well rounded Personality." Margaret Spann will preside and Cecil Lee will offer the prayer.

"Is Brotherliness a Mockery?" was Fred Storm's subject in the Young People's Department Sunday morning. Miss Frances McBride spoke on "India: Three Hundred and Fifty Million People," at the League meeting. Miss Sue Medlock was hostess. Robert Gannaway and Charles Bagley were in charge of fellowship music.

Mr. Hern Northcutt spoke to the Young Adult League on "The Parallel of Culture and Religion" last Sunday. Mrs. Richard Bouchard was in charge of refreshments. The Young Adult League is planned for young men and women twenty four years of age and over, and offers a varied program of interest and inspiration. You are invited.

The Junior High Department League meets at 5 p. m. each Sunday for worship and fellowship. All young people 12, 13 and 14 are invited.

The hay ride planned by the Young People's Department for last week was postponed because of the inclement weather, until Friday, April 19.

The Chancel Choir (adult), the Chapel Choir (young people) and the Gallery Choir (children) will present a music festival Sunday April 28, at 5 p. m. Mr. Summers is in charge of the entire plans and will be assisted by Mrs. Frank Delony and Robert Gannaway in preparation. The Chancel Choir will occupy the choir loft, the Chapel Choir the North Balcony and the Gallery Choir the South Balcony. All lovers of music will want to take advantage of this, the last in the series of special musical vespers directed by Mr. Summers.

The young people have planned a Spring Festival in honor of Dr. John Cline, our pastor in China, to be held at the church, May 3. Although the program is planned by the young people under the leadership of Miss Sue Medlock, all adults are invited.

The boys' work, carried on by Robert Gannaway, Ed Jones, Alton Cardinal, Sybil Ivey, Faye Keenzel, Anna Mae Bosley, Emma Sue Bagley and G. D. Cummings, is growing each week. There are many possibilities with this group and it is expected to reach larger and larger proportions as new members are brought in. Most of the boys coming to the church on Sunday afternoon have no other contact with the church and this gives them an opportunity for training that they would not otherwise receive.—C. R. Hozendorf, associate pastor.

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOALS AND OBJECTIVES TO THE LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT CONFERENCE

*Methodist Advance*—Your committee wishes to emphasize the fact that this is the year of Methodist Advance throughout the entire Church. The Advance is not a program within itself, but is an emphasis upon everything that the Church stands for and calls for an advance along every line. At our session at Warren last fall, the Little Rock Conference adopted the goals and objectives for the year. We have made progress along most of the lines as the full summary of the pastors' reports will show:

Additions on profession of faith ..	265
By letter ..	431
Total additions ..	696
Adults baptized ..	109
Infants baptized ..	75
Enrollment of the Church Schools ..	9,946
Joining Church Through Church ..	
Schools ..	221
Number of Auxiliaries of W. M. S. ..	32
Raised by the Missionary Societies ..	\$5,397
Members of the Missionary Societies ..	2176
Salaries paid for Pastors and ..	
District Supt. ..	\$16,461
Paid on benevolences ..	\$5,967
For the Orphanage ..	\$1,593
Ministerial Education ..	\$921
On Debts ..	\$9,254
New Improvements ..	\$3,043
Pastoral Visits ..	10,007

*Gains over this date last year*—The preachers' reports show the following gains:

(1.) An 8% increase in assessment for ministerial support; (2.) An 8% increase in acceptances on Benevolences over last year; (3.) A larger per cent of pastors' salaries paid in full to date; (4.) A larger per cent of Benevolences paid to date; (5.) The Orphanage goal paid in full; (6.) General and Jurisdictional Conference expense Fund paid in full; (7.) A large increase in amount paid on Ministerial Education; (8.) An increase in Fourth Sunday Missionary offerings over last year; (9.) An increase over last year in the payment for debts and new improvements; (10.) An increase in number of members and money raised by the Woman's Organizations of the churches; (11.) An increase in Church School enrollment over this date last year; (12.) Increased activity on the part of the City Mission Board with the employment of a full time Deaconess; (13.) New emphasis on pastoral visitation.

*Recommendations:* Keeping in mind our pledge to work for an advance on each item in our list of Conference Goals and Objectives, we recommend that all charges in the District work together to secure the following goals between District Conference and the session of the Annual Conference.

*I. Evangelism:* 735 more additions on profession of faith. (1) Revival meetings everywhere possible; (2) Sunday School evangelism in every church; (3) Use of evangelistic pamphlets provided by our Church; (4) Cooperation in the Preaching Mission, November 6-10.

*II. Missions:* Missionary program with offering in each church each Fourth Sunday; (2) Local Church Council of Missions organized in each church; (3) Woman's Work Auxiliaries organized in each rural church; (4) Payment in full of Young People's Missionary pledge; (5) Some special local mission project for each church.

*III. Christian Education:* (1) 10% increase in Church School enrollment over last year; (2) A training class in each church with as many credits as officers and teachers; (3)

All churches participating in Epworth Training Conference, April 29-May 3 and the District-Wide Training School, September 22-27; (4) Each charge represented at Camp Ferncliffe and at each of the Young People's Assemblies to be held at Conway; (5) All pastors to attend the Pastors' School; (6) A Vacation School for each charge; (7) All churches represented at the Camp for Children's Workers, July 9-10-11; (8) Church School Day observed with offering in full; (9) Observance of Hendrix College Week, May 12-18th; (10) More use of Hendrix students in local churches.

*IV. Finances:* (1) Continued emphasis upon early payment of Benevolences with July 1 as the date for full payment except where provided for in the budget; (2) Monthly payment of pastors' salaries; (3) 100% payment on Ministerial Sustentation Fund; (4) The observance of Golden Cross Sunday, May 19; (5) The observance of Veteran's Day, October 13; (6) Each church with definite financial plan.

*V. Church Property:* (1) All Church property insured; (2) Continued effort to pay all church debts; (3) All churches and parsonages adequately furnished and attractively kept.

*VI. Church Paper and Publishing Interests:* (1) The Arkansas Methodist in all homes; (2) All churches using our Publishing House for literature, remembering that the profit goes to our Conference Claimants.—Clem Baker, Chairman, H. M. Fikes, Secretary.

#### LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The District Conference was held at Des Arc, April 9, with Dr. C. M. Reves, District Superintendent presiding. Rev. A. J. Shirey was elected Secretary, with Rev. M. W. Miller and Rev. Curtis Williams assistants.

The Conference opened with the Worship Service led by the District Superintendent. The roll was quickly perfected and the Conference was down to business by 9:00 o'clock. The report of the committee on Local Preachers. This committee, composed of Dr. J. M. Workman, Rev. R. B. Moore and Rev. H. H. McGuyre, had met with the local preachers and candidates for license to preach the day before and had its work so well in hand that all matters pertaining to local

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#### Constipation Relief That Also Pepsin-izes Stomach

When constipation brings on acid indigestion, bloating, dizzy spells, gas, coated tongue, sour taste, and bad breath, your stomach is probably loaded up with certain undigested food and your bowels don't move. So you need both Pepsin to help break up fast that rich undigested food in your stomach, and Laxative Senna to pull the trigger on those lazy bowels. So be sure your laxative also contains Pepsin. Take Dr. Caldwell's Laxative, because its Syrup Pepsin helps you gain that wonderful stomach comfort, while the Laxative Senna moves your bowels. Tests prove the power of Pepsin to dissolve those lumps of undigested protein food which may linger in your stomach, to cause belching, gastric acidity and nausea. This is how pepsin-izing your stomach helps relieve it of such distress. At the same time this medicine wakes up lazy nerves and muscles in your bowels to relieve your constipation. So see how much better you feel by taking the laxative that also puts Pepsin to work on that stomach discomfort, too. Even finicky children love to taste this pleasant family laxative. Buy Dr. Caldwell's Laxative—Senna with Syrup Pepsin at your druggist today!



## Two New Members On District Staff

It is a pleasure to introduce two new members of the District Staff. Mrs. Russell Henderson, 4312 Woodlawn, Little Rock, a member of Winfield Memorial Church, has been elected District Secretary of the W. M. S., to succeed Mrs. T. E. Benton. Rev. Frank Walker, pastor at Bauxite, has been appointed Director of Training Work in charge of short term schools. We welcome these to fellowship and service among us and pledge to them our hearty co-operation in their work.

### DR. J. M. WILLIAMS IN LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT

As part of our program in the interest of Hendrix College, Dr. Williams will speak in the District all through the month of May. His dates are as follows:

May 5. Highland at 11 a. m. and Winfield at 7:30 p. m.

May 12. Douglasville at 11 a. m. and Geyer Springs at 7:30 p. m.

May 19. Pulaski Heights at 11 a. m. and England at 7:30 p. m.

May 26. Asbury at 11 a. m. and Primrose at 7:30 p. m.

June 2. First Church at 11 a. m. and Carlisle at 7:30 p. m.

Let each pastor plan to make Hendrix Cultivation Week, May 12-19, a great week in the local church.

### OUR NEXT PAGE

It was announced that the Little Rock District would have a page in the Methodist each month until Conference, but it seems best to have only one page a quarter. Our next page will appear in the June issue and will carry reports of the pastors for the first six months of the Conference year. Begin now to work toward having everything up in full for the first half of the year. May 28 will mark the end of the conference half-year.

## Little Rock District Bulletin

C. M. REVES, District Superintendent

### THE BANNER DELEGATION

There were many good delegations at the District Conference, but the banner goes to Highland for the largest number. The following were in attendance: Rev. and Mrs. H. M. Fikes, Mrs. Ernest Farabee and Elizabeth, Mrs. Rose Mortenson, Mrs. Edna Vineyard, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Farmer, Mr. Lee Evans, Mrs. Walter Elliott, Mrs. Albert Joyner, Mrs. R. H. Carrick, Mrs. Nancy Green, Mr. Frank Mackey, Mrs. Walter McCullars, Mrs. T. L. Adkins, and Mrs. Claude Trice.

### DISTRICT CONFERENCE REPORTS

It is hoped that the reports which appear on this page will be carefully read by our people. These were made by the pastors at the District Conference last week. In many respects they are better than were the reports at the same time last year. In one particular, however, they fall behind the reports of last year; they show a smaller number of additions. But it must be remembered that we had this time last year a United Evangelistic Campaign during which more than 20 revivals were held. So far only a few of the pastors have had their meetings this year. The goal for the Little Rock District is 1000 additions on profession of faith by Annual Conference.

### L. R. DISTRICT Y. P.'S UNIONS

Pastors and workers with young people are reminded that we have three unions in the district. Little Rock Y. P.'s Union meets on third Monday night; James Thomas Union meets on second Monday night; Henderson Union meets on second Friday night. Attend the union to which your young folks belong.

### MAY BROTHERHOOD MEETING

The next meeting of the pastors will be held on Tuesday, May 14, at 10 a. m. At the same time the wives of the pastors will have the first meeting of their organization which was formed not long ago. Mrs. C. M. Reves is chairman and Mrs. C. R. Hozendorf is secretary. It will be good to have the wives of the preachers meeting on the same day that we hold our meeting.

### REVIVAL AT ASBURY

Rev. D. L. Coale, one of the general evangelists of our Church, will begin a meeting with the Asbury congregation on May 5 and continue two weeks. Bro. R. B. Moore invites all to attend the services and to pray for the success of the evangelistic campaign.

### FOR APRIL AND MAY

Let pastors put the following into their plans for the next two months:

1. Church School Day on April 21 or as near thereto as possible. Have a program and send in the offering as soon as taken.

2. Hendrix College Cultivation Week, May 12-19. Use this period to make Hendrix better known among the Methodists of Arkansas.

3. A vacation school for the summer season. Call on Miss McRae, Mrs. W. F. Bates, or Brother Baker's office if you need help in planning.

### D. S. AT GENERAL CONFERENCE

The District Superintendent will leave on April 18 for Atlantic City to attend the General Conference. He will be away about two weeks. During this time he can be reached by addressing him at Hotel Jefferson, Atlantic City, N. J.

### HONOR TO THESE

The reports on this page do not show the fine work of two of our most faithful workers. Mr. George Vaughn has been rendering very effective service at Halstead Church on the Roland Circuit and in the Brown community where we have a new church in prospect. Rev. Chas. Hegarty has been appointed pastor of the River View Mission. For some time he has been making a large contribution to the program there.

### SHORT TERM TRAINING SCHOOL

We are very fortunate in the Little Rock District to have the services of Rev. Frank Walker in our training work. He will give special emphasis to short term schools, endeavoring to have at least one in each charge that is not served by our District-wide Training School which will be held this year in September. Right soon Bro. Walker will make the round of places in which schools are to be held and will assist the pastors in making their plans. Let each pastor give the fullest and heartiest co-operation in this matter, remembering that Bro. Walker's leadership is offered with a view of helping where help is needed. We want to make a good record for the District this year in short term schools, and here is our opportunity to get what we greatly need.

### REPORT TO TREASURERS

If you have in your possession money that has been raised for the different causes, please see that this is sent to the proper treasurer at once. This applies to Fourth Sunday offerings, Church School Day money, Benevolences, College Day offerings, and the like. Let us see to it that money raised for special purposes is where it will be at work.

Let us have 100% Clubs for the ARKANSAS METHODIST for all charges in our District.

## Report of Charges in Little Rock District From Annual Conference to April 9

NAMES OF CHARGES	Total Adds.	Profession	By Letter	Adult Bapt.	Infants Bapt.	Ch. S. Enroll.	Av. Attendance	Mems. from Ch S.	Ch. S. Day Off.	No. 4th Sun. Off.	No. W. M. So.	Members W. M. S.	Amt. Raised	No. Outlooks	For Pastor	For D. S.	For Benev.	For Orph.	College Day	Gen. Jur. Con. Expenses	Dist. Work	Church or Parsonage Debt	Other Debts	New Enterprises	No. Sermons and Addresses	No. Pastoral Visits
Austin Circuit.....	4		4		1	350	215			9	1	12	\$.....		\$243	\$30	\$73	\$15	\$11	\$10	\$...	\$.....	\$...	\$50	50	250
Bauxite-Sardis.....	20	7	13	6	2	350	175	7	...	5	1	42	125	5	528	56	.....	50	15	15	.....	.....	25	150	60	400
Bryant Circuit.....	1	1				425	350			15	3	51	20	1	234	29	20	20	4	8	.....	.....	.....	1150	50	250
Carlisle Station.....	30	8	22	7	1	283	163	4	...	4	1	40	569	6	500	47	125	48	30	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	47	414
Carlisle Circuit.....	2		2			200	125	2			2	40	20		69	7	15	7	2	4	.....	.....	.....	200	40	53
Des Arc-DeVall's B.	5		5		2	187	82			5	2	41	78	8	254	26	70	20	12	12	.....	.....	.....	204	52	294
Douglasville-G. Sp..	8	3	5	3	1	208	150	2	...	10	2	60	94	3	430	54	25	15	20	10	.....	60	.....	510	30	176
England.....	6		6		4	162	95			3	1	108	459	10	675	37	.....	60	21	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	53	400
Hazen.....	7	2	5	2		135	90			3	1	53	50	10	362	25	.....	26	7	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	70	150
Hickory Plains Ct...	9		9		1	402	225			9	3	62	63	3	176	21	98	20	...	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	70	150
Keo-Tomberlin.....	1		1			108	99				2	37	60	5	266	11	27	20	7	7	.....	.....	.....	510	60	200
Asbury.....	39	19	20	12	4	610	475	8	...	5	1	136	387	40	1050	112	1376	75	25	40	.....	600	.....	148	59	525
Capitol View.....	42	7	35	1	2	458	250	4		5	1	130	360	20	592	71	300	26	16	25	.....	165	.....	.....	52	318
First Church.....	154	45	109	13	15	1235	502	52	165	5	1	476	1730	50	1800	281	816	525	300	60	.....	3100	.....	.....	60	619
Forest Park.....	10	7	3			163	100	7	...	3	1	38	85	10	276	20	.....	20	10	10	.....	150	.....	80	45	350
Henderson.....	9	4	5	2	1	300	200	3	...	5	1	45	130	6	525	56	193	20	6	15	.....	185	23	.....	40	200
Highland.....	37	23	14	3	3	587	360	21		5	1	130	125	38	800	87	300	66	30	20	.....	.....	220	70	56	500
Hunter.....	22	7	15	5		296	135	11	15	5	1	50	153	24	389	48	225	15	15	12	12	.....	.....	.....	49	192
Pulaski Heights.....	40	15	25	10	10	1238	500	15	65	5	1	210	250	40	1287	154	600	105	18	40	33	.....	.....	500	52	175
Scott Street.....	9	5	4		2	175	120	1	...		1	50	100		900	65	60	25	...	20	.....	200	150	.....	60	200



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preachers were efficiently handled within a few minutes. Three men will be licensed to preach at a future date. Rev. J. R. Martin, Rev. Jerry Dean and Rev. Herston Holland were recommended to the Conference for the relation of Accepted Supply pastors. Dr. J. M. Workman, Rev. R. B. Moore and Rev. H. H. McGuyre, with the District Superintendent, were elected Ad Interim licensing Committee.

The program differed from the usual routine by centering around the Conference and District Goals and Objectives and the appointment of one committee to report on programs achieved to date and goals for the rest of the year. Report of this committee will appear in another column of this week's Methodist. The two high points of the morning session were: The Hendrix College hour and the Conference sermon. Representing Hendrix were: Mabel Martin, Lois Raymond, Robert Jewell and Kermit Roebuck, all students, with E. W. Martin as Business Manager. The college has never before been quite so well represented. At eleven o'clock Rev. Warren Johnston preached just the kind of a sermon a District Conference group needs. At noon a splendid barbecue dinner was served by the women of the entertaining church. During the recess the statistical reports of the pastors were placed on a large bulletin board.

The Conference reconvened and the first half hour of the afternoon session was devoted to pastoral reports. These revealed progress along many lines as will be indicated in the statistical table. The report of the committee on objectives was read and the program until the closing hour at 4:00 o'clock, centered around discussions of the points of emphasis from now until Conference. All members of the District Staff as well as Conference officers, were given an opportunity to represent the interest committed to them. Upon nomination of District Superintendent, the Conference elected B. F. Fitzhugh, A. E. Jacobs, Curtis Williams, Mrs. E. C. Perkins and Luther Elliott as the Committee on Hospitals and Homes. C. K. Wilkerson was re-elected District Lay Leader with J. T. Thompson and Roland Shelton, associates. Rev. Frank Walker was elected Director of Training Work and charged with the responsibility of promoting short-term Training courses. Dr. J. M. Workman was named District Director of Evangelism. These officers, together with Mrs. J. R. Henderson, Secretary of Women's Work, Rev. D. T. Rowe, Missionary Secretary, Mrs. W. F. Bates, Director of Children's Work; Rev. J. E. Cooper, Director of Young People's Work, constitute the efficient staff for the Little Rock District.

The Conference went on record to observe Veteran's Day with an offering for Conference Claimants. Among the preacher visitors were: Rev. L. E. N. Hundley of Warren, Rev. Charles Giessen of Blevins, Rev. Edward Harris of Fordyce, and Rev. Vernon Chalfant of Cotton Plant.

After adopting beautiful resolutions expressing appreciation to the pastor-host, Rev. W. W. Nelson, and his good people for the bountiful hospitality, the Conference adjourned to meet at Hazen next year. We all came away from Des Arc feeling that the Little Rock District, under the leadership of Dr. C. M. Reves, is in the midst of one of the

best years in its long and honorable record of achievement for the Kingdom.—Reporter.

#### PRESCOTT DISTRICT PREACHERS' MEETING

The preachers of Prescott District, under the leadership of J. D. Baker, D. S., were guests of Glenwood church, Rev. I. A. Love, pastor, on Thursday, April 11.

The devotional was conducted by Arthur Terry. The following matters of business were transacted: 1. Training Schools held, Blevins charge, with Bingen and Washington charges participating, a three-unit long-term school, Nashville, an Epworth Training Conference. Schools in progress at Amity; Center Ridge on the Okolona Charge; and Spring Hill. Schools definitely scheduled to be held at Emmet, Forrester, Gurdon, Hope, Nashville, Mineral Springs and Ozan. 2. The District Superintendent announced: (a) General Conference expense paid in full. (b) In last report only 18 schools participating in Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise with an offering on fourth Sunday. (c) The clerical members of the committees of the coming District Conference. 3. A check up, by charge, was made on the following items: Student Fund, District Work, Benevolences, Additions. 4. Observance of Church School Day was urged. Representation to the assemblies for Intermediates and Youth was stressed. The importance of Vacation Church Schools was presented. 5. The time and place of the next preachers' meeting was set.

Every single item of the church was looked after. Many of the preachers left saying they felt better able to do their work.

#### WALDO CHARGE

Report of the Lay Leader to the District Superintendent and members of the second Quarterly Conference of the Waldo Methodist Church.

The Board of Stewards are glad to report that there has been through the past quarter and throughout the year, a gradual and healthy growth of all the activities of the Church.

We feel that the interest in all of the departments has been quickened and that the members themselves have caught the new spirit and determination. We expect this to be the best year in the history of the Church.

The financial condition is the best that it has ever been at this season of the year. The salaries of the pastor and district superintendent are paid in full to date; the Conference Claims, the District work, the General and Jurisdictional Fund and the Church School Day Offering, are all paid in full for the year. With the exception of our current monthly expenses, all of our financial obligations are paid in full for the year.

We feel that several things have contributed to this splendid condition. First, we have inaugurated the envelope system which affords each member of the church an opportunity to contribute regularly to the budget. We believe however that the main cause is the revival interest in the church and the members are beginning to respond to it first, where it rightfully belongs. Another important factor is the constant effort of our pastor, Rev. James Simpson, who shows his determination to build this church to take its rightful place in the community.

There are several things we hope to accomplish this year. We would like to make the necessary repairs on the church building to bring it back to its former state of beauty and service. We want to make the repairs and improvements on the parsonage, to make it equal in beauty and comfort to at least the average home in Waldo.

But we are more interested in the coming revival meeting and are pledging our efforts as individuals and as a group to make that meeting a success.—J. D. Scurlock, Chr. of Board and Charge Lay Leader.

#### DR. HUTCHINSON AT MALVERN

Dr. Forney Hutchinson came to Malvern First Church March 31, and spent two Sundays with us. He preached twice each Sunday and in the evening throughout the week. He captivated the crowd from the first and with each successive service the crowd increased.

The cumulative result of the meeting as to the size of the congregation and the spiritual effect was especially pleasing. On the last day all available space in the church was taken.

We had visitors from Hot Springs, Benton, Arkadelphia, Leola, and Little Rock to hear this man of God. They were not disappointed.

I have known Dr. Hutchinson since school days. He has helped me in several meetings and I have helped him and I know him. I have known through the years that he is a great man and preacher; but, since this series, he is a much greater preacher than I had thought. The fact is, he is a growing man and becomes greater as the years go by.

With his preaching, his splendid personality, beautiful social contacts, and consecrated life, he will prove a blessing to any community, church and pastor wherever he may go. All our people including the pastor, love and appreciate him and thank God that he has come this way.—W. C. Watson, Pastor.

#### FAITH AND INTEGRITY

The Temporary National Economic Committee's investigation of 26 of the country's largest life insurance companies developed the fact that instead of ammunition for a "smear campaign," critics could find very little but that which deserved the highest commendation. SEC Commissioner, Leon Henderson, in noting the small number of companies that went to the wall during the severest depression years in history, said: "I think that is an extraordinary record as far as the integrity of insurance assets are concerned. . . . It is an amazing record as far as investment policy is concerned."

It is encouraging to find that "Committee" investigations are occasionally capable of bringing out the good as well as the bad facts of industry.—Industrial News-Review.

#### "DRAGONS IN THE WIND"

Powerful! Convincing! Startling! A 48-page booklet by Miss Ethel Hubler, editor of The National Voice, is off the press, packed full of facts and information useful to ministers, lecturers and workers in the battle against the liquor traffic, as it answers wet mis-statements with dry facts. It has already been acclaimed by nationally known dry leaders and ministers as one of the finest things of its kind in print. Published by the author, Ethel Hubler, 126 West Third Street, Los Angeles, California. Price, 50 cents.

#### REV. JESSE M. WILLIAMS: A TRIBUTE

Rev. Jesse M. Williams, son of the late Jesse Williams and his wife, Lutticia Williams, was born at Quitman, Arkansas, March 23, 1864, and died at Hartford, Arkansas, April 7. He was educated in the public schools about Quitman and in the old Quitman College where many of the older preachers prepared themselves in mind and heart for the work to which God had called them. July 17, 1887, he was married to Miss Zola England of Quitman and to this union five children were born, four survive, namely, Mrs. I. R. Hill of Fayetteville, Mrs. Bryant Wilder of Little Rock, Gene Williams of Helena, Arkansas, and Fred Williams of Oak Grove, La.

Mrs. Williams died March 26, 1928, and later he was married to Mrs. Ola B. Hearn, who survives him. He leaves one brother, Rev. George W. Williams of Quitman.

In early life Brother Williams was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, at Mount Pleasant near Quitman. He was licensed to preach when about 20 years of age and joined the old Arkansas Conference, meeting at Russellville, in 1891, and was appointed to the Clinton Circuit where he served for three years. Then he served the following charges in the order given: Paris, Yellville, Russellville, Plumerville, Ozark, Plumerville again, Paris a second time, Greenwood, Siloam Springs, Altus, Atkins, Danville, Plainview and Kensett. In 1926 he took the superannuate relation in which he continued until the end came.

Brother Williams was a good, strong, clear preacher. No man need be afraid of the gospel which he preached. It was the power of God unto salvation to all who believed and obeyed it. He was a faithful pastor, his people always loved him, frequently calling him back to assist in funerals and in other services.

Above all he was a good man, clean in his life, pure in his mind, throughout his long life never a shadow fell on his character. He rests from his labors. He heard the roll call up yonder and answered and the keeper of records said, "Nothing against him." "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

After a brief service held at Hartford by Rev. W. V. Womack, his body was brought to Morrilton, where the funeral service was held by the writer, assisted by Rev. Poe Williams of Plumerville and Rev. J. M. Talkington of Quitman, in the presence of a large audience, and then his body was laid to rest in the Elmwood cemetery.—William Sherman.

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