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ADDRESS OF BISHOP ALEXANDER SHAW AT GENERAL CONFERENCE OF METHODIST CHURCH

IN the very familiar story of the lame man at the Beautiful Gate of the temple you find this verse: "And they knew that it was he which sat for alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder and amazement at that which had happened unto him."

In these early days of reunited Methodism as it seeks to chart its course in the future, I most earnestly recommend a study of the Acts of the Apostles whose "ignorant and unlearned leaders," mere fishermen, with a special and even mystical indowment of mysterious spiritual power were able to turn the world upside down and preach the gospel of the lowly Nazarene even in the gilded palaces of the Caesars, within a single generation.

One easily discovers, even in a casual study of this story of the early Church, many elements of power in kingdom promotion. But I have time to call your attention to only one, the element of amazement and wonder which enabled the disciples of our Lord to attract attention and win converts and supporters to their new religion and their new way of life.

There is a tendency for the Church of our wonderful Savior to depend too much upon the natural, the ordinary in the promotion of its work, when it should utilize its marvelous heritage of the supernatural, the omnipotent, the divine, the eternal.

It is the extraordinary, the supernatural, that attracts attention; that wins admirers and adherents and supporters. How manifest this is in all life around us. It is not the sports, per se, but sports managed, conducted, and played in a wonderful way that attract attention and support. Baseball is not attractive except as it is played well. Nobody stops to see sand lot teams play ball whose playing is a mere "comedy of errors," while thousands of people spend thousands of dollars to see games of baseball which are played wonderfully well. Sports that manifest no thrills, break no records, have no wonderfully exciting and thrilling moments, attract very little attention.

It is the wonderful actor or actress who becomes a star and the center of attraction and admiration in the movies or on the stage. It is the wonderful football team which holds the line when in danger of being scored upon by the opposing team, which breaks through the line of opposition and makes a touchdown.

A church whose atmosphere is cold and unfriendly, selfish and cynical and exclusive will never be able to compete with the saloon or beer garden or night club in which is warmth and human interest, fellowship and sociability. A preacher whose major asset is his ability to "go down deeper into theological abstractions, stay down longer and come up drier" than his competitors, will never draw the crowd that a mere ranter on a soap box draws, whose talks are about things of concrete interest to the masses, nor will he be of equal service as the ranter.

A religious singer without depth of sympathy and soul who merely observes the mechanical technique of good singing will never be able to attract as much attention as the popular singer who interprets the minds of the masses even though the message in song may be of no intrinsic or permanent value. A dead church cannot compete with a live organization. The Christian Church in order to attract attention and compete with other agencies of human uplift and advance must be a wonderful church led by spirit-filled men and women who are able to

* BEHOLD, HIS SOUL WHICH IS LIFTED *
* UP IS NOT UPRIGHT IN HIM; BUT THE *
* JUST SHALL LIVE BY HIS FAITH.— *
* HAB. 2:4. *

duplicate in a vital way the power manifest among the founders of the early church.

One of the greatest hindrances to the progress of the united Methodism may be dependence upon mere organization and numbers. Methodism was not born in the Holy Club, nor in the accurate scholarship and rigid methods of the Wesleys and those associated with them. It had its real beginning at Aldersgate when John Wesley's heart was strangely warmed—when he received an endowment of power. The early leaders of Methodism were more than men of learning and methods but they were men of power—like unto the early disciples of our Lord who went forth doing their religious work in such a manner as to turn the world upside down. Such is our task and privilege in these days.

I am fully persuaded that too much of our religious functioning in these days is too cold and formal, too tame and powerless. Much of our preaching is just nice. The gift of the Holy Spirit is not so mysterious as we imagine. When we translate it into our modern terminology it is but the manifestation of "Divine pep," and that is what the Church needs in these days, "Divine pep."

I was converted as a boy eleven years old in a revival conducted by my father—an old-time revivalist who knew little about theology, but more than mere theology could teach. He knew God in a personal experience of God in his own soul. For a whole week he preached in a perfunctory manner, but had no results for his labors. He would not give up. On Saturday night he stole away into a secret place and, like Jacob of old, wrestled with God for an endowment of spiritual power. Sunday morning came. The people assembled for the services in fair numbers. He went from his knees into the pulpit. He preached with such unaccustomed power that without an invitation thirty or more unconverted people came forward to the altar. There were ten or more persons converted that morning.

The news of the outbreathing of a real revival spread over the vicinity like wildfire. There was no trouble to get together a congregation. It was in the country. The people came in the old fashioned way, some walking, some riding, some on horseback or on muleback, some in old-fashioned farm wagons, some sitting in chairs or on boards across the wagon bed. They came singing the great old hymns of the Church, "Amazing grace, how sweet the sound," and "I want to be a Christian." They came shouting and praising God and they filled the community with a spiritual atmosphere. Gamblers left their gambling places to go to church; careless and indifferent Church members were renewed and revived. Sinners turned from their evil ways and in thought, conduct and life became saints of God. The life of that community was transformed by that influence of that revival. The church, because it did its work in a wonderful way, became the center of attraction and influence in that community. Only a wonderful church, a wonderful ministry, a wonderful life-saving and life-giving message, will meet the needs of our times.

The early Church advanced because its leaders were wonderful men and women, and the work done in and by the Church was of that wonderful variety. The element of wonder and amazement must never become divorced from

religion. We love the Bible because it is a wonderful book. The God of the Bible is a wonderful God. It is the wonderful God who attracts attention and obedience. One of the difficulties and errors of our age is we are seeking too much to reveal the eternal God in abstractions. We are characterizing God by such abstractions as the First Cause, Cosmic Force, and such non-sensical abstractions. An abstract God is no God at all.

I like a God like the one described in our Bible, whose spirit moved, brooded over chaos, and by the might of his power he was able to make the worlds out of nothing. I like a God like the one described in Genesis who stood in the midst of the pristine darkness of his creation and just said, "Let there be light," and the sun and the moon and all the hosts of heaven came parading out upon the canopy of the heavens obedient to his command.

I like a God able "by the breath of his nostrils" to divide the waters of the Red Sea so that his advancing host might keep marching on. I like a God, great and marvelous, "who sitteth in the midst of the circle of the earth to whom the nations of the earth are but as grasshoppers." I like a God who "comprehends the dust of the earth and weighs the mountains in scales and the hills in balances." I love a God who leads his people like a shepherd into green pastures and by streams of living waters, who, when they walk through the valley of the shadow of death, need fear no evil because God walks along with them. I love a God who is a "rock in a weary land," "a shelter in the time of storm," a refuge to whom the helpless, the hopeless, and outcast people of the earth may run and find a hiding place.

I like a personal God, like the God of Abraham and of Isaac and of Jacob, and of Moses, and of Peter and Paul, our God and my God, a wonderful God.

It is the wonderful Savior who is attractive and worthy of adoration and praise. An ordinary Savior would attract little if any attention. It is the wonderful Savior whose birth was announced by an angel messenger and whose advent was sung by an angel choir singing, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace and good will among men." A wonderful Savior opening blinded eyes, unstopping deaf ears, touching lepers and giving them their cleansing, calming the raging winds and boisterous waves by the power of gentle command. Wonderful Savior, opening blinded eyes and going down into the very shadows of death, "leading captivity captive and giving gifts to men." Wonderful Savior, derided, condemned, crucified, dead and buried, but who on death's own domain chained death and Hades to his chariot wheels, rising victor over death and leading captivity itself captive.

That is why we love Him and that is the secret of his power to draw all men unto himself. Wonderful, Wonderful Savior.

Ours is also a wonderful salvation.

I am afraid that too many of us Christians do not fully appreciate the richness, majesty and glory of our heritage in Christ Jesus. Great and marvelous are his plan and purpose for us. Our Father God seeks not only to deliver us from our sins and weaknesses, but he seeks to put his spirit in us and by power divine to transform our humanity into divinity so that with his divine nature in us we may be truly adopted into his holy family and become the children of our father God, heirs of God and joint heirs with Jesus Christ our elder brother.

As glorious and thrilling as is that marvelous old song, "I am a child of the King," it is only a

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METHODIST EVENTS

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

REV. S. K. BURNETT, pastor at Gillette, will
preach the sermon for the High School class
on May 12.

REV. A. E. JACOBS, pastor at Hazen, preached
the sermon for the Hazen High School class
at the Methodist Church on May 5.

REV. AND MRS. A. J. SHIREY of Hunter
Memorial Church, are the proud parents of
a daughter, Elizabeth Annette, born May 1.

TRUE RELIGION does not drive men out of
the world, but enables them to live better
in it and excites their endeavors to mend it.—
William Penn.

IS THE CHURCH to be the Church of God, or
of some political deity? Is it to be subser-
vient to the dictates of ever changing temporal
rulers, or be led by the moving spirit of the
changeless God? Shall its headquarters be found
in state capitals or at Calvary?—World Outlook.

REV. B. H. GREATHOUSE, ninety-one, died
at his home at Lincoln after a brief illness.
He is survived by five sons, two sisters and one
brother. Burial was at Elm Springs, Sunday.
Bro. Greathouse retired a number of years ago
from the active ministry. Fuller notice will
appear later.

REV. NEILL HART, district superintendent,
announces that the Pine Bluff District Con-
ference will be held at Prosperity Church, Rowell
Circuit, about twenty miles south of Pine Bluff
on the Warren road, Tuesday, May 14. The Con-
ference will open with the devotional by Rev.
Virgil Keeley. Roll call will be at nine o'clock
and a Hendrix program will be given at 10:30.
At 11:30 o'clock Rev. Roland E. Darrow will
preach and lunch will be served at 12:30. The
afternoon will be given to reports and addresses.

REV. R. A. TEETER, pastor at Mena, sending
in subscriptions, writes: "The church is mak-
ing good progress in all departments. The mem-
bership is increasing, the parsonage has been
improved throughout and a committee has been
appointed looking forward to repairing the
church building and installing a new heating
system."

NO CAMPAIGN of education conducted by the
brewing industry, regardless of how exten-
sive it may be, will ever convince the American
public that beer is a soft drink, and that its pro-
duction and distribution should be regulated only
to the same extent. . . . You can never succeed
in separating beer from other alcoholic bever-
ages in the public mind.—Federal Alcohol Ad-
ministrator, W. S. Alexander.

REV. W. E. BENBROOK, pastor of Centerton
Circuit, sending in a 100% club for Center-
ton church, writes: "We are moving along very
well. We have four churches, Council Grove,
Hebron, New Home and Oakley's Chapel that
have paid their Conference claims in full for
the year. Centerton church, which is using the
budget plan, is bringing that up almost to date.
We have paid the district fund in full for the
circuit."

FORESTRY SPECIALISTS tell us that black
walnut is one of the most valuable trees that
grows in the Southwest. It grows almost any-
where in east and central Texas, in northern
Louisiana, eastern Oklahoma, and in most parts
of Arkansas. Native nuts can be planted where
trees are desired and at the end of two years
they can be budded to the thinshell nut, which
will crack easily and half kernels of rich spicy
meat can be easily removed. It is valuable from
a timber standpoint, the lumber being used ex-
tensively in furniture and cabinet making, and
is always in demand.—Farm and Ranch.

A CHALLENGE TO THE CHURCH

THE Plainview District of the Northwest Tex-
as Conference has decided to accept at its
full face value, the call of the Church for its
benevolent causes. This unusual attitude is taken
by the entire leadership of the churches of the
district. At the recent Plainview District con-
ference meeting those present voted unanimo-
usly for a 100% acceptance and payment on the
district asking for Benevolences, with a request
that the committee on Missions and Church Ex-
tension bring in a report outlining methods of
procedure in securing this most desirable result.
The committee recommended all the usual meth-
ods of study and promotion and committed the
Lay leadership, the Superintendents, Mission-
ary Committees, Pastors and the District Super-
intendent to renewed diligence in this most con-
structive enterprise in this day of destiny in our
world. In addition, two special means of promo-
tion were recommended and adopted, the hold-
ing of Missionary Rallies where needed and a
reconsideration of benevolent askings at official
meetings with a goal of full acceptance in every
pastoral charge.

All this action was accompanied with a great
religious fervor and enthusiasm. Testimonials of
endorsement carrying profound conviction were
spontaneous and numerous from both pastors
and lay members throughout the two-day ses-
sion. Many say this was the best District Con-
ference they have attended in years.

This unusual missionary enthusiasm came to
the Plainview District after about twelve years
in the slough of "depression" and "recession"
complex on Benevolences and missionary bud-
gets. We were doing as well as the rest of the
Church. But church debts, drouths, financial dis-
couragement and local needs had seared our
conscience on benevolent responsibility and few
pastoral charges had at any time accepted their
full askings during the spiritual "recession." But
beginning with the District Stewards Meeting
this year our District Superintendent, Rev. E. E.
White, has led us in the erection of a Missionary
spirit all through the year. Two special sub-
district meetings were held with Dr. C. K. Vliet
and Bishop Ivan Lee Holt as speakers.

Dr. Vliet was the guest speaker at the Dis-
trict Conference. His soul-stirring, spiritual mes-
sages were gratefully received. At the close of
one of these addresses was the time of the great

committal to the district-wide venture of faith
described above. When asked in the round-table
discussion whether it would be practical for our
district to take up again the matter of "askings"
and "acceptances" at this time of the Conference
year with a view of making the district 100%,
Dr. Vliet replied:

"Flesh and blood did not prompt that ques-
tion, brother. That came as an urge from the
Holy Spirit of our Heavenly Father. It is never
too late to begin doing good. The revival for
which one of your number prayed today has al-
ready begun. Your action here now will become
an inspiration to be followed by many others
throughout the Church. Your leaders throughout
Methodism will be heartened and grateful hearts
throughout the world will read of this day's
action here with rejoicing in its prophetic im-
plications. The Lord will bless you generous
people with souls born into His Kingdom."—
R. N. Huckabee, Muleshoe, Texas.

CALLED TO SERVE

JESUS placed great emphasis upon service. His
whole life was an example of unselfish de-
votion to the will of the Father and service to
men. He realized that the great mission of His
life was to minister or serve and to give His life
a ransom for many. He emphasized that great-
ness in the Christian realm was based on ser-
vice. —"Whosoever will be great among you,"
He said "shall be your minister, and . . . the
chiefest shall be the servant of all." He fur-
ther stressed that this principle of service is the
opposite to the standards ruling the world. But
are not all Christian principles the opposite of
the spirit or prevailing attitudes of the world?
Are we not exhorted by the great apostle to "be
not conformed to this world but be ye trans-
formed by the renewing of your mind"? This
exhortation is the negative side of which the ap-
peal to consecration or to be living sacrifices
"which is your reasonable (or spiritual) ser-
vice," is the positive. A consecrated Christian
will give practical expression of his consecration
by being "a living sacrifice," or in unselfish and
devoted service to God and others. In our en-
deavors to stress the crisis experiences of sal-
vation, namely regeneration and sanctification,
may we not have failed to give sufficient em-
phasis to the place of service in Christian living?
Also in our efforts to correct some false im-
pressions held by many church members re-
garding service or good works, may we not have
given an equally false impression that good
works or Christian service has little place in our
lives? We need to re-emphasize the place of ser-
vice in Christian living. We must stress anew the
thought expressed by the Apostle James, that
faith and works are the complement of each other,
especially that "faith without works is dead."
—Herald of Holiness.

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kind of lullaby that God sings or has sung to his
little children, that is all. We have the glorious
privilege of growing up into him, our Living
Head, or of attaining unto "the measure of the
stature of the fulness of Christ." We are heirs
of God in a larger sense than the mere inheri-
tance of his possessions. God's nature is ours,
his divinity is ours, his righteousness, justice
and purity are ours, and his majesty, glory and
even omnipotence are ours. We may become
filled with all the fulness of God. Wonderful,
wonderful salvation! It just suits me.

CIRCULATION REPORT

SINCE last report the following lists have been
received: Malvern Ct., O. L. Thompson, 1;
Hartman, Bates Sturdy, 6, finishes 100% lists
for Hays Chapel and Mt. Zion; Ashdown, W. R.
Boyd by Mrs. Ed Phillips, 100%, 31; Bayou Metro,
C. R. Andrews by Mrs. Geo. Kline, 6; St. Charles,
R. C. Walsh, 3; Perry, A. H. DuLaney, 2; Cen-
terton, W. E. Benbrook, 100%, 14; Mena, R. A.
Teeter, 4; Tyronza, E. G. Kaetzell, 100%, 20.
Many thanks for this fine work. We hope to
have other good lists during the next few weeks.

One of History's Most Remarkable Mothers

Methodists cannot observe Mother's Day without pausing to give thought to the debt we owe to Susannah Wesley, whose influence moulded the founder of our Church, and to whose training is attributed the greatness of her sons, and even the system of our Church government, which gave the denomination its name.

Susannah Wesley is one of the famous women of all time, and would have been a remarkable woman in any age or country. Her management of her children may well be the despair of all mothers and the envy of all fathers. This brave, wise, high-bred woman, with the brain of a theologian behind her gentle eyes and the tastes of a scholar in her blood, had great ideas for her children. Her motherhood had an inexorable plan running through it; and never were the innumerable offices of a mother discharged with such insistent method and intelligent purpose.

It is to be doubted that any other woman of history so strongly influenced the lives of her children. "Had John Wesley's mother been Papist instead of Protestant," one writer has observed, "it is quite probable that the Roman Catholic Mass would now be celebrated on the altars of Westminster and St. Paul's."

Hardship and grinding poverty could not conquer Susannah Wesley, nor lessen her ambition for her

children, and they grew up in a crowded but well regulated nest, moulded, trained, disciplined and educated by their glorious mother. Of her three boys, one was destined to mould a new type of the religious life of the race to which he belonged; a second to be the greatest hymn writer in English literature; while the eldest of the group, Samuel, had a strength of will and vigor of intellect equal to his more famous brothers and a wit even keener.

Life had not been soft to Mrs. Wesley; the age was not soft. A strain of the Spartan mother was in her blood, and not without need. A very narrow space divided that household of hungry mouths at Epworth from real want. When Susannah Wesley awoke every morning her first pre-occupation must have been how to find bread for her hungry brood. These were conditions unfavorable to light-hearted ease. But no one can study the record of that home without seeing that its atmosphere was love. Love, it is true, of a strenuous temper, with no element in it of loitering tendencies and no enervating strain of indulgence, but still love of deathless quality.

John Wesley himself was the least sentimental of men, but his affection for his mother had something in it of a lover's glow and tenderness. He writes of her, hoping he may die first, and so not have the distress of outliving her!—Ex.

tree and we'll soon be imagining its leaves are whispering French."

"Good," exclaimed Allie. "Oh, there's Cecelia and Violet." She called to them to join her under the oak. Turning to Helen she said, "They are more fun than a box of monkeys. I want you to meet them and they ought to know you better. I wish you'd play around with us. We have more fun than anybody on the campus."

"Thank you," said Helen. "It's lovely of you to want me, but I'm so busy I don't find much time for play. I'll wait a moment and meet your friends. I've already met Miss Gordon."

"Hurry, girls, I've got good news," shouted Allie. "I'm on my way to Paris for that art course Aunt Emily promised me. I'm practically there. Nothing can stop me."

"How'd you get that way?" asked Violet.

"Helen, that is, Miss Wilson, is going to give me the works. She's got what it will take to make me go. Miss Wilson, these are my friends, Cecelia Gordon and Violet Gray; and, girls, this is my friend, Helen Wilson. I'm telling you, you'd better tie on to her and let her help your French, too."

Cecelia drew herself erect and said haughtily, "I've had the pleasure of meeting Miss Wilson. I'm surprised, Miss Wilson, that you could find time to waste an hour on Miss Simpson. I understood you were working your way through school. You must find it difficult to find time to prepare your own work, especially difficult since you were classified beyond your preparation. It seems a foolish waste of time to work with Allie, who has time for anything."

"You'd be surprised, Miss Gordon," replied Helen, "how much time a busy girl can spare when she can be of real help to a sister student."

"She's agreed to help me again tomorrow," declared Allie, "and I mean to hold her to her promise."

"Well," said Cecelia, "I'd talk with my French teacher about it before I accepted too much help, if I were you. You may find it hard to unlearn your mistakes. It has been nice to meet you again, Miss Wilson. I hope you are getting along nicely with the boarding house you are running just off the campus. I understand you have a few girls working their way through school. They are most of them from the country, aren't they? Maybe some evening we'll drop by and persuade them to give us a barn dance."

"I'm afraid not, Miss Gordon," said Helen coolly. "Their evenings are filled with enterprises you'd scarcely enjoy. It has certainly been lovely to meet you again. I feel sure we'll have the pleasure of meeting a number of times before the year is out."

"Oh," cried Cecelia, "are you planning to be here all the year? Then I'll be seeing you. Come, Violet, we must hurry if we meet our engagement. Bye, Allie. Take my advice and don't work too hard on that French."

She and Violet walked rapidly away, sure that Allie would soon join them. But Allie had other ideas on the subject.

"Oh, Helen," she cried, "I'm so ashamed of what I let you in for. Please forgive me. I didn't realize how rude Cecelia could be!"

"Forget it," said Helen; "I shall. But perhaps you'd better not study with me."

"Indeed I will if you'll let me,"

Women's Department of Christian Service

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MINERAL SPRINGS AUXILIARY

On Monday, April 29, I had the rare pleasure of meeting with the Mineral Springs Society. The spirit of cooperation was very much in evidence as they planned for the District Conference dinner to be served later in this month. The goal toward which the Society is striving is a church with every member active. Service, both spiritual and material, is included in their program. Their fine spirit is both encouraging and inspirational. So long as this ideal of spiritual growth prevails there is no doubt that they will reap material success.—Mrs. A. C. Millar.

HARTMAN AUXILIARY

The Hartman Auxiliary will have an all-day meeting at the church on Tuesday, May 30, beginning at nine o'clock. The day will be spent in quilting. A pot-luck dinner will be served at noon.

We will start our Bible Study in the afternoon at two p. m., our regular time to meet. We plan to study the book, "Stewardship For All of Life," by Luther E. Lovejoy, with Mrs. Bates Sturdy as our leader.—Publicity Supt.

ATTENDS DISTRICT MEETING

A group of sixteen of our Society attended the District meeting in Manila, May 2. There were 175 present. Miss Nellie Dyer, dressed in Korean dress, gave an interesting talk on Korea and exhibited many dolls, pictures and different articles used by Korean people. These things and the splendid talks given by the leaders and officers, were of great interest to us of the Lake St. Society of Blytheville.—Mrs. C. T. Shamlin.

DISTRICT MEETING AT WALNUT RIDGE

The Society of the Paragould District met in Walnut Ridge, May 1, with 126 members present.

After the singing of a hymn and responsive reading we were led in prayer by Mrs. B. E. Snetser. Then we were favored with a solo by Mrs. Joe Sexton. Bro. Cravens, the pastor host, gave a brief talk on "Faith," and our District Secretary, Mrs. Ben DeVoll, gave a splendid message on "High-lights and Dark Spots of 1939." Mrs. Snetser gave the Council report. Mrs. John Meiser, the Spiritual Life Message, assisted by Bro. Ed Ginther and Mrs. Hineman. We retired to the basement, where attractive tables were waiting and after a period of fellowship and good eats we assembled to finish our program.

The parsonage committee and Scarritt leader were appointed. Mrs. Wade gave a talk on "Children's Work" and Mrs. Lowe's report on our last conference as "M. E. C. South Women" was splendid. Clarence Jung played a beautiful violin solo, and then came the real

said Allie. "I want your friendship if I have to work the rest of the year to get it."

(To be continued)

The Campus Goes Co-operative

By SUSIE McKINNON MILLAR

CHAPTER XIX

"Oh! Oh!" sighed Allie Simpson as she sank down in the shade of a big oak by the side of the path leading to Helen's Coop. "This darned French'll be the death of me yet. I simply can't make all those sounds, can't get the hang of it. I've got to practice and every time I try Cecelia and Violet simply go into spasms. They don't care if they never get it. They get whatever they want anyhow, whenever they want it, just by managing their fond fathers; but I'd like to see them or anybody else try to manage Aunt Emily. It simply can't be done. She promised that I might go to Paris and study art if I'd major on French and really learn to speak it well. I might cram and pass my written exams, but, oh, you oral! I'm sure to fail. I need practice. Now just listen to this," and she began to rattle off a string of French phrases, each one pronounced just a little worse than the one preceding. "Awful," she declared, "simply awful! My, how I envy that Helen Wilson her pronunciation. I wish I dared ask her to help me; but—oh, there she comes now. I'll call her and ask her, and Cecelia and Violet may say what they please. I've got to, simply got to get this French. Oh, Miss Wilson, I wonder if you've time to come to my rescue?"

"Certainly have," said Helen turning aside and sinking down on the grass beside Allie. "I'm through with classes for today and there's nothing stacked up waiting for me. But what's your trouble? You don't look like you needed rescuing. You are not my idea of a damsel in distress.

"Oh, but I am," said Allie. "I'm simply swamped. It's this conversational French. I can't do it at all and you do it so beautifully, I wish you'd teach me."

"Here, let's have the book a minute," said Helen. She took the book and turned through its pages hurriedly to see just what helpful suggestions the text offered. Then she shut the book and handed it back and laughed as she said, "I'll take you step by step through the practice I gave myself when I was learning. That will be good for me as well as for you because I want to keep in practice. Does that suit you?"

"I'll say it does!" said Allie. "I'll do anything, simply anything you say if you'll only help me. And I'll gladly pay you regular tutor's wages for every hour you work over me."

"Let that wait," said Helen. "We ought to leave the selection of tutors to the teacher. Now, let's have a try at my method."

Together they worked and laughed and talked for over an hour, and Allie began to feel more hopeful. She exclaimed, "Oh, Helen, I believe I'm going to get it—I may call you Helen, mayn't I?"

"If I may call you Allie," agreed Helen.

"That's O. K. by me," said Allie, "and I'm glad I called you by my rescue. I've enjoyed every minute of it and I've learned a lot. I'm too self-conscious and embarrassed to get the hang of it in class."

"You'll get the hang of it in a hurry," laughed Helen, "if you keep on the way you've started. It's been lots of fun helping you. Will you want another lesson anytime soon?"

"If it suits you," answered Allie, "the same time and the same place tomorrow."

Helen and Allie got up and Helen said: "Then it will be tomorrow at this hour at the foot of this old oak

treat, "The Message From Korea," by Miss Nellie Dyer. Mrs. J. C. Poindexter expressed our appreciation of our guest speakers and nice lunch. Mrs. Meiser and Mrs. Turner closed the meeting with short talks on the needs of the Silent Hour.—Rose Coffman, Secretary.

HUMPHREY AUXILIARY

Thirty members and guests of the Humphrey Auxiliary met in the home of Mrs. P. H. Matthews for their monthly social and program on Wednesday, May 1. Mrs. F. A. Wilson had charge of the Mother's Day program and in opening, "Faith of Our Mothers" was sung to the tune of "Faith of Our Fathers."

The Scripture, stressing the conduct of children toward parents, was read responsively.

Hymn, "O, Motherhood, the Beautiful," was sung and Mrs. L. E. Wilson told of the origin of Mother's Day.

Mrs. C. L. O'Daniel gave "A New Idea of Mother's Day."

Quotations from great men, concerning their mothers, were given by several members.

Mrs. Elon Roberts read a poem about "Mother, a Noble Work" and Miss Marilyn Osborne favored us with a solo, "Mother's Voice."

The leader gave an interesting article on "Mother" and closed the meeting with a prayer.

After a short business session, the hostess assisted by her daughter, Mrs. O. T. Beard, served a delicious ice course.—Mrs. J. G. Mouser.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

The Society of Second Methodist Church, Ft. Smith, were guests at a birthday covered dish luncheon at the home of Mrs. R. C. Hetherington, 2437 N. 12th, Thursday, May 2.

There were nineteen present, including the hostess. There were two birthdays in this month and many useful gifts were received.

A delicious luncheon was served at noon.

We studied The Life Story of Mrs. Luke Johnson. A short business session followed, and work and study were discussed and planned.

We shall be glad to contribute the suggested gifts for the box Miss Nellie Dyer will take back with her on her return to Korea, and we, her friends, wish her continued success in her work.

We also arranged to send a box of magazines etc., to Miss Dora Hoover for her rural work.

We are gradually gaining new members and trust the time is not far distant when the majority of our church members will be in our Society.

There seems to be a greater interest taken in all our church work and our pastor's wife is a great help in all our activities.—Mrs. W. C. Lea.

AUSTIN CIRCUIT AUXILIARY

We met for an all-day meeting in the parsonage, April 23, with twenty members and four visitors present, to organize a circuit Woman's Missionary Society. Four of our churches were represented.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Herman Ginter; vice-president, Miss Jennie Lee Hester; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Jennie Powell; recording secretary, Mrs. Jessie Kinley; treasurer, Mrs. E. R. Chambers; program chairman, Mrs. Mary Clement.

Our District Secretary, Mrs. Russell Henderson, was with us, and gave a very helpful devotional. Our former district secretary, Mrs. T. E.

Benton, was also present and gave some very timely advice in the work.

We hope to have Auxiliaries organized in five of our churches, and hope for six, if possible.

Our next meeting day for the circuit will be June 27, at Mrs. Bege-man's at Concord.

Everyone enjoyed the bountiful pot-luck lunch at 12:30.—Mrs. Powell, Reporter.

WELDON AUXILIARY

The ladies of the Weldon unit met Wednesday afternoon at the home of the treasurer, Mrs. D. F. Kimbrough, for an executive session. The president, Mrs. D. H. McCartney, called the house to order. Mrs. W. B. Huff read 1 Cor. 13th chapter. Prayer by Mrs. Joe Ballew. Eleven members were present. An interesting letter from the District Secretary, Miss Levinia Jelks, at Batesville, was read. Miss Jelks requested that \$7.50 be sent from the local funds to enable Miss Edna Simpson to complete her degree, to insure her entry into Scarritt, fitting her for the mission field. The fund, it was explained by Miss Jelks, was as a loan to be returned by Miss Simpson at her convenience, to be used by other students requiring aid. This was done.

An interesting feature of the afternoon was a short talk by Mrs. L. C. Craig, the delegate to conference, on the many sidelights not published.

Informal talks among the ladies, one on Social Relations and Law and Order, stressed the importance of using every effort to lift our community to a plane of higher, cleaner living.

The session closed with a prayer by Mrs. R. H. McDonald.—Reporter.

MENA AUXILIARY

By an oversight the amount spent by our Auxiliary for local work during 1939 was omitted from the Conference minutes. By heroic effort and self-denial our Society raised and used during 1939, \$341.00.—Mrs. Lesly Moseley, President.

JONESBORO DISTRICT MISSIONARY MEETING

One hundred sixty-three missionary women and twelve pastors of Jonesboro District met at Manila on Thursday, May 2, for the district missionary conference. The session opened with quiet music, followed by prayer, led by Rev. E. G. Kaetzell. The devotional was given by the pastor of the Manila church, Rev. W. J. Leroy. Mrs. Patton, District Secretary, gave a short summary of the past year's work, of which the district feels justly proud.

We were happy to have Mrs. Snetser, our Conference Secretary present. She brought interesting highlights of the Council at New Orleans.

Mrs. B. A. Lynch of Blytheville told some of the interesting things of the Conference held in Conway recently.

Mr. G. H. Banks of Osceola, District Director of the Golden Cross, was introduced and spoke briefly of this work, urging upon us the importance of our cooperation. The morning session was dismissed with prayer by our District Superintendent, Dr. Potter.

At noon a lovely luncheon was served by the ladies of the church.

The afternoon session opened with quiet music and meditation given by Mrs. Gus Tucker of Monette, who

is the new District Chairman of the Spiritual Life Groups. After hearing her, we were convinced that a wise selection had been made in appointing her to this office and the helpful suggestions given in connection with the organization of the spiritual life groups in the local auxiliaries will prove of great benefit.

Reports were given by presidents of auxiliaries and we were then favored with a musical number, given by a trio of Manila ladies.

Mrs. Patton introduced Miss Nellie Dyer, missionary to Korea. Miss Dyer spoke most interestingly of her work in Korea and this first-hand information from the missionary field makes us realize what a great work our missionaries are doing and we see how much our assistance and prayers are needed. The session closed with prayer, led by Mrs. Potter.—Mrs. E. G. Kaetzell, Secretary.

BLYTHEVILLE AUXILIARY AT-TENDS DISTRICT MEETING AT BRINKLEY

The Helena District meeting was held in Brinkley, April 30, with Mrs. Homer Williamson, District Secretary from Wheatley, presiding. Twenty-three of the thirty-two Auxiliaries were represented by 200 delegates.

Rev. S. O. Patty, pastor host, led the morning devotional. The work was ably presented by Mrs. B. E. Snetser and Mrs. Peter Kittel, conference officers, Mrs. Daley and Mrs. J. L. Dedman, district officers. Miss Marie Holmstedt, retiring secretary, was presented with a "Treasure Chest" containing more than \$50.00, a love gift from every Auxiliary.

The District voted to adopt Mildred Steel of West Helena, who goes to college this fall as their daughter. The offering was more than enough to pay the tuition for the first quarter.

The ministers of the District, including Rev. J. L. Dedman, D. S., enjoyed the beautiful hospitality extended by the Brinkley Auxiliary.

The closing hour of the meeting was a helpful inspirational devotional service led by Mrs. J. L. Dedman.—Mrs. Claude Heeb, Sec'y.

PARAGOULD AUXILIARY

The Society of Paragould First Church completed its spring study Friday, April 26. The course lasted four days, beginning Tuesday, April 23. This course on Home Missions has been unusually inspirational, and was presented in an interesting manner by members of the five circles, under the direction of Mrs. E. E. Turner, study leader. Some of the most important topics of discussion were "The Origin of Home Missions," "The Racial Problem," "Unemployment," "The Migrant Problem." This course has given us a clearer and more urgent conception of the task confronting us, that of ministering to needy humanity within our own gates.—Superintendent of Publicity.

PARKIN AUXILIARY

We are progressing with all of our undertakings and have increasing attendance at all meetings. Have some new members. Nine members attended the Zone meeting at Brinkley on April 30. A good report of our work was handed in. It was with much regret that it was Miss Marie Holmstedt's last time with us in her official way, as she is resigning her office. She has the love and best wishes of everyone

The Laymen's Forum

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CHURCH SUPPERS GIVE PROXIMITY TO RELIGION

In an article in the current issue of the World Outlook, Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, writing on the subject, "From Church Suppers to World Power," suggested that some persons do not like the idea of the women serving church suppers as a means of promoting the Kingdom; that members of the Ladies' Aid Societies should not devote their time to dish-washing in church kitchens. He called attention to the fact that a substantial portion of many church budgets comes from these societies, and then pointed out something of greater importance.

"Cooking church suppers," Bishop Oxnam said, "because it involves cooperation, often reveals more religious interest than the mere writing of a check. There is too much religion by proxy rather than proximity."

The easier way to finance the church would be to contribute the funds obtained as profits from church suppers, plus, of course, the funds already being contributed. But, contributions without service, too often mean "religion by proxy," as Bishop Oxnam mentioned, and "proximity of religion" is something to be greatly desired.

The Church can be financed after a fashion by members serving by proxy, but only so long as there are others who both give and serve enabling the Church to carry on many vital functions or services that money cannot provide. Try and picture a church where the actual value of the services of Sunday School teachers, stewards, choir members and leaders in the wo-

for her faithful service. The Brinkley ladies served a splendid luncheon.

On Thursday our pastor and one of the laymen and six of the Missionary ladies attended the District pastors, meeting at Marianna, which was well attended and most interesting and an awakening of our spiritual needs as we go along. As hostess to the meeting Marianna's ladies were above par in the serving of a most delicious luncheon to all.—Mrs. W. C. Drummond, Supt. of Publicity.

A Fine Catechism For Infants

Some years ago Mrs. Carrie Thornburgh, first wife of Col. Geo. Thornburgh, prepared an Infant Catechism which met a felt need and became deservedly popular. It was supposed to be out of print; but recently a considerable number was found. The original price was five cents a copy and 50 cents a dozen. They may now be had for 5 cents a copy or 25 cents a dozen. Order of the Arkansas Methodist. Stamps may be used in payment.

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men's activities was measured in terms of dollars paid for the talents of these workers.

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CHURCHMEN URGED TO SURVEY NEW FIELDS FOR SERVICE

Changing times bring need for changes in fields of endeavor for the church, if it is to make the most of its opportunities. In this same article about church suppers and world power for women, Bishop Oxnham offered timely suggestions which are valuable for laymen and those interested in the church's other activities.

He said: "We must be willing to appraise the actual service rendered in the light of the present need and basic religious objective. We must not allow statistical pride, vested interest, tradition, or the pressure of institutional job-holders to interfere with this appraisal. We must reveal the courage and wisdom necessary to concentrate our forces upon territory to be won, rather than to parade in pride upon ground occupied long since."

"When we repeat WPA stories with their leaning-on-shovels wisecracks, are we willing to evaluate our activities and eliminate leaning on traditional procedures that no longer are tolerated by other groups?"

"Some of our work has served its purpose and should be ended. Some of our service is of exceptional worth, meeting contemporary need, and must be continued. But the mind, heart and will, the organizing genius and executive skill of Methodists is yet to be related to the task of building a social order worthy of the name Christian."

HELPING MAKE RELIGION VITAL

"Too often men and women think of religion as something separated from the problems and challenges of real life. It is the whipped cream of the strawberry shortcake. That may be why some of us do not take the thing very seriously; not as seriously as a sore toe or the state of the weather. It is important that a bridge be made connecting religion in its abstract, unpracticed forms and principles and the economic, social and cultural advances of our age. Hendrix is the agency peculiarly equipped to bridge that chasm and make that bridge a thoroughfare."—John W. Hammons in The Arkansas Methodist.

GETTING OUT A PAPER

Getting out a paper is no picnic. If we print jokes folks say we are silly. If we don't they say we are too serious. If we publish original matter, they say we lack variety. If we publish things from other papers, we are too lazy to write. If we stay on the job, we ought to be out rustling news. If we are rustling news, we are not attending to business in our own department. If we don't print contributions, we don't show proper appreciation. If we do print them, the paper is filled with junk. Like as not someone will say we swiped this from an exchange. We did.—Ex.

OPPOSITION HELPS

Efforts against the truth sometimes help its progress; the seal and the guard only make it more clear that the Savior rose from the dead.—Broadus.

Christian Education

PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN'S WORKERS CONFERENCE, N. ARKANSAS CONFERENCE, ON MAY 14-16, PETIT JEAN

Tuesday, May 14

2:30 p. m. Registration.
3:00 p. m. General Session.
3:30 Planning for next Sunday's Session—Groups and Leaders: Beginner Department, Miss Faye McRae; Beginner Class, Mrs. J. C. Alexander; Primary Department, Mrs. Oscar Goss; Primary Class, Mrs. Roy Bagley; Junior Department, Mrs. Ira A. Brumley; Junior Class, Mrs. W. P. Pearson.
6:00 Supper.
7:30 Vespers, Rev. J. L. Dedman.
8:00 Book Hour, Miss Mary Skinner.

9:00 Star Gazing.

Wednesday, May 15

9:30 a. m. Same groups as Tuesday afternoon.

11:00 a. m. General Session, led by Miss Skinner.

12:00 Lunch.

1:00 Rest Period.

3:00 p. m. Vacation School plans and materials: Beginners, Miss McRae; Primary, Mrs. Goss; Junior, Mrs. Preston Hatcher; the Pastor and the Vacation School, Miss Skinner.

6:00 Supper.

7:30 p. m. Vespers, Rev. W. V. Womack.

8:00 Book Hour, Miss Skinner.

8:30 p. m. "The Children and the Church," Rev. Ira A. Brumley.

9:15 p. m. Children's songs and games; star gazing.

Thursday, May 16

9:30 a. m. Groups for discussion: Materials for Parents, Mrs. Brumley; Parent-Teacher Meetings, Mrs. Alexander; Religion in the Family, Rev. E. T. Wayland.

11:00 Closing discussion and worship service, led by Miss Skinner.

The cost of the Conference will be \$3.00 per person (room and board \$2.50 and 50c registration.) (Those who do not bring their own linens will pay 50c extra per day.)

HENDRIX COLLEGE NEWS

Copies of the 1940 Troubadour were distributed to students Friday by Editor Paul Young of Malvern and Business Manager Bill Spicer of Wynne. The annual is dedicated to Dr. Matt L. Ellis, professor of philosophy and director of the library, and a page is given in memorium to Dr. L. O. Leach, professor of physics and chemistry, who died last January. Victor Hill of Conway was assistant editor and Ted Darragh of Little Rock, assistant business manager.

Dr. M. J. McHenry, professor of chemistry and physics, has been appointed to the committee for the formation of new sections by the Arkansas Academy of Sciences, Arts and Letters at the annual convention of the group.

The principal event of the annual May Day-Mother's Day celebration at Hendrix next Saturday and Sunday will be a festival on Saturday afternoon honoring May Queen, Mabel Martin of Batesville and her court. An elaborate and colorful "Alice in Wonderland" pantomime will be presented in costume, with music by the Hendrix concert band. The program for the celebration on Saturday will include: Registration, noon to 4:30 p. m.; art exhibit, two p. m.; coronation ceremony followed by festival, five p. m.; box supper,

5:45, and informal receptions in dormitories. On Sunday there will be a special Mother's Day service at the First Methodist Church and dinner in Tabor Hall at one p. m.

The mixed a capella choir of the North Little Rock high school sang at Hendrix last week under the direction of Miss Beulah Wayland.

Dr. Raymond Gregg, naturalist of the Rocky Mountain national park, who was graduated from Hendrix College in 1927, is in charge of a series of weekly nature sketches being presented by the National Broadcasting Company. The sketches which Dr. Gregg is giving in cooperation with the pupils of Estes park school, are broadcast every Tuesday at 12:30 p. m., Central Standard Time. The programs are broadcast by way of a short wave pack transmitter, which is carried on hikes through the park.

Chi Beta Phi, a club for pre-medical students at Hendrix, was recently organized with 40 members. Harry L. Golish, who moved to Conway from Paterson, N. J., this semester to enroll for a pre-medical course, was elected president. Other officers: Charles Thompson of Helena, vice president, and Ella Louise Belleville of North Little Rock, secretary-treasurer.—Victor Hill.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION MEETING

The Elberta Young People's Union met at Washington, Thursday evening, May 2. A very interesting program had been arranged. Beside the regular hymns, Scripture and prayer we had the following program: Reading, Evelyn Ruth Timberlake; Trumpet Solo, Roscoe Timberlake; Talk on the War Question, Louis Lively; Talk on the Youth Crusade Caravans, Cora Reed; Talk on the Magnolia Christian Adventure Assembly, Nancy Ramage.

The program was then turned over to the president, Mary Young. After the business meeting we repeated the Young People's benediction.

Refreshments were served and we afterward gathered on the church lawn to play games.

Those present appreciated the fine fellowship shown them by the Washington young people.

The next Union meeting will be at Bingen, June 6. Start making your plans now to attend this meeting.—Reporter.

WORKS OF THE LORD

Oh, that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men! And let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving, and declare his works with rejoicing.—Psalm 107:21-22.

It is not the qualified voters, but the qualified voters who choose to vote, that constitute the political power of the state.—Abe Lincoln.

CHURCH SCHOOL DAY OFFERINGS, LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

Received Since Our Last Report Up to Saturday, May 4

Arkadelphia District	
Arkadelphia	\$ 61.75
Leola	5.00
Tigert Memorial	2.00
Previously reported	113.00
Total	\$182.75
Camden District	
Huttig	\$ 12.00
Junction City	5.00
Ebenezer	3.00
Fordyce	20.89
Previously reported	127.20
Total	\$168.09
Little Rock District	
Primrose	\$ 15.00
Bryant	3.00
Hickory Plains	2.15
Highland	40.00
Previously reported	397.00
Total	\$457.15
Monticello District	
Warren	\$ 45.00
Hermitage	3.00
Jersey	2.00
Maraden	2.00
Ingalls	2.00
Palestine	3.00
Green Hill and New Hope	3.00
Previously reported	192.00
Total	\$252.00
Pine Bluff District	
Good Faith	\$ 9.00
Hawley Memorial	12.00
Sheridan	20.00
New Hope	3.00
Gould	5.00
Prairie Union	5.00
Previously reported	248.50
Total	\$302.50
Prescott District	
Mineral Springs	\$ 7.01
Delight	15.00
County Line	1.00
Previously reported	189.50
Total	\$212.51
Texarkana District	
Mena	\$ 20.00
Previously reported	142.00
Total	\$162.00
Standing by Districts	
Little Rock	\$457.15
Pine Bluff	302.50
Monticello	252.00
Prescott	212.51
Arkadelphia	182.75
Camden	168.09
Texarkana	162.00
Grand Total	\$1,737.00

Charges having paid Church School Day in full, thus placing the name of their pastor on Honor Roll. The pastors are as follows: Forest E. Dudley, Tigert Memorial, Edward Harris, M. W. Miller, H. M. Fikes, L. E. N. Hundley, K. K. Carithers, B. F. Roebuck, Geo. W. Robertson.—C. K. Wilkerson, Treas.

WHEN A TIGHTWAD "GETS RELIGION"

A miser had been converted, but he was still struggling with his stinginess. Shortly after his conversion an appeal was made to assist a certain family in the neighborhood. They had been burned out one night and nothing material was left. The converted tightwad went to his smoke house to pick out a ham.

The tempter said to him, "Give the smallest one you have." In defiance the convert took down the largest.

"You are a fool," the tempter whispered.

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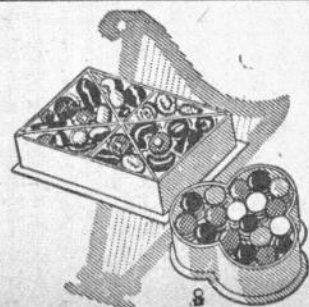
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CHURCH NEWS

HOME-COMING AT DALARK CHURCH

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ARKANSAS METHODIST ORPHANAGE

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I spent last Sunday in Hot Springs at Grand Avenue Church which had been set apart as "Victory Day" and the program was fine, from nine o'clock in the morning until three o'clock in the afternoon. Brother Cummins has had a remarkable experience in solving what seemed to be an impossible situation in saving that Grand Avenue Church. He and his people are loyal and Cummins always succeeds.

I enjoyed the day very much meeting friends of other days and associating with my brethren of the ministry who were present—Rev. F. P. Doak, a former pastor, Rev. Roy Farr and Rev. J. R. Dickerson, superannuates and Rev. H. H. Griffin, pastor of First Church. We had auditors from Texarkana and many adjoining churches,—a splendid day!

The orphanage has always come out well in that city. Men like Griffin, Meux, Cummins and Reutz do what is expected of them in taking care of this wonderful interest that we call our Home for Orphans.

I am glad the General Conference is over and hope that they have done nothing that will bring any anxiety to the Church in general.

With love for all, I am Your brother, James Thomas, Executive Secretary.

ARKANSAS METHODIST ORPHANAGE

During April, we have received the following cash contributions for the Home: Mae Jenkins Class, Winfield Church, City\$5.00
Susanna Wesley Class, First Church, Texarkana 5.00
Mrs. Guy Starks, Carthage, Ark. 2.00
Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Robinson, Des Arc, R-1 1.00
Received on the Christmas Offering Fund:

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

Keith Memorial Church, Malvern
Ct.-Arkadelphia Dist.\$2.00
Mt. Vernon Ct.—Camden Dist. 5.00
Grand Avenue Church, Stuttgart
Pine Bluff District19.00

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

Batesville District
Melbourne Ct.\$ 4.00
Melbourne S. S. 1.66
Wiseman S. S. 2.25
Forrest Chapel 10.00
Tuckerman S. S. 12.51
Newport, First Church
Biscoe-Brasfield W. M. S.—Helena District 5.00

Jonesboro District
Dell Ct.\$ 3.25
Tyronza 5.00
Leachville 5.00
Cabot S. S.—Searcy District 15.00
—James Thomas, Supt.

FIRST CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK

Members of the Elizabeth Remmel Bible Class entertained with a May Day tea Wednesday afternoon, May 1, at the home of Mrs. W. M. Haley, honoring women of the church who are new members and who are not affiliated with any Sunday School class. Receiving were Mrs. W. M. Haley and Mrs. George H. Burden, Mrs. W. P. McDermott, teacher; Mrs. D. M. Allis, president; Mrs. L. M. Loring, vice-president; Mrs. W. S. Hoover, treasurer; Mrs. J. D. Robertson, secretary; Mrs. Ella McDermott, corresponding secre-

tary; Mrs. Warren Johnston, Mrs. C. R. Hozendorf, and Mrs. C. M. Reeves.

The Sunshine Class held its annual May breakfast at Boyle Park, May 5. Mrs. Hazel Isgrig is teacher with Mrs. C. B. Meyers and Mrs. C. L. Dew assisting. Miss Evelyn McLean is president; Mrs. M. J. Hitchcock, vice-president; Miss Josephine Goeken, secretary; Miss Laverne Hicks, treasurer; Mrs. Jerry Brown, pianist; and Mrs. Lillie O'Neal, reporter.

The Lydian Class, recently organized in the Adult Division, has elected the following officers: Miss Eva Raney, president; Mrs. Amis Guthridge, vice-president; Miss Elizabeth Thomas, secretary and treasurer; and Miss Scottie Horton reporter. The class is for young business women 24 years of age and over. Mrs. Warren Johnston is the teacher.

The Young Business Men's Class, Mr. Print Hudson, teacher, has elected the following officers: Burnice Conway, president; James Bowman, vice-president and attendance chairman; and Robert Martin, secretary and treasurer. This class is for young men above 24 years of age. It was organized seven weeks ago and has showed a steady increase each week.

The Epworth Players Guild will present "Two Mothers," a religious drama, in the auditorium of the church Sunday evening at 7:30. The Chapel Choir will sing a concert of sacred music. The play depicts the mothers of Jesus and Judas a few weeks after Jesus' crucifixion and the characters are played by Miss Elizabeth Thomas, Miss Martha Halbrook and Miss Virginia Turner. All young people and adults of the church are invited.

The annual Mother and Daughter Banquet will be held at the church Wednesday, May 8, at 6:30 p. m. Miss Nancy Dowell will preside. Mrs. C. R. Hozendorf will give the invocation. Mrs. Hugh Wicker will lead games. Miss Meralen Reed, Miss Mary Elizabeth Bragg and Miss Helen Hall will sing a vocal trio. Little Miss Suella Anderson will read. Miss Virginia Lee will sing. There will be a clarinet solo by Miss Charlene Majors and a piano selection by little Miss Martha Riley. Mrs. C. M. Weston will speak on "If I Had a Daughter." The closing prayer will be given by Mrs. Warren Johnston. All mothers and daughters are urged to attend.

Bro. Johnston told us through the Church Bulletin last Sunday how we may help our church. He wrote: "The success of a church depends very largely upon the kind of members it has and the services its members render. There are a number of ways in which the members of a church may be of very practical help:

1. Be a good member; by faithfulness in your relationships and responsibilities in the church.

2. Keep your church and your minister informed when you have illness in your home or when you know of illness or trouble in the homes of any of our members.

3. When you make the acquaintance of a new comer to the city or a prospective member of our church, invite them to attend our church and Sunday School and then go by and bring them with you. Write their names and addresses on a card and turn them in to the church office.

4. If you change your residence

in the city, please notify the church of your change of address.

5. Remember, in your association, day after day, to speak well of your church."—C. R. Hozendorf, Associate Pastor.

GILLETT

We are serving the United Methodist Church here and have been royally received by as fine group of people as you will find anywhere. They are looking after our every interest. Pastor's and Superintendent's salaries are up to date and about one-fifth of Conference claims paid. All other askings are up to date except District fund and Church School Day, both of which will be paid soon. Have received seven into the church, two on profession of faith and baptized seven infants. Have one of the best Woman's Societies in the Conference with eighty members. We also have a very fine Church School.—S. K. Burnett, P. C.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Rev. J. D. Baker, District Superintendent, announces that the Prescott District Conference will be held at Mineral Springs, May 20-21.

Rev. T. M. Armstrong of Okolona will preach the opening sermon on the evening of May 20. Rev. Aubrey Walton, pastor of First Church, Texarkana, will preach the conference sermon at eleven o'clock, May 21.

All pastors and delegates will be expected to be present at 8:45, on May 21.

All other District Superintendents, pastors and people are invited to be present and enjoy the day with us.—J. D. Baker, D. S.

HELENA DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Helena District Conference met at Marianna, May 2, for a one-day session. Rev. J. L. Dedman, District Superintendent, presided over the conference, in his business-like and brotherly manner.

The reports of the charges indicated that everything is in good condition. The two outstanding things that showed up in the work were: First, the number of additions—by vow 213, and by certificate 312, making a total of 525 for the first half of the year. The second, was the fine reports on finances. All items showed an increase over same time last year. A total of \$4,344.00 has been paid on Benevolences.

Rev. Henry W. Goodloe preached at eleven o'clock. The devotional services were conducted by Rev. L. F. LaFavers and Rev. Elmus C. Brown. Rev. R. S. Hayden, District Director of Evangelism, made a report of the work done in the district.

The following visitors were present: Rev. Ira A. Brumley, who spoke in the interest of Christian Education; Dr. Matt Ellis and Robert Evans represented Hendrix College.

Two young men were licensed to preach, Hawthorne Sales, a student in Wofford College, Spartanburg, S. C., and Addison Bradford, Jr., having received his A. B. degree from Arkansas State College, Jonesboro, and is now in his first year at Southern Methodist University, School of Theology. Both these young men live at Forrest City.

Judge J. C. Johnson, of West Memphis, gave the report on Lay Activities for the district. C. R. Garrison was elected District Lay Leader, with I. M. Greer, J. C. John-

son and R. H. Cole as Associate Lay Leaders.

The attendance at the conference was good and the spirit was helpful. The charges were all represented by pastors and delegates. Rev. F. E. Dodson, the pastor host, and the Marianna church left nothing undone for the entertaining of the conference. The women of the church furnished a delicious lunch at noon in the Elks Club building.

Marvel was selected as the place of meeting next year.—W. J. Spicer, Secretary.

DR. J. M. WILLIAMS AT MENA

Beginning Sunday evening, April 21, Dr. J. M. Williams of Hendrix College brought to the Mena church an enriching series of messages on the Christian home and the problems of youth today. He handled the difficult problems in a direct and scholarly manner that held the attention of his audiences and left the hearers informed and inspired. At the invitation of the superintendent of schools, Dr. Williams appeared before the Senior Class of the high school and the seventh and eighth grades of the elementary school and delivered strong messages. On account of the lack of an assembly room at school, due to a destructive fire last winter, the faculty assembled the entire high school at the Methodist Church for chapel and to hear Dr. Williams' closing message. The young people were unanimous in their approval. This series of talks left a deposit of enrichment for the entire church and community.—R. A. Teeter, P. C.

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TREASURER'S REPORT OF REMITTANCES RECEIVED ON THE HENDRIX COLLEGE STUDENT LOAN FUND SINCE CONFERENCE THROUGH MAY 6

Arkadelphia District	
Arkadelphia Station	\$ 56.62
Benton Station	21.70
Dalark Circuit	10.00
Hot Springs:	
First Church	54.00
Grand Avenue	10.00
Oaklawn	5.00
Pullman Heights	5.25
Leola Circuit	2.00
Malvern Circuit	2.00
Malvern Station	38.00
Sparkman-Sardis	10.00
Traskwood Circuit	4.00
Total	\$218.57
Camden District	
Bearden	\$ 10.00
Camden	315.00
Chidester Ct.	4.50
El Dorado:	
First Church	438.00
Vantrease Memorial	10.94
Fairview-Harmony Grove	2.20
Fordyce	27.99
Hampton-Harrell	2.50
Huttig	6.00
Junction City Ct.	8.76
Louann	6.10
Magnolia Station	40.00
Norphlet	3.00
Smackover	15.00
Stephens	10.00
Strong Circuit	7.75
Thornton Circuit	7.86
Waldo	14.00
Parker's Chapel-Fredonia	16.65
Total	\$946.25
Little Rock District	
Austin Circuit	\$ 11.00
Bauxite-Sardis	15.00
Bryant Circuit	4.00
Carlisle Station	31.00
Des Arc-De Valls Bluff	5.00
Douglassville-G. Springs	20.00
England	21.20
Hazen	7.50
Little Rock:	
Asbury	25.05
Capitol View	16.43
First Church	100.00
Forest Park	10.00
Henderson	6.00
Highland	30.00
Hunter Memorial	15.00
Pulaski Heights	18.52
28th Street	15.00
Winfield	160.96
Primrose Chapel	19.00
Mabelvale	10.36
Total	\$541.02
Monticello District	
Arkansas City-Watson	\$ 8.60
Crossett	25.00
Dermott	9.25
Drew Circuit	3.10
Eudora	5.00
Fountain Hill Circuit	8.11
Hamburg	10.00
Hermitage Circuit	7.79
Lake Village	4.29
McGehee	10.00
Monticello	22.00
Montrose-Snyder	4.00
Portland-Parkdale	1.00
Tillar-Winchester	20.00
Warren	20.00
Wilmar	10.30
Willmot Circuit	12.50
Total	\$181.54
Pine Bluff District	
Althelmer-Wabbaseka	\$ 5.26
Bayou Meto	2.25
DeWitt	20.00
Gillett	8.50
Grady-Gould	14.51
Good Faith-Whitehall Charge-Good Faith Church	5.00
Little Prairie Circuit-Camp Shed Church	2.50
Pine Bluff:	
Carr Memorial	6.00
First Church	110.00
Hawley Memorial	5.00
Lakeside Church	30.00
Pine Bluff Circuit	4.50
Rison	5.00
Sheridan-New Hope	10.00
Sheridan Circuit	4.00
Star City Circuit	5.00
Stuttgart:	
First Church	12.94
Grand Avenue Church	8.00
Swan Lake Circuit	6.00
Total	\$264.46
Prescott District	
Amity Circuit	\$ 10.00
Bingen Circuit	3.42
Blevins Circuit	18.00
Columbus Circuit	4.00
Emmett-Bierne	13.51
Forester-Mt. Ida	5.54
Glenwood	2.25
Mineral Springs Church	2.50
Murfreesboro-Delight	17.32
Nashville	23.00
Prescott Circuit	3.25

Springhill Circuit	7.00
Saline Circuit	2.00
Washington-Ozan	10.00
Total	\$121.80
Texarkana District	
Ashdown	\$ 5.00
DeQueen	8.25
Foreman	4.97
Horatio	3.50
Mena	30.16
Stamps	8.00
Texarkana: Fairview	7.09
Texarkana Circuit	2.50
Richmond Circuit-Ogden Church	1.50
Total	\$70.97
Grand Total	\$2,344.61

REPORT OF CONFERENCE TREASURER

As Treasurer of the Little Rock Conference, I am making a report of remittances received on benevolences since the beginning of the Conference year through May 6, 1940:

Arkadelphia District	
Arkadelphia Circuit	\$ 8.50
Benton Station	600.00
Dalark Circuit	96.00
Friendship Circuit	15.00
Holly Springs Circuit	23.51
Hot Springs Circuit	20.00
Hot Springs:	
First Church	500.00
Pullman Heights Church	25.00
Leola Circuit	57.00
Princeton Circuit	27.53
Total	\$1372.54
Camden District	
Buchner Circuit	\$ 50.00
Ebenezer Ct.	12.50
Camden, First Church	400.00
El Dorado, First Church	880.00
Fordyce	250.00
Hampton-Harrell	17.50
Mt Vernon Circuit	53.00
Norphlet	75.00
Parker's Chapel-Fredonia:	
Parker's Chapel	44.00
Fredonia	63.22
Taylor Circuit	100.00
Thornton Circuit	20.00
Waldo	275.00
Total	\$2240.22
Little Rock District	
Austin Circuit	\$ 70.00
Bryant Circuit	21.90
Carlisle Station	125.00
Des Arc-DeValls Bluff	7.50
Hickory Plains Circuit	98.45
Keo-Tomberlin	8.50
Little Rock:	
Asbury	1401.00
First Church	816.00
Highland	300.00
Henderson	153.00
Hunter Memorial	225.00
Pulaski Heights	675.00
Scott Street	45.00
28th Street	125.00
Winfield Memorial	1000.00
Lonoke-Eagle's Chapel	369.21
Mabelvale	75.00
Primrose Chapel	65.50
Roland Circuit	15.00
Total	\$5606.06
Monticello District	
Arkansas City-Watson	\$ 65.00
Crossett	150.00
Dumas	137.50
Fountain Hill Circuit	13.50
Hermitage Circuit	93.00
Lake Village	25.00
Monticello	250.00
New Edinburg Circuit	10.00
Portland-Parkdale, Parkdale Church	15.00
Wilmar Circuit	8.35
Total	\$767.35
Pine Bluff District	
Almyra Circuit	\$ 10.00
Gillett Station	40.00
Good Faith-White Hall Charge	39.85
Little Prairie Circuit	15.75
Pine Bluff, Lakeside Church	50.00
Rison	50.00
Rowell Circuit	25.00
St. Charles Circuit	60.00
Sheridan Circuit	15.00
Star City Circuit	170.00
Stuttgart, Grand Avenue Church	200.00
Swan Lake Circuit	35.00
Total	\$710.60
Prescott District	
Amity Circuit	\$ 40.00
Blevins Circuit In Full	331.00
Bingen Circuit	8.50
Columbus Circuit	5.00
Emmett-Bierne Circuit	213.60
Forester-Mt. Ida	100.00
Glenwood	45.33
Gurdon	50.00
Hope	416.65
Mineral Springs Circuit	20.25
Murfreesboro-Delight	87.51
Saline Circuit	10.00
Springhill Circuit	6.95
Washington-Ozan	157.00
Total	\$1501.79
Texarkana District	
Ashdown	\$ 30.00
Doddridge Circuit	31.35
DeQueen	75.00
Foreman Station	200.50
Fouke Circuit	6.00

Horatio	68.00
Lewisville-Bradley	97.00
Mena	190.00
Texarkana, First Church	1299.98
Texarkana Circuit In Full	110.00
Umpire Circuit	10.00
Total	\$2117.83
Grand Total	\$14,316.39

—C. E. Hayes, Conference Treasurer.

MINISTERIAL SUSTENATION FUND

As Treasurer, I am making a report of the remittances received on the Ministerial Sustentation Fund for the Conference Year up through May 6:

Arkadelphia Station	\$ 7.50
Rev. Forest E. Dudley, pastor in charge, Arkadelphia Station	7.50
Camden Circuit	4.00
Taylor Circuit	2.00
Blevins Circuit	12.90
C. H. Glessen, pastor in charge, Blevins Circuit	6.00
Winfield Church, Little Rock	50.00
Rev. George G. Meyer, pastor in charge, England	6.75
Total	\$96.65

C. E. Hayes, Treasurer.

A DOZEN AND A HALF REASONS FOR TITHING

1. The Bible commands it. Deut. 14:22.
2. It belongs to the Lord. Lev. 27:30.
3. You do not have any more right to spend the Lord's tenth than you do to spend one-tenth of a fund entrusted to you by a friend or a company.
4. "Why call ye me, Lord, and do not the things which I say." Luke 6:46.
5. The tithe is a debt. The Bible teaches that a debt should be paid even under sacrificial circumstances. II Kings 4:7.
6. God said you are a robber when you withhold the tithe. Mal. 3:8.
7. God cursed the people because they withheld the tithe. Mal. 3:9.
8. God promises special blessings to those who pay a tithe. Mal. 3:10.
9. When you distribute the tithe as you wish, and do not bring it to the treasury of the church, you rob the church of the credit, God the glory and take to yourself the glory.
10. It is fair to pay a tithe; God gave the law.
11. It was commanded of the New Testament Church—"As I gave orders." I Cor. 16:1.
12. It would avoid special collections. I Cor. 16:2.
13. Christ said you ought to pay tithes. Matt. 23:23.
14. It will solve church financial problems.
15. It makes contributing a pleasure.
16. Nine-tenths will go further with God's blessings than ten-tenths will go without them.
17. It puts God into your business with you and gives Him a chance to prosper His own cause while blessing you.
18. It is right to pay a tithe. To do right is to do good. "Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin." James 4:17. "That servant which knew his Lord's will—neither did according to his will shall be beaten with many

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stripes." Luke 12:47.—E. S. Hutcherson.

EVERY DRUNK ARREST COSTS PUBLIC \$51.33

It costs Los Angeles \$51.33 for every person who is arrested on a drunk charge. And the total costs for arrests made of drunks amounts to \$2,360,898 a year. That was the statement of Councilman G. Vernon Bennett in a resolution he introduced before the Los Angeles Council asking that the State of California be petitioned to contribute \$2,054,563 a year towards enforcing the liquor laws and arresting inebriated persons upon the streets, alleys and public places of the city.

Police officials said these costs were computed on the basis of the time consumed by arresting officers, stenographers, fingerprint experts and filing clerks; paper used; feeding, bathing and housing prisoners and giving them medical attention.

BIG BUSINESS SERVES THE LITTLE FELLOW

Life insurance has been called "the most democratic of industries."

That is a justified description. For life insurance is primarily designed for the man of small or moderate means, rather than the man of wealth with a wide diversity of investments. To the ordinary man, in a great many cases life insurance offers the only safe means of creating an estate, assuring economic security in old age, and making certain that his children will be educated and his family provided for in case of his death.

Life insurance is big business serving the little fellow. That is why 64,000,000 Americans own life insurance policies with the staggering face value of \$110,000,000,000.—Industrial News Review.

See Mothers' Day advertisements on pages 6 and 7.

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For catalog write DICE R. ANDERSON, Pres.

AN EARLY START

"She smoked at thirteen. She drank at fourteen. At fifteen, she was running with a bad crowd..." Thus spoke a heart-broken mother when New Jersey detectives bluntly informed her that her eighteen-year-old daughter had been arrested on a first degree murder charge.

This young woman, a reformatory "graduate," has, according to her own brazen confession, indulged in all manner of vice. A habitue of cheap and tawdry taverns, an associate of underworld characters, she is today seemingly beyond rehabilitation. Having been convicted of a heinous crime, she is to spend the rest of her life behind steel bars and stone walls, quite like another young New Jersey miss who fiendishly hacked her mother to death with a hatchet, and whose tender years saved her from the chair.

"She smoked at thirteen. She drank at fourteen—" And what did mother do about it? No girl becomes hardened overnight. There are incipient stages of juvenile delinquency that should be apparent to an alert parent. These manifestations must be checked in their infancy. To allow them to develop is to court disaster—not only to the child but to the parent.

There is ample evidence of this fact. Nearly everyone has noted certain "problem" children, petted and pampered by foolish, indulgent parents. As the years go by, these incorrigible ones, weed-like, grow in crime; from petty offenses they advance to misdemeanors, and at last the felony stage is reached and—jail. Then it is that heart-broken mothers wring their hands and shed tears, quite like the one described above, and wonder why heaven was inflicting this "punishment" upon them. It is now too late for the exercise of spiritual home influence, now too late to inquire where these mere children were during the late hours of the night, who their associates had been, what were they legitimately doing in the way of self-support. No, the courts speak definitely and finally, and prison gates yawn.

A well-trained, well-mannered, industrious, honest, truthful, useful boy or girl reflects credit upon the parents, and the latter may well be proud of their offspring. On the other hand, an ill-mannered, rebellious, lazy, untruthful, dishonest boy or girl surely does not speak well for the father and mother. Something has been lacking in the home, and this significant fact will in time prove a boomerang to the parents.

Some day the parents of America will awaken to the fact that they have certain obligations and responsibilities with respect to their children. If a few credulous ones doubt the present extent of juvenile delinquency, let them visit some of our large penal institutions where they may determine the facts of the matter for themselves. Parenthood is an inflexible duty that must be fully performed, not only for the many benefits it will bring to self, but for the common good of the social order.—L. W. in Scottish Rite Bulletin.

HEALING POWERS

There came also a multitude out of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks and them which were vexed with unclean spirits and they were healed every one.—Acts 5:16.

FORTY THE BEST TIME TO LEARN

Psychologists have been described as learned persons who tell us things about our mental habits which everybody knows, in language few of us can understand. Luckily, there are some who have the happy knack of putting their scientific observations in terms that even the untutored can grasp. Donald A. Laird is one of these, and usually everything he says is interesting, and frequently just a little bit surprising.

It is a common mistake, he says for instance, to think that childhood and youth are periods when an education can be most easily acquired. Forty is really the best time to learn. Middle-aged people are much more capable of absorbing and assimilating knowledge than the younger folks. This doesn't mean, of course, that the youngsters shouldn't be schooled. It simply means that the schooling they receive is a necessary preparation for the real education which should follow.

The age of the head has nothing to do with learning. It is the kind of head, its thinking habits, that determines one's capacity for absorbing knowledge. That capacity, if it were possible, might be expressed in Desire-to-Learn units.

Dr. Laird tells of a janitor in a laboratory who saw a slide-rule there. The instrument excited his curiosity and intrigued him so that he resolved to learn its purpose and how to use it. He questioned the laboratory workers about it, studied an instruction book one of them gave him, and soon found how to extract square roots on the calculators. Before long he was working correlations like an old-timer. The man was not a prodigy; he was an exception to the general run of men of his age only in that he had not lost his desire to learn.

Every normal adult has the capacity to learn, but in many the desire may be absent, from lack of stimulation or opportunity, or other cause. Mental "old age" does not arrive until the desire to learn has vanished.

Another curious fact is that a young head may become prematurely aged if its owner associates much with persons of less knowledge. Continual association with inferior minds may lead him to think he is an oracle of wisdom. He should seek the society of older and wiser heads than his if he would keep his own mind young and supple. Such companionship encourages the learning habit and increases the Desire-to-Learn co-efficient.

In any job which requires the ability and willingness to think, says Dr. Laird, an old man with a young head is preferable to a young man with an old head. Young men for enthusiasm and action, old men for caution and counsel.

Each day learn something new and think out something new, and your

head will stay young a long time. Your Desire-to-Learn rating determines your age. How old are you, measured by the intensity of your desire to learn?—Nuggets.

MUSIC AND EDUCATION

In the history of education, few things are as curious as the decline of music. Considered by the Greeks an essential in the curriculum, and an important social asset in troubadour France, Renaissance Italy, and Elizabethan England, music had, by the Victorian era, become embedded in the genteel traditions along with the wax flowers; and, in America today, no one would dream of suggesting that an intelligent acquaintance with music is as fundamental, for instance, as geometry.

American unawareness of music is not difficult to understand. The Puritan tradition, the exigencies of the frontier, the cult of material wealth, the lack of leisure, the rise of a professional musician class, all contribute. The public schools labor to stem the tide; but school bands and the ubiquitous jazz orchestra have so far succeeded in putting a clarinet or saxophone in every child's hand rather than a violin or a piano keyboard. The radio, which has made good music more widely available, has also propagated the bad.

Currently, the situation is improving. More students are arriving at the college level with a real interest in good music. Almost every college and university now has a music department and allots music a larger share of extra-curricular time.

Nevertheless, there is still a muddle concerning the function of music in so-called "liberal arts" education. Until recently it was difficult to secure academic credit for work in music; and music still lacks the academic prestige of, say, the foreign languages. Not until colleges cease to concentrate exclusively on "mind" and begin to educate emotions and social attitudes also, can music and the other arts take their rightful place.

Music cannot thrive as extraneous ornament; on the other hand, few

liberal arts schools are equipped to turn out professional musicians. As education, however, as a way to reach the student's emotional life and open for him an avenue of enduring enjoyment, music has a sufficiently important function.—Antioch College Notes.

THE CIGARETTE HABIT

"The relation of the cigarette habit to crime is of universal acceptance." This statement is made in an editorial in *Northwest Medicine* which continues: "It is claimed that no agency in the world so seriously affects the health, efficiency, education and character of boys and girls as cigarette excess. Nearly every delinquent boy is a cigarette smoker. Judges of juvenile courts and superintendents of reformatories are unanimous in the belief that the cigarette habit predisposes to delinquency and crime. A well known psychological expert says the cigarette habit takes such a firm hold upon some people as to have a deteriorating influence on character."—Good Health.

GOD IS A HERITAGE

The abiding presence of God is the heritage of every child of God. The Father never hides His face from His child. Sin hides it, and unbelief hides it; but the Father lets His love shine all the day on the faces of His children. The sun is shining day and night. Your sun shall never go down. Come and live in the presence of God.—Andrew Murray.

A GRACIOUS LORD

His work is honorable and glorious; and his righteousness endureth forever. He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered; the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.—Psalms 111:3-4.

A LINCOLN SAID

Revolutionize through the ballot box, and restore the government once more to the affections and hearts of men by making it express, as it was intended to do, the highest spirit of justice and liberty.—A. Lincoln.

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FOR THE CHILDREN

A WILL-AND-A-WAY MOTHER'S DAY

There was a "No Admittance" sign on the play room door. Mother smiled and tipped away without knocking. Behind that door Bob was saying as if he had thought a long time:

"This Mother's day we ought to do something sort of special, don't you think? You know Mother stayed up three whole nights nursing us when we had flu and she was sick herself. And she missed the flower show she was so anxious to see just because you were sick, Betty."

"I couldn't help it," said Betty, "but, of course, I do want to do more than usual for Mother this time. It's too bad I spent my thirty cents at the fair, and that old pink drink made me sick anyway. I'll have one more week's allowance, but what could I buy for fifteen cents that Mother would like?"

"It would buy three packages of flower seed," suggested small Anne. "Wish I had an allowance. Bet I could think up something."

Bob spoke again. "You girls have it easy. You could crochet something, Betty, and give Mother the flower seed besides, and Anne knows Dad will give her money to spend on Mother, but a fellow like me is 'sposed to be independent and I was off my paper route three weeks on account of the old flu. Ned was glad to get the job, and I bet he gives his mother something handsome."

"You know I don't want Daddy buying my present for me," Anne was almost in tears. "That wouldn't be giving it to Mother. I'm going to think some more . . . Can't doing things be the same as giving things sometimes, Bob?"

"Well, yes, maybe so," Bob decided. "What's your plan?"

Anne wouldn't tell, but her question seemed to settle things for Bob. He smiled to himself and dismissed the meeting of "Bob, Betty and Anne Incorporated."

On Mother's Day a beautiful May morning, the three children were bustling about stealthily long before Mother and Daddy got up. And when Mother saw the pile of packages at her place at the dining table, wasn't she surprised? There was lots of laughing and joking as Mother untied the strings. The first stiff flat package contained a photograph with the broken frame mended and looking good as ever with its new coat of gold paint. The card said, "I love you, Bob." And another bumpy paper let out such a clatter when Mother opened it! Here were all her kitchen knives and even the broken-pointed scissors sharpened till they really looked dangerous. Mother had to thank Bob again and said, "I wondered where they all were when I was getting breakfast, but we learn this week not to ask you children too many questions." A soft bundle marked "From Betty" held two crocheted pot-holders and Mother laughed, "So that's where the ball of string you've been saving went to, Betty, and why you stayed in your room so much alone. Thank you very much for spending so many hours making these useful gifts." Next came three papers of seed. These were from Betty too, and mother beamed when she read aloud "Lilliput Zinnias," "Candy Tuft," and "Klondike Cosmos" on them.

Some dirt sifted from the last package which was on the bottom

on account of its great size. And what do you suppose it held? Weeds, lots of them and all kinds. Everybody laughed. The writing on the note inside was rather crooked, but it looked beautiful to Mother. It said, "Dear Mother, I pulled these out of your flower garden yesterday so you can plant Betty's present. And I'm going to sweep the porch for you every morning. Anne."

"This is the nicest Mother's Day I've ever had," said Mother. "We are all well again and a happy family. You children spent time and thought on your gifts to me and I'd rather have them than anything else I can think of." Anne wondered why there were tears in Mother's eyes.

Daddy cleared his throat and said to Mother, "Mrs. West, if a mere man's opinion is worth anything to you, let me say that you have three of the finest and smartest children I ever saw. How about putting them in the Fair next year and winning some blue ribbons?" Everybody laughed again.—Olive Mays Rast, In Christian Advocate.

A BOY'S PRAYER

Give me clean hands, clean words, and clean thoughts; HELP me to stand for the hard right against the easy wrong; SAVE me from habits that harm; TEACH me to work as hard and play as fair in Thy sight alone as if all the world saw; FORGIVE me when I am unkind, and help me to forgive those who are unkind to me; KEEP me ready to help others at some cost to myself; SEND me chances to do a little good every day, and so grow more like Christ.—President William DeWitt Hyde.

DO YOU KNOW ME?

I am the greatest criminal in history.
I have killed more men than have fallen in all the wars of the world.
I have turned men into brutes.
I have made millions of homes unhappy.
I have transformed many ambitious youths into hopeless parasites.
I make smooth the downward path for countless millions.
I destroy the weak and weaken the strong.
I make the wise man a fool and trample the fool into his folly.
I ensnare the innocent.
The abandoned wife knows me; the hungry children know me.
The parents whose child has bowed their gray heads in sorrow know me.
I have ruined millions and shall try to ruin millions more.
I AM ALCOHOL.—H. W. Gibson, in the "Burning Bush."

Quarterly Conferences

MONTICELLO DISTRICT THIRD ROUND

Hamburg, May 19, p. m.
Crossett, May 26, 11 a. m.
Wilmot, June 9, 11 a. m.
Fountain Hill Ct., at Extra, June 9, 3 p. m.
Dermott, June 16, 11 a. m.
Ark. City-Watson, at Kelso, June 16, 3 p. m.
McGehee, June 16, p. m.
Willmar Ct., at Mt. Tabor, June 23, 11 a. m.
Hermitage Ct., at Palestine, June 30, 11 a. m.
Monticello, June 20, p. m.
Warren, July 7, 11 a. m.
New Edinburg Ct., at Hebron, July 7, 2 p. m.
Montrose-Snyder, at S., July 14, 11 a. m.
Portland-Parkdale, at Portland, July 14, p. m.
Eudora, July 21, 11 a. m.
Lake Village, July 21, p. m.
Drew Ct., July 17, 11 a. m.
Dumas, July 23, 11 a. m.
Tillar-Winchester, at Newton's Chapel, July 28, 3 p. m.
—Harold D. Sadler, D. S.

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INTERNATIONAL Sunday School Lesson

HABAKKUK FIGHTS THROUGH DOUBT TO FAITH

LESSON TEXT—Habakkuk 1:12—2:4.

GOLDEN TEXT—The just shall live by his faith.—Habakkuk 2:4.

"The just shall live by his faith."—the great rallying cry of the Reformation; in fact, the very essence of Christianity, is found in the glorious conclusion which the prophet Habakkuk reaches in his triumphant confidence in God. Trying circumstance, doubt and fear must all yield to faith in God.

The lesson for today is peculiarly appropriate to the situation in which the world finds itself just now. Men's hearts are failing them for fear. It seems to them that all is chaotic disorder; they wonder whether God has any plan for the world and its people, and whether He really cares. "Why doesn't God do something?" is the question on many lips. The answer is in our lesson.

I. Believe, Though Surrounded by Questions (1:12-17).

Habakkuk does not question that his people had sinned and were worthy of God's disciplinary chastening, but he is astonished to learn that God plans to use the wicked Chaldeans to bring it about. Questions pour in upon him as he describes their iniquity (v. 13), and speaks of them as catching Judah in their net (vv. 16, 17), and gloating over their victim (vv. 16, 17).

He does not yet know the answer to his questions, but he has already stated the foundation of his faith in verse 12. Whatever happens, no matter how sore the trial and non-understandable the outworking of God's plan, the prophet is sure of his God as the eternal and holy One. The point to be borne in mind in such a time is that God is not making plans for the moment or because of some unexpected change in circumstances. He is "from everlasting" (v. 12). His plans are eternal. But He is also the "Holy One" (v. 12). It may seem for the present that sin and wickedness have triumphed, but let us remember that the eternal plans of God are conceived and executed in holiness and power.

II. Be Alert in the Midst of Uncertainty (2:1).

One who does not have faith in God is prone to say in such times that all hope is lost, and give up in despair. Not so Habakkuk. He knew that there is nothing harder than to wait patiently for God. He determines to be neither discouraged nor impatient, but to stand watch in the tower (v. 1). "His words bespeak a very right and proper condition of soul. Perplexed and confused by the seeming enigma of God's ways, he owns he may require reproof, and takes his stand upon the watch tower, above the mists of the earth and beyond the thoughts and doings of men, where he can quietly wait on God and look out to see what He will say to him" (Ironsides).

How desperately we need such alert and earnest watchers in our day. Christians, arise! Do not per-

mit yourself to be either lulled into a false security or into deadening discouragement.

III. Receive the Answer of Triumphant Faith (2:2-4).

"The Lord answered me." He always does, if we are ready to listen and to abide His time. Habakkuk received a vision of God's truth in which he was to write so plainly that everyone who read it would understand it and, in turn, run to others with the message. Those of us who teach and preach would do well to follow that admonition. All too often our message is not understood or fails to stir those who hear it to go quickly and tell others.

Looking forward to Christ, the just man of Habakkuk's day was to live by faith; even as we of this day, looking back to the cross of Christ, are justified by faith and then are to go on to live by faith. This is the word which, as we have already suggested, stirred Luther and his fellows to bring about the Reformation. Long before Luther's day, however, the same words had come by the Holy Spirit's inspiration to be the heart of the great messages of Paul the apostle as he taught justification (Rom. 1:16, 17), as he defended grace against legalism (Gal. 3:11), and as he portrayed "the pilgrim's path through this world from the cross to the glory" (Heb. 10:38).

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Mother-Daughter Banquet

This Friday evening, May 10, 7:00 p. m. 25c per plate.

Bring your mother! Bring your daughter! Or bring your adopted mother or daughter! All women and girls of Winfield be present.

Be sure to make your reservation with Mrs. A. S. Ross, 2-1288, or at the Church office, 2-1990 today (Thursday).

A program of music, readings and toasts, will be featured. Be there!

PULPIT FLOWERS

The flowers in the Sanctuary next Sunday morning will be furnished by Miss Kate Sanders in memory of her mother, Mrs. A. V. Sanders and by S. M. Alley and Family in memory of Mrs. S. M. Alley.

BABIES TO BE CHRISTENED NEXT SUNDAY

All parents who desire to have their baby christened next Sunday morning at the 11 o'clock service are asked to please phone the church office, 2-1990, so that the correct information may be had for the church records. Mothers' Day is a very opportune time for this service and it is hoped that the parents who did not get to bring their baby at Easter time will do so next Sunday.

NOTE CHANGE IN TIME OF EVENING SERVICE

Beginning next Sunday evening the evening service will begin at 8 p. m. instead of at 7:30. Come to the evening service next Sunday. The pastor will preach on "Jochebed and Jezebel" or Motherhood—good and bad. "Make Your Membership Meaningful In May."

AMONG OUR MEMBERS

The sincere sympathy of the congregation is extended to Mrs. R. G. Paschal whose brother, Mr. T. A. King of Tillar, Arkansas, passed away on May 1.

Mrs. Hal Pinnell is up again after having been ill for a week.

Miss Frances Barker is ill at her home, 416 East 21st.

Mrs. Charles Wisener, 2205 McAlmont, has been confined to her home for several days as the result of a fall.

NEW OFFICERS OF COUPLES' CLASS

The following were recently elected to serve in the Buzbee Couples' Class during the coming year: President, Mr. I. J. Steed; Vice-President, Dr. Forrest Davison; Secretary, Mrs. C. B. Wilson; Assistant Secretary, Mr. W. P. Ivy; Treasurer, Mr. E. F. Dixon.

Mr. T. S. Buzbee is teacher of the class.

VISITATION

140 individuals have signed the Loyalty Crusade Card indicating their desire to visit during May. These individuals have committed themselves to making a total of 250 visits. 250 VISITS EACH WEEK IN THE INTEREST OF THE CHURCH! CERTAINLY THIS GIVES TRUE EXPRESSION TO OUR LOYALTY CRUSADE!

PRIDE

The lofty looks of men shall be humbled, and the haughtiness of men shall be bowed down.—Isaiah 2:11.

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Next Sunday At Winfield

MAY IS LOYALTY MONTH

10:00 A. M. CHURCH SCHOOL—LARGEST "First Sunday in May" ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY IN TEN YEARS. WERE YOU THERE?

11:00 A. M. "THE CHURCH AND THE HOME"—Sermon by Pastor.

"Make May Membership Meaningful."

6:00 P. M. Jr-High, Senior, Young People's Leagues and the Sunday Evening Club.

"Make May Membership Meaningful."

8:00 P. M. "Jochebed and Jezebel"—Sermon by Pastor.

"Make May Membership Meaningful."

THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

By GASTON FOOTE

A One Hundred Per Cent Churchman

Since May is Loyalty Month at Winfield let us ask what constitutes a loyal hundred per cent churchman.

FIRST—Living daily a Christian life. There is no substitute for personal loyalty. Christian people do not claim to be perfect. They do claim to continuously strive to live better today than they did yesterday.

SECOND—Attendance upon Divine services. Too long this has been optional with Protestants. A person who will let most anything keep him from Divine worship obviously is not taking his vows to the Church seriously.

THIRD—Attendance at Church School sessions. Paul says, "Study to show thyself approved unto God . . ." We must learn what it means to be a Christian as we learn the multiplication tables. The appalling ignorance of most of us concerning the Bible ought to shame us into doing something about it. The Church School is for every churchman who honestly wants to be a better Christian.

FOURTH—Acceptance of responsibility in building the Kingdom of God. A host of people teach or otherwise work in the Church and Church School. A hundred and fifty people are for the next three weeks in May visiting among the members and prospects of the Church. A group of men are on hand every Sunday morning and evening to greet members and strangers who attend worship services. Others assist as ushers and collectors. A loyal group of people assist in the music of the Church. There is a task for EVERY MEMBER of the Church and the loyal churchman finds his job and does it.

FIFTH—Sharing one's income with the sharing Christ. Christ's Kingdom throughout the world is built by gifts of churchmen. We don't GIVE to the Church—we PAY OUR OBLIGATIONS TO GOD. This should be done with generosity, regularity, and worshipfully. To pay 25 cents a week to the church and spend \$1 for cold drinks hardly seems to fit a LOYAL churchman. Devoted people devote their best to the object of their devotion.

MEASURED BY THESE STANDARDS ARE WE ONE HUNDRED PER CENT CHURCHMEN?

Christian Education

By HAL H. PINNELL

Church School Attendance
Last Sunday 720
A Year Ago 633

Departmental Reports			
	Pres.	On Time	Stay
Jr. Hi	65	50	29
Sr. Hi	61	54	44
Y. P.	52	45	49

Adult Report	
Couples Class	47
Hinton Class	47
Men's Class	41
Jenkins Class	28
Ashby Class	28
Brothers' Class	24
Forum Class	24
Young Couples Class	23
Young Men's Class	15

Total	318
New Pupils	10
Visitors	43
Young People Evening	23
Senior High Evening	18
Junior High Evening	27
Sunday Evening Club	18

EVENING GROUP MEETINGS, 6:30 P. M.

Young People's Department; leader, Miss Marguerite Clark. The subject, "The Home—The Power House of Life."

Senior High Department; leader, Mrs. Dan Keeley. A violin solo will be played by Quenton Martin. Talks will be given by Mrs. L. H. Caldwell and Miss Billy Louise Wilson, presenting the viewpoint of a mother and of a daughter on the subject, "Mother's Day."

Junior High Department: "Mother's Day Program," Miss Helen Dillahunt, leader.

Sunday Evening Club: Mrs. Gus Ginocchio, leader. Vocal solo by Mrs. Sam Jones, accompanied on the piano by Miss Elizabeth Jones. Talk, "Mothers of Men" by the Rev. Hal H. Pinnell.

"Make Membership Meaningful."

THE LOYALTY CRUSADE

Congratulations to the Young Couples Class and the Jenkins Class. These two classes were the only two classes meeting their attendance goal last Sunday. The Young Couples Class beat their average goal by eight; the Jenkins Class beat theirs by one.

The "Wedding Ring Class" of young adults was organized three Sundays ago. The first Sunday there were six present. LAST SUNDAY THERE WERE TWENTY-THREE. Albert Graves is president, Charles Kirby, vice-president and Vera Kirby, secretary; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd L. Crouse are co-teachers of the class.

The goals set during May for the adult classes and the Departments of the Church School are AVERAGE ATTENDANCE GOALS; that means that the classes and departments which failed to reach the average goal last Sunday will need to go over their goal this Sunday.

MAKE THE LOYALTY CRUSADE A SUCCESS IN THE CHURCH SCHOOL. If YOU are one who missed last Sunday, REMEMBER, YOU ARE NEEDED THIS SUNDAY.

"Make Membership Meaningful," Come!