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THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF 1940

By BISHOP JAMES CANNON, JR.

THE first General Conference of the United Methodist Church opened its session at the Atlantic City Auditorium April 24th with the most impressive and helpful Communion service in which I have ever participated. I thought it was more impressive than the one at Kansas City. There was to me a sense of more widespread brotherhood, with delegates from North America, South America, Europe, Asia and Africa, as we joined together "in remembrance of our Divine Lord and Saviour." I have seen it suggested that time could be saved by omitting the Communion service, but time is not as precious as commemorating our Lord's sacrificial death. The entire session of the General Conference was characterized by its spiritual, devotional attitude. The Morning Watch thirty minute devotional service before the business session, the Evangelistic service at 4 p. m., and the services on both Sundays were of high order.

The Council of Bishops met on Thursday the 18th, and for three days, with three sessions daily, carefully, prayerfully and helpfully considered every paragraph of the Episcopal Address. I have seen it suggested that the Address might simply be printed and distributed—again, in order to save time. But if any deliverance of our Methodism should be read, certainly one prepared with great care, considered separately by each bishop, and then by fifty bishops together for three days, the Episcopal Address should be given as much time as is necessary for it to be read and emphasized before all the delegates gathered together. From the reception given to the Address during the reading I cannot think that the General Conference would agree to adopt a resolution simply ordering that the Address be printed.

I have attended fifteen General Conferences since 1886, and several General Conferences of the M. E. Church, and notwithstanding a prediction of skeptics that there would be sharp disagreement and discord, I must testify that I have never attended a General Conference which was more harmonious and efficient in its proceedings. There were, of course, as there always is, differences of view on the reports, but the Conference was characterized by the spirit of brotherliness. It could not have been told from what section the presiding bishop came by the attitude of delegates toward his presidency. There were some actions taken by the General Conference with which I did not agree, but that has happened in every General Conference. I was greatly pleased by the evidences, not only of respect, but of affection, with which the bishops were regarded by the delegates. The change of attitude since the M. E. General Conference at Atlantic City in 1932 was very marked. I have never favored the Almanac method of compulsory retirement at a fixed age, either for bishops, or for itinerant preachers. I think that Efficiency should be the test, and that men should be retired when their brethren think that the time of efficient service has ended. The service held in connection with the retirement of Bishops Nuelsen, Hughes, Blake, Mead and Gowdy emphasized my objection. As Dr. Crane said, speaking of the retirement of Bishop Blake, it seemed ridiculous to retire such an efficient servant of the Church, and the same applies to many other bishops. I did not like the method employed in that service. I prefer the method used at our General Conference in Birmingham. It is all right for the retiring bishop to make a statement, and it may be in place for some short appreciation of his services to be uttered by some brother selected for that purpose. But that is enough.

* WHEREFORE LET HIM THAT THINK- *
* ETH HE STANDETH TAKE HEED LEST *
* HE FALL. THERE HATH NO TEMPTA- *
* TION TAKEN YOU BUT SUCH AS IS *
* COMMON TO MAN; BUT GOD IS FAITH- *
* FUL, WHO WILL NOT SUFFER YOU *
* TO BE TEMPTED ABOVE THAT YE ARE *
* ABLE; BUT WILL WITH THE TEMPTA- *
* TION ALSO MAKE A WAY TO ESCAPE, *
* THAT YE MAY BE ABLE TO BEAR IT. *
* —I COR. 10:12-13. *

I do not want to be held in contempt of court, but I must very frankly state that I think Dr. J. S. French was right in his interpretation of the powers reserved to the Annual Conferences. It is all very true that the General Conference has great powers, but it does not seem to me to be true that it has any powers which are reserved to the Annual Conferences, and the whole matter of retirement seems to me is put in the hands of the Annual Conferences. Otherwise, the words in the paragraph on Annual Conferences have no meaning.

Most of the legislation was wrought out by the Standing Committees, and in general the reports of the Committees were approved by the General Conference with an occasional amendment. There were some outstanding discussions. The debate on the right of Annual Conferences to admit women into membership was in very good temper, but it was quite a surprise to many that the close vote at the Uniting Conference was not repeated at Atlantic City. The Conference recognized that women who are acceptable could serve as Supply preachers wherever needed without making them members of an Annual Conference, in which it might be difficult for the Bishop and his Cabinet to find a satisfactory appointment.

The debate on the request for the recall of Mr. Myron Taylor from his post as special representative of the President at the Vatican, with ambassadorial rank "for special purposes," was also in good spirit. The only two speakers opposing the report were the New York area, who it appeared to the General Conference to view the matter from the wrong angle, and to imply that the report indicated a spirit of intolerance, would inaugurate a new era of religious hatred, and indicate a parochial attitude on the part of our great Church. On the other hand the report stated a fact in declaring: "His appointment has created a spirit of uneasiness and resentment in the minds of a great many people, and instead of promoting peace has engendered discord and strife, which seems calamitous at this time when there is imperative need for harmonious united action on the part of all those who fear God and love righteousness." The Conference was apparently unanimous in its approval of declarations of the Episcopal Address concerning the totalitarian attitude of the Roman Catholic Church in its opposition to any union of Church and State, and the establishment of diplomatic relations between the Vatican and the United States. On the question of the recall of Mr. Taylor the vote was 393 to 234. It seems in place in this connection to emphasize the fact that the papacy is under the control of Italian Cardinals, and has been for very many years.

The Conference took a very sensible attitude on the question of Chaplaincy in the Army and Navy, and voted to permit the bishops to continue to make such appointments. It seems to be ignored by the opposition to the Chaplaincy, as at present conducted, that there is not only the question of the financial support of the Chap-

lains, but the further question of whether the Government would permit men to serve as Chaplains in the Army and Navy who are not supported and controlled by the Government. The real question is as to how Methodism can best minister to the religious needs of our soldiers. The Roman Catholic Church is very strong for the present system, and desires to become as strongly entrenched as possible with the Army and Navy, and Protestants may well take notice.

I was much gratified at the attitude of the Conference toward the Federal Council of Churches. It heard Dr. Cavert, General Secretary, with apparent approval, and increased the appropriation of the Methodist Church for the support of the Council. The Commission on World Service and Finance, however, did not adopt the provision which was adopted by our General Conference under the wise leadership of Dr. A. J. Lamar, that the traveling expenses of the members of our Church on the Executive Committee should be paid out of the money contributed by our Church to the Council. Before that action was taken I attended the Executive Committee meetings for about fifteen years without any other but an occasional member present from our Church. Men could not afford to pay their expenses. I was fortunate enough to have railroad passes, and I was so interested in the work of the Council and its great possibilities that I made a great effort to attend every meeting. But since provision for payment of expenses our Church has averaged three or four at every meeting, and while we are all one as Methodists, yet the attitude of members from the Northeastern Jurisdiction has often been very different from that of members of the Southeastern Jurisdiction on questions of policy. Some arrangements should be made to insure representative attendance from the South on the Executive Committee.

The Episcopal Address had an extended discussion on humanism and evangelism, and declared the Methodistic attitude on evangelism. I would have been glad, however, to have had a somewhat fuller statement, emphasizing that the Gospel Evangel has been, and must be the same *always and everywhere*, if the distinctive characteristic aim of the Church of Jesus Christ, indeed if the very reason of its continuance, is to be maintained. The great words of the gospel are Sin and Salvation—Sinner and Saviour. At the very beginning the message to Joseph was "Thou shalt call his name Jesus, for he shall save his people from their sins." John the Baptist proclaimed "Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world." Our Saviour continually emphasized his missions: "I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance;" to the woman at Simon's house, "Thy sins are forgiven thee;" to the woman taken in adultery, "Go, and sin no more;" in one of His greatest parables, "There is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth;" to the sick, to the palsy, "Thy sins be forgiven thee;" to Zacchaeus, "The Son of man has come to seek and to save that which was lost." The message of the Apostles from the very beginning was: "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sin;" "Neither is there salvation in any other, for there is none other name under heaven given among men whereby we must be saved;" "Him hath God exalted with his right hand to be a prince and a Saviour, to give repentance to Israel for forgiveness of sins;" "Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved;" "If we confess our sins he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness;" "And ye

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Personal and Other Items

REV. H. J. COUCHMAN, our pastor at Holly
Grove, preached the sermon for the Mar-
velli High School on May 26.

BISHOP SELECMAN preached at First Church,
Jonesboro, last Sunday morning and then
took an airplane for Oklahoma City.

REV. AND MRS. LYMAN T. BARGER an-
nounce the arrival on May 12, of a little
visitor who will make his permanent home in
the Mountain Home parsonage.

REV. L. F. LaFEVERs, pastor of Aubrey Meth-
odist Church, on May 12, preached the ser-
mon for the High School at Rondo in the morn-
ing and for the School at Aubrey at night.

REV. J. F. JERNIGAN writes from Scranton
that he had a serious accident and is sitting
up in bed. No bones broken, but severe muscu-
lar strain. He asks that his brethren pray for
him in this hour of trial.

DR. ALBEA GODBOLD, pastor of First Church,
El Dorado, recently preached the commence-
ment sermons for the Smackover and Harrell
High Schools and delivered the commencement
addresses for the High Schools at Parker's Chap-
el and Standard Umstead.

REV. C. H. BUMPERS, pastor at McCrory,
sending in a list of subscriptions writes: "We
are in a revival, a joint effort with the Baptist
and Methodist sponsoring the movement and all
other Christian people of the town joining their
forces with us. The first service just held was
well attended. The outlook is good."

REV. J. L. TUCKER, pastor of Vantrease
Memorial Church, El Dorado, sends in a list
of subscriptions and writes as follows: "We are
having a great year. Have had 56 additions
since Conference. Benevolences were laid on
the altar Easter. All of the connectional inter-
ests have been cared for on time and in full.
The Christian Advocate was placed 100% in our
homes. We are going to put over the Methodist
100% soon. We expect to liquidate entirely the

remainder of our church debt before Annual
Conference."

REV. A. L. RIGGS, pastor of Bono-Trinity Cir-
cuit, sending in subscriptions writes: "Our
work is moving along nicely. We have some
mighty good people to serve. We shall be able
to meet all finances in full this fall. Half of our
Benevolences are paid."

REV. FRANCIS CHRISTIE, who graduated this
year from Junction City High School, preach-
ed the sermon for his class on Sunday, May 12.
This is an unusual honor. He is a ranking stu-
dent in his class, and expects to be licensed to
preach at District Conference and enter Hendrix
College this fall.

REV. S. M. YANCEY, Superintendent of the
Western Methodist Assembly, on his way
to the Jurisdictional Conference at Oklahoma
City, last Sunday morning preached at Centen-
ary Church, Tulsa, and at night at the University
Church. He will return to Mt. Sequoyah during
the week because he expects a crowd of 2,000
on June 2, at the Community Singing.

BISHOP C. C. SELECMAN, our Arkansas
Bishop, on Thursday of last week, delivered
the baccalaureate address for the graduates of
Philander Smith College, the Negro Methodist
College in this city. The address was in Bishop
Selecman's usual interesting style; the audience
was appreciative, and the program under the
direction of President M. L. Harris was varied
and appropriate. This fine school has had a
very prosperous year and its outlook for the fu-
ture is bright. It is worthy of our hearty
support.

ARKANSAS REPRESENTATIVES in the Juris-
dictional Conference at Oklahoma City this
week are as follows: Little Rock Conference—
Clerical delegates: C. M. Reves, Leland Clegg,
Clem Baker, K. L. Spore, J. A. Wade, J. D. Ham-
mons; lay—J. S. M. Cannon, Carl Hollis, C. A.
Overstreet, Mrs. J. M. Stinson, C. B. Murry,
Mrs. H. King Wade, North Arkansas Confer-
ence—Clerical delegates: A. W. Martin, J. Q.
Schisler, Connor Morehead, A. W. Wasson, O. E.
Goddard, G. W. Pyles, S. B. Wiggins; lay—C. A.
Stuck, Mrs. Henkel Pewett, J. G. Moore, J. A.
Goetz, C. D. Metcalf, Sam Galloway, Mrs. Alfred
Hathcock.

BOOK REVIEWS

The Faith We Live; by Albert Edward Day; pub-
lished by the Cokesbury Press, Nashville,
Tenn.; price \$2.00.

This is a stirring challenge to every Chris-
tian to live the faith he professes. In Part One
Dr. Day interprets God as men have appre-
hended Him. He insists that we must study to
understand the true nature of God, if we are
to have a vital faith. Part Two shows how this
vital faith may be applied to the problem of
solving all life's difficulties. Clear cut, well
thought out methods for applying this faith are
given. Thoughtful reading of this book and an
honest and prayerful application of its teach-
ings will be of the greatest practical value to
the reader, whether he be minister or layman.

Beyond The Facts; by Richard Sneed; published
by the Cokesbury Press, Nashville, Tenn.;
price \$1.00.

This book of seven sermons is teeming with
interest. It is a call to the Christian to forget
the past, and to live in the present and thus
build toward a greater future. Each message
is complete and clearly and artistically pre-
sented. The subjects discussed are: "The Tre-
mendousness of the Ordinary," "Adding Some-
thing Extra," "The Christian Substitute For
Worry," "Spelling With Life's Blocks," "Demon-
strating Our Religion," "The Staying Power,"
"Beyond The Facts." In his discussion of "The
Staying Power" Dr. Sneed says, "A man's value
to society is measured not by the number of
things which he starts, but rather by those
things in life which he completes. The quali-
ties which make a man a good starter are much
more prevalent than the qualities which make
him a good finisher. The staying power versus
the starting power is one of the greatest chal-
lenges which life constantly puts before us. A

refusal to walk out on life in those moments
when everything goes all to pieces is one of the
supreme virtues of living." And again, "Observe
modern youth as it confronts this problem at
the gateway of education. It is not very diffi-
cult to matriculate in an institution of higher
learning in this country, nor is it any final test
of intelligence and character to be graduated
from such an institution. The brevity of the
years makes it all just a life beginning. The
real test comes in how an educated man uses
his special training to achieve the high ends
of life."

As A Driven Leaf; by Milton Steinberg; pub-
lished by Bobbs-Merrill Company, Indian-
apolis; price \$2.50.

Seldom has an author more skillfully pic-
tured the power of doubt to destroy a man than
Milton Steinberg pictures its influence over
Elisha, the leading character of this story. It is
the story of a Jewish rabbi of the second cen-
tury whose passion for a reasonable faith led
him to renounce his religion and betray his peo-
ple to the Roman Empire. The historical back-
ground is so skillfully woven through the story
and the characters so vivid and life-like that the
reader is quick to catch the spirit of the tale.
The struggle through which Elisha went in his
search for the true philosophy of life might well
be a slice from the life of our own time. Too
late, Elisha realizes that faith is an essential
factor in any true philosophy of life, and that
reason alone cannot meet man's deepest needs.

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know that he was manifested to take away our
sins."

The golden thread that runs all through the
New Testament is salvation from sin by faith
in our Lord Jesus Christ. Surely our pulpits
must declare and must emphasize the horrible
nature of sin, and God's hatred of sin. They
must also declare His love for the sinner, and
His provision for salvation through faith in our
Lord Jesus Christ. Our preaching must con-
vince the intellect, stir emotions, and secure de-
cision and action through the will. The idea which
has been emphasized by some that preachers
must not appeal to the emotions is utterly con-
trary to the past history and experience of Meth-
odism. The great emotions of Fear, Hate, Hope
and Love must be aroused as the great motive
powers stimulating action and conduct. As Paul
"reasoned of righteousness, temperance and
judgment to come Felix trembled." As John
Wesley and George Whitefield proclaimed the
damnation of men because of sin, and the hope
of Salvation through Jesus Christ men of all
classes of society repented and believed on Jesus
Christ. As Jonathan Edwards preached on "Sin-
ners in the hands of an angry God" he compelled
his hearers to recognize God's attitude toward
sin, with Jesus Christ as the only hope of Sal-
vation. Charles G. Finney in all his great re-
vivals proclaimed sin and salvation as the very
core of his preaching. Dwight L. Moody secured
results by his plain, simple preaching of salva-
tion from sin by faith in Christ as the Saviour.
Our fathers built our great Church upon the
foundation of the great Evangel, the preaching

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CIRCULATION REPORT

SINCE last report the following lists have been
received: Grand Ave., Stuttgart, R. E. Dar-
row, 4; Marion, R. E. L. Bearden, 20; Lakeside,
Pine Bluff, F. G. Roebuck, 4; South Fort Smith,
R. A. Dorman, 5; Malvern Ct., O. L. Thompson,
1; Hoxie, R. E. Wilson, 6; N. Prescott Ct., S. C.
Duggar, 4; Bono, A. L. Riggs, 2; McCrory, C. H.
Bumpers, 14; Lamar, Kenneth Shamblin, 1; Van-
trease Mem., El Dorado, J. L. Tucker, 9; Pine
Street, Fort Smith, W. H. Harrison, 7; Texar-
kana Ct., Harmony Church, K. A. Hale by N. A.
Bentley, 100%, 14. This is fine work and is ap-
preciated. We urge pastors who have not re-
ported to work their lists at an early date, and
others who have not completed their 100% lists
to add to them as rapidly as possible so that
they may be reported as having reached the
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LAYMEN'S CONFERENCE AND SCHOOL, CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP CENTRAL THEME



BISHOP RALPH S. CUSHMAN

Christian Stewardship has been selected as the central theme of the Conference and School for Laymen to be held at Mount Sequoyah, Fayetteville, Arkansas, July 8-12. This theme will have special significance this year since it marks the beginning of Methodist cooperation in "Stewardship Year" which has been inaugurated by the United Stewardship Council of North America.

The Stewardship movement was strongly approved and endorsed by the recent General Conference of the Methodist Church and plans projected for making "Stewardship Year" effective.

Fortunate will be those who have the privilege of attending the Laymen's Conference and School, for Bishop Ralph S. Cushman is to be one of the speakers.

Bishop Cushman was ordained a minister in the Methodist Church in 1902. He successfully held two pastorates until 1915 when he was elected Stewardship Secretary for the Department of Stewardship of the Methodist Episcopal Church and later Secretary of the same Department of the Interchurch World Movement. He was elected Bishop

in 1932. From the beginning of his ministry Christian Stewardship has been a passion with Bishop Cushman. Some of the finest contributions to Stewardship literature have come from his pen: *Studies in Stewardship*, *The Message of Stewardship*, *Dealing Squarely With God*, *The Sharing Life*, *I Have a Stewardship*, etc.

Bishop Cushman is a forceful speaker, a genial personality and a brother beloved. It will be a real privilege and opportunity for the laymen of the South Central Jurisdiction to hear this gifted speaker and leader of the Methodist Church in the Laymen's Conference at Mt. Sequoyah, July 8-12.

SOME FACTS ABOUT THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

The spirit of the Conference was excellent and harmonious despite the variety of opinions. The lines of cleavage were not along the old sectional lines, but the delegations divided on several proposed measures.

The best work was done by the committees. Because a delegate did not speak before the conference was no indication of the lack of valuable service. In reality some delegates who spoke only in the Committees made a more valuable contribution than others who were more conspicuous in the Conference.

Some questions on which extended controversy was expected were settled in the Committee, such as: the location of the boards; the one Advocate for the Church, with Jurisdictional Advocates to be decided by the Board of Publications; the organization of the Missionary and Educational Boards. The seventy-two year age limit for ministers was adopted after some discussion. What is generally termed the "open cabinet" was made the law of the Church, with practically unanimity. The Board of Lay Activities was set up without opposition.

The only Constitutional measures which are to be sent down to the Annual Conference were the harmonizing of the Discipline by using the word "consecrate" instead of "ordain" in reference to Bishops; and concerning the election of delegates to the Central Conferences.

The addition of Mission Conferences as having a right to elect delegates is the essence of the proposed measure.

The Methodist Church is supranational and supra-racial. Delegates were present from China, India, the Philippines, Mexico, Cuba, and several Negro delegates. Bishop R. E. Jones, a Negro bishop, presided at an evening session. Messages were received from the churches of Japan and Germany. The Conference was not obsessed by a color consciousness. Delegates were not discriminated against because they were a shade darker.

Too much time was wasted over the location of the flags, the Dies affair, and in parliamentary tangles. The retirement of the bishops occupied too much time with two speakers for each retiring bishop. We think this error will not be repeated. A brief statement from the retiring bishops, or one speaker representing the entire group would be more acceptable. The cost of the foreign representation was too large, and while the foreign field must be represented, the number of delegates should be reduced.

Apart from the General Conference, we must be on our guard against enormous overhead expenditures. Boards and Commissions are too large and we shall find in the course of time that their number must be reduced.

Again, by way of postscript, a point of privilege for the whole body to be reckoned with in the future.

To avoid unnecessary expense, the Episcopal address should come at an evening session in place of some program that could be omitted, or should be given out to the delegates without reading. As a further matter, the members of the General Conference have partaken of the Communion a Sunday or two before the Conference and will again soon afterwards. Then it is of necessity a sort of close Communion, since a large number of good Methodists who are not delegates are shut off from the service.

Too much special music and singing occupied the time of the Conference. A few great hymns sung

by the entire Conference would be preferable.

Finally, special features arranged by the Committee on Program should not be allowed to block proceedings and prolong the session of the Conference.—Christian Advocate (Nashville).

"MILK INSTEAD OF BEER", A NEW GRANGE SLOGAN

A novel experiment which Grange organizations in different sections of the country are backing is the setting up of milk bars, with quite attractive environment and whose patronage has already reached quite pretentious proportions. The Grange has always been a strong advocate of temperance and believes that the most practical way of curing a bad habit is to offset it with a good one—hence, try milk instead of beer!

This project also lines up well with another Grange objective—promoting the prosperity of the dairy industry. There is no question that the consumption of milk as a beverage is rapidly increasing, and Grange backing of milk bars, and the widespread campaign it is promoting to increase their number, will impress most people as a sensible move all around.

SINCE REPEAL

Dr. Charles J. St. John, of the Bowery Mission, New York City, gives an account of conditions there since repeal. He says: "We deal with 150,000 to 250,000 of John Barleycorn's finished products each year. Men who started with a social drink, took two or three cocktails, thought they could handle booze. Tonight they are in the gutter. I have been on both sides of this problem. During prohibition we got the chronic drunk only on the Bowery, but today we are getting the lawyer, the skilled employee, the professional man, the musician. All kinds are coming to us today, and there is 300 per cent more drunkenness since repeal than before. I have to keep guards on the Bowery Mission night and day to let the sober man get through and keep the drunks out so we can operate our business. That is the finished product of Old John Barleycorn."

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of the Good News. Human nature is the same today as it was in time of our Lord, of the Apostles, of Wesley and of our Methodist fathers. Our preachers today, if they would, as our fathers said, have "souls for their hire," must proclaim the gospel preached by our father. They must make sin, judgment to come, salvation and eternal life real to their hearers. If they do they will obtain results from their preaching as our fathers did. The Episcopal Address did not and could not emphasize too strongly the work of true evangelism—to preach the gospel of Good News, of Salvation from Sin.

The attitude of Methodism toward the liquor traffic has been enunciated by our bishops for fifty years—that the traffic in intoxicating liquors cannot be legalized without sin. Our General, Annual and District Conferences have for years passed sweeping resolutions calling for the total abolition of the traffic. But these resolutions have not much effectiveness, except when our pastors persistently stand upon the platform of the Church, and emphatically proclaim the position of the Church to their people. The prohibition movement was effective because of the persistent, determined and aggressive work of the pulpit. It was when the whole line began to thunder in the pulpits of our country, and told the men in the pew that they were responsible for all the evil wrought by the liquor traffic until they had done their best to abolish it—

it was then that towns, counties, cities, states and finally the nation put the prohibitory ban upon the traffic. It was when our pulpits no longer thundered against the evils of the traffic that the Repeal movement began. The evils of the liquor traffic are far greater today than they were before the adoption of the 18th Amendment. The traffic flaunts itself on every side in every possible way. The debauchery of our young people, the demoralizing, destructive effects upon human life, the increase in the criminal record, the killing and maiming of multiplied thousands upon our highways—all these things stare our pastors in the face. If they truly believe in the resolutions adopted by our District, Annual and General Conferences they will only not hesitate, because of the presence of users and defenders of intoxicants among their members, but they will realize the even greater responsibility to set forth the evils from the traffic and the need for its prohibition for the benefit of these very church members. The silence of many of our pastors on this great question is distressing. Not until our pulpits once again begin to thunder against the liquor traffic, as in days gone by, will our Methodism fulfill its obligation of leadership in educating the pew, in securing its active cooperation to make effective the resolutions of the Conferences of our Church. Our pastors should proclaim that the liquor traffic undercuts every activity of the Church of God, and should call upon the pew to help destroy it. I think the General Conference should have ordered the reading of the

report on Temperance adopted by the Conference in every pulpit of the Church.

It is of interest to Methodism that during the Conference at Atlantic City the Executive Committee of the Anti-Saloon League of America elected Hon. George W. Crabbe as General Secretary of the League. He was introduced to the General Conference by Bishop Ralph Cushman, President of the National League, and the Conference rose en masse and applauded. Mr. Crabbe has been a member of five General Conferences from the M. E. Baltimore Conference, and was the writer of the report on Temperance adopted at Atlantic City. The Presidents of the Anti-Saloon League of America have all but one—and he for a period of only two years—been Methodist bishops. Bishops Luther B. Wilson, Thomas Nicholson, E. G. Richardson, W. N. Ainsworth and Ralph Cushman have been Presidents of the Anti-Saloon League of America, and have worked side by side with the Boards of Temperance of the M. E. Church, and of the M. E. Church, South. The present Secretary of the Board of Temperance of the Methodist Church is Dr. Ernest H. Cherrington who up to four years ago had for over 30 years been the Secretary of Publications of the Anti-Saloon League of America. Methodism must unite under her own Board of Temperance, with the Anti-Saloon League of America and the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, to carry on its historic fight against the liquor traffic until prohibition is once more the law of the land, and then demand and secure its effective enforcement.

The Campus Goes Co-operative

By SUSIE McKINNON MILLAR

CHAPTER XXII

"Oh, Dan, am I glad to see you?" cried Cecelia, hurrying across the campus.

"Well, that's as it should be, isn't it?" asked Dan as he joined her and turned into one of the less frequented walks. "I turned here because in your face I see signs of a coming storm."

"A storm is due," declared Cecelia, "and it's coming soon if I have my way."

"Here, infant, calm down and tell me all about it. Together we ought to be able to head it off or make it blow in another direction."

"Well, something's got to be done about it and that very quickly. Things have come to a pretty pass when a few poor saps get recognition from the faculty; but worse when they get so many of the boys and girls lined up and going their way. Why, last night Allie and Earl went to a Forum meeting instead of coming to our sorority dance. I was plenty glad to have Allie go to her precious Helen, but Earl is one of our best dancers, and I don't intend to let him escape. You must have noticed how few were there last night."

"Yes, I noticed," said Dan; "but they'll be begging to come back when they hear what a swell time we had. And, believe me, I'm broadcasting that little item. That ought to turn the trick."

"Maybe it will," said Cecelia. "But I don't like it one little bit the way things are going. Allie is getting worse all the time. I thought I could manage her, but she's none too easy. Why, she's simply impossible, and that annoys me."

"What's gotten into Allie? I didn't think anything could take her off."

"Well, she's off. She won't apologize for getting Helen to help her with her French and she simply refuses to drop Helen. She not only refuses to apologize, but had the nerve to say before the entire sorority group that I was the one who should apologize."

"Well, if Allie once gets to know Helen real well, you needn't expect her to drop her. Helen isn't the girl to be dropped. If there's any dropping done Helen will do it herself. If you can't be her friend, stay away from her unless you want to be dropped. She can do it. Just look how she freezes me, and can I help it? I'll say I can't."

"There you go singing her praises. Oh, I almost wish that I had let Daddy send me away to that school in the East," cried Cecelia. "I'm simply fed up on the way things are going here."

"Don't take it so hard," advised Dan. "Two bright babies like us can bust up that old Forum racket in no time. By the end of the year there will be nothing of it left to tell the tale."

"How about that co-op, Helen's Coop, as they call it? Can't we think up something to put skids under it?"

Dan began reluctantly, "Yes, but—"

"There you go again," snapped Cecelia. "I believe you are more than half in love with Helen."

"With Helen's fortune," declared Dan. "I can't make myself believe she's lost it. And, oh boy! with all

that money I could kiss all my worries good-bye."

"Yeah!" sneered Cecelia. "You would want to marry a fortune. You are downright lazy, the laziest mortal I ever saw."

"Lazy, yes, but you like 'em that way."

"I wonder I ever put up with you. But you'll be the worst fooled boy in the world if you marry Helen for her money. No girl with money would live with that string of girls at the Coop."

"Don't ruffle your feathers, my dear. Helen doesn't even see me when I'm right under her eyes. She did talk to me a few days ago and warned me to look out for Frank Sanders, said he was a dangerous rival."

"Well, it's beginning to look that way. He's been given two important roles in our plays, and it's practically certain he'll make the debating team. But going back to Helen, Frenchy announced in class today that Helen had been selected as class assistant and special tutor for conversational French at a substantial salary. Then he had the nerve to call out several of us publicly and advise us to avail ourselves of her services and gave time and place for consulting her. I can't see myself doing it. I'll get my French. Just wait and see. But I'll get my French sans Helen."

"What's all this I've been hearing this last week about that girl with an ugly mug (I simply can't remember her name) helping Ray Marshall direct the choruses?" asked Dan.

"Her name is Lois Adams, and in spite of her ugly mug Ray Marshall is paying her to help him. He says he's never had such peppy choruses and that it is all because of Lois. She gives me a pain in the neck."

"Oh, forget her. She'll never make more than one public appearance with that ugly mug of hers. Now let's get down to business. If you want to knock that Forum out you'd better begin working on Frank and Earl. Earl's your buddy, I thought. He's kin to you, isn't he?"

"My cousin," said Cecelia. "His mother was Daddy's favorite sister, and Daddy swears by Earl. I've tagged after Earl ever since I remember and he's one grand guy, but lately he's too full of good, sound advice, as he calls it. We're continually scrapping. But I'll say this for him: he's white; he never runs and tells Daddy."

"How's this for a beginning? Say we throw a smart dinner on Forum night over in Burton at Sam's Place, and take Frank and Earl. You and Violet and Allie—or is she out?"

"She's out most decidedly," declared Cecelia. "But I'll ask one of the other girls in my sorority. And you, of course. You are counting yourself in."

"You couldn't count me out, Cecelia."

"I thought you'd forgotten me for the fair Helen," sighed Cecelia.

"Still your Danny Boy. But we're off to get our dinner plans going. You do the inviting and I'll do the rest. How's that for cooperation?"

"Ugh! I wish I'd never heard that word. Don't you dare say cooperate to me. After the Forum goes, that's the next point of attack."

"With or without—that forbidden word—count on me to the finish."

(To be continued)

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NEWS FROM BRAZIL

Miss Mary McSwain, missionary to Brazil, writes that the staff at the settlement, Instituto Metodista, Ribeirao Preto, Brazil, hopes to start a class in nutrition and dietetics next year in connection with the home economics department. A Brazilian teacher from the Professional School, who taught the cooking class for a few months, is planning to teach the new course at Metodista as extension work for the Government. The settlement will furnish the room, and the Brazilian teacher will give a free course for all who are interested.

FOUKE-SILVERINA AUXILIARY

A most interesting report of the work done by the Fouke-Silverina Auxiliary was sent us by the secretary, Mrs. Ella Bull, but our limited space will permit us to print only a brief account of their activities. On April 25, the meeting was in the home of Mrs. Walker. Routine business, study courses, and a pot-luck luncheon kept the members and visitors busy. On May 9, the meeting was in the home of Mrs. W. T. Stockton. Quilting, Bible study, covered dish luncheon and a surprise birthday shower for Mrs. Ella Bull gave interest and variety to the day. Community needs were reported and gifts of cash and merchandise were donated to meet these demands. We are pleased to hear of this wide-awake Society.—Mrs. A. C. Millar, Editor.

HEBER SPRINGS

The Missionary Society of the First Church, Heber Springs, started a summer Bible study using "The Radiant Heart," at a meeting May 23, presided over by Mrs. Joe Smith.

The Circle recently completed a four weeks' study of home missions, closely following the plan suggested by the department. The books, "Homeland Harvest" and "Right Here at Home" were supplemented by special prayers and music. A social hour followed each meeting and refreshments were served by the hostess which included Mrs. Joe Smith, Mrs. Lovard Davis, Mrs. Cecil Alexander and Mrs. J. L. Mullins. A large percent of the membership attended the study.—Mrs. Elmo Barnett, Pub. Supt.

ZONE MEETING AT PRESCOTT

The Prescott Zone met at Prescott, May 9. Women attending were from Gurdon, Emmett, and Prescott. The program was under direction of Mrs. J. A. Cole, Zone leader.

A round-table discussion of duties of President, Study Chairman and Christian Social Relations Chairman was ably led by Mrs. Birdwell, assisted by Mrs. Thornton and Mrs. Townsend, all of the Emmett Society. A discussion of duties and activities of Baby Specials, Young Women's Groups, Spiritual Life and Publicity Chairman was led by Mrs. Cole, and all present contributed to discussion. High School Trio, Verna Marie Porter, Nina Kathryn Scott and Maud McDaniel, accompanied by Mrs. Dudley Gordon, sang "The

Lord Is My Shepherd." "Meditation" by Mrs. Carraway of Gurdon closed the morning session.

The Prescott Society served a delicious plate lunch.

The afternoon opened with singing. Mrs. J. D. Baker talked on Children's Work, stressing Vacation Schools. "The Challenge to the Women in the New Methodist Church" was given by Mrs. Holmes of Prescott. Mrs. Steed of Gurdon, gave an instructive account of Missionary Conference held in El Dorado.

After a short business meeting, during which it was voted to have afternoon meetings hereafter, the session was closed by a "Meditation" by Mrs. Thomas of Prescott.—Mrs. Chas. C. Thomas, Secretary.

ZONE MEETING AT STEPHENS

A Zone meeting of Camden District met at Stephens, Wednesday, May 15. Mrs. M. E. Peace, Zone leader, had charge of program. Mrs. J. A. Sage led in prayer. Roll call showed five Auxiliaries with 67 members present. Stephens and Magnolia were awarded certificates for Mission Study courses.

The theme of the program was, "What Do Ye More Than Others?" Mrs. Foster, from Waldo, gave the devotional on "Why and What Do Ye More Than Others?" Mrs. Ralph Parkinson gave "Where Do Ye More Than Others?" Our District Secretary, Mrs. Chas. Moseley, talked on "How Do Ye More Than Others?" Waldo extended an invitation for the next Zone meeting.

At the close we were served delicious refreshments by the Stephens ladies.—Mrs. Otis Fincery, Sec.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE SCARRITT FUND

A friend from Hamburg contributed fifty cents for Scarritt College also the Elizabeth Rammel Bible class of First Church, Little Rock sent \$10 to Scarritt to apply as associate membership dues.

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MIGRANT CENTER AT JUDSONIA

The Judsonia Migrant Center, which for seven years has provided care for young children of strawberry pickers in this section, has again this year done a fine piece of home mission work under the direction of Miss Veda Burge, assisted by Mrs. Jimmie Kinney, nurse, and Mrs. Carol Browning. Although the scope of this center's work is local, it represents the beginning of similar projects in other migrant labor centers of the state.

The project was set up by Miss Helen White, field representative of the inter-denominational Woman's Council for Home Missions of New York City, in which the Woman's Council of our church has cooperated for a number of years. The budget provided by this agency is supplemented by some local subscriptions. All of the food for the center is provided by the women of the

local churches. Supplies of clothing and toys are sent in from various outside groups.

The typical strawberry picker's family goes into the patch to pick, with the exception of the pre-school age children. It is these young children, including the infants, who are cared for by the migrant center. They are picked up each morning by the "Center's" car, furnished a full program of activity during the day, including a "nap period" in the afternoon, fed a nourishing meal, and delivered back to their families at the end of the day's picking.

During the day all the activities of the pre-school child are engaged. One of the high points of the day's program is the morning Bible story, which represents for many of the children their first contact with the Bible and religion. Many of these migrant children know no permanent home and consequently have not been introduced to the Church School.

Miss White, the field worker who set up the project, was present at the North Arkansas Missionary Conference at Conway and spoke briefly concerning her hopes for an expansion of this type of work among the migrants in Arkansas' fruit centers. As a result of her efforts, Bald Knob started one this strawberry season, and Fayetteville will have one during their summer fruit season.

Since the fall Mission Study for women is on migrants, Miss White has been invited to teach that course at the School of Missions on Mt. Sequoyah in July. Miss Burge, local director, will teach a similar course at Kansas City in June.

Although Judsonia pioneered alone in the state for seven years, the fine work done there seems to completely justify this type of home missions project, and it is expected that many new centers will spring up next year in migrant sections.—Mrs. Alfred Knox.

DISTRICT MEETING AT BATESVILLE

Over 100 women and nine visiting ministers attended a meeting of the Missionary women of Batesville District, May 9, at First Church, Batesville.

The highlight was the appearance of Miss Nellie Dyer, missionary on furlough from Korea. Miss Dyer, who appeared in native Korean costume, gave an absorbing account of her work and of the hardships undergone in establishing missionary work in Korea. She gave a vivid description of the country and of the customs of the people. Supplementing her talk, she displayed an interesting collection of Korean articles, including books, a Bible, dolls, shoes, pictures and other items.

Miss Dyer appeared on the afternoon program. The morning session opened with a beautiful inspirational service by Rev. Allen D. Stewart, pastor of the hostess church.

Miss Lavinia Jelks of Batesville, District Secretary, presided, and Mrs. George F. Adams from the Newark Society, who is zone secretary, filled the secretarial chair. Three Conference Officers were present, Mrs. B. E. Snetzer, Mrs. Alice Graham and Mrs. Peter Kittel.

The Courtesy Committee included Mrs. Louis Hardin and Mrs. Arch Jones, and Miss Willene Leonard. General reports were heard and routine business transacted during the morning.

Mrs. Graham, District Superintendent of Spiritual Life Work, led

The Laymen's Forum

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LAYMEN'S DAY TO BE SUNDAY, JUNE 9

Churches make quite an event of Mother's Day, Church School Day, College Day, and other special occasions and then all but ignore a day which should be widely observed to give some measure of recognition to the fellows who keep the doors of the church open Sunday after Sunday, and make possible numerous week-day activities.

It has been said that "ministers working alone never can save the world; if they could they would have saved it long ago, for they have been trying for a long time."

Laymen can save the world and the ministers can be of valuable assistance in carrying such a campaign to victory. Laymen in some churches have too long been given a role not unlike the husband portrayed recently by a cartoonist who pictured a husband and father as an unimportant fellow (in the eyes of his family) who merely was a provider, one wholly unimportant except that someone was needed to pay the bills for the household.

For entirely too long the laymen have been merely the "providers" in a great Church family. In some churches stewardship is synonymous with finances and the members know little or nothing of the real significance of the work a few laymen do often unnoticed, to promote all interests of the Church.

Laymen's Day should be observed to acquaint members generally with the work that is being done by active laymen and to acquaint idle workers with the opportunities for service the church offers, and the meaning of stewardship in its broader sense. Too, it would not do harm to give a little recognition to laymen for what they are doing financially to keep the doors of the church open.

June 9 has been designated as Laymen's Day in all Methodist churches. It would be interesting to know how many pastors in the two Arkansas Conferences will arrange for observance of the day.

LARGER CHECKS NEXT MONTH FOR AGED

Welfare department beneficiaries—the aged, the blind, and dependent children—next week will receive

a most interesting program, with the following taking part: Mrs. L. C. Craig, Mrs. Adams and Mrs. R. A. Dowdy and Mrs. W. D. Murphy, Jr.

A very informative report of the Conference at Conway was given by Miss Willene Leonard of the Central Avenue Church. Luncheon was served by the hostess society.

During the afternoon reports were given by Mrs. Snetzer, Mrs. Kittel and Miss Juanita Hill of Calico Rock, deaconess. The latter exhibited handiwork made in Bible schools by the children in her district.

Mrs. Gordon Justus was organist for the meeting and accompanied Mrs. Wm. J. White in a vocal solo. A solo was also rendered by Mrs. Hugh Kennard, who was accompanied by Miss Blanche Kennard.

The Cotter society was awarded a subscription to the "World Outlook," for having the largest number in attendance coming from the greatest distance.

larger checks, state officials have announced. In addition some 4,500 new beneficiaries are to be given assistance.

Those who receive the money will be grateful. Taxpayers who provide the funds will be interested in learning how the state can increase the payments some twenty per cent and at the same time add so many new names to the department rolls without an increased legislative appropriation.

Officials said that increased benefits were available from a surplus, and it also was announced that the larger payments would be continued by reason of increased tax collections.

There may be some who wonder if there is significance attached to the fact that the increase was announced just as a political campaign gets under way.

The need of the world today is not so much for more Christians, but for better Christians.—Dr. M. A. Cooper.

If men are to be free from earthly dictators, they must know in the depths of their souls that there is a divine will above all human wills and that in the final choice they "must obey God rather than men".—Samuel McCrea Cavert.

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ADULT ELECTIVE COURSE FOR JULY, AUGUST, SEPTEMBER

"Parents Are Teachers" is the title of the elective course for adults which will appear in the Adult Student during July, August and September. The course will endeavor to encourage parents to think of themselves as teachers of the Christian religion in the home and to equip themselves to become more effective teachers of their children. It will be written by Dr. Harry C. Munroe, Director of Adult Work and Extension, International Council of Religious Education, and well-known author in the field of Christian education. Helps for teachers will appear in the Church School Magazine at the same time. Sample copies of the Adult Student can be secured by writing to Dr. C. A. Bowen, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tennessee.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE IS MAKING UNUSUALLY FINE SHOWING ON CHURCH SCHOOL DAY

Mr. Wilkerson's report will show that our total Church School Day offerings to date are larger than on this date for the past ten years. It also shows a larger number of churches that are paid in full to date. We believe that each charge in the Conference will pay out in full. June is a wonderful month for catching up on this. On July 1, our mid-year report showing Church School Day and Fourth Sunday offerings to date will be mailed to all pastors and Church School Superintendents. It would be a beautiful thing if each pastor and superintendent would make an earnest effort to get his offering in full before this mid-year report is sent out.—Clem Baker.

OUR SUMMER PROGRAM OF ASSEMBLIES, CAMPS, SCHOOLS, AND CARAVANS

On another page will be found an announcement of the dates and places of the various opportunities offered by the Conference in its summer program. This is by far the biggest program we have ever been able to put on. We urge that all pastors and churches make every effort to send representatives to the Young People's Assemblies, the Camp for Children's Workers at Ferncliff, and the Adult Assembly at Magnolia. We also urge all charges to see that their pastor and his wife find it possible to go to the Arkansas Pastors' School.—Clem Baker.

THE DISTRICT CONFERENCES

It has been my pleasure to attend all the District Conferences except the Arkadelphia District, which I missed on account of having to attend the Hendrix College Board meeting. Space does not permit us to give a detailed account of these conferences. They were all good. It would be hard to say which was the best. In some places the rains came down in torrents, but this did not keep each district from having as good attendance as we have usually seen. From our long experience in attending District Conferences, we believe that our Conference, under the leadership of as fine a cabinet as we have ever had, is in the midst of one of the best years it has had in a long time. A spirit of optimism and determination to meet

the program of the church prevails. It is evident that the goals and objectives adopted at our last Conference are being taken seriously, and that each district is making an earnest effort to reach the goals. It was a joy to meet the brethren at these Conferences.—Clem Baker.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOLS

From reports heard at the District Conferences we prophecy the largest number of Vacation Church Schools that the Conference has ever had. Many pastors are taking advantage of the fact that they do not have to be away at the Pastors' School during Vacation School time and are thus putting on schools where they have never been held before. Should there be any other church planning to have a school and needs help, write Miss Fay McRae, 723 Center Street, Little Rock, who is the general director of this movement in our Conference.—Clem Baker.

OUR TRAINING PROGRAM

Upon our return from General Conference we found ready to be sent to the Nashville office, reports from training schools held during the last month with credits equaling more than 400. This has been one of the very best years we have ever had in Training School work, and we take this occasion to thank all who have contributed to making this possible.—Clem Baker.

REV. NEILL HART TO TEACH IN BOTH YOUNG PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLIES

Since our programs for the Young People's Assemblies were published, in response to a wide demand on the part of our young people, Rev. Neill Hart, who had already been engaged to teach the church on "Friendship and Marriage" in the Senior Assembly, has consented to offer the same course in the older Young People's Assembly which will be held at Hendrix, week of June 24-28.—Clem Baker.

TWO NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS

On May 14, Wesleyan, the pioneer College for Women located at Macon, Georgia, announced to the world that the \$600,000 campaign to pay off its debt and cover all outstanding obligations had reached a successful culmination. On the same day, in the city of Atlanta, it was announced that the local campaign to secure \$1,300,000 for Emory University had been successful and that the entire amount, approximately \$6,000,000 for the University Center in Atlanta had been pledged.

These institutions were chartered within ten days of each other in December, 1936. It is, therefore, a cause for genuine congratulation and thanksgiving that these institutions of the Methodist Church now move out into a larger and better day of service than has been possible.—W. F. Quillian.

CONWAY-PERRY COUNTY UNION

The Conway-Perry County Union met at Oppelo Monday night, May 20. A very interesting program was given with Bro. Bryant of Oppelo giving the welcome address. Mr. Bill Fleming of Morrilton, the adult counselor, had charge of the devotional. J. M. Duncan of Oppelo gave a talk on "The Possibilities of the Union." Rev. Poe Williams of Plumerville, speaking in behalf of the pastors, gave "The Pastors' Hope For the Union." Miss Iva Nell Sad-

ler of Oppelo sang a solo. Miss Helen Fiser of Morrilton, gave some points on organizing a union.

Following the program was election of the officers with Mr. Fleming in charge. The following officers were elected: Mr. J. M. Duncan, president; Mr. Sherman James of Plumerville, vice-president; Miss Laura Katherine Webb of Morrilton, secretary-treasurer; Miss Wanda Green of Perry, reporter.

An hour of recreation on the church lawn was enjoyed by all, after which ice cream and cake were served at the parsonage.

The next meeting will be at Plumerville, June 17. — Wanda Green, Reporter.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL INSTITUTE

A Vacation Church School Institute was held Saturday, May 18, at the Bryant parsonage. Devotional was given by Rev. Frank Walker of Bauxite. Miss Fay McRae, Conference Director of Children's Work, and Mrs. W. F. Bates, assistant director, discussed the problems and materials needed to conduct a Vacation Bible School.

A cooperative luncheon was served in the parsonage dining room with Mrs. E. L. McKay hostess.

After lunch the group was divided into activity groups as follows: Handwork, in charge of Mrs. Vera Scott; Dramatics, in charge of Miss Blanche Rodgers; Costuming, in charge of Mrs. E. L. McKay. Mrs. Bates constructed a Bible village which was very interesting.

After activity period the group re-assembled to discuss the different demonstrations. An exchange of books used in the Fellowship of Study, was made.

The following churches were represented at the Institute: Bryant, Bauxite, Mabelvale and Salem.

The date for the next meeting was left open.—Reporter.

HENDRIX COLLEGE NEWS

Rev. Warren Johnston, pastor of First Methodist Church, Little Rock, will preach the Hendrix College baccalaureate sermon next Sunday morning at the Conway Methodist Church at 10:45 and Clarence Dillon, of New York, head of the international banking firm of Dillon, Read and Co., will deliver the graduation address that afternoon at four o'clock on the campus. Mr. Johnston will be given the doctor of divinity degree and Mr. Dillon will be given the doctor of laws degree. Dr. A. C. Millar, editor of the Arkansas Methodist and former president of Hendrix, will receive the D.D. degree. 57 seniors will receive bachelor's degrees and ten students will be awarded associate of arts degrees. Commencement events were begun last week with the traditional senior walk ceremony in which women members of the senior class doff their academic caps and gowns and robe the junior women, symbolic of handing over to them the responsibilities of membership in the senior class of next year. Virginia Rice of North Little Rock, senior, represented her class in passing on the "Traditions Old" and Ernestine Matkin of Little Rock, responded for the juniors. Members of the senior class will be inducted into the Alumni Association at a candlelight service Saturday night.

The Hendrix College board of trustees last week approved the appointment of D. W. Bowman, who is at present completing requirements

for his doctor's degree in physics at Ohio State University, to fill the vacancy in the physics faculty of Hendrix created by the death last December of Dr. L. O. Leach, it was announced by President Reynolds. Mr. Bowman, graduate of Mount Union College, Alliance, O., has had experience as a college teacher in physics. Bruce H. Kettle, who has served temporarily in Dr. Leach's position, will return to the University of Chicago for further work toward his Ph. D. degree in physics. Harvey C. Couch was elected president of the board for the eleventh successive year. Other officers are G. G. Davidson, Eureka Springs, first vice president; DeMatt Henderson, Little Rock, second vice president; Guy A. Simmons, Conway, secretary; and E. W. Martin, Conway, treasurer. The newly elected executive committee which appoints all other committees, is composed of Mr. Couch, Mr. Martin, F. M. Tolleson, Danville, J. L. Longino, Pine Bluff, Clem Baker, W. P. Gulley, J. J. Harrison, C. M. Reves and Dr. James Thomas, Little Rock.

Student marshals have been appointed as follows: Bob Evans, Batesville, chief marshal, Paul Lutterloh, Jonesboro, Guy Farris, Conway, David Rains, Fort Smith, McGrady Fox, Batesville and Travis Wells, Monticello. The senate also appointed the following to the women's initiation committee: Kathryn Donham, Little Rock, chairman, Louise Norman, Hardy, Mary Frances Campbell, Mountain View, Billy Lou Wahl, Helena, Virginia Short, Conway and Juanita Baldwin, Pine Bluff. Grimsley Graham, Newport was appointed chairman of the men initiation committee to replace Roy Harris, who resigned. David Conyers, Sidney, was appointed to the initiation committee.—Victor Hill.

EXPRESSIONS OF HENDRIX STUDENTS

I have a class of fifty young men and young women in an introductory course in the Bible. I asked each of them to write a paper giving a statement of the religious cultural opportunities they had had, and the result of the opportunities in experience and attitude. All the papers were refreshingly frank, free, genuine. The religious nature of everyone began early in the home, was continued in church school, the preaching service, and a young peoples' organization. Some mentioned vacation Bible schools, and some told of illuminating courses of study and profound impressions in young peoples' assemblies. Every one is a member of the church.

Two paragraphs taken from these papers will indicate their temper and spirit: From a young man: "I entered Hendrix feeling that I needed the Christian atmosphere and surroundings that are here, and thus far, I have not been disappointed."

From a young woman: "After my graduation from high school, it was naturally assumed that I should attend Hendrix. My family and I were all members of the Methodist Church, and coming to a Methodist school was as natural as going to a Methodist church on Sunday. Here, surrounded by leaders who believe in God and who are trying to place religion in its rightful place in every-day living, and by students looking for the same things as I, I have been able to come to a better understanding of God, of Jesus, of the Bible, and to work out a program

of living which I believe to be in accord with the religious training I have received."—C. J. Greene.

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Received Since Our Last Report Up To Saturday, May 25, 1940.

Arkadelphia District	
Toler's Chapel	\$ 2.50
Manning	1.00
Dalark	5.00
Oaklawn	10.00
Arkadelphia Circuit	4.25
Mt. Olivet	5.00
Previously reported	207.25
Total	\$225.00

Camden District	
Waldo	\$ 15.00
Fredonia	9.13
Previously reported	336.34
Total	\$360.53

Little Rock District	
Geyer Springs	\$ 7.00
Previously reported	496.27
Total	\$503.27

Monticello District	
Parkdale (add)	\$ 4.00
Wilmet	11.00
Miller's Chapel	4.00
Previously reported	254.00
Total	\$273.00

Pine Bluff District	
Grady	\$ 10.00
Rison	20.00
Humphrey	7.36
Gillett	12.00
Pleasant Grove	6.00
Previously reported	377.50
Total	\$432.86

Prescott District	
Shiloh	\$ 1.50
Wakefield (add)	1.10
Bigg's Chapel	3.78
Prescott	25.00
Previously reported	234.07
Total	\$265.45

Texarkana District	
Previously reported	\$256.00

Paid By Districts	
Little Rock District	\$503.27
Pine Bluff District	432.86
Camden District	260.53
Monticello District	273.00
Prescott District	265.45
Texarkana District	256.00
Arkadelphia District	235.00
Grand Total	\$2326.11

Percentages Paid by Districts	
Pine Bluff District	80%
Prescott District	75%
Monticello District	68%
Camden District	67%
Texarkana District	66.5%
Little Rock District	60%
Arkadelphia District	56%

Sixty-three charges out in full on Church School Day.

Since our last report their charges having paid Church School Day in full, the following pastors are added to our Conference Honor Roll: James Simpson; J. W. Thomas; R. H. Cannon; J. D. Montgomery; S. K. Burnett; E. H. Martin; E. T. McAfee.

This makes a total of sixty-three charges out in full. We are delighted with this splendid report and thank all of our brethren.—C. K. Wilkerson, Treasurer.

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE—CHURCH SCHOOL DAY OFFERINGS MAY 25

Batesville District	
Batesville	\$100.00
Melbourne	2.71
Salem	2.55
Weldon	4.26
Bethesda	2.06
Calico Rock	4.00

Conway District	
Russellville	\$ 40.00
Havana	7.00
Salem	1.56
Dardanelle	20.00
Perry	1.00
Vilonia	3.00
Adkins	15.00
Gardner Memorial (Part paym't)	20.00
Dover	1.00
Washington Avenue	10.00
Bigelow	1.00
Mt. Carmel	3.00
Lamar	6.00
Belleville	6.00
Conway (pt. pmt.)	50.00
Morrilton	40.00
Cato	1.41
Bethel	1.00
Perryville	2.00
Houston	1.00

Fayetteville District	
Fayetteville (pt. pmt.)	\$ 50.00
Centerton	2.75
Viney Grove	1.78
Elm Springs	4.25
Monte Ne	.25

Prairie Grove	15.00
Gravette	2.00
Falling Springs	1.00
Bentonville	12.50
Springdale	30.40

Ft. Smith District	
Clarksville	\$ 60.00
Cauthron	1.00
Goddard Memorial	50.00
Scranton	3.00
Ft. Smith, First (pt. pmt.)	75.00
Alma	5.00
Mountain View	1.00
City Heights	2.00
Gar Creek	1.90
Booneville	20.00
Midland Heights	22.50
Hartman	4.00
Hay's Chapel	3.00
Mt. Zion	2.00
Spadra	3.00
Midland	1.64
Ratcliff	1.00
Cecil	1.00
Branch	1.00
Central	3.00
Lavaca	2.00
Van Buren	22.00
New Hope	1.26
Altus	1.76
Ft. Smith, Second Church	5.00
Greenwood	20.00
Kibler	1.00
Prairie View	2.00

Helena District	
Wynne	\$ 25.00
Haynes	3.00
Crawfordsville	10.00
Cherry Valley	2.64
Marvel	5.00
Holly Grove	10.00
Vandale	5.00
Mellwood	4.00
Helena (pt. pmt.)	37.50
Hughes	10.00
Madison	5.00
West Helena	10.00
Elaine	12.00

Jonesboro District	
Marion	\$ 30.00
Turrell-Gilmore	6.27
Luxora Charge	3.00
Dyess	1.00
Wilson	15.00
Yarbro	3.00
Shady Grove	1.00
Trinity	1.50
Bono	1.50
Jonesboro, First	100.00
Keiser	5.00
Osceola	15.00
Fisher Street	3.75
Black Oak	4.27
Promised Land	3.00
Caraway	2.00
Leachville	2.50
Monette	5.00
Lepanto	5.00
Lake Street, Blytheville	2.00
Bay	2.00
Pleasant Valley	3.00
Brookland	1.25
Pine Log	.65
New Haven	1.00
Pleasant Grove	1.10
Marked Tree	25.00
Nettleton	5.00
Dell	3.00

Paragould District	
Beech Grove	\$ 2.00
Hoxie	4.24
Walnut Ridge	15.00
Marmaduke	2.00
Lynn	2.00
Smithville	1.00
Jessup	1.00
Rector	15.00
Piggott	15.00
Corning	25.00
Mammoth Spring	1.70
East Side, Paragould	15.00
Paragould, First	50.00
Attica	1.00
Maynard	1.00
Middlebrook	1.00
Old Walnut Ridge	1.50
Hardy	2.00
Macedonia	1.49
Richwoods	1.00

Searcy District	
Cotton Plant	\$ 17.00
Patterson	1.00
Beebe	15.00
Austin	2.06
McClelland	2.10
Revel	2.00
Smyrna	1.45
Gregory	3.20
McRae	5.00
Clinton	8.00
Mt. Pleasant	2.25
Marshall	3.00
Higginson	1.00
Ellis Chapel	1.00
Griffithville	2.50
Leslie	2.35

Note: This is our first report on Church School Day offering for this Conference Year. This is a better report than we were able to make at this time last year. The indications are that every district in the Conference will contribute more on Church School Day offerings this year than any year for the past few years.—Ira A. Brumley.

CHURCH NEWS

ARKANSAS METHODIST ORPHANAGE

I have attended four District Conferences: The Pine Bluff at Prosperity Church, the Monticello at Dumas, the Texarkana at DeQueen, and the Prescott at Mineral Springs. The brethren were almost unanimous in their attendance. The lay delegation was splendid at each Conference and I thoroughly enjoyed my association with the District Superintendents, pastors, the local preachers and lay delegates as I know them all.

I was compelled to miss two District Conferences, the Arkadelphia, which was held at Keith Memorial Church, Malvern, and the Camden which was held at Bolding Church on the Strong Circuit. Of course, I always enjoy the Arkadelphia District immensely because that is where I was licensed to preach and served my first four years in one of the churches in Hot Springs. I was very much disappointed at not being physically able to attend the Camden District Conference as I so much desired to, but an up-set of my stomach forced me to give up the trip.

It gratified me very much to find that the people were so intensely interested in our orphanage, giving me every encouragement that they could possibly give me. It is pleasant to deal with people who appreciate you and try to collaborate with you in doing the work that the Church wants done.

It makes me happy to meet so many people who say, "I read your weekly notes and they make me love the Methodist more," and some go so far as to say that they have gotten so they look for the Orphanage notes the first thing when they receive their Methodist. I wish I was able to convey to the people our real condition that they might join in with us in sympathy, prayer and help. With love for all, I am, Yours truly,—James Thomas.

AN EMERGENCY APPEAL

An urgent emergency appeal to the churches of America to set aside Sunday, June 2, as a "day of prayer, fasting and sacrificial giving in order that we may as a people enter in compassion into the suffering of humanity overseas," was issued by the Executive Committee of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America at its meeting on May 17. The special observance of June 2, is to be regarded as "but the preparation for, and the beginning of, a sacrificial effort to meet the needs of these who, though distant, are still our neighbors." The Methodist and Northern Baptist churches had already designated the day for this purpose. The purpose of the Federal Council action is to make the observance more general among the churches. It is to be expected that the offerings will be sent to denominational committees for relief abroad, to the agencies through which the churches usually contribute, or to the Committee on Foreign Relief Appeals, 297 Fourth Avenue, New York, for allocation. The latter Committee has been set up by the Foreign Missions Conference and the Federal Council to assist the churches with information and to effect a coordination of the various appeals. Dr. John R. Mott and Dr. Lewis S. Mudge are co-chairmen, S. Frederick Telleen, Treasurer, and Roswell P. Barnes, Secretary.

LAYMEN'S DAY—JUNE 9

Christian Stewardship—the theme for discussion on Laymen's Day this year—is of special significance because of the fact that 1940-1941 has been designated by the United Stewardship Council as Stewardship Year. The Methodist Section of the Stewardship Council in session in St. Louis November 28, 1939, approved a definite plan of stewardship education and promotion. The little booklet on "Christian Stewardship," prepared by Dr. G. L. Morelock for Laymen's Day, not only provides excellent material for an address on the subject, but is worthy of preservation for further use. (Continued on Page Ten)



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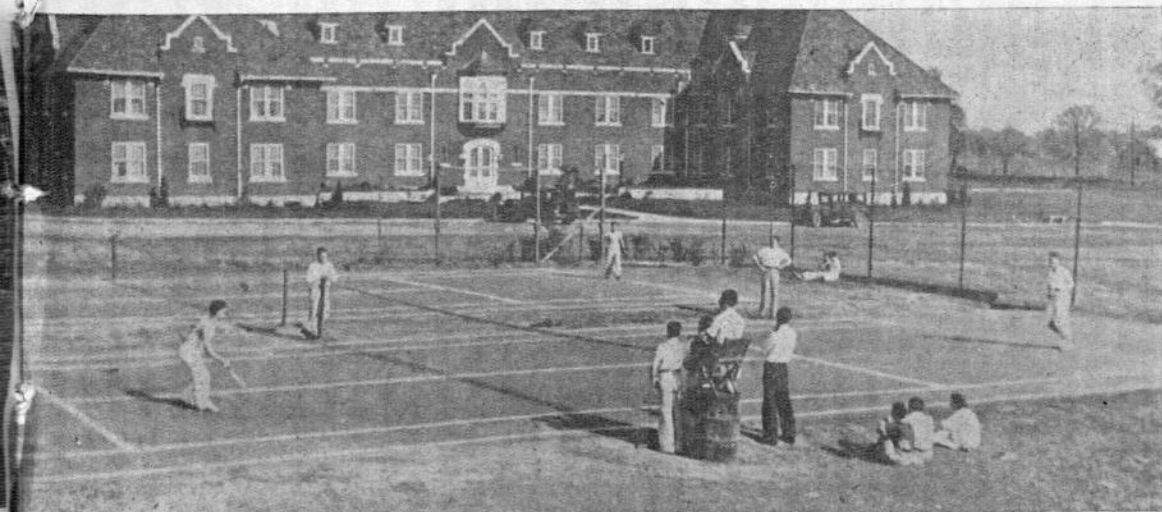
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PINE BLUFF DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The seventy-third session of Pine Bluff District Conference convened at Prosperity Church, May 14. The morning service opening at 8:30 a. m., Rev. Neill Hart, D. S., presiding. The opening prayer was offered by Rev. G. P. Fikes, former pastor of Prosperity Church, and Rev. Virgil Keely of Star City gave the opening message.

The roll was called by J. T. McAllister, former secretary, and plans announced by Bro. Hart.

The absence particularly of Rev. C. R. Andrews, R. H. Cannon and R. D. McSwain, on account of serious illness of themselves or in their homes was noted, and the Secretary was instructed to address each of a letter of remembrance.

J. T. McAllister, layman of Sheridan, Ark., was unanimously elected Secretary. The following secretaries were then appointed to get pastor's reports and assist the regular secretary and Rev. Virgil Keely, to tabulate pastor's records.

Miss Ruthie Wooley extended the welcome from the people of Prosperity, and Rev. C. H. Gilliam introduced the host-guides and extended further courtesies.

The District Superintendent nominated the following committees and the conference unanimously elected them.

The District Superintendent introduced the following guests: Dr. James Thomas, Rev. Harold Sadler, Rev. J. M. Hamilton, Rev. Clem Baker, Dr. J. D. Hammons, Mrs. J. D. Hammons, Bro. Wallace Calloway, Rev. G. P. Fikes and J. T. Rogers and pastors' wives.

Dr. James Thomas spoke in the interest of the Methodist Orphanage to a very interested conference, and was followed by Rev. Clem Baker, who spoke in the interest of the Christian Education program of the church.

Announcement was made that Mrs. Ida Jessup, mother of Mrs. C. R. Andrews had passed away and that her funeral would be held at Carlisle. The secretary was instructed to send the proper message.

Rev. L. E. N. Hudley and Mrs. J. T. Rogers were introduced.

Dr. J. D. Hammons rendered a program in the interest of Hendrix College, in which Wallace Calloway, a freshman student, spoke well on the advantages that he, as a ministerial student, was obtaining at Hendrix. Bro. Hammons elaborated on the work being done there and the need for the entire support of the institution.

Rev. Roland E. Darrow, preached a timely and appreciated sermon.

The benediction was by Rev. Harold Sadler, and Conference adjourned for the morning session.

After having been served a most delightful luncheon by the ladies of Prosperity Church and enjoying a few minutes of recreation, the conference reconvened for the afternoon session.

The report of the Committee on Qualifications of Local Preachers was read by the committee secretary, Rev. E. T. Miller. It was voted to adopt the report.

During the noon recess Rev. Virgil Keely and Rev. Wilfred House tabulated the records of the various charges.

All pastors present spoke briefly on the work of their charge.

Supt. Hart voiced the sentiments of appreciation of the conference of

the entertainment that had been furnished by the Ladies of Prosperity Church, and as a token of that appreciation the conference took up a free-will offering of \$18.25 and presented it to the ladies to assist them to carry on their program at Prosperity Church.

The various members of the District staff made interesting talks and explanations of the work in their various capacities, as follows:

Miss Theda Belle Findley, District Director of Young People's work.

Miss Rubye Lee Graves, Associate Director of Young People's work.

Mrs. Neill Hart, who spoke in the interest of Children's Work.

Rev. S. T. Baugh represented District Lay Leader Moore in connection with the current year's Layman's Day program, also the conference and school for Methodist Laymen at Mt. Sequoyah. Bro. Baugh spoke further in the interest of Missions, especially stressing the value of free literature on the subject of Missions.

Mrs. A. M. Hart spoke on the work and activities of the Women's Work in the church; explaining briefly how the organization of the Woman's Society for Christian Service will be affected, also explaining "The Methodist Women," a new periodical to be available in September.

Conference Missionary Secretary, Fred G. Roebuck spoke briefly in the interest of an increased missionary program as a result of the three branches of the Methodist Church work.

Rev. Virgil Keeley spoke on Evangelism.

Rev. Neill Hart addressed the conference regarding training schools for church workers, and his remarks were supplemented by Rev. Roland E. Darrow.

Rev. Earl Lewis spoke in the interest of the cause of the Golden Cross, and District Superintendent Hart nominated the following committee on Hospitals and Homes, to assume active duty immediately following the coming annual conference: Earl L. Lewis, Chairman, Fred G. Roebuck, A. J. Christie, Dr. J. M. Lemons, Mrs. J. M. Spicer. Bro. Hart requested that all pastors take an offering for this cause.

Rev. E. Clifton Rule, chairman of the Conference Board of Christian Education, explained the work of his Board.

An invitation was extended by Rev. Wilfred House for the conference to be held at Roe in 1941 and the Conference voted unanimously to accept.

The Committee appointed to nominate Lay Leaders, nominated the following: Fred Moore, to serve as District Lay Leader; C. L. McNutt, to serve as Associate District Lay Leader; J. T. McAllister, to serve as Associate District Lay Leader, and they were unanimously elected.

The report of the District Board of Trustees was read by Carl Illing, its treasurer. The same was adopted and is incorporated as a matter of permanent record. The following District Trustees were elected: Fred Moore, Chairman, C. A. Illing, Mrs. Lee Quattlebaum, C. L. McNutt, A. W. Mills, Mrs. Webb Eighme, A. A. Dickey, J. T. Briley, W. C. Shepherd.

The report of the Committee on Conference Journals was adopted.

Rev. S. T. Baugh spoke briefly on the importance of proper maintenance of quarterly conference records.

The following Entertainment Committee was nominated by the District Superintendent and elected: Rev. J. A. Henderson, Chairman, Rev. E. T. Miller, Rev. E. Clifton Rule.

Rev. Fred Roebuck read the report of the Committee on Findings and District Objectives to a highly interested audience, this report being one of the high-lights of the entire conference. The report was adopted.

District Superintendent Hart made announcements concerning the Summer School for Pastors at Conway and urged all charges to send their pastors wherever possible, paying the expenses of those charges where the pastors serve on a low salary.

Rev. R. L. Long of Stuttgart read the report of the Committee on Resolutions. The report was adopted.

Rev. C. C. Neal of Arkansas Haygood Institute, a colored educational institute, was given an opportunity to speak in the interest of the work he is carrying on and permitted to take a free-will offering.

All work of the conference having been attended to, after a few remarks of appreciation by the District Superintendent and others, the Conference stood and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. C. C. Van Zant.—W. Neill Hart, Superintendent—J. T. McAllister, Secretary.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The 72nd session of the Prescott District Conference convened at Mineral Springs Monday, May 20, with Rev. T. M. Armstrong of Okolona delivering the opening sermon on "What Manner of Man Ought Ye to Be?" At 8:45 a. m. Tuesday Rev. Fred W. Schwendimann of Amity brought the devotional address on "By My Spirit, Saith the Lord." The sermon at the noon hour was delivered by Rev. Aubrey G. Walton, using as his subject, "The Church Facing This World of Pessimism." Rev. Clem Baker gave the devotional at the opening of the afternoon session. His subject was "A Little Child Shall Lead Them." It is needless to say that these four messages set the spiritual level of the conference at a high tide.

Rev. J. D. Baker, district superintendent, had made such advance preparation, having the full cooperation of the pastors and laymen of the district, that uniform reports from all pastors revealed the exact accomplishments of the district for the first half year, showing that the district had made progress along all lines, being well in advance of the same period last year in the matter of additions, church school attendance, and every financial interest.

Every pastor was present with a good official representation and visitors from each charge. Visitors from outside the district included Revs. Clem Baker, J. W. Mann, J. D. Hammons, James Thomas, Aubrey G. Walton, Otto W. Teague, E. D. Galloway, Everett Vinson, Forney Harvey, Richard McSwain and Miss Faye McRae. Every single interest of our great church program was emphasized, some of the above named visitors taking part on the program.

The hospitality of the Mineral Springs charge under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. E. H. Martin, was most gracious. The noon lunch

was served on the lawn at the home of Miss Henry McKinnon.

FIRST CHURCH, PRESCOTT

A fine spirit seemed to possess our people from the very beginning of the year. Our Board of Stewards adopted the "budget system" and began to emphasize the weekly payment plan. An increase in the number of contributors, as well as a large increase in the amount raised, has been the result. The pastor's salary was increased \$300.00 and the Conference Claims raised 10% over last year's payment. One half of these Claims was paid by a special offering Easter Sunday. Another thing worthy of mention is the fact that our Board, early in the year, ordered the Arkansas Methodist to come to every home of the church.

Our Church School has almost doubled in attendance. This is due to the fine work of our Adult Division. Since January 1, our adult classes have shown a marvelous growth. Sunday, May 19, there were 75 women and 69 men in two of the adult classes. This interest in the adult division has been reflected in all other departments and raised the attendance from around 160 to 250, reaching 304 last Sunday.

This brief statement would be incomplete without saying a word about our Woman's Missionary Society. We have five circles with a membership of over 100. This fine group of faithful women are raising about \$100.00 per month for all purposes, as well as carrying on a full program of Conference work.

The accomplishment of the year, thus far, is the result of the splendid cooperation between the entire membership and their leaders. The Chairman of our Board is C. G. Gordon, Treasurer, Dan Pittman; Chairman Finance Committee, Dr. N. B. Nelson, who is also President of the Men's Bible class of which Dan Pittman is the efficient teacher. Mrs. J. A. Cole is president of the Woman's Missionary Society; Mrs. Charley C. Thomas is the capable teacher of the Women's Bible class. Space will forbid us to name the committees who are working with these leaders and giving their time and energy to make the work of our church really count in this community.—Reporter.

UNIFIED PLANNING

For the first time in the history of the new Methodist Church, actual unified planning of study materials to be used by Methodist youth for the year beginning October 1, 1941, was effected at a Program-planning Conference of youth leaders held in Nashville, Tenn., Friday and Saturday, May 17 and 18.

Dr. Walter E. Towner of the Southern Board of Education and Dr. Edward D. Staples of the Northern Board and Epworth League, presided in turn over the thirty committee workers. Rev. F. L. Gibbs represented the former Methodist Protestant Board of Education.

Both group-graded materials, as prepared by the International Council of Religious Education for the youth ages, were considered and the dated and undated unit materials for young people in Sunday evening and other meetings. Correlations were made between the two types of materials as in the recent past, so that there may be a compact and unified selection of study materials for Methodist youth. Combined administrative and editorial staffs of the three churches attended the meeting.

PARKIN

The Board of Stewards of the Methodist Church of Parkin met in special session here Wednesday night and unanimously voted for the construction of a new auditorium and the remodeling of the present auditorium to alleviate the crowded condition in the present Church School which has enjoyed a splendid increase in the past year.

The new building will be of brick veneer and construction will be started about August 15.

Members of the board are E. D. McKnight, Chairman; H. H. Melbourne, secretary-treasurer; L. M. Frazier, M. A. Pryor, Mrs. M. Dye, Mrs. J. K. Wooten, R. M. Lake, Roy Coldren, F. E. Brenner, D. A. Harwell, G. F. Moore, R. W. Minnie, Vernon Paul and Sterling H. Melhorn.

BISHOP MEAD ORDAINS SON

Bishop Charles L. Mead, of Kansas City Area, through the courtesy of Bishop Francis J. McConnell, had the great privilege of ordaining his son, Charles L., Jr., a deacon, at the Newark Conference on April 14. The bishop was visibly affected when he placed his hand upon the head of his son and gave him authority to execute the office of a deacon in the church. Then asking permission to speak to his son, he said:

Charles, my son, I am giving to you, through the courtesy of the presiding bishop and the Conference secretary, this certificate of your ordination. I have a similar one, the certificate of the ordination in the Newark Conference of my father—your grandfather—Joshua Mead, ordained in 1859. It so happened that my ordination in this Conference took place in 1895, the year of my father's retirement, and now you are ordained in the year of my retirement, which will be next month. This is a wonderful day for your mother and me; you were dedicated to the service of God when you were born. May the mantle of your grandfather fall upon your shoulders.

The bishop, thereupon, gave his son the parchment of his grandfather. The young man will serve Grace Church, Dover.

When Bishop Mead entered the Conference the body arose in salute at the invitation of the presiding bishop.

CLARENDON CHURCH

Joseph Paul Randle, infant son of Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Randle, was baptized on Mother's Day, by the Rev. J. L. Dedman, District Superintendent of Helena District. At the same time Rev. J. T. Randle, pastor, baptized Mary Nell Black, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Black of Marianna. It was a beautiful and impressive service, and the District Superintendent brought a helpful and inspiring Mother's Day message. Joseph Paul was born on Easter Sunday in St. Edward's Mercy Hospital at Fort Smith.

On Sunday, May 19, the pastor preached the commencement sermon for the Clarendon High School. The service was held in the Methodist Church and the graduating exercises will be held there on May 24, with Mr. Charles T. Evans as the commencement speaker.

On Sunday, June 2, the pastor will preach the commencement sermon for the Holly Grove High School, in the Presbyterian Church at Holly Grove. Rev. Hoyt Pruitt, pastor of the Holly Grove Presbyterian Church will fill the pulpit of

the Clarendon Methodist Church for the morning service.

The pastor will go to Hughes to assist Rev. H. F. McDonal in a meeting on June 16.

In the Christian Advocate of May 17, an article by Mrs. Alta Mayo Bateman of Clarendon, was printed. The title of the article was "The Church Bell Is Heard Again."—Reporter.

IMBODEN

Rev. H. Lynn Wade, District Superintendent of Paragould District, recently preached the annual commencement sermon of Sloan-Hendrix Academy to 41 graduates. Sloan-Hendrix's first session opened with Dr. W. E. Hogan, of Nashville, Tenn., September, 1899. It was one of the academies sponsored by Dr. A. C. Millar when he was President of Hendrix College, and too, it was run under the auspices of the Methodist Church up to the time when all Methodist institutions ceased except Hendrix College. It is now run as a consolidated public high school with Prof. G. S. Butler, a graduate of the State Teachers College, as superintendent. This school has a marvelous record, sending young people well trained for all walks of life; one in particular, Miss Nellie Dyer, a missionary to Korea.—J. C. Poindexter.

FORT SMITH DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Fort Smith District Conference was held at Booneville, May 7, Rev. W. V. Womack, Dist. Supt., presided. Rev. J. M. Barnett was elected secretary. Rev. J. T. Byrd and Rev. H. O. Bolin were elected assistant secretaries. Three pastors were absent because of sickness and one because of the death of a sister. There was a good representation of delegates, district stewards, and local preachers, 184 registering. Mrs. J. B. Randolph, district secretary of the Woman's Society for Christian Service, represented that work. Mr. Sam Galloway, district lay leader and Mr. A. P. McKiethan, associate lay leader, presented the layman's work. They were re-elected and Mr. T. L. Hunt of Fort Smith was elected as a second associate lay leader. Rev. Ira A. Brumley and Rev. Grover C. Johnson presented their work as Conference secretaries. Rev. J. D. Hammons, vice-president of Hendrix College, addressed the conference in interest of Hendrix College. Two visiting brethren were introduced: Dr. J. C. Curry of Seminole, Okla., and Rev. J. A. Newell of Washington, Arkansas. Dr. L. L. Evans, pastor of First Church, Fort Smith, brought a very helpful message at the morning hour.

The Conference licensed Mrs. John G. Gieck to preach, recommended Harold O. Eggensperger for admission to the Conference, and recommended Rev. Jack Long and Rev. H. D. Newell for local deacons' orders. The next session will be held at Charleston. Rev. I. L. Claud and his people took care of the conference in a fine way. The noon meal was served in the church basement.

Reports for the first six months revealed some encouraging facts. Special evangelistic work has been done in 29 churches and 47 churches have definite plans for the future. 334 members have been received by vows and 339 by certificate and otherwise—a total of 673. Extension work is being done at 16 places. There are 40 Women's Christian Service Societies with a mem-

bership of 1903. There are 1126 copies of Upper Room used, 125 subscribers to the Christian Advocate, 216 to World Outlook, and 1477 to the Arkansas Methodist. To date there have been 426 training credits issued and there has been paid for Home and Foreign Missionary Enterprise \$507.14; for Church School Day \$249.00; for College Day \$95.94. 38 churches have plans for Vacation Schools. \$5,413.00 has been paid on Benevolences and \$287.00 to Orphanage. Thirty-five churches have paid one-half their acceptances on salaries and claims.

This is the first one-day session of the District Conference in many years and was thoroughly appreciated by all. It was one of the most business-like sessions and yet, there was no rush. Rev. W. Vance Womack, District Superintendent, presided with ease. Let's have more of these one-day conferences in the Fort Smith District.—Reporter.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Fayetteville District Conference was held at Prairie Grove, April 30, with Rev. Homer T. Fort, District Superintendent, presiding. Over 300 persons attended the one-day session which was marked by reports of progress and a fine spirit of enthusiasm. Dr. Fort led the opening devotional service. Reports from the pastors were turned in and summarized and a printed report mailed to each pastor.

Four charges have paid their Benevolences in full: Eureka Springs, Farmington-Goshen, Lincoln Circuit and Siloam Springs. Seven others have paid their Benevolences to date for the first half year: Bentonville, Gentry, Huntsville Circuit, Prairie Grove, Rogers, Springtown Circuit and Strickler. Centerton has paid 98 percent on Benevolences and 100 percent on District Fund. These 100 percent churches in Benevolences have likewise paid 100 percent on District Fund. Five churches have paid salaries to date: Sulphur Springs, Strickler, Springtown, Gentry, Bentonville, Fayetteville and Alpena Pass, in addition have paid the District Supt. Fund to date. Fifteen Vacation Schools have been planned and three have been held.

Additions by vows number 93 and by certificate 182. Siloam Springs leads with 20 additions by vows. Fayetteville leads in total additions of 71, eighteen by vows and 53 by certificate.

The District has 27 charges and the largest stations are using the monthly budget system. The church debt at Fayetteville was paid off May 1. Fayetteville has 71 Advocate subscriptions and 240 Arkansas Methodist subscriptions. An increase on Benevolent acceptances the last four years.

New building projects are being completed at Green Forest and Berryville. Harmon and Fayetteville are ready to be dedicated. Licenses of 23 local preachers were renewed and three local preachers were given licenses and two admitted on trial.

Dr. Forney Hutchinson preached to an overflow congregation at 11 o'clock. He has just recently undergone a successful operation at Barnes Hospital. He greatly appreciates the prayers of the people for his recovery.

Rev. Sam Yancey reported on program of Mt. Sequoyah and Mrs. E. M. Murphey reported on women's work. The hospitality of

Prairie Grove, with Rev. J. M. Harrison as host, was refreshing. A drama was presented at noon.

The work of the District bids fair for a full reported conference. Rev. B. H. Greathouse was buried at Elm Springs May 5 with Bros. Fort, Hutchinson, Andrews, Albright, Workman and Harrison taking part. Bro. Hutchinson gave the eulogy.—C. W. Harrington, Dist. Lay Leader.

"THE FIFTH COLUMN"

Of all the inventions of modern warfare, the thing that strikes the greatest terror into the minds and hearts of a whole population today is not the bombs that fall in the night upon the city or quiet countryside, nor even the swift torpedo or lurking mine that sinks the unarmed merchant ship. Such methods of attack have been anticipated and measures of defense have been prepared to meet them through the use of air-raid shelters, gas masks or life-boats.

The new horror is an old invention come back—one that is as old as history—but which has outlawed by civilization and renounced forever by all the belligerent countries at the Hague Conference.

It is the "Fifth Column"—or the Trojan Horse—the relentless boring from within, like termites gnawing at the foundation—until the whole structure is rotten and the slightest breeze sends it crashing into ruins. This "Fifth Column" consists of traitors who have come out like a thief in the night, but as a "friend" at noonday, in some cases living in the homes of their innocent victims, winning their confidence, their friendship, and even their affection, until the time has come to strike. And when they do strike, they prefer stabbing in the back.

These foreign enemies have sometimes come clothed in the uniform of those whom they have later betrayed, at the critical moment throwing off their disguises and revealing their weapons of destruction. The Democracies of the world have been battered to their knees by such forces. Without the "Fifth Column," Denmark and Norway would still be masters of their own fate. And now Holland and Belgium are face to face with it.

This is not the kind of war that men have glorified for centuries—an open fight between recognized opponents. The tactics are those of gangsters, of bank robbers, of parasites that live on the work and honest labors of other men. In our righteous indignation against these tactics used abroad, don't let us forget that the same tactics are being practiced right at home. We have our own "Fifth Column" to fight.

Our "Fifth Column" starts by fomenting hatreds in our midst. It fomented race or religious hatreds, class prejudices, setting group against group, class against class, and individual against individual. Its real purpose is to break down our Democracy.

Now, of all times, we must be a united country, sinking petty differences and dislikes in one concerted effort to keep America a free nation—free not only in government, but free from the subversive influences that would sap its life blood through hatred among ourselves. Let us remember that "eternal vigilance is the price of liberty." Let us set a watch upon our tongues, our minds and our hearts. If we do this—the "Fifth Column" cannot enter here.—Charles Stelzle.

JONESBORO DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The District Conference met at Huntington Avenue, May 9, with Dr. E. W. Potter, District Superintendent, presiding. Dr. Homer T. Fort, of the Fayetteville District, brought the sermon, "The Home and the Church" in a powerful manner. Among the visitors, besides Dr. Fort, were: Dr. J. D. Hammons, who spoke about Hendrix College; Rev. Ira A. Brumley who spoke about the educational work and our Assemblies; Rev. David Conyers, who spoke on Hendrix; Rev. J. A. Gatlin, Missionary Conference Secretary, who spoke on Evangelism; Rev. Sam G. Watson of West Memphis, Mr. W. R. Boney, Little Rock Conference Layman, and Rev. C. C. Neal, who spoke and took up collection in spite of rules and officials.

The reports submitted by the pastors were encouraging. A few of the high spots were: 158 additions on profession of faith, 205 otherwise; 262 Training credits given; 11,870 pastoral calls made; 311 books read, and many churches having all financial obligations up to date.

The Huntington Avenue Church, Rev. B. L. Wilford, pastor, and his people were excellent hosts. More than one hundred delegates and every pastor of the District were present. The next meeting will be held at Half Moon Church, on the Dell Circuit, next year.—Paul V. Galloway, Secretary.

CAMDEN DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Camden District Conference met at the historic old Bolding church on the Strong Charge, near Huttig, Wednesday evening and Thursday, May 23. The opening worship service was conducted Wednesday night by the pastor, Rev. Alfred Doss. Rev. J. L. Tucker, Vantage Church, El Dorado, delivered the opening sermon, using as his theme: "Methodism's Challenge In Our World Today."

The opening business session began at 9:00 o'clock Thursday morning, in charge of Rev. Leland Clegg, District Superintendent. Rev. Jim Simpson of Waldo, was in charge of music. Brother Clegg led in the Apostles Creed. Rev. B. F. Scott, Camden, led in prayer. Mr. Wesley's great hymn, "O For a Thousand Tongues," was sung. Rev. T. W. Nunn, Stephens, led in prayer. Rev. J. L. Tucker, El Dorado, was elected secretary. The following committees were named: Ad Interim Licensing, Trustees, Nominations of Lay Leaders, Progress and Objectives and Hospitals and Homes. The morning session was given to hearing of reports, addresses from representatives of special interests of the district, and addresses from representatives of special interests of the Conference at large. Those who brought messages were Rev. Clem N. Baker, executive secretary of Education; Miss Fay McRae, director of Children's Work for the Conference; Dr. J. M. Williams and Edward Dunlap, of Hendrix College; and C. A. Overstreet, of Magnolia. Rev. Gaston Foote, Winfield, Little Rock, delivered a great sermon at the 11:30 hour, using as his theme: "Optimism For a Day Like This." At the close of his message there was a great altar service when all accepted the challenge to make more complete surrender of life to the business of carrying the message of the Christ to the world of our day.

At noon an abundant dinner was

served on the grounds under the large and beautiful trees.

The afternoon session opened with the singing of "He Leadeth Me." Rev. O. E. Holmes, of Prescott, led in prayer. Miss Fort, Camden District Rural Worker, was presented a beautiful present in appreciation of her fine services. She is leaving for special study in social work in the University of Florida. Rev. J. D. Dunn, who was pastor of the Bolding church at the time it was located on the present site 20 years ago, was given a present by the Bolding people. The church was first located some miles away and has an interesting history of more than a 100 years.

There were many visitors from over the Camden, Prescott, Monticello, and Little Rock Districts. Among them were: Revs. Gaston Foote, Clem Baker, A. E. Jacobs, Jess Hamilton, Coy Whitten, Ted McNeal, Harold Sadler, O. E. Holmes and Charles Giessen.

Fred Mead, Francis Christie, W. C. Umstead, were granted license to preach. These brethren are from Bearden, Junction City, and Centennial church of El Dorado, respectively.

To date there have been 422 additions to the churches of the district, 182 on profession of faith and 240 by certificate. This is a good increase over what we had last year at District Conference. \$2,250.00 has been raised to date on Benevolences. This also is a large increase. A total of 15 Vacation Church Schools are reported in progress or planned.

Rev. J. A. Wade pastor at Magnolia dismissed with prayer, after we had sung "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."—J. L. Tucker, Secretary.

ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE FORWARD MOVEMENT

Plans for a five-year forward movement against the liquor traffic were authorized by the Executive Committee of the Anti-Saloon of America at its meeting in Atlantic City on May 2. As the first step in an enlarged and interested campaign, the committee elected Mr. George W. Crabbe, of Baltimore, to the office of General Secretary. A special supplementary fund of a million and a half dollars, to be raised and expended during the five year period, was approved by the Committee.

The five year movement will be carried on in cooperation with the various State Leagues throughout the nation. Education on the economic and social effects of the liquor traffic, as well as scientific facts about alcohol, will be conducted by the most modern educational methods. At the same time the League will organize for the adoption of local, state and national legislation to restrict and eventually prohibit the liquor business.

Mr. Crabbe, the new General Secretary, is a prominent Methodist layman, having been elected for five terms as a delegate to the Methodist General Conference. He is an attorney, and has served for 23 years as superintendent of the League of Maryland. Previously he was superintendent of the West Virginia League. He is a native of Ohio, attended college at De Pauw and Ohio Wesleyan, and taught school for a number of years. Later he became clerk of the court, studied law, and was admitted to the bar. He then entered the Anti-Saloon League service as attorney under Wayne B. Wheeler, then superintendent of the Ohio League.

The Anti-Saloon League of America, with headquarters in Washington, D. C., has been active as the inter-denominational agency of church and temperance groups for the extermination of the liquor traffic since its founding in 1895. The national officers are: President, Bishop Ralph S. Cushman; vice president, Andrew Wilson; general secretary, George W. Crabbe; attorney, Edward B. Dunford; treasurer, Charles E. Coleman; field superintendent, O. G. Christgau; field speaker, Rev. Sam Morris; research secretary, Laura Lindley.

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The first session of the Arkadelphia District Conference and the 73rd Session as a Conference, met at Keith Memorial Church, Malvern, May 22, at 8:30 a. m. with District Superintendent Fred R. Harrison presiding, and Rev. Orrie L. Thompson as pastor host.

The attendance was good and the various interests were well represented. Robert Jewell, student from Hendrix College, spoke interestingly on "Extra Curricula Activities in Hendrix," and Edward Dunlap, also from Hendrix College, spoke on "Unique Things About Hendrix." Dr. J. M. Williams, Vice-President of Hendrix College, made a plea that the Methodists of Arkansas be "One People" in support of the Methodist Educational Program. Rev. H. H. Griffin, District Missionary Secretary, spoke on "Missions and Church Extension." Dr. W. C. Watson, District Director of Evangelism, reported on plans for Evangelism in the District, followed by an inspirational address by Dr. Gaston E. Foote, Conference Director of Evangelism. Mrs. J. R. Campbell, District Secretary of the Women's Society of Christian Service, awarded the McDermott Loving Cup to the New Salem Auxiliary, on the Hot Springs Circuit, for having the largest increase in membership last year.

Mr. Carl Hollis, chairman of the Conference Commission on the Sustentation Fund, spoke on the importance of sustaining our underpaid preachers.

Rev. H. D. Sadler represented the Arkansas Methodist Home for Orphans in the absence of Dr. James Thomas, Superintendent.

Rev. E. C. Rule represented Rev. Clem Baker as Conference Secretary of Christian Education.

Mrs. E. E. Fohrell, District Secretary of Children's Work, emphasized the Children's Work, and Miss Fay McRae spoke of Vacation Schools.

Rev. Arthur Terry, Conference Director of Young People's Work, made announcements about the Christian Adventure Camp at Ferncliffe and the Young People's Assemblies at Hendrix College. Billy Orr, District President of Young People, made an interesting talk about the Young People's Conference at Conway.

Rev. H. A. Brooks, District Lay Leader, told about plans for work in the District.

Mr. Clyde C. Coulter, Superintendent of the Arkansas Anti-Saloon League, made a short inspirational address about his work and emphasized the importance of getting signatures on the Initiative Petition for the repealing of the "Thorn Liquor Act." He told of the fine work that is being done by Rev. Jack F. Taylor.

Mrs. C. B. Nelson, Conference Director of Intermediate Work,

emphasized the importance of the Intermediate Work.

The District Superintendent stressed the importance of securing subscriptions to the Arkansas Methodist and of buying religious literature from the Methodist Publishing House.

Mr. A. P. Greene, treasurer of the District Parsonage Trustees Fund, made a report showing that the District Parsonage is in good shape.

Rev. Herbert S. McConnell, pastor at Santa Fe, Tenn., made a short talk and told of the illness of Dr. J. J. Stowe at Franklin, Tenn. The secretary was instructed to send a telegram of love and good wishes to Dr. Stowe. Other visitors were, Dr. J. M. Lemons, Revs. W. Neill Hart, J. D. Baker, J. A. Henderson, J. L. Leonard, Emmett L. McKay, Chas. H. Giessen, L. E. N. Hundley, J. Frank Walker, I. A. Love and G. L. Cagle.

The following preachers' wives were introduced: Mesdames H. B. Vaught, T. O. Rorie, H. A. F. Ault, J. H. Cummins, Geo. E. Reutz, J. N. Simpson, D. L. Wilcox, Fred R. Harrison, Orrie L. Thompson, Chas. V. Mashburn, W. C. Watson and B. Y. Findley.

The following superannuates were present and recognized: Revs. H. A. F. Ault, W. F. Campbell, W. C. Davidson, E. D. Hanna, S. G. Rutledge, C. M. Thompson and Doyle L. Wilcox.

The Committee on District Goals and Objectives reported and revealed the following facts:

A two per cent increase for pastors support, a ten per cent increase in acceptance on Benevolences, \$10,394 paid to pastors to date, \$2,099 paid on Benevolences, \$653 to the Orphanage, \$239 to the Educational Fund, \$7,907 on church debts. There are sixteen Women's Societies with \$2,473 raised, the Church School enrollment is 5,357 and there have been 157 training credits to date. There have been 138 accessions on profession of faith and 153 by certificate.

Mark Vaught was recommended to the Annual Conference for admission on trial. Mark is the son of Rev. H. B. Vaught, pastor at Benton.

The ad interim licensing committee was elected as follows: Revs. W. C. Watson, H. H. Griffin, Rufus F. Sorrells, and J. C. Williams.

Lay Leaders were elected as follows: H. A. Brooks, District Lay Leader, C. B. Murry and C. B. Cook, Jr., associates.

Rev. Rufus Sorrells was appointed District Director of Training Work and Rev. Geo. E. Reutz was appointed District Director of the Golden Cross.

The Presidents of the Women's Society of Christian Service were presented and Mrs. J. R. Campbell, District Secretary, made her report.

There were three fine spiritual messages, one by District Superintendent Fred R. Harrison at the opening, the sermon by Rev. E. Clifton Rule, and the devotional message at the opening of the afternoon session by Rev. Geo. E. Reutz.

The women of the churches on the Malvern Circuit served a bountiful meal at the noon hour to an appreciative crowd.

Rev. John N. Simpson, pastor of the Traskwood Circuit, invited the Conference to meet at the Ebenezer Church and the invitation was accepted unanimously.

The committee on resolutions reported as follows: In appreciation of the splendid hospitality of the members of Keith Memorial Church

we present the following resolutions: Be it resolved that we hereby express our appreciation of the cordial and generous entertainment provided by our pastor host, Brother Orrie L. Thompson, and his people. We also express our appreciation to the speakers for the inspiring and helpful messages delivered during the session of this Conference.

We express our appreciation to Brother Fred R. Harrison, who has dispatched the business of the Conference in such an efficient manner.

We express our appreciation, not only to Keith Memorial Church but also to all the other churches on the Malvern Circuit, for the delicious and abundant dinner.—Mrs. Willela Baughman, Mrs. T. W. McCoy, Mrs. H. J. Green, H. H. Griffin, Geo. E. Williams, Committee.

It was a great and historic Conference and we will long remember the pleasant time we had with the people of Keith Memorial and other churches of the Malvern Circuit.—C. D. Meux, Secretary.

FORMER NORTHERN SCHOOLS

Educational institutions in some way affiliated with the Methodist Episcopal, or former Northern branch of the new and united Methodist Church, number 69.

Universities, 6; theological schools, 5; colleges, 33; affiliated college, 1; junior colleges, 8; academies, 13; business college, 1, and training schools, 2.

In these institutions 67,000 students are now enrolled who express denominational preferences as follows: Methodists, 28.18%; Roman Catholics, 13.89%; Presbyterians, 9.82%; Episcopalians, 6.83%; Jews, 6.64%; Congregationalists, 6.0%; Baptists, 5.18%; Lutherans, 3.59%; Miscellaneous, 3.52%; Christian Scientists, 2.28%; Protestant, 1.95%; Disciples, 1.19%; Christian, .92%; Unitarian, .69%; Evangelists, .64%; Universalists, .26%; Brethren, .25%; Friends, .16%; Mennonites, .05%; no preference, 7.95%.

At present 420 courses in Bible and religion and 380 courses in philosophy are offered in these institutions, not including the schools of theology. Twenty-two of our colleges require courses in Bible or religion. The minimum number of courses offered in Bible or religion in any college is two, and the maximum thirty-four. In only three colleges is a course offered which is definitely entitled "A Philosophy of Life"; yet the achievement of a philosophy of life (especially a Christian philosophy) by students in a Christian college is increasingly regarded as a highly desirable end.

A study just made of graduate schools of theology shows that in the year 1938-39 there were 1,110 students enrolled in Boston University School of Theology, Drew Theological Seminary, Garrett Biblical Institute, and Iliff School of Theology. of this total enrollment, 79.6% plus had their undergraduate education in church-related institutions; (47.5% plus in colleges related to the Methodist Episcopal Church); 14.7% minus had their undergraduate education in tax-supported institutions, and 5.7% plus had their undergraduate education in independent institutions.

In thirty-seven undergraduate institutions reporting there are enrolled 625 young men who expect to enter the ministry, 100 who expect to enter some form of missionary service, and 210 who expect to enter some other form of full-time Christian service.—Daily Advocate.

OBITUARIES

DEDMAN—Phillip Carlton Dedman was born in Huntsville, Ala., Jan. 27, 1861. With his parents he came to Dallas County, Arkansas, in 1865. He professed faith in Christ and united with Mt. Carmel Church in 1881, and remained a faithful and active member till his death, May 5, 1940.

He was united in wedlock to Miss May Susan Walker, Nov. 27, 1887. To this union six children were born. Three preceded him in death. He is survived by his good wife, two sons, A. P. of Princeton, Arkansas, and Rev. J. L. Dedman, District Supt. of Helena District, Forrest City; One daughter, Mrs. W. Z. Lee of Pine Bluff; and a number of grandchildren; two brothers, John W. Dedman of Fordyce, and R. L. Dedman of Gilmore, Texas. It was the privilege of this writer to become acquainted with Bro. Dedman and family where we lived in the community as neighbors. Bro. Dedman was at Mt. Carmel Church when this writer and wife professed faith and joined the Methodist Church under Bro. Joe Baker's preaching. I shall never forget what Bro. Dedman said to me while being fellowshiped in Christian union. "Son, I have all confidence in your conversion." It has been my privilege to serve as pastor of Bro. Dedman for two and a half years.

He was a Christian and a devoted one; a type of man that this writer loves; truthful, loyal and full of brotherly kindness. Truly can it be said, He fought a good fight and kept the faith, and now occupies a mansion and is crowned with a righteous crown in the beautiful city of God.—J. C. Williams, Pastor.

NELMS—Mrs. Allie Mae (Hazelwood) Nelms was born in Cross County, September 16, 1860. The early part of her life was spent near old Wittsburg in Cross County. July 30, 1885, she was married to Mr. W. W. Nelms. Soon after their marriage they moved to Harrisburg, which since has been the family home. Mr. Nelms preceded her in death April 23, 1914. Mrs. Nelms united with the Methodist Church at Bay Village when a young girl and moved her membership to Harrisburg when

she went to make that city her home. She continued as a consistent member until the time of her death and was active as long as her health permitted. Hers was a noble Christian character. She is survived by four daughters: Miss Floy Nelms, Mrs. Joe Brinkerhoff, Mrs. Emily Hall and Miss Lillian Nelms all of Harrisburg; two brothers, Mr. J. W. Hazelwood of Monroe, Ark., and Mr. H. W. Hazelwood of Harrisburg. In addition to these, seven grandchildren and one great-grandson survive. She passed from her home here to her heavenly home March 25. The funeral was conducted at the Methodist Church in Harrisburg, March 27, by the pastor and Rev. J. J. Decker of Piggott, former pastors.—Elmus C. Brown, Pastor.

GREEN—Mrs. Sarah Jane Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Fawcett, was born in Chillicothe, Ohio, April 23, 1849. She died April 19. She would have been 91 years of age had she lived until April 23. She came with her parents from Ohio at the age of two, to Des Arc, Arkansas. Later moved to a farm near Sylvania, where she grew up. She was educated at Moore's Academy near Sylvania. She was married to J. Neal Green December 10, 1868. They established their home near Sylvania where they reared their family. To this union were born 8 children, two of whom died in infancy. John C. Green, the eldest son, died three years ago. Those surviving are: Mrs. J. M. Baker of Berryville, James W. Green of Mountain View, Mrs. Charles Chambers of McRae, and Henry C. and Joseph F. Green of McRae, Arkansas. There are 14 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren with a host of other relatives and friends. She professed faith in Christ in early life, and joined the Methodist Church to which she has been loyal, faithful and true until death. She was a devout and loving mother. Mrs. Green was an aunt of Rev. Roy Fawcett, a member of the Little Rock Conference. Funeral services were conducted at the Westbrook Funeral Parlor at Beebe by her pastor, Rev. J. M. Hughes, in the presence of a large congregation of relatives and friends. Mrs. Green was truly an outstanding character. She lived well and passed triumphantly.—J. M. Hughes, Pastor.

DOBSON—Following several months of ill health and a few weeks of acute illness, Mrs. J. G. Dobson of Harrisburg, passed to her Father's home April 2. Mrs. Dobson was born at Bay Village, February 24, 1850, where she lived until she moved to Harrisburg in 1907. She was until in marriage to Mr. John G. Dobson, January 18, 1877, at Bay Village. To this union were born eight children, five of whom survive: Mr. O. A. Dobson of Bay Village, Mrs. J. T. Kaiser, Twist, Ark.; Mrs. L. J. Macken of Earle, Mrs. C. N. May and Mrs. Roy Holmes of Harrisburg. Twenty-two grandchildren and twenty great-grandchildren also survive. Mr. Dobson preceded her in death January 4, 1938. Mrs. Dobson united with the Methodist Church at Bay Village at the age of nineteen and continued as a faithful member the rest of her life, taking an active part in the work of the church as long as health permitted. She was one of the oldest members of Harrisburg Church and was loved and honored by all who knew her. The funeral was conducted at the Methodist Church in Harrisburg April 4, by the pastor and Rev. J. J. Decker, of Piggott, former pastor of this church. Interment was at Bay Village.—Elmus C. Brown, Pastor.

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AN AMERICAN STATESMAN

A Methodist preacher sat on a stump in the yard of a backwoods, pioneer home, his tired horse standing near by with its head hanging low. On the door stoop of the log cabin stood a large, coarse man with a gun, vowing with oaths that no preacher would stay in his house overnight.

It would soon be dark, and this cabin was far from any other habitation.

In the game of waiting that was played as dusk slowly settled over the scene the preacher proved to have the greater patience, and at last the man with the gun ceased his swearing and told his unwelcome company to come on into the house.

The next morning before he went on his way, the preacher held a prayer meeting with the settler and his family.

This incident in the life of Francis Asbury is symbolic of the character and work of America's first Methodist bishop. He is now emerging as one of the greatest of America's early fathers, worthy to a place beside George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, and Thomas Jefferson.

Consider the social and political situation that prevailed in the trans-Allegheny regions following the Revolutionary War. Many settlers flocked into the new country to obtain land, and the mountains, because there were no good roads, formed a barrier between these settlements and the original thirteen states. Farmers were unable to move their crops to Eastern seacoast markets, but they found in the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers a natural transportation route.

There was a pull toward Spanish New Orleans, and not a few were adverse to entering into conversations with the governor there to unite the Western territories with Spain. Some of the New England politicians were acquainted with these conspiracies, but they believed such secession would be beneficial to the older states.

Besides this political unrest there was also a social condition that was far from moral. For, when those settlers moved into the West, they too often left God at home, and the civil courts were slow to follow them. The isolated communities were lawless, and in the cabins strung along the frontier children were growing up in practically complete ignorance of righteousness.

And into that land Bishop Asbury led his preachers. In those days the circuit riders were practically the only connecting links between the widely scattered settlements. At regular times they appeared, bringing with them news of the outside world. Their coming was the occasion for large gatherings, where lonely men and women could meet and mingle with their neighbors. These meetings, social as well as religious, afforded opportunity for the exchange of ideas, and consequently the democratic process begun by the Declaration of Independence was extended to that wilderness.

So well did Bishop Asbury and his men accomplish their political mission, though it is true they were not conscious of that mission, that their efforts were largely responsible for uniting the western territories with the American republic.

With his helpers Bishop Asbury was able to curb, in a great degree, the depredations of the rough ele-

ments of the border. Wherever he went he preached—in churches, homes, and often in the open air with his congregation gathered about him—and he called men from their sins to righteousness.

In October of this year elections will be made to America's Hall of Fame. For that great honor there is hereby placed in nomination the name of Francis Asbury—the Prophet of the Long Road, and an American statesman.—LeRoy Boyd in The Advocates.

MISSIONARY TASK REQUIRES A MORE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

If united Methodism is to serve effectively as God's missionary agent in promoting the Christian way of life for men and nations, she has to become more vitally Christian herself. "Tarry ye" and "Follow me" are just as truly imperatives from the lips of Jesus as "Go ye." "Ye shall receive power when the Holy Spirit is come upon you," is always a basic condition for missionary success. Irresistible spiritual power, always and everywhere has a divine source, but is regularly channeled through human lives. No matter how efficient our organizations, how skillfully planned our field work, or how busy our typewriters may be, these are all secondary matters and mere tools of our labors. A missionary church must be in the deepest, truest sense a thoroughly Christian church. The living God must be in the midst of her. What St. Paul possessed as the basis of a holy, untiring zeal must be the possession of all our churches. When St. Augustine discovered, and the Reformers recovered, and Wesley brought to bear upon the hungry hearts—that alone will adequately energize united Methodism down to the smallest local congregation and out to the most distant mission station.

It will be a hinder of the ages if Methodism in this hour of opportunity does not become anew the channel of divine grace in helping greatly to move the world towards God. Beginning as a revival movement, Methodism has now become a world church. At times the emphasis upon organization, boards and officials has seemed to come dangerously near smothering her evangelical zeal.

What faith in God is needed! What super-human power is offered! What mountains of difficulty must be removed! What revolutionary religion is demanded! "Never since its struggle with the Roman Empire has Christianity been so seriously challenged in so many lands," says Latourette in "Missions Tomorrow." Our current humanistic theology and over-confident social schemes are not enough to guarantee that the Christian cause shall conquer. An amiable type of sentimental piety, all too common among us, is too mild. It does not equip people to live, and tirelessly toil, and even die for bringing God to men as Christ, or Paul, or John Huss have done. Only a God-centered religion, such as Jesus lived and taught and made vital for his disciples, as they faced the Roman Empire, will at all suffice for the work that lies ahead of the Methodist Church. Whatever will generate and develop the mood and the might of New Testament religion throughout our millions of members calls for our first missionary concern.—From Address of Dr. Lewis C. Wright.

Quarterly Conferences

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT:
Third Round

Scott Street, Little Rock, 11:00 a. m., June 9.
Asbury, Little Rock, 8:00 p. m., June 9.
Carlisle Circuit at Zion, 11:00 a. m., June 16.
Carlisle Station, 8:00 p. m., June 16.
Highland, Little Rock, 11 a. m., June 23.
Hickory Plains Circuit at Cross Roads, 3:00 p. m., June 23.
Austin Ct., at Mt. Zion, 11 a. m., June 30.
Mabelvale, 8:00 p. m., June 30.
Bryant Circuit at New Hope, 11:00 a. m., July 7.
Primrose, 8:00 p. m., July 7.
Douglasville, 11:00 a. m., July 14.
New Bethel, 3:00 p. m., July 14.
Geyer Springs, 8:00 p. m., July 14.
Capitol View, 11:00 a. m., July 21.
Bauxite-Sardis at S., 3:00 p. m., July 21.
Roland Circuit at Smyrna, 11:00 a. m., July 28.
Henderson, Little Rock, 8 p. m., July 28.
Hazen, 11:00 a. m., August 4.
Lonoke and Eagle at E., 3 p. m., Aug. 4.
Winfield Memorial, Little Rock, 11:00 a. m., Aug. 11.
Pulaski Heights, Little Rock, 8:00 p. m., August 11.
First Church, Little Rock, 11:00 a. m., August 18.
28th Street, Little Rock, 8 p. m., Aug. 18.
Winfield Memorial, 11:00 a. m., Aug. 25.
Forest Park, Little Rock, 8:00 p. m., August 25.
First Church, 11:00 a. m., Sept. 1.
Des Arc-DeValls Bluff at New Bethel, 3:00 p. m., Sept. 1.
Keo-Tomberlin at Humnoke, 11:00 a. m., Sept. 8.
Hunter Memorial, Little Rock, 8:00 p. m., Sept. 8.
England, 11:00 a. m., Sept. 15.
—C. M. Reeves, D. S.

HELENA DISTRICT:
Third Round

Wynne, June 2, 11 a. m.
Wheatley, at Salem, June 2, 3:30 p. m.
Marianna, June 9, 11 a. m.
Brinkley, June 9, 7:30 p. m.
Colt Ct., at Forest Chapel, June 16, 11 a. m.
Forrest City, June 16, 7:30 p. m.
Vandale Ct., at Pleasant Hill, June 23, 11 a. m.
Harrisburg, at P. Valley, June 30, 3:30 p. m.
Weiner, at Weiner, June 30, 7:30 p. m.
Widner-Madison, at Tunl, July 14, 11 a. m.
West Memphis, July 21, 11 a. m.
Hulbert, at Black Fish Lake, July 21, 7:30 p. m.
Haynes Ct., July 28, 11 a. m.
Aubrey Ct., July 28, 7:30 p. m.
Holly Grove, at Turner, Aug. 4, 11 a. m.
Elaine, Aug. 4, 7:30 p. m.
Others to be arranged later.
—J. L. Dedman, D. S.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT:
Third Round

Roe Ct., at Hunter's Chapel, June 9, a. m.
DeWitt, June 9, p. m.
Almyra, June 16, a. m.
Bayou Meto Ct., at Brewer, June 16, 3:00 p. m.
Gillett, June 16, p. m.
Pine Bluff Ct., at Mt. Carmel, June 22, a. m.
Lakeside, June 23, p. m.
Humphrey at Sunshine, June 30, a. m.
Stuttgart, First Church, June 30, p. m.
First Church, P. B., June 7, a. m.
Carr Memorial, June 7, p. m.
Little Prairie Ct., at Bonner Chapel, July 14, a. m.
St. Charles Ct., at DeLuce, July 14, 3:00 p. m.
Grand Avenue, Stuttgart, July 14, p. m.
Sheridan Ct., at Wofford's Chapel, July 21, a. m.
Sheridan at New Hope, July 21, 3 p. m.
Good Faith-White Hall, at G. F., July 21, p. m.
Rowell Ct., at Wesley Chapel, July 28, a. m.
Glendale, July 28, 2:30 p. m.
Grady-Gould at Grady, July 28, p. m.
Sherrill Tucker, at T., Aug. 11, a. m.
Wright, Aug. 11, 3:00 p. m.
Althelmer-Wabbaseka, at W., Aug. 18, a. m.
Star City at Mt. Home, Aug. 18, 3 p. m.
Rison, Aug. 18, p. m.
Swan Lake, Aug. 25, a. m.
Hawley Memorial, Aug. 25, p. m.
—W. Neill Hart, D. S.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT
Third Round

Bingen Ct., at Pump Springs, May 26, 11 a. m.
Prescott Station, May 26, 7:30 p. m.
Prescott Ct. South at Carolina, June 2, 11 a. m.
Gurdon, June 2, 7:30 p. m.

Center Point Ct., at C. P., June 9, 11 a. m.
Nashville, June 9, 7:30 p. m.
Emmett-Bierne at Boyds, June 16, 11 a. m.
Okolona Ct., at Trinity, June 23, 11 a. m.
Saline Ct., at Pike, June 23, 3:30 p. m.
Blevins Ct., at Macedonia, June 20, 11 a. m.
Amity, at Point Cedar, July 7, 11 a. m.
Forester-Mt. Ida, July 7, 7:30 p. m.
Glenwood, at County Line, July 14, 11 a. m.
Murfreesboro-Delight, at Antoine, July 14, 7:30 p. m.
Washington-Ozan at Holly Grove, July 21, 11 a. m.
Hope, July 21, 7:30 p. m.
Mineral Springs, at Sardis, July 28, 11 a. m.
Columbus, at Trinity, July 28, 3:30 p. m.
Prescott Ct. North, at Fairview, Aug. 4, 11 a. m.
Springdale Ct., at Fairview, Aug. 4, 3:20 p. m.
—J. D. Baker, D. S.

TEXARKANA DISTRICT
Third Round

Fairview, 11:00 a. m., June 2.
Fouke Ct., at Holly Springs, 11:00 a. m., June 9.
Ashdown, 7:30 p. m., June 9.
Richmond Ct., at Ogden, 11:00 a. m., June 16.
Doddridge Ct., at Doddridge, 7:30 p. m., June 16.
Horatio Ct., at Gillham, 11:00 a. m., June 23.
Foreman Station, 7:30 p. m., June 23.
Hatfield Ct., at Vandervoort, 11:00 a. m., June 30.
DeQueen, 11:00 a. m., July 7.
First Church, 11:00 a. m., July 14.
Texarkana Ct., at Few Mem., 2:30 p. m., July 14.
Cherry Hill Ct., at Highland, 11:00 a. m., July 21.
Mena, 7:30 p. m., July 21.
Stamps-G. City, at Garland City, 11:00 a. m., July 28.
Winthrop Ct., at Oak Hill, 11:00 a. m., Aug. 4.
Lewisville-Bradley, at Bradley, 11:00 a. m., Aug. 11.
College Hill, 7:30 p. m., Aug. 11.
Locksburg Ct., at Rock Hill, 11:00 a. m., Aug. 18.
Dierks-Green Chapel, at Dierks, 11:00 a. m., Aug. 25.
—J. W. Mann, D. S.

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SPRING MARCHES ON

The glory of Spring keep bubbling along,
Merrily singing its sweet old song;
The air has a scent of balmy delight,
The moon lights, with sparkles, dew in
the night.

The buds are all bursting with joy and
cheer

And the grass is so green in the Spring
of the year;

The magic of Spring will never grow less
For God has endowed it with joy to
bless.

Wonders are woven through the fabric
of Spring

As the bells of Nature in harmony ring;
O'er hillside and woodland, garden and
glen

Rare beauty unfolds as Spring marches
again.

—Harry Troupe Brewer in
Religious Telescope.

MOTHER'S NIGHT

"Oh, I couldn't go that night, You see that's mother's night."

I looked at the speaker; she was one of a group of school girls.

"I could go any night but Tuesday and Saturday; those nights belong to mother and father."

"What do you know about that?" was the surprised response of one girl. "I'm glad my mother doesn't make me stay at home two nights a week."

"Oh, but father and mother do not make me stay at home. We often go out. But we all do what they choose on those nights."

Being curious I started to investigate this girl and her home. I found the family consisted of the father, mother, 12-year-old Peggie, Roddy, who was eight, Betty, the youngest, and a grandmother.

The wise parents had dedicated one evening a week to each of the family.

On Monday both parents devoted the evening to their eldest daughter. Perhaps they took her to a concert, for she was very fond of music, or they might invite some interesting person for dinner—it would always be someone Peggy herself had selected. At another time, Peggie would invite a group of her own friends, and her parents would assist in entertaining them. It was Peggy's night.

On Tuesday which was mother's night, grandmother always took charge of little Betty. No matter what came up Peggie allowed nothing to interfere with Tuesdays. Her friends had learned this and respected her for her refusal to break her rule. On these evenings good shows, fashion shows, or art exhibits were often visited. In the summer Peggie sometimes arranged a picnic supper. Occasionally father read aloud from a recent book. But whatever was done it was the result of mother's choice, and all members of the family, to the extent of their ages would permit, took part in it.

Thursday was Roddy's night. He was a member of a club—"gang" he called it. Every other week the boys met at his home. What marvelous times they had it was unanimously agreed that Roddy's father and mother were "O. K." Often the group merely did the club work and then played games; sometimes an entertainer with brought in; occasionally they had a fudge party and told stories.

Friday was Betty's night, and although she went to bed at her regular hour, how she did enjoy the attention paid to her wishes! Sometimes mother would help her sew

for her dolls, and father would make furniture for her doll house. At another time she would want assistance in making scrapbooks to take to the hospital. She was always ready with her plans, and often a long story appealed to her more strongly than anything else.

Saturday night was the best of all; that was father's night, and what surprises he did spring on them! Father seemed to have a great many friends who were especially jolly people. Once a steel mill was visited, and at another time they looked through a large telescope at the stars. Invitations to come and see or hear or learn something of value were constantly being received.

But I didn't tell you about Wednesday night; that was grandmother's night. And she was such a dear! She was always so willing to exchange evenings with someone else if there was any reason at all for it. Though if mother and father knew, in time, that she already had made definite plans of her own for that evening, one or the other made strenuous objections to the sacrifice. Often it took hard work and firmness on the part of both of them to prevent it. Such is the way with grandmothers!—National Kindergarten Association, New York.

I AM YOUR FRIEND

I am your friend ready to visit you every week in any kind of weather.

I am your friend who will follow you to the end of the earth or patiently wait on your doorstep for your return.

I am your friend who will tell you all I know and ask for none of your secrets.

I am your friend whom you can silence when you do not want him to speak and muzzle without offense when you are busy or bored.

I am your friend who lives to introduce you to those who are and will be your truest friends in the fellowship of the Church of Christ

I am your friend who will bring you good news about your friends with never a line of mean gossip or slander.

I am your friend who wants to help your true friend, your pastor, by doing many things for your spiritual enrichment that he is too busy to perform in person.

I am your friend who will lead you to the House of God and bring the truth of God into your home.

I am your friend, who will always speak a good word for your best friend, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, in whose friendship we find access to the highest life and gain eternal possessions.

I am your friend and the friend of all your friends seeking to promote friendliness in the household of God.

I am your old friend, tested by a half century of companionship in the homes of our Church and full of zest for the things that are of good report in our day.

I am your friend who asks for nothing except half my expense in coming to your home and promises to leave with you the blessings of knowledge, inspiration and love.

I am your friend whose life depends upon your friendship and support.

I am your Church Paper.

I am the ARKANSAS METHODIST.

Remember, victory in the long run is never with the crucifiers.—Henry Sloane Coffin.

INTERNATIONAL Sunday School Lesson

Lesson for June 2

TESTING CONDUCT BY ITS USEFULNESS

(A Principle of Temperate Living)

LESSON TEXT—Ezekiel 15:1-6; Matthew 5:13-16; 7:16-20; I Corinthians 10:6, 7.

GOLDEN TEXT—Ye shall know them by their fruits.—Matthew 7:16.

Sound principles are foundational to right living. Right living is temperate living. The first temperance lesson for the year emphasized the sacredness of life. This lesson, which is our second one on that subject, properly stresses the importance of testing conduct by its true usefulness.

The emphasis of modern thinking is upon learning, upon the brilliance of scientific achievement, with little or no concern about personal character. Christianity and the Bible go to the root of the matter, stressing the need of stalwart moral and spiritual character, without which other attainments are lacking in real value and meaning. Unless what a man accomplishes is the expression of the greatness of his character, it is transient and often detrimental in its effect on society.

Tested by its results, the liquor traffic stands conclusively and completely condemned. Even its own frantic efforts to clean up and be more presentable indicates that fact. McAlpine made a rather acute comment when he said,

"IF I WERE A LIAR . . . I'd advertise beer as a food, whisky as the promoter of the abundant life, and cocktails as the badge of social correctness. They say that if you repeat anything times enough, people will believe it."

The Scripture portions before us present five inconsistencies, five instances where fact denies a false profession.

I. Wood Without Strength. (Ezek. 15: 1-6).

The branch of a vine is at its best too crooked and pliable to be very useful, but here we have a piece of vine which has been charred in the fire until it is so useless that it can only be burned up. This is the picture of a life, possibly somewhat limited in its abilities and gifts, but nevertheless valuable, but made utterly useless by careless or dissolute living. How tragic!

II. Salt Without Savor (Matt. 5: 13).

True salt is penetrating, antiseptic and purifying, but savorless salt is good for nothing but to make a road for the feet of men. "Ye are the salt of the earth." Christians, if they have the true savor in their lives, will count, by their very spiritual pugnancy, against sin and corruption in their communities.

III. Light Without Illumination (Matt. 5:14).

A light is intended to give illumination to all around about it. It always does that thing unless someone hides it under a cover, and then it becomes not only useless, but dangerous. A life lighted by faith in Christ will shine to the very ends of the earth and, as a missionary once said, "The light that shines farthest shines brightest at home."

We are the light of the world, but if we cover our light we deny the very essence of our natures. Here is no thought of proud or selfish display. Light does not shout about itself, it just shines—but it really does shine.

IV. Trees Without Fruit (Matt. 7: 16-20).

Every plant brings forth fruit after its own nature. We do not expect figs from thistles, but we do expect figs of the fig tree. The countryside bears no more desolate figure than a blasted, fruitless fruit tree. Quickly the owner cuts it down and terminates its shame and uselessness by burning it. What about men and women? God has made them in His own image and likeness. He has given them intelligence and personal ability. He has a right to expect the fruit of a useful life from every one, and particularly from the Christian, who is "a good tree."

V. Life Without a Purpose (I Cor. 10:6, 7).

Light and salt are inanimate objects. Trees and vines with their wood and fruit are alive, but they are without intelligence and morality. Man, however, as we have already suggested, is the moral and intelligent crown of God's creation, made in His own image and likeness. If they who know better, live lives of careless indifference, yea of outright wickedness, how shall they escape the judgment of God in the day when they shall stand before Him to give an account of the manner in which they have used this precious gift of life?

Constipation Relief That Also Pepsin-izes Stomach

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

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Joint Meeting of Circles Next Monday

The monthly joint meeting of the Circles of the Women of Winfield will be held next Monday morning at 10:30. Mrs. L. H. Caldwell will be in charge of the program on "Methodist Missions In Mexico and the Border States." She will be assisted by Mesdames H. P. Hadfield, A. E. Johnson, G. H. McCasland, and C. C. Arnold. Mrs. Arnold will give a brief review of the book, "Old Mother Mexico." There will also be special music.

Mrs. R. G. Paschal, General Chairman, will preside over the business session and lunch will be served by Circle No. 5, Mrs. E. Q. Brothers, Chairman.

The Spiritual Life Group will meet in the Young People's Parlor at 10 o'clock.

OUR NEW MEMBERS

Mr. and Mrs. Roy C. Custer and daughter, Patricia, 1201 W. 35th, by vows. . . Mrs. Albert E. Goodwin, 1411 Gaines, by vows. . . Miss Kathleen Shearer, 1912 Gaines, by letter. . . Mr. Felix B. Ward, 1905 W. 19th, by vows. . . Mrs. Felix B. Ward, 1905 W. 19th, by letter. . . Felix Ward, 1905 W. 19th, by baptism. . . Miss Helen Louise Wynn, 207 W. 14th, by letter.

OUR SYMPATHY

The sincere sympathy of the congregation is extended to Mrs. R. J. Prickett and family, 1018 W. 11th Street, whose husband passed away on May 23.

STEWARDS TO MEET NEXT MONDAY

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Stewards will be held at the church at 7:30 Monday evening, June 3. All Stewards are urged to be present.

SENIORS AND YOUNG PEOPLE TO SPONSOR SPRING FESTIVAL

Members of the Senior and Young People's Departments of our Church School will sponsor a Spring Festival to be held in Fellowship Hall Friday night, June 7, at eight o'clock. In connection with the Festival a Queen's Contest is being held and the following have been selected as candidates: Misses Harriet Johnson, Billy Louise Wilson, Elizabeth Ann Allen, Marguerite Clark, Jeanette McKenzie, and Martha Louise Stripling. The proceeds of this Festival will be used to send delegates to the Young People's Assembly and Mt. Sequoyah this summer.

Do you remember the good time you had at the Festival last year? Plan now to attend and buy your ticket (25c) from a member of one of the Departments.

JURISDICTIONAL CONFERENCE THIS WEEK

The South Central Jurisdictional Conference of the Methodist Church is being held in Oklahoma City this week. The pastor and his family left Tuesday morning for a three day visit.

IF YOU WANT TO BE ON THE "PAID-TO-DATE" LIST, PAY YOUR PLEDGE TO DATE SUNDAY! LAST DAY! Thanks.

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Next Sunday At Winfield

- 10:00 A. M. CHURCH SCHOOL—Every Churchman ought to be in CHURCH SCHOOL.
11:00 A. M. "OUR"—Sermon by Pastor.
6:30 P. M. Jr-High, Senior, Young People's Leagues and the Sunday Evening Club.
8:00 P. M. "LUKE and DEMAS"—(Faithful vs. Unfaithful)—Sermon by Pastor.
(Series on Winners and Losers in the Bible)

THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

By GASTON FOOTE

WHY SUMMER SLUMPS?

As June approaches church people become afflicted with the common malady of summer slump-itis. More often than we think churches actually TALK themselves into having a summer slump. The church school teacher says "We can expect it," the class president says "It's sure to come," the committee chairmen say "We just as well expect it" and the Missionary Circle leader says "Nothing can be done about it."

Why the summer slump? Well for the most part, WE TALK IT UP. By our very attitude we don't expect much, and when we don't expect much we are sure to get it. If we would spend just half the time GOING FORWARD, BUILDING, BOOSTING, as we talk about the slump we would not have any slump.

There are just as many prospects to the Church and Church School class in the summer as winter. The Church is actually cooler in the summer than is the average home. The teachers are just as interesting in the summer as in the winter. Children and young people HAVE MORE TIME for Church activities in the summer than in the winter. The preaching is just as effective (or ineffective) in the summer as in the winter. Outdoor social activities for church organizations are better in summer than winter. The truth is, if we make up our minds to it, there is positively NO NECESSITY OF THE TRADITIONAL SUMMER SLUMP. Let's quit expecting the expected. Let's expect to go forward in the summer days that are ahead. IT CAN BE DONE—IF EVERY OFFICER AND TEACHER in the Church will work as hard during the summer as at other times during the year.

Next Sunday Is the Last Sunday

As part of our Loyalty Month program just completed, all who have pledged to the Church budget are asked to make all possible effort to PAY ONE HALF of their annual pledge by June 2nd. TO THOSE WHO PAY BY THE WEEK this simply means PAYING YOUR PLEDGE TO DATE. Next Sunday is the last Sunday and we are asking that where it is humanly possible all pledgers pay to date NEXT SUNDAY. A "Paid-to-date" list will be published June 3rd (Monday). PAY YOUR PLEDGE TO DATE NEXT SUNDAY so your name will appear on the list. All of those who tithe will be included on the list.

Christian Education

By HAL H. PINNELL

Church School Attendance

Last Sunday 677
A Year Ago 606

Departmental Reports

	Pres.	Time	Cont.	Stay
Jr. Hi	62	57	46	38
Sr. Hi	49	40	40	32
Y. P.	43	40	23	32

Adult Report

Hinton Class	55
Couples Class	54
Men's Class	52
Jenkins' Class	38
Fidelity Class	35
Ashby's Class	27
Forum Class	21
Brothers' Class	17
Young Couples Class	14
Young Men's Class	12

Total	325
Visitors	52
Young People Evening	30
Senior High Evening	30
Sunday Evening Club	30
Junior High Evening	22

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL JUNE 10-21

The Vacation Church School begins June 10th, 9:00 a. m., and continues five days each week for two weeks. The sessions of the school are from 9:00 a. m. to 11:30 a. m.

Sunday morning the enrollment cards for pupils will be in each department and teachers will take the enrollment for the school.

The superintendents and supervisors of the departments are: Beginners, Miss Fay McRae and Miss Margaret Easley; Primary, Mrs. C. C. Arnold; Junior, Mrs. Dewey Price; Junior High, Mrs. C. F. Shukers and Mrs. Russell Henderson.

PARENTS, GIVE US YOUR CO-OPERATION AND HELP US MAKE OUR VACATION SCHOOL A SUCCESS.

SUNDAY EVENING PROGRAMS

Young People's Department: Subject, "Along the Poetry Trails." Leader, Miss Florence Morris.

Senior High Department: Subject, "Living In the Present." This subject is the first in a series on "Choosing a Vocation." Mrs. C. F. Shukers will be guest speaker.

Sunday Evening Club: Guest speaker, Rev. H. N. Moore who is connected with the Y. M. C. A. Subject, "The Tragedy of Unlearned Lessons." Mrs. H. N. Moore will sing.

Junior High Department: Subject, "The Greatness of Service."

JUNIOR HIGH PICNIC SATURDAY

Members of the Junior High Department will meet at the Church at 3:30 this Saturday afternoon to go to Ferncliff for a picnic. Each one is to bring a picnic lunch. All parents and teachers are invited to go along.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL STAFF MEETING

All workers in the Vacation Church School will meet at the Church Tuesday, June 4, at 9:30 a. m. This preparatory meeting for the School is important; all workers will please be present.

VOTE FOR A FINANCIALLY EFFICIENT CHURCH BY PAYING YOUR PLEDGE TO DATE SUNDAY.