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A CALL TO EVANGELISM

By BISHOP EDWIN HOLT HUGHES

LET us, first of all, get rid of the idea that evangelism is, in its nature, an artificial thing. As we must often move against our own inclination in the pursuit of it, we are prone to think of its strain as representing unnaturalness. This is a genuine and terrible heresy. For the normal Christian, evangelism is normal. Christ's coming to seek and to save the lost, and Paul's effort to become all things to all men that he might win some, are the natural example for the Christian life. Evangelism is not a fanatical addition to our faith; it is a wholly necessary part of that faith. We often need to evangelize our own hearts in order to make ourselves evangelists. But the ten days that preceded Pentecost were not an artificial prelude for an unnatural program. They were God's calendar devoted to the genuine work of His Son.

I shall not be misunderstood when I declare that the Northeastern Jurisdiction is the one most in need of evangelism. We have foreign peoples, congested centers, and a complex life that inevitably goes with cosmopolitan ways. The distractions are more and louder. The inhabitants are split into groups until they lack the cohesiveness that marks much of the life in other sections. Even where our communities are small, and perhaps population decreasing, nothing but definite and earnest evangelism can in the next decade prevent the erection of tombstones over many of our country and village churches. It is literally true also for us—Emsor Walter's call to English Methodism—*evangelize or die*.

Our best and strongest men should sound this slogan. The utterly necessary work of Christ's church should not be assigned to inferiority. There was never the slightest excuse for the failure of the right kind of liberalism. It weakened its opportunity in all other things because so often it failed in the one work of evangelism.

It never was a wholesome or excusable picture—that of a brilliant and intellectual preacher building his church up almost entirely by letters, and failing himself to win men and women to Christ from the world. Too frequently it was the case of the eminent non-evangelist being supported by the humble and hidden evangelistic pastors as they transferred their converts to their distinguished comrade! When a minister ceases to be an evangelist, he should look anxiously at his credentials to see whether God has removed His signature.

The united Methodist Church did well in the first statistical year of its life. An increase of 94,000 full members is a cause for at least moderate encouragement. When we add the figure to the numbers of those who disappear without explanation, or who are removed to the inactive list, the ingathering is impressive. But we can do so much more work; so much deeper work; so much broader work. There is no phase of our social approach that would not now be made inconceivably stronger if we secured a constantly increasing clientele of faithful people. The New Testament does not indicate that the one hundred and twenty were frightened because they won three thousand hearts on a pentecostal day. Our fear is far more justified when there is a dearth of members than it is when we express anxiety about an excess of numbers!

Methodism, in these early years of her reunion, should assert her historic mission. All our pastors and people should pray for evangelistic hearts. Such hearts will find their own evangelistic fashions. If we put our souls into

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* HAST THOU CONSIDERED MY SERVANT *
* JOB, THAT THERE IS NONE *
* LIKE HIM IN THE EARTH, A PERFECT *
* AND UPRIGHT MAN, ONE THAT FEARETH *
* GOD, AND ESCHEWETH EVIL? *
* AND STILL HE HOLDETH FAST HIS *
* INTEGRITY, ALTHOUGH THOU *
* MOVEDST ME AGAINST HIM, TO DESTROY *
* HIM WITHOUT A CAUSE.—Job *
* 2-3. *

this primary campaign, our church will sweep into these epochal times with at least a quarter of a million increase each year, and with a reassuring of the Wesleyan passion that will send a holy thrill throughout all our borders.

The Upper Room! The Upper Room!
And then the City Streets!

ONLY A LAYMAN

By BISHOP EDWIN H. HUGHES

THE layman has always had a wonderful place in God's kingdom. Suppose you take the great lines that represent the work of that kingdom over the centuries and follow them back in each case. Here, for example, is the line of doctrine. Who is the pioneer there? You would say, naturally, the pioneer of doctrinal matters would be a priest. Well, he was nothing of the sort! The doctrinal pioneer for the Mohammedans, for the Jews, for the Christian, was the same person, Abraham. Who was he? Was he a priest over yonder in Ur of Chaldees? Nothing of the kind. He was an agriculturist. He was taking care of his sheep on the hillside. As he stood there among the bleating flocks the word of God came to the heart of Abraham, the layman, who professed no priestly character; and he started out on a journey for God. In fact strange and beautiful is the phrasing that you find in Hebrews, "He went out not knowing whither he went," an adventure in God's great name. Abraham, only a lay figure, became such a colossal man in connection with Christian faith that today all Mohammedans, all Jews, all Christians speak of him as Father Abraham. You cannot get rid of him. Scholars have tried it every once in a while. They nearly always reach the conclusion that while Abraham was not Abraham, Abraham was another man by the name of Abraham!

That profound conclusion never seems to get anywhere. Abraham as a pioneer of the faith is a logical and historical necessity. Some man had to get hold of the thing that Abraham got hold of; and the man who secured it was a layman. The next time you come before a nice old white haired bishop and say, "I am only a layman," just add, "So was Abraham."

Take the second line, that of law, and see where it brings you. To the priest? No, it does not. It takes you to a man who began his life as a farmer, to one who carried the protection of sheep upon the hillside. His name was Moses—great law-giver, great general, great statesman, who after Abraham, one layman, had given a mighty stream of monotheism to come down through the years, dug the channel for it, so that today we sit by the side of that mighty stream of faith that was channeled in our direction by Moses.

Was Moses a priest? No, he would not have anything to do with the priesthood! The time came when he said, "I am no talker. I am slow of speech. Aaron has to do this public business." That reminds us of modern laymen—that very homely attitude Moses took!

Take the third element in the kingdom! That of ritual. Here, you will say, "Why, surely we will have in ritual a clergy forbear. A priest who studied the expression of the Christian life will give us the liturgical side of our work." It did not come that way. You go back again to a lay figure, a man who never was ordained; who had priests all around him and never claimed any priesthood for himself. He also took care of flocks in his early life upon the hillsides. He too remained as a great lay figure in that ancient church to the end of his days; he too started down even into this august gathering the sobbings and shoutings that are represented in the liturgical Psalms. His name was David, the shepherd boy that became king of the Jews.

Take the fourth, the idea of prophethood. Every great prophet of the Old Testament was a layman. There was not a priest among them, unless perhaps one.

When the time came that the priests had become professional, when they were making new moons and feasts, the primary thing and sacrifices in form, then a layman would come from the vines up yonder in Tekoa, or from the sheepfolds out in the mountains and would say, "Here is God! Get back!" Those prophetic movements in the Old Testament were in every case but possibly one led by a lay figure.

So, dear brothers, you laymen are in good company. You belong with Abraham; you belong with Moses; you belong with David; you belong with all the prophets. Do not let any false humility lead you into the presence of any bishop on earth, with the rather homely and meek statement that you are "only a layman."

Those heroes in the Old Testament were nearly all laymen. David, of course, was a layman. Joseph was a layman. When Joseph was down yonder in Egypt all alone and the Jewish Sunday came, the only person to go to church with him was himself.

THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS, at their recent Convention, heard a report for 1939 of the following gains: The number of churches from 24,932 to 25,018; Baptisms on profession of faith from 256,814 to 269,155; Church members from 4,770,185 to 4,949,174; Sunday Schools from 23,514 to 23,754. Dr. W. W. Hamilton, President of the Baptist Institute, New Orleans, was elected President of the Convention. While the Convention declined the invitation to accept membership in the World Council of Churches, it was explained in the resolution of declination that it is "The sincere desire of our hearts that the followers of Christ may all be one, not necessarily in name and in a world organization, but in a spiritual fellowship with the Father and Son. If Christ dwells in our hearts by faith, we shall be brought into a spiritual unity that cannot be broken."

FRIENDS OF TEMPERANCE, MAKE HASTE!

PETITIONS for the proposed better local option law are coming in every day; but more are needed, and the time for presenting them to the Secretary of State is near. The last hour that they may be presented is July 6, before midnight. There are several hundred petitions in the hands of those who have agreed to circulate them. Will not these friends work fast and get the necessary signatures and then immediately mail the petitions to Supt. C. C. Coulter, care of the Anti-Saloon League, Donaghey Trust Building, Little Rock? Let us have action like a "Blitzkrieg." Quick and victoriously carried out.

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Personal and Other Items

BISHOP J. C. BROOMFIELD, on June 2,
preached the commencement sermon at Central
College, Fayette, Mo.

REV. S. C. DUGGER, pastor of N. Prescott
Ct., while in the city Monday, brought in
subscriptions and reported activity and good
conditions in his charge.

REV. M. A. BIERBAUM, of the North Arkan-
sas Conference, who has been a student in
Southern Methodist University, on June 4, re-
ceived his B. D. degree. He writes that he ex-
pects to attend the Pastors' School at Conway.
He has been serving Quitman Circuit in the
Texas Conference.

REV. AND MRS. ALLEN C. LEE announce
the birth of a son, Lloyd Murrie, on June
12. Mrs. Lee was Miss Mildred Murrie, daughter
of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Murrie of Little Rock.
Mrs. Lee was Director of Religious Education
of Edenton Street Methodist Church, Raleigh,
N. C. Brother Lee is pastor of the church at St.
Pauls, N. C.

BISHOP W. C. MARTIN, in a recent issue of
the Central Christian Advocate, had a mes-
sage to the Methodists of Kansas and Nebraska,
now in his Episcopal Area, which exhibited a
very fine spirit and which doubtless appealed
happily to his new constituency. Knowing
Bishop Martin as we do, we predict for him and
his Conferences a genuinely satisfactory quad-
rennium. On June 5, he met all the Kansas Dis-
trict Superintendents at Topeka.

DR. L. A. MYERS, editor of The Arkansas Bap-
tist, while at the Southern Baptist Conven-
tion at Baltimore, invited the Baptist Editors
of the South to meet at Hot Springs next Feb-
ruary. The invitation was accepted and the
editor of that paper was elected Vice-President
of the Association. We understand, too, that
The Arkansas Baptist was given the "blue rib-
bon" as the best appearing Baptist paper. That
is a deserved compliment. Those who read that
paper appreciate its fine appearance and its
contents.

BISHOP SELECMAN represented the Council
of Bishops at the North Eastern Jurisdic-
tional Conference, June 18-22; made addresses
at the South Carolina Pastors' School, June 24-
27; will join Dr. Harry Denman in the Institute
of Evangelism, Lake Junaluska, June 28-July
3; will dedicate New Bethel, Geyer Springs and
Douglassville churches July 7; speak at Fern-
cliffe Encampment, July 8; deliver addresses at
the Arkansas Pastors' School 10-12; and dedicate
the Foreman church July 14.

REV. W. A. C. HUGHES and Rev. Lorenzo H.
King, prominent Negro clergymen of the
Methodist Church, were elected bishops of that
church by the Central Jurisdictional Conference
in St. Louis, Missouri. Doctor Hughes was elected
on the second ballot, receiving eighty-one out
of one-hundred and eighteen votes. He has been
a pastor, a district superintendent, and for twenty-
three years one of the secretaries of the Board
of Home Missions and Church Extension of the
former Methodist Episcopal Church. Doctor Lo-
renzo H. King is pastor of the Saint Mark Church
in New York City. He was elected on the fifth
ballot, also receiving eighty-one votes.

OUR FRIEND DEATH; by Wm. M. Dye, D. D.,
published by the Author, Etowah, Tenn.,
price, post paid, fifty cents.

This is a remarkable little book, written by
a prominent member of the Holston Conference
of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In a very
sane and convincing manner he presents the idea
of "Death" in a way that gives comfort and hope
to those who mourn the departure of loved ones.
We recommend the reading of the book to those
who have difficulty in reconciling themselves
to the loss of friends and relatives. This editor
had the distinct pleasure of associating with Dr.
and Mrs. Dye at our hotel in Atlantic City.

NO PAPER NEXT WEEK

FOLLOWING a time-honored custom, in order
to give those who make the paper a holiday
during the week of the Fourth of July, there
will be no paper next week.

HELP TO PROMOTE BETTER GOVERNMENT

THE BETTER GOVERNMENT LEAGUE is
seeking signatures for the initiating of a law
to abolish betting on horse and dog racing. The
purpose is highly commendable, and all good
citizens should be willing to sign the petitions
to secure this law. The time is short; hence
those who are interested should hasten to get
signatures and return the petitions to Dr. Claud
Jones, Pres., Hot Springs, Arkansas.

HOME-COMING AT BRYANT

BRYANT, A PROGRESSIVE VILLAGE about
eight miles northeast of Benton, has the
custom of having a "Home-Coming Day" each
year about this time, when former residents and
friends assemble for a program and social re-
union. As a former presiding elder, I was invited
to preach the sermon this year. Carried down
and back by Rev. E. L. McKay, the Bryant pas-
tor, who is leading the singing this week in a
meeting at Twenty-Eighth Street Church, I had
the pleasure of hearing the address of welcome
and response and the fine musical program in
charge of Mrs. Al. Harris, chairman of the
Committee of Arrangements.

After preaching to a large and attentive con-
gregation assembled in the spacious auditorium
of the high school, I enjoyed my share of the
delicious basket dinner served on the lawn.
While I found many acquaintances, I discovered
that there were only eight who were living in
Bryant when I was elder thirty years ago. Mrs.
A. Harris, now a near nonagenarian, the only
living charter member of the Bryant Methodist
church, on account of feebleness, to my great
regret was not able to be out.

The high school building of the consolidated
district, is a commodious and slightly brick,
flanked by Smith-Hughes and Home Economics
buildings. There are ten teachers and about 400
students in the twelve grades. The efficient
superintendent is Mr. L. K. Ogden, who is also
Director of the Methodist Young People.

Coming to Bryant Charge eighteen months

ago, just recovering from serious illness, Bro.
McKay, with his characteristic energy, has kept
the work in fine condition; has received 25 mem-
bers; has a 100% paper list at Mt. Carmel and
expects to have similar lists at his other churches
and is guiding in the rebuilding of the church.
The old house has been torn down, and much
of the materials are being used in the new
structure, which is to be a T shaped building
58 x 46, with auditorium and four class rooms.
The cash cost will be about \$1,500. With the
exception of the work of the contractor and one
helper, the labor is being donated. Bro. McKay
hopes to have the building completed and ready
for dedication by September.—A. C. M.

ALCOHOL BRIEFS

"Governments have lived off revenue from
the liquor traffic and gone into debt to meet the
cost of its human wastage."—Dr. H. Emerson.

There is now one license to sell liquors in
California for every 266 men, women and chil-
dren in the state.

For ethical reasons, for business reasons, or
because of state laws, the advertising of alcoholic
beverages is restricted or banned from 550 to 600
newspapers in the United States. This is more
than one-fourth of the dailies printed.

"No other poison causes so many deaths or
leads to or intensifies so many diseases, both
physical and mental as does alcohol in the vari-
ous forms in which it is taken."—Dr. Emil Bogen,
noted toxicologist.

Zygie, famous elephant in the Brooklyn Zoo
near Chicago, will not let anyone within his en-
closure who has liquor on his breath.

"I'd rather lose my right hand than sign a
document to perpetuate the liquor traffic."—
Abraham Lincoln.

BOOK REVIEWS

Spiritual Treasure in Earthen Vessels; by Fred
Clark published by Mathis Van Nort and
Company, Dallas, Texas.

Mr. Clark, who is pastor of the Eighth Street
Presbyterian Church, Ballinger, Texas, claims
that Jesus in His ministry on earth taught us
that the commonplace things of life hold spiri-
tual truths that speak to us of God. The series
of talks in this volume is given with the hope of
increasing the reader's ability to discover the
spiritual elements in daily experiences. Subjects
discussed are: "The Inner Life," "The Mystic,"
"The Pulpit and the Pew," "Mud and Concrete,"
"The Automobile Key," "The Idol and God,"
"The Loud Speaker," "The Jig-Saw Puzzle,"
"That Is Just As Good," "Proverbially Speak-
ing," "On Being Surprised," "Is God Cruel?"
The book should prove very helpful to leaders
in search of illustrative material.

A Church and Only a Church; by Osgood H.
McDonald; price 25 cents.

*Administering Christian Education in the Local
Church*; by Oliver DeWolf Cummings; price
40 cents.

The Pioneer Department of the Church; by Lu-
cile Desjardins; price 25 cents; all published
by the Judson Press, Philadelphia, Pa.

The three above mentioned books deal with
the problems of Christian Education in the lo-
cal Churches. They each contribute much to-
ward a cleaner understanding of the subject and
offer many practical plans for establishing and
advancing this work and building a more effi-
cient and far reaching working church. The
three are planned with the work of the Baptist
Church in view, but furnish many helpful sug-
gestions for any church school.

CIRCULATION REPORT

SINCE last week the following subscriptions
have been received: Bryant Ct., E. L. Mc-
Kay, 13; Foreman, J. W. Hammons, by U. C.
Hogaves, 7; McCrory, C. H. Bumpers, 2; Haw-
ley Memorial, J. A. Henderson, 2; Marked Tree,
J. A. Womack, 1; Turrell, W. D. Bray, 1; Asbury,
Little Rock, R. B. Moore, by Hardin Bale, 33;
N. Prescott Ct., S. C. Dugger, 2. Accept thanks
for work done, brethren. It is hoped that other
pastors will immediately put over their cir-
culation campaigns so that their people may have
the benefit of valuable and needed information
about their church.

WHAT MAKES A NATION GREAT?

Not serried ranks with flags unfurled,
Not armoured ships that gird the world,
Not hoarded wealth nor busy mills,
Not cattle on a thousand hills,
Not sages wise, nor schools nor laws,
Not boasted deed in freedom's cause—
All these may be, and yet the state
In the eye of God be far from great.

That land is great which knows the Lord,
Whose songs are guided by His word;
Where justice rules 'twixt man and man,
Where love controls in art and plan;
Where, breathing in his native air,
Each soul finds joy in praise and prayer—
Thus may our country, good and great,
Be God's delight—man's best estate.

—Alexander Blackburn in *The Messenger*.

THE CHALLENGE OF INDEPENDENCE DAY

Once more we remember joyfully the momentous events of 1776, when the American colonies began their great struggle for freedom. As American citizens and as American Christians we shall never cease to be grateful for the blessings of political and religious liberty we have inherited from our forefathers, and which are guaranteed to us and to our children through the Constitution.

That freedom was a gift from God. God is a God of freedom, and He created man in his own image, with freedom to choose what is good or that which is evil. What a travesty on this precious gift of God that men should now use their freedom to restrain and destroy that of their fellow-men!

How have we, as American citizens, and as American Christians, made use of the dearly bought gift

A STATEMENT ON THE PRESENT OPPORTUNITY AND DUTY OF CHRISTIANS

Adopted by the Executive Committee of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America June 21, 1940.

In these days when we face a world torn by war, when first one nation and then another is ravaged by military aggression and when millions of people are rendered helpless, it is imperative that as Christians, so far as possible, we speak with a united and unequivocal voice.

We agree that in the outcome of the present conflict moral issues are at stake which as Christians we dare not evade. There are certain political objectives which touch vitally the Christian way of life. One is that Government should permit the full freedom of the Christian conscience to bear public witness to the truth as it sees it and to carry on its God-given task of declaring the Christian Gospel to the entire world. Another is the attainment of a world order dedicated to peace and justice and resting upon the consent of mankind. The Church cannot be indifferent to conflicts which involve, and the outcome of which may affect, such basic and fundamental objectives.

While agreeing in our understanding of the issues at stake, we differ in our view of the way in which they can best be met. Some, admitting that there may be circumstances in which armed resistance against injustice or aggression becomes a duty, are convinced that in the present crisis the United States can best serve the world by maintaining an attitude of political neutrality. Others believe that a victory of the Axis powers would so seriously prejudice the cause both of Christianity and of democracy

of freedom? What has the freedom we enjoy profited us as a nation, as individuals? Has it been for us merely a means of exploiting our tremendous natural resources, of getting something, as much as possible, while the getting was good, or did we use it as a means of doing God's will and thus seeking the welfare and happiness of all His creatures? Has it been for us a means of seeking God, so that all who come to our shores may be free to find God and live religiously, or was it just an opportunity to forget God, ignore His will and go our own way?

All over the world men are seeking power for the purpose of destroying freedom, and right in our own midst there are those who would, in the name of America and of freedom, rob their fellow-citizens of freedom of speech, freedom of thought, freedom of conscience. Are we in danger of losing our freedom because we have failed to use it as we ought?

The wicked and slothful servant in the parable might perchance furnish a fitting topic for Fourth of July speeches.

If America would remain truly free, as her fathers wanted her to be, her people must learn to understand and appreciate her freedom, to "confirm her soul in self-control, her liberty in law," to respect the freedom of others rather than seek to destroy it.

The challenge of Independence Day to American citizens, above all to Christian citizens, is: "Hold fast that which thou hast, that no one take thy crown."—*The Messenger*.

that they would have this country grant its moral and material support to Great Britain and her Allies to any extent short of armed intervention. Others believe that war is never a Christian way, nor an effective way of achieving a Christian end and therefore refuse to take part in war, whatever the cause for which it is waged.

It is not for the Church to determine what attitude the individual Christian should take toward these alternatives, but it is the duty of the Church to vindicate the right of conscience for all its members. It must support the right of the conscientious Christian to register his objection to war service; it must equally defend the right of the Christian who, though hating war, feels that it is his duty to engage in a war which he regards as just. Both have their place in the Church and their right to its ministry.

Although the Church cannot decide questions of conscience for the individual it can help him to a right decision by reminding him of the principles which must determine that decision. Here, too, we find a wide measure of agreement.

We agree that war is not an isolated thing, which can be attacked directly, but an effect of deeper underlying causes. These causes are not simply moral and spiritual, arising from the selfishness and cruelty of man, but also economic and political, arising from blunders and ignorance. We agree that in the responsibility for these sins and mistakes we all share—neutrals as well as belligerents, those whose cause we believe to be more just as well as those whom we believe to be more in the wrong.

We agree that in the effort to eliminate war, we must all share—each in the way his conscience can

ASHEVILLE AND OKLAHOMA CITY

"Trail blazing" described the activities of the sessions of the Southeastern and South Central Jurisdictional Conferences just closed in Asheville and Oklahoma City respectively. For the first two or three days, the delegates and visitors wondered what it was all about. These days were given over to finding the direction, seeking poise, determining limitations, delimitations, and unlimitations. To the delegates who had been in the General Conference there was a "let-down" feeling. It was like looking at a 16 millimeter movie film after having seen "Gone With the Wind." But to the Jurisdictional delegates who were not members of the General Conference every step and movement of

approve. The pacifists should not be content simply to protest against war but must accept their full responsibility for finding some form of positive program to prevent it. Those who advocate granting moral or material aid to the opponents of the Axis powers must assume their proper share of responsibility for the peace which is to follow the war.

In the meantime, there are inescapable duties on which we all agree and which admit no delay. As Christian citizens in the face of a great calamity, we must practice sacrificial private benevolence, and we must also urge our government to make still more generous provision from public funds for the relief and rehabilitation of the multitudes who have been left homeless and destitute. As churchmen we have a special responsibility to our fellow-Christians in the warring and in the neutral countries to help them sustain the institutions of religion and to assume support of that part of their missionary work which for the moment they are unable to carry on.

We agree that we must resolutely maintain the bonds of our ecumenical fellowship, in spite of the strains of war, with Christians in all lands. To preserve and strengthen this fellowship, which centers in the World Council of Churches now in process of formation, is to make our most distinctive contribution to international understanding and goodwill. We agree also that we have a similar responsibility to maintain fellowship among Christians of differing views in our own country and to protect the rights of all those who, because of race or any other reason, may be brought under unjust suspicion.

Above all we must maintain faith that even though political and economic systems crash to ruin, the moral order of the universe still stands. The Christian Church emerged in a world dominated by a philosophy of might and challenged by a political system that totally disregarded the rights of Christian conscience. More than once since that time nations have turned their backs upon God only to find that God cannot be mocked with impunity nor His purpose for the world circumvented. It is man's failure to conform to God's order, as revealed in Jesus Christ, that has brought the world to its present chaos. Our supreme task, therefore, is to be His witnesses to a world that so largely repudiates the Gospel. This we are determined to do in the knowledge that they who put their trust in Him cannot be overcome.

the Conferences were full of thrills. These delegates were pioneering. They were charter members of a new order. Their duties were conceived not as matters of passing moment; but as obligations to build the Jurisdictional Alliance with the whole Church upon enduring foundations. Several things were noticeable: a profound consideration of the actions and recommendations of the General Conference; the complete understanding that the Jurisdictional Conference is not legislative; the sparing use of such sharp parliamentary practices, as "points of order," "personal privilege," "privilege of the house," etc. There was no hasty use of the "previous question." There was not the semblance of the fear that the Jurisdictional Conference might bear to the left and begin to draw the outline sketches of a denominational entity. On the other hand they did not veer to the right and declare themselves to be "fifth wheels" and "do-nothings." If watchwords or mottos were framed upon the acts of the Conferences, in their relationship to the United Church, they would be found in somewhat of an assortment like the following: "Unity in Jurisdictional Loyalty to the Union," "Obedient Child in the Mother's New Home," "The Hands and the Feet of the Whole Body."

The arrangements for the two conferences had been superbly handled. Veterans at entertainment seemed to be at work. The Committees on Entertainment should be given the job for life. The auditoriums in which the meetings were held far outclassed the Atlantic City auditorium.

Asheville was an ideal spot for the Southeastern Conference. A beautiful new auditorium with a perfect amplifying system put the conference at ease. There was no confusion and every delegate who desired recognition seemed to get it. The night meetings furnished excellent programs, but the people did not come to hear them. The Woman's night was better, but a session of the Conference was ordered to bolster that attendance. There was nothing to mar the harmony of the Conference. But one of the strings on the instrument producing the harmony was sawed and plucked more than any other—it was the "e" string—"economy." It had to be tuned up a time or two, when it threatened discord, but the tuning held and the harmony continued. The older Bishops were superb in action and the newer Bishops were in action superb. The one significant thing done at Asheville which lifted the Conference from routine procedure was the appointment of a Quadrennial Committee on Policy and Coordination. Not an Administrative Committee, with secretarial staff to again increase the expense, but a Committee to be the eyes and the ears and the voice, for the Methodist program within the Jurisdiction. If kept within the circle of activities prescribed for itself, it will be an invaluable aid to all the interests of the Church.

Oklahoma City was the becoming city for the South Central Jurisdictional meeting. The spirit of adventure and progress pervading the city gave vigor and self-assurance to the delegates. They seemed to know where they were going even during the first two days, when wings were flopping and little flying was done. The delegates were on time and in their seats all of the time. Business

was quickly dispatched. It was one of the smoothest working deliberative bodies I have seen. The Municipal Auditorium is a beautiful building. Its amplifying system was miserable. The delegates speaking to the Conference were on too low a level and were handicapped by the loud speaker, that jumbled many sentences. This Conference by its acts gave ample material out of which to create mottoes or watchwords of allegiance to the United Church. The night programs were of a high order and the people attending in large numbers. Two thousand people heard Roy Smith on Missions, Thursday night. The West at Oklahoma City responded; the East at Asheville pondered and stayed away. A Committee on Policy and Coordination also came into existence at the South Central Conference. The Conference was determined not to create a Jurisdictional Budget. At Oklahoma City it was the "b" string: In a minor key that gave the lead and sounded the main notes of harmony. It needed no constant tuning. It was always in time and the timing perfect. When it was "plucked and sawed" it gave the one unremitting sound "no budget." This was all to the good when the finances of the new Church are being shifted to new plans and tested by rigid rules. Enough financial trial balloons are already in the air without turning loose any new ones from the Jurisdications.

This delegate slightly acquainted with the Methodist system of Conferences and their seeming complexities, could but exclaim, when seeing the Southeastern in action: "It has the stride, the Jurisdictional Conference idea is justified." And as an observer looking in on the South Central applause came forth in the hilarious fashion of the West "Zip-pee, hip-hip, Hooray, it's got it."—W. G. Cram.

EARLY AMERICANS WILLING TO GIVE LIVES FOR FREEDOM

Americans today are apparently too far removed from colonial times to remember that the men who carried the American Revolution through to a successful conclusion freely gave their lives and fortune to gain the privilege of self-government for themselves and their children. Having purchased liberty in blood, the men of that generation, and those immediately following, understood that it must be jealously guarded. They stood ready to defend the land they had hewn from the Western wilderness against attack from both within and without their country's borders.

Consequently, the men who represented these earlier generations in public office did not take their political duties lightly. Men of honor and ability accepted public responsibilities as a duty, and conducted themselves as real servants of the people.

The fact that democracy calls for the highest form of both individual and collective responsibility has been lost by this generation because liberty has been too easy. Most keen observers agree that the hope of civilization lies in a return to the old virtuous habits and a rediscovery of the all but forgotten truths of an earlier day.—Scottish Rite Bulletin.

History of Arkansas Methodism, by Dr. James H. Anderson. Order a copy of this book through the Arkansas Methodist.

The Campus Goes Co-operative

By SUSIE McKINNON MILLAR

CHAPTER XXVI

"Oh, I just love a parade!" exclaimed Cecelia as she watched the lights and color and kept time to the stirring strains of the college band. "I simply can't keep still. If I were anywhere but here on the King's float I'd be dancing and prancing to beat the band."

"Royalty must pay the penalty of greatness," laughed Earl. "I'm not so keen about it myself. Imagine sitting perched up here shut out of half the fun just because your good old team won our famous Thanks-giving game this afternoon. And, boy; am I tired? Why did they have to elect me king? That's one honor I could do without?"

"You ungrateful wretch!" laughed Cecelia. "It's truly an honor to be chosen Campus King. They chose you because you played a brilliant game and everybody's simply wild about you. Besides you look more like a king than anybody on the campus, and I'm proud that you chose me as queen. I'd have died if any other girl had been chosen."

"But I told you that I asked Allie to be my queen and she refused, declined in your favor, and in spite of your rotten treatment of her, insisted that I ask you. Allie's a great girl, a friend worth having."

"She's no friend of mine. She's up to some mischief. Look at her now talking to Frank Sanders and that horrid Lois Adams."

"You don't have to tell me to look at her; I'm all eyes for Allie. But see here, Cecelia, cut out the sarcasm if you don't want to be banished from this court. Be your best, sweet self. We've got to receive each organization graciously and impartially. That holds, too, when we make the rounds of the booths."

"I'll be good," promised Cecelia, "but cut the lecture stuff. I'll talk to the other members of your court and you do the same. I'll be ready when you begin to receive."

"Good idea," said Earl as he leaned out to talk to Frank who had moved around to his side of the float.

"Hail to the King!" saluted Frank, bowing low before him.

"Don't rub it in! Stand up there and tell me, man to man, how is it going?"

"Off to a good start. The sororities and fraternities have attractive booths and some cute stunts to add to the grand parade. They are keeping too much to themselves and slighting us barbarians whenever they can. But they are finding it hard to keep this pose against all this gayety. I think this is a good start toward drawing the student body closer together, don't you?"

"I'll say it is!" agreed Earl. "And I predict it will net a tidy sum for the Athletic Association. What's the Faculty planning to spring on us?"

"From the looks and sounds and smells that are coming from the reception rooms and dining hall, I think they must be doing themselves proud," answered Frank. "I understand that the grand parade winds up in the dining hall. That's the parade you and your queen and attendants are to lead. I have a sealed order from President Gordon which I'm to deliver to you later."

Now with Your Majesty's permission, I shall withdraw and be about my business."

"Your Majesty's hind foot!" snorted Earl. "Get to blazes out of here while going's good. And, believe me, I wish I could go with you. I'm not so hot on this king job."

"Perfect! Why even I couldn't king it any better."

Frank was soon lost in the swarming crowds. Never had the old campus been so crowded, never so gay. But it was not all smooth sailing. Trouble was brewing in several quarters. Around the booth planned and supervised by the girls from the cooperative home, swarmed a party of fraternity members on mischief bent.

The girls were serving home-made pies, cookies, coffee and doughnuts and had already cleared quite a sum for the Association when the party arrived. Rebecca and Frieda were in charge. Frieda's quaint looks and foreign accent and manners provoked much merriment. The boys teased and joked. They were not buying and were blocking the way of possible customers. Rebecca had about reached the limit of her endurance. She was trying to decide whether to use hot words or hot coffee for weapons. One boy, bolder than the rest, picked up a tray of pies and said, "Well, Gretchen, how about a little cooperation? I'll pass these pies around to the boys and if they live over this dose maybe we'll let you bake us some more."

Frank quickened his step. Rebecca picked up a pot of hot coffee, but rescue came from another quarter. Allen Stewart pushed through the crowd and took the tray from the boy's hand and said, "I'm all out of breath from running. I was afraid you'd sell all your pies before I got here, Miss Frieda. No, don't go boys. I see there's plenty for all, and this is my treat. I predict after you taste these pies and this coffee you'll come back for more. Let's see, there are eighteen of you. Oh, hello, Frank, old man, just in time. Join us and you'll round it out to twenty."

"Thanks, Stewart," said Frank. "I'll take my pie, two of them if I may, but I'll have to run. I've got work to do and can't wait for coffee. But by the way, Becky, who was chosen to bear your gifts to the King? We're beginning to move up there in about ten minutes."

"Olive, Helen, and Lynn," said Rebecca. "They'll be here right away to pick up the offering."

"Good!" said Frank. "Have you seen Flora and the faculty babies? They are great. Flora and the twins, then one nursemaid leading two babies about the age of the twins, and three more nursemaids with squirming youngsters in carriages. It's a sight. They lead the parade to the King's court. Their show netted five dollars and the twins have a gold football for Earl and a gold butterfly for Cecelia, and they are making their own presentation speeches. I don't want to miss that. Well, I'll be seeing you!" He hastened away, munching his pies and thankful to Allen Stewart for his friendly intervention.

So on through the evening music and laughter filled the campus and group after group paused before the King and presented their gifts. The King and Queen were most cordial and gracious. Only twice did His Majesty have to pinch the Queen to make her remember to be gracious—to the girls from the Coop-

Women's Department of Christian Service

MRS. A. C. MILLAR, Editor

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CHILDREN AND MISSIONS

One of the outstanding features of the camp for Children's Workers at Ferncliffe, July 9 to 11, will be a panel discussion on Children and Missions, with Miss Noreen Dunn of the Council leading the discussion. Some of the secretaries have not sent in their semi-annual report of their local work. It is very important that this be done at once in order that statistics may be available for this meeting. Every president of an Auxiliary is requested to urge the secretary of Children's Work, or a representative, to attend the Ferncliffe Camp.—Mrs. N. J. Gantt, Sec'y of Children's Work, Little Rock Conference.

SPIRITUAL LIFE GROUPS OF NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

Please note that the second quarter of our Missionary Society year is closing the last of June. Please bear in mind that all Spiritual Life leaders of the Auxiliary are requested to send in a report at the end of each quarter to their District Spiritual Life leader, and these will send all reports from their Districts to me. Report the things you have done and your plans for next quarter. I also urge all Spiritual Life groups to order and use the new Minute Man, by Glen Clark and others. They are five cents each. Order from MacAlester Park Pub. Co., St. Paul, Minn.—Mrs. Alice C. Graham, Chairman Spiritual Life.

HELP EDUCATE AT SCARRITT

I am mailing to each Auxiliary President and District Secretary some quotations from Dr. Wesley M. Carr and Dr. Chas. C. Washburn, that I desire presented in your Auxiliaries soon on your programs. They are thought-provoking and explain why Scarritt Scholarships prove so worth-while to students financially unable to further prepare for their high calling in Christ. Let us wait no longer to send our dollars to be used for this purpose. Why put off until tomorrow the thing we intend to do that so forwards the Kingdom of God?

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erative Home and to the delegation from the Forum.

At the sound of a trumpet, the King and Queen, attended by their gentlemen and ladies-in-waiting, took their place at the head of the parade and followed a winding path to the reception hall. There Frank announced in a clear and ringing voice, "Into the hands of the Faculty I surrender His Majesty, Earl Hampton, King of the Campus, and his Queen, the fair Cecelia, and all his faithful subjects!" To Earl, he whispered, "And am I glad to get him off my chest? I'll tell the world I am. This has been one large task."

"And thanks to you," said Earl, "a task well done."

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And watch it as it flows
Back to you its blessings
As on and on it goes.
It brings such satisfaction,
You never dreamed could be,
All because 'twas given
To help humanity.

—Mrs. W. S. Anderson.

GRADY AUXILIARY

Mrs. Archie Prewitt of Tillar, gave an interesting review of Dr. Smith's book, "Jesus, the World's Greatest Need," at the Grady Church.

Preceding the review, Miss Nancy Hall of Pine Bluff sang Nevin's "The Holy Hour," after which Mrs. G. H. Hargis gave a poem by Grace Noll Crowell. Guests were welcomed by the president of the W. D. C. S., Mrs. T. S. Lovett, Mrs. L. G. Waldrep and Mrs. H. R. Wood.

Among those from Pine Bluff attending were Mrs. A. M. Hart, Mrs. Walter Ryland, Mrs. E. J. Cure, Mrs. Cline McKay and Mrs. E. W. Phillips.

Mrs. Prewitt has given several reviews in Pine Bluff and has spoken in Texarkana and Hope.

White gladioli in a green crystal bowl were used at the speaker's table. Following the review, punch was served by Miss Nancy Hall.—Mrs. J. C. Hardin, Publicity Supt.

TEXARKANA FIRST CHURCH AUXILIARY

Mrs. T. A. Prewitt of Tillar, was guest speaker at the all-day meeting of the Society of First Methodist Church, Monday.

Mrs. Prewitt gave an inspirational talk on "Prayer," opening with the quotation of Psalms 91; and using that Psalm as her source of inspiration. Adding to the effectiveness of her subject, she gave several poems from memory and asked that the subject be closed with the hymn, "Nearer My God To Thee." Mrs. D. L. Venable played the number with variations.

Mrs. Prewitt was introduced by Mrs. J. W. Mann, wife of the presiding elder, who also introduced Mrs. Core, of Tillar, wife of the pastor of the Methodist Church in that city.

The meeting was the program and fellowship session, which followed an earlier meeting of the Spiritual Life group. Mrs. D. L. Venable directed the council program subject, "Christian Brotherhood," illustrated by the life of Nannie Holding, a Texas-Mexico Missionary.

Mrs. R. B. Coles gave a review of mission work in Mexico, and Mrs. W. A. Bengé discussed the World Outlook. Following prayer by Mrs. A. S. DeLamar, responsive readings were led by Mrs. L. V. Perdue.

Mrs. A. R. McKinney gave a splendid report of the jurisdictional meeting which she attended. Mrs. H. M. Harper voiced the closing prayer.

A delicious luncheon was served by members of Circle Six, Mrs. Ben Cook, chairman. Circle Six with 21 members and one visitor, won the attendance award.

Mrs. Haas Owen directed the business session in the afternoon, when Mrs. Watson Jopling read communications and Mrs. Martin Watkins

gave a report of local work. All officers and committee chairmen gave splendid reports.

ZONE MEETING AT GRAVETTE

Zone 2, of Fayetteville District, met with the Gravette Auxiliary, June 13, with sixty-five women from nine Auxiliaries in attendance.

Mrs. B. L. Miller, Zone chairman, called the meeting to order, after which an inspiring devotional was led by Bro. Porter Weaver, pastor of the Gravette church. The songs, Scripture reading, and the talk centered about the subject, "Jesus Christ and Human Need."

An interesting talk was given by Mrs. James Upton on "What the women can do to help in our day," basing her remarks on an article from the May World Outlook, "From Church Suppers To World Power," by Bishop Oxnham, and on an article from the Arkansas Methodist by Dr. Georgia Harkness.

The Zone chairman then asked for a round-table discussion on "The Value of Zone Meetings," which met with fine response. Following this a special number in song was given by Mrs. E. C. Blandford of Rogers.

"Our New Organization" was the subject of a fine discussion given by Mrs. Clifton Campbell of Bentonville, one of our youngest members in the Missionary Society.

Mrs. Bertha Clemmer was surprised when the chairman asked her to give the highlights of the Missionary Conference, but she told in concise terms what she thought was outstanding. Mrs. H. B. McGee, of Siloam Springs, gave an account of her visit, as superintendent of Supplies, to Cass, and also to see Miss Dora Hoover, at Monte Ne.

The morning session was dismissed with prayer by Bro. Earl Benbrook of Centerton.

At the noon hour a delicious covered dish luncheon was served by the women of Gravette.

One of the outstanding features of the day was the very worshipful devotional led by Mrs. A. L. Cline after the noon hour. The subject was "Gardens." She especially dwelt on the gardens that Jesus visited—the Garden of Gethsemane, which was His garden of prayer, of surrender to God's will, and of victory; the garden of Joseph of Aramathea where they buried Him at last and which became the Garden of the Resurrection. The meditation service was made the more impressive by the solos at intervals—"In the Garden," "'Tis Midnight," "The Beautiful Garden of Prayer" and "Christ Arose"—all beautifully sung by Miss Frankie Borden, accompanied at the piano by Miss Marie Cannon, both of Siloam Springs.

Officers elected were: Mrs. T. N. Weeks, chairman; and Mrs. W. F. Matthews, secretary. The next meeting will be held in Sulphur Springs.

After a beautiful solo by Mrs. F. H. Milburn of Gravette, the meeting was dismissed with prayer and the Missionary benediction.—Mrs. C. T. Easterbrook, Secretary..

A PRAYER

O God, Who hast given to us the knowledge of right and wrong, and hast taught us that it is Thy will that we choose the right throughout our lives, give us grace to be loyal to the right as we see it, and faithful to the highest we know. Amen.

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The Laymen's Forum

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LOTTERIES AND THEIR SPONSORS

A speaker before one of the larger luncheon clubs for business men the other day made such a good talk outlining the purposes of the international organization that what he said was repeated in this column because the objectives enumerated were equally good for laymen. And then something happened to reveal that all club members do not live up to the expectations of the leaders.

One of the members of this civic group was so enthusiastic about a benefit baseball game sponsored by a fraternal group, which had made use of a lottery scheme to help swell the profits from this fundraising game, that he purchased tickets for every member of his club and explained that to claim the capital prize, an automobile, they must attend the game.

Can it be that Christians have given up the fight to discourage gambling because civic clubs and fraternal organizations, which should be working hand-in-hand with the churches, devise and patronize schemes that are nothing more than games of chance, devices which encourage individuals to believe they can get something for nothing.

Perhaps it is folly to think that anything is going to be done to curb gambling, for an occasion is recalled where a circuit judge once promoted a lottery to raise funds for the poor, and another occasion where a lottery was sponsored by a patriotic organization and a Methodist minister was one of the "judges" of the drawing of the grand prize awarded to the holder of a "lucky" number.

DEFINITION

Webster's dictionary gives the following definition of a lottery: "A scheme for the distribution of prizes by lot or chance; a scheme by which one or more prizes are distributed by chance among persons who have paid or promised a consideration for a chance to win them, usually as determined by numbers on tickets as drawn from a lottery wheel."

PENALTIES PROVIDED

All lotteries are now unlawful under the laws of the federal government and most of the state governments.

Pope's Digest of Arkansas criminal laws recites that "any persons who shall vend, sell, or otherwise dispose of any lottery ticket, gift concert ticket or like device shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and liable to indictment and on conviction thereof shall be fined in a sum not less than \$50 nor more than \$500."

OPEN FORUM DISCUSSIONS

One of the most interesting features of the program in the Conference and School for Laymen to be held at Mount Sequoyah this summer, July 8-12, will be the Open Forum Discussions conducted each afternoon. In the Laymen's Conference held there last summer these began with one hour's session but the laymen became so interested they voted to make it two hours!

Christian Education

CONWAY-PERRY COUNTY UNION

The Conway-Perry County League Union met at Plummerville, May 17, with 105 present.

Vice-President Sherman James, of Plummerville, had charge of the devotional. The opening song, "Are You Able," was led by Bro. Poe Williams. Prayer by Bro. Gatlin. Violin solo by Miss Helen Fiser of Morrilton. Rev. Mr. Chaffin, pastor of the Nazarene Church at Morrilton, made an interesting talk on Evangelism. Short business session led by President J. M. Duncan. Benediction by Bro. Howard Williams, visiting pastor from Dardanelle.

An hour of recreation in the basement of the church was enjoyed, after which delicious refreshments were served.

The next meeting will be at Perry, July 15.—Wanda Green.

NEW INSTRUCTOR FOR PASTORS' SCHOOL

Dr. Dawson C. Bryan of Houston, Texas, will offer two courses in the Arkansas Pastors' School, July 1-12: "Preparing and Preaching Sermons," and "The Organization and Administration of the Larger Church."

Doctor Bryan is taking the place of Doctor Harrell who has found it impossible to be in our school.

The first of the courses listed for Doctor Dawson, "Preparing and Preaching Sermons," will come at 11 a. m., as was listed for Doctor Harrell. The other course will take the place of Doctor Harrell's course on "The Pastor and His Task," meeting at 8:50 a. m. This course on "The Organization and Administration of the Larger Church" will be for pastors of city and larger town churches.

Many ministers of the North Arkansas Conference will remember that Doctor Bryan was with us in a series of Missionary Institutes a few years ago and that he made a wonderful impression throughout the Conference. While we regret that Doctor Harrell cannot come we are also delighted that we have secured Doctor Bryan.—Ira A. Brumley.

YOUTH CRUSADE

Youth Crusade Week was observed in the Intermediate Department of the Church at Nashville, last week, under the supervision of Miss Cora Reed, counselor.

Most of the activities were carried on during the evenings and included a program of work, study, worship and play. Misses Crenor and Elizabeth Hale directed the Intermediates in a course on music and hymn appreciation. Members of the department took leading parts in discussion on subjects of citizenship, evangelism and missions. Miss Sammy Hale directed the games on the church lawn.

During the day time the Intermediates took as their special project the improvement of their department room resulting in a beautiful place conducive to worship, and adequately equipped class rooms.

The feature of the week's program was the participation of parents and

No questions on the life and work of the Church are barred. Speakers on the general program participate in these discussions.

teachers in the study of the new course "Adult Workers with Youth." Miss Reed, who is being accredited to teach the course in Caravan work this summer, led the study. The response of the parents was most encouraging.

The week of activities came to a close Friday evening with a picnic at the Pump Springs Camp Ground. Following the lunch the group was led in a service of consecration in which each member of the department expressed his intention to improve his life in at least one particular point.—Arthur Terry, Pastor.

VACATION SCHOOL AT NASHVILLE

A Vacation Church School of two weeks' duration in the Methodist Church at Nashville, came to a fitting close with a service for both children and parents in the worship auditorium of the church on Friday, June 14.

The school was under the direction of Mrs. H. M. Scroggin, superintendent of the children's division of the church, the department superintendents of each department assuming responsibility for their group, assisted by a sufficient number of adult workers to promote the entire program.—Arthur Terry, Pastor.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL

The following churches have sent in reports of Vacation Schools: Arkadelphia Dist.,—Carthage, Benton, Malvern; Camden District—Norphlet, Fairview; Little Rock Dist.,—Concord, Primrose, Pulaski Heights, Riverview, 28th St., Carlisle; Monticello—Crossett, Eudora, Monticello, Arkansas City; Pine Bluff—Oak Grove, Sheridan, Almyra, Gould, Bonner's Chapel, Campshed, DeWitt; Texarkana—Horatio, Ashdown, Foreman, First Church Texarkana, Lockesburg.

We hear that many more schools have been held or are in progress but these reports have not been confirmed by sending the reports. Will every church that has had a school, please let us hear from them on the regulation "pink blank" that was recently sent to each pastor.—Fay McRae.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT FIRST CHURCH, EL DORADO

The First Church of El Dorado has just closed a very successful Vacation Bible School, in which 113 children from 6 to 14 years of age were enrolled.

For the past few years, we have held our Vacation School in four different community centers of the town, but this year the school was held in the church.

We had a faculty of 16 persons in the daily work of the school, also a Primary Supervisor and a Junior Supervisor, with the general director of the school.

The outline built for the Primary group was around the book, "To Market—To Market," by Lina A. Rauschenberg. Most attractive Palestinian and Mexican markets were made by the children. The play "Who Enters the City Gates" was developed and presented in a most interesting and unique manner.

The subject for study for the Juniors was "We Visit Palestine." An effort was made to make the land come alive as it was in Old Testament times, the time of Christ, and as it is today; and to see God's leadership in the lives of the Bible characters and stories studied.

Songs appropriate to and inter-

pretive of each day's study were used under the capable direction of the Church organist and his assistants.

An illustrated Travelogue was made by one group. This book will be read during the summer in the homes of the children who attended the school. A Palestinian Village was made during the activity period by another group to be given to a rural church school and several games of table croquet will help some crippled children to while away recuperation hours.

In many respects this was one of the best Vacation Schools we have had.

One of the very happy results of the school is that we discovered some splendid talent and new workers for the Church School.—Reporter.

JAMES THOMAS UNION ELECTS OFFICERS

The James Thomas Young People's Union met at the Carlisle Methodist Church Monday evening, June 10, for its regular meeting.

The following were elected as officers for the new year: President, Miss Frances White of Carlisle; V. Pres., Alton Patterson of Des Arc; Sec'y-Treasurer, Miss Betty Jo Hale of Hazen; Publicity Supt., James Robinson of Des Arc; and Counsellor, Lester Woosley of Carlisle.

Due to summer activities the July and August meetings will be omitted, the next meeting to be held at Carlisle on Sept. 9.

The Union may have two representatives at Mt. Sequoyah for the Leadership Conference.—Lester Woosley.

HISTORY OF METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL FOUNDERS' DAY MAY 5, 1940

We are today observing the sixty-seventh anniversary of the founding of the Ozark Methodist Sunday School. The founders are not here to tell us the many interesting things in connection with the launching of the work which for nearly three-quarters of a century has been an influential factor for good in this town.

To the small remnant of those who attended in its infancy who now live here, the mention of its founding brings many pleasant memories which are outstanding in the strand of memory's golden beads; to the younger ones and to those who have more recently moved into our town it is an echo from the long ago. It has the distinction of being the oldest Methodist Sunday School in this county, but was not organized till thirty-five years after this town had been laid off and platted.

Prior to the founding there was a Union Sunday School which was attended by all the denominations of the town. The Methodists had no church building and their services were held in the red brick courthouse that stood where the present one now stands, and was torn down in 1904.

On the first Sunday in May, 1873, Rev. Hastings Puckett, an elderly man who was pastor of the Methodist Church here, and eleven other members of his church met at his home which stood where the Pitt Chancey home now stands, and organized this Sunday School. It met at his home for a Sunday or two and then it was moved to a one-room school building that stood where Rev. Mr. Caldwell now lives. For a few Sundays some of the

Methodists continued to go to the Union Sunday School, but soon they were all attending their own school. Bro. Puckett was the first Superintendent and served until May, 1874.

In the early days of the Sunday School there were only four or five classes, and Mrs. Montague, mother of Mrs. W. W. Adams; and Mrs. T. Moore, mother of Mrs. W. C. Bill, were two of the first teachers.

Mrs. W. C. Bill and Dr. Thomas Douglass of our town, and Mrs. A. D. Reynolds of Fort Smith were members of the first primary class. Mrs. W. W. Adams and Mrs. Alice Treadway as children were also members of the school.

They continued to meet in the school house for some time, for the Methodists had no church building and no ground upon which to build one. At the time of the founding of the school the site where the present building stands was a persimmon thicket. But arrangements were made to purchase the ground, and in May, 1876, when Rev. J. Loving was pastor, the one-room frame building which in 1909 gave place to the present one, was commenced. In the fall of 1876, Rev. F. M. Paine, father of Mrs. Flora Eichenberger of our town, became pastor, but made his home in Altus, and while he was here the building was completed. The plot of ground upon which the building was erected was purchased from L. R. A. Wallace and wife.

It was not until two or three years after the frame church was built that they had an organ. Some were opposed to instrumental music in the Lord's house, and one man, a local preacher, permanently withdrew from the Sunday School when it was put in. Prior to that the only help the song leader had was a tuning fork.

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Guena Vista	1.00
Magnolia	5.00
Smackover (2 mos.)	10.00
Harrell	1.02
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Little Rock District	
Capitol View	\$ 2.63
Asbury (3 mos.)	30.00
Riverview	1.00
Henderson (2 mos.)	3.00
Toland	.86
Bethlehem (2 mos.)	2.00
Bryant	1.09
Congo	.20
South Bend (2 mos.)	1.00
Martindale	1.00
Eagle	1.00
New Hope	1.00
Pulaski Heights	10.00
Concord	1.00
Mt. Zion (4 mos.)	2.00
Old Austin	.50
Hunter Memorial	1.69
Douglasville	2.00
Fabelvale	1.00
Winfield (Yr. in full)	1.00
Meyer Springs	1.00
8th Street	2.50
Mt. Tabor (2 mos.)	1.00
Pepper's Lake	1.41
Des Arc (6 mos.)	12.00
Hickory Plains	1.47
Highland (2 mos.)	8.00
First Church, L. R.	28.20
Total	\$118.55

Monticello District	
Rock Springs	\$.68
New Edinburg	.90
Dermott	1.00
Lake Village	2.10
Delso (2 mos.)	1.00
Monticello	3.00
Vatson	2.00
Dumas	3.00
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CHURCH NEWS

NEW BETHEL DEDICATION

Bishop Selecman will dedicate our New Bethel Church at 3 p. m., July 7. All former pastors are cordially invited. This church has been relieved of a \$1500.00 debt in the past eighteen months and all our people are happy.—W. W. Nelson, P. C.

ARKANSAS METHODIST
ORPHANAGE

I have been thinking much recently about the problems that confront us as members of our great Church. I do not think our problem is one of decadence, but rather one of unbalanced development. We have succeeded largely in engineering, mechanics and applied science, but in the field of human relations, it seems to me we have been neglectful.

I wonder if the human race is capable of organizing social justice, economic fair-play and international cooperation. If we could organize our people, majoring on these lines, the Church would come back and amount to more than it does to-day. It is conceded by those who write and think that there is a seeming spiritual apathy into which we have fallen.

I thank God that our Church is seeking to get out of the realm of selfishness now, emphasizing missions, church extension, care of orphans, sharing with those who need us right now throughout the world.

I have been thinking much on this line—the child of today is the citizen of to-morrow,—therefore the power of the gospel must be hidden in the heart of the child. My Church, throughout its entire territory, is endeavoring to care for the motherless and fatherless children and indeed to lead them to Christ as they come under our supervision.

Your Orphanage, located in Little

Rock, has had a great record. Any one who will hear the facts will concede that this is true. So far as I know, we have had but little criticism and much encouragement.

I appeal to the Church, to the fathers and mothers of precious children, to help us as we undertake to do this seemingly thankless job. With love for all, I am, Your Brother,—James Thomas, Executive Secretary.

DISTRICT MEETING AT
PRESCOTT

The Preachers of Prescott District met at Washington, June 20, at 9:30 a. m. The devotional was given by Rev. J. D. Baker, D. S. The charges were called and each pastor was instructed to report, item by item, the standing of his charge on all phases of the church program.

At noon Rev. K. L. Spore, by special previous request of the brotherhood, brought a message on the subject, "Prophet or Priest." Lunch was served by the ladies of the Washington Church.

During the afternoon there were reports on the work done in the matter of the initiative petitions sponsored by the Anti-Saloon League and the Better Government League.

Special emphasis was placed on the holding of Vacation Church Schools, attendance on the Young People's Assembly and the Pastor's School.

Reports on evangelistic work in the various charges were reserved for the last item of business. Reports revealed that the District is already over the 200 mark in additions on profession of faith. There is a net gain to date of 177 members.

A special word of thanks was tendered Rev. J. A. Newell, pastor host, and the ladies of the church, for hospitality. A resolution, expressing sympathy, was extended to Rev. O. E. Holmes whose mother passed away.

Besides the preachers of the District, Revs. F. P. Doak and Wallace Callaway were present.—Secretary.

FIRST CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK

Miss Carolyn Baird was elected by the Senior Section of the Young People's Assembly to be one of the three youth representatives on the Little Rock Conference Board of Education. She, the president of the Conference Youth Organization, and one other elected by the section of the Assembly meeting this week, will represent all the young people in the Conference on the Board of Education. This is a big honor to Carolyn, but most of all it is a very responsible position and one that she is well able to fill.

Five departments and five Classes reached their attendance goals last Sunday. They were: Nursery Department, Beginner Department, Primary Department and the Young People's Department; the Bethel Class, the Century Class, the Lydian Class, the Rule Class and the Sunshine Class. Each department and class deserves a lot of credit for the fine work they are doing. Let us all make every possible effort to reach our goals next Sunday.

The Bethel Class came out 100 strong to a special recognition day for them last Sunday. We congratulate this class upon the fine work it is doing. There are other classes that are doing splendid work and we shall be glad to reserve a special day for any one of these classes if arrangements are made with the pastor in advance.—C. R. Hozendorf, Assistant Pastor.

REVIVAL AT DELIGHT

We have closed a revival meeting. Bro. G. W. Robertson, pastor, did the preaching. He did good work. The church was revived and a number of new members received into the church.

Bro. Bud Morris of Gurdon led the singing and had charge of the children and young people. Brother Morris sang old-time gospel songs. Our hearts were stirred. He made many friends and all learned to love him. He is indeed a fine Christian man. Young and old hope to have him back. He did wonderful work that will stand the test.—Reporter.

LEOLA CIRCUIT

We are trying to cooperate with the Plan of the Church. Our District Superintendent has been instrumental in getting a fifth Sunday program on the Program of the Church. We have put one over this year and a more spiritual day has not been felt on the Leola Circuit than the fifth Sunday in March. That day was spent with the Toler's Chapel church, a little community that built a nice little church last year. It was a good spiritual awakening and food for the soul.

The fifth Sunday in June we are to meet with the Leola Church and all friends are invited to bring your lunch and spend the day with us. Bring your song books, too, and you will be given an opportunity to use them. We will also give space for short talks three to five minutes. That the services may not grow stale, bring your quartets, duets and solos, and when you reach Leola get in touch with the pastor, A. J. Bearden, and he will see that you are put on the program. Better write him what you can put on the program so that he can have it worked out.

We want you to come if you have ever lived here. Come and see your friends. If you have never been here, come and make new friends.


Leola is a nice little town with a fine bunch of Christians working for the advancement of the Kingdom of God. Pray for us. Come and spend the day with us and be convinced that we are working for the glory of God and the advancement of the church.

Our revival will start at Leola July 14, with Bro. H. B. Vaught of Benton doing the preaching. Pray for us.—A. J. Bearden.

A GREAT DAY AT KEENER
CAMP GROUND

On June 2, a joint meeting of the Methodist congregations of the Montrose-Snyder charge was held at the Keener Camp Ground near Snyder. This is an annual affair and one enjoyed by all who attend.

The sermon by the pastor, Rev. M. O. Barnett, was very inspiring. His subject, "I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness," led our



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teachers in the study of the new course "Adult Workers with Youth." Miss Reed, who is being accredited to teach the course in Caravan work this summer, led the study. The response of the parents was most encouraging.

The week of activities came to a close Friday evening with a picnic at the Pump Springs Camp Ground. Following the lunch the group was led in a service of consecration in which each member of the department expressed his intention to improve his life in at least one particular point.—Arthur Terry, Pastor.

VACATION SCHOOL AT NASHVILLE

A Vacation Church School of two weeks' duration in the Methodist Church at Nashville, came to a fitting close with a service for both children and parents in the worship auditorium of the church on Friday, June 14.

The school was under the direction of Mrs. H. M. Scroggin, superintendent of the children's division of the church, the department superintendents of each department assuming responsibility for their group, assisted by a sufficient number of adult workers to promote the entire program.—Arthur Terry, Pastor.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL

The following churches have sent in reports of Vacation Schools: Arkadelphia Dist.,—Carthage, Benton, Malvern; Camden District—Norphlet, Fairview; Little Rock Dist.,—Concord, Primrose, Pulaski Heights, Riverview, 28th St., Carlisle; Monticello—Crossett, Eudora, Monticello, Arkansas City; Pine Bluff—Oak Grove, Sheridan, Almyra, Gould, Bonner's Chapel, Campshed, DeWitt; Texarkana—Horatio, Ashdown, Foreman, First Church Texarkana, Lockesburg.

We hear that many more schools have been held or are in progress but these reports have not been confirmed by sending the reports. Will every church that has had a school, please let us hear from them on the regulation "pink blank" that was recently sent to each pastor.—Fay McRae.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT FIRST CHURCH, EL DORADO

The First Church of El Dorado has just closed a very successful Vacation Bible School, in which 113 children from 6 to 14 years of age were enrolled.

For the past few years, we have held our Vacation School in four different community centers of the town, but this year the school was held in the church.

We had a faculty of 16 persons in the daily work of the school, also a Primary Supervisor and a Junior Supervisor, with the general director of the school.

The outline built for the Primary group was around the book, "To Market—To Market," by Lina A. Rauschenberg. Most attractive Palestinian and Mexican markets were made by the children. The play "Who Enters the City Gates" was developed and presented in a most interesting and unique manner.

The subject for study for the Juniors was "We Visit Palestine." An effort was made to make the land come alive as it was in Old Testament times, the time of Christ, and as it is today; and to see God's leadership in the lives of the Bible characters and stories studied.

Songs appropriate to and inter-

pretive of each day's study were used under the capable direction of the Church organist and his assistants.

An illustrated Travelogue was made by one group. This book will be read during the summer in the homes of the children who attended the school. A Palestinian Village was made during the activity period by another group to be given to a rural church school and several games of table croquet will help some crippled children to while away recuperation hours.

In many respects this was one of the best Vacation Schools we have had.

One of the very happy results of the school is that we discovered some splendid talent and new workers for the Church School.—Reporter.

JAMES THOMAS UNION ELECTS OFFICERS

The James Thomas Young People's Union met at the Carlisle Methodist Church Monday evening, June 10, for its regular meeting.

The following were elected as officers for the new year: President, Miss Frances White of Carlisle; V. Pres., Alton Patterson of Des Arc; Sec'y-Treasurer, Miss Betty Jo Hale of Hazen; Publicity Supt., James Robinson of Des Arc; and Counsellor, Lester Woosley of Carlisle.

Due to summer activities the July and August meetings will be omitted, the next meeting to be held at Carlisle on Sept. 9.

The Union may have two representatives at Mt. Sequoyah for the Leadership Conference.—Lester Woosley.

HISTORY OF METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL FOUNDERS' DAY MAY 5, 1940

We are today observing the sixty-seventh anniversary of the founding of the Ozark Methodist Sunday School. The founders are not here to tell us the many interesting things in connection with the launching of the work which for nearly three-quarters of a century has been an influential factor for good in this town.

To the small remnant of those who attended in its infancy who now live here, the mention of its founding brings many pleasant memories which are outstanding in the strand of memory's golden beads; to the younger ones and to those who have more recently moved into our town it is an echo from the long ago. It has the distinction of being the oldest Methodist Sunday School in this county, but was not organized till thirty-five years after this town had been laid off and platted.

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Buena Vista	1.00
Magnolia	5.00
Smackover (2 mos.)	10.00
Harrell	1.02
Total	\$62.80

Little Rock District	
Capitol View	\$ 2.63
Asbury (3 mos.)	30.00
Riverview	1.00
Henderson (2 mos.)	3.00
Roland	.86
Bethlehem (2 mos.)	2.00
Bryant	1.09
Congo	.20
South Bend (2 mos.)	1.00
Martindale	1.00
Eagle	1.00
New Hope	1.00
Pulaski Heights	10.00
Concord	1.00
Mt. Zion (4 mos.)	2.00
Old Austin	.50
Hunter Memorial	1.69
Douglasville	2.00
Mabelvale	1.00
Winfield (Yr. in full)	1.00
Geyer Springs	1.00
28th Street	2.50
Mt. Tabor (2 mos.)	1.00
Pepper's Lake	1.41
Des Arc (6 mos.)	12.00
Hickory Plains	1.47
Highland (2 mos.)	8.00
First Church, L. R.	28.20
Total	\$118.55

Monticello District	
Rock Springs	\$.68
New Edinburg	.90
Dermott	1.00
Lake Village	2.10
Kelso (2 mos.)	1.00
Monticello	3.00
Watson	2.00
Dumas	3.00
Total	\$13.68

CHURCH NEWS

NEW BETHEL DEDICATION

Bishop Selecman will dedicate our New Bethel Church at 3 p. m., July 7. All former pastors are cordially invited. This church has been relieved of a \$1500.00 debt in the past eighteen months and all our people are happy.—W. W. Nelson, P. C.

ARKANSAS METHODIST ORPHANAGE

I have been thinking much recently about the problems that confront us as members of our great Church. I do not think our problem is one of decadence, but rather one of unbalanced development. We have succeeded largely in engineering, mechanics and applied science, but in the field of human relations, it seems to me we have been neglectful.

I wonder if the human race is capable of organizing social justice, economic fair-play and international cooperation. If we could organize our people, majoring on these lines, the Church would come back and amount to more than it does to-day. It is conceded by those who write and think that there is a seeming spiritual apathy into which we have fallen.

I thank God that our Church is seeking to get out of the realm of selfishness now, emphasizing missions, church extension, care of orphans, sharing with those who need us right now throughout the world.

I have been thinking much on this line—the child of today is the citizen of to-morrow,—therefore the power of the gospel must be hidden in the heart of the child. My Church, throughout its entire territory, is endeavoring to care for the motherless and fatherless children and indeed to lead them to Christ as they come under our supervision.

Your Orphanage, located in Little

Pine Bluff District	
Hawley Memorial	\$ 1.00
Ulm	.97
Tucker	1.28
Lakeside	14.54
Brewer	.50
Swan Lake	1.21
Pleasant Grove	.20
Gould	2.13
First Church, Pine Bluff	15.76
Center	.60
Roe (3 mos.)	4.00
Grady	2.65
Althelmer	2.60
Bayou Meto	2.00
Sheridan	2.00
White Hall	1.00
St. Charles	1.00
DeWitt (2 mos.)	6.50
Carr Memorial	2.00
First Church, Stuttgart	7.50
Total	\$69.54

Prescott District	
Friendship (2 mos.)	\$.50
Pump Springs	.25
Gurdon	3.00
Ozan	.50
Avery's Chapel	.76
Amity	2.22
Blevins	2.50
McCaskill	1.00
Forester	1.00
Doyle	.75
Bingen	1.00
Mineral Springs	2.15
Nashville	5.50
Trinity	1.43
Glenwood	2.00
Total	\$24.56

Texarkana District	
Walnut Hill	\$.20
Horatio	2.00
Mena	5.00
Ashdown	2.00
Cove	.55
Wofford's Chapel	.40
Wilton (2 mos.)	1.00
Doddridge	.50
Olive Branch	.50
Silverena	.64
Dierks (4 mos.)	4.00
Total	\$16.79

—C. K. Wilkerson, Treas.

Rock, has had a great record. Any one who will hear the facts will concede that this is true. So far as I know, we have had but little criticism and much encouragement.

I appeal to the Church, to the fathers and mothers of precious children, to help us as we undertake to do this seemingly thankless job. With love for all, I am, Your Brother,—James Thomas, Executive Secretary.

DISTRICT MEETING AT PRESCOTT

The Preachers of Prescott District met at Washington, June 20, at 9:30 a. m. The devotional was given by Rev. J. D. Baker, D. S. The charges were called and each pastor was instructed to report, item by item, the standing of his charge on all phases of the church program.

At noon Rev. K. L. Spore, by special previous request of the brotherhood, brought a message on the subject, "Prophet or Priest." Lunch was served by the ladies of the Washington Church.

During the afternoon there were reports on the work done in the matter of the initiative petitions sponsored by the Anti-Saloon League and the Better Government League.

Special emphasis was placed on the holding of Vacation Church Schools, attendance on the Young People's Assembly and the Pastor's School.

Reports on evangelistic work in the various charges were reserved for the last item of business. Reports revealed that the District is already over the 200 mark in additions on profession of faith. There is a net gain to date of 177 members.

A special word of thanks was tendered Rev. J. A. Newell, pastor host, and the ladies of the church, for hospitality. A resolution, expressing sympathy, was extended to Rev. O. E. Holmes whose mother passed away.

Besides the preachers of the District, Revs. F. P. Doak and Wallace Callaway were present.—Secretary.

FIRST CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK

Miss Carolyn Baird was elected by the Senior Section of the Young People's Assembly to be one of the three youth representatives on the Little Rock Conference Board of Education. She, the president of the Conference Youth Organization, and one other elected by the section of the Assembly meeting this week, will represent all the young people in the Conference on the Board of Education. This is a big honor to Carolyn, but most of all it is a very responsible position and one that she is well able to fill.

Five departments and five Classes reached their attendance goals last Sunday. They were: Nursery Department, Beginner Department, Primary Department and the Young People's Department; the Bethell Class, the Century Class, the Lydian Class, the Rule Class and the Sunshine Class. Each department and class deserves a lot of credit for the fine work they are doing. Let us all make every possible effort to reach our goals next Sunday.

The Bethell Class came out 100 strong to a special recognition day for them last Sunday. We congratulate this class upon the fine work it is doing. There are other classes that are doing splendid work and we shall be glad to reserve a special day for any one of these classes if arrangements are made with the pastor in advance.—C. R. Hozendorf, Assistant Pastor.

REVIVAL AT DELIGHT

We have closed a revival meeting. Bro. G. W. Robertson, pastor, did the preaching. He did good work. The church was revived and a number of new members received into the church.

Bro. Bud Morris of Gurdon led the singing and had charge of the children and young people. Brother Morris sang old-time gospel songs. Our hearts were stirred. He made many friends and all learned to love him. He is indeed a fine Christian man. Young and old hope to have him back. He did wonderful work that will stand the test.—Reporter.

LEOLA CIRCUIT

We are trying to cooperate with the Plan of the Church. Our District Superintendent has been instrumental in getting a fifth Sunday program on the Program of the Church. We have put one over this year and a more spiritual day has not been felt on the Leola Circuit than the fifth Sunday in March. That day was spent with the Toler's Chapel church, a little community that built a nice little church last year. It was a good spiritual awakening and food for the soul.

The fifth Sunday in June we are to meet with the Leola Church and all friends are invited to bring your lunch and spend the day with us. Bring your song books, too, and you will be given an opportunity to use them. We will also give space for short talks three to five minutes. That the services may not grow stale, bring your quartets, duets and solos, and when you reach Leola get in touch with the pastor, A. J. Bearden, and he will see that you are put on the program. Better write him what you can put on the program so that he can have it worked out.

We want you to come if you have ever lived here. Come and see your friends. If you have never been here, come and make new friends.


Leola is a nice little town with a fine bunch of Christians working for the advancement of the Kingdom of God. Pray for us. Come and spend the day with us and be convinced that we are working for the glory of God and the advancement of the church.

Our revival will start at Leola July 14, with Bro. H. B. Vaught of Benton doing the preaching. Pray for us.—A. J. Bearden.

A GREAT DAY AT KEENER CAMP GROUND

On June 2, a joint meeting of the Methodist congregations of the Montrose-Snyder charge was held at the Keener Camp Ground near Snyder. This is an annual affair and one enjoyed by all who attend.

The sermon by the pastor, Rev. M. O. Barnett, was very inspiring. His subject, "I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness," led our



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thoughts back through the past to those good old camp meeting days that have indelibly stamped their influence upon the citizenship of this section of Arkansas.

Many were there who had attended in days gone by and how interesting and inspiring were their reminiscences. As I sat there and listened to the same gospel proclaimed as was proclaimed in that early day, there in a place made sacred by saints of another generation, I felt that I was in possession of the secret that, perhaps, many did not know—the explanation of the love and devotion of the Snyder people to their church.

I was impressed also by the beauty of the place—only a short distance from the highway, yet it seemed, indeed, a part of "the forest primeval"; the giant trees, the winding stream, the bubbling springs, situated in a narrow valley, gave a natural setting that caused me to realize that "the groves were God's first temples."

Is it small wonder that we have our own Brother Clem Baker, whose consecrated life has meant so much to the Little Rock Conference, for it was here that he worshipped in his boyhood. We thought of him that day and thanked God for his useful life.

As we left in the afternoon, I am sure that each one felt in his heart that "it was good to have been here."—Mrs. M. O. Barnett.

BISHOP SELECMAN TO DEDICATE DOUGLASSVILLE AND GEYER SPRINGS CHURCHES

We look forward to July 7, as a banner day on the Douglassville-Geyer Springs charge. We have had good days, but that will surpass all when Bishop Selecman dedicates our twin churches. He will preach at Douglassville at eleven o'clock, and preach at Geyer Springs at 7:45 p. m.

The Douglassville church was built in 1928 but never dedicated because never free of debt. When I came as pastor in November, 1937, I found a debt of nearly \$700.00. In July, 1939, I proposed that we pay the debt before Conference and the people did the job in a few weeks with the aid of a gift from the Board of Church Extension.

The church has experienced a substantial growth. Attendance has more than doubled; the Sunday school attendance has almost trebled, and the salary has been doubled and Benevolences have been increased about 100%. Some 40 members have been received and many improvements made to the church and parsonage. The parsonage was not completed until August, 1938. A new room and back porch were added this month, which now gives us a neat parsonage with six rooms and bath. A dining room suite was added last month by the Missionary Society and window shades were furnished this week.

We are equally proud of improvements in the church. New shrubbery has been set; additional pews purchased, new choir arrangement built, and new hymn books purchased. The basement was ceiled last week; 36 new Sunday school chairs have been purchased for the children, and much interior decoration has been done. All these things, with the payment of the debt, make us feel proud in the name of the Lord. We are expecting many visitors for the dedication service. Friends are cordially invited to hear the bishop and see what these fine

people are doing. Douglassville is located on the Hot Springs highway about two miles from Little Rock.

Geyer Springs church was built in 1923-24, but not completed until recent years. It has had a substantial growth and has the largest attendance at Sunday evening services of any church its size I know. While our local membership is less than a hundred we have had nearly 150 for a year without failing a single night. The people are a church-going people and religious people. They have been a source of inspiration to the preacher and his family. We have received between 40 and 50 members there.

They have accomplished something in improvements of which they are justly proud. They put a new roof on the church at a cost of about \$130.00; painted the church at a cost of about \$120.00; bought 100 hymn books; put in new ceiling lights and made other interior decorations. The Missionary Society has fixed a room for a kitchen and had a built-in cabinet made. We have our auditorium equipped with fine pews, made by the Leird Lumber & Mfg. Co., Little Rock, under the supervision of Mr. C. A. Woosley, our Sunday School Superintendent and board chairman, who is an associate with Leird & Co.

You are invited to be with us on the night of July 7. Geyer Springs is on the Mabelvale Pike, two miles from Little Rock.—Curtis Williams, P. C.

THE DAY OF THE LAYMEN

With the emergence of the new Methodist Church as a result of the union of the three branches of the denomination, the laymen is in a very real sense coming into his own. The history of organized Christianity is marked by the gradual extension of increasingly larger rights, powers, and privileges to its lay members. In the early years the priests ruled the church with almost autocratic sway, and the laymen simply followed and obeyed their clerical leaders. Even in Protestantism, until modern times, the ministers not only preached and taught the people but also shaped policies, organized institutions, and in general managed the financial interests of the church. But more and more, in the spirit of genuine democracy and Christian brotherhood, there has developed through the years closer co-operation between the clergy and the laity. The laymen have been given a voice and a vote in the councils of the church and in many instances positions and offices of large authority and influence. In the Methodist Episcopal Church a number of years ago they were admitted to General Conference membership. They were given places on general boards, societies, and committees.

It should be remembered, however, that this enlarging opportunity for lay expression involves also the hard, laborious program of preparation for the task and solemn responsibility for the discharge of it in such a way as will really advance the kingdom of God. There is very grave danger just now that, in the enthusiasm of the new day when the laymen are "trying their wings," they may forget that they must learn also to run without being weary and even to walk without fainting.

The coming of laymen into greater power in Methodism is a development of large and inspiring promise. They should face their new opportunities and responsibilities, not in

the mood of "Now we will show the ministers how to run the church," but in the spirit of deep humility, open-mindedness and teachableness. If the church is worth while, and if it is indeed the instrument that God proposes to use to change men and nations and to bring in a new order of things upon the earth, Christian workers ought to be willing to take their task seriously enough to prepare for it. Great problems in this field can be solved neither by intuition nor altogether by training and experience in the business world. Hard study is needed. Prayer that is prayer is required. Why is it that so many laymen think it is unnecessary for them to read books on religion and the church in order to prepare for effective Christian leadership? Why are they content to rest on the old traditions, to repeat the old slogans, to think in old ways, when a great new day is dawning and God is preparing a new world in which our children and our children's children are to live? "Read, study, prepare, pray." This is our four-word exhortation to laymen as they face their new day.—Zions Herald.

RESOURCES OF RELIGIOUS LIVING

By J. FISHER SIMPSON

Every pastor is greatly concerned that his church members grow in their religious experience. They plan their church program with that in mind—their preaching, their pastoral visits, mid-week meetings, workers' councils, and all. They are continually alert to find resources that will be helpful. Hence, encourage the reading of church papers—the advocates, the "World Outlook" and good books. Some pastors are making their own libraries available for their co-workers with gratifying results.

Many pastors are also finding the use of the training courses prepared by the General Board of Christian Education excellent resources for helping their people in religious living. It is encouraging to receive expressions of appreciation from lay workers with reference to this. A lady in Arkansas in writing about taking additional courses through home study makes this comment: "I wish to say that all the courses taken have helped me more than I can say—more than I even know, perhaps. They have given me vision—the broad view in religion and religious education. They have done more to increase my ardor for the gospel—for the Christian way of life, than all else, I do believe. I would not take anything for what I have gained from them."

One night during a training school in a Southern city, a missionary program was conducted at an intermission period. The next day one of the instructors asked her class to write a paper on "the most effective worship service I ever attended." One of the papers from a young man was this: The most interesting service that I have ever heard, I believe, was the platform service last night. Why it touched me so greatly I do not know unless it is because I live in a city where the Negro is not liked very much. Many a day have I stood in the stadium and thrown bricks into the Negro playground across the fence. But last night after the talks had been made, and the Negro spirituals had been sung, I felt sorry for every brick I had thrown and had proudly bragged about to my fellow playmates. The stories were so well told,

FOR THE CHILDREN

FOURTH OF JULY

There is more to this day than shouts and cheers,
More than the trappings of pride and glory.
There's the echo of far, unending years
When time was shaping a deathless story,
When up these roads where the marchers go
And down those streets where the bugles blow,
Resolute ranks were pushing on
By ways no venturer had gone
And trials no man could know.

There's more than sun in the flags unfurled
At every corner, on every hill.
There's a light that speaks to a watching world
Of hard-held courage and dauntless will.
And it's more than pledge when we stop and stand,
Baring the head, lifting the hand;
It's dedication of all our best
To a changeless dream and shining quest—
America, our land.

—Nancy Byrd Turner in Ladies' Home Journal.

HELEN'S CELEBRATION

Fourth of July was a beautiful, clear summer day—just the right kind of day for a picnic—and the Jones family had been planning one for ever so long. They were going to pack the car with their bathing suits and all sorts of good things to eat, and drive to their favorite spot on the shore of the lake.

Everyone was hurrying to get things ready for an early start. Father was greasing the car, and brother John was packing in the baskets of food as mother handed them out to him. Alfred and Helen were collect-

the hall was so quiet, and the songs were well sung, I suppose that is the reason I was so greatly struck."

In 1939 about fourteen hundred training schools were held along with the significant work done in local churches in training classes and by individual or home study. Something like 50,000 persons drew upon their resources. But there are thousands who did not have such opportunities. With such potentialities for help as are described in the statements above, we all are concerned about reaching more local church workers. For that reason executive secretaries, instructors, district superintendents and pastors are striving to conduct training schools and classes. They are discovering that the use of these resources stimulates the use of many other ways of growing in religious experience.

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ing bathing suits and caps and poking them in here and there where there was a little space. At last, all was ready, with just enough room left for the five Joneses.

"I hope I haven't forgotten how to swim," said Helen as Father put his foot on the starter.

"I hope the water's warmer than last time," said Alfred.

"Let's wave to Cousin Mary as we go by," suggested Mother. So Father slowed up the car and brother John whistled.

Cousin Mary came to the window and called. Father stopped the car and Cousin Mary came running out of the house. Her face was white and her eyes looked worried.

"Cora fell off her tricycle yesterday and broke her leg," she explained. Cora was Cousin Mary's little girl who was just Helen's age. "I think she minds missing the Fourth of July fun more than she does the pain," added Cousin Mary.

"Would she like Helen to run in for a minute to see her?" asked Mother.

"She certainly would," smiled Cousin Mary.

Helen climbed over the baskets and jumped out of the car. In a few minutes Mother called to her and she came slowly out of the house with a very thoughtful expression on her face. Father put his foot on the starter and the cars began to move.

"Stop," Helen suddenly exclaimed.

Mr. Jones stepped on the brake "Did you forget something?" he asked, turning around.

"No, Father," replied Helen, "but I can't go on this picnic with you."

"Why not?" asked Mother in astonishment, knowing how her little daughter had been counting for days on the outing.

"Because," said Helen very solemnly, "I should be thinking all the time of Cora with her broken leg and no chance to have any fun. Do you suppose Cousin Mary would let me stay and help take care of Cora? Maybe I could cheer her up."

Mother said she was sure that Cousin Mary would, and Father turned the car around. Cousin Mary gave Helen a big hug as the little girl wistfully waved good-by to her family in the picnic automobile.

But it was a happy Helen who waited for them to pick her up as they came back late that afternoon.

"Cora and I have had such fun," she laughed as she climbed into the car. "Cora cheered up as soon as I went back, and Cousin Mary fixed us a real picnic, and we let our dolls go swimming in the dish pan. Cora's leg doesn't hurt nearly so much tonight."

Mother kissed Helen's brown curls. "We always have good times when we make other people happy," she said smiling.—Selected.

A Fine Catechism For Infants

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

INTERNATIONAL Sunday School Lesson

Lesson for June 30

JONAH: THE OUTREACH OF GOD'S LOVE

LESSON TEXT—Jonah 3:1-10; 4:10, 11.
GOLDEN TEXT—Salvation is of the Lord.—Jonah 2:9.

"There's a wideness in God's mercy
Like the wideness of the sea;
There's a kindness in His justice
Which is more than liberty.

"For the love of God is broader
Than the measure of man's mind;
And the heart of the Eternal
Is most wonderfully kind."

Such is the message of the book of Jonah. How appropriate it is to close our series of studies on the prophets with this declaration of God's love and mercy.

I. A Second Chance (3:1-3).

Jonah had been sent to Nineveh with a message from God, but, secretly wishing in his heart that this great city which was the enemy of Israel should be destroyed rather than repent and receive God's blessing (see 4:2), Jonah made an attempt to run away from God's commission. We know how God patiently dealt with him and now gave him a second chance to do His will.

How gracious God is "to continue to us . . . the privilege of service even when we seem to have sinned away our first chance, misused our endowments, and have by our very failure embarrassed His plans." Dr. J. Stuart Holden goes on to point out that only God gives a second chance. Nature does not; man seldom, if ever, gives his fellow who has failed a second opportunity. But God does. Praise His name!

There was also a second chance extended to Nineveh. God was not willing to bring judgment upon the city without another warning. Quoting Dr. Holden again: "I care not what is the history of failure, of shame, of sin which is behind you . . . I care not how close upon your heels are hounds of accusation and condemnation which bay at you. I tell you that Jesus Christ is here . . . to give you a second chance, and that everything depends upon your attitude of acceptance or rejection of His proffered grace and mercy."

II. A Stirring Revival (3:4-10).

So great was the city that it would have taken Jonah three days to bring his message to the entire population (see v. 3). He had only begun when, at the end of the first day, the city, from the ruler down to the humblest inhabitant was in deep mourning and repentance for its sin.

Jonah, the man who had been brought back from a living death as a sign (Luke 11:29-32) to Nineveh that God was gracious to repentant sinners, pointed to the fact that though his message was one of condemnation (v. 4), they might expect God to be entreated of them (v. 9). He was (v. 10).

God has sent times of revival when whole cities—and even whole nations—have been turned from their sin. Such revivals have been occurring in recent years in various mission fields. Thousands of earnest Christians are praying now that such a revival may come again in

our own land. The writer knows where helpful literature along this line is available without cost. Let us pray and be faithful, and trust God to bring revival to the hearts of men.

III. A Selfish Reaction (4:10, 11).

Jonah, instead of rejoicing in the repentance of Nineveh, showed his narrowness and selfishness by becoming angry (see 4:1). How petty and childish are the attitudes of men when contrasted with the mercy of God.

The Lord, dealing gently with Jonah, gave him a place of refuge and a gourd plant to shade him from the sun (4:5, 6). Then, to teach him a lesson, a worm was permitted to kill the gourd (v. 7). When Jonah was greatly concerned over the loss of the plant, God pointed out to him that it was wrong to be stirred up over the passing of material comfort and not to be concerned for the souls of men.

How many of those who poured out millions of dollars (and rightly so) for the relief of the harassed people of Finland, would give five cents to win them to Christ? Many who will give liberally of money, time and effort to the commendable work of flood or famine relief, will not so much as cross the road to talk to a neighbor about Christ. A farmer will sit up all night to care for a sick cow, but will he spend an hour or two on Sunday or some evening of the week in an effort to win his neighbor's boy (or his own boy) to Christ? These are pertinent and serious questions. What is our answer? God will hold us responsible.

Lesson for July 7

JOB TEMPTED TO DOUBT GOD'S GOODNESS

LESSON TEXT—Job 2:1-13.

GOLDEN TEXT—In all this Job sinned not, nor charged God foolishly.—Job 1:22.

Poetry has in all ages been the language of the soul. Feelings beyond the reach of the choicest prose seem to pour forth unhindered through the poetic channel. That is one reason why Christian people find such a response in their own souls as they read the magnificent poetry of the Bible. For the next three months we are to be privileged to carry on a study of the poets of the Bible. None of us should miss a single lesson.

The book of Job deals with and solves the fundamental problem, "What is the meaning of the suffering of the righteous?" Our first lesson presents Satan as the great adversary and accuser of man, and reveals that man may successfully resist him by faith in God.

I. Satanic Accusation (vv. 1-5).

The lesson opens with a scene in heaven, where the angelic beings present themselves to give an account of their activities. Satan, too, is there as the adversary and accuser of men's souls. He had already, by God's permission and as a test of Job's faith, destroyed all of Job's property and taken from him his family (see Job 1:14-19), but he had not destroyed Job's trust in God (1:21).

Now Satan had a new charge; namely, that Job could bear the loss of his children and his riches, but if God would permit his own body to be afflicted, he would deny God. It is the familiar refuge of those who would lie about the servants of God

to say, "He is in it for what he gets out of it." Those who use that lie do well to recognize the originator of their calumny; they are working with Satan when they thus hinder the Lord's work.

II. Spiritual Integrity (vv. 6-10).

The trial of Job was most severe, for only his life was spared. His affliction was evidently not only that of boils on his skin (which would have been bad enough), but a systemic condition which made his whole body sick and made him so repulsive as to be unfit to live with other people (see Job 7:1-5, 14, 15; 16:8; 19: 17-20).

Not only did he suffer physically within an inch of his life, but he was subjected to the mental and spiritual torture of having the one who should have stood by him—his wife—urge him to renounce his faith in God and die. Many who have borne excruciating physical pain have broken down under spiritual cruelty, but Job still maintained his integrity.

Why God permitted him to suffer he did not yet understand, but he knew God and he was willing to take from His hand evil as well as good (v. 10) as long as His heavenly Father was in control. What a testimony!

III. Sympathetic Friendship (vv. 11-13).

His wife and neighbors had abandoned Job, and even the children of the street despised him (19:18), but he did have three friends. Thank God for friendship—not the fair weather kind, but the type that stands by in the hour of trouble. These friends apparently came from a distance (vv. 11, 12) and at some sacrifice of time, effort and money. Friendship that doesn't cost anything usually doesn't amount to anything.

Note the intelligent and sympathetic manner in which they shared his sorrow. They were themselves sorrowful (v. 12) and they sat with him, not saying a word. In the hour of deepest need words are futile and often only add to the sorrow, but how much it means in such an hour to have someone who will silently, and yet sympathetically, stand by. One could wish that his friends had continued as they began and not later have spoiled their comfort by many important sounding but foolish words which the Lord had to condemn in the serious words found in Job 42:7, 8.

We shall see the answer to the question regarding suffering in our lesson for July 21, as being that man might be brought to really know God and to see himself in the light of God's holiness. Thus, by victory through testing, man proves to himself and to his fellow men that God is worthy of our fullest confidence, that faith in Him will bring us through the deepest darkness and the severest trial.

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Young Women of Winfield to Meet

The Young Women of Winfield (new circle organized for girls 18-25) will hold their July meeting on Monday night, July 8, at the home of Mrs. Russell Henderson, 4312 Woodlawn, at 8 o'clock. The program will be in charge of Miss Jane Paschal, Program Chairman. All girls interested in this circle are invited to attend.

OUR KNOWN SICK

Mr. C. R. Hamilton, 5224 "R" St.
Mr. E. J. Florian, Army and Navy Hospital, Hot Springs.
Mr. James R. Osborne, Trinity Hospital.

OUR SYMPATHY

The heartfelt sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family of Mrs. J. R. Ricks who passed away on Monday, June 24. Mrs. Ricks had been a faithful member of Winfield since 1910 and will be greatly missed by her many friends in the church.

BOARD OF STEWARDS TO MEET

The regular monthly meeting of the Board will be held next Monday night, July 1, at the church at 7:30. All members are urged to be present.

JOINT MEETING OF CIRCLES

The joint meeting of the Circles of The Women of Winfield will be held next Monday morning at the church at 10:00 o'clock. Circle No. 7 will be in charge of the program on "Our Human Heritage," with Mrs. W. P. Ivy, Chairman, as leader. The Spiritual Life Group will not meet this month.

BUSINESS WOMEN'S CIRCLE

This Circle will hold its regular meeting in Fellowship Hall next Tuesday, July 2. Supper will be served at 6:30 after which the program, in charge of Mrs. Ethel Wilson, will be presented. All business women of the church are invited to attend.

WEDDING

Our congratulations and best wishes to Miss Elizabeth Duffer and Leonard Cogbill who were married in the Sanctuary Saturday, June 22, with Mr. Foote performing the ceremony.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Mr. and Mrs. James R. Osborne, 2705 Izard, upon the birth of a daughter, Ruby Lipscomb, June 8.

There will not be an issue of the Arkansas Methodist next week.

WINFIELD DELEGATES TO ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK

Winfield is being represented at the Intermediate Camp at Ferncliffe by Doris Smith, Barbara Dixon, Buddy Melton and Martin Caldwell. Mr. Russell Henderson is also attending the Camp and is a member of the staff.

Quenton Martin is attending the Young People's Assembly at Hendrix.

ANTI-SUMMER SLUMP COMMITTEE

Remember! Each Sunday morning, 9:30 o'clock the representatives of your class are expected to be present for the Anti-Summer Slump Committee.

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Next Sunday At Winfield

- 10:00 A. M. CHURCH SCHOOL—Your Family Needs Christian Training.
11:00 A. M. "ON DECEIVING OURSELVES"—Sermon by Pastor.
6:30 P. M. Jr-High, Senior, Young People's Leagues and the Sunday Evening Club.
8:00 P. M. Religious Drama "Daring Youth"
"The Dream of Honor"—Sermon by Assistant Pastor.
(Last in series on "Dreams of Power")

THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

By GASTON FOOTE

FUNNY FOLKS

(From Bulletin of St. Paul's Methodist Church, Houston)

A certain old Greek philosopher who lived nearly 2,500 years ago said that folks were "funny." Well—some of us are. Even we Methodists of the present date create the impression sometimes of being a bit "queer." For an example or two, we give the following:

No. 1—Had sickness or bereavement in the home, knew that the Church had several phones with a church secretary on duty all day, and also knew that the pastor had a phone at home; and yet he declined to tell the preacher or staff members. "Thought they ought to know," and became quite peeved because the Church "ignored him." Remember, in a Church with nearly 2,400 members, they "ought to know—just like that—when they are needed." Funny boy!

No. 2—Makes no pledge or financial payment to his Church and yet he expects it to be warm, clean and comfortable when he enters; lights on, fires burning, salaries paid, benevolences covered, the finest preacher that can be secured, everybody happy—but never a word about money. Let God send down the cash for maintenance of the Church and staff, or let the ravens feed the workers as they did Elijah of old. My, my, isn't he a funny chap! And he is so humorous, one hardly knows whether to laugh or cry.

No. 3—Moved here from another city where he knew everyone and had been active. Came to the services, seated himself in the back of the Church. Spoke to no one, never let on that he was a Methodist; didn't introduce himself to the preacher at the close of the service, but slips out as quietly as possible, and then gets all "hot and bothered" because no one spoke to him or welcomed him. Suppose he did the electric light and gas people that way, or the telephone company. How much service would he receive? No, he goes to their office, introduces himself, tells them where he's from and what position he held in his home town and signs a contract, sorta friendly like. But "his Church neglects him." Maybe this man is the funniest of all. What do you think?

Christian Education

By HAL H. PINNELL

Church School Attendance

Last Sunday 601
A Year Ago 535

Departmental Reports

	Pres.	On Time	Cont.	Stay
Jr. Hi	52	42	35	25
Sr. Hi	52	36	37	33
Y. P.	46	42	24	25

Adult Report

Hinton Class	55
Men's Class	41
Jenkins Class	36
Couples Class	30
Fidelity Class	29
Brothers Class	27
Young Men's Class	23
Ashby Class	21
Bullington Memorial Class	18
Young Couples Class	17

Total 297

Visitors	57
Visits Made	52
Young People Evening	18
Senior High Evening	22
Junior High Evening	21

EVENING PROGRAMS

Sunday Evening Club: A special Independence Day program, "American Ideals and World Brotherhood." Mrs. Gus Ginnocchio in charge. Special piano music, Mrs. Louise Stewart.

Young People's Department: Subject, "Worshipping God Through Beauty."

Senior High Department: Warren Crouse, leader. Subject, "Discovering My Vocation."

Junior High Department: Leader, Miss Helen Dillahunt. Subject, "Heroes of the Faith."

HINTON CLASS—LEAD ON!

Adult classes take notice of the fact that the Hinton Class leads the Adult Division in attendance again. How does this class do it? Just by each day of the week working at the job, visiting, calling on the phone, keeping everyone informed of the activities of the class, boosting the class and the whole Church School and going out each week to visit new prospects. That is why this class is getting results. 55 present last Sunday; 53 average attendance the past eight Sundays. 32 visits made by the members of this class last week, and as a result over 70 percent of the membership was present.

LET'S KEEP AT THE JOB OF BUILDING UP THE CHURCH SCHOOL! WILL YOU DO YOUR PART? THE CHURCH IS COUNTING ON YOU!

BUILDING UP THE CHURCH SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Attendance at the Committee meeting Sunday morning, 9:30 o'clock, was better, but there are some classes that have not been represented in this important meeting. Presidents of classes get your representatives to this meeting. SUNDAY 9:30 A. M. YOUNG PEOPLE'S CHAPEL.

Our Church School does not go on a vacation. Each Sunday at the regular hour our Church School will be OPEN and GROWING during the summer months; teachers will be in their places ready to serve YOUR Church School, the Church of Tomorrow. WE MUST GO FORWARD!