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## NO FREE SPEECH FOR FREEDOM'S FOES?

THE quick shrinkage of respect for civil liberties brought on by the war scare and the defense psychosis succeeds a period of several years during which our basic democratic guarantees have enjoyed unusual prestige. Now the insidious poison of the doctrines that the end justifies the means is sweeping through our body politic, making us believe that to defend democracy we must surrender it. The latest version of this current casuistry is the formulation of President Frank Kingdon of Newark University, who is the integrating spirit behind one of the new organizations for saving democracy. Speaking before the National Conference of Christians and Jews at Estes Park, he said: "The experience of Holland, Belgium, Norway, and France make me question the rights of Communism and Naziism in this country to use our freedom to destroy our freedom. To keep democracy in America we must keep America. Perhaps now is the time when we must check freedom for certain groups by democratic methods in order to continue our own freedom." While we respectfully note that saving word "perhaps," we are nevertheless disquieted that a man of Dr. Kingdon's influence has so little trust in the intelligence and common sense of the people and their capacity to make right decisions when issues are freely discussed. If Communism and Naziism, with freedom of speech, could between them secure fewer than a hundred-thousand adherents in over ten years of economic hardships for tens of millions of America, shall we now help them to disseminate their repellent, regimented creeds by making martyrs of them and driving them underground?—The Christian Century.

## THERE MUST BE NO BIBLE BLACKOUT ANYWHERE

By DR. ERIC M. NORTH, General Secretary  
American Bible Society

IN the staggering tornado of a violent world war, in which the whole organization of human life is being disrupted, hundreds of millions of people—from soldiers in battle to mothers of little children in lands far away—cry out in the desperation of their anxious hearts for help. The bereaved—and those whose dear ones are recorded "missing"—dumbly long for comfort. The evacuee and the refugee, weary and harassed, seek security. All who can think find more excruciating than any physical hardship the bitter question, Is this humanity's end? Are men destined to create civilization,—trade, art, culture, valuable social institutions,—and always, in a whirlwind of haste and violence ever more bitter and destructive, suddenly to destroy it and themselves? Men can endure hardship and the forecast of sudden death, if there is prospect of good for their children and their children's children. But if the end of the struggle is only frustration and disaster, then indeed, is the heart cast down into the deepest depths of despair, and the soul's final question burns in the mind: Is this the last word for humanity?

In such hours, the hearts of millions of men and women are open, as they are not in easier times, to another word—to the divine Word. The Bible knows wars and despair full well, and, for those in them, wars as overwhelming, despair as black as any. But it also knows the supreme answer:

The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.

I am the way, the truth, and the life . . . In the world ye shall have tribulation; but be of

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\* MY SON, ATTEND TO MY WORDS; IN- \*  
\* CLINE THINE EAR UNTO MY SAY- \*  
\* INGS. LET THEM NOT DEPART FROM \*  
\* THINE EYES; KEEP THEM IN THE \*  
\* MIDST OF THINE HEART, FOR THEY \*  
\* ARE LIFE UNTO THOSE THAT FIND \*  
\* THEM, AND HEALTH TO ALL THEIR \*  
\* FLESH.—PS: 4:20-22. \*  
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good cheer; I have overcome the world.

In the Bible is not only the word of comfort; not only the word of a distant hope; herein is God's design for the healing of our torn humanity, for the building of his heavenly kingdom among us. Now is the hour when, to millions, it can come with a power and a directness immeasurable—an hour when it means salvation!

Yet, there is the terrible peril that it will not come. For in God's providence it can only come by human means. There are two such channels—persons and the printed word. In the turmoil of Europe, the available persons, chaplains, pastors, colporteurs, religious workers,—valiant as are their efforts, are all too few. Thousands upon thousands of Christians are bearing their witness superbly, but are unable to reach all the vast multitudes. Missionaries and lay workers in mission fields are also all too few. Indeed, the war in Europe threatens the support of forty per cent of the missionary enterprise.

Besides these devoted persons, the one other great possibility is the printed Gospel, the printed Testament, the printed Bible, where every man can read—and read again and again—the one positive answer to the world's despair. But the availability of this is threatened just at a time when the world's supply should be doubled and tripled.

For three-fourths of the world's missionary supply of the Scriptures has come from the British, the Scottish, the Dutch, the French, and other European societies now drastically affected by the war. Half of the pastors of the churches which support the French Society are in military service, and more than half of the churches are themselves evacuees or overwhelmed by evacuees and refugees. Only recently the American Bible Society received the first word from the Dutch Bible Society since Holland was invaded. Dr. H. C. Rutgers, general secretary of the Dutch Society, states that in the situation with which they are now faced they cannot support in any way the work of their society in the Dutch East Indies. He adds: "This our anxiety overshadows all other fears. We urgently solicit your help, trusting that our call will receive whole-hearted response."

The British and Scottish Societies have valiantly undertaken, in the face of 37 per cent income taxes, to supply extra Scriptures for their troops; but budgets which provide the Scriptures for mission fields have been cut already an average of 14 per cent, and the effect of the conscription of wealth and the terrific preoccupation of all with war duties are sure to cause a far greater cut.

Thus, at a time when the outpouring of the Scriptures into the hands of the multitudes desperately needs to be multiplied, it threatens to be seriously reduced.

The only hope of preventing this disaster is an immediate, strong, and continued increase in the number and amount of the contributions our American people and churches make for this cause. There is no other way!

The only Bible Society not in a belligerent or war-beleaguered country is the American Bible Society. It must meet this need

The Society has already forwarded Scriptures or funds for Scriptures for soldiers and refugees to the value of \$4,600 by squeezing it out of its hard-pressed budget. The Board of Managers of the Bible Society has now authorized an appeal for a fund of \$150,000 above the budget to begin to meet the emergency.

When we remember that in 125 years of history the British people have contributed more than three times what American Christians have, to spread the Scriptures throughout the world, surely, there are enough Bible-loving Christians in America to step into this breach and hold it.

Contributions may be sent to American Bible Society, Park Ave. and 58th St., New York, City.

## THE CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

WE MUST admit that the Christian college is a paradox. On the one hand, by its very genius it is committed to the cause of intellectual freedom. On the other, it is the minister plenipotentiary and ambassador extraordinary of the Christian religion to the world of the mind. Perhaps this very figure of speech will help us to understand how the two elements of the paradox may combine to form a noble harmony in the life of the Christian college. The ambassador must know the language of the land to which he is assigned. He must know its culture. He must understand the ways of its life. He must be able to feel at home among its people. Without the equipment which makes all this possible, his work is sure to fail. On the other hand, he is a citizen of the land whose representative he is at a foreign court. Its language is his own. Its culture is bone of his bone and flesh of his flesh. The ways of its people are his own ways. To it he gives unhesitating loyalty. The combination is difficult. But it is not impossible. And you must find some such combination in the witness of the Christian college.

Probably no one would deny that the Christian college ought to express the spirit of Jesus. Slowly distilled through the ages there has come into the consciousness of men and the understanding that men to whom Jesus mattered supremely somehow come to look out upon the world with different eyes. "I want to see the Christ Man," cried one of the characters in a famous novel. And it was a man who had been completely captured by the spirit of Jesus who inspired that cry. That something rare and radiant and gracious has passed into the life of the world from the Man of Galilee all the world knows. When we come to ask just what this spirit has meant to the world, perhaps the answer is that it has meant a certain vital and persistent honesty and good will. Because Jesus lived and died, it is harder for men everywhere to be dishonest. Because He has been a part of the experience of men, it is easier for men everywhere to put costly good will in the place of hard and sordid selfishness and ill will. There is a golden thread of noble integrity running through the life of twenty centuries because of His influence. His strange and beautiful eyes look straight into the hearts of men when they are tempted to forget the good of their fellows. Somehow His voice is never silent when the smallest and least noticed of men are forgotten in the rough turmoil of life. And His presence is always potent when men embark upon difficult enterprises in behalf of human good. It is harder for us to tell lies to ourselves because He gave truth such glorious and dazzling life. This heritage of honesty and good will is the priceless possession of the Christian college. It must invest this treasure anew in the life of every generation.—Lynn Harold Hough in Religion and Life.

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## Personal and Other Items

REV. R. B. MOORE, pastor of Asbury Church  
to which the next Governor, Homer Adkins  
belongs, was selected to open the Democratic  
Convention held in this city on Tuesday.

REV. S. M. YANCEY, after closing the best  
session in the history of the Western Meth-  
odist Assembly at Mt. Sequoyah, is this week  
representing the Assembly at the Nebraska and  
Southwest Missouri Conferences.

REV. J. H. CLAYBORN, who was for many  
years editor of the Southern Christian Re-  
corder, organ of the African Methodist Church,  
and who, since the death of President Gregg of  
Shorter College, the institution of that denom-  
ination in North Little Rock, has recently been  
elected its president.

JUDGE HEARTSILL RAGON, who unexpect-  
edly died of a heart attack last Sunday,  
aged 58, had made a remarkable record. A grad-  
uate of the College of the Ozarks, Clarksville, he  
had been a member of the Legislature, prose-  
cuting attorney, a member of Congress for ten  
years, and Federal Judge for the last seven  
years. Presiding over the court during this sum-  
mer when the celebrated cases of men tried for  
conspiring to transport liquor into dry states, he  
had made an outstanding record. In these days  
it is a public calamity to lose an official of his  
high character.

REV. CLEM N. BAKER, Executive Secretary  
of the Board of Education of Little Rock  
Conference, has been elected Executive Secre-  
tary of the Board of Education of the South  
Central Jurisdiction, at a meeting held at Okla-  
homa City last week. Having served as Secre-  
tary of Education of Little Rock Conference for  
twenty-five years, Bro. Baker has held that  
office longer than any other secretary in the  
Church. As a member of the General Board  
of Education of the Methodist Church, South,  
and trustee of Hendrix College, Brother Baker  
has won recognition of all Methodism as un-  
usually qualified for this kind of work and his  
election to this new position is logical. It is  
not now known where his headquarters will be;  
but he will for the present maintain his office  
in our city. We congratulate him on his promo-  
tion.

REV. W. C. LEWIS, our pastor at Horatio, in-  
vites all former pastors to attend the open-  
ing of the new parsonage and Education Build-  
ing on Sept. 29.

LAW is man's oldest and newest achievement.  
No one can flaunt the moral order with im-  
punity—no individual, no state. Like shining  
rails traversing a continent, it runs abreast our  
civilization bearing precious freight. Let men  
leave those, and they are destroyed. This is  
equally true of one man or of many, however  
different the punishment meted out.—Chas. W.  
Harris in Religion in Life.

LORD ROCHESTER, the vice-president-desig-  
nate of the Methodist Conference of Britain,  
is a layman of outstanding integrity and unself-  
ish service. Though active in business and the  
political life of his country he has found time  
to take part in Methodist affairs. He is the vice-  
president of the National Children's Home and  
Orphanage, and for twenty-two years has served  
as treasurer of the Methodist Temperance and  
Social Welfare Department.—Ex.

MAYOR LA GUARDIA, of New York City,  
has been making a vigorous attack against  
obscene literature. The mayor listed forty-two  
magazines whose decency he questioned and de-  
scribed thirty-four of them as "filthy." He told  
a group of publishers in his office that unless  
they withdrew the objectionable literature from  
the New York newstands it would be subject to  
collection by the department of sanitation trucks  
as "garbage."—Ex.

WILLIAM ADAMS BROWN was born into a  
family of vast business influence and high  
social distinction. For him opportunities could  
have been found in almost any field he cared  
to enter. When he chose the ministry, he could  
have adopted the language of Professor Ladd—  
he would never have thought of doing it—"My  
contribution to charity is \$50,000 annually, that  
being the amount I would have made in busi-  
ness." His father was a church leader and his  
mother a profoundly religious woman. Her  
father was a clergyman, and she brought up her  
first-born to think of the ministry as the most  
exalted office to which men can attain. When  
later she heard him preach, she thought not of  
her son in the pulpit, but of a voice through  
which a higher than man brought her a mes-  
sage concerning the eternities.—John W. Lang-  
don in Religion in Life.

## BOOK REVIEW

*He Heard America Sing*; by Claire Lee Purdy;  
pictures by Dorothea Cooke; published by  
Julian Messner, Inc., New York City; price  
\$2.50.

This is the story of Stephen Foster. It is  
a biography designed specially for children. All  
the scenes and people and events are delineated  
with charm and wisdom. When you have fin-  
ished reading its fascinating pages you close the  
book and lay it aside reluctantly. You feel that  
Stephen Foster has become a vivid personality  
and a close friend of yours. You even fancy  
that you can hear America sing and wish that  
you might walk with Foster through America  
in our day and catch the swing of America's  
song of hope and courage. The book will make  
a charming gift for your boys and girls.

*Uprooted America*; edited by Benson Y. Landis;  
published by the Friendship Press, New  
York; price 60 cents.

This packet consists of five pamphlets  
dealing with the problems growing out of our  
shifting population. Each pamphlet is the work  
of an expert. They are: "The Genesis of Exo-  
dus," by Benson Y. Landis, "Youth On the High-  
way," by Margaret Weddell Brandon, "The Fam-  
ily Pulls Up Stakes," by Grace Sloan Overton,  
"The Church Serving the Migrants," by Ethel  
Prince Miller, "Ministering to Shifting Popu-  
lations," by Mark A. Dawber. These discussions  
are enlightening and full of timely suggestions  
for ways and means by which the church may  
most effectively serve this shifting population.  
They make it clear that religion is the only sal-  
vation for the problems of "Uprooted Ameri-  
cans." This is a group of discussions everyone  
should read.

## DEATH OF BISHOP CHITAMBER

BISHOP JASHWANT RAO CHITAMBER, the  
first native of India to be elected a Meth-  
odist bishop passed away Sept. 4. Son of a high-  
cast Brahman, who had been converted to Chris-  
tianity, he was well educated and had been a  
teacher and president of Lucknow Christian  
College. He was a personal friend of Gandhi,  
and was well known in this country. He was  
elected bishop by the Central Conference of  
Southern Asia in 1930. He had just returned  
to India from attending the General Conference  
at Atlantic City.

## HELP! HELP!

HOW? The brewers are afraid of Act No. 2,  
and are trying to keep it off the November  
ballot. In their complaint to the Supreme Court,  
they are charging that many signatures on the  
petitions are illegal. We know that many of  
their charges will not stand investigation; but  
Supt. C. C. Coulter will be kept very busy  
checking up to disprove the charges. It will  
be necessary to go to the records in the different  
counties, and he is asking that those who cir-  
culated petitions help to verify the correctness  
of their petitions. Friends who will do this  
should write him immediately. In this emerg-  
ency money is needed, and friends are urged  
to send in voluntary offerings. With co-oper-  
ation we can win. Do not fail us.

## SUNDAY AT DEVAL'S BLUFF

REV. W. W. NELSON, our pastor at DeVal's  
Bluff, having an engagement elsewhere last  
Sunday, invited me to fill his pulpit in the  
morning. Met at the train by my good friend  
I. B. Nicholson, who was a member when I was  
Presiding Elder, I was quickly conveyed to the  
church and pressed into service to teach his  
Men's Class. Mr. Mode Kirk is the efficient  
Superintendent of this Sunday School. At  
eleven I preached to a fair congregation and  
then had a bountiful dinner in the home of  
Mr. and Mrs. Youngman, where a number of  
friends were dining. Senator T. P. Atkins, who  
died recently, had been superintendent of the  
Sunday School for some forty years, and the late  
Judge J. G. Thweatt, who had been the financial  
pillar of the church, dear friends, were missed.  
I had a pleasant visit with Mrs. Thweatt, now in  
her 83rd year, and found her sensible and cheer-  
ful in spite of her losses and bereavement. She  
is the daughter of the late Dr. John McLaugh-  
lin, a prominent member of Little Rock Confer-  
ence. Appreciation was expressed by several  
of the fine union meeting held this summer in  
which Baptists, Presbyterians and Methodists  
participated. Our church is numerically weak,  
but is doing well under the capable leadership  
of Bro. Nelson. While the town is not a strong  
business point, being on the bank of White  
River, it looked prosperous and attractive with  
many beautiful homes and big forest trees. There  
is a strong consolidated High School, with Mrs.  
James Thweatt as Superintendent, ten teachers,  
400 students, 150 in the high school classes, a  
large substantial building, and a Home Eco-  
nomics building under construction. I return-  
ed on the bus and thus saw the unusually fine  
fields of rice. Other crops look fair. Meeting  
old friends and making new, I enjoyed the visit.  
—A. C. M.

## CIRCULATION REPORT

SINCE last report the following subscriptions  
have been received: Henderson, H. H. Mc-  
Guyre, 2; Ash Flat, Luther Love, 100%; 8; Des  
Arc, W. W. Nelson, 2; Fordyce, E. W. Harris, by  
Mrs. E. S. Spraggins, 5; Junction City, R., O.  
Beck, 1; Asbury, R. B. Moore, Hardin Bale fin-  
ishes 100%, 15; Norphlet, L. C. Gatlin, 10; War-  
ren, L. E. N. Hundley, 1; Rison, J. D. Montgom-  
ery, 2; Elnora, Harold Spence, 2; Leola, A. J.  
Bearden, 3; Perry, A. H. DuLaney, 2; Second  
Church, Fort Smith, J. J. Galloway, 3. For  
these good reports, brethren, accept our thanks.  
Will many others follow with subscriptions for  
new members? Why not? It will pay in addi-  
tional church loyalty and interest.

**BOARD CHANGES AT NASHVILLE**

With new headquarters of the Methodist Church to be set up in Nashville as a result of the reunion many new faces will be seen here as leaders from the former Methodist Episcopal and Methodist Protestant branches arrive to take posts as officials of the Board of Education in the new organization.

The Board of Education will have its headquarters in the Methodist Publishing House and will occupy the second, third, fourth and fifth floors of the main building at 810 Broadway, beginning about October 1. The educational setup at Nashville will include a number of officials from former Chicago and Pittsburgh headquarters. Among those coming from the headquarters of the northern and Protestant branches are: H. W. McPherson, H. D. Bollinger, H. A. Ehrensperger, M. S. Davage, Frank H. West, F. W. Stephenson, Merrill J. Holmes, N. F. Forsyth, Edith F. Welker, Doris Dennison, Lucy V. Bickel, Edward D. Staples, Charles M. Bowman, Jessie M. Beck, Corliss P. Hargraves, E. Mae Young, Emily Hodder and Wade C. Barclay.

The Editorial Division of the Board of Education is under the supervision of the Committee on Publications. Heading the Editorial Division and responsible for the editorship of publications for 43,000 church schools, are: Dr. Lucius H. Bugbee, editor and Dr. C. A. Bowen, coordinate associate editor. They will get out periodicals with a total circulation of more than six million copies per issue.

The Commission on Evangelism, which in the southern church has hitherto been a department of the Board of Missions, will establish headquarters in the American Trust Building, moving from the Doctors' Building on September 28. Dr. Harry Denman and Dr. Grover C. Emmons, the Executive secretaries, will head the staff. Dr. Emmons, editor of the devotional booklet called the Upper Room, says that both the English and Spanish editions of that religious quarterly, which has a circulation of more than one million copies per issue, will continue to be printed in Nashville.

The Board of Lay Activities which had its origin in the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and has been carried over into the union. About the first of October it will move from Nashville to its new location at 740 Rush St., Chicago. In addition to Dr. G. L. Morelock, the Executive head, there will go from Nashville Misses Kate Neblett and Mae Conatser.

Exodus from Board of Missions headquarters will not begin until the latter part of December, at which time Nashvillians who have imposed the officary and staff of the former Board of Missions, will move to New York City, headquarters of the successor board, the Board of Missions and Church Extension. In New York, 150 Fifth Avenue and other sites are under consideration as headquarters.

Nashville, long regarded as headquarters city of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, while offering a loss in the transfer of the Board of Missions and Church

Extension to another city, will gain approximately as many persons as it has lost in becoming the national educational center of the Methodist Church. Approximately one hundred persons, with their families, will arrive at an early date to assume connectional tasks.

**MEXICO OPENS COUNTRY TO SPANISH REFUGEES**

The greatest migration of liberals from Europe, since the great exodus to the United States after the 1848 revolutions, may be the outcome of an agreement signed between Spain and Mexico at Vichy, France, on August 29th. Mexico agreed to accept an undetermined number of Loyalist refugees for colonization.

More than a year ago President Cardenas granted haven to thousands of these Spanish political refugees who fought for liberty in their homeland. Under the new agreement, it is possible that 250,000 Spaniards now in France may find homes in the New World.

The defeat of France, in June, caused consternation among the refugees, who were faced with the possibility of being driven back into Spain, where they would have been at the mercy of Franco—or of falling into the hands of Hitler or Mussolini. It was feared this trio would make short work of the liberty-loving Loyalists.

With funds and ships uncertain and the war making the world situation precarious, Mexico made no promise as to the exact number of refugees it would accept. The arrangement, however, is far from one-sided. While Mexico is making a great humanitarian gesture, it will also gain thousands of militant supporters of democracy, whose belief in liberty has met the test of fire and sword. They will form a strong bulwark against the spread of totalitarianism south of the Rio Grande.

This may be extremely important in the days to come, for the dictators of Europe are busy selling Franco's particular brand of Fascism to Mexicans. Spanish leaders talk much of a revival of the old empire of Spanish Catholic kings—or a modern equivalent, which probably means Franco. Latin-American Fascism is definitely religious in character, and one of the big objectives is to enlarge the power of the Roman Catholic Church. This appeals to many conservatives throughout South and Central America.

Another important argument raised in favor of Fascism in these countries is the common Spanish cultural background they share. It has been pointed out that the democratic political philosophy is borrowed from the Anglo-Saxons and not suited for the Latin peoples. Advocates of Fascism urge a return to a political setup modeled after modern Spain as being more in keeping with the Latin nature.

Observers on the scene reason that this gives the Franco brand of Fascism the greatest chance of success in Latin America. If it should succeed in gaining a foothold, the United States would have difficulty in dodging some of the responsibility. It will be remembered that this country indirectly aided Franco to win the Civil War when Congress passed the Embargo Act making it impossible to ship arms and munitions to the Loyalists. At the same time, Franco was well supplied with war materials from Hitler and Mussolini.—Scottish Rite Bulletin.

**The Campus Goes Co-operative**  
By SUSIE MCKINNON MILLAR

**CHAPTER XXXVII**

"Well of all things!" cried Rebecca, looking at Helen in amazement. "You needn't snap Frieda's head off. I'm sure she didn't spill the gravy on you just for spite, as you say. Just forget it. The gravy will wash out, and there's still plenty for lunch. Poor Frieda is heartbroken because you scolded her. Now she won't eat a bite, and she's been working so hard to have it all extra good. What's got into you lately, Helen? You're not a bit like yourself."

"Oh, for goodness sake," snapped Helen. "I've had enough of this joint and the sloppy, careless bunch that's trying to run it. I'm through, through I tell you. If it takes this to get an education, I'm asking you, is it worth it?" And she turned and fled to her room.

Rebecca shrugged her shoulder, took a cloth and cleaned up the spilled gravy as best she could. "Well, that's that," she thought. "I'm glad Helen blew off as soon as she did and got to her room and finished slamming the door. Here come the others and we'll have lunch. I'll not mention this explosion. I might blow up too if I did. After lunch I'll carry Frieda a tray, and maybe—just maybe—I'll look in on Helen and see if she's cooled off. I'll say she's been touchy now for days."

The girls came in, hungry and eager for their lunch. They accepted without question Rebecca's statement that Frieda was tired out and lying down and would rather not be disturbed and that Helen was very busy and would not eat until later. All during the meal they talked eagerly of the day's happenings and of their plans for the few remaining weeks of school, what they hoped to do during the vacation and how they were going to live in the Coop the next school year and make it better than ever.

Lois turned to Rebecca and said, "Becky, my love, I haven't heard you say a thing since this big talk started. Have you lost your interest in Old Welton? Or your taste for the Coop? Don't begin mooning about your good-looking farmer-lad. He'll be waiting when you finish your course here, whether it be three years or three times three. With your home economics courses and your practical experience in this Coop for four years, you'll be the perfect little helper for him in his work, and take it from me, he thinks so, too."

Rebecca shook her head and said, "What Martin does or doesn't think won't make a go of this Coop. I'm taking my four years' course come what may, but I'm not counting on this Coop lasting that long. If it lasts the rest of this year it will surprise me."

"Oh, for crying out loud," said Flora, "what's eating you? We're not about to go to pieces. If you ask me, I'll say we're just beginning to find out what it's all about. Why, we're going strong and nobody can stop us. It's not like you to get jittery. Cut it out. We can't get along without you. How'd you get that way?"

"Can't help it!" said Rebecca. "That's what I think and I pointedly do feel jittery and it wouldn't

surprise me if this joint blew up almost any minute."

"But, Becky," asked Lynn, "what has happened?"

"Forget it!" said Rebecca. "And, I'm doing the dishes, so the sooner you scatter for your afternoon's work the better it will suit me. Don't worry about the Coop. It'll be here when you get home tonight." She gathered up a stack of dishes and started to the kitchen. Olive followed with another stack and said, "I'm not very busy this afternoon. You'd better let me help you. There is such a stack of them and something tells me you've about caught up on all this mess. I don't wonder. It can surely get tiresome."

"Thanks a lot Olive, said Rebecca. "You're a slick little number, but your offer helps enormously, and just for that I'll tell you it's not the dishes that have got me down. It's Helen and Frieda. Helen blew up and she's up in her room cooling off. No, don't go up to see about her. She needs to be left to herself for a while. I do, too, so run along and leave me to cool off. Get home as early as you can and I'll tell you about it then."

"But I don't like to walk out on you, Becky," protested Olive, "when you might need me."

"I do need you, Olive," said Rebecca, "but I need you to walk out on me, as you say, and give me a chance to cool off."

"O. K., precious. You're the doctor. So long. I'm off. I'll be back early, real early."

Left alone Rebecca worked swiftly and effectively and soon the kitchen was in order, and she had regained her poise. She prepared and carried a dainty tray to Frieda, and chatted gaily with her for a few minutes, telling her of the plans the girls were making. When she started out with the tray she said, "Now, take my advice, like a good girl and stay in bed until time for dinner tonight. Olive and I are planning the dinner, so be there with bells on."

She took the tray down and stood quietly thinking for a few minutes. Then, throwing back her shoulders, she marched up to Helen's door and knocked. The noises inside ceased, and, after a moment Helen called, "Come in" and as Rebecca entered, brushed a pile of her things from a chair and pushed it forward. "Sit here. And excuse the confusion. I'll have to keep right on with the packing if I expect to get it done."

Rebecca looked around at the confusion, blinked and bit her lip. Then she reached down and gathered up an armful of clothing and sat down and began smoothing the things out and folding them neatly. "You'd better let me help you pack," she said, "I'm good at that."

Helen looked around, surprised and relieved. She had expected a stormy interview with Rebecca and had steeled herself against reproaches. She was not prepared for such mildness.

"Thank you, Becky. You are onto that job, I see. And I need help, and a lot of it. I thought I knew how to pack, but I'm trying to think out and plan so many things at once that my mind is in worse confusion than this room."

"Tell me some of the things you are planning, and maybe I can help you there, too," said Rebecca with forced calm.

"Well, first thing, all the Coop accounts, plans and books are in the drawers of the desk in our office. Here's the key, and Olive

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knows as much about the business as I do, and you too, for that matter."

"Yes, I think perhaps we do. I'll give Olive the key if you're not here when she gets home. How soon are you leaving? And where are you going?"

"As soon as ever I can get these things packed," said Helen. "I thought I'd go to one of the hotels down town tonight and have my trunks sent down and maybe stored until I find me a job. I'll go to one of the nearby towns and look for work."

"Looking for work ought to be easy. Finding it is something else beside. Too bad you decided on going just now while Miss Matthews is away at that conference in the East. She might have helped you find a job. She'll be terribly disappointed when she comes back and finds you gone."

Helen turned her back on Rebecca and caught her breath on what sounded mighty like a sob, but Rebecca paid not the slightest attention to it.

The two girls worked quietly for several minutes; then Rebecca said, "Oh, I've an idea that might help. At least it would save you a little money, and it's a good idea to think of that and save all you can until you get a job. My idea will save a little."

"What is it? I'll have to save in every way I can for I don't suppose I'll make much at first."

"My plan is for you to leave your trunks here in this room, and we'll just lock the door. We won't need this room right away. We may not even get a girl to take your place until next year. Oh, by the way, who do you suppose they'll get to take your place as French tutor? I guess that doesn't matter, though. There's sure to be somebody to take anybody's place."

Helen turned and looked at Rebecca reproachfully. "Becky, I don't believe you care!"

"Oh yes, I care and you know it," replied Rebecca. "But you are old enough to know your own mind and you declared in no uncertain terms and quite emphatically that you were through and couldn't stand us any longer. I can see how we might get on your nerves. None of us know anything about the little refinements of life that have always added grace and ease and color to yours. We're crude, but we mean well, and we love you and hope you'll always remember us kindly."

"Oh, for pity sakes, Becky, stop it. You make me so ashamed. You are every one ten times more worthwhile than I am. I don't see how you have put up with me and my silly self-centered ways. For weeks now I've been simply horrid. Why did you put up with me?"

"Because we loved you," answered Rebecca matter-of-factly. "Now about your trunks. Leave them here and when you decide where you want them, I'll have Rob come and get them and take them to you. Poor old Rob. I hate to tell him you have left. He'll be so disappointed. He's so proud of what we've done here and so sure it's going to be a success because you were here to see it through. The last time he was here, he said, 'I'll tell you, Sis, the rest of you may fall down on your jobs or even walk out, but Helen, never! I'm telling you, there's a fighter, and whatever she undertakes she'll see through. She's no

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### EDITOR'S NOTE

Dear Co-workers, I wish to extend to you my appreciation of your hearty co-operation in making this department helpful and interesting. I am with you for service in this wider undertaking which we are just now launching. I want each Auxiliary in the Little Rock Conference and each Auxiliary in the North Arkansas Conference to consider me a charter member of your organization and so place me on your roll. I pledge you service to the best of my ability, as editor of our department.—Susie McKinnon Millar.

### ASBURY AUXILIARY

The women of Asbury Methodist gathered Sept. 6, and organized the new Women's Society of Christian Service. The following officers were elected and installed by the pastor:

Vice-Pres., Mrs. C. E. Bennett; Recording Sec., Mrs. Harold Ford; Corresponding Sec., Mrs. W. S. Ecord; Treasurer, Mrs. James Allen; Local Treasurer, Mrs. W. H. McCain; Sec. of Missionary Education and Service, Mrs. Roland Shelton; Sec. of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, Mrs. M. E. Couch; Sec. of Young Women's and Girls' Group, Mrs. N. R. Simpson. Sec. of Children's Work, Mrs. Fay Nunnally; Sec. of Literature and Publications, Mrs. W. A. Clark; Sec. of Preparation

quitter.' He'll be terribly disappointed."

Helen turned and looked at Rebecca a long moment. Then she threw herself face down across the bed and was silent for many minutes. At last she sat up and dumped the contents of her bags on the floor, stood up and went over and put her hands on Rebecca's shoulders and shook her as she cried, "Becky, darling, will you let me stay? I'll be good, so good you won't know me."

"Stay," laughed Rebecca, "I'll say you can stay, but don't go too goody, goody on me. I don't want you so good I wouldn't know you."

"But what will we tell the other girls?" asked Helen anxiously.

"Nothing," said Rebecca.

"But all this mess. How can I explain it?" persisted Helen.

"Don't."

"But—"

"Well, if you must explain, spring house-cleaning is a good idea and might be turned into a good example for some of the rest of us. And don't worry over this. I'm the only one that's wise to this fancy stunt of yours."

"Becky, how can I ever thank you? And you haven't told! You darling. I'm safe in your hands."

"No," said Rebecca, "I haven't told, but I'm telling Olive, because I can't take the entire responsibility of your artistic temperament. I'm meeting Olive in the kitchen now. Be down in time for dinner."

"I'll be there," said Helen, "and I'll leave my temper behind."

(To be continued)

School Age, Mrs. Maple; Sec. of Supplies, Mrs. J. C. Haynes.

Every woman present was made a charter member.

### TEXARKANA-FAIRVIEW AUXILIARY

The last meeting of the WMS of Fairview Methodist church was held Monday. The meeting was opened with a Scripture reading by Mrs. Charles Gardner, and prayer by Mrs. W. M. Bengé.

The business meeting was held with Mrs. Joe Norwood presiding. Reports of the various officers were heard. The past presidents had been invited to attend and each one present made a short talk. Mrs. W. M. Bengé was the first president of the W. M. S., serving in this capacity for 19 years. The Society has honored her by presenting her a life membership.

Other past presidents attending were Mrs. C. F. Burgess, Mrs. S. E. Lee, Mrs. Ira Hunt, Mrs. Otto Forehand, Miss Ona Wilson, Mrs. Dan Marshall, and Mrs. L. J. Thompson. Mrs. O. M. Parsons and Mrs. T. W. Elgin had also served, but were not present.

Mrs. Joe Norwood, the last president, made a short talk. Rev. Otto Teague, pastor, concluded the meeting with an inspiring message.—Mrs. C. I. Parsons.

### HUNTINGTON AVENUE AUXILIARY

The women of Huntington Avenue Church, Jonesboro, held their Charter meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service on September 4, in the home of Mrs. Roy Albright. The program and ritual were in charge of the pastor, B. L. Wilford. Mrs. J. D. Lambeth was re-elected President; Mrs. Donald Farrar, Vice President; Mrs. M. D. Cothorn, Recording Secretary; Mrs. W. I. Pitts, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Lee Elrod, Treasurer; Mrs. G. A. Drake, Sec. Missionary Education and Study; and Mrs. H. W. Bauch, Sec. Christian Social Relations. The following Tuesday, the newly elected officers were installed and the first literary meeting held in the home of Mrs. W. M. Freeze with Mrs. M. D. Cothorn in charge of the program on "Investing our Heritage." Delicious refreshments were served and there was a good attendance. A large delegation from Huntington Avenue attended the District Study Leaders' Meeting at Bay, September 12.—Mrs. G. A. Drake.

### FAIRVIEW AUXILIARY

The Fairview ladies had an impressive ceremony Monday afternoon when the Missionary Society became the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Forty-four ladies signed the charter. Rev. F. L. Arnold presided and the following program was given: Statement of the purpose, by the Pastor; Temporary Secretary, Mrs. J. W. Miller; Unison prayer led by Bro. Arnold; Statement of the purpose and plan, by the Secretary.

Signing of the charter. Mrs. D. A. Lambert at the piano and the quartet sang during the signing of the charter. Mrs. Homer Anderson gave the following reports of officers which was unanimously accepted:

President, Mrs. A. N. Foyle; Vice President, Mrs. J. F. Bullock; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Claude McCaskill; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Joe Bullock; Treasurer, Mrs. R. H. Shaddock. Secretary of Literature and Publications, Mrs. J. W. Miller; Secretary of Christian So-

cial Relations and Local Church Activities, Mrs. Curtis Calahan; Secretary of Student Work, Mrs. D. A. Lambert; Secretary of Children's Work, Mrs. D. W. Burton; Secretary of Missionary Education, Mrs. Bruce Mann; Secretary of Supplies, Mrs. G. H. Garner.

The President gave a charge to the new Society. Bro. Arnold conducted the installation service after which the communion was held and a love offering was given.

### MACEY AUXILIARY

Mrs. J. E. Harrell was hostess to the last meeting of our Missionary Society, Sept. 6, with eight members present. The Scripture reading was by Mrs. C. E. Gilliam and prayer by Mrs. Harrell. Reports were given.

A fruit shower was given our vice president, Mrs. Rena Gragg. After the meeting, a study was made on our summer Bible Study, and plans made to finish the study book on Sept. 13. Our Day of Prayer Retreat, on August 28, with Monette and Black Oak Auxiliaries as visitors, was helpful. We mention the special meeting of much spiritual inspiration on Sunday, Sept. 1, when Mrs. Hettie Gragg, age 79 years, Mrs. Hettie Foster, age 70 years, and Mrs. Martha Pitts, age 65 years, were presented vases filled with beautiful flowers, in appreciation of their loyal devotion as its three oldest members, they being enrolled some fifty years and of whom it may truly be said of each, "She hath done what she could."—Society Reporter.

### ZONE MEETING AT OLA

A call meeting of the Belle Bennett Zone was held at Ola, August 30, for the instruction in the new "set-up" for the Woman's Division of Christian Service. The program was as follows: Opening address, Mrs. Baxter Gatlin, president of the Zone. Devotional, Rev. E. T. Wayland. General instruction on new "set-up" by Mrs. Wayland. Discussion on Finances and Explanation of the Department of Literature and Publications by Mrs. T. A. Hillis. Outstanding Personalities at Mt. Sequoyah, Mrs. Lindsey of Adkins. Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities by Miss Ethel Millar. Offering \$3.56.

The Chairman appointed a committee to select a Zone Baby, which consisted of Mrs. R. B. Chitwood, of Ola, Mrs. Dover Green of Plainview, and Mrs. W. A. Swilling of Havana.

The meeting was adjourned to await further instructions as to change in organization.—Georgia Hooper, Secretary.

### 28TH STREET AUXILIARY

The women of the 28th Street church met Sept. 3, for their organization meeting. The pastor presided. Forty-three persons were enrolled and a love offering of \$7.00 was laid on the table.

After the election of the president, Mrs. C. F. Fowler, then took the chair. The nominating committee read the slate which was accepted. The following were elected: Pres., Mrs. C. F. Fowler; Vice Pres., Mrs. Robert Derden; Rec. Sec., Mrs. F. S. Jones; Cor. Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Pierce Osbourne; Sec. Supplies, Mrs. Addie Rankin; Sec. Lit. and Publications, Mrs. W. S. Perry; Sec. Miss. Education and Service, Mrs. B. F. Fitzhugh; Sec. Children's Work, Mrs. P. W. Mason; Sec. Christian Social Relations and

Local Church Activities, Mrs. Edith Heuston.

Circle No. 2. Chairman, Mrs. James Nolting; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Luther Caudle; Sec. Literature and Publications, Mrs. D. D. Rev-eley; Sec. Finance, Mrs. George Templeton; Sec. Social Relations and Christian Service, Mrs. Earl Chastain. These officers were installed by the pastor.

The monthly business session was held.

Recognition was given five charter members of the first Missionary Society of our church who were present. They were: Mrs. Lelea Kimball, Mrs. Addie Rankin, Mrs. Kate Douglas, Mrs. Ada Turner and Mrs. J. A. Jones.

Committees were named.—Mrs. Edith Heuston.

#### STUTTGART AUXILIARY

After a month of earnest planning by a large and zealous committee, the Woman's Society of Christian Service of First Church, of Stuttgart, came into being Sept. 5 with a registration of 137 charter members, and Mrs. Fred Mahle unanimously the choice for the president.

Other officers are: Mrs. R. R. Pullig, Vice President; Mrs. Bob Wilbanks, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Russell McCollum, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Paul Daniels, Treasurer; Mrs. M. T. McCollum, Secretary of Missionary Education and Service; Mrs. A. F. Knoll, Secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities; Mrs. R. E. Holt, Secretary of Literature and Publications; Mrs. Robt. Bonner, Secretary of Supplies. Mrs. O. R. Davidson, Secretary of Children's Work.

Rev. R. L. Long stated the organization purpose. Mrs. A. G. Brummitt was elected temporary Secretary. Mrs. M. F. Drennon, as a charter member of the former Woman's Missionary Society, was asked to sit at the table with her. Both were presented lovely corsages by Mrs. R. L. Long.

On the table lay a red leather-bound record book. In the front was pasted recent press clippings, which record past history of the church and womens' groups, and in red ink was printed above the roll the pledge taken in signing.

First to register was little Miss Jo Ann John, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Porter John, who was honorarily made a baby member through the payment of five dollars as a gift from her grandmother, Mrs. R. E. John, and great-grandmother, Mrs. J. I. Porter. Next thus honored was little Miss Mary Roberta Townsend, daughter of Mrs. Mark Townsend, by her grandmother Mrs. R. E. Holt. Then little Miss Nancy Terry McCollum, daughter of Mrs. Russell McCollum, who was presented her life membership by Circle 3, of which her mother is chairman. Little Katherine Deane McCollum, daughter of Mrs. M. T. McCollum, and Martha Jo, daughter of Mrs. C. C. Dehne, also registered by way of a contribution by their mothers. Thus the babies added charm and sentimentality to this signing. 137 names were enlisted, a few by request, accompanied by an initial love offering. As each registered she was given an attractive charter member certificate. During the entire registration service, sacred hymns were sung by a quartet composed of Mrs. M. F. Elms, Mrs. Frank Holder, Mrs. A. R. Davidson,

Mrs. Robt. Bonner, accompanied at the organ by Mrs. R. E. John.

The officers named by the nominating committee were elected, and Mrs. Mahle took the chair. She was immediately presented with a beautiful silver vase, filigree trim, engraved "Woman's Missionary Society, 1940" as a token of love and appreciation of her services as the president the last three years. Mrs. Mahle responded graciously. She then named the chairman of several standing committees.

The W. S. C. S. will hold its next meeting Sept. 26, when the newly elected officers will be installed and committees announced. Mrs. Mahle extending thanks to all committees, which helped to put the charter meeting over. She pronounced a serious charge. And with the singing and a prayer by Bro. Long, ended a historic action in the life of Stuttgart's First Church. The ladies retired to a beautifully decorated social room of the church where punch was served from a lace-covered table. Around the bowl was a wreath of baby rose buds set in clematis. Cakes were served from original wire baskets, with pastel colored mints. Miss Margaret Hill and Mrs. M. T. McCollum were in charge of the church decorations and serving punch. Piano and violin music, by Miss Jerry Holder, Miss Bonnie Elms, Miss Virginia Jane Anderson, Miss Shirley Noble, Miss Wanda Wilkins, Miss Gladys Wilcox and Miss Danna Boncher, who attired in colorful formals, also served the punch. Publicity Chairman.—Jessie Lowe Knoll.

#### WHEATLEY AUXILIARY

On Sept. 4, Rev. Mr. Harger, Pastor, called the meeting to order. Following the order of service, twenty women placed their names on the charter membership roll.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. W. W. Owens; Vice President, Miss Mamye Lyon; Secretary, Mrs. S. P. Brownlee Sr.; Treasurer, Mrs. F. C. Miller; Secretary of Missionary Education and Service, Mrs. H. K. Smith. Secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, Mrs. George Smith; Secretary of Literature and Publications, Mrs. M. C. Brownlee; Secretary of Supplies, Mrs. L. McPhaul; Secretary of Student Work, Doris Hemingway; Secretary of Children's, Girls' and Young Women's Work, Mrs. H. J. Harger; Secretary of Children's Work, Mrs. H. Williamson.

Following the business session Mrs. George Smith, retiring President, and Mrs. W. W. Owens, incoming President, were hostesses during a pleasant social hour.—Mrs. M. C. Brownlee, Sec. of Literature and Publications.

#### MORRILTON AUXILIARY

Approximately fifty women met at the charter meeting of the "Woman's Society of Christian Service" in the church.

The meeting was opened by Mrs. William Stover, retiring president. The group sang, "Faith of Our Fathers" as an opening number. The pastor, Rev. J. Albert Gatlin, told the purpose of the meeting. He read Romans 12 and followed with prayer.

Mrs. Charles Birdwell was appointed secretary. During the ritual fifty-four names were placed on the honor roll. Mrs. Tom Massey sang a number of songs appropriate to the occasion and was accompan-

ied by Miss Annie Brannan at the organ.

"Our Heritage" was ably given by Mrs. Gatlin. The slate of officers read by Mrs. J. G. Moore installed by the pastor.

The new president announced the Conference charter meeting to be held October 8, in Russellville. Mrs. A. E. Holloway was elected alternate delegate.

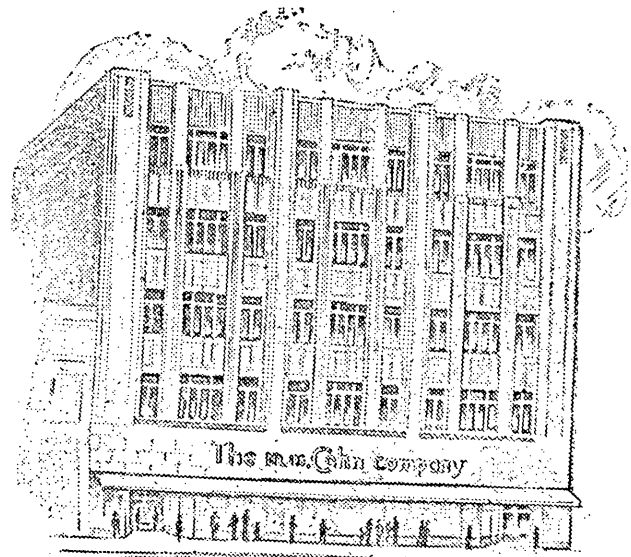
New officers: Vice-president, Mrs. Ed Gordon; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Charles L. Farish; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Pryor Cruce; Connectional Treasurer, Mrs. J. G. Moore. Local Treasurer, Mrs. John LaFerry; Secretary Missionary Education and Service, Mrs. Garland Dowdle; Secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, Mrs. William Stover; Secretary of Student Work, Mrs. George Overstreet; Secretary of Children's Work, Mrs. D. F. Newkirk and Mrs. John Sikes; Secretary of Literature and Publications,

Mrs. Wilbur Britt; Secretary of supplies, Mrs. Will Wear. Members of the standing committees: Executive, Mrs. Hellums, Chairman; Spiritual Life, Mrs. M. H. Pierce, Chairman; Program, Mrs. Ed Gordon; Finance, Mrs. J. G. Moore. Membership, Mrs. J. C. Hart Chairman; Fellowship, Mrs. Ray Williams, Chairman; Status of Women, Mrs. W. P. Scarlett, Chairman; and Publicity and Printing.—Mrs. Chas. Farish.

#### CHARTER SERVICE AT WINFIELD

The women of Winfield met at the church Monday to organize the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Mrs. R. G. Paschal, President, presided over the business session. The Rev. Gaston Foote spoke on the new Society.

Mrs. James L. Verhoeff gave an interesting history of the Woman's Missionary Society of Winfield. Past presidents were recognized, and Mrs. Verhoeff paid tribute to



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them, and other church leaders. Mrs. Paschal was presented with a lovely corsage of pink roses.

Mrs. Rufus Hunt presented a beautiful basket of red roses and white chrysanthemums in memory of her mother, Mrs. B. F. Lewis, who was an active member of Winfield Church for forty years and circle chairman for over twenty years.

Mrs. A. T. Toors, Mrs. L. J. Ashby, Mrs. E. A. Lillis, Mrs. S. J. Newman, and Mrs. F. C. Morton, charter members of Winfield Society, were given roses by Mrs. Hunt in recognition of their long and faithful service of over forty years.

An impressive charter service was held with Mrs. James Verhoeff as leader of the ritual. Mrs. E. V. Markham and Mrs. Rufus Hunt were in charge of the Charter Roll. Eighty-nine signed the charter.

The following officers were elected and installed by the Rev. Hal Pinnell: President, Mrs. R. G. Paschal; Vice President, Mrs. Paul E. James; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Crawford Greene; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. H. C. Graham; Treasurer, Mrs. James Thomas; Secretary of Literature and Publicity, Mrs. Rufus Hunt; Secretary of Christian Relations and Local Activities, Mrs. Dewey Price; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. H. C. Graham; Secretary of Literature and Publicity, Mrs. Rufus Hunt; Assistant Secretary of Christian Relations and Local Activities, Mrs. W. N. Rankin; Secretary of Supplies, Mrs. O. F. Woodyard; Secretary of Missionary Education, Miss Lila Ashby; Secretary of Student Work, Mrs. Carroll Shukers; Secretary of Young Women's and Girls' Work, Mrs. H. L. McDonald; Secretary of Children's Work, Mrs. Dennis Williams. Luncheon was served. This historic and memorable occasion left a lasting impression upon each of us.—Mildred Lewis Hunt, Sec. of Literature and Publicity.

#### HOXIE AUXILIARY

The W. S. C. S. of Hoxie has begun with much interest. Our installation of officers was held Sept. 1, with an impressive service. Rev. R. E. Wilson, pastor, officiating.

One Baby Life Membership has been given to John Henderson Oldham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Oldham.

Our President, Miss Rose Coffman, is interested in our work and with her leadership we expect to make this year our banner year.—Mrs. Logan Rushing.

#### FREDONIA AUXILIARY

The Fredonia Society met Sept. 4, to organize the new Woman's Society of Christian Service.

Rev. C. D. Cade presided and Mrs. Edgar Powledge acted as secretary. Prayer by Rev. C. D. Cade.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. W. D. Sewell; Recording Secretary, Mrs. R. R. McNutt; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. H. P. Sewell; Treasurer, Mrs. G. C. Emerson. Secretary of Missionary Education, Mrs. F. L. Marr; Secretary of Student Work, Mrs. Lonie Herring; Secretary of Christian Social Relations, Miss Ruth Sewell; Secretary of Children's Work, Mrs. Doyle Fair; Secretary of Supplies, Mrs. J. R. Powledge; Secretary of Literature and Publication, Mrs. Edgar Powledge.

The Society decided to meet at

2:30 p. m. on second and fourth Wednesdays during the summer.

Rev. C. D. Cade installed the officers at the eleven o'clock services Sunday, Sept. 8.

Rev. C. D. Cade and Mrs. Cade were visitors. Fourteen members were enrolled.

#### HELENA DISTRICT MEETING

The District Leader's Meeting met in Forrest City Thursday, Sept. 12, from ten a. m. to four p. m., with Mrs. Homer Williamson, District Secretary, presiding, with 58 present. Devotional by Mrs. McDonald of Hughes, who emphasized love and all its phases.

Mrs. Williamson explained many things in connection with our new organization.

A new Society of Black Fish was introduced. Mrs. Guy Dent President. Secretary stated that \$60.00 had been sent in on scholarship fund for Mildred Steel of West Helena. Mrs. Kittel gave a blackboard review of past work, as follows: 24 Bible Classes, 25 Mission Study Classes by 22 Societies. She emphasized the fact that Missionary action should follow studies.

A migrant lunch was served by Circle One. In the afternoon Mrs. Kittel presided and gave instruction and suggestions for new study of shifting populations, using maps, posters, playlets, magazines and government bulletins. She suggested that we begin the course with much sympathy for migrants. Do they need relief or reconstructions is a question to keep in mind.

The afternoon devotional was given by Mrs. Cale of Brinkley, closing with inspirational poem and prayer. Mrs. Smith, of West Memphis gave a human interest story, "Refugees, Wanted or Not Wanted." Mrs. Emory Sweet, of Widener, impersonated "A Migrant Mother," revealing the life of a family that travels from one crop to another and how saved by the Church.

Mrs. Goodloe, of Helena, spoke on the relation of Church and Government to migrants. They are with us and our responsibility. Mrs. Geo. Walker, Sr., presented the Dist. Parsonage Fund and asked that facilities continue contributions. Mrs. Williamson stated that Zones One and Three will meet at Hughes the week following the Conference.

Closing devotional was given by Mrs. J. L. Dedman.—Reporter.

#### STUTTGART GRAND AVENUE AUXILIARY

The newly organized Woman's Society of Christian Service of Grand Avenue Church of Stuttgart held its Charter Meeting, August 29, and its installation service and first general meeting on September 5. Combining six former units of the women's work: the Woman's Home Missionary Society, the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, the Over Seas Missionary Society, the Ethel Snyder Missionary Society, the Queen Esther Missionary Society, and the Ladies Aid, the new organization has now two Mission Study circles of over fifty women each, in addition to two units of the Wesleyan Service Guild with a combined membership of more than sixty, and the Queen Esther group. Special designations for missionary projects, some of which have been carried for more than thirty years, have been made totaling more than \$300. Mrs. A. A. Hartzell is the new president, with Mrs. J. M. Spicer as vice-president. All other officers and committee heads are now working and the new

study course will be begun on the next regular meeting date of the circles, September 19. Grand Avenue Church looks forward to a new year of increased interest in the new set-up and plans to make it the best year in its long history.—Roland E. Darrow.

#### LITTLE ROCK FIRST CHURCH AUXILIARY

The charter meeting of the Woman's Society for Christian Service of the First Church, Little Rock was held September 9. Palms, vases of white gladiolas and lighted white tapers in candelabra made attractive decorations at the altar. Dr. Warren Johnston, pastor, presided and the full ritual charter meeting program was used.

Mrs. Curtis Stout read "Our Heritage." Ben Williams sang a solo. John Summers presided at the organ. Mrs. Howard Johnston played the violin accompaniment for the musical numbers. Mrs. J. W. Downs was elected temporary secretary. Dr. Johnston explained the purpose and invited those present to come to the enrollment tables. The first to sign were four charter members of the Woman's Missionary Society who have been active in this work for the past thirty years in First Church. They are Mrs. G. W. Dickerson, Mrs. Carrie Cates, Mrs. E. P. Steele and Mrs. P. D. English.

More than 300 women enrolled and received their charter membership cards. Former presidents of the Society, Mesdames B. J. Reeves, C. F. Emrick, A. J. Wilson, J. R. McAlister, H. E. Riley and W. M. Matthews, read the six purposes of the signing.

After the enrollment, the officers were elected and installed by Dr. Johnston. Names of officers and committee appointments follow:

##### Officers

Mrs. E. J. Rauschkolb, President; Mrs. Guy Cazort, Vice President; Mrs. G. W. Hale, second Vice President; Mrs. J. S. Holt, third Vice President; Mrs. Bentley Cox, Program Chairman; Mrs. J. W. Downs, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Henry Leigh, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. W. H. Garner, Treasurer; Mrs. T. B. Fatherree, Secretary of Christian Social Relations and local church activities; Mrs. Roy Alexander, Secretary of Student Work; Mrs. Charles Yancey, Secretary of Young Women's and Girl's Groups; Mrs. A. H. Hammann, Secretary of Children's Work; Mrs. H. W. Jeffries, Secretary of Literature and Publications; and Mrs. A. E. Sparling, Secretary of Supplies.

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## The Laymen's Forum

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### AMERICANS TERMED "GENEROUS, LOVABLY ABSURD"

An anonymous writer on the subject of National Defense has made an analysis of a section of the American people which is perhaps larger than any of us would care to admit.

Here is what he says: "Not long ago there was a man who set his outer cornfield ablaze to save his farm from a big prairie fire. But he didn't stop to figure that the wind was wrong and in the end his house, barn, corncrib and woodlot went up in the smoke. You just know that farmer must have been an American; he could not have been anything else. We Americans are forever doing something that 'sounded like a good idea at the time.' We so like to do things emotionally, and without first thinking things through.

"We are a hair-trigger people forever going off half-cocked. Most always it is on something a trifle funny and generous and lovably absurd like taking up a collection to rehabilitate the town drunk and then handing him the money so that he can go on a bigger spree than ever before. . . . And sometimes we do something tragic like lynching the wrong man.

"Entirely too often we really invite trouble. Our lack of common sense can be funny, all right, but when it hurts it ceases to be funny. There is no blackout of common sense in America yet. But issues are commencing to fog up suspiciously and that is a danger sign. When people become confused they are apt to go on an emotional spree as a way out seeking to end the torment of mental perplexity.

"America's danger lies not so much in what it thinks—but in not bothering to think at all. The safety of the things we care about does not depend so much on any decision this nation may ever make as it depends on the fact that there always must be a decision—made by an informed people—calmly and quietly—on the basis of facts.

"There must be no blackout of common sense, of clear thinking in America. The next time a friend of yours bleats 'emergency' or 'follow the leader . . . jail the dissenters

T. B. Fatherree; No. 12, Miss Mary Allice Ream; No. 13, Mrs. J. N. Sanders and No. 14, Miss Jane Cazort.

##### Nominating Committee

Mrs. S. B. Gilbert, Chairman, Mrs. Robert Stark and Mrs. T. B. Fatherree.

Mrs. Rauschkolb, President, made a splendid talk and invited those present to a tea which was served by members of the Young Matrons Circle. Mrs. J. N. Sanders, Chairman. Flowers for the tea were arranged by Mrs. Bryan Schaer, Mrs. Alan Cazort and Mrs. Hugh Wicker.

Other members assisting were Mesdames H. B. Allis, L. M. Loring, Warren Johnston, J. T. Thompson, George Burden, D. M. Allis, W. M. Haley, Robert Wait, W. C. Adamson, Frank Smith, J. A. Riggs, Sr., L. F. Barrier, John Green, Bruce Ellis, H. W. Carruthers, E. W. Archer, C. M. Reeves, J. D. Hammons, Clem Baker. Members of the Young Women's Circle served as ushers.—Mrs. Hugh Wicker, Publicity Chairman.



... gag the press ... throttle the opposition ... just tell him you want all the facts, not just one side of the case and remind him that well-intentioned folk have been hollering like that since Washington's time and then feeling mighty foolish afterward.

"One nice thing about us Americans, we have common sense if we will only bother to use it."

A little thinking on the part of churchmen might reveal that we are typically American in the sense this anonymous writer asserts because of some of the things we do ostensibly as Christians. We have been known to work our heads off to get new members and then neglect to encourage them to become useful members; we neglect to set before those outside the fold an example to convincingly demonstrate that Christianity is something really worthwhile; we too often preach righteousness and practice selfishness; we measure our congregations by what they give, and not for what they do as Christians.

Some, or all of this may be hair-trigger thinking and half-cocked, as the writer said of Americans generally, but if enough churchmen will really think the thing through, Christianity can be advanced with the speed this age knows so much about in other fields.

### THE BIBLE

It seems as if to the feet of the sacred writers the mountains had brought all their gems, and the sea all its pearls, and the gardens all their frankincense, and the spring all its blossoms, and the harvests all their wealth, and heaven all its glory, and eternity all its stupendous realities; and that since then poets and orators and painters had been drinking from an exhausted fountain and searching for diamonds amid realms utterly rifled and ransacked.

Oh! this book is the hive of all sweetness, the armory of all well-tempered weapons, the tower containing the crown jewels of the universe, the lamp that kindles all other lights, the home of all majesties and splendors, the stepping-stone on which heaven stoops to kiss the earth with its glories, the marriage ring that unites the celestial and the terrestrial, while all the clustering white-robed multitudes of the sky stand round to rejoice at the nuptials. This book is the wreath into which are twisted all garlands, the song into which hath struck all harmonies, the river of light into which hath poured all the great tides of hallelujahs, the firmament in which all suns and moons and stars and constellations and galaxies and immensities and universes and eternities wheel and blaze and triumph.

Where is the youth with music in his soul who is not stirred by Jacob's lament, or Nathan's dirge, or Habakkuk's dithyrambic, or Paul's march of the resurrection, or St. John's anthem of the ten thousand times ten thousand doxology of elders on their faces, answering to the trumpet blast of archangel, with one foot on the sea and the other on the land, declaring that time shall be no longer?—Talmage.

Every Methodist family in Arkansas needs to know the history of the Church. The History of Arkansas Methodism by J. A. Anderson will supply you with this information.

## Christian Education

### N. LITTLE ROCK CHILDRENS' WORKERS

The Childrens' workers of the Methodist Churches of North Little Rock and Levy met at Washington Avenue Church Thursday night, September 5, for a business meeting. There were 17 present.

Mrs. Roy Bagley was Chairman of the program. Mrs. C. E. Brown gave the devotional. Mrs. Roy Bagley made announcements about the new Yearbook, the Fellowship of Study, and the nursery worker.

The workers of Gardner Memorial gave a skit in form of an advisory committee meeting on Promotion Day.

Mrs. W. C. Orne gave a talk on "The Importance of Teachers' Meetings."

The next meeting will be at Gardner some time during Christmas holidays. There will be a Chinese Dinner in connection with the plans of the new missionary unit.—Mrs. Truman Jones.

### A PERSONAL NOTE FROM REV. CLEM BAKER

Since the daily press carried an announcement of my election as Executive Secretary for the Board of Education of the South Central Jurisdiction of the Methodist Church, I have received a number of letters, telegrams and personal congratulations. To all these, as well as all those others who have so faithfully cooperated in the work of Christian Education, I want to take this means of giving my sincere thanks. Of course I appreciate the recognition given Arkansas by the selection of one of our workers for this office. But at present this office has no financial provision made for its support and whatever the Executive Secretary does will have to be done on a volunteer basis and in connection with his regular work as Executive Secretary of the Conference Board. This means that the Jurisdictional Headquarters for this Board will be in Little Rock and that the Executive Secretary can give but little time to the Jurisdiction until provision can be made for the support of the office which cannot be made until the next meeting of the General Board next year. Even then there is no assurance that the General Board can finance a full time Secretary for the Division. In the meantime may I beg all our friends in the Little Rock Conference to rally to the support of our Educational Program and help us show the other Conferences in this Jurisdiction that we appreciate the recognition that has been given the work we are doing in this field.—Clem Baker.

### LITTLE ROCK TRAINING SCHOOL NEXT WEEK

The twenty-second annual session of the Little Rock Training School will open at First Methodist Church, Little Rock, next Sunday afternoon, September 22, at 2:30 p. m. Mr. Geo. H. Burden is Chairman of the Board of Managers, Rev. E. H. Hook, Vice-chairman and Rev. R. B. Moore, Secretary. Dr. C. M. Reves is Dean. Ten splendid courses will be offered. In addition to the courses offered by Miss McRae, Mrs. Clay Smith, Rev. W. Neill Hart, Rev. J. E. Cooper, and Rev. C. R. Hozendorf of our own state, we

have secured the following outstanding leaders: Dr. L. Foster Wood of the Federal Council of Churches, New York City; Dr. G. G. Washburn of Scarritt College, Nashville, Tenn.; Dr. W. B. Selah, pastor of St. John's Methodist Church, Memphis; and Mrs. C. W. Kent of Waxahachie, Texas. In addition to these, Dr. J. Q. Schisler, recently elected Secretary of the Local Church Division of the General Board of Education and Bishop Selecman will be among the inspirational speakers. The first class session will be Sunday afternoon, beginning at 2:30. There will be a day-time session for workers with Nursery Children. Other classes during the week will be held at night, beginning at 7:00 p. m.—Clem Baker.

### DATES FOR BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS TO BE HELD AT FIRST CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK, NEXT WEEK

The following is the schedule of Board and Committee meetings to be held at First Church, Little Rock, next week.

Little Rock Conference Rural Church Commission will meet at 2:00 p. m., Wednesday, Sept. 25.

The Bishop will meet the District Superintendents of the Little Rock Conference at 9:00 a. m., Thursday, September 26.

The Little Rock Conference Board of Education will meet with the Bishop and District Superintendents at 12:00 noon, Thursday, Sept. 26.

The Little Rock Conference Board of Missions will meet at 2:30 p. m., Thursday, Sept. 26.

The Little Rock Conference Commission on Ministerial Sustentation

Fund will meet at 4:00 p. m., Thursday, Sept. 26.

Bishop Selecman will meet the District Superintendents of the North Arkansas Conference at First Church, North Little Rock, at 10:00 a. m., Friday, Sept. 27.

The joint meeting with the Bishop, the District Superintendents and the members of the Board of Education from the two Conferences will meet at First Church, Little Rock, 12:30 Friday, Sept. 27. There will be an inspirational service at First Church, Little Rock, at 5:00 o'clock each afternoon during this week with the class sessions for the Training School beginning at 7:00 o'clock each evening.

### ATTENTION, TO OUT-OF-TOWN PASTORS COMING TO THE LITTLE ROCK TRAINING SCHOOL

Pastors serving rural churches expecting to come to the Little Rock Training School should plan to arrive after dinner Monday, September 23, and report to my office at First Church, in time to be assigned to their homes and be at the church for the first service at 5:00 o'clock that afternoon.

The Rural Church Conference will not open until 9:00 o'clock Tuesday morning with sessions from 9:00 to 12:00 throughout the week, closing with the Friday morning session. It is expected that the out-of-town pastors will not only attend the Rural Pastors' Conference but will take credit in one of the fine classes offered in the school at night.—Clem Baker.

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# CHURCH SCHOOL DAY OFFERINGS, L. R. CONFERENCE

Received since our last report, August 3, up to September 16.

<b>Camden District</b>	
Hampton	\$10.00
<b>Little Rock District</b>	
New Bethel	\$ 2.00
Keo	5.00
Des Arc	7.00
Roland	2.44
Paron	2.43
Smyrna	2.43
Oak Hill	1.00
Providence	1.43
Total	\$23.73
<b>Monticello District</b>	
Arkansas City	\$ 5.00
<b>Pine Bluff District</b>	
Sherrill	\$12.00
St. Charles (add)	3.00
Rowell Ct.	5.10
Roe Ct.	12.00
Total	\$32.10
<b>Prescott District</b>	
Fairview (Prescott Ct.)	\$ 2.38
<b>Paid By Districts</b>	
Little Rock	\$ 647.17
Pine Bluff	531.60
Camden	489.19
Monticello	344.99
Arkadelphia	326.75
Texarkana	300.50
Prescott	299.16
Total	\$2949.36
<b>Percentages By Districts</b>	
Pine Bluff	99%+
Camden District	91%
Monticello	86%
Prescott	85%
Arkadelphia	80%
Texarkana	78%
Little Rock	77%

## 102 L. R. CONFERENCE PASTORS NOW ON OUR CONFERENCE HONOR ROLL

Since our last report six more charges have paid their Church School Day Offering in full thus placing the name of their pastor on our Conference Honor Roll. They are as follows: Wilfred House, Roe Circuit; L. O. Lee, Hampton-Harrell; J. W. Nethercutt, Roland Circuit; E. L. McKay, Bryant Ct.; F. C. Cannon, Arkansas City; R. C. Walsh, St. Charles Ct.—C. K. Wilkerson, Treas.

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## CHURCH NEWS

### APPRECIATION

We wish to express our sincere love and appreciation to the many dear friends who so kindly remembered us in the hours of grief over the loss of our son and brother, Charles Donald. Just to know you cared has helped us. May God bless each of you.—Mrs. Jess Galloway and Ruby Jess, Delight, Ark.

### ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE

School was opened and from our Home 41 children are matriculating, so I suppose we have the biggest family that is to be found anywhere, for we are one great family.

I wish I had the privilege of sitting down and talking to a number of people whom I have met and who have convinced me that they are anxious to know something of the real situation at the Home, but having to do so many things and trying to look after the means to run it, I cannot make these social contacts, but one of the painful things that come to us is to get a child or children that we can do nothing for and we are compelled to turn over to someone else and this happens frequently.

The results of our work during our history cheer us and fill us with appreciation and hope that we may continue to do even more good.

Come to see us when you can and remember us in your devotions.—James Thomas, Supt.

### FIRST CHURCH, LITTLE ROCK

Next Sunday, September 22, is RALLY DAY in the Church School. On this day we look forward to having all the members of the Sunday School present. Let us make this a real "Homecoming Day" by being present. If you have been coming regularly bring some one with you. If your vacation has kept you away for several weeks make your plans to be present next Sunday. This is the day your church begins its fall program of Christian Education. Let us continue the advance which begun during the summer months. Our slogan is: "Every member of the church a member of the Church School. Every member of the Church School a member of the church."

Promotion Day will be observed in the Church School Sunday, September 29. At this time the progress of each person in the school will be given recognition, and the members will be promoted to the next class. Plan to be present.

The annual Little Rock Leadership Training School will be held at First Church September 22-27. Forty-one of the officers and teachers have already enrolled. Every worker is urged to enroll in one of these classes in order to better prepare himself for effective service. The pastor, the superintendent of the Church School and the chairman of the Board of Education have already enrolled. Let us follow their leadership.

Rev. Neill Hart, District Superintendent of Pine Bluff District, will teach a course in the school for young people only on "Christian Home Making." Some of the questions to be discussed are: "Petting," "What to do on a Date," "Why have Engagements," and any questions that the young people want to bring up.

Dr. L. Foster Wood, of the Division of Social Service of the Fed-

eral Council of Churches, will teach a course for parents entitled, "Living Together in the Family." This course is planned for young married couples and for couples with young children. If you are concerned about building a Christian home make your plans to attend each one of these sessions.—C. R. Hozendorf, Associate Pastor.

### HOLLY SPRINGS

Our revivals are all over. Bro. A. J. Bearden assisted the pastor at Holly Springs. We had a fine revival. Bro. Musser, Sr., who is pastor at Bearden, held for us at Mt. Carmel. He did some fine, constructive preaching, which was highly acceptable to the people. The pastor held the meeting at Mt. Olivet. We had a good revival. We are looking forward to closing out our third year in full. We have received up to date, 22 into the church and baptized five infants. Our finances are in bad shape now, but the Stewards tell us that the pastor's salary will be paid, which is \$548, plus \$77 for the District Supt.—J. C. Williams, Pastor.

### LAKE CITY

The Lake City charge has just closed its last revival for the year. We have added to the church 61, of which 52 have come on profession of faith.

Our meeting at Lunsford was a joint meeting between the Methodists and Baptists, with the two pastors doing the preaching, since both denominations use the same house. In our meeting at Lake City, Rev. E. A. Kaetzell of Tyrone did the preaching with good results. Rev. Elmo Thomason assisted at Pleasant Valley, Lake View and Caraway. He did some unusually good work among our young people, along with his good work as a revivalist.

At the beginning of the year we organized our Board of Lay Activities with C. D. Stewart of the Lunsford church as chairman. We have used the fifth Sundays as our meeting and rally days. The laymen planned their work, adopted their goals and have worked to them. These goals pertained to finances, Christian Education, Evangelism and Missions. We have earned 92 training credits. We lay claim to the lead for the Conference at this point. Our parsonage has been repaired, re-painted and cleared of all indebtedness. A new church building, with auditorium and four Sunday school rooms has been built and paid for at Caraway, where we never had a church building before. It is planned to double the facilities of this plant another year. A new church has been organized in a new and rich community four miles southeast of Caraway where Rev. J. C. Riggins, local pastor, is in charge, but for which the pastor was directly responsible. All in all we have had a very interesting and profitable year.—Ray L. McLester, Pastor.

### PREACHERS' PICNIC

Annually the Presiding Elder, or District Supt. of the Paragould District gives a dinner or picnic to all the preachers and their wives. It is an all-day affair of fun and a little work and planning mixed up in it for good measure. There are 26 charges being served by as many preachers.

This year the group met Thursday, Sept. 12, at Merriwether's Camp on Highway 25. There were about fifty in the group. Fine re-

ports were made of successful revivals and there was a very hopeful outlook for a fine report to be given by all at the Annual Conference.

### AD INTERIM COMMITTEE OF PARAGOULD DISTRICT

The Ad Interim Committee of the Paragould District recommended and endorsed the following Methodist ministers: Paul Lee Archibald of the Marmaduke Circuit was licensed to preach. He, with Harold Spence and Claud Bickley, who have been preaching in the District during the summer months, have entered Hendrix College. Byron Cravens, Joel Cooper, and Robert Arbaugh were recommended to the Annual Conference for admission on trial. Robert Arbaugh has finished his theological course at Duke University and will be ready for full work. Byron Cravens and Joel Cooper finished Hendrix in June and will enter Duke University and finish their theological course while doing extra work under the Duke foundation. Probably no finer class of young ministers has ever, at one time, been recommended for admission on trial from the Paragould District, than Arbaugh, Cravens and Cooper.

The following ministers were recommended by this committee, under the new law, as Accepted Supplies: Jewell Nelson, W. T. Lingo, J. H. Holt, Gaither McKelvey, Luther Love, and Jeff Smith. They will be required to stand an examination before the Annual Conference Committee and then will be available for appointment at the Annual Conferences.

The committee is composed of H. Lynn Wade, Cecil R. Culver, Earl Dubois, E. E. Stevenson and Earle Cravens.

### DUMAS CHURCH CLUB

On Thursday evening, September 5, the Men's Brotherhood Club of the Burt Pickens Memorial Methodist Church was served a delightful club dinner on the spacious lawn at their home by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dante, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dante, and Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Tenanbaum.

Mr. Dante, his son, Jack, and his son-in-law, Mr. Bernard Tenanbaum, are members of our club and always found on the job. The Dantes are members of a Jewish Temple in Pine Bluff, but have always been loyal to the Methodist Church here in Dumas. When we get in need of financial help we can always count on these good people, for they never turn us down. Mr. and Mrs. Dante were among the first settlers at Dumas. They have seen the town grow from a small village to one of the most prosperous towns in southeast Arkansas. They are always found boosting for their town and community. Mr. and Mrs. Dante always give the graduating class of the Dumas High School a dinner under the same beautiful setting as they gave the church club.

We had no speaker for the evening, but our president, Dr. J. H. Helms, called on several members of the club to make short talks and everyone expressed their profound gratitude to the Dante and Tenanbaum families for being so generous to the club. We all ask the blessings of our Maker for these good loyal people.

There will be no "hide and taller" meeting at the Burt Pickens, Jr. Memorial Methodist Church this year. All of our financial obliga-



tions are up 100%. We have a financial system set up in our church under the supervision of our efficient secretary, that we believe is unsurpassed by any church in Methodism. Mr. Lamar Grisham is our secretary and has done a great piece of work in setting up this system and making such a wonderful go of it.

Bro. Van Harrell is doing a good work at Dumas and we are trying to stay behind him.—Reporter.

#### CONFERENCE ON EVANGELISM AT MT. SEQUOYAH

The first conference on Evangelism of the south central Jurisdiction was held on Mt. Sequoyah September 1-6, under the auspices of the Commission on Evangelism, of which Dr. Harry Denman of Nashville, is secretary, and our own Bishop Selecman is chairman. Assisting Dr. Denman and Bishop Selecman were Dr. John L. Horton, pastor of First Church, Memphis, and Doctors Fort and Workman of Fayetteville, under whose direction field work was done.

Of the more than 100 men in attendance, many of whom had brought their wives, most were young preachers under 35 years of age, and had come from every section in our Jurisdiction. One of the most inspiring features of the conference was the work of the evangelistic teams, which were composed of men from Nebraska to Louisiana and from West Texas to North Missouri, no two of whom were from the same Conference on any of the eleven teams. Divided geographically, each team found itself one in the fellowship of spreading the "Good news of the Gospel of Christ."

Mt. Sequoyah was a perfect set-

ting for this "Mountain-top" experience. The forums led by Dr. Denman and Dr. Norton, along with the great messages from our bishop and others, fired hearts with evangelistic zeal and passion. No one doubted that God was with us there. And so from the "Mountain-top" went each of the eleven teams each afternoon, Monday through Thursday, some to work in Fayetteville and others in surrounding towns and communities in the Fayetteville District.

These field trips were devoted to "Personal evangelism," in "House to house visitation," "Street preaching," and "Preaching in institutions." Shops, factories, the jails, the theatre, CCC camps and isolated places in Fayetteville and surrounding communities were visited and services were held. Personal work was done wherever opportunity afforded. For the most of us who attended it was a "Jumping overboard" and yet one could not but feel the power of the early Wesleyan revival as people drew near in idle curiosity and remained to pray. It was estimated that on Thursday at least a thousand, most of whom never attend the Methodist or any other church, heard the Gospel and throughout the week came report after report of conversions and reclamations. "In the highways and hedges" Methodism finds its field again!

These are great days, surely, for Methodism and Methodism is fortunate in having Bishop Selecman and Dr. Denman leading in its great program of Evangelism.—Earl S. Walker, Reporter.

#### SO THIS IS SCIENCE!

When I entered college I read in the annual catalog that "the thought of our day is preeminently scientific." I still do not know just what the head of the biology department had in mind in this preamble to the announcement of his course. I still do not know whether he meant that modern thought was based on the scientific method of hypothesis and proof or whether he had in mind that this was the age of the supremacy of the physical sciences.

However, it is quite evident that science has become the god of the twentieth century. This is the age of the chemist, the biochemist, the physiochemist, the electrician, and the engineer. Ask most prospective college students and they will tell you that they expect to become engineers. A pastor in a town of fifty thousand population remarked recently, "We are losing our young men. They go away to college and they never come back. Most of them are studying engineering of some kind and there is no field for them in our town."

The brilliant men that once almost exclusively entered the so-called learned professions are now building bridges, highways, and factories, or making exhaustive studies in the great research laboratories.

They are also making tanks, bombs, and poison gas.

A few years ago I heard the head of the Eastman Kodak research laboratory speak before the City Club of Rochester, New York. I was astonished when this distinguished chemist announced as the text of his post-luncheon message the familiar words, "With all thy getting, get wisdom," and completely overwhelmed when he proceeded to use wisdom in the sense of applied physical science. It was as if he had

never heard of Kant or Hegel, not to speak of James or Royce, or Jesus Christ.

In other words, our age has been interested supremely in things that can be touched and handled and almost completely uninterested in such things as *motives* and *ideals*. It knows how to make steel but seems to care little as to whether that steel be used for surgical healing or for a machine-gunning.

Thus while the pastor is speaking of ideals and purposes, the minds of his hearers are so much under the sway of the modern dealer in "facts," that the speakers' words seem to deal with some far-away unreal world, whereas the scientist is constantly supplying folks with new conveniences and gadgets which the unthinking person considers sure signs of progress.

So this is science: ships going down, towns burning up, men committing mass suicide with the weapons produced by our young engineers, the product of an age "preeminently scientific!"

Of course science has done a lot of good, but it can only do its best and rightful work for humanity when it becomes converted, Christianized, and given a noble purpose. The pastor, the teacher, the philosopher, the Christian, these are the ones who should specialize in purpose and motive, and they alone can save this scientific age which has fallen under the sway of a form of knowledge and wisdom, which are foolishness with God and with all right thinking men.—Addison H. Groff, in The Messenger.

#### HENDRIX STUDENT LOAN FUND

Since my last report of July 31st, I have received only one additional remittance which was from Hope in the amount of \$75.00. To date we have received a total of \$2,544.61, for this fund.—C. E. Hayes, Conference Treasurer.

#### MINISTERIAL SUSTENTATION FUND

As Treasurer, I am making a report of remittances received on the Ministerial Sustentation Fund for the Conference Year up through September 16.

Arkadelphia Station	\$ 7.50
Rev. Forest E. Dudley, Arkadelphia	7.50
Sparkman Church	6.00
Camden Circuit	4.00
Taylor Circuit	2.00
Fredonia Church	50.00
First Church, El Dorado	60.00
Norphet	15.00
Smackover	22.50
W. L. Arnold	22.50
Winfield Church, Little Rock	50.00
Rev. Geo. G. Meyer, England	6.75
M. W. Miller, Primrose Chapel	12.00
C. M. Reeves	52.63
J. D. Hammons	26.00
First Church, Pine Bluff	40.00
Blevins Circuit	12.00
Rev. C. H. Giessen, Blevins	6.00
Murfreesboro-Delight	6.00
Rev. G. W. Robertson, Murfreesboro-Delight	6.00
Washington-Ozan	5.00
Nashville Station	12.00
Gurdon Charge	24.00
Total	\$412.88

#### LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE BENEVOLENCES

As Treasurer of the Little Rock Conference, I am making a report of remittances received on Benevolences since the beginning of the Conference year through September 15. (\* indicates payment in full).

Arkadelphia District	
Arkadelphia Circuit	\$ 38.25
Benton Station	600.00
Caddo Circuit	5.00
Dalark Circuit	116.00
Friendship Circuit	22.50
Holly Springs Circuit	33.00
Hot Springs Circuit	35.33
Hot Springs:	
First Church	620.00
Oaklawn	140.00
Pullman Heights	40.00
Leola Circuit	104.00
Malvern Circuit	20.70
Malvern Station	375.00

Pearcy Circuit	6.00
Princeton Circuit	95.85
Sparkman-Sardis	168.75
Traskwood Circuit	22.00
Total	\$2442.38

Camden District	
Buckner Circuit	\$ 79.00
Camden Circuit	18.00
Camden Station	525.00
Ebenezer Circuit	47.65
El Dorado, First Church	1440.00
Fairview-Harmony Grove	40.00
Fordyce	450.00
Hampton-Harrell	17.50
Junction City Circuit	45.75
Magnolia Station	800.00
Mt. Vernon Circuit	52.00
Norphet	125.00
Parker's Chapel-Fredonia Ct.	
Parker's Chapel	66.00
Fredonia	87.76
Smackover	315.00
Strong Circuit	20.00
Taylor Circuit	100.00
Thornton Circuit	25.00
Waldo	275.00
Total	\$1529.66

Little Rock District	
Austin Circuit	\$ 70.00
Bryant Circuit	71.18
Carlisle Circuit	35.00
Carlisle Station	125.00
Des Arc-DeValls Bluff	42.00
Douglasville-Geyer Springs	25.00
Hickory Plains Circuit	98.45
Keo-Tomberlin	8.50
Little Rock:	
Asbury	1401.00
Capitol View	385.00
First Church	1916.00
Henderson	179.00
Highland	375.00
Hunter Memorial	* 225.00
Pulaski Hgts.	975.00
Scott Street	69.00
28th Street	125.00
Winfield Memorial	* 2500.00
Lonoke-Eagle Chapel	369.21
Mabelvale	100.00
Primrose Chapel	145.50
Roland Circuit	15.00
Total	\$9254.84

Monticello District	
Arkansas City-Watson	\$ 100.00
Crossett	625.00
Drew Circuit	19.35
Dumas	247.50
Endora	35.00
Fountain Hill Circuit	67.50
Hermitage Circuit	93.00
Lake Village	25.00
Monticello	250.00
New Edinburg Circuit	18.00
Portland-Parkdale, Parkdale	
Church	15.00
Tillar-Winchester	70.00
Total	\$1565.35

Pine Bluff District	
Almyra Circuit	\$ 52.00
Bayoff Moto Circuit	32.00
Gillett Station	40.00
Good Faith-Whitehall	59.85
Little Prairie Circuit	25.75
Pine Bluff, Lakeside Church	65.00
Rison	50.00
Rowell Circuit	78.00
St. Charles Circuit	116.00
Sheridan Circuit	15.00
Sheridan Station	125.00
Star City Circuit	170.00
Stuttgart-Grand Avenue	280.00
Swan Lake Circuit	35.00
Total	\$1143.60

Prescott District	
Amlty Circuit	\$ 40.00
Blevins Ct.	* 331.00
Bingen Circuit	25.42
Columbus Circuit	13.75
Emmett-Bierne	213.60
Forester-Mt. Ida	125.00
Glenwood	69.39
Gurdon	200.00
Hope	819.99
Mineral Springs Circuit	30.25
Murfreesboro-Delight	211.41
North Prescott Circuit	26.25
Saline Circuit	15.00
Springhill Ct.	18.95
Washington-Ozan	163.50
Total	\$2343.51

Texarkana District	
Ashdown	\$ 60.00
Cherry Hill Circuit	38.00
Doddridge Circuit	31.35
DeQueen	100.00
Foreman Station	200.50
Fouke Circuit	35.00
Horatio	68.00
Lewisville-Bradley	118.00
Mena	190.00
Stamps	35.00
Texarkana, First Church	2066.62
Texarkana Circuit	* 110.00
Umpire Circuit	* 10.00
Total	\$3062.47

Golden Cross	
First Church, El Dorado	\$ 86.83
Henderson Church, Little Rock	.50

A good book to read by the Methodists of Arkansas would be the History of Arkansas Methodism, by Dr. James A. Anderson.

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DeWitt ---	14.29
Lakeside, Pine Bluff ---	5.00
Good Faith, Good Faith-Whitehall	5.08
Star City Circuit ---	5.00
Grand Avenue Church, Stuttgart	11.02
Blevins Circuit ---	10.00
Total ---	\$ 140.98
Grand Total Received through 9-15-40,	
\$24,482.79.—C. E. Hayes, Conference	
Treasurer.	

### MORNING STAR REHABILITATED

This story is belated. Bishop Selecman, because of his interest in evangelism, had asked me a year ago to write up the rebuilding of Morning Star Church. Thank God for a Bishop that puts evangelism first, where it belongs.

Well, Morning Star was an afternoon appointment where the town preacher went out once a month. Services were held in the school house nearby, since the church had become unsafe on account of its dilapidated condition. Then a local preacher had been given the appointment. But there was no hope and no interest manifested.

It was cotton chopping time in the spring of 1939. A local preacher, Rev. J. H. Holt, was asked to hold a revival at Morning Star. The Elder went out ahead and preached at Morning Star and consulted the folks about a revival. They said it was no time for a revival. "We are all in the weeds." "We are just too busy with our crops." "But," said the Elder, "let the evangelist come, and you just go when you want to. There will be no day services."

The evangelist came. The folks filled the school house every night. The revival broke out. The church was revived. Some 25 were converted. Sixteen joined the church on profession of faith.

They said, "Let's go back to our church." Three men took it upon themselves to start the matter. They began on the Presiding Elder. They bombarded him until he called them "The three Musketeers from Morning Star." Plans were made, money and work donated, the house was repaired from foundation to roof, made safe and sound. All were happy.

Bishop Selecman was to be in the District September 5. So he was invited to come the night before and re-dedicate the church. He was just home from his European trip, was met in Memphis, and came on the night of the 4th for the service of re-dedication. A picnic supper was spread, the church yard, all "spic and span," was crowded with horses and wagons and cars and folks. A great sermon was heard and an inspiration and a movement clinched that is holding a year after that revival meeting and that dedication has passed. A rural church had been resurrected. What about it a year afterward? Well, the old Bard circuit was resurrected as a first result and the pastor, Rev. J. H. Holt, is enjoying the many improvements made on the circuit parsonage. The assessment for the pastor's salary at Morning Star was increased just 300%, and is paid up to date at the end of the third quarter this year. All the Conference and District claims for the whole charge were paid at the first Quarterly Conference. Someone comes from Morning Star church to every District meeting and to every Training School in reach of them. A revival did it. I know of nothing else nearly so effective in the revival of a rural church as a revival. Let's have more revivals in rural sections.—H. Lynn Wade, District Supt.



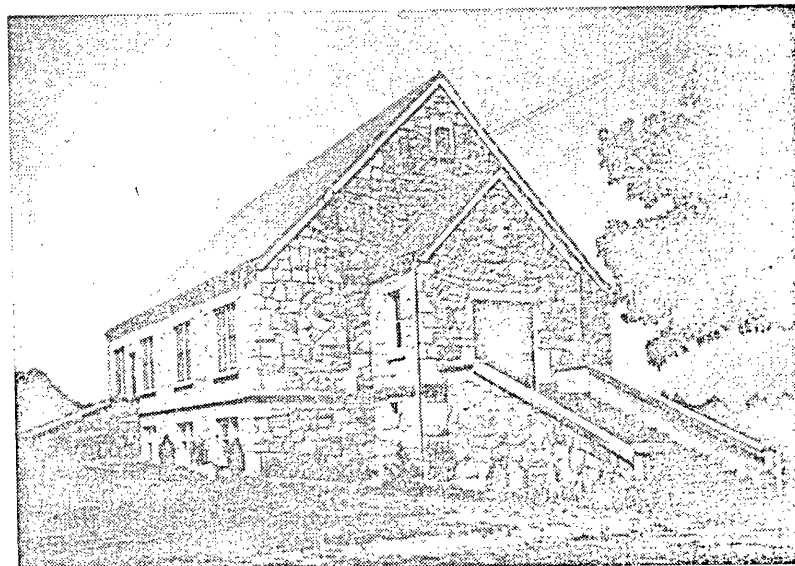
REV. C. L. FRANKS

### CAVE CITY METHODIST CHURCH

In 1937, Rev. C. L. Franks was appointed to the Evening Shade charge, which had five points, Cave City being one.

There were five former M. E. churches around Cave City and the pastor tried to look after these also, and the whole plan was not altogether satisfactory. The work was divided and Cave City became a station the next year, more than doubling the salary and remodeling the parsonage, until it is a nice seven-room parsonage with full-length porch on the back and front, with a new smoke-house and garage. This property was lifted from an estimate of \$800 to \$2,000.00.

In July, 1939, the pastor called the board together and after some explanation of the need for a new church, they voted to build. At this meeting the Building Committee was appointed: Mr. J. O. Laman, president; Judge J. M. Simpson, treasurer; Mr. W. T. Laman, secretary. Mr. Elmer Meacham, Dr. T. A. Laman, Mr. Ed Woodyard, Mr. N. A. Conyers, Mr. Adolphus McLeod, and Rev. J. W. Due are honorary members. We feel that no mistake was made in the selection of these men. At the death of Dr. T. A. Laman, Mr. C. R. McSpadden volunteered to take his place. The next morning the building was being wrecked. The idea was to get the old building down so we would have to build and no one back out. Not only these men, but the entire church is to be honored, and es-



CAVE CITY METHODIST CHURCH

pecially the W. M. S. with their work of buying a new \$270.00 piano. The result of the labor and sacrifice is the new \$6,600 marble-stone structure, 50 x 35, full basement and nice pulpit and panels and altar rail that would grace almost any church. All this was done in one year, from July, 1939, to July, 1940. This would be entirely too long an article to try to tell all that was done by these heroic people.

On September 6, 1940, we had Bishop Selecman with us for the dedication. All of us think he is the most wonderful bishop, as he has been with us twice in our little town, first in the laying of the cornerstone and second in dedicating the church. Not only did we appreciate his presence, but the wonderful and inspiring message he brought, together with his genial spirit during the day.

We would not forget to mention the fact also that the church was highly honored by the presence of Mrs. Selecman. These women will not forget her presence with them and how she endeared herself to them.

Much could be said of our own District Superintendent, Rev. Connor Morehead, who was with us and helped to guide the program through, as well as his counsel otherwise.

The program was inspiring and

touching, as all the people responded wonderfully, as all had a copy of the program.

At the noon hour a dinner, as only these good women can serve, ample for all and many more, even though a large crowd was here.

Mr. and Mrs. Olif Pinkston, and others furnished music to the delight of the crowd.

Rev. Raymond Franks and Miss Myrtle Franks rendered the musical prelude and the offertory.

### In the Afternoon

Mr. Nels Barnett, Jr., gave an inspiring message on the subject of "Methodism In Town and Country In 1940." He mentioned the debt the town owes the country, as so many of the fine people who are in town today came from the country.

Bishop Selecman officiated in the receiving of four members and in baptizing one.

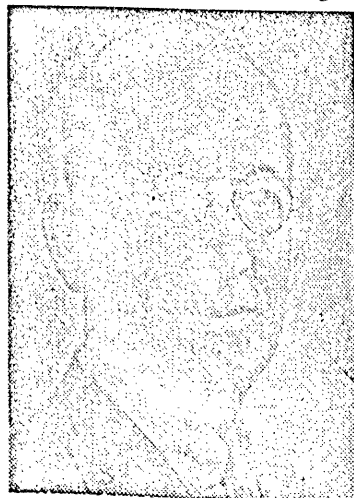
Mrs. Nels Barnett donated a pulpit Bible. This will be a tie between this church and theirs, as they had made a fine donation to the church before.

This is the fourth church built on this ground. The first was an old log church, then a frame building which burned, then the old church that was wrecked to give place for this new edifice.

There were 27 ministers present. Two District Superintendents, Rev. H. Lynn Wade of Paragould Dis-

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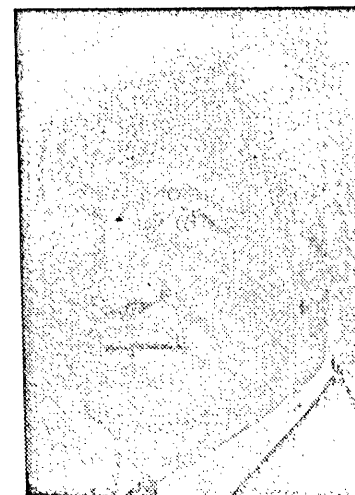
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trict; Rev. Geo. W. Pyles of Searcy District. All of these ministers added to the dignity and weight of the services.

Rev. Connor Morehead had Rev. and Mrs. Franks to stand, as the ones who were most responsible for the new church, as the crowd came by and greeted them.

This was a day long to be remembered by Cave City people. A nice new church out of debt and ready to move forward with whoever may be the pastor.

There have been 38 new members added this year, 25 on profession of faith.—Reporter.

## Quarterly Conferences

### LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT FOURTH ROUND

September 15, Mabelvale at 7:30 p. m.  
September 22, Scott Street at 11:00 a. m.  
September 22, Asbury at 7:30 p. m.  
September 29, Bryant Ct., Bryant at 11:00 a. m. Q. Con., Mt. Carmel, 2:00 p. m.

## FOR THE CHILDREN

### THE RUNAWAYS

Said Peter once to Sister Prue,  
"I have a splendid notion:  
Let's run away, both me and you,  
And cross the land and ocean!  
We'll steal out by the garden gate,  
Provided they don't lock it.  
I've eighteen pence, at any rate,  
And biscuits in my pocket?"  
Alas, for all these plans so fine!  
At half-past eight they started;  
But they were back by half-past nine,  
Most weary and down-hearted.  
For Prue fell down and hurt her head  
And Peter tore his stocking.  
"We'd better go by day," they said;  
"These roads at night are shocking!"  
—Selected.

### GENIUS OF THE BOG HAS MANY NAMES

A widely distributed bird, and withal one of the most interesting is the "genius of the bog" the American Bittern. This bird has many names, most of them taken from his queer habits. "Stake driver," "Thunder pumper," "Butter-bump," "Mire drum," "Bog bull," "Indian" or "Marsh hen"; "Poke," are some of the names. The bittern is a large bird with a length of from 24 to 34 inches. He is a study in protective coloration with his brown, blackish, white and tawny mixed plumage. His legs are dull greenish yellow. Where the ooze and quaking mud of the bog is worst, there you will find the bittern most at home. It is here, where no adventurer dare follow, that the bittern steals about among the tall reeds and marsh grasses and woos his mate, builds his nest and rears the young. You may see him standing in almost any roadside bog during the spring for he will stop where frogs and other food is plentiful for a "snack," but if you would find his nest and see his mate you must penetrate to the bog. Then you must have exceptionally sharp eyesight to find the brooding female, for she looks exactly like the reeds about her as she sits "frozen" on the nest.

The song of the bittern is the most remarkable thing about it. The song cannot be called musical. While producing the song the bird looks as if it were trying to disgorge from its stomach some distressing food. The sounds that issue forth are much like the sucking of an old-fashioned wooden pump. In producing this sound the bird sud-

September 29, 28th Street, at 7:30 p. m.  
October 2, Pulaski Heights, at 7:30 p. m.  
October 6, Austin Ct., Smyrna at 11:00 a. m. Q. Con. at Smyrna, 2:00 p. m.  
October 6, Highland at 7:30 p. m.  
October 9, Primrose at 7:30 p. m.  
October 13, Roland Ct., Paron at 11:00 a. m., with Q. C. at 2:00 p. m.  
October 13, Capitol View, at 7:30 p. m.  
October 16, Hunter Memorial, at 7:30 p. m.  
October 20, Carlisle Ct., at Hamilton, 11:00 a. m., with Q. Con. at 2:00 p. m.  
October 20, Carlisle at 7:30 p. m.  
October 23, Bauxite-Sardis at 7:30 p. m.  
October 27, Hickory Plains, Bethlehem, at 11:00 a. m., with Qu. Con. at Providence at 2:00 p. m.  
October 27, Lonoke at 7:30 p. m.  
October 29, Henderson at 7:30 p. m.  
October 29, England at 7:30 p. m.  
November 3, Keo-Tomberlin, at T., 11:00 a. m., with Qu. Con. at 2:00 p. m.  
November 3, Forest Park at 7:30 p. m.  
November 4, First Church at 7:30 p. m.  
November 6, Douglasville-Geyer Springs, at D., 7:30 p. m.  
November 10, Des Arc-DeValls Bluff, at Des Arc, 11:00 a. m., with Qu. Con. at 2:00 p. m.  
November 10, Hazen at 7:30 p. m.  
November 11, Winfield Memorial at 7:30 p. m.

The last two meetings of the pastors in the District will be held at 10:00 a. m., on October 7 and November 4.—C. M. Reves, District Superintendent.

denly lowers and raises its head and throws it forward with convulsive jerks. A sound which resembles a hiccup issues from the bird, repeated several times until it becomes louder. The bird appears to be swallowing air all this time. This is followed by a set of three syllables which are like a pumping noise. Some people say it is "plum pudd'n" and others "plunk-a-lunk." The bird's neck seems to dilate with the air taken in and remains so until the performance is over. It is very hard to gage the distance and location of this song. When the bird is courting, the male wears white nuptial plumes upon the sides of the neck. These plumes are seldom seen for they are kept concealed except at mating time when they are raised high above the shoulder on each side.

The young in their swampy nest are ready prey for mink, weasel, water snakes or owls and hawks but the mother will defend them with her life, and with her dagger bill and long neck she is well equipped to care for her family.—Fern Berry in Michigan Christian Advocate.

### THE SNAIL ON THE WALL

"Well done, Tommy Brooks," exclaimed the teacher, in pleased surprise when the "dunce" of the school spoke his piece without omitting a single word.

The other boys and girls laughed when he arose to speak, for they expected a failure. But when the rest of the class had tried, the teacher said Tommy had done the best of all, and gave him the prize.

"And now tell me," said the teacher, "how you learned the poem so well?"

"Please, ma'am, it was the snail on the wall," replied Tommy, timidly.

At this the other pupils laughed aloud, but the teacher said: "You need not laugh, children, for we may learn much from such things as snails. How did the snail teach you, Tommy?"

"I saw it crawl up the wall a little at a time. It did not stop nor turn back to see how far it had gone, but went on and on, and I thought I would do the same with my piece. So I learned it little by little, and did not give up. By the time the snail reached the top of the wall I had learned the whole poem.—Sunshine.

## INTERNATIONAL Sunday School Lesson

Lesson for September 22

### THE VOICE OF WISDOM

LESSON TEXT—Prov. 4:10-27.

GOLDEN TEXT—Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.—Prov. 4:23.

What to do and how to do it—these are the vital things which the book of Proverbs imparts. It deals with every condition of life, good and bad, in the revealing light of God's holiness and love. Good advice may have its value, but we also need to know how to put it into practice. Therein is wisdom distinguished from knowledge. A man may have an unbelievably great store of knowledge, and yet be a foolish man because he does not have the wisdom to use it.

Knowing that these notes are used by a great many boys and girls, as well as by their teachers, the writer would suggest an outline for next Sunday which can be remembered by everyone who has ever crossed a railroad track. What does the warning sign say? "Stop, Look, and Listen." Then what? If all is clear, go ahead. That is just what our lesson tells us. **Stop**, for someone has a message for you; **look**, at the two ways of life; **listen**, to the wise words of counsel. Then go straight ahead in the right way.

#### I. Stop (vv. 10-13).

Life moves on at a rapid pace. One of the devices of the devil to gain and keep his hold on us is to keep things moving so fast that we never stop to think, or to heed the counsel of others. The wise man has something of importance to say to the young man whom he calls his "son." Let us stop and give heed to his warning, for we are assured that it will mean for us a long and happy life (vv. 10, 12).

Nobody but a fool would hasten past such a "stop" signal, nor thrust aside this opportunity for life-giving instruction (v. 13). Here is something for more important than mathematics, literature, or economics. Here is life.

#### II. Look (vv. 14-19).

There are really only two ways of life—"the path of the just . . . that shineth more and more unto the perfect day" (v. 18), and "the way of the wicked," which is only darkness and stumbling (v. 19). There is no middle way. We cannot walk in both paths; it is "either-or." Young people should get hold of that fact, for in these days there is a constant attempt to blur the colors, making things neither black nor white, but gray; neither good nor bad, but just advisable or inadvisable.

The moral laws of God are not changed; right is still and will eternally be right, just as wrong is and always will be wrong. Wickedness is so wrong that it causes men to spend sleepless nights trying to entrap others (v. 16). But no one need go that way; just do not "enter" that path, "avoid it," and if by chance you have wandered into it, "turn from it" (v. 15). God will help you.

#### III. Listen (vv. 20-25).

Listening is important business, calling for real attention and appli-

cation. Especially is that true as one listens to the truth of God. It should be received by an attentive ear (v. 20), kept before one's eyes, and pondered in the heart (v. 21). Such listening is sure to bring results, and we find them enumerated in verses 22 to 25.

Life is assured to those who heed the words of God's messenger; not just a bare existence, but a healthy life (v. 22). God's spiritual children are not (or at least should not be) invalids or weaklings.

Keeping the heart right (v. 23) keeps the whole life right, and the way to be sure that the heart is right is to fill it with God's Word (v. 21). Then see how the whole life responds; the lips speak no forward (R. V. wayward) or perverse words, and the eyes look straight ahead along the shining path of the just.

Now that we have stopped to give attention to the Lord's word through His messenger, and looked carefully at the two ways of life, and listened to words of wisdom and guidance, what comes next? Do we stand idly by and commend ourselves for our wisdom, or do we sit down and take our case? No. Being assured that the way is clear, we

#### IV. Go Ahead (vv. 26, 27).

God wants His people to move on to greater glory and usefulness. At the Red sea, God told Moses, "Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward."

"Move forward! valiant men and strong, Ye who have prayed and labored long: The time has come for you to rise, For lo! the sun rolls up the skies."

Thoughtful, vigilant, lest we be led into a bypath on the right or left, turning his feet away from every evil path, the child of God goes forward, and as he goes the road becomes brighter and brighter with the glory of the presence of the Lord, shining more and more until that perfect day when he shall find himself at the end of his journey and at home forevermore in the Father's house.

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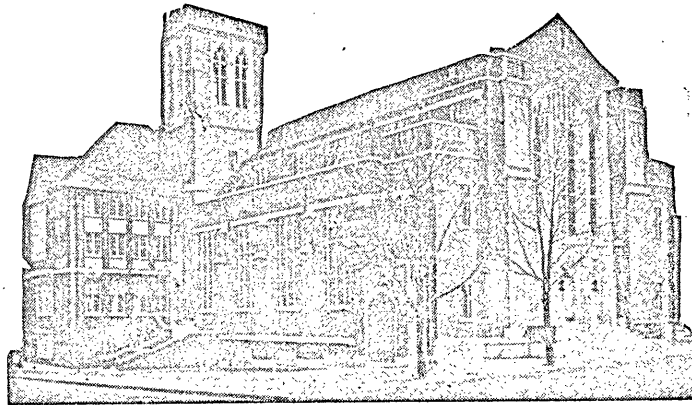


## Neighborhood Parties Next Week

Fifteen neighborhood parties will be held among the members of Winfield next week at the following places. The church staff will be at all parties. ALL WOMEN of the church are urged to attend the one most convenient.

1. Monday, 1:00 p. m.—Hostess, Mrs. B. M. Whaley, 2114 North Van Buren.
2. Monday, 1:30 p. m.—Hostess, Mrs. Crawford Greene, 610 North Monroe.
3. Monday, 2:00 p. m.—Hostess, Hostess, Mrs. Harvey Shipp, 111 Midland.
4. Monday, 2:30 p. m.—Hostess, Mrs. F. B. Thacker, 3300 W. 10th.
5. Monday, 3:00 p. m.—Hostess, Mrs. Ben Lessenberry, 2015 Schiller.
6. Tuesday, 1:00 p. m.—Hostess, Mrs. N. J. Sebastain, 1421 Wolfe.
7. Tuesday, 1:30 p. m.—Hostess, Mrs. C. J. Craig, 1010 W. 11th.
8. Tuesday, 2:00 p. m.—Hostess, Mrs. Paul Walker, 2116 Center.
9. Tuesday, 2:30 p. m.—Hostess, Mrs. John Buzbee, 1005 W. 24th.
10. Tuesday, 3:00 p. m.—Hostess, Mrs. W. A. Jackson, 2500 High.
11. Wednesday, 1:00 p. m.—Hostess, Mrs. Douglass Thom, 122 Olive Street, North Little Rock.
12. Wednesday, 1:30 p. m.—Hostess, Mrs. Joe Buckingham, 1600 Rock.
13. Wednesday, 2:00 p. m.—Hostess, Mrs. P. L. Easley, 1325 Hanger.
14. Wednesday, 2:30 p. m.—Hostess, Ada Thompson Home, 2021 Main.
15. Wednesday, 3:00 p. m.—Hostess, Mrs. Cage Cross, 2022 Marshall.

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## Christian Education

By HAL H. PINNELL

Church School Attendance  
Last Sunday .....622  
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	On	Time	Cont.	Stay
Jr. Hi .....	51	48	47	26
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Adult Report	
Men's Class .....	56
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Jenkins Class .....	31
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Ashby Class .....	24
Brothers Class .....	19
Bullington Memorial Class .....	18
Young Men's Class .....	15
Young Couples Class .....	10
Total .....	285

## FOUR LEAGUE MEETINGS

Junior High, Senior and Young People's League and Sunday Evening Club meets Sunday, 6:00 p. m. for recreation, refreshments and devotionals.

## JUNIOR HIGH CHOIR TO MEET

All boys and girls in the second and third year grades in Junior High School and the first year grade in Senior High School are asked to meet at the church next Tuesday afternoon immediately after school for their first fall choir practice.

## ATTENTION, BUSINESS WOMEN

Under the new organization of Women's Work in the Methodist Church the Business Women's Circle is to be known as the Wesleyan Guild. The Charter Meeting for this new organization is to be held at the church next Tuesday evening, Sept. 24, at 6:15. Dinner will be served after which the charter will be signed and the new officers for coming year elected and installed.

After this meeting members of the group will go to Miles Chapel to visit the Negro Community Center that they have been helping for the past few months.

All business women of the church are urged to attend this meeting and become a Charter Member of the Wesleyan Guild.

## OUR GUEST PREACHER SUNDAY EVENING

Dr. W. B. Selah, pastor of St. John's Methodist Church, Memphis, Tenn., will be our guest preacher next Sunday evening. Dr. Selah is to teach in the Little Rock District Training School and we are most happy to welcome him in our pulpit next Sunday evening. He is a very effective preacher and you will not want to miss hearing him.

## WEDDING

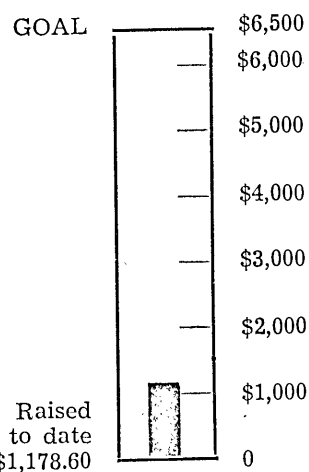
Miss Hazel Lindsey and Mr. Julian Wooten were married Friday, September 13, in the Sanctuary with Dr. Foote performing the ceremony. Our congratulations and best wishes to these young people.

## OUR SYMPATHY

The sincere sympathy of the congregation is extended to Mr. B. M. Whaley, 2114 N. Van Buren, whose father, Mr. J. W. Whaley, passed away at his home in Prescott last month.

## FINANCIAL PROGRESS CHART

Sept. 1-Nov. 1, 1940



\$6,500.00 is the MINIMUM Winfield must raise during this two-month period to meet the payment on the debt and other obligations.

## THREE WAYS TO HELP!

1. Have your pledge up to date by Nov. 1, 1940,
- or
2. Have your pledge paid in full for the year by Nov. 1, 1940,
- or
3. Make a special offering which will help buy up notes for less than the price may ever be again.

## Next Sunday At Winfield

- 10:00 A. M. CHURCH SCHOOL—700 IS ATTENDANCE GOAL —COME!
- 11:00 A. M. MORNING WORSHIP—Sermon by Pastor.
- 6:00 P. M. Jr-High, Senior, Young People's Leagues, Sunday Evening Club.
- 6:30 P. M. BIBLE STUDY OF THE LIFE OF JESUS—taught by the Pastor. (Meeting in Couples Class Room).
- 7:30 P. M. SERMON BY DR. W. B. SELAH, Pastor St. John's Methodist Church, Memphis.

## THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

By GASTON FOOTE

## Bible Study Class Begins Sunday Evening, 6:30

Not infrequently people say "I would like to study the Bible." To fulfill that need we are starting a Bible Study class next Sunday evening at 6:30—one hour before the evening service. For four successive evenings at least we will study the life and teachings of Jesus from the Bible itself. Bibles will be provided for all who attend. This class is open to everyone—EVERYONE. Come and spend this hour in Bible Study.

## Little Rock District Training School Next Sunday, 2:30 P. M.

The annual Little Rock District Training School for all Officers of the Church and teachers of the Church School will hold its first session next Sunday afternoon at First Church, 8th and Center, 2:30 p. m., and each evening through next week at 7:00 p. m. through Friday. Besides specialization courses in the Beginners, Primary, Junior, Senior-Young People's Departments, a course is offered young people on Christian Home Making by the Rev. Neill Hart, Adult Leaders of Youth by the Rev. J. E. Cooper; a course for young married people on Living Together in the Family by Dr. L. F. Wood of New York; a course for all choir members, etc., on Music and Hymn Appreciation by Dr. C. C. Washburn of Nashville; and a Bible course on the Book of Acts by Dr. W. B. Selah of Memphis.

Every Steward, every teacher and officer of the Church School ought to register for one of these courses. Winfield Church ought to have ONE HUNDRED IN ATTENDANCE. A week's training now will help you in your work throughout the year.

# HEAR DR. SELAH of MEMPHIS SUNDAY at 7:30 P. M.