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Does Six Months Do It?

A STATE DIRECTOR of Public Welfare recently made the statement that when a person went on relief for six months he usually remained a reliefer for life. Of course there was nothing arbitrary in the six month period but the statement indicates a very definite danger. For when a man goes on relief his economic life is not alone affected—his whole outlook on life is affected. Most men not only hope to make their own way in life but attain some measure of economic independence. When the way becomes hopeless and men who want to make their own way find it impossible to do so, something goes out of them when they go on relief. First of all, there is the inevitable sense of inferiority—others may make their own way—they cannot. Then there is the feeling that since the economic cards are stacked against them, perhaps the world that has in a measure cheated them, owes them a living. At first they may have revolted against taking relief money. Later they feel that it, and more, is coming to them. Then the work to which they are assigned, if they are on W. P. A., soon becomes to them, not creative, but a mere side issue to getting the relief check. All pride in work and workmanship is gone. So at long last, that which happens to the reliefer, in many instances, makes him not only unemployed but unemployable in competitive industry. But such is not always the case. Six months on relief does NOT make everyone a reliefer for life. There are many instances in which temporary reliefers have not only become self-sustaining but have begun to accumulate property and enter upon the road to economic independence. It all depends upon the individual. Some will be content to remain on relief all their lives. Some will never be content, though they may be forced to remain on relief. So whether it is six days, six months, or six years, there are some reliefers who are temporary, and some who are permanent. And it is a cruel unchristian world that brands all reliefers with the same iron. Many who are temporarily unable to make their own way are just as proud and just as industrious as their more fortunate brethren. They do not need our scorn—they need sympathetic encouragement and a chance to live.

It Was to Be Expected

A FEW years ago the advocates of repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment were saying that if America allowed the free sale of 3.2% beer it would practically eliminate the sale of hard liquors. If we did not know it then we have since found out that exactly the opposite is true. Countless thousands of men and women have become habitual drunkards because they started out with an "innocent" glass of beer. Becoming accustomed to drinks with small alcoholic content these people must resort to stiffer doses of alcoholism to get the desired effect. These facts are substantiated by a recent report of the Nebraska Liquor Commission which stated that during the last twelve months the consumption of beer had fallen off by nearly a million gallons, but that the consumption of hard liquor had increased by 120,667 gallons. The advocates of repeal certainly misrepresented the facts here. But lying is merely a mild sin of the liquor industry.

EDUCATION TO BE TRULY GOOD AND SOCIALLY USEFUL MUST BE FUNDAMENTALLY RELIGIOUS.
—GUIZOT.

What Is Preaching?

IF we ask Saint Paul what preaching is he tells us that it is an urgent announcement of a message with a view to persuasion. If we ask Henry Ward Beecher he tells us that preaching is "the making and mending of men." Phillips Brooks says preaching is "the revelation of truth through personality, truth shining through the prism of a human soul." Father Taylor says preaching is "taking something hot out of one's own heart and shoving it into another." Preaching is as old as human history. It was an ancient art when Jesus came preaching the kingdom of God. The Greeks, the Babylonians, the leaders of the non-Christian religious cults used this art of persuasion. Socrates said, "I had rather write upon the hearts of living men than upon the skins of dead sheep." It is recorded, "Enoch also, seventh from Adam, prophesied." Noah was called "a preacher of righteousness." The entire book of Deuteronomy is cast in the form of a series of addresses repeating, expanding and reinforcing much of the legislation of Moses. Liturgical churches such as the Catholic and the High Church of England celebrate the mass as the focal or central point in their services. Non-liturgical churches, including the great body of protestants, place the open Bible on the table or pulpit as the focal point in the worship service and the exposition of the scriptures becomes the sacramental medium of worship in the church. For it is through preaching that the protestant finds the most completely satisfying approach to an experience of the presence of God. The true worshiper, therefore, goes to church, not primarily to hear the preacher, but to revel in and be edified by the revelation of the truth of God. He attends church, not to demonstrate his loyalty to an institution, but to satisfy his thirst for and interest in the kingdom of God. Because the institution of preaching has made for personal and social righteousness, attendance upon the preaching sacrament of the church is paramount in protestantism.

The Largeness of the Little

THE reason Jesus told us the story of the widow's mite was not because of the littleness of the gift but the largeness of the heart that gave it. Here was a woman who had given all she had. The gift was small—but the heart was among the largest that Jesus knew. Many people are content to say that they have nothing of value to offer the Church. They forget the fact that God holds us responsible, not for the talent we do not have, but for the talent He has given us.

Power From Above

POPE INNOCENT IV of the thirteenth century, reveling in the increasing wealth and luxury of the church, said to Thomas Aquinas, "You see, we can no longer say with the Apostle Peter 'Silver and gold have I none.'" To which the theologian replied, "Nor can you say with Peter, 'Rise, take up thy bed and walk.'" Here is a cutting rebuke that we need to remember. The church has probably never been richer than she is today. United Methodism has boasted of her far flung investments and her splendid institutions of helpfulness. Never have we brought to the feet of the Master more up-to-the-minute material equipment with which to assist in the building of the Kingdom. Yet there are numerous evidences that our spiritual equipment is breaking down. In the state of Arkansas last year there were more than 300 Methodist churches or preaching places in which there was not a single addition on profession of faith. Silver and gold cannot enable a spiritually lame man to walk nor can it restore sight to one spiritually blind. The ability to walk upright in a sordid world comes through surrender to a Christ of purity and power, whom to know is life indeed.

Two-Thirds of the Human Race at War

IT seems incredible that two thousand years after the advent of the Prince of Peace two-thirds of the human race is at war. The total population of the world is estimated at 2,230,000,000. Of this number 1,525,000,000 are now engaged in combat. Roughly speaking, two out of every three men on earth are in a titanic conflict of hate, seeking to destroy each other. The total land area of the earth is 57,510,000 square miles. The war now spreads over 28,000,000 miles of the earth's surface—or one half the globe. Never have people hated war any more than they do today. Never have they been more acutely aware of the destructiveness of war than they are today. Yet, never have they planned total war on such a gigantic scale as they plan it today. Paradoxical as it may seem, it only goes to prove that civilization is not to be measured in terms of material creativity at the hands of man but rather in terms of the increased spirit of justice, mercy and brotherhood in the hearts of men. While the Prince of Peace came to earth two thousand years ago he has never been able to enter into the world of some people. And until He comes in fact, war is inevitable. When He truly comes, war is impossible.

Kagawa In Exile

WORD comes to us that Dr. Toyohiko Kagawa, noted Japanese Christian, who was arrested several weeks ago by the Japanese military, has been released from prison on the condition that he retire voluntarily on an isolated island. It was to be expected that sooner or later Dr. Kagawa would get into trouble because of his boldness in denouncing the unchristian principles of his government in the prosecution of the Chinese war. It is another instance of the inevitable clash that comes when an outstanding Christian leader defies the unchristian activities of his government. It is still a live question with many as to whether or not a man's conscience belongs to Caesar or to God.

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CHURCH CALENDAR

Little Rock Conference Hendrix Rallies

Feb. 18, 10:00 a. m.—Malvern.

Feb. 18, 7:30 p. m.—First Church, Little Rock.

North Arkansas Conference Hendrix Rallies

Feb. 16, 2:30 p. m.—Springdale.

Feb. 16, 7:30 p. m.—First Church, Fort Smith.

District Conferences

May 7, Texarkana District, at Rondo on the
Texarkana Circuit.

May 13, Arkadelphia District at Ebenezer on
Traskwood Circuit.

May 14, Prescott District, at Glenwood.

May 15, Monticello District, at Jersey on the
Hermitage Circuit.

May 20, Little Rock District, at Hazen.

May 21, Pine Bluff District, at Roe.

May 22, Camden District, at Chidester.

March 2, Overseas Relief Sunday.

April 6, Palm Sunday.

April 13, Easter Sunday.

BOOK REVIEWS

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A VISIT TO THE HOLY LAND

DR. THOMAS C. ROMNEY

THE author dedicates the book to his children
"that it may be an inspiration to them to con-
tinue in the footsteps of the Master" and it may
well be that to anyone who reads it. He begins
with the thrill of the experience of the first view
of the Syrian coast line and the Lebanon moun-
tains, from which the cedars were taken to build
Solomon's great temple. He travels the road to
Damascus, views the historic river of Jordan
and the Sea of Galilee, and visits the city of
Nazareth, rich with the memories of the child-
hood of Christ. He believes the province of
Galilee the most picturesque section of the Holy
Land, and contrasts its beauty with the dullness
of Judea. The city of Jerusalem seems to elicit
more romantic interest for him than any other
place in his travels abroad. From there he jour-
neys to Egypt, views the great Pyramids and the
tomb of King Tut, and then follows the jour-
neys of Paul along the Mediterranean ports.
Rome, Athens, and Constantinople are described
in their relation to historical events of a religi-
ous nature. Dr. Romney gives this the charm of
a personal narrative and combines it with the
richness of historical and religious culture to
form a most fascinating adventure.

—Frances M. Short.

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ABOUT PEOPLE

REV. S. T. BAUGH, Prescott, was a caller at
the office Wednesday with subscriptions. He
has a good charge to serve.

REV. H. B. VAUGHT, Benton, is recovering
from a recent illness which confined him
to the hospital for a few days.

DR. C. M. REVES, district superintendent of
Little Rock District, attended Ministers'
Week at Southern Methodist University.

MR. J. S. M. CANNON, Little Rock Conference
lay leader, last week attended a meeting in
Dallas, Texas, for lay leaders from eight states.

DR. PAUL QUILLIAN, Houston, Texas, has
written an article on Personal Evangelism
to be published in the March issue of the Adult
Student.

REV. O. E. HOLMES, Lonoke, called Wednes-
day, with subscriptions. His church is in
the 100% club. The work is moving along in
fine shape.

REV. E. C. RULE, pastor of First Church, Pine
Bluff, was among five trustees of Southern
Methodist University who attended their first
board meeting last week.

REV. J. M. HUGHEY, pastor at Earl, sending
in subscriptions, writes that his work, in
this his fourth year, has started off more aus-
piciously than any of the three years preceding.

REV. L. E. N. HUNDLEY, Warren, sends to the
office a copy of his church bulletin, "The
Messenger." The paper would like to be put on
the mailing list of other churches issuing bulle-
tins.

REV. REX B. WILKES is happy over the fact
that at the end of the first quarter of the
Conference year his charge at Wilson has paid
one-fourth of everything in full. He called
Thursday with more subscriptions.

REV. J. F. WALKER, pastor at Bauxite, and
Rev. Richard Perry, pastor at Bryant, called
with subscriptions while in the city Monday.
They are handling their lists in a fine way and
are enjoying the work in their respective charges.

REV. JAMES M. TALKINGTON, pastor at
Quitman, sending in subscriptions, writes
that he is beginning his third year with promise
of a great year. He has a fine people with
which to work. He is taking care of his sub-
scription list in fine shape.

REV. IRL BRIDENTHAL, pastor at Pottsville,
called Monday and added to his list of sub-
scriptions. His church is 100%. He is proud of
the fact that Pottsville is now a full-time station.
They will entertain the Conway District Con-
ference on May 1 and 2 and his people are mak-
ing enthusiastic preparations. A School of Mis-
sions is now in progress with a good attendance.

BISHOP IVAN LEE HOLT has announced the
appointment of Dr. Harry S. DeVore, for-
merly of the Little Rock Conference, as director
of the campaign for the Compassion Day Offer-
ing for his area. This includes the Texas Con-
ferences and the New Mexico Conference.

REV. C. R. HOZENDORF, assistant pastor of
First Church, Little Rock, has been ap-
pointed pastor of Mena church. Rev. R. A.
Teeter will assume the pastorate of the church
at Smackover which was left vacant when Rev.
W. L. Arnold was given a commission as chap-
lain in the Army and stationed at Fort Sill, Okla.

DR. JOHN R. MOTT, en route from Dallas to
New York, spoke at a Y. M. C. A. luncheon
last Sunday noon in the interest of the War
Prisoners' Aid Fund whereby the three million
prisoners in camps in Canada, England, France
and Germany are given leisure time activities.
Those desiring to help in this worthy project
are asked to address communications to the
editor of this journal.

BISHOP W. C. MARTIN will be guest preacher
at First Church, Fort Smith, on March 2, at
the morning hour. Rev. Dana Dawson, pastor of
First Church, Shreveport, and formerly pastor
of First Church, Fort Smith, will preach at the
evening hour. Dr. H. C. Henderson, Dallas, also
a former pastor, will be guest preacher at the
evening hour March 9. The week of March 2-9
marks the formal opening of the new educational
building.

REV. R. E. SIMPSON and his people of Grand
Ave. Church, Hot Springs are happy over
the installation of a new \$2,450 pipe organ which
was heard for the first time Sunday morning.
The organ which was a gift to the church, has
three sets of pipes and two additional sets are
to be installed later. It is encased in walnut and
has an exceptionally beautiful tone. Mrs. Robt.
Braughton is organist and Charles Cook, Jr., is
choir director.

DR. UMPHREY LEE, president of Southern
Methodist University, was elected president
of the Methodist Association of Schools and Col-
leges at its January meeting in Los Angeles,
Calif. Other officers are Dr. G. I. Humphries,
High Point, N. C., vice-president; Dr. Boyd M.
McKeown, Nashville, Tenn., secretary, and Dr.
Chas. B. Ketcham, Alliance, Ohio, Treasurer.
Sixty Methodist institutions of learning were
represented at the meeting.

BISHOP ADNA WRIGHT LEONARD has an-
nounced the appointment of two laymen to
complete the membership of the Methodist Com-
mission on Chaplains set up by the Council of
Bishops last December. They are Colonel John
C. Boggs, principal Randolph Macon Academy,
Front Royal, Va., and Dr. Arthur C. Christie,
of Washington, D. C. The others serving on this
Commission with Bishop Leonard, the chairman,
are Bishop W. W. Peele of Richmond, Va., and
Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam of Boston.

With Our Readers

From Assistant Editor, Christian Advocate:

You are doing a great work for the ARKANSAS
METHODIST. May your largest plans for in-
creased usefulness for the paper be realized.

Chicago, Ill. CHARLES O. RANSFORD.

From Corning:

One man has assumed responsibility for
ten subscriptions among those people who would
find the extra dollar a burden on a slim budget.
Both the minister and the people are enthusi-
astic about the paper's form and service.

B. C. FEW, Pastor.

From Salem:

I hear many high compliments on the METH-
ODIST. I believe the future for the paper has
been solved.

T. C. CHAMBLISS.

From a District Superintendent:

We all appreciate your fine work with our
paper. I am doing what I can as I go around.
It was my habit as pastor to secure 100% lists.
It can be done most places I will say. In some
way we must continue our state Methodist paper.
It is indispensable to our progress as a denomi-
nation.

Paragould

H. LYNN WADE.

From A Baptist:

"Believe it or not" you've made such a good
paper out of the ARKANSAS METHODIST in such a
short time that I read it before reading my AR-
KANSAS BAPTIST. You are to be congratulated
and I wish for you continued success.

SAM A. SANDERS.

THE CHURCH WORKSHOP

H. MELLE FIKES and C. R. HOZENDORF, Editors

A NATIONAL DISGRACE AND A CHALLENGE TO ALL AMERICAN PARENTS

Virtually every child in America is reading color "comic" magazines—a poisonous mushroom growth of the last two years.

Ten million copies of these sex-horror serials are sold every month. One million dollars are taken from the pockets of America's children in exchange for graphic insanity.

Frankly we were not perturbed when we first heard about the rise of the action "comic." We imagined (as do most parents) that they were no worse than the "funnies" in the newspapers. But a careful examination of the 108 periodicals now on the stands shocked us into activity. At least seventy per cent of the total were of a nature no respectable newspaper would think of accepting.

Save for a scattering of more or less innocuous "gag" comics and some reprints of newspaper strips, we found that the bulk of these lurid publications depend for their appeal upon mayhem, murder, torture and abduction—often with a child as the victim. Superman heroics, voluptuous females in scanty attire, blazing machine guns, hooded "justice" and cheap political propaganda were to be found on almost every page.

The old dime novels in which an occasional redskin bit the dust were classic literature compared to the sadistic drivel pouring from the presses today. Badly drawn, badly written and badly printed—a strain on young eyes and young nervous systems—the effect of these pulp-paper nightmares is that of a violent stimulant. Their crude blacks and reds spoil the child's natural sense of color, their hypodermic injection of sex and murder make the child impatient with better, though quieter, stories. Unless we want a coming generation even more ferocious than the present one, parents and teachers throughout America

FAMILY NIGHT AT HUNTER MEMORIAL

The boys and girls of Hunter Memorial Church, Eleventh and McAlmont streets, will present a program honoring the parents of the church next Thursday evening, February 13th. The program has been arranged by by Mr. H. R. Zook, Scoutmaster of Troop No. 22, Mrs. J. D. Patton, Leader of Girl Scout Troop No. 4, and Mrs. H. F. Kendrick, Superintendent of the Children's Division of the Church School. The young people's orchestra will furnish the music.

The speakers will be Mr. J. V. Dabbs, Boy Scout Executive, and Miss Allyce Nelson, Executive Secretary of the Girl Scouts.

After the meeting refreshments will be served in the basement of the Church and a fellowship hour will follow.

—A. J. SHIREY, Pastor.

DIAGNOSIS

The Rev. Charles E. Lord, of Arcata, Calif., had the following revealing item in his church bulletin recently: "Our Arcata Union and the Humboldt Times and Standard certainly do a thorough job of reporting local activities with their printing of all the names of people, the places they go, and the things they do. Those who continually run and go here, there, and everywhere and then tell the pastor that 'they aren't well enough to attend church'—don't they know that he reads the newspapers? Most of our pastors are alert and know what's what. The trouble with such church members is that they lack a vital religious experience and are only half-interested in church matters."—Christian Advocate.

THE TEST OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

So much has been said about methods that we have lost the highest meaning of religious education. The criterion of a good method may be judged in the light of such questions as: Does this method reflect the great Master who for us is the way as well as the truth and the life? Is this method an illustration of His teachings? Does it set people in motion dealing with each other in the way that he commanded us to deal with each other? Does it cause the members to think, feel, and behave toward God as Jesus told us to think and feel and behave?

Measure your mind's height by the shade it casts.—Browning.

EVANGELIZE TO SAVE CIVILIZATION

Dr. Robert A. Hutchins, president of Chicago University, recently criticized our modern educational system as a "large scale housing venture" which fails to develop freedom of thought. To this lack of freedom he ascribed the major ills of the modern world.

"The great problem of our time," Dr. Hutchins said, "is moral, intellectual and spiritual. With a superfluity of goods we are sinking into poverty; with a multitude of gadgets we are no happier than we were before; with a declining death rate we have yet to discover what we should do with our lives; with a hatred of war we are heading inevitably towards it; with a love of liberty we see much of the world in chains."

The reason for these things, he tells us, is that "we have directed our lives and our education to means instead of ends. We have been concerned with the superficial instead of the enduring and basic problems of life and society."

How true! The modern world is endeavoring to build a civilization without Christ. Such a civilization, having forgotten God, will go like all other such civilizations have gone, to the dust of the earth. We must evangelize our homeland to save our civilization.

"ALL ONE BODY WE"

"Our gifts of talent and money can demonstrate the reality of Christ's concern for mankind," says Dr. Leslie B. Moss, of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, in appealing for support of church programs of overseas relief this winter.

"With more than half of the human race involved in war the magnitude of suffering is unprecedented. Despair, grief and physical suffering may lead many to feel that God has deserted them."

"Christians are called to bring a ministry of compassion and mercy to suffering humanity on a vast scale. We must meet humanity where it needs our help most. Unless we respond in adequate measure various secular agencies will out-distance our demonstration of Christian concern and assistance. The needs are of utmost urgency."

"We have repeatedly voiced our conviction and determination to build a world-wide Christian fellowship."

WHAT IS TRUTH?

(From the dictionary)

1. Fidelity, constancy, steadiness, faithfulness.
2. Honesty in character, action and speech.
3. Conforming to fact or reality; certainty.
4. Conforming to ideal ideas of civilization.
5. A true statement or proposition.
6. The whole body of ultimate reality.
7. Righteousness; perfection; true religion.

AMBITION

*To hear the Master when He speaks; to go
Or stoop as He directs; to be content
To serve though none may praise or even know;
To do, not what I choose, but what He meant
For me (and when a task of mine is done,
Have grace for others' sake to step aside);
Above all else to bring him souls I've won—
But so they come to Him be satisfied
Though in it I may have a minor part;
To look to Him always that He may touch
With power trembling hands or timid heart
And fill my lack. That He who suffered much
Might through a simple life be praised, I would
That He might say: "She hath done what she could."*

LUCILE WHARTON.

AMAZING WORDS OF PROPHECY

Heinrich Heine, poet and miscellaneous writer of most unusual gifts wrote about one hundred years ago the following paragraph that comes home to the world with telling emphasis at the present hour and the truth of which finds confirmation in German history as well as the present temper of these Nordic.

Listen to Heine and ponder what he says:

"Christianity has somehow softened the brutal German lust for battle, but it cannot root it out; and when once that restraining talisman, the Cross, is broken, then shall we hear again the clank of the savagery of the old warriors, the mad berserker fury of which the Nordic peoples do so much speak and sing. . . . Then will the old stone gods rise up out of their rubble. They will rub the millennial dust out of their eyes, and Thor with his hammer will spring forth and shatter the Gothic cathedral."

The sweetest music is not oratorical but in the human voice when it speaks from its instant life tones of tenderness, truth and courage.—Emerson.

must band together to break the "comic" magazine.

But, of course, the children must be furnished a good substitute. There is nothing dull about Westward Ho or Treasure Island. Sinbad the Sailor didn't need spinach to effect his feats of strength. The classics are full of humor and adventure—plus good writing. And never before in the history of book publishers have there been so many fine new books for children, or better edited children's magazines.

The shame lies largely with the parents who don't know and don't care what their children are reading. It lies with unimaginative teachers who force stupid, dull twaddle down eager young throats, and, of course, it lies with the completely immoral publishers of the "comics"—guilty of a cultural slaughter of the innocents.

But, the antidote to the "comic" magazine poison can be found in any library or good bookstore. The parent (and the teacher—ed.) who does not acquire that antidote for his child is guilty of criminal negligence.—Sterling North (Editorial in Chicago Daily News, May 8, 1940.) Copied in Childhood Education, October, 1940.

God is saying to our generation, "You had better mend your ways."

The Sisters Ruth . . . Two Of Two Thousand

CAN Sister Ruth come in a hurry? . . . My boy is very, very sick. . . . He is very hot . . ."

It was the very evening of my first day in Kambini—my first day in the Portuguese colony of Mozambique, East Africa—while we were gathered together in a missionary home, that this call came for immediate help.

And it was Sister Ruth Heggoy, a young Scandinavian Methodist nurse, sent out to Africa only a few months before by the Methodists of Norway, who responded. Yes, the lad in the home of the African pastor-teacher in Kambini was very, very sick. The nurse recognized at once that it was the dreaded Black-water fever, scourge of the troops. She applied her remedies and made the boy comfortable—the while a courier was sped through the night to bring to the parsonage a young Portuguese doctor from a mission of another denomination more than one hundred miles away.

Weeks later, I met another Sister Ruth—Miss Ruth Hanson, nurse-in-charge of the Methodist clinic, hospital, maternity center, nurse-training, and first-aid station at old Umtali, famed Christian center in British Southern Rhodesia. Miss Hanson, like Miss Heggoy, is a native of Sweden, but sent to Africa as a missionary by Norway's Methodist young people.

Sister Ruth Hanson, twenty years in service in Africa, is a whole "mission center" in herself. With Superintendent Murphree, the training head of Old Umtali, I visited the medical section of this broad campus—the new two-ward hospital built on the hillside under Sister Hanson's direction from plans she herself provided; the nearby maternity ward where hundreds of babes have been born and their mothers taught to care for them—Africa's mortality tables do not apply around Old Umtali—the clinic where scores of eyes and sores and fevers and tropic diseases are cared for each day. And I saw the Christian African girls—but a few years out of the wilds—whom she has trained as competent nurses, and the scores of young pastors-to-be and teachers-to-be who had been given sufficient first-aid training that they can go out to their appointments and teach elementary sanitation and personal hygiene to congregations and students.

All of this Sister Ruth carries on with only the assistance of those she herself has trained.

For a score of years Old Umtali has been without a doctor, and she has been virtually doctor and nurse. For the more serious cases, however, there is a young Irish doctor, in government service in Umtali—20 miles away—who will go anywhere in the district at Sister Ruth's call.

Elsewhere in Africa I met other Methodist missionaries sent out and supported from Norway, Sweden and Denmark. In Sumatra and in India, likewise, there were able evangelists commissioned by the Methodist churches of those European countries.

And now the Sisters Ruth and other Scandinavian missionaries of Methodism on two continents are "orphaned" by the war. Funds cannot be sent out of Norway or elsewhere on the Peninsula for their support, or for the carrying on of their ministries. *Some of the funds to be raised on March 2, "The Day of Compassion," in Methodist Churches across America, are to be used to support these "orphaned" missionaries so that they may continue their consecrated service.*

OTHER ORPHANED MISSIONS

Not only Methodist missionaries from Europe but those of other Christian denominations are cut off from the parent and supporting churches. For the Protestant churches of Germany, Denmark, Finland, Norway, Holland, Belgium and France had some 4,000 missionaries in Africa, the Near East, India, China, Japan, Netherlands Indies, Manchuria, and in South America before the war. More than half of these men and women are still sticking to their posts, though cut off from all support from Europe.

Dr. A. L. Warnshuis, of the International Missionary Council, reports that 168 mission groups are thus affected. Last year, he says, the churches of North America sent \$263,000 to aid 101 of these missions. Churches in Great Britain—despite their own mounting need—gave \$25,000 for non-British orphaned groups: while from Australia, South Africa, China, India and Africa have come other gifts from Christians testifying to the unity of the Christian church around the world. Dr. Warnshuis estimates that \$2,000,000 will be required to maintain these missions, on a bare subsistence basis for one year. The greatest needs, he feels, are among the Scandinavian missionaries in India, and among the Dutch missionaries in Sumatra and Java who are trying to carry on the notable Christian ministry among the Batak and other aboriginal peoples of the islands. Decades ago this work was established by German missionaries, and later taken over by Dutch Protestants.

Through the International Missionary Council, some of the Methodist giving on "The Day of Compassion" will be used to carry on missionary service, not only that of Methodists, but of the whole "orphaned" Christian family. Here in the world's dark hour, will be a strengthening of the Christian tie that must—eventually—overcome the world.

Lord Halifax Says:

And in these days we may well ponder and take to our hearts the words of Lord Halifax, formerly the British Foreign Secretary, and now England's Ambassador to the United States—a man described as "the greatest Christian in the public life of Europe."

"It is said that some who regularly support the work of foreign missions are in doubt whether it is right in time of war to send money out of the country, and also whether war charities and war work ought not to take precedence over everything else.

"Action already taken by several government departments has shown the desire of the British Government that the services rendered by Christian missions should continue. I am myself quite clear that the



Some of the patients waiting for Sister Ruth Hanson at the daily clinic, Old Umtali, Southern Rhodesia, Africa. —Wide World Photo.

feel toward the special needs the charities that press upon us in war time should lead them to desert this permanent and universal Christian obligation."

DEAR DR. FOOTE: At a recent meeting of the Bishop and the District Superintendents of the Little Rock Conference the following resolutions were passed unanimously:

(1) To commend the ARKANSAS METHODIST to all our people and give heartiest support to you as editor. We very sincerely congratulate you and wish the paper the greatest possible success.

(2) To ask that prominence be given in the ARKANSAS METHODIST to the Day of Compassion, March 2, at which time an offering is to be taken for overseas relief and camp service.

J. E. COOPER, Sec'y of Cabinet.

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THE DEVOTIONAL PAGE

ROY BAGLEY, Editor

PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS

Christ says, "He needs must suffer,
Rising from the dead,
And enter thus upon His glory."
And how do you ask for another
road
Than this—The Royal Pathway of
the Holy Cross.
—Thomas a' Kempis.

A holy life is not an ascetic, or
gloomy, or solitary life, but a life
regulated by divine truth and faith-
ful in Christian duty.—It is living
above the world while we are still
in it.—Tryon Edwards.

We live with other men, and to
other men, not exclusively with, or
to ourselves. We have no inter-
course with others that does not tell
on them, as they all the while are
influencing us.

One truly Christian life will do
more to prove the divine origin of
Christianity than many lectures. It
is of much greater importance to
develop Christian character, than
to exhibit Christian evidences.

—J. M. Gibson.

A child of God should be a vis-
ible beatitude for joy and happi-
ness and a living doxology for
gratitude and adoration.—Spurgeon.

There are two kinds of discon-
tents in this world: the discontent
that works, and the discontent that
wring its hands. The first gets what
it wants, and the second loses what
it had.—Gordon Graham.

Life's best remedies are not al-
ways the easiest to take.—Ex.

A GOD CENTERED LIFE

How may one's life become God-
centered?

This opens the door to the under-
standing of Stewardship. It comes,
first of all, out of a genuine experi-
ence of God. Everyone who has
read the New Testament would
admit without a word of argument
that Paul, the Apostle to the Gen-
tiles, lived a God-centered life and
was an outstanding example of a
Christian Steward "in principle and
in action." But Paul had a great
conversion experience before he be-
came the living exponent of the
"Stewardship of the Gospel." He
met the Master on the road to Da-
mascus and cried out: "Lord, what
wilt Thou have me to do?" Then he
heard the command, "Go," and he
went, Spirit-driven, counting his
own life as nothing, but giving his
time, money, powers of personality,
even life itself, in order to be a good
Steward of the Gospel.

The beginning of the Stewardship
of life for every person will be
found in a conversion, a spiritual
birth. Not all will find this experi-
ence in the same way; the process
will vary as widely as individuals
differ, but the result will be as gen-
uine as Christian faith itself. Every
genuine Christian Steward will be
rooted and grounded in a trans-
forming religious conviction and
experience.—From "Stewardship in
Action" Laymen's Day Program.

POEM OF THE WEEK

O LOVE THAT WILL NOT LET ME GO

*O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in Thee;
I give Thee back the life I owe,
That in Thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.*

*O Light that follow'st all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to Thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in Thy sunshine's glow its day
May brighter, fairer be.*

*O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to Thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be.*

*O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from Thee;
I lay in dust, life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.*

—GEORGE MATHESON.

A WORD FOR TODAY

In a very old Book, a very wise
Book and a very great Book, there
are, along with a great many oth-
ers, two passages especially that
have a message for us today.

The first is an incident taken
from an old Oriental tale, told by
the Master story-teller of the ages.
We find it in the 22nd chapter of
Matthew. A certain king was giving
a great wedding feast for his son.
Guests were being brought in from
all directions, and from all classes
and conditions of men. They were
met at the door by servants who
gave to them garments suitable for
the place and occasion.

There was one man, however,
who rudely elbowed his way past
the servants and refused to put on
the garment that was handed him;
preferring, we may suppose, to keep
on the one he was wearing. But the
king saw the man who had on the
strange garment and had him
brought before him.

"Why do you not have on the
wedding garment?" he was asked.
He did not reply. He had no excuse,
and was cast out.

We, in this great country of ours,
are called to the great feast of mod-
ern civilization, with the great gifts
of a bounteous nature spread out
before us. The King has imposed on
us but one condition—that we have
on the garment of righteousness.
And that applies to all, business and
professional men, educators, preach-
ers, politicians, farmers. There is
one garment that will make us ac-
ceptable guests at the feast of civi-
lization, and that is the clothing of
right living. If we have not that
then other things, the cap and gown
of the student, the silk and satin of
the wealthy, the ecclesiastical robes

of the church, the rags of the pov-
erty-stricken, do not count. Nothing
will take the place of the garment
of righteousness. "Righteousness ex-
alteth a nation." If that be true then
the lack of it will cast a nation down
and out.

Material wealth, political power
and prestige, economic advantages
—none of these will give a man or
a nation of men a right to a seat at
the feast of Christian civilization.
Only—and I would repeat it again
and again—only the garment of
righteousness, of right living. How
about ourselves, our nation, the
United States of America? Are we
attempting to push our way in,
careless and indifferent to the clar-
ion voice of the Word, disregarding
the verdict of history in the records
of the ages, caring not a whit for
the garment presented to us, pre-
ferring our own robes of tarnished
splendour, or our spotted and stain-
ed robes of sensuality, selfishness
and sin? Let us face facts in this
great day of crisis.

Then there is another passage in
that great Book, separated from the
other by almost the width of the
Book and by many centuries of
time. We find it in the fourth chap-
ter of the book of Beginnings, an
incident from the early dawn of the
human race.

A man is pictured there with a
"fallen countenance—a face lined
and corroded with hate and envy."
A voice seems to be speaking to his
inmost being.

"Why do you look like that?
What is the matter with you? Be-
ware! Sin croucheth at thy door like
a wild beast, eager to be at you!
But thou shouldst master it."

He failed to master it, and the re-

SENTENCE SERMONS

Speak of benefits received rath-
er than those you bestow.

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By improving yourself is the
world made better.

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The way to heaven is heaven.

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No code limits the wages of sin.

* * *

Irreligion costs more than reli-
gion.

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We wait for things not worth the
delay.

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All enemies are large ones.

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One must stoop to make a real
standing.

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Would you be willing to live in a
non-Christian land?

* * *

It is easier to live your creed than
argue about it.

cords of human history reveal the
tragic outcome.

Today we are greatly concerned
about the possibilities of foreign in-
vasion. We hear much said about
the fifth column and the Trojan
horse in our country. We cannot
doubt but that back of these rising
fears there is a real danger.

But these things are not our
greatest danger. Not the insidious
poison or foreign agents and for-
eign corruption in our midst, nor
the dangers of a foreign invasion;
but the "sin that croucheth at the
door" of our individual and corpor-
ate lives. There is our most real
danger, Sensuality and the disinte-
gration of the American home, le-
galizing of liquor and of gambling,
corruption in politics and selfish-
ness in the relations of capital and
labor, all these crouch at the door
of our lives today ready to tear and
rend and destroy.

We have called many of our A-
merican youth to the colors, and
they are assembling in great camps
over our country to go into a life
of training. As we see them assem-
bling and training in our camps we
cannot help but visualize a time
when they might be called on to
face some enemy of our country in
deadly conflict.

But what about the "sin that
croucheth at the doors" of our
camps today? Are we as anxious
about the dangers that might
threaten them in dens of immoral-
ity and places where intoxicating
liquor is for sale, as we are about
the possibility of their having to
face a foreign invader? Immorality
and liquor are "crouching at the
doors" of our camps, more deadly
and destructive than the "Prussian
beast." Are we to have the mastery
over these destructive agencies, or
will we permit them to dominate us
in this hour of crisis?

Let us face facts.—Geo. A. Freeman.

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CADDO LEAGUE UNION IS RE-ORGANIZED

Thirty-seven Methodist Young People and interested adults of Glenwood, Amity, Mount Ida and Caddo Gap met in the Glenwood Methodist Church on Thursday evening, Feb. 6, for re-organization of the Caddo League Union. To our own Garsie Cox is due much credit for taking the initiative in promoting this re-organization meeting.

The devotional program was in the auditorium of the Church with Garsie Cox, president of the former League Union, as leader. Hymns were sung with Miss Margaret Etta Ray at the piano. Scripture was read by the Rev. S. K. Burnett, pastor of Glenwood, and prayer was by Rev. S. B. Mann, pastor at Amity. Talks by these two pastors and by Rev. W. E. Cazort, pastor of Mount Ida, were followed by discussion of plans for re-organization. It was unanimously voted to elect officers at the next meeting which will be at Amity on Thursday evening, March 28. The president appointed as a nominating committee: Misses Opal Watson, Glenwood, Jane Swindle, Mt. Ida, and Elizabeth Hays, Amity. Benediction was pronounced by Bro. Cazort, and all adjourned to the basement of the church for games, refreshments and group singing.

The young people are grateful to the pastors of the three churches and to other adults for their co-operation and support in this work. Some co-operation of adult members is needed for the success of the young people's work. Any adult who will attend the young people's meetings will feel that they are well repaid for their efforts. We believe that God will bless any sincere effort of and for the young people in the work of His Kingdom.—Ruth W. Ligon.

ALFRED WESSON YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION

The Alfred Wesson Young People's Union of the Fayetteville District met at Elm Springs Monday night February 3, with 223 in attendance. Practically every charge was represented. Splendid delegations were present from Sulphur Springs, Siloam Springs, Decatur, Gentry, Siloam Springs Circuit, Bentonville, Centerton, Rogers, Springdale, Fayetteville, Harmon and Elm Springs. Fayetteville young people had charge of the program and had 35 in attendance, followed closely by Bentonville, Siloam Springs and Springdale. Miss Frances Johnson gave a most interesting and helpful talk on growth. A recreational hour was thoroughly enjoyed, followed by delicious refreshments served by the Elm

ARKANSAS METHODIST ORPHANAGE

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Since my last article, I have had an unusual experience—I had a vicious attack of flu and was confined to my bed for nearly three weeks, but I am up now and at work.

As is known by our readers of the Methodist, we were the recipients of a check for \$500 in the Diamond Jubilee contest of Pfeiffer Brothers. We cannot find words to express our gratitude to the people who made possible this fine gift.

Much of the credit for this is to be given to the leadership of our Matron, Mrs. Lane, and to the wo-

Christian Education

BLYTHEVILLE TRAINING SCHOOL

will be held at First Church, Blytheville, Feb. 16-20, with the following courses offered:

The Children's Division of the Church—Mrs. H. E. Tomlinson, Melden, Missouri.

Recreational Leadership—Miss Myrtle Charles, Conway, Ark.

The Church Working With Young Adults—Rev. Floyd V. Brower, Caruthersville, Missouri.

The pastors of the churches in that section of Jonesboro District held a meeting Feb. 10, to complete all details.

This promises to be one of the best training schools ever to be held in that section.

The school will begin an Sunday afternoon, Feb. 16, at 2:30 o'clock, and will close on Thursday night, February 20. This plan is being used to prevent conflict that otherwise would interfere seriously with the school.—Ira A. Brumley.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL OFFERINGS

The following offerings have been received from charges in the Little Rock Conference on the Hendrix College and Ministerial Education Special.

Star City Ct.—Rev. Fred L. Arnold, pastor	\$ 25.00
Blevins Ct.—Rev. Chas. H. Giessen, pastor	50.00
Watson-Kelso—Rev. Eldred Blakeley, pastor	15.00
Crossett—Rev. T. T. McNeal, pastor	125.00
Dermott—Rev. John L. Tucker, pastor	75.00
Total	\$290.00

These are splendid offerings and indicates victory in this Conference. Each charge reporting has reached its goal. The first offering received was from the Star City Circuit and the second from the Blevins charge.—C. K. Wilkerson, Treasurer.

Springs young people. The council voted to hold the next meeting at Fayetteville on March 3.—Margaret Harris, Secretary.

Why not put the Arkansas Methodist in every Methodist home? The pastor and official board can do this fine thing, and it will prove a great blessing.

men of the Methodist Church. It is surprising with what unanimity they went into the matter.

Everything is doing well at the Home. We have the usual experiences with colds, flu and else, but with the help of the people and the love of the people, we are doing the best we can. Once again I want to thank the Methodist Church that is running this Home for unfortunate children and their friends for what they are doing for us. Their service is unselfish and beautiful.

If I had my way about it I would get everyone to visit our Home for I know they would be like I am—overwhelmed with gratitude to Almighty God for a Church that is

FORT SMITH DISTRICT TRAINING SCHOOL

The Fort Smith District Training School plans have been completed. The school is to be held February 24-28 at Goddard Memorial Church, Fort Smith.

This school is to have a larger attendance than any former Fort Smith Training School. A recent meeting of leaders from the various churches indicated that enrollment would be near 500.

A list of courses has been worked out providing special courses for all groups. No worker in the Church School or in the church should find difficulty in finding a course of special interest. Every member of the church should find some course of value.

The following courses are to be offered: Children's Division in the Church, Mrs. Ira A. Brumley, Conway; Personal Religion, Rev. Robert Bearden, Jr., Truman; Ways of Teaching, Rev. Kenneth Shamblin, Atkins; Christian Worship, Dr. Nat R. Griswold, Conway; Understanding People, Rev. Harry King, Beebe; Spirit and Genius of Methodism, Dr. L. L. Evans, Fort Smith; The Stewardship of Life, Rev. E. B. Williams, Blytheville; The Home in Society, Dr. R. E. Womack, Jackson, Tennessee; The Church School Superintendent, Rev. O. W. Moerner, Nashville, Tenn.—Ira A. Brumley.

LARGE DELEGATION ATTENDS MINISTERS' WEEK

The North Arkansas Conference had a large delegation attending Ministers' Week at S. M. U., February 3-6.

The following persons attended: Earle Cravens, Walnut Ridge. E. B. Williams, Blytheville; W. J. Spicer, Osceola; Robert Bearden, Truman; E. W. Potter, Jonesboro; A. W. Martin, Jonesboro; Martin Bierbaum and Mrs. Martin Bierbaum, Luxora; H. L. Wade, Paragould; G. C. Taylor, Rector; Cecil R. Culver, Paragould; Ira A. Brumley, Conway; G. C. Johnson, Conway; J. T. Byrd and Mrs. J. T. Byrd, Van Buren; E. H. Hook and Mrs. E. H. Hook, North Little Rock; H. W. Jett, Swifton; Earl Walker and Mrs. Earl Walker, Widener; E. T. Wayland and Mrs. E. T. Wayland, Conway; Sam Yancey, Fayetteville; LeRoy Henry, Gainesville; J. A. Reynolds, Pocatonton; W. D. Bray, Turrell.—Ira A. Brumley.

BISHOP SELECMAN RENDERS GREAT SERVICE IN EDUCATIONAL MEETINGS

Bishop Selecman further endeared himself to the Methodists of Little Rock Conference by the distinguished service he rendered in the interest of our February campaign last week. Twelve times he spoke and he seemed to gather strength and enthusiasm with each succeeding message. It is really marvelous to note the energy of this distinguished leader. Possibly no man in Methodism is fitted to render service along so many lines as is Bishop Selecman and certainly among his greatest contributions is that in the interest of Christian Education. Last week he spoke to great gatherings at Fordyce, Dermott, First Church, Pine Bluff, DeWitt, Carlisle, Camden, El Dorado, First Church, Texarkana, DeQueen, Hope, Nashville, and First Church, Hot Springs.

Accompanying the Bishop on this round was Rev. Leland Clegg, our Conference Director for the campaign. Brother Clegg had already created a magnificent interest in this cause by the splendid messages he brought at our Educational Institute in December and made another fine contribution through his messages at the Bishops rallies. Others appearing for short messages he brought at our Educational more of these rallies were: Alton Raney of Little Rock. Dr. C. M. Reves; Bryan Stephens; Ernestine Matkin; R. B. Moore and Clem Baker.

For each rally the District Superintendent together with the pastor had made fine preparation. In every case the District Superintendent presided over the meeting and let his people know that he was solidly behind this cause. The rallies for the Little Rock Conference will close with a meeting at Malvern at 10:00 A. M., Tuesday, February 18th and the Little Rock District Rally at First Church, Little Rock, 7:30 P. M., Tuesday, February 18th.

From every report it seems certain that the Little Rock Conference will reach its quota for this great cause.—Clem Baker.

The moral argument for our immortality is, after all, the strongest of those upon which reason can fall back. It is no fancy which insists that Eternal Justice cannot close his account with any human conscience at the moment of death; that there must be an after-world in which the too unequal balance of suffering and happiness, of good and evil during life, will be surely rectified.—Canon Liddon.

trying to do this kind of work. Come to see us when you can.

With best wishes for all, I am, yours truly.—James Thomas, Supt.

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METAL SPONGE

Walnut Ridge Methodists Pay Church Debt

The congregation of the Walnut Ridge Methodist church recently paid the sum of \$6,803.11 to liquidate all outstanding indebtedness on the church and parsonage. The magnificent church building was constructed in 1921-22 under the leadership of Rev. W. E. Hall, pastor here for five years, at a cost approximating \$60,000.00. Members of the church, citizens and business firms in the city, made substantial contributions to the building fund, but it became necessary to borrow \$10,000.00 from a St. Louis, Missouri, firm to complete construction and to purchase equipment.

The interest and partial payment on principal was made from time to time, but the indebtedness of the church was increased by \$2,000 when



WALNUT RIDGE CHURCH



REV. EARLE CRAVENS, Pastor

the parsonage on West Second Street was purchased and remodeled. Capital expenditures were also increased by finishing the basement for use as an assembly and banquet room.

The Board of Church Extension made a church loan of \$8,000 in a refinancing movement and \$2,000 of this indebtedness was paid in the fall of 1939.

Church Has Long History

The Methodist Church was organized in 1885 by Rev. S. D. Evans, pastor in charge. The church records

are incomplete but a partial list of charter members include: S. W. Andrews, Mrs. Bell Andrews, Mrs. Mary Rankin, Mrs. Lizzie Henry, Mrs. Narciss Hardin, Mrs. Molly Jackson, the last and the only living charter member. A house of worship, a frame structure, was built on the east side of town.

The Methodists sold the church building to the Church of Christ in 1921 and services were held in the courthouse during the time the new building was in course of construc-

tion. The new church, one of the largest and nicest in the state, was occupied in 1922 and in 1923 the annual conference was held in Walnut Ridge.

Rev. Earle Cravens was sent to Walnut Ridge as pastor a year ago, and began at once to agitate paying the church out of debt. Due to his leadership and untiring efforts, the church was led to make the final settlement of the debt. The whole conference will rejoice with this pastor and people.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCES ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT

Feb. 16, 11 a. m., Arkadelphia Station.
Feb. 23, 11:00 a. m., Friendship Circuit, at Midway.
March 2, 11:00 a. m., First Church, Hot Springs.
March 2, 7:30 p. m., Grand Avenue, Hot Springs.
March 9, 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., Carthage-Tulip.
March 16, 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., Arkadelphia Circuit.
March 22, 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., Traskwood Circuit.
March 30, 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., Holly Springs Circuit.
April 6, 11:00 a. m., Benton Station.
April 6, 7:30 p. m., Oaklawn, Hot Springs.
April 13, 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., Sparkman-Sardis.
April 20, 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., Princeton Circuit.
April 27, 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., Dalarik Circuit at Providence.
May 2, 11:00 a. m., Malvern Circuit at Leau Fraix.
May 2, 7:30 p. m., Malvern Station.
May 7, 7:30 p. m., Malvern Station (Business session).
May 11, 11:00 a. m., Hot Springs Circuit at Bethlehem.
May 11, 7:30 p. m., Tigert Memorial.
May 18, 11:00 a. m., Caddo Circuit, at Christian Home.
May 18, 7:30 p. m., Caddo Circuit at Pleasant Hill.
May 25, 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., Leola Circuit.
June 2, 11:00 a. m., Percy Circuit.
June 2, 7:30 p. m., Pullman Heights, Hot Springs.—J. E. Cooper, Dist. Supt.

FORT SMITH DISTRICT

Feb. 16, a. m.—Alma, Q. C. at 2:30 p. m.
Feb. 16, p. m.—Hendrix College—Ministerial Student Rally First Church, Ft. Smith, Bishop Selcman preaching.
Feb. 23, a. m.—Grenade's Chapel, Q. C. at 2:00 p. m.

Feb. 23, p. m.—Clarksville.
Feb. 24-28—District Training School, Goddard Memorial Church, Ft. Smith.
Mar. 2, a. m.—Wesley's Chapel, Q. C. at 2:00 p. m.
Mar. 2, p. m.—Midland.
Mar. 3, 10:00 a. m.—Evangelistic Retreat for Pastors, Goddard Memorial Church.
Mar. 3-6—Training School for east end of district, Ratcliffe School Building.
Mar. 9, a. m.—Hartford, Q. C. at 2:00 p. m.
Mar. 9, p. m.—Mansfield.
Mar. 16, a. m.—Enterprise, Q. C. at 2:00 p. m.
Mar. 16, p. m.—Prairie View.
Mar. 23, a. m.—Lavaca, Q. C. at 2:00 p. m.
Mar. 23, p. m.—New Hope.
Mar. 30, a. m.—Van Buren, First Church, Q. C. after sermon.
Mar. 30, p. m.—Massard.
Apr. 2, p. m.—Pine Street.
Apr. 6, a. m.—Hays' Chapel, Q. C. at 2:00 p. m.
Apr. 6, p. m.—Ozark.
Apr. 7-11—Broadcast by District Superintendent over KFPW, 7:15-7:30 a. m.
Apr. 13, a. m.—Greenwood, Q. C. at 7:30 p. m., April 23.
Apr. 13, p. m.—Charleston.
Apr. 15-17—North Arkansas Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service, First Church Fort Smith.
Apr. 20, a. m.—Dyer (Church Dedication), Q. C. at 2:20 p. m.
Apr. 20, p. m.—Paris.
Apr. 23, p. m.—Greenwood Q. C.
Apr. 27, a. m.—(10:00) Midland Heights, Q. C. April 30, p. m.
Apr. 27, a. m.—(11:00) Grand Avenue, Q. C. April 28, p. m.
Apr. 27, p. m.—Goddard Memorial.
Apr. 28, p. m.—Grand Avenue Q. C.
Apr. 30, p. m.—Midland Heights Q. C.
May 4, a. m.—(10:00) Second Church, Q. C. at 2:30 p. m.
May 4, a. m.—(11:00) South Ft. Smith, Q. C. May 5, p. m.
May 4, p. m.—First Church, Ft. Smith, Q. C. May 7, p. m.
May 5, p. m.—South Ft. Smith Q. C.

May 7, p. m.—First Church, Ft. Smith Q. C.
May 11, a. m.—Waldron, Q. C. following sermon.
May 11, p. m.—(2:30) Fair's Chapel.
May 11, p. m.—Bates.
May 13—District Conference at Charleston, beginning at 9:00 a. m.
Note: Each charge will be expected to elect delegates at the above dates for the district conference. See Item 3, Standing Rules of North Ark. Conference Journal concerning numbers.—W. V. Womack, District Superintendent.

HELENA DISTRICT

Harrisburg, Feb. 16, 7:30 p. m.
Parkin, Feb. 23, 11 a. m.
Weiner, at Hickory R., Feb. 23, 7:30 p. m.
Marianna, March 2, 11 a. m.
West Helena, March 2, 7:30 p. m.
Hulbert-Black Fish, March 9, 11 a. m.
West Memphis, March 9, 7:30 p. m.
Vandale, at Bird Eye, March 16, 11 a. m.
Wynne, March 16, 7:30 p. m.
Aubrey, at Moro, March 23, 11 a. m.
Brinkley, March 23, 7:30 p. m.
Wheatley, at Biscoe, March 30, 11 a. m.
Clarendon, March 30 7:30 p. m.
Haynes at Lexa, April 6, 11 a. m.
Helena, April 6, p. m.
Holly Grove, at H., April 20, 11 a. m.
Forrest City, April 20, 7:30 p. m.
Hughes, April 27, 11 a. m.
Elaine, at Wabash, April 27, 7:30 p. m.
Colt Ct., at Wesley, May 4, 11 a. m.
Widener, at Madison, May 4, 7:30 p. m.
Earle, May 16, 11 a. m.
Crawfordsville, May 16, 7:30 p. m.
—J. L. Dedman, Dist. Supt.

PARAGOULD DISTRICT

Feb. 16, Biggers Ct., at Success, 11 and 1:20.
Feb. 16, Walnut Ridge, 7:30 p. m.
Feb. 23, Leonard Ct., at Macedonia, 11 and 1:30.
Feb. 23, Piggott, 7:30 p. m.
March 2, Paragould Ct., at Shiloh, 11 and 1:30.

March 2, Old Walnut Ridge, 7:30 p. m.
March 9, Morning Star Ct., at Morning Star, 11 and 1:30.
March 9, First Church, 7:30 p. m.
March 10-14, Standard Training School, First Church, Paragould.
March 16, Fourth St. Circuit, at Hurricane, 11 and 7:30.
March 23, Francis Ct., at Mt. Zion, 11 and 1:30.
March 23-26, Corning Training Class in Evangelism.
March 16, Marmaduke, 7:30 p. m.
March 30, (Fifth Sunday), Smithville Ct., at Lynn, 11 and 1:30.
March 30, Rector First Church, 7:30 p. m.
March 30, Christian Endeavor Rallies.
April 6, Gainesville Ct., at Beech Grove, 11 and 1:30.
April 6, Begin Revival.
April 13, Revival.
April 20, Manyard Ct., at Attica, 11 and 1:30.
April 20, Pocahontas, 7:30 p. m.
April 27, Knobel Ct., at Cache Lake, 11 and 1:30.
April 29, Greenway Ct., at Liberty Hill, 11 and 1:30.
April 30, Boydsville Ct., at Pleasant Grove, 11 and 1:30.
May 4, Lorado Ct., at Stanford, 11 and 1:30.
May 4, East Side, 7:30 p. m., Sunday School Rally Day in all Churches.
May 10, Ash Flat Ct., at Corinth, 7:30 p. m.
May 11, Ash Flat Ct., at Corinth, 11 and 1:30.
May 11, Mammoth Spring, 7:20 p. m.
May 12, Imboden Ct., at Black Rock, 7:30 p. m.
May 13-14, District Conference, at Imboden.

The East Side League Union meets with Piggott League Feb. 10, at 8 p. m.
The West Side League Union meets each Second Monday night.

All the pastors pledged themselves to hold revivals during the Pre-Easter Season. The district goal on finances is to have the budgets in all finances balanced.
—H. Lynn Wade, Dist. Supt.

COMPASSION DAY

The Methodist Church in the United States, with its eight million members, will attempt on Sunday, March 2, which has been designated as "Compassion Day," to raise one million dollars. Five hundred thousand dollars of this amount will be used for overseas relief in China and in Europe; two hundred and fifty thousand dollars to maintain the home and foreign missionary work of the churches of Britain, Norway, Denmark and Holland; two hundred and fifty thousand for Christian service among the youth in the army camps of America.

A series of radio programs, began Friday, January 31, at 9:30 p. m. and will continue each Friday during the month of February at the same hour, will be broadcast over station KRLD, 1040 kilocycles, the Times-Herald station in Dallas, Texas.

The first speaker on these radio programs which will present the causes for which the million dollar fund is to be raised, was Bishop Ivan Lee Holt, who presides over the Conferences of North Texas, Central Texas, Northwest Texas and New Mexico.

Other speakers on the Friday night radio programs are Bishop John M. Moore, editor of the Southwestern Advocate, who spoke on Friday, February 7; Dr. W. Angie Smith pastor of the First Methodist Church, Dallas, Friday, February 14; Bishop H. A. Boaz, of Dallas, Friday, February 21; Dr. Harry S. DeVore, District Superintendent of the Dallas District and Director of the campaign for the Dallas area, Friday, February 28.

With The Churches

GOAL QUICKLY RAISED AT CONWAY

The February Special for Hendrix College and Ministerial Education campaign closed in First Methodist Church, Conway, Friday, January 31, with a supper at the Hotel Bachelor for workers. The campaign had been started two weeks earlier with the organization of two committees, one to solicit from the Hendrix faculty and people working at Hendrix, and another committee to solicit for the remainder of the membership and interested people in town.

The quota assigned to First Church, was \$500.00. However, after some conferences with workers, it was decided that the quota would be doubled and the goal of \$1,000.00 was accepted. In the check-up and final meeting of the committees last Friday night \$1,190.00 was reported in hand. The fine spirit of co-operation with the very effective work of the committees made the campaign a success from the beginning. While it is true that the membership of this church holds a different relationship to the college than the average church in the state, the campaign was started with the idea that this is a part of the Methodist Church in Arkansas for this year and we asked our people to respond to it just as we would ask and expect them to respond to any other phase of our program. Both phases were lifted up, Hendrix College and Ministerial Education. Perhaps, one

reason why our people responded so well is because they are close enough to Hendrix to know and appreciate what it is doing for the young men and women of the state. It is my conviction that the average Methodist congregation in Arkansas will respond just as generously when they see the facts about the fine Christian spirit of Hendrix. Just a few days ago I had a conference at the church with a junior at Hendrix. This young woman had come to talk with me about uniting with the church on profession of faith. I asked the young woman what had influenced her to seek membership in the Church. She replied that because of the conferences that one of the teachers had had with her about this the supreme relationship in life, accepting Christ and uniting with the Church. I know that this kind of work on the part of certain teachers at Hendrix is going on all the time without any publicity, quietly but nevertheless very effectively. It is a real joy to face the Hendrix forces Sunday after Sunday in the worship services of the local church. Practically the entire faculty attends every service on Sunday morning and large numbers of the students. Surely, if we present the cause of Hendrix and Ministerial education to every congregation in Arkansas, we will more than raise our goal of \$16,000.00.—R. S. Hayden, Pastor, First Methodist Church, Conway, Arkansas.

ROSE BUD CIRCUIT

We came to the Rose Bud Circuit after Conference in November to find a friendly people who are ready to go forward. On every hand we find such sincerity and loyalty that our courage and hopes rise as we get acquainted with the people. We have never found a finer spirit of cooperation anywhere.

We have been hindered some by the flu epidemic, but have made some very encouraging advances. We reorganized the Woman's Missionary Society of Floyd into a Woman's Society of Christian Service on January 6. On January 12, we organized a new Society of Christian Service at Rose Bud. On January 14, both of these Auxiliaries were represented at the Zone meeting held at Cabot. The enthusiasm is high among the women of these two societies.

We find a friendly group of young people in all the churches of this charge. There are high hopes for any church where such young people are helped to develop into leaders and workers.

We hope to develop the desire for information among our people so that all will read the Arkansas Methodist and the new Christian Advocate. The ladies are already becoming deeply interested in the World Outlook and the Methodist Woman. An informed people are a loyal people.—M. L. Edgington, Pastor.

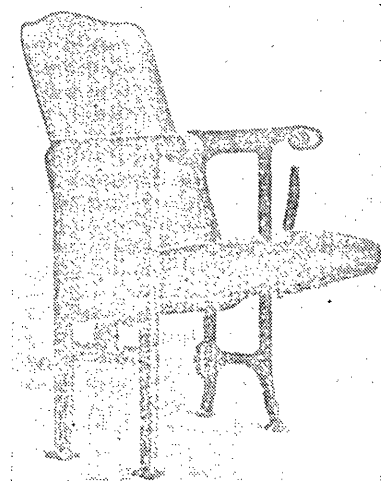
NOTE OF THANKS

We want to express our thanks and appreciation for the sympathy expressed and prayers offered in our behalf concerning our misfortune in the car wreck. We are both able to be begin our work again.—Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Riggs and son.

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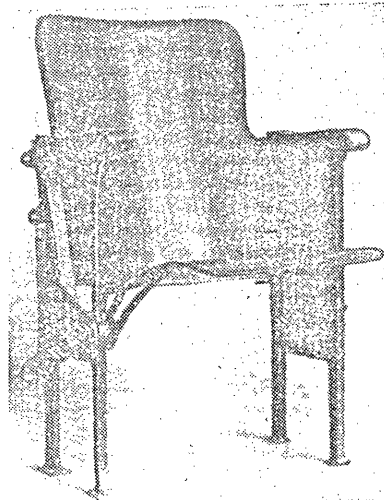
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NOTE: In view of the number of new Church Auditoriums or Educational Plants under construction it is felt that this offer at this time may have special value.—Ark. Baptist.

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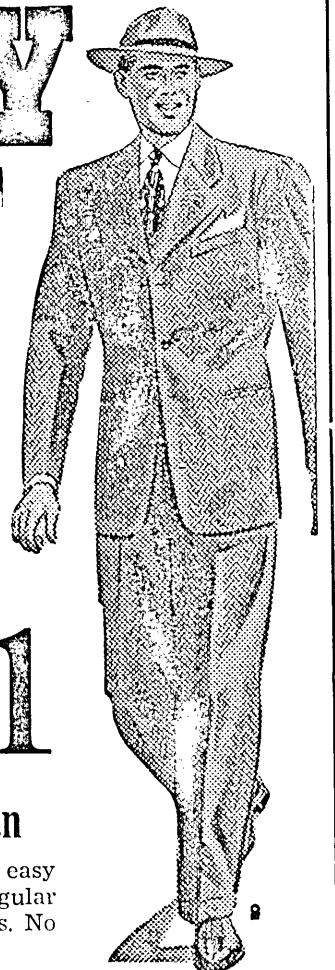
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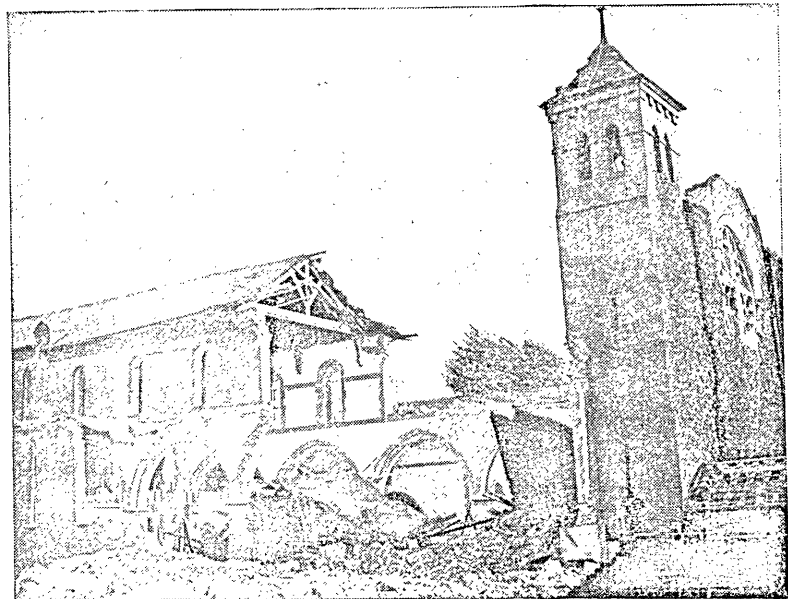
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Methodism Under The Testing of Bomb and Fire



IN ENGLAND . . . 1941

This church—and more than 300 Methodist churches—in England, wrecked by bombs and fire, cannot serve this harassed and religious people; cannot support its ministry, care for its mission work overseas. Not to rebuild these churches, but to minister to the desperate needs of thousands of their members, and hundreds of their ministers and missionaries, at home and abroad, one-fourth of the million dollars to be laid on American Methodist altars on Sunday, March 2, is sought.

—Wide World Photo.

PADRE GRIFFITHS, of the Willoughby Road Methodist Church, wears the sign of the cross above the letters "A. R. P." on his steel helmet as he walks from shelter to shelter and from bombed home to his church refuge night after night in London's north end. For the night brings many experiences: bombs from which to take sudden cover, shrapnel to dodge, blackout to penetrate in reaching one's destination.

Padre Griffiths—as wardens and "shelterers" affectionately know the Rev. Douglas A. Griffiths—is typical of hundreds of Methodist pastors in London and in other English cities under bombardment from the air.

Immediately surrounding the Willoughby Road Church are ten crowded air-raid shelters. Each night Padre Griffiths visits three or four of them and holds song and prayer services, so that each shelter has three or four services each week. Some "shelterers" are lying wrapped in blankets; some have camp beds or reclining chairs and some sleep on the floor. . . . But they are all happy and ready for the service. "Onward, Christian Soldiers" is the favorite hymn—and sung lustily. Prayer is earnest and practical, and the talk of the Padre is helpful and close to the needs of the group. . . . So the Padre serves night after night.

Sometimes, when the raiders have been over the north end, there is more heart-rending service to give. He has been the first at bombed homes, and has dragged bodies from the debris, has assisted the injured, and has given first-aid. Later he has been called to feed the hungry and give shelter to the homeless, find temporary homes for them out among country parishes, or appear before officials on behalf of the needy.

Willoughby Road church members—those who still remain in the vicinity—have caught the spirit of the Padre. In five larger shelters the young people are running a canteen—providing tea, biscuits and cake—and the small profits of the canteen procure clothing and furni-

ture for families trying to rehabilitate themselves after homes have been bombed. The sexton is ready, at a moment's notice, day or night, to give lodging, and warm food, and clothing to those made homeless—and he has been known to care for as many as 150 air-raid victims during one night.

And on Sunday—if the siren has not sounded before the church hour—the Rev. Douglas A. Griffiths, Methodist minister, is in his pulpit—and no one will deny him the right to preach on devotion or sacrifice, or neighborliness! Only a few Sundays ago he was surprised to see in the front row of his church forty air-raid wardens of the north end of London—men who had learned to know and love him through his ministry in the shelters.

300 Methodist Churches Damaged

It is to help such Methodist ministers as Padre Griffiths—and there are hundreds like him—to give him and them funds with which to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, care for the costs of the churches that are without the support of their regular membership, and to help carry on some of the overseas missionary work of these churches: for these growing needs the Methodist Emergency Commission is asking one-fourth of the million dollars that American Methodist churches are asked to contribute on Sunday, March 2—the Day of Compassion. Surely out of our comparative wealth and security we can give this ministry to our Eng-

lish Methodist brethren in their sore need!

More than 300 Methodist churches in English cities have been demolished or badly damaged by bombs. Congregations are scattered, and in some cases pastors know where only a fraction of their people are. Sunday school children have gone to the country or overseas—creating new problems for churches in their new homes. For years, Sunday school children had been among the most generous givers to Methodist missions. In some instances church buildings and Sunday school halls have been taken over as air-raid shelters.

At the East End Mission, London, the minister and four deaconesses were killed by a single bomb.

From devastated Coventry comes the report that "most of our Methodist buildings have suffered and some are quite destroyed; our people are scattered and we cannot yet trace hundreds of them; we are holding services when and where we can; our financial resources are reduced to less than half."

In the heart of London, at Kingsway Hall, hundreds of homeless people are fed each evening—spending the night in nearby shelters—while the few rescued household treasures (including birds in cages, dogs, furniture, wireless sets, etc.) are stored everywhere.

The Rev. James Butterworth, of London, has secured two country estates to house scores of his people; yet he can say that in his city church, "I have four hundred people sleeping on the floor—sleeping in my bed, sleeping in the minister's vestry, sleeping even on the altar!"

From Birmingham comes a story of a "west midland town" where two Methodist churches have been bombed. One land mine ruined 300 homes in a single blast. Sunday

school rooms are used to house and feed hundreds of children and mothers, while the minister and a deaconess serve their needs—but without gas, or water, or adequate shelter.

Yet one takes courage from the way British Methodists are attacking their problems. . . . "Perplexed, yet not unto despair; smitten down, but not destroyed" is the message sent out from Coventry by the Methodist superintendent.

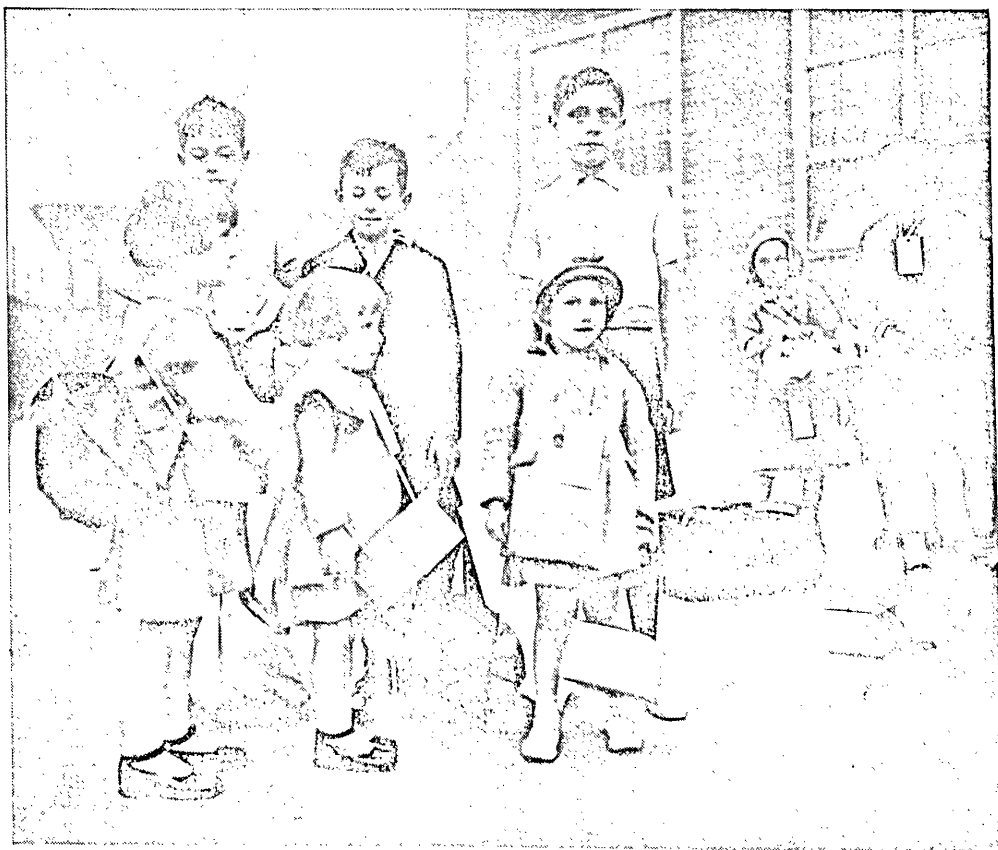
"Smitten . . . But Not Destroyed"

"It is not like Methodism merely to sit down and lick its wounds," said the Rev. Ernest Copp, of London, so he secured fifty pounds and installed a canteen inside one of the larger shelters, and there hundreds who before knew nothing of the church have gained a respect for the house of God and the men of God.

A Methodist church, 100 miles from London, has adopted 25 homeless and aged Londoners—the members of the Men's Bible Class providing homes for them, and providing also a deaconess to care for them. Another member of the congregation cooks their food and serves the meals—food being secured by means of the guests' ration cards.

The Sisters of the Deaconess order are giving themselves in service also. More than a quarter of all the deaconesses in England are now serving in the bombed areas of London, and those from other and protected communities are volunteering in large numbers to go and relieve those who have seen months of service in ruined homes and in air-raid shelters. On the Isle of Man, English Methodist sisters are carrying on Christian service among hundreds of interned Germans—some of whom are German Lutheran deaconesses.

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IN ENGLAND . . . 1941

The boys and girls of English city Sunday schools have been tagged and evacuated to distant places of safety—some to America. It may be long before their voices will again be heard in classes and choirs. . . . The pennies of Methodist Sunday school children have for years been a large factor in supporting Methodist missions in Asia and Africa. The tinkle of these pennies, too, has been silenced by bombs. . . . And the missionaries. . . . ?

—Wide World Photo.



CHILDREN'S STORYLAND

MISS KATHLEEN SHEARER, Editor



BOOK REVIEWS

(Mrs. Blanche Chenault Junkin, Director of Free Reading at Peabody School, Little Rock, is well qualified through her wide experience with children's books to present our book reviews for the Children's Page.)

Abraham Lincoln—Written and Illustrated by Ingri and Edgar d'Aulaire.

On May 28th, 1940 in Cincinnati at the meeting of the American Library Association, Ingri and Edgar d'Aulaire were awarded the Caldecott Medal for this beautiful book, "Abraham Lincoln."

The authors spent much time looking up materials for this book in and around the places where Lincoln lived. The drawings for this book are large and full of color from the child's standpoint.

In Kentucky in a cabin built of roughly hewn logs Lincoln was born February twelfth, eighteen hundred and nine. His father was a farmer. Little Abe delighted to ride on the horses back as his father plowed. His mother did all her house work. She made home spun linsey shirts for Abe when he was little. On his first day at school he wore "buck skin" pants made from the skin of a deer. Lincoln loved to read, and walked miles to borrow a book. He studied his lessons by the light from the open fire, and did his sums on the shovel. As a youngster Lincoln loved to tease his stepmother and the book is full of pranks he played on her.

The authors touch on the sweet love affair with Ann Rutledge. They tell us much about his home life with his sons and wife who was Mary Todd.

Lincoln held many public offices. When he got the message that he had been elected President of the United States he went home to his wife and said, "Mary, we are elected."

No mention is made of Lincoln's assassination.

The trying times of the Civil War are dealt with impartially, worded in such a way as to arouse no sectional feeling.

This book is good reading for fourth, fifth and sixth grades.

Doubleday Doran and Co., New York City, N. Y. Price \$2.00

My Valentine

St. Valentine's is coming now,
O very, very soon,
And I must make some valentines
This very afternoon.

I'll make one first for mother dear,
Of all these pretty things;
A big red heart, some silver lace,
And cupids with wee wings.

I think my daddy, too, would like
A pretty valentine,
And one of gold and rose and white
I'm sure would be quite fine.

For Grandma, now, I'll make one next
Of lace and shiny blue—
For grandmothers are just the best
Of friends, I think, don't you?

And now for little Baby June,
As tiny as a wink,
I'll make a little "weeny one"
All pink and white, I think.

Then there are Aunties Rose and Glee
And Brother Vern and Lou—
Dear me, I have so many friends
I don't know what to do!
—Richmond Christian Advocate.

Luellen's Joint Valentine Party

Luellen ran merrily into the living room where the sunlight was streaming through a window full upon a table covered with fancy valentines.

"Valentines here, and valentines there, and valentines everywhere!" sang Luellen, pausing before the assortment.

She had left some in her room upstairs, and found some at the door and now before her lay still more.

"I'm sure I don't know what to do with them all," she continued, addressing herself to no one in particular, although her small sister played in the room.

"I do," Rosie suddenly piped up from her corner.

"Tell me, then," laughed Luellen, turning toward the gleeful voice. "What would you do with all of these valentines if they were yours?"

"I'd have a party and give them away," Rosie replied at once.

The idea set Luellen's mind to working, and once aroused, she was quick to act.

"Rosie's idea is a good one," she thought, as she gazed for a moment at the lovely assortment before her, "and I guess I could find a lot of girls and boys who, perhaps, would enjoy them, and who, perhaps,

haven't any." Then—Luellen's heart gave a sudden thump of joy! She had remembered, just at that moment, the dozen children who had been brought into the Church Home recently, and who lived only a block below the Bond home. Mrs. Bond was chairman of the committee and had told about the newcomers just the evening before.

Luellen clapped her hands together so suddenly that Rosie jumped to her feet; in a whirlwind hug she was taken into Luellen's embrace and spun around the room.

"Thank you, Rosie," she gasped, and, releasing her, ran out of the room. Luellen found her mother and asked permission to have the valentine party that afternoon, inviting the boys and girls from the Home. Mrs. Bond assented, and entered into the plan at once. Together they planned the refreshments; a large iced cake with colored ribbons, and tiny candles, and smaller ones to match—assorted candies also from a shop nearby, and a big freezer of pink ice-cream. Then, at each place at the table, all of Luellen's pretty new valentines were divided equally among the guests.

"We haven't much time to spare," said Mrs. Bond, "but I think that will make a pretty good party, with

games and possibly a drive at the end."

"How lovely!" exclaimed Luellen, "and we'll call it our joint valentine party, though it will really be yours and Rosie's mostly, Mumsie—"

"And Luellen's, too," added Mrs. Bond, "who is quite willing to give away all of her new valentines!"

"But another thought had struck Luellen.

"Could Rosie and I go to the ten-cent store and choose twelve of those cute little baskets to fill with candy? I'd rather spend my birthday money that way than any other, Mumsie."

Mrs. Bond nodded assent, as her eyes smiled into Luellen's.

"You may stop at the Home on your way and take the party invitation and while you two are doing the shopping, I'll fix the room and order the cakes and cream. I believe that you and Rosie and I will spend a happy day preparing for our joint party, and then sharing with our guests from the neighborhood Home; for, after all, it's what we share with others that we most enjoy ourselves!"

And later, around the lovely valentine party table, twelve very happy girls and boys, with Mrs. Bond and Rosie and Luellen, enjoyed the happiest, merriest party they had ever had.—Kathleen Hay.

METHODISM UNDER FIRE

(Continued from Page Nine)

Missionary Service Suffers

The problems of the Methodist Church of Great Britain, with relation to foreign missionary work, are quite numerous—and not likely to grow less with the continuance of the war. First, there is the problem of supporting the Church's own missionary work: in India, Formosa, China, Japan, Burma, Africa, the West Indies, Ceylon. There are also English Methodist missions in Portugal, Spain and Italy. As congregations dwindle in England, funds for missionary work will decrease—and some of this, it is hoped, will be taken up by the Church in America.

Secondly, there is the problem of continuing the Christian missions carried on by German churches and by churches in lands recently overrun by German arms; the missions of Denmark, Norway, Holland, Belgium, and France. These and German missions had been especially successful in India, China, Manchuria, Africa, Arabia, Madagascar, Syria, and the Dutch colonies of the East Indies. When the European Protestant missionaries of German-dominated territory were cut off from their sources of funds, the various missionary societies of Great Britain raised some \$18,000 to help carry them on, and American Protestants raised still more. If this great Christian service is not to be lost, American Methodism must come to its support as a testimony of the universality of the Christian church.

"Smitten down, but not destroyed." Let us help our Mother Methodism to carry on her ministry of self-forgetting service in the air-raided shelters of English towns and cities, and in the far-flung corners of the world.

Acts Of The Apostles Of The Arkadelphia District

The Grand Avenue Methodist Church, Hot Springs, Rev. R. E. Simpson, pastor, has secured a pipe organ and it will be free of debt on installation.

The Methodist Churches of Hot Springs are co-operating in a city-wide three months' attendance campaign.

Bishop Chas. C. Selecman made a great address on "Christian Education" at the First Methodist

Church, Hot Springs, Friday evening, Feb. 7. The Board of Stewards of First Church sponsored a luncheon for the Bishop and the Stewards of the Methodist Churches of Hot Springs at the Arlington Hotel at 5:30 p. m.

Rev. J. E. Cooper, District Superintendent, and Rev. Forrest E. Dudley, pastor of First Church, Arkadelphia, attended the Ministers' Week at Dallas, Texas, and reported a great attendance and a great program.—Reporter.

ADDITIONAL 100% CHURCHES

Lonoke, O. E. Holmes..... 43
Pottsville, Irl Bridenthal..... 24
Stuttgart, Van W. Harrell..... 32

PAID SUBSCRIPTIONS RECEIVED FROM PASTORS THIS WEEK

41—Carr Mem., Pine Bluff, D. T. Rowe.
13—First Ch., Magnolia, Roy E. Fawcett.
9—Perry, V. F. Harris.
Goddard Memorial, Fort Smith, C. N. Guice.
Sherrill, W. R. Jordan.
Fisher St., Jonesboro, A. W. Harris.
7—McCrory, Alfred Knox.
Bauxite-Sardis, J. F. Walker.
Blytheville, E. B. Williams.
6—Lonoke, O. E. Holmes.
Stamps, J. A. Wade.
5—Wynne, J. F. Glover.
De Queen, E. D. Galloway.
Ola, C. E. Patton.
4—Oaklawn, Hot Springs, Geo. Reutz.
Belleville, W. L. Russell.
Mineral Springs, E. H. Martin.
Gainesville Ct., LeRoy Henry.
Lake City, Bates Sturdy.
3—Wilson, Rex B. Wilkes.
Hope, Kenneth L. Spore.
Charleston Ct., J. G. Gleck.
Hamburg, C. E. Whitten.
Hoxie Ct., R. E. Wilson.
Beebe, R. B. Howerton.
2—Prescott, S. T. Baugh.
Quitman Ct., J. M. Talkington.
Altus Ct., J. J. Wade.
Strong, Alfred Doss.
Carthage, R. P. James.
Newark, J. M. Hughes.
Hartman, W. W. Peterson.
Austin Ct., Jas. R. Sewell.
Russellville, H. M. Lewis.
Melbourne Ct., R. A. Robertson.
Prairie View, M. A. Cherry.
Harrisburg, Geo. E. Patchell.
1—Haynes, Jack Glass; Cotter, L. M. Conyers; Ozark, Wm. Sherman; Traskwood Ct., G. C. Bailey; Huntsville, William Schultz; Greenway Ct., W. J. Williams; Norphlet, L. C. Gatlin; First Church, Fort Smith, L. L. Evans; Alma, F. A. Lark; First Ch., Texarkana, A. G. Walton; Holly Springs Ct., C. V. Mashburn; Fayetteville, H. H. Griffin; Helena, W. Henry Goodloe; Warren, L. E. N. Hundley; DeValls Bluff, W. W. Nelson; Greenwood, J. M. Barnett; Rison, J. D. Montgomery; Lamar, M. L. Kaylor; Bryant Ct., Richard Perry; Bingen, E. T. McAfee; Primrose, W. W. Miller; Asbury Church, Little Rock, Fred G. Roebuck; 28th Street Church, Little Rock, B. F. Fitzhugh; Pottsville, Irl Bridenthal; Prairie Grove, J. M. Harrison; Caddo Ct., B. Y. Fendley; Waterloo Ct., Dewey McCauley; First Church, Hot Springs, Homer T. Fort; Capitol View Church, Little Rock, H. O. Bollen; Booneville, I. L. Claud; Sparkman-Sardis, R. F. Sorrells; Winthrop Ct., O. C. Robison; Hot Springs Ct., Clyde Parsons; First Church, Stuttgart, Van W. Harrell.

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MRS. J. R. HENDERSON, Editor

OFFICERS' TRAINING DAY AT EL DORADO

An Officers' Training Day was held at Vantrease Memorial Church, El Dorado, with Mrs. R. A. Burgess, District Secretary, in charge. The roll call was answered with reports from the Presidents. Mrs. Burgess conducted a discussion of District Cultivation Funds. Mrs. Talmadge Dodson was elected Zone Leader. Mrs. C. E. Mosley, District President, asked all societies to work for an increase in Baby Life Members. The officers met in the various groups for instruction. The District meeting which is to be held in El Dorado on March 27, was announced.—Mrs. Talmadge Dodson, Zone Leader.

ZONE MEETING AT CABOT

Zones 1 and 2 of the Searcy District met in Cabot, January 14, 1941, for an Officers' Training Day. Mrs. R. E. Connell, Searcy, presided over the morning session, and Mrs. Geo. W. Pyles, Searcy, over the afternoon session. The Rev. Mr. S. O. Fatty, Cabot, led the morning devotional, and Mrs. W. L. Oliver, Heber Springs, was in charge of the afternoon devotional. After the women had divided into groups according to their offices, they were instructed in the duties and purposes of each by the following leaders: Mrs. R. E. Connell, Searcy; Mrs. Pyles, Searcy; Mrs. Alfred Knox, McCrory; Mrs. P. L. Kirby, Searcy; Mrs. Hugh Garrett, Beebe; Mrs. Johnson, Ken-sett; and Mrs. Mathews, Heber Springs. A delicious lunch was served in the church annex by the Cabot ladies. About 175 attended the meeting and each one declared it a successful and happy day.—Mrs. Ed Williams, Secretary.

LAFAYETTE COUNTY ZONE MEETING

The Lafayette County Zone met in the Bradley Methodist Church on January 29, for a devotional, inspirational and educational program. There were 41 present. Mrs. F. P. Adams was elected Zone Chairman to serve for 1941, Mrs. T. M. Black of Stamps, vice-chairman, and Mrs. Lyons of Lewisville, secretary. Those taking part on the program were the Rev. M. E. Scott, the Rev. G. A. Wade, Mrs. Lyons, Mrs. Carl Baker, Mrs. L. R. Tidrow, Mrs. Pearl Arnold, Mrs. F. P. Adams, Mrs. J. M. Allen, Mrs. Ferdinand Higgs, Mrs. T. M. Black, Mrs. J. R. Meadors and Mrs. Walter Wilson. Mrs. T. H. Owens, District Secretary, was present and spoke about the different phases of our work hour.—Mrs. L. R. Tidrow, Reporter.

WORLD PRAYER CARDS

The prayer which was printed on this page on January 30, was prepared by the Standing Committee of the World Federation of Methodist Women. We are asked to use this prayer in closing all of our meetings. The prayer has been printed on cards and these World Prayer Cards may be obtained from Literature Headquarters, 420 Plum Street, Cincinnati, Ohio. They are free for postage.

VOLUNTEER WORKERS' INSTITUTE

Secretaries of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, Presidents, and others interested in the work of the Methodist Mission Board of Little Rock enjoyed a real treat last week in the Institute for Volunteer Workers which was held Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at the First Methodist Church. Deaconess Margaret Young of Scarritt College brought to all who attended a wealth of information and inspiration out of her years of training and experience as a Christian social worker. All who heard Miss Young praised her most highly for the very practical way in which she brought to the members of the Board and others many helpful and useful suggestions for our work at the one white and two Negro centers. All volunteer workers found the discussions to be highly enlightening and inspiring. Miss Young also met with Negro volunteer workers in three sessions and visited several of the Woman's Societies of the

city, as well as attending meetings for white and Negro young people. The members of the Board are grateful to Miss Young for giving of her time and herself during this week and we are grateful to Scarritt College for permitting her to come to us.

REACH OF CHRISTIAN LOVE

When Christian women of many denominations gather simultaneously in thousands of communities to observe the World Day of Prayer there must come to all present a deep realization of the world-wide reach of Christian love and sympathy. The volume of prayer is great: each individual interprets its quality according to her own participation in the service.

He that remembers not to keep the Christian Sabbath at the beginning of the week, will be in danger of forgetting, before the end of the week, that he is a Christian.

REPORT OF TREASURER, L. R. CONFERENCE, FOR YEAR

Receipts Southern Methodist Branch	
Arkadelphia District, Pledge	\$ 2,926.34
Arkadelphia District, Luke Johnson	5.00
Arkadelphia District, Charter	
Offering	126.69
Camden District, Pledge	4,334.70
Camden District, Luke Johnson	6.27
Camden Dist., Charter Offering	172.02
Little Rock District, Pledge	5,471.31
Little Rock Dist., Luke Johnson	39.07
Little Rock District, Charter	
Offering	430.02
Monticello District, Pledge	2,212.40
Monticello Dist., Luke Johnson	13.33
Monticello District, Charter	
Offering	195.33
Pine Bluff District, Pledge	2,526.27
Pine Bluff Dist., Luke Johnson	8.43
Pine Bluff District, Charter	
Offering	256.31
Prescott District, Pledge	1,886.59
Prescott District, Luke Johnson	11.22
Prescott Dist., Charter Offering	99.77
Texarkana District, Pledge	2,262.34
Texarkana, Dist., Luke Johnson	11.96
Texarkana District, Charter	
Offering	226.34
Total So. Methodist	\$22,202.21
Total M. P. Societies	7.90
Total M. E. Societies	29.90
Total Conf. Receipts	\$23,240.01
Balance from 1939	2,259.15
Total	\$25,499.16
Total Disbursed	\$22,696.62
Balance at close of 1940	\$ 2,802.54
Included in the checks to Council on Pledge are the following funds:	
Undirected Pledge	\$15,939.59
Gifts to Baby Specials	123.57
Honorary Baby Memberships	150.00
Honorary Adult Memberships	275.00
Bible Women	680.00
Foreign Scholarships	120.00
Scarritt Maintenance	387.65
M. Williamson Hospital, China	100.00
Week of Prayer Offering	1,324.19
Total Pledge	\$19,100.00
Total Luke Johnson Memorial	95.78
Charter Membership Offering	1,516.78
Total to Treasurer	\$20,712.56
Total to Treasurer M. E.	4.35
Total to Treasurer M. P.	3.15
Total	\$20,720.06
Total used in Conference	1,976.56
Total Disbursed	\$22,696.62
Total in Treasury Jan. 25, 1941	2,802.54
Total	\$25,499.16
Local reported for year	\$23,905.82
Conference expenses are as follows:	
Conference Officers	\$ 487.76
District Secretaries	399.75
Minutes of Conference	198.87

Rural work, Camden District	300.00
L. R. Mission Board	125.00
Treasurer's Stipend	140.00
Conference Guests	56.23
Executive Luncheons	30.82
Conference Stationery	29.63
Delegates to Jurisdictional meeting	68.34
Pastor's School, Conway	25.00
Provisional and Jurisdictional	24.50
Collection Fees	24.98
Mrs. Anderson, Scarritt Agent	10.00
Auditor	5.00
Insurance on Histories	5.45
Literature Headquarters (Postage)	6.65
Postals and Printing	
Receipt Cards	3.50
Other incidental	25.08
Total	\$1,976.56

Life Members for Year Are: Babies: Relda Ann Gosnell, El Dorado; Eleanor Diane Baker, Little Rock; Edwin Joseph Cure, Jr., and Margaret Ann Steelman, First Church, Pine Bluff; Ann Clayton Jones, Lakeside, Pine Bluff; Clara Maude Doss, Strong; Joanne Lee Holderson, Barbara Lynn Koonce, Smackover; Nancy Carolyn Boaz, Hot Springs; Joyce Virginia Joyner, Little Rock; Nettie Lou Jackson, Little Rock; Patsy Jo Calahan, Fairview Society, Cullendale; Darla Jean Brooks, Margarie Ann Jenkins, Smackover; Patricia Lou Clift, Sara Elizabeth CarlLee, England; Roslyn Grigsby, Warren; Minor Anderson, Jr., First Church, Texarkana; Betty Jean Sparks, Sara Ellen and Judy Kay Culbertson, and Martha Ann Armstrong, Bethany Church, Swan Lake; Minnie Lea Anderson, Fairview, Camden; Etta Evelyn Gillespie, First Church, Camden; Amanda Annette Allen, Asbury Church, Little Rock; Ann Carol Riley, Stephens; Wayne Edward Simpson, Carr Memorial, Pine Bluff; Mary Jean John, Mary Roberta Townsend, Nancy Terry McCullom, Stuttgart.

Adult: Mrs. L. K. McKinney, First Church, El Dorado; Mrs. Chas. Moseley, Camden; Miss Florence Whiteside, Deaconess; Mrs. Frank Tillar, First Church, Little Rock; Mrs. J. M. Stinson, Camden; Mrs. S. V. Clayton, Tillar; Mrs. Nellie Vining Christopher, Lakeside, Pine Bluff; Mrs. Jennie Clegg Mead, Lakeside, Pine Bluff; Mrs. E. D. Galloway, De Queen; Mrs. Charlotte Christena Burgess, Fairview, Texarkana.

Monticello District, to be named.

Total number of Adult Memberships given this year, eleven; Baby, thirty. I received reports from two Methodist Protestant Societies, Bethel and Ebenezer, in the Camden District, and from the Methodist Episcopal I had reports from Scott Street, Little Rock, Almyra and Stuttgart in the Pine Bluff District, with a total to Conference Treasurer of \$37.80. A small decrease in the Week of Prayer Offering this year.

Please, all Treasurers, send in your reports by the first of April. Each treasurer will receive blanks for the first quarter's reports, so I am hoping they will be used.—Jessie Hotchkiss Smith, Conference Treasurer.

FROM OUR SOCIETIES

TEXARKANA, FIRST CHURCH—Mrs. Lynn Smith was in charge of January program and those taking part were Mrs. D. L. Venable, Miss Kate Cargile and Mrs. Harvey Watson. Mrs. A. R. McKinney, Conference President, was the featured speaker, talking on "Why We Must Go On," pointing out that the only unbroken bond in the world today is the spirit of brotherhood. Mrs. J. S. Ragland was in charge of the pledge service, assisted by Mrs. W. H. Arnold, Mrs. C. M. Robertson, Mrs. C. L. Cabe, Mrs. Pratt Bacon, Mrs. W. A. Cato, and Mrs. Has Owen. Mrs. Has Owen, President, presided over the business session.

DeVALLS BLUFF—Our Society met on Feb. 4, with Mrs. Mode Kirk for a luncheon with Mrs. Byron Cowan, President, in charge. An interesting program was presented by Mrs. Howard Maxwell, leader, and Mrs. J. A. Welty, Mrs. Virginia Graves and Mrs. Stanley Lanford. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Robert Youngman.—Mrs. Stanley Lanford, Reporter.

DYESS—Mrs. Ray D. Johnston was hostess for our January meeting. Plans for making money were discussed and it was decided to have a mission study in the early spring.—Mrs. R. L. Kersey, Cor. Secretary.

HUMPHREY—The W. S. C. S. of Humphrey Methodist Church met Wednesday, Feb. 5, in the home of the President, Mrs. P. H. Mathews. Mrs. Ed Mulloy was leader of the program on the "Stewardship of Brotherhood." Others taking part on the program were: Mrs. H. B. Osborne, Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. C. L. O'Daniel, Mrs. Lloyd Stillwell and Mrs. J. G. Mouser. There were 15 members and three guests present.—Mrs. J. G. Mouser, Pub. Supt.

FAIRVIEW CHURCH, Texarkana—Mrs. C. F. Burgess, much beloved and devoted member of the Fairview Methodist W. S. C. S., was presented a life membership pin in the society Sunday morning at the regular church service, the presentation being made by Mrs. Joe Norwood, president of the organization. A brief talk was made by the Rev. Otto Teague, pastor of the church, in which he praised the life and devotion of Mrs. Burgess.

Further honoring Mrs. Burgess all of her children and grandchildren were present.—Mrs. Robert Hickman, Supt. of Publicity.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

If you have not already done so, plan now for the observance of this day on the first Friday in Lent, February 28. If you can bring together all the women of your town so much the better, but let each Chairman of Spiritual Life be sure that her women have an opportunity to answer the call to prayer on this day. Materials may be ordered from Mrs. B. M. Corlette, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE BENEVOLENCES **TREASURER'S REPORT** **February 6, 1941**

Amounts received since Conference on World Service or General, and Conference Benevolences through February 5, 1941.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT

Connor Morehead, D. S.

Batesville—	
Central Avenue	\$ 210.70
First Church	499.98
Bethesda-Cushman	70.00
Calico Rock-Norfolk	46.00
Cave City	3.89
Cotter-Gassville	28.00
Evening Shade	22.00
Melbourne Ct.	50.00
Moorefield-Sulphur Rock	50.00
Mountain Home	25.39
Mountain View, In full	132.00
Newark	14.20
Newport—	
First	65.46
Umstead Memorial	33.50
Pleasant Plains	26.00
Salem	50.00
Swifton-Alicia	38.00
Tuckerman	164.81
Weldon-Tupelo	91.39
Yellville Ct.	4.00
Total	\$1,725.32

CONWAY DISTRICT

E. T. Wayland, D. S.

Atkins	\$ 175.00
Belleville-Havana	12.96
Cato-Bethel	5.00
Conway, First	450.75
Conway Ct.	9.90
Danville	75.00
Dardanelle	81.35
Dover Ct.	19.80
Gravelly Ct.	46.52
Greenbrier Ct.	40.73
Lamar-Knoxville	11.70
Levy	53.00
Morrilton	100.00
Lanty, Extension, In Full	20.00
Naylor	13.80
North Little Rock—	
First	825.00
Gardner Memorial	165.94
Ola Ct.	24.68
Perry-Houston	40.50
Plainview	32.25
Plummerville	11.00
Pottsville	30.00
Vilonia Ct.	24.00
Waltreak	5.00
Total	\$2,273.88

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

S. B. Wiggins, D. S.

Bentonville	\$ 24.20
Berryville	35.40
Centerton Ct.	29.96
Cincinnati Ct.	18.35
Elm Springs-Harmon	31.49
Eureka Springs	51.00
Farmington-Goshen	16.25
Fayetteville, Central	439.50
Gentry	7.85
Gravette-Decatur	46.24
Green Forest	5.95
Huntsville	13.23
Lincoln	7.00
Monte Ne Ct.	7.25
Pea Ridge Ct.	4.00
Prairie Grove	83.93
Rogers	185.00
Siloam Springs Ct.	5.00
Springtown Ct.	2.61
Springdale	17.00
Viney Grove	1.50
Winslow	8.67
Total	\$1,041.48

FORT SMITH DISTRICT

W. V. Womack D. S.

Alix Ct.	\$ 7.25
Alma-Mulberry	37.50
Altus Ct.	3.90
Cauthron-Bates	1.00
Charleston Ct.	10.00
Clarksville	249.00
Fort Smith—	
First	270.47
Goddard Memorial	140.36
Midland Heights	200.00
Grand Avenue	10.00
Second Church	50.00
Greenwood	61.25
Hartford	12.19
Hartman	11.50
Huntington-Pine Street	6.00
Kibler-City Heights	17.94
Lavaca Ct.	28.96
Mansfield	46.67
Ozark	62.75
Paris	78.25
South Fort Smith	10.00
Van Buren, First	10.00
Waldron	21.00
Total	\$1,345.99

HELENA DISTRICT

J. L. Dedman, D. S.

Aubrey	\$ 20.00
Brinkley	37.00
Colt Ct.	51.83
Crawfordsville	4.58
Earl	66.00

Elaine Ct.	109.00
Forrest City	182.50
Harrisburg	50.00
Haynes Ct.	11.00
Helena, First	400.00
Hughes, In Full	256.50
Marianna	185.00
Parkin	36.44
Vanndale	22.00
Weiner Ct.	109.23
West Helena	53.43
Widener-Madison	43.70
Wynne	5.00
Total	\$1,643.21

JONESBORO DISTRICT

E. W. Potter, D. S.

Blytheville—	
First	\$ 250.00
Lake Street	24.00
Brookland Ct.	4.01

Dell Ct.	14.50
Dyess-Whitten	3.50
Jonesboro—	
First	456.00
Fisher Street	30.10
Huntington Avenue	4.00
Jonesboro Ct.	3.00
Lake City Ct.	67.00
Leachville	100.00
Luxora	4.97
Manilla-St. John	64.15
Marion	234.00
Marked Tree	10.00
Monette	39.87
Nettleton-Bay	73.00
Osceola	400.00
Trumann	38.11
Turrell-Gilmore	36.09
Tyronza	42.90
Yarbro-Promised Land	3.68
Total	\$1,902.88

PARAGOULD DISTRICT

H. L. Wade, D. S.

Ash Flat Ct.	\$ 5.00
Biggers Ct.	8.10
Corning	55.81
Gainesville Ct.	9.38
Greenway Ct.	7.00
Hardy-Mammoth Spring	5.73
Hoxie Ct.	11.00
Imboden Ct.	4.46
Knobel Ct.	29.15
Leonard Ct.	47.00
Marmaduke	25.00
Maynard Ct., In Full	61.00
Paragould, First	500.00
East Side	68.62
Piggott	46.00
Rector—	
First	78.68
Fourth Street	14.12

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THE LAYMAN'S PAGE

A. J. SHIREY, Editor

THE THREATENING BLACK-OUT OF CONSCIENCE

In the deepening twilight of the present darkness that threatens to engulf the whole world we, as one of the great world powers, are preparing with Herculean effort and grim determination to defend values which we hold dearer than life itself. Certainly most citizens of these United States are agreed that we possess rights, liberties, and privileges enjoyed by few other peoples in the world. Before we would surrender these to any foreign power we would die in their defense.

We speak of "dying" for a cause. Interpreted in terms of military action, what this really means is KILLING for a cause. A dead soldier is not a military asset. He has lost his value as a soldier because he can no longer kill the enemy.

There are those in our midst, American citizens, who have developed a conscience against the taking of human life for any reason, and more especially in war, since all wars so stir the emotions and inflame the passions as to dim the causes involved. These people who cannot conscientiously sanction war are known as "C. O.'s", Conscientious objectors. Most conscientious objectors are Christians who have taken Christ's teachings regarding the sacredness of human life and personality very seriously. They cannot reconcile Christianity with the brutality of war. Their Christian conscience will not allow them to participate even in a war of self-defense.

Paragraph 1716, page 778 of The Methodist Discipline reads: "Believing that in the long run any people have far more to gain by cherishing freedom of conscience than by any regimentation that takes away that freedom, and that conscientious objection to war is a natural outgrowth of Christian desire for peace on earth, we ask and claim exemption from all forms of military preparation or service for all conscientious objectors who may be members of the Methodist Church."

The writer is not one to say that no war can be justified. Though some of us, perhaps the majority, may not be able to see eye to eye with our conscientious objector brethren as we face the grave danger of entry into war, we are none the less under a very definite obligation to maintain fellowship and brotherhood with them. As we stand on the brink of catastrophe, while sanity still remains, the words of Jesus come as a challenge to every Methodist: "Render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and unto God, the things that are God's." Let there be no blackout of conscience in America.

"WANTED, A MAN"

That has been God's "want ad" down through the centuries. God's creative purpose cannot be fulfilled without there being real men in the world. God is looking for men. The supply never equals the need. Listen to what the Prophet Isaiah says concerning a MAN—"And a MAN shall be as a hiding place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest; as rivers of water in a dry place, as

the shadow of a great rock in a weary land." Most of us recognize that as a Messianic passage, a description of the Christ. But when the Christ came, He used virtually the same language to describe the character of those who filled themselves with "The Water of Life." "He that believeth on Me, as the Scripture hath said, from him shall flow rivers of living water."

MEN WHO ARE LIFE-GIVING STREAMS

Entirely too many of us are like sponges. We absorb, and absorb, but never give forth unless a great pressure is exerted. Even then, all too often, what we give in service is given without much heart in the giving. God is looking for men, not of the sponge type, but of the river type. Laymen, who through the years have drunk of the Water of Life are needed to go forth and become RIVERS OF LIVING WATER in their communities. There are desert conditions in every community that only need laymen of the character just described to cause them to blossom for Christ. Our Church Schools, our sermonic deliverances, and our church press must cause a stream of service for Christ to break forth where before there was only barren ground, or their efforts have been to no avail. There can only be a harvest where the soil has been watered and prepared.

GOD'S IRRIGATORS

When you are filled to the overflowing, the overflow is the thing of chief value. When that overflow is channelled into a course of service the church moves forward. The layman who finds a community that needs a Sunday School and helps get it going has become one of God's irrigators. A barren bit of desert is made to bloom and bear fruit. Look around in your community, town or city, find out if there is not some place that a mission needs to be started. Start it. Let the water flow. That is what Christ wants. These are things laymen CAN DO. A consecrated layman, filled with the spirit of Christ, can become "as rivers of water in a dry place."

A REVERSION TO TRUE METHODISM

To meet the crying need of people who can be depended upon to do "spade work" in organizing out-post Sunday Schools and mission churches there is a need for devout laymen, men of deep Christian devotion and experience, men who are not called to the ministry as a life's work, but who nevertheless want to share Christ with others, who will become lay preachers. We would be reverting to true Methodism, the kind of Methodism that crossed oceans, climbed mountains, and braved dangers and hardships beyond our imagination, if today we began sending out lay preachers to reach the unreached for Christ. Methodism is about through "skimming the cream" off the efforts of our pioneer forefathers. They have left us a method to do the work that we know is a suc-

cess. Laymen, ask for a license to preach as a lay preacher and then put yourself at the disposal of the Lord for home missions work. If laymen of real ability over our conference would do this, results would be astounding. It would be like the days of the Wesleys once more. Thousands would be won for Christ and the Church. The same type of outreach that carried Methodism to the fore-front of the denominations in America, can carry us to heights of which we have not dared to dream. Let's try old-fashioned Methodism again.

JESUS, THE LAYMAN

A book, "Jesus, The Divine Layman," has just been released by the printers and its author is Charles W. Cell, Riverside, Cal., layman. It was written for laymen, but it also contains food for thought for ministers, too.

In his preface to the book, Mr. Cell related that for many years he had felt a definite urge to compile from a layman's viewpoint some of the more important truths concerning Jesus and His Kingdom Church founders, all of whom were laymen.

Continuing he said: "The Church of Jesus Christ is the greatest organization in the world, and wields by far the most universal influence. It has been loaded down with all the faults possible for mankind to bring into it; but in spite of all this, a marked success is in evidence. It has operated for more than 1900 years up on voluntary support; it is the only institution that has ever successfully done this. Yet it is greater today than ever before . . . it is going to succeed because enough wise people are believing and working to help bring it to pass."

The author dares to be critical of laymen and ministers alike. His maturity and unselfishness should give his words weight where men of less mature judgment and possible ulterior motives might be vulnerable to charges of selfishness or personal animosities.

Mr. Cell fires a broadside at laymen in this fashion: "The association of most of us laymen with the Church is just an air of respectability, and not real loyalty. We may try to fool ourselves, and God Almighty, and our children; but we cannot do any of these things. . . . This supposing business is very dangerous and insecure."

On another occasion he says: "There are many men who have striven to become gods, but only one God who ever sought to become man. The former all have failed, the latter gloriously succeeded."

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Mr. Cell makes the statement that it took an average of 1,700 churchmen to bring in one convert last year and comments that "it would appear we laymen need to get into the church program in earnest and help the leaders. . . . We laymen have a very high standard in the examples of John and Jesus. . . . John would not be a popular present-day preacher, but he is the kind we need. He would demand more than a mere formality of joining the Church. . . .

"If the rank and file, and about 90 per cent of our preachers and professors and teachers could be jarred into the realization of a woe-ful lack of efficiency, the church could make greater advances today. All too many members of the cloth have profession rather than confession, or possession foremost in mind, hence become unfit for the high calling and sacred task entrusted to them.

"We laymen need to realize that there are hundreds of us in the church to one minister and we should have that many times more interest than our pastors. . . . Most of them try to do their best while we sit in the grandstand, some of us shouting, some booing, and some not caring what happens. Most of us laymen do too much kicking to ever help pull very much of the load. We are just about the same no-good church members today as the throngs that went out to hear John in the desert. Unless we are willing to do the work Jesus assigned to us we should be respectable enough to ask our pastor to take our name off the church roll." —J. L. V.

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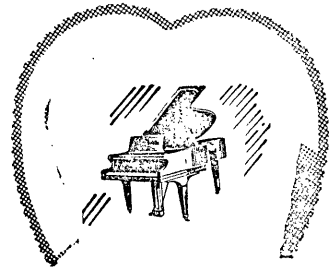
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INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Lesson for February 16

JESUS TEACHES FORGIVENESS AND GRATITUDE

LESSON TEXT—Luke 17:1-4; 11-19.

GOLDEN TEXT—Be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.—Ephesians 4:32.

Did you ever hear of "vinegar saints"? They are the Christian folk who are "preserved" (as Paul prayed in I Thess. 5:23), but are apparently pickled instead of sweetened. Every housewife knows that things may be preserved with sugar or with vinegar.

God never intended it to be that way. All through His Word there are admonitions and encouragements to gracious and considerate living. Every Christian is under orders to "grow in grace" as well as in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ (II Pet. 3:18). This lesson stresses two leading Christian graces.

I. Forgiveness—Not Always Easy, but Always Possible (vv. 1-4).

The Bible is ever realistic in its approach to life. God knows that Christians must live in just our kind of world; in fact, your kind of world, and makes provision for it.

Offenses cannot be avoided. There will always be occasions for stumbling. No matter how closely we may guard our children, they will face temptations. Let us prepare them to meet them with the power of Christ, and let us be so prepared ourselves.

The fact that offenses must come does not excuse the one who creates the cause of stumbling. Someone is responsible for every such occasion for offense, and the woe of God is pronounced upon him.

What shall I do about the one who thus tempts me and others? Just grieve over it and look the other way? No indeed. "Rebuke him," says God's Word. Let us do it! If he does not repent, there is no occasion for forgiveness. To do so would only encourage him in his sin.

If he repents, or even says he repents, we are to forgive, not just once, but over and over again (v. 4). That's not easy for any of us, but it is possible if we, like the disciples (see v. 5), ask God to "increase our faith," and use it as Jesus directs in verse 6.

II. Gratitude—the Almost Forgotten Christian Grace (vv. 11-19).

Nine men wonderfully healed of the dreadful disease of leprosy, and only one said, "Thank you," to Jesus, "and he was a Samaritan," an outsider or stranger. One wonders whether in our own day of professed enlightenment and culture the average of those who express their gratitude would even reach one-tenth.

"Gratitude is as scarce as friendship." Many there are who profess to be Christians who never offer praise to God for the provision of their daily food, let alone for all other temporal and spiritual blessings. The kindness of friends is taken for granted. The thoughtfulness of others is accepted without comment.

Have you told your minister that you appreciate his sermons and his ministry in the community? Does your Sunday School teacher know

that you have received help and blessing in the class? Does the editor of this paper know that you enjoy and appreciate this column? If you do, why not encourage him by calling him on the telephone or writing him a note to tell him so?

Young people, have you ever said a real heart-felt "thank you" to your father or mother for all they have done for you? Perhaps some older sister or brother or school teacher or neighbor would be greatly heartened by such a word from you.

Someone may say, "I am grateful, but I am not the type that talks about it." One wonders whether Henry Van Dyke was not right when he said, "A dumb love is accepted only from the lower animals." A dog will show his thankfulness by wagging his tail, but a man has a tongue with which to say kind and tender words of appreciation to both God and man.

Most important of all, let us bear in mind that God awaits our words of praise. Christ valued the words of gratitude of this man and missed them from the nine others. When He was in Simon's home (Luke 7:44-46), He gently rebuked His host for failing to show him the ordinary courtesies of the household.

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE REPORT

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Smithville Ct.	25.27
Walnut Ridge	26.75
Total	\$1,038.07

SEARCY DISTRICT

G. W. Pyles, D. S.

Antioch Ct.	\$ 16.53
Augusta	17.62
Bald Knob-Bradford	148.00
Beebe	135.00
Cabot	50.90
Clinton	58.00
Cotton Plant	11.82
Gregory-McClelland	26.61
Griffithville Ct.	8.00
Harrison	141.66
Heber Springs—	
First	220.00
Central	7.00
Judsonia	32.87
Leslie	16.00
McCrory	200.00
Fakes Chapel, Ext.	15.00
Melroe Ct.	34.62
Pangburn Ct.	2.00
Quitman Ct.	2.29
Rose Bud Ct.	2.82
Scotland Ct.	47.50
Valley Springs-Bellefonte	5.64
Total	\$1,199.88

DISTRICT STANDINGS

		% of	Last
		Askg.	year
Conway	\$2,273.88	16.7	15.5
Jonesboro	1,902.88	14.6	13.4
Batesville	1,725.32	18.8	12.8
Helena	1,643.21	12.6	9.5
Fort Smith	1,345.99	8.2	10.2
Searcy	1,199.88	9.1	19.9
Fayetteville	1,041.48	10.7	3.8
Paragould	1,038.07	9.8	7.6
Total Benev.	\$12,170.71	12.5	11.8

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Report Of Treasurer Of Arkansas Methodist For January, 1941

Bank Balance, Jan. 1	\$142.68	
Cash Balance, Jan. 1	22.01	
		\$164.69
Cash Receipts:		
Subscriptions	\$1746.90	
Advertising	285.11	
Conf. Coll.	25.30	
Rents	108.00	
Miscellaneous	39.37	
Total Receipts		\$2204.68
		\$2369.37
Cash Disbursements:		
Salaries	\$ 410.00	
Office Expense	55.52	
Postage	112.46	
Printing	787.04	
Property (Impr.)	9.02	
Property (Reprs.)	49.80	
Miscellaneous	89.66	
Total Disbursements		\$1513.50
Bank Balance, Feb. 1	\$819.96	
Cash Balance, Feb. 1	38.91	
		\$ 858.87
		\$2369.37

—Warren Johnston, Treasurer.



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If you pay your pledge regularly by the week or month. If you have not been doing so, won't you plan now to have one-fourth of your pledge for the entire year paid by February 28?

The Board of Stewards has authorized the publication of a list of those whose pledges are up to date at the end of February and we hope that this list may include the name of every member.—Finance Committee.

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CIRCLES TO MEET MONDAY

No. 1—Mrs. C. C. Arnold, Chairman, with Mrs. P. L. Easley, 1325 Hanger, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon. Mrs. H. E. Ruff, co-hostess.

No. 2—Mrs. W. N. Rankin, Chairman, with Mrs. R. P. Ramsey, 412 West 17th, 1 o'clock dessert lunch.

No. 3—With Mrs. Ray Scott, Chr., 2708 State, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon. Mrs. N. T. Hollis, co-hostess.

No. 4—Mrs. W. J. Pennington, Chairman, with Mrs. Ina Allen, 2106 Izard, 1:30 dessert luncheon. Mrs. E. H. Jackson, co-hostess.

No. 5—Mrs. A. S. Ross, Chairman, with Mrs. J. J. Hooker, 5416 Edgewood, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon.

No. 6—Mrs. W. P. Ivy, Chairman, with Mrs. D. T. Owens, 321 Dennison, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon. Mrs. F. W. Whiteside, co-hostess.

No. 7—Mrs. F. B. Thacker, Chairman, with Mrs. G. A. Hale, 2720 Ringo, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon.

No. 8—Mrs. F. M. Stevens, Chairman, with Mrs. Hudson Steele, 415 Colonial Court, 1:30 dessert luncheon. Mrs. H. A. Martin, co-hostess.

No. 9—Mrs. Ralph Raney, Chairman, with Mrs. R. M. McKinney, 604 N. Beech, 1:30 dessert luncheon.

No. 10—Mrs. H. C. Graham, Chr., with Mrs. E. V. Markham, 4916 E. Crestwood, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon. Mrs. Paul James, co-hostess.

Young Matrons' Circle—Mrs. Harvey Shipp, Chairman, with Mrs. F. H. Schuller, 1620 N. Jackson, 12:30 luncheon. Mrs. A. H. Langdon, co-hostess.

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EVENING PROGRAMS, SUNDAY

A world traveler, teacher, and preacher, Mrs. Madeline Southard, will speak to the Sunday Evening Club at 6:30 p. m. Dressed in the native costume of a Mohammedan woman, Mrs. Southard will speak concerning her experiences in Christian Social Service work in Burma, India, and Malaya.

Junior High Department: Subject, "Goodwill In the Community," leader, Dan Nix.

Senior High Department: Subject, "Myself and My Family"; leader, Miss Nell Laney.

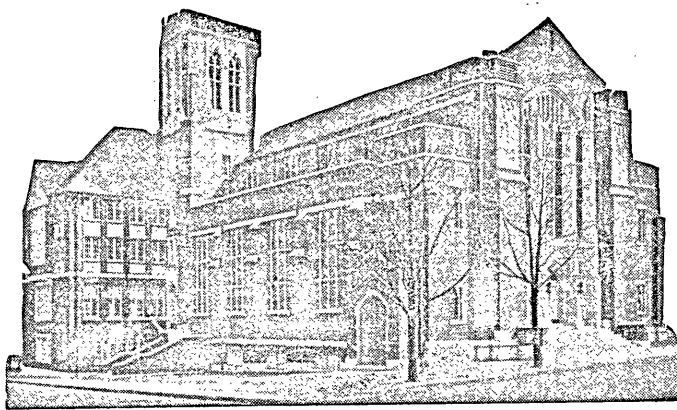
Young People's Department: Dr. Morris K. Crothers, Resident in Surgery, Arkansas University Medical School, will speak concerning his work in the Missionary Hospital in India.

WE'RE TRAVELING TOWARD OUR GOAL OF 800, BUT WE DON'T WANT TO DELAY TOO LONG IN REACHING IT! TRAVEL ALONG WITH US AND WE WILL REACH 800 NEXT SUNDAY!

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Winfield Methodist Church

Sixteenth and Louisiana, Little Rock

THIS PAGE DEVOTED TO THE INTERESTS OF THIS CHURCH

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Minister of Music

MISS KATE BOSSINGER
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Church Secretary

Next Sunday at Winfield

"Where Old-fashioned Friendliness Survives"

10:00 A. M. CHURCH SCHOOL—Show Your Loyalty Here!

11:00 A. M. "WHAT TIME IS IT?"—Sermon by Pastor.

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

7:30 P. M. "HALF-GODS"—Sermon by Pastor.

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THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

By GASTON FOOTE

Remember Hendrix College

Arkansas Methodism's only institution of higher education is Hendrix College, Conway. The influence of this institution and those institutions of which Hendrix is the successor is felt in practically every community in the state. Not only has Hendrix college moulded the ministerial leadership of the state but she has had a powerful influence producing a laity devoted to the church and faithful to the ideals of Jesus Christ. Probably more than any other institution Hendrix college has been responsible for the production of the consecrated laymen who are today carrying out the program of Methodism throughout the state. Winfield is asked to raise a total of \$750 this year for (a) maintenance of the present program of Christian education and (b) ministerial education. The services of our student minister Mr. Kermyt Roebuck are given to Winfield church and the church in turn pays for his expenses at college. A free-will offering will be taken for Hendrix next Sunday. If you can do so please bring a sizeable extra offering for this worthy cause. Dr. C. M. REVES says, "Winfield can always be depended upon to do the big thing for Hendrix college and ministerial education and I know she will not fail in this crucial hour." BISHOP SELECMAN says, "We need Hendrix college not only as a training ground for our ministers but for this whole generation of youth who need the support and guidance of a Christian philosophy of life."

Don't Neglect Public Worship!

Henry Van Dyke "There is a little plant in the corner of my heart called worship which needs to be watered at least once a week."

Hebrews 10:25 "Not forsaking the assemblies of ourselves together..."

COME TO CHURCH SUNDAY... BRING YOUR FRIEND

Christian Education

By HAL H. PINNELL

"How Did You Travel Last Sunday?" 716 LAST SUNDAY—800 GOAL NEXT SUNDAY!

Church School Attendance
Last Sunday 716
A Year Ago 606

	Department Reports			Stay Ch.
	Pres.	On Time	Cont.	
Jr. Hi	62	49	44	26
Sr. Hi	65	45	50	46
Y. P.	113	98	68	96

Adult Report		
Hinton Class	.....	45
Fidelity Class	.....	39
Men's Class	.....	39
Jenkins Class	.....	36
Couples Class	.....	34
Wedding Ring Class	.....	30
Ashby Class	.....	25
Friendship Class	.....	22
Bullington Class	.....	15
Young Men's Class	.....	15

Total		
Jr. Hi Eve	6:30—22	Church 16
Sr. Hi Eve	6:30—33	Church 20
Y. P. Eve	6:00—62	Church 28
Sun. Eve Club	6:30—22	Church 15

HERE'S HOW YOU TRAVELED, "TRAIL BLAZERS"

Based on percentage of attendance and enrollment:

WEDDING RING CLASS—	
Airplane	89%
YOUNG MEN'S AND ASHBY CLASS—Pierce-Arrow	85%
FIDELITY CLASS—	
Cadillac	80%
JENKINS CLASS—	
Franklin	66%
FRIENDSHIP CLASS—	
Buick	63%
HINTON CLASS—	
Essex	60%
COUPLES CLASS—	
Ford	54%
MEN'S CLASS and BULLINGTON MEMORIAL CLASS—	
Kiddy Kar	51 and 42%

FOLLOW THE AIRPLANES TO WINFIELD CHURCH SCHOOL!

OUR SYMPATHY

The sincere sympathy of the congregation is extended to Mrs. Joe H. Bilheimer and Mrs. M. L. Hayes, whose mother, Mrs. Josephine R. Goeken, passed away Tuesday, February 11.

OUR KNOWN SICK

Mr. P. A. Dulin, 2222 Vance.
Miss Irene Shaver, St. Vincent's Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Foote returned today from the funeral of Mrs. Foote's father, Judge A. P. Young, who died at Stephenville, Texas, last Tuesday.

NEXT WEDNESDAY EVENING AT WINFIELD

5:30 p. m.—Book Review, "Man's Search for Himself" E. E. Aubrey. Reviewed by Pastor.
6:00 p. m.—Fellowship Dinner, 25 cents.
6:40 p. m.—Devotions—Led by Pastor.
7:15 p. m.—(a) Bible Study, "His Witnesses," taught by Miss Lila Ashby.