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"The World is My Parish" — John Wesley

"Go ye into all the world—" — Mark 16:15

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After Three Months

WAR correspondents and commentators said it would require three months for Hitler to plant the Swastika over Moscow. The three months have passed and Hitler is still short of his goal. How far short we do not know. Suffice it to say that Russia has startled most of the world in her stubborn defense thus far. While only the wildly optimistic still expect a Russian victory there are many who predict that Russia will still be fighting two months from now. No one can estimate the cost of defense to Russia—in men and machines. But while Russia has bled Germany has been bleeding too. It is impossible to think that Germany is as strong today as she was three months ago. Had Hitler had it to do over again the chances are he would have tried more desperately to get along with Stalin and his associates without battle. Having made the plunge there was open to him no other way than to carry it through to the finish. And the end is not yet. Additional manpower is available from Stalin's eastern armies and he will use every possible resource in the siege of Moscow. It is just here that the U. S. may enter the picture. Stalin will transfer his armies now on the eastern front to Moscow if he can keep Japan at bay. If the U. S. can make Japan stay at home by signing a six months non-aggression pact, Russia can not only breathe more easily but put up a tremendous defensive battle. If and when the battle is over and Russia is defeated, Hitler will be the master of continental Europe. In that event the U. S. will be much nearer the area of combat than many of us imagine.

Conversion Is A Process

SOMETIME ago a minister told of his habit of opening his mid-week prayer meeting service with a testimony meeting. There was the usual number of people who told of their conversion, years previously, naming the preacher under whom they were converted, describing the church where the experience took place, going into detail as to the effect of that glorious experience with God. A few weeks later he called for a testimony meeting but specifically requested that all experiences with God referred to be not more than thirty days old. Needless to say there was a smaller number of testimonies. But this minister was right. Conversion is often instantaneous. But it is never finished. A man gives his life to God once and for all—but he must be always giving himself to God. He must commit every day, every act, every motive to the living Presence. Conversion is one complete and decided "yes" to God, but there are many little "yes-es" coming out of this big one. Conversion is like marriage. We once and for all give ourselves in love. But, if we are successful in it, we are continually giving ourselves in love. Conversion is not so much something that once happened to us. It is something that is continually being done in us. And if a man has to go back in history to tell about his experiences with God he ought to examine that experience. Why not bring it up to date? God still lives. Today we can feel his presence. If we have really met God it is not so much a historical reality as a present experience. We would like to be in a testimony meeting where all the testimonies related had happened within the past week. Why not? God's love is still redemptive.

"OURS IS A DAY OF IMPROVED MEANS TO UNIMPROVED ENDS."—Thoreau.

Has God Abandoned?

MANY short-sighted people are honest in their opinion that God has let the world down. If God is a good God, they argue, why this untold suffering on the part of men, women and children throughout the world? If He is all-powerful why doesn't He do something to stop it? We do not propose a theological treatise in defense of an all-powerful and all-loving God in a world of evil but there is at least one inescapable truth that many people seem to have forgotten. God hasn't abandoned His world. He has not taken a dishonorable discharge in the day of her darkest history. God never has, and never will abandon men. MEN abandon God. Has Christ's gospel of love broken down amid a world of hate? Certainly not! It has never been tried. Has the message of the Church been inadequate? By no means! It has never been tried. The fact is, everything that is happening in our world corroborates rather than condemns the teachings of Christ and the Church. As this is a world of physical law so it is a world of spiritual law. Plant roses and you harvest roses. Plant thorns and you harvest thorns. Everyone admits that this is true. But that which some fail to see is the corresponding spiritual law of our universe. Jesus not only enunciated it—He demonstrated it. Plant love and you reap love. Plant hate and you reap hate. Some twenty-three years ago we planted some thorns and thistles of hate in Europe. The harvest in due time came in 1939, '40 and '41. If we expected to go out among the thorns and thistles that we had planted and reap bouquets of brotherhood it was a foolish expectation. The world has spiritually reaped what it has sown. God didn't send the war. The ABSENCE of God produced it. If there ever was a time when Christ was again put on the cross that time is now. For Christ is now in a cosmic Gethsemane bleeding for a world that prefers to hate rather than love. Jesus is again on the road—pleading for Christian people to rise up and deliver Him. God has not deserted us. We, in the main, have deserted Him. And when we desert Him we suffer.

"Ill fares the land, to hastening ills a prey,
Where wealth accumulates, and men decay."
—Goldsmith.

No Longer Hidden

THE former so-called hidden taxes seem to be coming out in the open. The day of paying taxes without knowing it are over. From now on, not only will we know we are paying taxes but many more people will be paying them than ever before. Enormous governmental expenses for defense make it necessary that every earning American who can, pay as much as his income will conveniently (or inconveniently) allow. Even then, the scare of inflation may be more than mere fright. We list some of the new taxes that have been imposed in the last few days: 10% sales tax on the following—sporting goods; luggage; electrical appliances; rubber products; optical equipment; business machines; furs; jewelry; toilet preparations. There is a new 6% sales tax on telephone bills and a 5% tax on light bulbs. There is a \$10 annual tax on pinball machines, bowling alleys and pool tables. On October 10th there was added a 5% tax on all transportation tickets whether on railroad, bus, steamship or by air. On February 1st, all motor vehicles will carry a new \$5 per annum license tax. And on March 15th, the government's big pay day, nearly three million wage earners will pay income tax for the first time. In addition to this the ten million nine hundred thousand who paid income tax last year will pay from 10% to 2000% more in income taxes than they have ever paid before. But if we are wise, we will not grumble. This war will cost us plenty, but it has never, and we trust never will cost us what it has cost many other nations of the world.

Possibility Of An American Expeditionary Force

THAT the U. S. is in the war, both from the standpoint of the production of materials and on the high seas, there is no doubt. When our merchant ships are armed with guns and instructions to shoot "enemy" ships at sight the actual combat begins at the moment an "enemy" ship is encountered. But will there be another AEF? Because we are three thousand miles from the area of combat our navy will undoubtedly lead out in the actual war maneuvers. The air forces will be quick to follow, both to protect and abet the action of the navy. Will it stop here? In the event of the fall of Russia to escape ultimately sending an AEF would be, to this correspondent, nothing short of a miracle. The administration is dead set on keeping the Nazis from winning the war at any cost. And we believe they cannot keep this thing from happening without an AEF. Undoubtedly our navy and naval air forces can do much to turn the tide should they be instructed to go all the way in the matter. But the navy can't capture Berlin and the chances are that the Nazi regime cannot be permanently silenced without a vital blow to the heart. If such is necessary, say a year from now, an AEF will probably see action across the Atlantic. It will be a last resort move for America but if nothing else will turn the tide America will be willing to again send her sons to a European battlefield. And even the presence of American soldiers will not bluff Hitler. It will be a more bitter struggle than any in which America has heretofore engaged. Shades of 1917—but painted in darker hues.

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—Gaston Foote.

SOURCE OF COURAGE

AN ARMY can survive the crisis of limited
supplies, such as food, clothing, and so forth;
but when the courage fails all is lost. This is
true of Christian living. There may be such a
thing as a Christian without courage; but, if so,
the devil will never suffer any setback, much
less defeat, at his hands.—Biblical Recorder.

ABOUT PEOPLE

DR. H. C. HENDERSON, now pastor at Oak
Cliff Church, Dallas, Texas, has had a fine
year. He has had a total of 261 additions this
year.

R. A. TEETER, JR., senior at Hendrix, son of
Rev. and Mrs. R. A. Teeter, Smackover, and
Miss Joan Reichardt, senior of Little Rock, have
been selected by the Hendrix student body as
"the ideal Hendrix man and woman."

DR. O. E. GODDARD, chairman of the Com-
mission on Evangelism of the North Arkan-
sas Conference, announces that the Commission
will meet Wednesday, November 5, at 3:30 p. m.
at such place in Harrison as the pastor host
designates.

REV. CHARLES F. BOSS, JR., of Chicago, Ill.,
executive secretary of the Commission on
World Peace, was the official representative of
Boston University, by appointment of President
Daniel L. Marsh, at the recent fiftieth anniver-
sary celebration of the University of Chicago.

REV. S. W. MOOTY, pastor of the Louann
Circuit, announces that a home-coming ser-
vice will be held at Buena Vista, six miles from
Camden on the third Sunday in October. Rev.
W. R. Burks, pastor of Vantrease Memorial
Church, El Dorado, will preach and lunch will
be served. A cordial invitation is extended to
everyone who can to be present.

LAY ACTIVITIES for 1941-1942 is the title of
a 32-page pamphlet, attractively bound, re-
cently issued by the General Board of Lay Ac-
tivities of the Methodist Church for free distri-
bution on request. It is intended for lay lead-
ers and members of official boards. Copies may
be obtained by writing to the headquarters of
the board, 740 Rush Street, Chicago, Ill.

REV. FRED R. HARRISON, pastor of Pulaski
Heights Church, began a series of sermons
in his church Sunday, October 12, on "Rearrang-
ing Life." His subject on October 12 was "Lift-
ing Our Burdens"; on October 19 he will preach
on "Taming Your Talent"; On October 26 on
"Handling Life's Worries"; on November 2 on
"Watching Others Win" and on November 9 on
"Retiring Old Habits."

ONE of the remarkable growths of the Method-
ist Church during recent years has been that
recorded from Malaya. During the past sixteen
years the church membership increased by al-
most 200%—from 7,078 to 18,609. This growth
has been among Chinese, Tamil Indians, and Ma-
lays principally. In 1940 these members con-
tributed an average of approximately \$4.50 (U.
S. currency) for all local church purposes.

SCARRITT COLLEGE, Nashville, Tenn., which
prepares young men and young women for
Christian and missionary work, claims to have
one of the most international student bodies of
any school in America. Numbered among its
students this fall are representative young peo-
ple and missionaries-on-furlough from Algeria,
Brazil, Burma, China, Congo Belge, Cuba, Java,
Japan, Korea, Malaya, Mexico, and the Philli-
pine Islands.

WOMEN of sixteen denominations participated
in a non-network radio campaign based on
the theme, "America's Indebtedness to Church
Women," sponsored by the Council of Women
for Home Missions. The campaign lasted for
five months and consisted of 826 broadcasts in
forty-six states, Alaska and Puerto Rico. In no
instances were charges made for the time for
programs, which was donated by the stations.
Factual material furnished for the broadcasts
was also valued for educational groups. Discuss-
ing the campaign, Frank G. Goodman, executive
secretary of the Department of National Religi-
ous Radio, says: "It is notable that 270 radio
stations, the largest number ever to grant free
time to a religious campaign, within a five-
month period, is indeed an outstanding tribute
to the radio industry in recognizing the need for
this program."

MR. GEORGE RULE, age 70, prominent lay-
man and business man of Lonoke, died at
his home on Friday, October 10. Mr. Rule had
served as postmaster at Lonoke for 23 years,
was a steward in the Methodist Church and had
served as Sunday School superintendent for a
number of years. He is survived by his wife and
three daughters, a brother and two sisters. The
sympathy of many friends goes out to the family
in their bereavement.

THE Upper Room, Methodism's outstanding
devotional magazine, now has a circulation
of more than a million copies an issue. It is pub-
lished in Nashville, Tenn., under the editorship
of Dr. Grover C. Emmons. In addition to foreign
language editions, printed in Spanish, Hindu-
stani, Korean and Portuguese, there is another
special addition printed in Braille, for the blind.
These with the regular English edition keep a
busy force working filling orders at the rate of
approximately 40,000 a day.

A BOOK LENGTH POEM, entitled "Genesis:
Or, An Epic of the Eternal Beginnings," by
a retired Methodist minister, Dr. Arthur Mad-
ison Shaw of Oakdale, Louisiana, who, because
he lives in the Calcasieu River basin, is called
"the Poet of Calcasieu," has been accepted by
Harbinger House, New York City; and, accord-
ing to their announcement, will be a part of
the "Testament of Faith: An Anthology of Reli-
gious Poems," which they will publish in sub-
stantial and attractive book form, and ready for
distribution soon.

WHEN the Angola Africa Methodist Confer-
ence met recently, a translation of Prof. Earl
Marlatt's now famous hymn, "Are Ye Able?"
in the Kimbundu dialect, was sung lustily and
with fervor and made a deep impression, ac-
cording to Mrs. John M. Springer, wife of the
Bishop who presided. The translation was made
by the Rev. Joachim Bernado, one of the young
African preachers. "The translation into Kim-
bundu from abstract English cannot be made
literally," says Mrs. Springer, "but the heart of
the hymn was the line with which the translator
started, 'Can you take an insult?' Every man
there, layman as well as pastor, knew that that
question struck home to the core of his being.
Could they take it? They sang with fervor,
'Lord, we can take it in thy name.'"

THE REV. MAUDE ROYDEN and Dr. Leslie
Weatherhead, two of England's outstanding
ministers, are expected to arrive in the United
States late in October for a speaking and preach-
ing tour of the principal cities of this country.
The ministry of both has been in connection
with the famous City Temple of London, now
badly damaged by recent air raids. Dr. Weath-
erhead is the present pastor of the Temple, but
has been carrying on his services at the nearby
Church of the Holy Sepulchre which has opened
its doors to the otherwise homeless congregation.
The initial American meeting of these visitors
is expected to be in New York City on Mon-
day, November 3. The World Council of Church-
es is planning this and other early meetings.
Later Dr. Weatherhead and Miss Royden will
take part in the National Preaching Mission.

ACCORDING to Superintendent Bruce R.
Campbell, of the Puerto Rico Mission Con-
ference, a "real revival" was held on the Camuy
charge, at a place called Membrillo, P. R. Dr.
Campbell describes the results as follows: "After
driving out several kilometers in the car, we left
it and walked out through the cotton fields to a
settlement, formerly a place of perversion, where
gambling, drinking and cock-fighting prevailed.
These practices have disappeared because the
people have been converted. The movement was
inspired by the pastor, the Rev. Alfredo Rivera,
but was carried on by the people themselves.
It has not been a movement of individuals con-
verted here and there, but of whole families
coming under the grace of Christ. The parents
began it and the children have entered in, many
of them expressing their joy by saying, 'Now
Papa doesn't drink any more.' The people have
begun to raise funds for a chapel."

THE CHURCH WORKSHOP

H. MELLE FIKES, Editor

WHY

"Why should we give money to save the heathen abroad when there are so many here in our own country to save?"

There are other "whys" equally as logical:

Why should I give money to those in other parts of this country when there are needy ones in my own state?

Why should I give for those in other parts of the state when there are needy ones in my own town?

Why should I give to the poor in the town when my own church needs the money?

Why should I give to the church when my own family wants it?

Why should I give to my family what I want for myself?

Why? Because I am a Christian, not a heathen.

WHEN LIFE TUMBLES IN

One of Scotland's most effective preachers is Arthur John Gossip of Glasgow. One day his wife suddenly died and his life was plunged into gloom. In midstream his life partner had been taken from him. When the next Sunday came around, he refused to follow the expected procedure of absenting himself from his pulpit. Instead, he preached a famous sermon entitled, "When Life Tumbles In." Life had tumbled in. But he said to himself, as he thought of running away: "No, I will not deny her anything!" And he preached a sermon in which he caught his hearers up within the lifting sweep of his own faith, made doubly sure through the deeper insights which had come to him in great personal loss. He made them feel the creativeness of life; the immutability of faith; the reality of eternal life.—From *What Use is Religion* by Elmore M. McKee.

THE KEY TO GREAT LIVING

Our universe has in it spontaneous creativity. If we can learn to become partners with that creativity, then in that process we can learn to live magnificently.—Hornell Hart in *New Gateways to Creative Living*.

GROWTH

Not merely shall I grow so that I shall be able to understand vastly more of what God is and what He is doing; God also will be ever doing new things.

He is forever active. He has purposes concerning me which He has not yet unfolded. Therefore, each year grows more sacred with wondering expectation.—Phillips Brooks.

LOVE'S SACRIFICE

Love ever gives—
Forgives—outlives—
And ever stands
With open hands.
And while it lives—
It gives.
For this is love's prerogative—
To give, and give, and give.
—Oxenham.

Multum In Parvo

Sermonettes are just fine for Christian-ettes.

Pews are built—and properly so—to stand as regular use as pulpit chairs.

The drunkard is the man who commits suicide on the installment plan.

There is more melody in the crying of a baby than in the snoring of a saint. Bring the babies to church.

A church is known by the men it keeps.

We must not look for golden life in an age of iron.

Debate Him—They'll hate Him! Live Him—They'll love Him!

Poetic Prophecy

*In vain, in vain—the all-composing hour
Resistless falls: the Muse obeys its power.
She comes! She comes! the sable throne behold
Of Night Primeval, and of Chaos old!
Before her, Fancy's gilded clouds decay,
And all its varying rainbows die away.
Wit shoots in vain its momentary fires,
The meteor drops, and in a flash expires.
Thus at her felt approach, and secret night,
Art after Art goes out, and all is night.
See skulking Truth to her old cavern fled,
Mountains of casuistry heaped o'er her head!
Philosophy, that leaned on Heaven before,
Shrinks to its second cause and is no more,
Religion, blushing, veils her sacred fires,
And unawares Morality expires.
Nor public thought, nor private, dares to shine;
Nor human spark is left, nor glimpse divine!
Lo! Thy dread empire, Chaos! is restored,
Light dies before thy uncreating word:
Thy hand, great anarchy! lets the curtain fall,
And universal darkness buries all.*

—Alexander Pope.

"Thomas Paine in his 'Age of Reason' denominates the Biblical prophets poets. By the same judgment, may we not adjudge great poets to be prophets? At any rate, the tremendous conclusion of Alexander Pope's magnificent poem, 'The Dunciad,' as reproduced above, in which he pictures the civilization and learning of the earth extinguished by a wave of barbarism and tyranny and stupidity, seems strangely but eloquently prophetic of our times. How conclusively he sets forth the state of Nazi Germany today!

The "Epic of the Dunces," indeed!

A CHILD

Know you what it is to be a child? It is something very different from the man of today. It is to have a spirit of belief—to believe in love, to believe in liveliness, to believe in belief; it is to be so little that the elves can reach to whisper in your ear; it is to turn pumpkins into coaches, mice into horses, lowliness into loftiness and nothing into everything, for each child has its fairy godmother in its soul.—Shelley.

"Except ye become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven."—Matt. 18:3.

THE MASTER'S TOUCH

A young Italian boy knocked one day at the door of an artist's studio in Rome, and when it was opened exclaimed: "Please, madam, will you give me the master's brush?"

The painter was dead, and the boy, inflamed with a longing to be an artist, wished for the great master's brush. The lady placed the brush in the boy's hand, saying: "This is his brush, try it, my boy."

With a flush of earnestness on his

face he tried, but found he could paint no better than with his own.

The lady then said to him: "You cannot paint like the great master unless you have his spirit."

So it is with us in the church today; if Christians have not the Master's spirit they cannot successfully carry on the Master's great work.—Christian Union Herald.

Encouragement is oxygen to the soul; no one ever lived without it.—George Matthew Adams.

FAMOUS FAILURES SAY

Lorenzo Lassitude: "Give me leisure or give me death."

Walter Wiseguy: "I came, I saw, I bluffed."

Hannibal Hasbeen: "I regret that I had only nine soft jobs on my country."

Ferdinand Funfriend: "Hours and hours for diversion, but not a minute for self improvement."

Tobias Tippler: "Don't give up the booze."

Sigismund Sharpster: "The world expects every man to get the booty."

Sebastian Sucker: "I'm going to make a clean-up on the stock market if it takes all summer."

WHY LIFE IS BREAKING UP

I am absolutely convinced that the basic cause of human despair today is lack of faith in a living God. I do not have reference to the ordinary definitions of faith. I am not thinking of denominational loyalty, of belief in the doctrines of certain sectarians. I am thinking of something infinitely deeper than that. Our damaging unbelief today is lack of faith in life itself, in the values of life, in the purpose and the goal of life. I believe we are smashing up civilization today because we don't believe anything has any value. We do not believe as a human race that life of a single person is of more value than of all the universe. We have nothing worth keeping; therefore we are smashing it up. It is as though we were in a vast world on a drunken rampage of unbelief.—George Mecklenburg in *The Pastor*.

THE FIFTH GOSPEL

I have united with the church in solemn covenant. I have pledged to it my prayers, my interest, my spiritual assistance, my presence at its services and a definite portion of my income for its support.

Should I not keep my pledge I will immediately bring an injury upon my church. The non-churchgoer reads my life like a book, it is the only sermon he ever receives. I should be very careful as to the kind of sermon my life is preaching to the world. The apostle Paul has said: "Ye are living epistles known and read of all men."

COMPROMISES

The old Palace of the Popes at Avignon, France, now in ruins, is a symbol, at least in its plan, of historical Christianity. It was built like a robber baron's castle with moat, drawbridges, peepholes, and all the apparatus necessary to protect itself by armed might against armed attack. Thus it stands as a symbol of the compromises of the church through all the centuries with its surrounding civilization.—Charles A. Ellwood in *The World's Need of Christ*.

"New occasions teach new duties;
Time makes ancient good uncouth,
They must upward and still onward
Who would keep abreast of Truth;
Lo, before us gleam their campfires!
We ourselves must Pilgrims be,
Launch our Mayflower and steer boldly
Through the desperate winter sea,
Nor attempt the Future's portal
With the Past's blood-rusted key."

TWELVE THINGS TO REMEMBER

The value of time.
The success of perseverance.
The pleasure of working.
The dignity of simplicity.
The worth of character.
The power of kindness.
The influence of example.
The obligation of duty.
The wisdom of economy.
The virtue of patience.
The improvement of talent.
The joy of originating.
—Marshall Field.

The World Of Tomorrow

By WALTER W. VAN KIRK

(Mr. Van Kirk is a noted radio commentator and Secretary of the Federal Council of Churches.)

THE Institute of Human Relations recently held at Williamstown, Mass., under the auspices of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, was an event of genuine national significance.

More than 850 people went to Williamstown. They wanted to talk about tomorrow. I was there. I saw these people. What I saw was a cross section of America—statesmen, school teachers, preachers, rabbis, priests, young people in college or just out of college, newspaper men, economists, political scientists, professors and business men. Some of these people were Catholics, some were Jews, some were Protestants. But they all spoke the same language. There was no difference of tongues, no Tower of Babel. As you might expect, there were differences of opinion about the war. But there was agreement about the kind of world we want to live in when the shooting is over.

Among the nation's outstanding public man at the Institute was Thomas E. Dewey, District Attorney of New York County. Mr. Dewey is a law enforcement officer. It's his business to round up the crooks in Manhattan. And he certainly rounds them up. He's in a position to know that something more than a policeman's club is necessary if the law is to be respected and obeyed. And if that's true of Manhattan, it's true of America, of Europe, of Asia. So, Mr. Dewey looked forward to the day when religion would get on the job and stay on the job of uprooting gangsterism in the relations of nations. "Our form of government," he declared, "was devised on principles flowing from deep religious convictions." The American way of life, he said, "springs from concepts of morality, family life and duties and faith in the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man." Mr. Dewey saw these values denied by the purely materialistic philosophies of totalitarianism. Nor did he see any hope for America or for the world unless each citizen, regardless of race or religion, respected the rights of his neighbors.

The same note was struck by Roger W. Straus, Co-Chairman of the National Conference of Christians and Jews. Said Mr. Straus, "if intolerance gains strength the right to freedom of worship will be limited first against one religion or against the right to belong to no religious group at all, and gradually each way of thinking will be prohibited except that agreed to by the ruling power." Miss Mildred McAfee, President of Wellesley College, agreed with this. "Rights are never inalienable unless they are universal," said Miss McAfee who is teaching 1,500 young ladies at Wellesley, including my own daughter, how to think and what to think about.

So much for the religious and cultural aspects of Tomorrow's World. Speaker after speaker mounted the rostrum to denounce religious and racial bigotry. They talked about a new declaration of the rights of man—the right to one's own culture; the

right to worship God according to the dictates of one's own conscience; the right to call upon God in any language, in any creed or with no formal creed at all.

Intolerance and Insanity

One speaker, Dr. David M. Levy, noted New York psychiatrist, went so far as to say that intolerance may very easily lead to insanity. And that's not far from the truth. Much of what is happening in the world today is a form of insanity induced by the perfectly crazed idea that you can regiment people's culture and religion. If we're going to have a World of Tomorrow fit to live in it will have to be a world where each man respects the racial heritage and the religious rights of his neighbors. That's what they said at Williams-

He said, "Either we extend the democratic process to wider areas of our economic life or we are doomed."

There was Reuben H. Markham of the Christian Science Monitor whom I first met in Prague when that city was still the pride of the Czechs. Mr. Markham declared that in Tomorrow's World destitution, ignorance, slums and class chasms must be eliminated. A rather large order, I'd say, but it is imperative that we tackle this job of economic security after the war is over. None of us, I expect, are looking for economic utopias. But short of that there are many steps that can be taken and that must be taken if the World of Tomorrow is to be any better than the World of Today, nor

world community might be restrained.

One thing was absolutely clear in this discussion of the political bases of peace—the United States would have to abandon its historic policies of economic and political aloofness from the rest of the world. At no other point was the Williamstown Institute more insistent. To crush gangsterism in time of war only to return to international anarchy after the war was seen to be the counsel of fools, an act of cowardice and a prelude to yet more wars.

There were no isolationists at Williamstown. I don't mean that the 850 registered delegates advocated American entrance into the war. Some did. Others didn't. But all were agreed that this business of each nation trying to build a wall around itself was the sheerest madness. To defeat armies on the field of battle may be the aim of generals in time of war. But to tear down the fences that divide nations must be the aim of statesmen, educators and religious leaders when the time comes to build the peace.

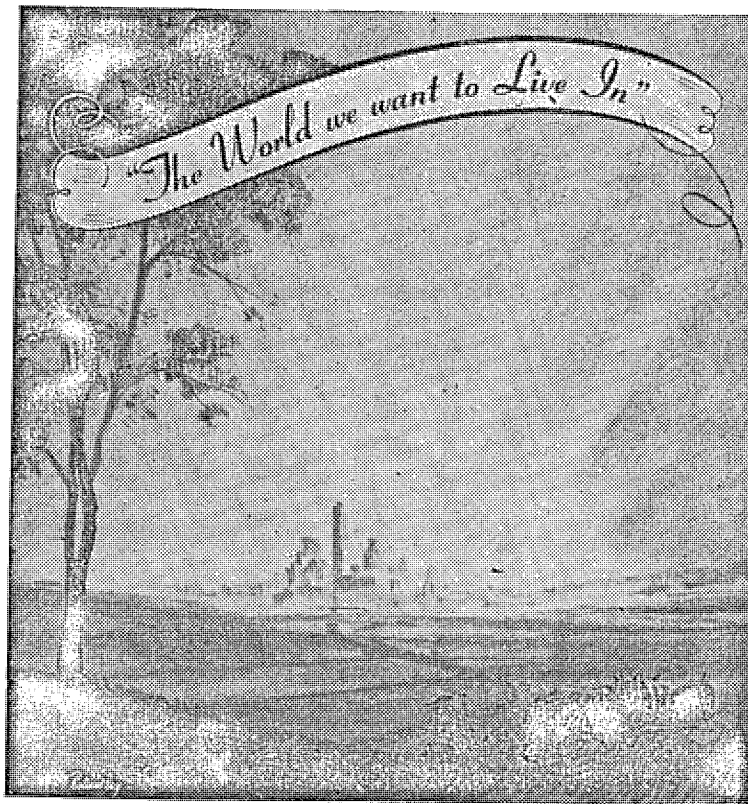
But Nelson Rockefeller isn't willing to wait until the war is over to tear down these fences. He's doing that right now, right here in the Western Hemisphere. He reminded the Williamstown Institute that among the peoples of the New World there were no inherited hatreds. Such misunderstandings as do exist were said by Mr. Rockefeller to be due more to ignorance than to ill will.

Significance of Institute

But the most significant thing about the Williamstown Institute was not what was said but the fact of the Institute itself. At a time when name-calling has become a favorite pastime of dictatorships of bigotry and intolerance, there met in the Berkshires, nearly a thousand Americans, of many faiths, of diverse racial and cultural backgrounds. They exhibited in their relations with each other the spirit of neighborliness. And that, more than anything else, is what is needed in the World of Tomorrow.

To be sure we need new machinery. But more than that, we need neighborliness, just plain, ordinary neighborliness. That's what the Williamstown Institute said to America and to the world. It told us to get rid of our grudges, to sweep out of our minds the cobwebs of racial and religious bigotry, to tear down the fences that have made of this world a crazy hodgepodge of confusion and conflicting loyalties. It is up to us to decide what kind of world we want to live in when the war is over. If we go on hating and setting race against race and religion against religion we'll never get out of the jungle, and the world of tomorrow will be nothing more than a drab and monotonous repetition of today's bloodletting.

But if we abandon our hatreds and dedicate ourselves to the task of achieving cultural, economic and political security for all races and nations the World of Tomorrow will be one great big neighborhood. I am glad the National Conference of Christians and Jews saw the vision of the World of Tomorrow and that they shared this vision with the rest of us at the Williamstown Institute.



town. And that's what should be said at every street corner and at all crossroads in America. And that's what they'd better say at the tomorrow's peace conference when the shooting is over if the peace is to be any better than the war.

The discussions at Williamstown then turned to economics. Everybody recognizes that a peace treaty, if it is to be anything more than a scrap of paper, will have to set up machinery designed to secure economic justice to all nations, great and small, victors and vanquished. That was one of the things that President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill talked about in their memorable conference somewhere in the Atlantic. This matter of economic justice was echoed time and time again at Williamstown. There was Mr. Howard Conley, chairman of the Executive Committee of the National Association of Manufacturers who called for the formation of a national economic council to consider the problem of shifting from a war-time to a peace-time economy.

There was A. Philip Randolph, President of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters who advocated "planning for social ends in the interest of all peoples regardless of

race, color, creed or national origin." can any of us any longer believe that we may have economic security for ourselves while much of the rest of the world is hungry or in rags.

Political Foundations of Peace

But that was not all they talked about at Williamstown. They talked about the political foundations of a just and durable peace. I shared the speaker's platform one night with Professor Carleton Hayes of Columbia University. We were agreed that the United States would have to accept its full share of the responsibility in establishing some form of world government. We were agreed that the time had come for the United States to stop its preaching about international cooperation and begin practicing for ourselves the virtues that we prescribed for others. We were agreed that the League of Nations should be reconstituted after the war and that all nations, great and small, victor and vanquished, must be admitted into the League on a basis of juridical equality.

Professor Hayes declared that Tomorrow's League of Nations would have to be provided with a full set of teeth, sharp teeth, so that nations bent upon aggression against the

THE DEVOTIONAL PAGE

ROY BAGLEY, Editor

PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS

A very small offense may be a just cause for great resentment; it is often much less the particular instance which is obnoxious to us, than the proof it carries with it of the general tenor and disposition of the mind from which it sprung.—Greville.

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God, veiled in majesty, alone gives light and life to all; bids the great systems move, and changing seasons in their turns advance, unmoved, unchanged himself.—Somerville.

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It is not ease but effort—not facility, but difficulty, that makes men. There is, perhaps, no station in life in which difficulties have not to be encountered and overcome before any decided measure of success can be achieved.—S. Smiles.

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If sorrow could enter heaven, if a sigh could be heard there, or a tear roll down the cheek of a saint in light, it would be for lost opportunities, for the time spent in neglect of God which might have been spent for His glory.—Payson.

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GOODNESS

By Hubert Pearce

"If there be any virtue. . . Think on these things." One of the most common questions is that attached to a man's goodness. If he has a reputation of being honest and upright, men will either question his motives or give a sinister interpretation to his conduct. Why is he good? "Does Job fear God for naught?" What does he get for being good?

What does any man get for being good? That is a persistent question; but betrays a desperate lack of understanding. It is the very essence of virtue to be disinterested. It never deceives any man! It promises nothing. The man who says, "If I am good, I will live a long time," knows nothing of goodness. It does not promise length of days. The man says that goodness will bring prosperity is wrong. It doesn't promise material things. It doesn't even promise popularity. Sometimes the best of men are forced by circumstances to be the most unpopular.

Not only does goodness promise nothing, it is most attractive in its unconscious form. The man who gives his effort to cultivating goodness as such finds himself defeated. The man who stands in the temple or kneels in his closet, and thanks God that he is not like other men is hopeless. How different is Paul when he says, "Oh, wretched man that I am, who shall deliver me?"

To every man who has denied himself, who has fought his battles valiantly, to every one who has stood up for justice between man and man, and for utter truth in life, the assurance comes, "Verily I say unto you they have their reward."

Goodness is its own reward! There is a rightness at the heart of things that registers every moral victory in the framework of the universe and makes a man literally akin to God.

POEM OF THE WEEK

HE COMETH LATE

*The strings of camels come in single file,
Bearing their burdens o'er the desert sands.
Swiftly the boats go plying on the Nile—
But still I wait
For the messenger of God who cometh late.*

*I see a cloud of dust arise on the plain.
The measured tread of troops fall on my ear.
The soldier comes, the empire to maintain,
Bringing the pomp of war, the reign of fear.
But still I wait
For the messenger of God who cometh late.*

*They set me watching o'er the desert dreary,
Where dwells the darkness, as the deepest night;
From many a mosque there comes to the call to prayer—
I hear no voice that calls on God for light.
But still I wait
For the messenger of God who cometh late.*

—Author Unknown.

MY PERSONAL WITNESS

By H. T. Freeman

It occurred about dawn on Christmas. For two or three years I had had serious thoughts on the subject of religion. During the revival season of the preceding summer I had attended the protracted meeting at Leeds Chapel, my mother's church, on the Tunnel Hill circuit. I had answered the preacher's call for penitents and had knelt at the altar of the church several times. But there did not come to me during the meeting that peace which the preacher had proclaimed and to which my mother and others had testified. On Christmas morning I arose early and went to the barn to feed the stock. Before feeding I knelt in prayer and said, "Lord, I thank Thee for sparing my life through another year. Lord, I do not want to go through the coming year without Thee and whether Thou receive me or not, I am going to accept Thee as my Savior and serve Thee as best I can." What happened then I can best describe as a great calm which filled my soul. That day was a day of gladness. I felt that I no longer belonged to time only but also to eternity and to the Eternal.

Soon after my conversion I felt the call to preach. But I did not know any one in my family tree who had been a preacher. My maternal grandfather had been a lawyer. So for two years I halted be-

tween two opinions—the ministry and the legal profession. On July 4, 1899, I was in the vicinity of Chattanooga, Tenn., selling books to secure money with which to go to Young Harris College. Everybody was keeping holiday and the book business was very dull. I went into a woodland and prayed and told God that I would preach.

About two years later, as a local preacher, I was assisting in revival services at Salem Church in West Armuchee, Walker County, Georgia. My father, then sixty-three years old, attended the services. One evening after preaching I gave an invitation to those who would accept Christ and offer themselves for membership in the Church to come forward and give me their hand. My father stepped forward and extended his hand. A few days later I baptized him and received him into the Church. Thus God reassured me of my acceptance with Him and confirmed His call to me to preach His gospel.

These are some of the high peaks which stand at the beginning of my Christian life. The sea of life has not been smooth to me at all times. It has been very tempestuous now and then, but I have had from the first until now one steadfast Friend and Brother, Jesus Christ, the Righteous. Not one of His promises has fallen to the ground. I owe all to Him.

BE STRONG

*Faint not—fight on! Tomorrow comes the song.
Be strong!
We are not here to play—to dream, to drift.
We have hard work to do and loads to lift.
Shun not the struggle—face it; 'tis God's gift.*

*Be strong!
And fold the hands to acquiesce. O shame!
Say not the days are evil. Who's to blame?
Stand up, speak out, and bravely, in God's name.*

*Be strong!
It matters not how deep entrenched the wrong,
How hard the battle goes, the day how long;
Faint not—fight on! Tomorrow comes the song.*

—Maltbie D. Babcock.

SENTENCE SERMONS

Faith in one's own self is a necessity.

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Have we mastered the art of making friends?

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Slander can destroy a person's reputation, but not his character.

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We must get our wounds in our own way; it is not good to spare one the fight.

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If we are not able to control our thoughts we shall not be able to control our actions.

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No time is wasted that is used in getting ready.

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Joy is something that is multiplied when it is divided.

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The fellow who blows his own horn overdoes the job, whether he blows much or little.

GREAT WITNESSES:

DWIGHT L. MOODY

By Foster K. Gamble

During the forty-one years from his conversion to his death Dwight L. Moody was used of God to lead multiplied thousands into an experience of salvation. With very meager education and no theological training, with no license or ordination as a minister, with no organized church or board to support him, how could this man accomplish such amazing results? "You make too many mistakes in grammar," said a critic, advising him to keep quiet in prayer meeting. "I know I make mistakes," he replied; "but I am doing the best I can with what I have. But look here, friend, you've got grammar enough. What are you doing with it for the Master?"

Mr. Moody was wholly God's man. He once heard an Australian speaker say, "The world has yet to see what God can do through one man wholly consecrated to His service." He resolved to be that man, and from that moment placed himself unreservedly in God's hands.

Mr. Moody believed in the power of prayer. To him God was a living Person who hears and answers His children's petitions. So he prayed and God answered.

Mr. Moody preached the Bible as God's inspired Word. He preached it without apology, and his preaching carried conviction.

Mr. Moody had a passion for souls. He loved all sorts and conditions of men and wanted them to know his Savior.

Mr. Moody was an indomitable worker. Blessed with a strong body and abounding energy, he was a dynamo of activity, never weary, working day and night in the service of his Lord.

Mr. Moody was filled with the Holy Spirit's power. While still a young man, he received a definite experience of the Spirit's infilling, which he guarded with holy jealousy throughout his life and work.

Is not God waiting now for another man, or many men and women, whom he can use in fullest measure to fulfill His purposes?

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YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP ORGANIZES

The Young Adults of the Fort Smith District met at Booneville, October 2, and organized the Young Adult Fellowship of the Fort Smith District. There were seven churches represented in this meeting and the following officers were elected: president, Miss Thelma Crossno, Paris; vice president, Mr. Iverson Riggs, Van Buren; secretary, Mrs. Ben Watkins, Goddard Memorial, Ft. Smith; treasurer, Miss Roe Marie Logan, Booneville.

The District was sub-divided as follows: Fort Smith-Van Buren; Ozark-Clarksville, and Greenwood-Paris.

This is the first district in which the Young Adults have organized. The goal set at the Adult Conference in Conway this summer was to have a Young Adult Fellowship organization in every district in the North Arkansas Conference. Plans are already being made of a summer assembly of Young Adults. Let's have more reports of district and local Young Adult Fellowships being organized and their activities.—Roy Bagley, President Young Adult Fellowship, North Arkansas Conference.

RICE BELT FELLOWSHIP UNION

The Rice Belt Fellowship Union met Thursday night, September 18, in Gillett. The program consisted of a talk given by Rev. Virgil Keeby of Gillett.

At the business session new officers were elected. They are as follows: Charles Ed. Stephenson, DeWitt, President; Isabelle Jones, of Camp Shed, Vice-President; Alice Lumsden, Bayou Meto, Secretary and Treasurer; Billie Jean Perkins, Gillett, Reporter.

This was followed by games and then delicious refreshments were served by Gillett.—Billie Jean Perkins.

HAPPENINGS AT HENDRIX

The first presentation of the season of the Hendrix Players, dramatic organization, will be a three-act comedy by Ronald E. Mitchell, on October 27 and 28. The play, which has not been published, was obtained personally from the author by Dr. Robert B. Capel, assistant professor of speech and director. The Hendrix staging will be the third public presentation. The cast includes: Frances Christie, Junction

City; Wanda Gibson, Green Forrest; Frances Newcomb, Jonesboro; Eugene Haun, Little Rock; Sam Watson, Springdale; Leroy Russell, Siloam Springs; W. C. Johnson, McGehee; Jon Riffel, Little Rock; Robert Hennington, Memphis, Tenn.; Linda Lee Hunt, Fort Smith; R. H. Sales, Forrest City, and Ralph Randle, Gurdon.

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Ten religious groups and nine states besides Arkansas are represented in the current study body, according to Miss Elizabeth Taylor, registrar. Approximately 75% of the students are Methodists. Presbyterians and Baptists are second and third in number, with 8% and 7% respectively. Other denominations rank in the following order: Episcopalian, Christian, Christian Science, Catholic, Jewish, Christadelphian, and Lutheran. Five students expressed no church preference.

Texas leads in the number of out-of-state students with three. Other states represented are: Ohio, Tennessee, Pennsylvania, New York, Mississippi, Nebraska, Indiana and Louisiana.

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New members of the Hendrix chapter of Alpha Chi, national

scholarship honor society, have been selected by the faculty as follows: junior class members—Glenn Black, Gurdon; Anne P. Burney, Pine Bluff; Edward Lester, Hope; Virginia Rhine, Thornton; Walter Trulock, Pine Bluff. Senior class members—John Mann, Marianna; Jacqueline Rainwater, Walnut Ridge; May Neal Coy, Little Rock; Carolyn Buckley, Little Rock. Membership is based upon scholarship and approximately one-tenth of the junior and senior classes are eligible for selection.

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The first annual Hendrix Pow-Wow celebration was held Saturday with an Early American theme prevailing. Sponsored by the extended intramural committee and the Booster Club, a carnival was held in Axley Gynasium with students costumed as Indians, Frontiersmen and trappers. Selected by the student body as "the ideal Hendrix man and woman," R. A. Teeter, Jr., senior of Smackover, and Joan Reichardt, a senior from Little Rock, reigned as Pow-Wow Princess and Chieftan. A royal court of sixteen students represented the intramural groups. Teeter is the son of the Rev. and Mrs. R. A. Teeter.—Reporter.

OPEN HOUSE AT PRIMROSE PARSONAGE

The pastor, his family and the membership of Primrose are rejoicing over the completion of a beautiful six room and bath clapboard parsonage. It is built on a solid concrete foundation, has a large basement room and attic room, a screened-in back porch which may be used as a sleeping-porch or a summer-time dining room, and a large concrete front porch with supporting brick pillars. The spacious living room and large dining room have beautiful hard wood floors. The three commodious bed rooms are floored with the best pine flooring money can buy and are finished in their natural color which harmonizes with their surroundings. The large kitchen and easy accessible bath room have inlay accessible floors. The bath room is furnished with Kohler fixtures with built-in bath tub and the kitchen has a Kohler double sink with built-in cabinets and inlaid lineoleum drainboards. There are also built-in cabinets over the sink extending the length of the kitchen and reaching to the ceiling. These are equipped with glass hardware.

The house is ceiled throughout with ivory colored J. M. Manville bevel plank, which insulates against heat in the summer and cold in the winter. The building was "storm-sheeted" which gives it three walls and sub-floored, giving it two floors. It is furnished with water from Dr. Junkin's deep well which is rich in health-giving chemicals.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service, co-operating with the rest of the church has furnished the parsonage throughout with maple and mahogany furniture of the very latest style.

The front lawn has been leveled and is now covered with a deep carpet of green winter grass which contrasts with the snow-white paint on the house and the browning leaves of the grove in the back-ground.

We all know there are some things that beggar description. They must be seen to be fully appreciated. This being true, the Woman's Society of Christian Service is planning an "open house" party for Friday evening, October 17, from 7 to 10 p. m., to which all former District Superintendents and families, all former pastors and families, all former members and in fact all who care to come, are invited. You will have to see to believe. The Methodist will carry a picture of the parsonage later.

This whole thing has been made possible by the co-operation of the membership and a large number of friends. It has been built and paid for with the exception of a small debt of less than \$500.00, which is being retired by the month.

Come and see us.—M. W. Miller, P. C.

ARKANSAS METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Sunday I spent at Prescott, preaching at the First Methodist Church of which Rev. S. T. Baugh is pastor. Mrs. Thomas and I had a lovely time in his home, taking dinner with them, and we enjoyed them very much. Brother Baugh and I have been pretty close together for a good many years and I know of no more loyal and valuable man in the itinerary than S. T. Baugh. He, his wife, and family are all very dear to me.

We had a splendid congregation and I met many friends of other days, among the group the wife of

an army officer whom I married twenty-five years ago.

Interesting things are happening all along with me in my work, many of which I would like to pass on to the readers of the Methodist, but they are too numerous. However, one I must refer to and that is a check from the Woman's Society of Christian Service of Paragould given as a memorial for a departed friend. These things are happening and they interest me and I think the idea is a splendid one. I have already told my family that I did not want any flowers at my funeral for they are an unnecessary expense as the money should be used to help the living.

As I have said before, we have had the best all around year that I have ever known to come to the Orphanage. I have been with it since its beginning. I am grateful for the interest that I hear from the brethren, laymen and preachers. I be-

lieve the Christmas Offering will surpass anything that has ever been done. I pray God that this may be true.

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Morrilton Methodism Mothers Missions

By J. A. GATLIN



REV. J. A. GATLIN

THIS has been a fruitful year in Morrilton and Conway county Methodism. Outstanding events of the year are as follows:

A beautiful Educational building has been erected at Morrilton with no indebtedness. The building is of red brick. It is two stories high. It has room for all departments of the Church School from the young people's division down. It has a beautiful dining room and recreational hall which has been named Pierce Hall in honor of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Pierce, loyal supporters of the church. There is also a very splendid kitchen, equipped in a wonderful way. The building is conservatively valued at \$25,000.00. One of the happy things about it is that the opening day was also dedication day as all outstanding bills were paid relative to the building. Rev. H. M. Lewis, former pastor, gave the dedication address, since Bishop Selecman could not be present.

Perhaps another outstanding thing about the year's work was the acceptance of benevolent askings and the paying of them by the date set by the District Superintendent. This was indeed a great accomplishment considering all of the other obliga-

tions assumed by this church this year.

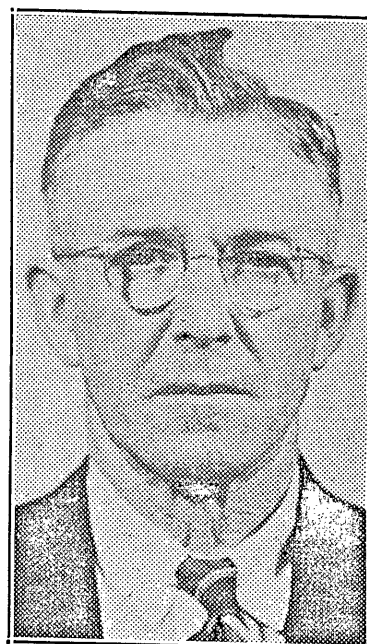
Our Rural Program has been a great blessing to us all. We have had four workers busy all the time during the year. Three have served in the capacity of pastor or pastor's assistants. One layman, Dick Hargis, has filled as many engagements as the pastors since he has been out every Sunday on an appointment. W. O. Scroggin, a Morrilton boy and a Hendrix student, has served four churches under the direction of the Morrilton church. These are as follows: Lanty, Solgohachia, Overcup and Cypress Valley. During this year splendid revivals have been held on each point. More than a hundred conversions and additions to the church resulted. Two building projects have been launched and will be completed by conference. At Cleveland, we began regular services the latter part of the past conference year. A good helper was found in this point in Lindsey Harrison, also a Hendrix student. He has assisted with the music at Morrilton

the future. Brother Warrington has been re-licensed as a Local Preacher through the Morrilton church. He has been very helpful to the communities in which he has served and also did some very splendid work at other points.

This has been the first year of preaching experience for Bill Scroggin and Lindsey Harrison. They have made wonderful progress. The church will hear from them in days to come.

The Morrilton church has put six hundred dollars by budget and by personal gift from Mr. M. H. Pierce into the Rural Program. It has been money well spent. Judge J. G. Moore, Chairman of the Board of Stewards, and Dr. W. P. Scarlett, General Superintendent of Church School, have given much assistance in the work.

Judge Moore has had a keen interest in the Rural Churches for a long time and has been a leading advocate of the re-establishment of the neglected churches in the rural



REV. W. W. WARRINGTON

the entire evening open for extemporaneous reports from representatives from the rural churches. A very helpful and inspiring time was had by all. It is the firm conviction of all of us that one way out for the Methodist Church, is for the stronger churches to do more in the assistance of the rural churches near at hand. The year's experiment has been worth all that it has cost in time, energy, and financial outlay.

A NEW SET OF BEATITUDES

Blessed is the man whose calendar contains prayer meeting night.

Blessed is the man who is faithful on a committee.

Blessed is the man who can endure an hour in a place of worship as well as two hours in a place of amusement.

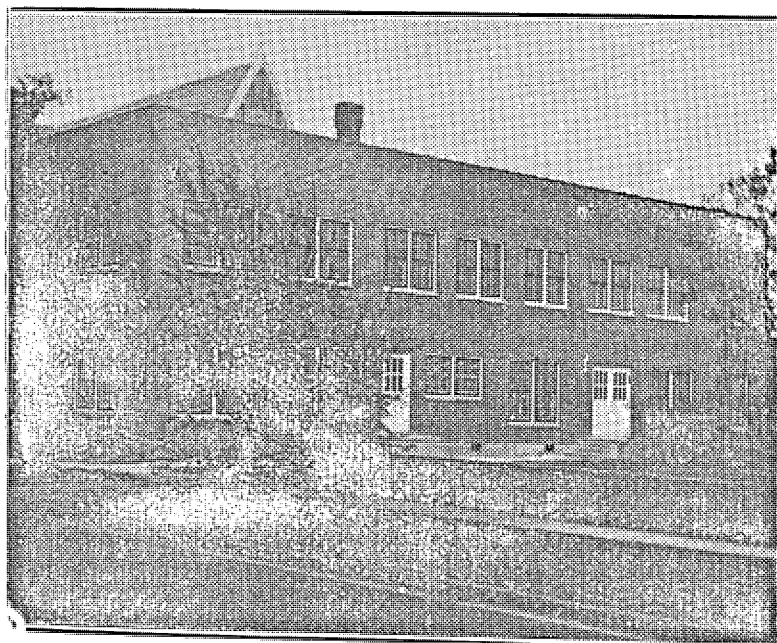
Blessed is the church whose officer is not pessimistic.

Blessed is the man who loves the church with his pocketbook as well as with his heart.

Blessed is the man whose watch keeps church time as well as business time.

Blessed is the man who has the grace to leave a critical spirit on the sidewalk when he comes to church.

Blessed is the man who loves his own church enough to praise it.—N. C. Christian Advocate.



MORRILTON EDUCATIONAL BUILDING

in the evening services and has given time to two preaching points. At Cleveland he led the singing for the revival. There were more than forty conversions and reclamations to the church. The Cleveland church, which had not been active for many years, has taken on new life with a new membership of 49. A fine outlook presents itself for Methodism at this point.

Brother W. W. Warrington moved to Morrilton the latter part of the year. He had been doing evangelistic work over the country. He had served a number of years as a Methodist preacher previous to his evangelistic work. He came to Morrilton and went into business. He expressed himself as anxious to do work in some of the nearby churches. He was assigned to Springfield and Hill Creek. He has done a great piece of work. The Hill Creek church has been reorganized and is determined to do greater things. The Springfield church has been remodeled and made attractive. A number of new members have been added to these churches. Both these fine congregations plan an aggressive program in

section. A number of other people have given able assistance. Rev. Ira A. Brumley and his board have given fine co-operation in our extension work. Rev. G. C. Johnson has also rendered fine service.

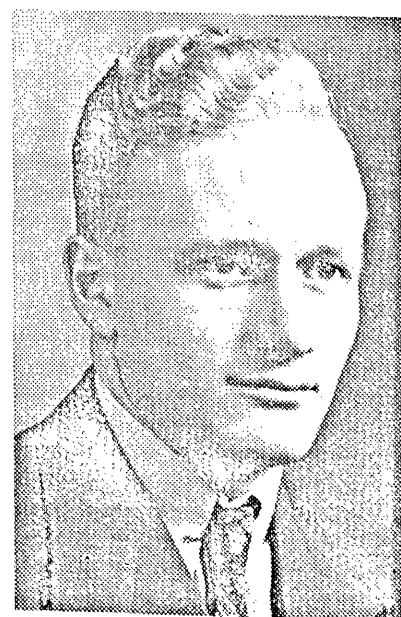
A "movie" of the year's work has been made by Mrs. Robert Earl, Jr., a member of our church and will be shown in the near future.

A Rural Life Conference was held by G. C. Johnson and attended by Bishop Selecman, Rev. E. T. Wayland, Dr. A. H. Rapking of the General Board of Missions, County Farm and Demonstration Agents, state officials of this work and other persons interested in rural life.

On Monday evening, October 6, our church was host to the rural churches and to the station churches in the surrounding territory. About 85 men, women and representative young people were present. The President of the Zone Laymen's Organization, Dr. C. A. Hughes of Russellville, presided over the business session. Judge J. G. Moore served as chairman of the program. No set program had been made which left



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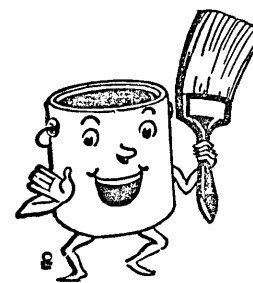
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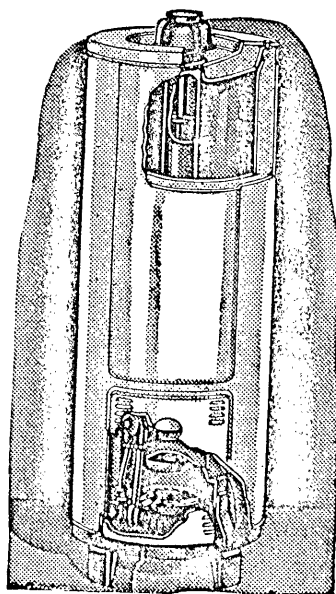
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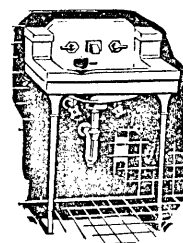
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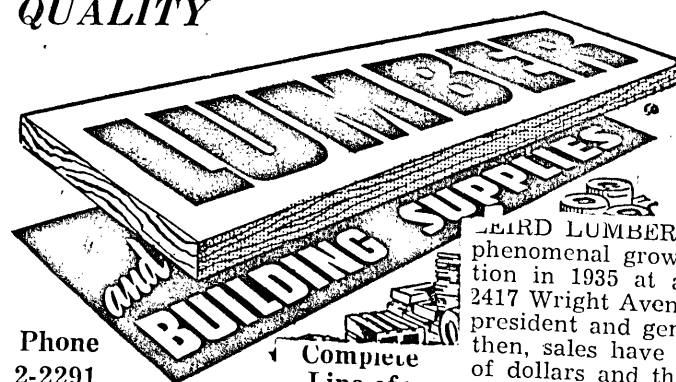
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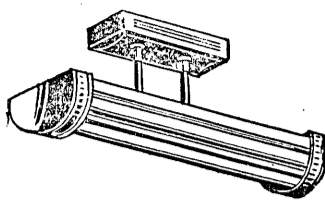
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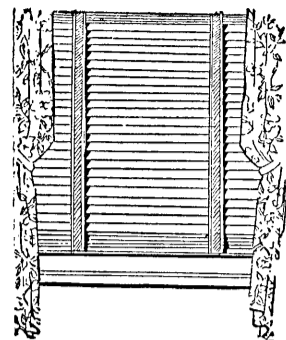
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NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE NOTICE

The Board of Conference Claimants, North Arkansas Conference, will meet in the Methodist church, Harrison, Wednesday, November 5, at 10:00 a. m.

Any one having information that this board should have will please write to our secretary, Mr. B. Huddleston, 1619 Chandler, North Little Rock, or to Rev. William Sherman, Ozark. Or you may come before our board at the above mentioned date.

—William Sherman, Chairman.

MORNING STAR CIRCUIT

We had our last quarterly conference last Sunday and our charge paid everything in full. Our conference Benevolences were doubled this year and we paid them in full. Rev. H. Lynn Wade, district superintendent, said we were the first on the district. We raised \$10.00 on Golden Cross and \$400.00 worth of improvements on our churches, 24 additions by vows and 10 by letter. The good stewards of the circuit bought the pastor a new suit, pair of shoes and a hat. These are a great people to serve and it has been a good year. We appreciate our paper.

—J. H. Holt, Pastor.

VIOLA CHARGE

We have been ten months on this charge. We had our fourth quarterly conference recently and had a fine service. Rev. Connor Morehead, our district superintendent, preached a fine sermon which all enjoyed.

This is a fine place to live over here in the foothills of the Ozarks. We have been very happy this summer working with the good people on this charge and also the district superintendent. We have been pastoring seven churches. We have never served a more loyal people. They have responded to every call of the church and we have tried to make them a good pastor. We have been much in prayer for them.

Some of our churches are one hundred percent on everything here a month before conference and we believe they all will be by conference. We would like to extend an invitation to the people who live around Viola to come to church and help us to make this church a great church. You will always have a hearty welcome.—Luther Love, Pastor.

NEWS FROM ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT

At the recent meeting of the Brotherhood the new literature was presented by Conference officers, under the direction of district superintendent, Rev. J. E. Cooper. Rev. Clem Baker and Miss Faye McRae were the principal speakers.

Two charges in the District are out in full on Benevolences, and all other items of the budget except the salary. They are: Friendship Circuit, with Rev. Robert Bruce, pastor; Leola Circuit with Rev. A. J. Bear-den, pastor. Rev. Robert Bruce has entered S. M. U. for work in the Theological School. The Holly Springs Circuit is "paid in full" with the exception of one church. Rev. Chas. Mashburn is the pastor. Bro. Mashburn says if this report could be delayed a little longer he would have the third charge in the district to be out. Our hats are off to these three pastors.

Rev. J. E. Cooper has just completed the tenth Training School in which he has taught this year. He

has also held several revival meetings during the summer.

Carthage, under the leadership of Rev. R. P. James, had a fine Training Class on "What It Means To Be A Christian."

Revivals have been held in Hot Springs, Rev. Homer T. Fort, pastor of First Church, preached at the evening services in a week's Union Services sponsored by the five Methodist churches, two Presbyterian churches, and the First Christian church. Large crowds, reaching 1,200 on several occasions, were in attendance and much good was done. The Christian forces feel that this is the forerunner of greater things for a united effort next summer. These eight churches also co-operated in Union Sunday evening services during July and August, with the pastors of the churches doing the preaching.

Rev. Robert Fraser of Greenville, Texas, assisted by Rev. R. E. Simpson at Grand Avenue for two weeks and a fine heart-warming experience came to the membership, which is still evidenced in the increasing attendance at the Church School and Avenue Brother Fraser led a revival at Pullman Heights for two weeks and from there to Oaklawn for two weeks. Good results were reported from each place.

A fine revival has been held at Benton, with Rev. Homer Fort in charge. Brother Vaught, the pastor, reports many reclamations and rededications.

The District will report several hundred additions at Conference.—R. E. Simpson, Correspondent.

REVIVAL AT MT. IDA

Sunday night, Sept. 28, was the concluding service of a two weeks revival effort at the Mount Ida Methodist Church and closed one of the greatest revivals that has been held in this church in many years..

The preaching was done by Rev. E. H. Martin, pastor of our church at Mineral Springs, whose splendid gospel messages attracted large congregations every day. His final message was to a packed house; in fact, after the balcony had been filled and children had been seated around the platform, many were turned away as there was no more room in the church.

This was a revival in every sense of the term, for many unsaved were converted and all church members who attended the services were greatly benefited; the church has taken on new life; we received nine into the church.

We are preparing to erect a new parsonage here. It will be modern in every way, with butane gas, and will be built of native stone. Much of the building material has been assembled on the lot and most of the necessary money is in the local bank. The house will be finished, free of debt. There is not in Arkansas a prettier church lot and lawn than we have here at Mount Ida. And nowhere is there a more loyal group of Methodists.—W. S. Cazort, Pastor.

The most striking thing about ideals, Christian ideals, is this: They have been lived.—Ex.

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Mr. R. Eugene Britain has been employed by the Board of Stewards of Winfield Church, Little Rock, to work with the soldiers of Camp Robinson who make this church their church home. In addition, he will be student pastor for the Young

People's Division of the church. Mr. Britain has had wide experience in young people's work. He has traveled throughout the U. S. in evangelistic campaigns with young people in the local church. He is an accomplished musician and a gifted speaker. In connection with his work at Winfield, he will take work at Little Rock Junior College and Hendrix. Mr. and Mrs. Britain are living at 2024 State Street.

The world in which we are at present is not the only world, nor is it the final world. The test is not whether the present world is adapted to give us all a good time, but whether it seems fitted to lead us on to another stage of our existence.—Dean Matthews.

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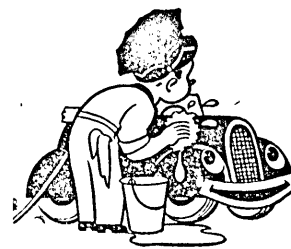
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STUDY LEADERS' TRAINING DAY, PRESCOTT DISTRICT

In spite of a heavy downpour of rain throughout the day a great meeting was held in Hope at the Methodist Church on September 24. Rev. Kenneth L. Spore, pastor of Hope, brought a most inspiring devotional which really lifted us up, fitting us for the good things that followed.

Mrs. E. D. Galloway, Conference Secretary of Missionary Education and Service, explained plans and study courses for the year's work.

Miss Lila Ashby, who is so thoroughly "sold" on her department—that of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities—made all the local secretaries feel that they had a glorious task to perform instead of an uncertain one. Mrs. A. R. McKinney, Conference President, brought the devotional just before noon and talked on different phases of our work at the noon hour and again in the afternoon. Mrs. H. W. Timberlake, District Corresponding Secretary, presented some facts concerning Children's Work at the noon hour and at the afternoon session talked on "Christianity and Democracy In America," which is a study course recommended for next spring. Mrs. C. A. Evans, in her own inimitable way, led in a most worshipful devotion, inspiring and encouraging all Spiritual Life chairmen to try harder to carry on this important work.

All in all it was a great day and the women of Prescott District are deeply grateful to these conference officers for the message and inspiration brought to them.—Mrs. H. W. Timberlake, District Secretary.

ZONE 3, FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

Zone No. 3 of the Fayetteville District of Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service, comprising Madison and Carroll counties, held its semi-annual meeting at the Berryville Methodist Church, Tuesday, September 9, with Eureka Springs, Green Forrest and Berryville churches represented.

At the morning session, which was presided over by Mrs. R. L. Smith of Eureka Springs, zone president, with Mrs. Goddard Jarvis, Berryville, acting secretary. Reports were heard from various societies and Mrs. Sam McNair of Fayetteville, recently elected district secretary, addressed the group.

Following cooperative luncheon in the church basement, Miss Edith Martin, missionary to Africa, who is spending a year's furlough at her home in Harrison, brought a splendid message on her work in the Belgium Congo.

During the business session, Mrs. Smith was re-elected president for the ensuing year and Mrs. Glass of Huntsville was re-elected secretary. Mrs. Goddard Jarvis of Berryville was elected vice-president.—(Miss) Ruth McQuown, Corresponding Sec.

Seven deadly sins are: Politics without principle, wealth without work, pleasure without conscience, knowledge without character, business without morality, science without humanity, worship without sacrifice.—E. Stanley Jones.

The Prodigal Parents—A Parable

(Miss Lila Ashby, Secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities of the Little Rock Conference, writes that she has had many requests for the following article to be used in connection with the course of *The Christian Family*. Thinking there are, perhaps, still others who would like a copy we are giving space to it this week.)

Behold, a certain son had two parents. And one of these parents said unto the son: "Give us for the next ten years that portion of time and strength which we have pledged to thee." And the son divided among them that time and strength which rightfully belongeth unto the child.

And not many days after, these parents gathered all together and took their journey into a far country, and there wasted their time and strength on that which concerned not their child.

And behold, there was a daughter also in that home, but her mother knew her not. For while this parent spent much time playing games, it was always with other women and never with her daughter. And lo, she attended musicals and lectures, and read books and magazines for her own entertainment and pleasure, yet she never shared them with her own daughter.

And so this parent became popular and honored throughout that whole region, for all women knew her in person or by reputation; and withal her home knew her not.

And likewise the prodigal father spent his waking moments in riotous selfishness. And he was successful in business, and was saving money, but in so doing he was losing his boy. And withal he called himself a good provider.

And moreover, when evening came, this prodigal father spent his time with other men, or at home with his face buried in the evening paper, while his son longed for the fellowship of a father.

And so, after a few years, there came a great famine in the souls of these parents, and they began to be in want, and to be hungry for the life that satisfies. And in their despair, they joined themselves to more pleasure and they fain would have filled their souls with the pleasures of life, but no business office, no amusement place, nor club gave aught to them.

And when they came to themselves they said: "We have made a terrible mistakes: we perish with hunger for our children; we will arise and go to our children and we will say unto them: 'We have sinned against heaven and home, and against your young hearts. We are no more worthy to be called your parents. Let us, we beseech thee, come back again to share the happy meal hour, the games at the fireside and the comradeship of your young life.'"

And so these parents rose up hastily and returned to their former abiding place. And while they were afar off; also no son ran to meet them and no daughter fell on their necks and kissed them. And in great heart-sickness they crept into the house, now dreary and untenanted and into the room of their son.

There they had fondled him with caresses when he was an infant. In this room they had tucked him into bed many times, and then prayed together that God would make out of him a great, strong man. And behold, his room was in great disorder and over it all were signs of revelry.

And in like manner did they enter into the room of their daughter, their first-born—the joy and the pride of their early married life. Visions of bright ribbons and dainty baby dresses were before their eyes. Also, they found in their stead, extreme clothing, salacious literature and cigarette stubs.

And behold, they were sorely grieved in their hearts, and they cried out with a loud voice: "Bring instead of the best robe, the sack cloth and put it about us: no rings for our fingers and no shoes for our feet, no fatted calf for our table; let us not eat and be merry but fast and be sad. For as parents we were alive, but are dead; were found, but are lost."

And in that day the scripture fulfilled which sayeth:

*"There was a loud voice in Ramah,
Weeping and great mourning,
Rachael weeping for her children
And she would not be comforted
Because they were not!"*

PRAYER

I have a son to bring up. Let me do my task with love and kindness and good cheer. Let me always see him clearly, as he is. Let not my pride in him hide his faults. Let not my fear for him magnify my doubts and fears, until I make him doubtful and fearful in his turn.

Quicken my judgment so that I shall know to train him to think as a child to be in all things pure and simple as a child.

I have a boy to bring up.

Give me great patience and a long memory. Let me remember the hard places in my own youth, so that I may help when I see him struggling as I struggled then.

Let me remember the things that made me glad, lest I, sweating in the toil and strain of life forget that a little child's laughter is the light of life.

I have a boy to bring up.

Teach me that love that understandeth all things; the love that knows no weakness, tolerates no selfishness. Keep me from weakening my son through granting him pleasures that end in pain, ease of body that must bring sickness of soul; a vision of life that must end in death. Grant that I love my son wisely and myself not at all.

I have a son to bring up.

Give him the values and beauty and just rewards of industry. Give him an understanding brain and hands that are cunning to work out his happiness.

I have a boy to bring up.

Help me to send him into the world with a mission of service. Strengthen my mind and heart that I may teach him that he is his brother's keeper. Grant that he may serve those who know not the need of service, and not knowing, need it the most.

So guide and direct me that I may

TEXARKANA DISTRICT STUDY LEADERS' MEETING

Stamps was hostess on September 26 to Texarkana District, for the last of a series of Study Leaders' Meetings for the Little Rock Conference, when Mrs. A. R. McKinney, Conference President; Mrs. E. D. Galloway, Conference Secretary of Missionary Education and Service; Miss Lila Ashby, Conference Secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities; Mrs. C. A. Evans, Conference Chairman of Committee on Spiritual Life, brought messages for their respective departments. Rev. Fletcher Cannon, Buckner, led the meditation, "The Program of Jesus," and closed with prayer. Introductions were made by the District President, Mrs. W. A. Bengel, Texarkana. Mrs. McKinney's discussion of the W. S. C. S. was comprehensive in its scope and stressed the points vital to the various departments for the remainder of the year. Miss Ashby, on Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, explained the set-up of her department and presented "The Christian Family." Mrs. Galloway talked on the proper value of study course, giving plans for each of the four studies and explaining how the three departments are inter-related. Mrs. T. H. Owens, Stamps, District Secretary, presented further information on "Christians and World Order," following her discussion by presenting a group of women from Stamps, who vividly portrayed highlights of the text through a question and answer process. At noon a plate lunch was served by the hostess society during which Mrs. McKinney brought much needed help on Young Women and Girls' Work, and committee meetings were held by each of the other conference officers. A vocal number by Mrs. Faye Parker opened the afternoon session. The study, based on the Bible, "Our Times, What Has the Bible To Say?" was presented by Mrs. Evans in a series of beautifully given stories from the Bible with many original and inspirational comments on various phases of this study. She concluded with a worship service designated as "Seed Time and Harvest." Miss Kate Cargile, Texarkana, representing the Courtesy Committee, expressed appreciation for the perfect cooperation which made the meeting a success, after which Mrs. A. R. McKinney voiced the prayer of dismissal.—Mrs. Jas. McGuyre.

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BENEVOLENCE REPORTS

N. ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

TO OCTOBER 9, 1941

As Treasurer of the North Arkansas Conference, I have received the following amounts by Charges on the General and Conference Benevolences to October 9, 1941.

One star * indicates Acceptance paid in full. Two stars ** indicate Acceptance and Asking paid in full.

Batesville District	
Batesville: Central Avenue.....	\$ 525.00
First Church.....	1,883.36
Bethesda-Cushman.....	124.01
Calico Rock-Norfolk.....	88.50
Cave City.....	15.38
Cotter-Gassville.....	84.90
Desha Ct.....	60.06
Elmo-Oil Trough.....	16.50
Evening Shade.....	22.00
Melbourne Ct.....	65.00
Morefield-Sulphur Rock.....	100.00
Mountain Home.....	103.79
Mountain View.....	146.00
Newark.....	35.42
Newport: First.....	145.04
Umstead Memorial.....	110.47
Pleasant Plains.....	63.70
Salem.....	100.00
Strangers Home Ct.....	21.00
Swift-Alicia.....	150.00
Tuckerman.....	500.00
Viola Ct.....	31.10
Weldon-Tupelo.....	108.00
Yellville Ct.....	48.00
Total.....	\$4,547.23
Conway District	
Atkins.....	\$ 225.00
Belleville-Havana.....	74.96
Cato-Bethel.....	13.00
Conway: First Church.....	1,803.00
Conway Ct.....	48.00
Danville.....	200.00
Dardanelle.....	370.35
Dardanelle Ct.....	18.00
Dover Ct.....	60.15
Gravelly Ct.....	52.00
Greenbrier Ct.....	93.24
Lamar-Knoxville.....	107.00
Levy.....	110.06
Morrilton.....	1,034.00
Morrilton Ct.....	35.00
Naylor Ct.....	43.00
North Little Rock: First Ch.....	1,428.00
Gardner Memorial.....	625.00
Washington Avenue.....	200.00
Ola Ct.....	52.05
Oppelo.....	28.00
Perry-Houston.....	89.00
Plainview.....	94.50
Plummerville.....	100.00
Pottsville.....	115.00
Russellville.....	702.00
Vilonia Ct.....	101.00
Springfield Ct.....	15.00
Waltreak Ct.....	20.00
Bigelow Ct.....	44.00
Total.....	\$8,000.31
Fayetteville District	
Alpena Ct.....	\$ 18.33
Bentonville.....	119.94
Berryville.....	75.03
Centerton Ct.....	147.20
Cincinnati Ct.....	53.50
Elm Springs-Harmon.....	121.00
Eureka Springs.....	81.00
Farmington-Goshen.....	40.00
Fayetteville: Central.....	1,360.00
Gentry.....	36.25
Gravette-Decatur.....	166.41
Mission Voucher.....	20.00
Green Forest.....	34.75
Huntsville.....	26.66
Lincoln.....	16.00
Monte Ne Ct.....	25.76
Pea Ridge Ct.....	42.86
Prairie Grove.....	260.00
Rogers.....	570.00
Siloam Springs.....	325.00
Siloam Springs Ct.....	26.50
Springtown Ct.....	28.86
Springdale.....	537.00
Viney Grove Ct.....	39.75
Liberty Ct.....	10.00
Winslow.....	18.07
Total.....	\$4,200.02
Less voucher (Gravette).....	20.00
Grand Total.....	\$4,180.02
Fort Smith District	
Alix Ct.....	\$ 31.25
Alma-Mulberry.....	113.21
Altus Ct.....	40.05
Booneville.....	275.77
Branch Ct.....	93.00
Cuthron-Bates.....	7.50
Charleston Ct.....	95.00
Clarksville.....	913.00
Fort Smith: First Church.....	2,518.76
Goddard Memorial.....	426.61
Midland Heights.....	310.00
Grand Avenue.....	35.00
Second Church.....	109.00
Greenwood.....	122.75
Hackett-Midland.....	127.11
Hartford.....	60.00
Hartman Ct.....	69.29
Huntington-Pine Street.....	96.90
Kibler-City Heights.....	125.64
Lavaca Ct.....	73.90
Fort Smith: Massard.....	17.50

Mansfield.....	116.58
Ozark.....	251.00
Paris.....	256.50
Prairie View.....	72.00
South Fort Smith.....	27.00
Van Buren: First Church.....	185.00
East Van Buren.....	66.29
Waldron.....	138.00
Waldron Ct.....	1.26
Total.....	\$6,684.87

Helena District	
Aubrey.....	\$ 192.00
Brinkley.....	110.00
Clarendon.....	110.83
Colt Ct.....	6.203
Crawfordsville.....	69.76
Earle.....	66.00
Elaine.....	280.90
Forrest City.....	950.00
Harrisburg.....	159.00
Haynes Ct.....	91.48
Helena: First Church.....	1,300.00
Holly Grove.....	111.00
Hughes.....	256.50
Hulbert-Black Fish.....	13.04
Marianna.....	285.00
Parkin.....	36.44
Vandale.....	185.00
Weiner Ct.....	109.23
West Helena.....	107.34
West Memphis.....	176.00
Widener-Madison.....	118.55
Wynne.....	434.50
Total.....	\$5,224.60

Jonesboro District	
Blytheville: First Church.....	\$ 850.00
Lake Street.....	84.50
Bono-Trinity.....	62.83
Brookland Ct.....	43.70
Dell Station.....	12.00
Dell Ct.....	55.00
Dyess-Whitten.....	80.89
Joiner.....	67.00
Jonesboro: First.....	1,824.00
Fisher Street.....	106.00
Huntington Avenue.....	201.00
Jonesboro Ct.....	45.50
Keiser Ct.....	75.00
Lake City Ct.....	139.00
Leachville.....	135.00
Lepanto.....	88.12
Luxora.....	70.11
Manila-St. John.....	152.18
Marion.....	468.00
Marked Tree.....	528.00
Monette.....	99.37
Nettleton-Bay.....	119.00
Osceola.....	550.00
Trumann.....	88.62
Turrell-Gilmore.....	70.80
Tyrone.....	128.07
Wilson.....	84.73
Yarbro-Promised Land.....	115.97
Total.....	\$6,344.39

Paragould District	
Ash Flat Ct.....	\$ 11.00
Biggers Ct.....	40.79
Boydsville Ct.....	5.00
Corning.....	228.29
Gainesville Ct.....	70.02
Hardy-Mammoth Spring.....	45.30
Hoxley Ct.....	86.34
Imboden Ct.....	131.00
Knobel Ct.....	49.22
Leonard Ct.....	71.64
Lorado Ct.....	71.50
Marmaduke.....	39.70
Maynard Ct.....	35.00
Morning Star Ct.....	61.00
Paragould: First Church.....	50.00
East Side.....	1,500.00
Paragould Ct.....	97.15
Piggott.....	83.00
Pocahontas.....	207.00
Rector: First Church.....	306.00
Fourth Street.....	300.00
Smithville Ct.....	75.06
St. Francis Ct.....	86.86
Walnut Ridge.....	72.13
Total.....	\$4,067.17

Searcy District	
Antioch Ct.....	\$ 84.25
Augusta.....	40.49
Bald Knob-Bradford.....	215.00
Beebe.....	290.74
Cabot.....	256.40
Clinton.....	118.53
Cotton Plant.....	270.96
Gregory-McClelland.....	80.52
Griffithville Ct., J. W. Harger.....	76.39
H. M. Lewis.....	24.30
Harrison.....	375.00
Heber Springs: First.....	440.00
Central.....	48.00
Hunter Ct.....	46.70
Jacksonville Ct.....	26.00
Jasper.....	12.00
Judsonia.....	93.06
Leslie.....	55.00
Marshall.....	22.00
McCrory.....	335.00
Fakes Chapel Ext.....	15.00
McCrory Ct.....	25.00
McRae Ct.....	113.24
Pangburn Ct.....	61.00
Quitman Ct.....	102.12
Rose Bud Ct.....	43.32
Scotland Ct.....	47.50
Searcy: First Church.....	660.50
Valley Springs Ct.....	41.36
Total.....	\$4,019.38

District Standings	
Conway.....	\$ 8,000.31
Fort Smith.....	6,684.87
Jonesboro.....	6,344.39
Helena.....	5,224.60
Batesville.....	4,547.23
Fayetteville.....	4,180.02
Paragould.....	4,067.17
Searcy.....	4,019.38
Grand Total.....	\$43,067.97

Fourth Sunday Offerings included in above. 83 Charges in full or over; 5 Askings in full or over. Report continued next week for other funds.—Guy Murphy, Treasurer.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

As Treasurer of the Little Rock Conference, I am making a report of remittances received during the month of September:

BISHOP'S FUND	
Arkadelphia District	
Sparkman-Sardis.....	\$ 18.56
Traskwood Ct.....	2.01
Arkadelphia Station.....	38.00
Dalark Ct.....	1.58
Hot Springs Ct.....	1.96
Leola Ct.....	1.00
Total.....	\$ 62.11
Previously reported.....	\$ 239.43
Grand Total.....	\$ 301.54
Camden District	
Buckner Ct.....	\$ 2.35
Chidester Ct.....	6.25
Ebenezer Ct.....	5.48
First Church: El Dorado.....	87.50
Fordyce.....	20.00
Junction City Ct.....	2.00
Louann Ct.....	8.00
Norphlet.....	14.00
Parker's Chapel-Fredonia.....	5.00
Thornton Ct.....	8.48
Total.....	\$ 159.06
Previously reported.....	\$ 397.94
Grand Total.....	\$ 557.00

Little Rock District	
Bauxite-Sardis.....	\$ 2.00
Bryant Ct.....	2.10
Keo-Tomberlin.....	10.50
Capitol View.....	33.65
Henderson.....	2.00
Pulaski Heights.....	13.50
28th Street.....	20.75
Mabelvale.....	5.37
Total.....	\$ 89.87
Previously reported.....	\$ 691.66
Grand Total.....	\$ 781.53
Monticello District	
Crossett.....	\$ 6.00
New Edinburg Ct.....	1.00
Wilmar Ct.....	3.49
Total.....	\$ 10.49
Previously reported.....	\$ 283.31
Grand Total.....	\$ 293.80

Pine Bluff District	
Bayou Meto Ct.....	\$ 5.00
Glendale-Whitehall.....	6.75
Good Faith Charge.....	3.40
First Church, Pine Bluff.....	45.00
Sheridan Station.....	16.80
Grand Avenue, Stuttgart.....	11.00
Total.....	\$ 87.95
Previously reported.....	\$ 384.89
Grand Total.....	\$ 472.84
Prescott District	
Amity Ct.....	\$ 3.74
Blevins.....	.75
Center Point Ct.....	3.00
Emmett-Bierne.....	2.56
Glenwood.....	3.76
Gurdon.....	4.50
Hope.....	12.36
Nashville.....	4.50
Saline Ct.....	.50
Total.....	\$ 35.67
Previously reported.....	\$ 334.67
Grand Total.....	\$ 370.34

Texarkana District	
Ashdown.....	\$ 9.00
Doddridge Ct.....	9.37
Foreman.....	3.45
Stamps-Garland City.....	7.88
College Hill, Texarkana.....	2.25
First Church, Texarkana.....	25.30
Total.....	\$ 57.25
Previously reported.....	\$ 267.98
Grand Total.....	\$ 325.23
Grand Total received for Bishop's Fund through Sept. 30.....	\$3,102.28

CONFERENCE CLAIMANT FUND	
Arkadelphia District	
Arkadelphia Station.....	\$ 185.00
Dalark Ct.....	2.80
Leola Ct.....	1.76
Malvern Station.....	34.00
Traskwood Ct.....	2.67
Total.....	\$ 226.23
Previously reported.....	\$ 660.27
Grand Total.....	\$ 886.50
Camden District	
Buckner Ct.....	\$ 3.52
Chidester Ct.....	13.75
Ebenezer Ct.....	9.87
First Church, El Dorado.....	100.00
Junction City Ct.....	2.00
Louann Ct.....	12.00
Jackson Street, Magnolia.....	15.00
Norphlet.....	34.00
Thornton Ct.....	4.28
Total.....	\$ 194.42
Previously reported.....	\$1,135.94

Little Rock District	
Bauxite-Sardis.....	\$ 12.00
Bryant Ct.....	.34
Keo-Tomberlin.....	18.00
Asbury.....	100.00
Capitol View.....	77.80
Highland.....	40.00
Pulaski Heights.....	54.00
Mabelvale.....	9.00
Total.....	\$ 311.14
Previously reported.....	\$2,087.64
Grand Total.....	\$2,398.78

Monticello District	
New Edinburg Ct.....	\$ 2.00
Wilmar Ct.....	6.20
Total.....	\$ 8.20
Previously reported.....	\$ 809.30
Grand Total.....	\$ 817.50
Pine Bluff District	
Bayou Meto Ct.....	\$ 9.00
Good Faith Charge.....	5.15
First Church, Pine Bluff.....	200.00
Sheridan Station.....	40.50
Grand Avenue, Stuttgart.....	37.00
Total.....	\$ 291.65
Previously reported.....	\$ 895.23
Grand Total.....	\$1,126.88

Prescott District	
Bingen Ct.....	\$ 1.75
Center Point Ct.....	4.00
Emmett-Bierne.....	5.69
Glenwood.....	6.66
Gurdon.....	14.00
Hope.....	49.50
Nashville.....	14.00
Saline Ct.....	.67
Total.....	\$ 96.27
Previously reported.....	\$ 879.75
Grand Total.....	\$ 976.02

Texarkana District	
Ashdown.....	\$ 24.00
Doddridge Ct.....	12.71
Foreman.....	7.70
College Hill, Texarkana.....	5.00
First Church, Texarkana.....	101.25
Total.....	\$ 150.66
Previously reported.....	\$ 642.53
Grand Total received on Conference Claimants Fund through Sept. 3.....	\$8,329.23
—C. E. HAYES, Treas.	

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THE LAYMAN'S PAGE

A. J. SHIREY, Editor

SOME MORE ABOUT TITHING

Believing as I do that no one has passed the "Tenderfoot" test of Christian stewardship who has not become a tither, I have in the past, and shall in the future stress the importance of tithing as a true beginning of the recognition of stewardship principles in Christian living. The following question and answer method of discussing tithing, by Thomas Kane, should be a help to anyone who needs a better understanding of what tithing means.

How to Tithe and Why

"When should I commence tithing my income?"

Now—today. Count that income you have on hand and put aside one-tenth of it. Add to this one-tenth of all you receive from day to day, week to week, month to month and draw from this fund as you have calls for aid in behalf of Christian work.

"Do you recommend this as the best method?"

Yes, for most people; especially farmers, men and women on salaries, wage workers and all persons who are not accustomed to keeping accounts. Professional men, tradesmen and business men who keep a record of their income and expenses prefer, as a rule, to open a "Tenth" or "Tithing Account," crediting this amount with one-tenth of their net income and charging it with all sums paid out for Christian work.

"What constitutes my net income?"

If you are a farmer, it is all the money you receive for the products of your farm and the cash value of all your family consumes. From this gross amount it is right to deduct before tithing, all money paid out for hired help, seed, feed, taxes, insurance, etc.; also the cash outlay for repairs on buildings, farm implements, etc.

If you are a physician your net income is your entire income less your professional expenses such as office rent, medicines, cost of travel, etc.

If you are a lawyer, substantially the same rules apply as to a physician.

If you are a minister, it is the total amount you receive less traveling and other necessary expenses connected with your parish and ministerial duties. (Note. It is a poor representation of Christian stewardship for the minister to preach tithing for his flock, yet fail to practice it himself.)

If you are a merchant or a manufacturer or a banker, of course you keep accurate account. Your net income is the gross profits of your business less strictly business, not family or personal expense.

If you are a mechanic, or employee and wage-earner in any capacity, whether by the day, month or year, your net income is your total income less legitimate business expenses connected with your work, such as car fare, etc.

"SUPPOSE I AM IN DEBT. SHOULD I NOT PAY MY DEBTS BEFORE TITHING MY INCOME?"

No. As well talk of not paying the interest on the money, you borrow to use in business, because you

owe your grocer or have other debts. YOUR TITHE IS OF ALL DEBTS MOST SACRED. Under such a rule, all you would have to do to escape all obligations to give or pay anything would be to keep in debt. Besides, the universal experience of the very large number who have commenced tithing while still in debt has been that with the remaining nine-tenths they were able to pay their other debts more easily and promptly than they had previously succeeded in doing.

"SHOULD I TITHE MY CAPITAL?"

No. Whether your capital is in money, or property, or brains, or hands, or in all these, it is that from which you produce income. Pay proportionately from your income only.

"IS THE TITHE ALL I SHOULD GIVE?"

I have never heard or known of anyone who did not give more than the tenth after practicing tithing for a year or more. Tithers call beyond the tenth "Free Will Offerings." But talk of giving more than a tenth by those who do not believe in and practice tithing, is like trying to solve problems in mathematics by people who have not learned and do not believe in the multiplication table. The multiplication table occupies about the same relation to mathematics that tithing does to stewardship.

"SUPPOSE I AM ABLE TO SUPPORT MY FAMILY ONLY BY CLOSE ECONOMY: SHOULD I PAY ONE-TENTH?"

Yes. And if for no other reason than because the remaining nine-tenths will go further.

"Strange logic that. Can it really be true?"

I believe it to be absolutely true, and the reasons are based upon the personal testimony of thousands who have tested it. Will you not try it and prove its truthfulness? Now, I admit, that if you should do it for this purpose only, you would, or at least ought to be, disappointed. But I take it for granted that you are a Christian, that you want to honor God with your substance, that you do trust His promises, and that you want to do your duty. With these motives you will not be disappointed. But do not make the mistake of judging a lifetime by the experience of a few weeks or months.

"TO WHAT OBJECTS SHOULD I DEVOTE MY TITHE?"

The most comprehensive and, to me, satisfactory answer is that it can properly be applied to every cause which has as its object the up-building and advancement of Christ's Kingdom, commencing with the free, strong and hearty support of your own church and pastor.

"WHAT DOES THE ADVANCEMENT OF CHRIST'S KINGDOM INCLUDE?"

In my opinion it includes anything you give without expectation or hope of repayment, or even partial pecuniary reward, for the purpose of making people purer, better, and happier through faith in Christ and faith in Christ and faith in you as an unselfish follower of Christ.

"SUPPOSE THAT FOR THE PRESENT I AM NOT QUITE DECIDED TO ADOPT TITHING, BUT I RESOLVE TO BE MORE LIB-

ERAL. WILL THAT ANSWER?"

Liberal in what? Paying only a portion of your debt? You owe the tithe. Liberality does not commence until that has been paid.

"WHY IS TITHING AN ANTI-DOSE TO SELFISHNESS?"

Because when you tithe your income as it is received, you put God first. When you refuse to tithe, or, in other words, when you refuse to devote in advance a definite proportion of your income to God's service and work, you put self first. There is no middle ground.

"We all know people who have been ruined by their extravagance. It is indeed possible that a few unsystematic, impulsive givers have occasionally subscribed too much for church enterprises. But you cannot name one systematic, conscientious tither who, by his own testimony, or in your calm judgment, has suffered permanent financial loss by tithing. The Jews are the only people who through systematic, voluntary gifts have ever approached the tithe; they furnish

fewer candidates for the almshouse than any other people, and they are confessedly the most successful people financially on earth. Here is the scientific test of experiment. NINE-TENTHS PLUS GOD ARE MORE THAN TEN-TENTHS WITHOUT HIM."

Bishop W. J. Bashford.

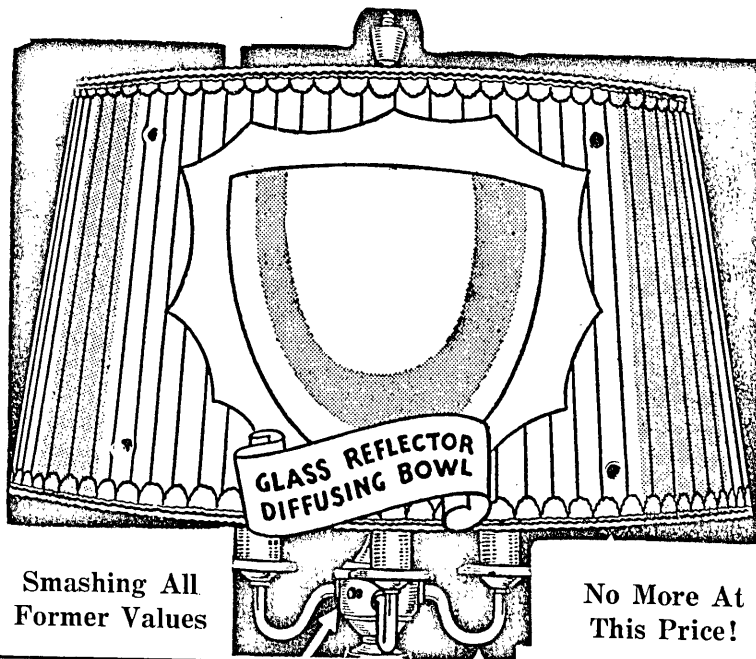
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MEETING OF LAYMEN

Inspiring reports on the revival of Methodism among the rural churches of Conway county during the past year featured the monthly meeting of the Methodist laymen of Pope, Conway and Perry counties at a supper meeting in Pierce Hall, recently, at Morrilton. There were approximately 85 men present from churches at Pottsville, Cypress Valley, Plumerville, Dardanelle, Hill Creek, Springfield, Lanty, Solgohachia, Russellville, Oppelo, Atkins and Morrilton.

Judge John G. Moore presided and called for reports from several rural churches, where outstanding progress has been made. Odie Brents, Will Halbrook and Wylie Vern Brents told of the outcome of a revival in the Cleveland community which resulted in the organization of a church, which in a few months has grown to a membership of 49. Lindsey Harrison, Hendrix College student, and pastor of the church, was highly commended for the work he has done.

Webber Ruff told of the revival of the Solgohachia church, which has erected a new building. There were 24 conversions in the meeting the past summer in which the pastor, the Rev. Bill Scroggin, was the preacher. Eighteen of this number joined the Solgohachia church. The whole community has been revived under the leadership of the young pastor, according to Jess Boudra.

Rev. W. P. Douglas of Lanty, said, "I have lived over the three score and ten years, but this year has been the happiest year of my life because I've seen so many people saved." Rev. Mr. Douglas praised the work of Rev. J. A. Gatlin of the Morrilton church in assisting Bro. Scroggin and the other pastors of the rural churches in Conway county. Postmaster Virgil Merrick of Lanty said: "I am proud we have the church at Lanty and for the wonderful work that has been done there. We will complete our church building in the near future. We

have fine young people and women's organization and are getting ready to do some real work for Christ." V. H. Merrick, Jr., president of the Lanty Epworth League, pledged the support of the young people of the program.

S. P. Rhoden of Cypress Valley told of the revival of interest in the church in that community, following a soul stirring revival the past summer.

Rev. W. W. Warrington, who has served the churches at Springfield and Hill Creek less than a year, called on Homer Harrison of Hill Creek, Mrs. C. S. Courtright and Gene Waldon of Springfield, who praised the renewed interest in the program of the church in their communities under the able leadership of Rev. Mr. Warrington. The Springfield church has recently undergone extensive repairs, and the membership of the church is growing, according to the reports. A Sunday school has been organized at Hill Creek.

Judge Moore praised the fine service that has been rendered by Dick Hargis of the Morrilton church "who has been instant in and out of season" as assistant to pastors of the rural churches.

Rev. J. Albert Gatlin, pastor of Morrilton, was called on for a report of the local church. He stated the church has built and paid for the new educational building, oversubscribed the quota for benevolences and paid \$600 to aid rural church work in the county.

M. H. Pierce said, "This has been the happiest year of my life. I got out to all of these revival meetings. Saw lots of people saved and got a lot of religion myself." W. O. Scroggin, father of Rev. Bill Scroggin, who has done a remarkable work during his first year in the ministry, said: "I have really gotten a blessing the past year and have changed a whole lot myself."

The November meeting of the Methodist laymen group will be at Plumerville on November 3rd.—Reporter.

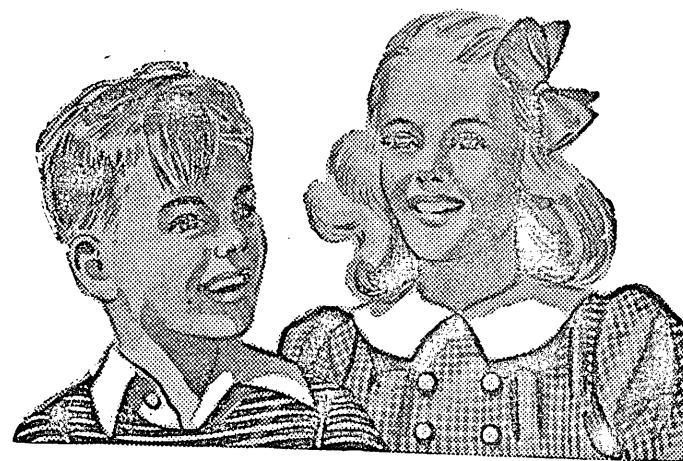
LAWYERS TAKE STAND

Accidents caused by drunken drivers which reach the courts are costing automobile insurance companies from 50 to 100 percent more than would be expected in similar accidents where liquor is not a factor. This was reported recently by Chas. R. Jones, Executive Vice President of the American Business Men's Research Foundation, whose office has just completed a survey among leading attorneys all over the United States whose practice is largely taken up with casualty business. The attorneys who were approached, explained Mr. Jones, represented both insurance companies as defenders

and plaintiffs in litigation.

"The survey proves," said Mr. Jones, "that insurance companies prefer not to fight drunken driver cases in the courts. Almost without exception the replies state that courts and juries have little patience with drunken drivers. Still, the reports show that as many as 25 percent of automobile accident cases that come to court have liquor as a factor."

"Quite a number of attorneys who gave us their experience in actual trial practice," he continued, "said that in many instances judgments in excess of policy limits are levied where there is drunken drivers."



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INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Lesson for October 19

THE HOLY SPIRIT OUR HELPER

LESSON TEXT—John 2:5-8; Acts 1:8; Romans 8:26-28; Galatians 5:22-26.

GOLDEN TEXT—As many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.—Romans 8:14.

Nothing could be more practical or blessed for and in the life and service of the believer than an understanding of the person and work of the Holy Spirit; yet it is a subject concerning which most Christians are woefully ignorant.

Before taking up the work of the Spirit as it appears in our lesson, we should understand that the Holy Spirit is a person, not an influence which may exert itself upon a service, or a power which a man may obtain and use. He—the Spirit—is one of the Trinity, with the attributes of a person, doing the work of a person and always referred to as a person in Scripture. (When "it" is used of the Holy Spirit in the A. V. it will be found to be corrected to "him" in the R. V.)

What then does this divine person do, The work of creation was His as one of the Godhead. He regenerates, He teaches, He comforts, He leads, He calls and qualifies Christian workers, He is the divine author of the Bible. These and many other things He does, this One who indwells the believer as the ever-present Guide and Counselor. The Christian is

I. Born of the Spirit (John 3:5-8).

The new birth is indispensable to entrance into the kingdom of God. We either enter that way or we do not enter at all. Let's be clear about that. "Ye must be born again," is not the edict of a church or the plea of a preacher; it is the plain statement of our Lord Himself (v. 5).

The Holy Spirit is indispensable to regeneration. We must be born of the Spirit. How it takes place we can no more explain than the coming or going of the wind, but just as the power of the wind is known to us by clear evidence, so the regenerating power of the Spirit, mysterious though it be in operation, is known to us by the evidences of redeeming grace in a man's life.

II. Empowered by the Spirit (Acts 1:8).

Spiritual birth calls for service for Christ. For that we must have the power of the Holy Spirit. A man may do many ordinary things in the strength of his own body and mind (although even these ought always to be under the Spirit's control), but when he comes to witnessing for Christ, teaching or preaching God's Word, he must have Holy Spirit power or he is utterly ineffective.

III. Directed by the Spirit (Rom. 8:26-28).

The guidance of the Holy Spirit, especially in the matter of prayer, is stressed in these verses, but they are a part of a longer passage dealing with the indwelling, enabling, and guiding power of the Holy Spirit (read vv. 9-14). Every detail of life in the home, at business, or in social relations should be in conscious submission to His leading.

It is in the realm of the spiritual, however, that we find ourselves peculiarly infirm (v. 26), and this shows itself especially in prayer—"we know not how to pray as we

ought." Then the Spirit in the Christian makes intercession. How blessed! "The practical meaning of these profound words seems to be that the divine Spirit, by His immediate influence in the saint's soul, which becomes as it were the organ of his own address to the Father, secures the rightness of the essence of the saint's prayer. To our understandings such intercessions with groanings which cannot be uttered, take the form of desires of ours, inspired and secured by Him. In any special case of prayer, the saint may or may not use words, but anyway the root-desires that underlie the prayer, being the Holy Spirit's promptings, are unutterable to the full. In the heart the Father sees below the surface of

our ignorance the sacred longings which are the expression of the Spirit's influence" (H. C. G. Moule).

IV. Walking In the Spirit (Gal. 5:22-26).

Being born again of the Spirit, living daily by the Spirit, it is right that (as v. 25 puts it) "if we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit." The works of the flesh, horrible in their wickedness and lust, are listed in the verses preceding (vv. 19-21), and then by striking contrast we have the fruit of the Spirit in the life of the Christian. Note the distinction: Work is something we produce, fruit is something that grows.

Walking in the Spirit the Christian finds in his life the inward

graces of love, joy and peace. These then express themselves outwardly in long-suffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, meekness, and self-control.

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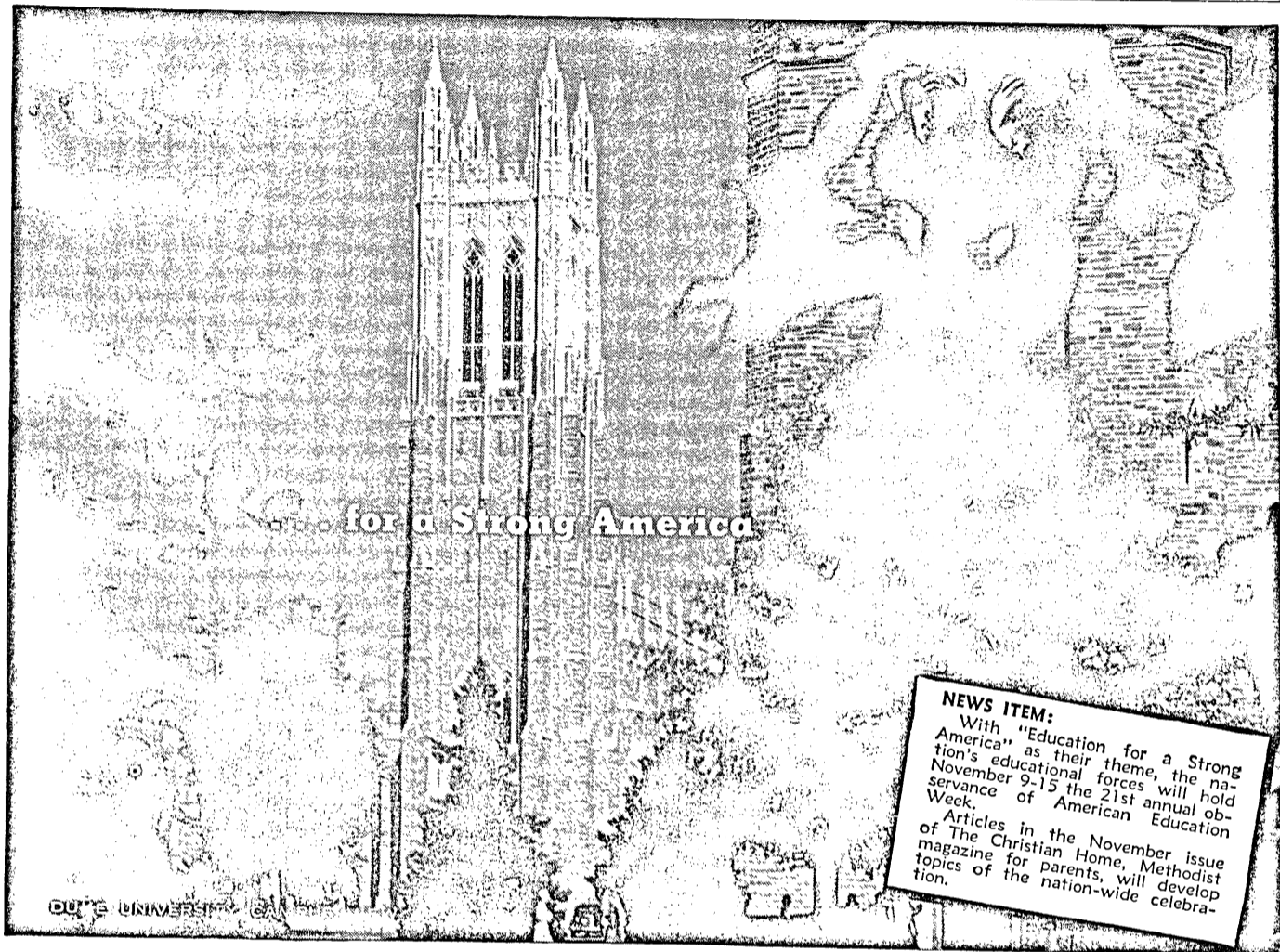
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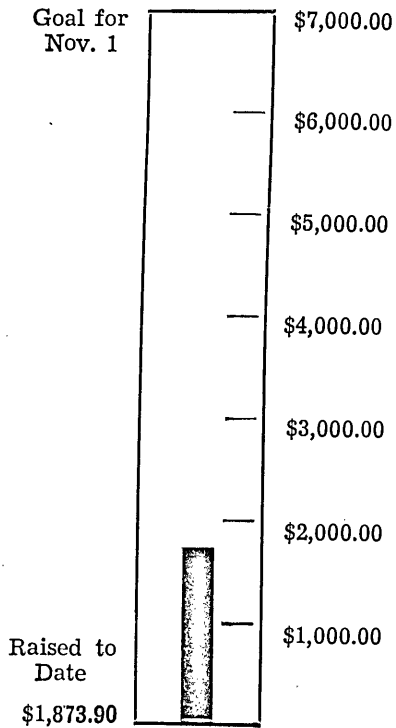
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YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

6:00 P. M.

Fellowship, recreation, refreshments for all young adults. Come, join with us in this service. Program leader: Miss Nora Anderson; subject, "We See Our Opportunities."

OUR NEW MEMBERS

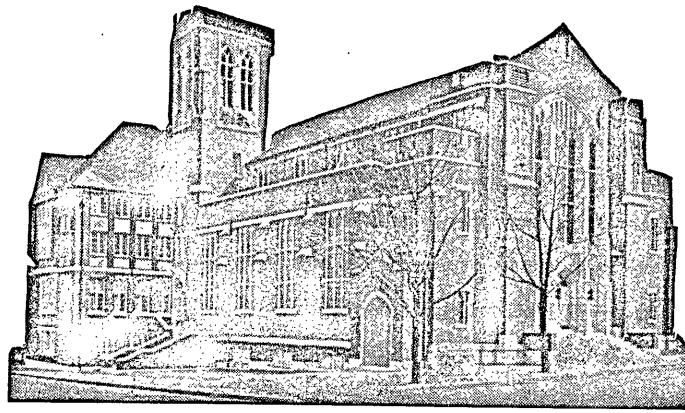
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NEXT SUNDAY AT WINFIELD

10:00 A. M. CHURCH SCHOOL—800 ATTENDANCE GOAL (774 Last Sunday)

11:00 A. M. "CIVILIZATION NEEDS A SOUL"—Sermon, Pastor
6:00 P. M. Jr-High, Senior, Young People's Leagues and the Young Adult Fellowship

7:30 P. M. "TWO BUILDERS"—Sermon by Pastor
Mr. Britain leads the song service.

THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

By GASTON FOOTE

The sanctuary was filled last Sunday morning. Not more than 30 or 40 people could have found seats anywhere. BUT though there were nearly nine hundred people present only about 33% of the membership of Winfield Church was present for the worship services. Where were the others? Some were ill or had illness in the home. Some have to work and cannot possibly come. Some were out of the city for the weekend. If we make liberal allowances for all of those for whom attendance was impossible there was probably one member of Winfield who stayed at home for every member of the church who came last Sunday. WHY?

Some use the Sabbath for RECUPERATION. They find themselves physically exhausted every Saturday night and feel that they must use Sunday to get ready for the following week. In many instances this is necessary. Working women with home cares have many more things to do than this preacher or any other realizes and we are not disposed to be critical. But others make of their flagging physical energy a mere excuse. They CAN rest or they CAN worship (which is in itself most restful to a weary body). Some people have "Sabbaticus Morbus" a coined Latin phrase meaning Sunday sickness. They may feel badly all week but never miss an hour at work. But on Sunday they suddenly feel worse and take to bed. Are you, who were absent Sunday, one of these?

Some use the Sabbath for RECREATION. Sunday is the only day they have that they can call their own and they do as they please. Now wholesome recreation is necessary to both body and mind. But there is nothing that is more re-creative to tired body, mind and spirit than an hour of worship in the sanctuary. It stimulates new thought, lifts us to new aspirations, stimulates to greater physical zeal. And most of us who abuse, rather than use the Sabbath for recreation COULD find plenty of time for our recreation during the week. Are you, who were absent last Sunday, one of these?

Some have lost interest in God and the worship services. They don't care—to put it frankly. Selfish, sinful or surly—it all adds up to indifference and broken church vows. Fully FIFTEEN HUNDRED people of Winfield CAN attend divine worship services regularly. WILL YOU? God needs you—you need God.

METHODIST CHURCH

Christian Education
By HAL H. PINNELL

Church School Attendance

Last Sunday 774
A Year Ago 653

Department Reports

	Pres.	On Time	Cont.	Stay
Jr. Hi	72	38	52	50
Sr. Hi	66	50	46	39
Y. P.	77	65	18	35

Adult Report

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Ashby Class	30
Friendship Class	23
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Young Men's Class	5
Adult Officers	8

Total.....351

Fellowship Reports

Jr. Hi	6:00 p. m.—21	Church 10
Sr. Hi	6:00 p. m.—32	Church 19
Y. P.	6:00 p. m.—40	Church 20
Y. Ad.	6:00 p. m.—12	Church 14

FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMS

6:00 P. M.—October 19

Junior High Dept.: Leader, Miss Juanita Ingram; subject, "Growing In Understanding Ourselves."

Senior High Dept.: Leader, Miss Alice Holliman; subject, "Religion In Business."

Young People's Dept.: Leader, Mrs. John Sanders; subject, "My Personal Religion."

CIRCLES TO MEET MONDAY

No. 1—With Mrs. C. C. Arnold, Chr., 207 East 21st, two o'clock.

No. 2—Mrs. W. M. Rankin, Chr., with Mrs. Harry Bronson, 1923 Broadway, 1:30 dessert luncheon.

No. 3—Mrs. Ray Scott, Chairman, with Mrs. J. P. Sibeck, 2914 Arch, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon. Mrs. Charles Craig, co-hostess.

No. 4—Mrs. W. J. Pennington, Chairman, with Mrs. J. R. Osborne, 2705 Izard, 1 o'clock dessert lunch.

No. 5—Mrs. Rex Hayes, Chairman, with Mrs. A. C. Shipp, 2322 Battery, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon. Mrs. F. B. Ward, co-hostess.

No. 6—Mrs. W. P. Ivy, chairman, with Mrs. D. M. Garrison, 1415 Park, 1:30 dessert luncheon. Mrs. E. O. Weis, co-hostess.

No. 7—Mrs. F. B. Thacker, Chr., with Mrs. Frank Stanley, 2612 Chester, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon.

No. 8—Mrs. L. M. Wilson, Chairman, with Mrs. E. R. Russell, 101 Ridgeway, 1 o'clock desert luncheon. Mrs. Fred Poe, co-hostess.

No. 9—Mrs. E. G. Kimm, Chairman, with Mrs. R. R. Nielson, 600 N. Ash, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon.

No. 10—Mrs. H. C. Graham, Chr., with Mrs. J. L. Verhoeff, 1724 N. Jackson, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon.

Young Matron's Circle—Mrs. Harvey Shipp, Chairman, with Mrs. Hugh Whitsitt, 1601 Blair.