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"The World is My Parish" — John Wesley

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

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Shall We Repeal The Neutrality Act?

WHEN Congress passed the Neutrality Act of 1939 it was hoped that such an act would keep America neutral. That she was not then, and never has been neutral as far as sentiment is concerned goes without saying. And now, that our actions on the high seas and in our factories are far from neutral there is strong sentiment for outright repeal of the Neutrality Act. Surprisingly, some of this sentiment comes from influential Christian leaders. Reinhold Niebuhr, one of the chief interpreters of liberal Christianity in America, says "We demand the immediate repeal of the Neutrality Act because it is one of the most immoral laws that was ever spread upon a federal statute book. . . . When a man refuses to recognize his obligations as a member of a community and acts as a completely unrelated individual he is an immoral man. . . . We belong to a common community and we have acquired immense communal responsibilities as a result of that fact. To deny these responsibilities is un-Christian and unethical. This is exactly what the Neutrality Act did. . . . Do-nothingness for the sake of peace is not moral. . . . The Christian ethic demands that we turn and face the world. When a fire has broken out, citizens who can do something about it do not draw their shutters, lock their doors and crawl under their beds. . . . The Christian ethic requires these citizens to go out on the street and do whatever may be necessary to help their fellows bring the fire under control." Strong words, these—but measured words with a considerable measure of logic. The question some would ask Dr. Niebuhr, however, is when we go to Europe to help "put out the fire" are we taking water or gasoline? Will more gunfire mean less fire and less future fires? If, as Dr. Fosdick says, the means we use determines the ends we attain and the means are force of arms, will not the ends attained be disappointing? If we go "put out the fire" (assuming we can) will we have followed the command of Jesus to turn the other cheek? Will we not have again substituted the love of force for the force of love? If we do not follow Him in war can we be in position to follow him in peace? Someone will say this is no time to apply the idealistic teachings of Jesus. But there never has been a time when applying them would not be costly. Was Jesus therefore impractical? Or are we?

He Received An Honorary Degree

AMONG those receiving honorary degrees last June was Herr Hitler of Germany. Ironically enough the University of Leipzig conferred upon him the Doctorate of Laws. This is the paradoxical joke of the twentieth century. It is as if Nero of Rome had been made a saint by the church. The new doctor of laws is a despiser of law; he rose to power by acts of lawlessness; he has destroyed all legal and protective rights of individuals and groups; he has treated all international law as rubbish. He knows no law save the law of retaliation, ruthlessness, vengeance. His mass murder of hundreds of hostages in France because they have been unable to locate the assassins of two German soldiers is evidence enough. If lawlessness be law, then Hitler is a LL.D. And so he is!

"We have heard many prayers of penitence, but we have seldom heard a man pray for forgiveness for being small."—Roy L. Smith.

Living In Expectation

THE measure and quality of man's life is largely determined by the vigor and quality of his wants. It is true, is it not, that we become like that which we expect. The degree to which we possess "abundant" life, as the Master spoke of it is determined by our wants, by that which we expect. The wants of the primitive savage are meagre. He cares nothing for clothes, prepared food, books—the gadgets of civilization. The wants of a student are greater. He seeks truth and in the pursuit of it he may need a modern library, a scientific laboratory, freedom to travel throughout the world. Since that for which we hope is so important let us ask what we expect of ourselves. Emerson said low aim, not failure, was the greatest crime. Is it not better to fail in seeking a worthy goal than succeed in reaching an unworthy one? What is your standard of excellency? If Joseph resisted the impurity of Potiphar's court it was because he held for himself a higher standard of purity. If Daniel refused strong drink at the King's table it was because he expected something more of himself. What are you expecting of yourself? What are you expecting of others? Some are so mistrustful of others that they are always expecting the worst. Their attitude is that one is guilty until proven innocent. They forget that to expect the best in others actually brings out the best. The method of Jesus was to major on an individual's good qualities. He uncovered the best in Mary of Magdala, in the apostle Peter. Parents who expect the best in their children are usually rewarded as the best is brought to light. Parental mistrust breeds deceit; trust breeds trustfulness. What do you expect of God? Some of us expect little of Him. When we worship we expect nothing to happen. When we pray we use words only. We say we believe in an all-powerful God. But we are not willing to believe He can rid us of an evil habit, an untamed hate, an un-Christian prejudice. Expect great things of yourself, your fellowmen, God. For as we expect, so shall we be!

"A living religion is a way of living." A. E. Hayden.

"The godly are so inhuman and the human are so ungodly."—Charles W. Gilkey.

Can We Be Proud Of This?

THE National Women's Christian Temperance Union has recently made a survey of American expenditures for liquor since repeal. The results of this survey certainly ought to stab us awake. The scientifically accurate survey shows that America has spent more money on liquor since 1933 than upon public relief. During these last eight years there has been more public relief than ever before in the history of the U. S. From the public purse has come \$20,250,515,000.00 to alleviate the sufferings of the jobless, the sick, the aged. But during this same period the American public spent \$23,751,452,000.00 for alcoholic beverages. For every dollar given to help the poor more than a dollar was spent to make someone poorer—in body, mind and soul. When you add to this enormous liquor bill the estimated waste in labor and efficiency due to drunkenness the actual cost of liquor would run more than twice the total cost of all public relief. And yet, in spite of this fact the government is still in the liquor business in the Virgin Islands; beer is still being sold at our soldiers' training camps; the liquor industry is still spending millions in advertising to get more people to take up the drinking habit. Who is un-American? A few preachers who insist upon the application of the teachings of Jesus in our national and international affairs? Or the so-called patriotic rabble rousers among the liquor industry who wave flags for effect and reap profits from poison injected into the blood stream of American citizens? We suggest that one of the most effective means of "winning the war" would be to boot the liquor business out of business. Else how can we continue to sing, "God Bless America."

Jesus and the Traffic Jam

FOR many people Jesus is not actually denied; He is merely ignored. They treat God as the aged grandfather at the head of the family table—honored and respected—but not a part of the activities and conversation. Many have gotten rid of religion, not by denying it, but by reducing it to a petty nuisance. As a result Jesus is seemingly lost in the contemporary traffic jam. He is lost to some in the traffic jam of things. Modern civilization dwells on Wall street and Woolworth tower has toppled over on us until we are lost in the traffic jam of five and ten cent articles. Too busy seeking things, we forget to cultivate the spirit of Him from whom all good things come. Again, Jesus is lost in the traffic jam of activities. We become so busy making a living that we forget to make a life. Commercial, social and political activities take up our time and we have none left for God. Someone asked Renan what he thought of Christ. He replied, "I don't know—I haven't had time to think about Him." Mark Twain's daughter once said of her illustrious father, "Daddy you know everything—but God." Finally, Jesus is lost in the traffic jam of competitive religions. While no other religions are actually competitive they do crowd Christ out. The religion of morality, the religion of sectarianism, the religion of works. The spirit of Christianity is not what Jesus said but what He was. Christ is the center—the nucleus of abundant life. Nothing else is big enough to crowd Him out.

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Dec. 28, Student Recognition Day.

BOOK REVIEW

"Our Campaign For The Presidency"
—By Roger W. Babson.

Perhaps few will remember that Roger Babson DID run for the presidency in 1940. Nevertheless the things that he has so well said in this little book not only concerning his experiences but his philosophy of a Christian approach to the matters of our national government form most interesting reading. Dr. Babson is, first of all, a Christian. The former Moderator of the Congregational-Christian churches in 1936 seeks to deal with all the problems of American government from the Christian standpoint. He points out that of the fifty million ballots cast in the presidential election in 1940 thirty-five million of them were from Christian people. But that which determined their votes was not religious but political convictions. Suppose thirty-five million Christian people did vote, not for a particular candidate, but for a Christian program of national procedure? Well—just suppose. National Prohibitionist Press, Chicago.
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—The Editor.

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—Gaston Foote.

ABOUT PEOPLE

REV. J. A. WADE is conducting a series of services in his church at Stamps.

REV. BURKE CULPEPPER, Memphis, is assisting Rev. Earle Cravens in a meeting at Walnut Ridge.

REV. J. W. MOORE, pastor at Bald Knob, has three bound volumes of Conference Minutes, 1902 to 1933, in good shape which he will sell for \$15.00. He can be reached at Bald Knob.

THE DeView Church on the McCrory Circuit will be dedicated on Sunday, November 2, with Rev. R. E. Connell, pastor at Searcy, in charge of the dedicatory services at 2:30 p. m. Rev. W. M. Womack, pastor, who is finishing his third year, will preach at the morning service.

BISHOP PAUL B. KERN and Governor Prentice Cooper of Tennessee will be speakers at the dedication of the Merner-Pfeiffer Library Dedication and fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Elizabeth Ritter Hall at Tennessee Wesleyan College, Athens, Tenn., on Wednesday, November 5.

REV. C. H. HARVISON, pastor at McRae, writes: "Had our fourth Quarterly Conference Oct. 21. McRae, Garner and Lebanon are paid out on everything. Section and Copperas Springs are out on everything except a small amount on the salaries. We have had fifty accessions to the Church."

THE Hubbard Bible Class of the Central Presbyterian Church, Rochester, N. Y., is believed to be the oldest Bible class for men in the world. It has been in continuous existence since January 3, 1869, meeting every Sunday morning since that time. Rev. E. P. Westphal, Presbyterian director of religious work among men, 1132 Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia, Pa., is seeking to learn if there is an older class in existence anywhere.

MRS. W. S. ANDERSON, Wilmar, Little Rock Conf. Scarritt Representative, Woman's Society of Christian Service, writes: "Pastors, please announce from your pulpits this next Sunday morning that Scarritt scholarships are in demand as never before to aid worthy young men and women in their training as lay-workers in all kinds of Christian service. More workers are asked for than our church can supply. Send your contributions at once to me at Wilmar. Do not wait until tomorrow."

MR. JOHN H. HOLLIS, business man of Little Rock civic leader and a member of the First Methodist Church, died at his home Thursday, October 23, after a long illness. Mr. Hollis was identified in a large way with the life of the city, having served on various boards and commissions for many years. He was a member of the Board of Stewards and a trustee of the First Methodist Church and was former chairman and a trustee of the Mount Sequoyah Assembly Board. Mr. Hollis is survived by his wife, three sons, three daughters, a sister and three brothers. The sympathy of many friends goes out to the family.

A SOLOMON ISLANDER, son of a headhunter, has been graduated with distinction from the Medical School of Suva, Fiji Islands, and now returns to his native people as a medical practitioner. John Wesley Kere, N.M.P., won the gold medal for surgery at the Medical School, was a member of the first cricket eleven, and captain of the Rugby team which won the noted Farebrother Trophy. He was educated under the auspices of the Methodist Church of New Zealand, and completed his internship at the Leper Settlement at Makogai.

AMONG the speakers at the second National Methodist Student Conference at Urbana, Illinois, December 29 to January 2, will be Dr. Georgia Harkness, Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Ill., Dr. Albert E. Day, Pasadena, Calif., Dr. Mordecai Johnson, President, Howard University, Washington, D. C., Dr. Ralph E.

Diffendorfer, Board of Missions, New York City, Dr. E. F. Tittle, Evanston, Ill., and Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, Boston, Mass. The theme of the Conference will be "The Student in Christian World Reconstruction."

RADIO STATION KTHS, Hot Springs, will give 15 minutes, 4:00-4:15, on Sunday afternoon, November 16, for the reading of the appointments of the Little Rock Conference. The arrangements were made by Rev. R. E. Simpson, pastor of the Grand Avenue Church, and Rev. J. E. Cooper, secretary of the cabinet and district superintendent of the Arkadelphia District. All Methodists of the Little Rock Conference will be interested in this broadcast and pastors are asked to announce the time to their congregations. This service has been a feature of KTHS for the past several years.

REV. GUY MURPHY, treasurer of the North Arkansas Conference, writes: "In the limited time for receiving funds and issuing receipts, to insure proper service to every one, pastors will please bring to the Treasurer's office (1) One certified or cashier's check, bank draft, or money order (payable at Harrison), for total amount you wish to pay. (2) Statement showing the charge and amount to be credited to each of the funds. If you have to bring currency, have currency in largest bills possible, exact amount. Remittances sent to me at Conway should be mailed not later than Friday, October 31."

REV. L. L. LANGSTON, pastor of St. Francis Charge, writes: "We are closing our first year on the St. Francis Circuit. We accepted the Bishops' Fund, Retired Ministers' Fund and Administration Fund without any deduction in our Conference Claims and all will be paid in full plus. We have organized a W.S.C.S. at St. Francis, Pollard and Mt. Zion with an enrollment of about 45. We have organized a Youth Fellowship at St. Francis with an enrollment of 55 and at Mt. Zion with 27. Our finances will be overpaid from what was assessed. Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Simmons did a fine work here."

ARKANSAS METHODIST ORPHANAGE

AN INTERESTING incident during the week which the readers will enjoy is this: A lady of First Church, Paragould, had the children of the Primary Department to save their pennies for the Orphanage and when they opened their containers two or three days ago, they had 1,500 pennies and a check for \$15.00 was sent to the Orphanage. I think this was a beautiful thing to do, not only on account of the money but because the children became interested in the most unselfish work we are doing.

Letters of appreciation, together with personal calls, have made the week one of great pleasure and interest. One of the girls who was in the Home a number of years ago, now married and a homemaker, called in to see me and expressed her love for and interest in the Home because of what it had done for her. We are doing good and I am so anxious that our people come to the Home more often and more generally, just to see what you have—it is a beautiful Home. It is understood that ours is a home-finding Orphanage—today we may have 25 and next month we may have 50. We try to be careful and do the work just as it should be done.

We are looking forward to the great period known as the Christmas Offering for our Home. The Board, in their meeting the other day, unanimously elected me Superintendent and requested me to take the Orphanage for another year. I agreed to do it, providing it is satisfactory with my District Superintendent and my dear friend, Bishop Seelman.

I will write a personal letter to all the preachers before December concerning matters pertaining to the Home, and I hope every one of you will give it your close attention.

With love for all, I am, your brother.—James Thomas, Superintendent.

THE CHURCH WORKSHOP

H. MELLENIKES, Editor

OUR SOURCE OF GUIDANCE AND BALANCE

Madame Chiang Kai-shek has said: "Life is really simple, and yet how confused we make it. In old Chinese art, there is just one outstanding object, perhaps a flower, on a scroll. Everything else in the picture is subordinated to that one beautiful thing. An integrated life is like that. What is that one flower? As I feel it now, it is the will of God. But to know His will, and to do it, calls for absolute sincerity and honesty. My firm conviction is that one's greatest weapon is the simple, unassailable weapons of sincerity and truth."

"Solomon showed his greatness when he asked God not for wealth or fame or power, but for wisdom—for the sake of his country. It is nothing just to be good. One must have moral conviction, wisdom, and the energy to accomplish."

"I used to pray that God would do this or that. Now I pray only that God will make His will known to me. God speaks to me in prayer. When one prays he goes to a source of strength greater than its own. I wait to feel His leading, and His guidance means certainty. Prayer is our source of guidance and balance. God is able to enlighten the understanding. I seek guidance, and when I am sure, I go ahead, leaving the result to Him."

PASTE THESE THINGS IN YOUR BIBLE

An omer was six pints.
A gerah was one cent.
A farthing was three cents.
A shekel of gold was \$8.
A talent of silver was \$538.30.
A talent of gold was \$13,809.
A cubit was nearly 22 inches.
A shekel of silver was about 50 cents.

A hin was a gallon and two pints.
A mite was less than a quarter of a cent.
A piece of silver, or a penny, was 13 cents.

A day's journey was about twenty-three and one-fifth miles.

A Sabbath day's journey was about an English mile.

One becomes acquainted with facts by reading, thinking and by observation. Bacon says, "Reading maketh a full man." If we are to store our minds with facts without which no one can claim to be well-informed, it is necessary to travel if possible, if not, to read and think—there is no substitute for reading and thinking. Paul gave Timothy, his understudy, this good advice, "Study" or "Give diligence."—Dawn.

VITAMINS IN RELIGION

Have you checked your vitamins? The following, if taken regularly, someone has said, will positively restore anyone to a normal and healthy condition: Vitamin F—Faith, "Faith even as a mustard seed"; vitamin G—Giving, "Give, and it shall be given unto you"; vitamin T—Tolerance, "Unto the least of these"; vitamin W—Work, "Do the work of Him that sent me"; vitamin P—Prayer, "Pray without ceasing."

Multum In Parvo

The youth and the children of America literally are the strength of tomorrow. What is done for them now will be repaid manifold, and that at no distant date.—American Council of Education.

Anent F. H. A. (Free Heavenly Air). A good many houses ought to be remodelled into homes.

The Church is a work-shop, not a dormitory.

The pessimist is a person who is seasick during the entire voyage of life.

Opportunities are like millstones, they may drown a man or they may grind his corn.

The most trouble is produced by those who don't produce anything else.

Hymn For Americans

The Rev. Thomas Tiplady, superintendent of the Lambeth Missions, London, England, whose church has been wrecked by Nazi bombs, wrote a hymn, "A Hymn for the Times," during an air raid. It has been widely used in recent months in London. Now he has adapted the words for use in America "in appreciation of the ever-increasing sympathy and help which America is giving to the British peoples in their grim and desperate struggle to save the democratic way of life from perishing."

"Lord, Whom stars and tides obey,
For our Commonwealth we pray;
Guard and guide our Chief of State
In these hours so great with fate.

"To our Congress counsel lend;
On Thy strength may it depend;
Guard our sailors out at sea,
From all danger keep them free.

"Shield our soldiers as they stand
Guarding Freedom's chosen land;
Bless our airmen in the sky,
Safe as angels may they fly.

"Every nurse and doctor bless
In the hour of toil and stress;
Firemen, watchmen and police
Grant Thy strength and inward peace.

"On the railroad be as light
To the engine driver's sight;
May each motor driver feel
Thine own hand upon the wheel.

"Lord, Whom stars and tides obey,
Bring our nation 'neath Thy sway;
May it seek the light divine,
And obey no will but Thine."

WHAT IS COURTESY?

The Book of Books that all of us profess to love, even if we do not obey all its commands us, says, "Be courteous" (I Peter 3:8). Some mathematician has figured it out that a telephone company loses 125 hours of work every day through the use of the word "please" by its operators. The company considers courtesy not an expense, but an investment, and also necessary to success.

In quite a practical way someone has defined what courtesy is not. Says he: "Offering a seat to a man who enters your office is not courtesy—that is business. Listening patiently to the grumblings and growlings and groanings of a bore is not courtesy—that is forbearance. Treating a customer as though he were a rich patron is not courtesy—that is foresight."

Then the same writer says that "courtesy is doing that which nothing under the sun makes you do except human kindness. Courtesy is

WHO MADE THE FLAG?

A flag was raised over a James-town worsted mills. From the owners of the mill itself to was learned that: the flag was made of wool from American sheep, sorted by an American, carded by an Italian, spun by a Swede, warped by a German, dressed by an Englishman, drawn in by a Scotsman, woven by a Belgian, supervised by a Frenchman, inspected by an American, scoured by an Albanian, dyed by a Turk, examined by an Irishman and pressed by a Pole.

good will prompted by a heart full of love to be kind."

Query: How much, then, of that which we have been doing and calling courtesy do you suppose would qualify as genuine courtesy? Why are we polite to certain individuals? Could it be that selfish interest motivates our deference? If so, we are foreigners to courtesy. "Love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous."

PORTRAIT OF A METHODIST

By JOHN WESLEY

"A Methodist is one who has the love of God shed abroad in his heart by the Holy Ghost given unto him. One who loves the Lord his God with all his heart and soul and mind and strength. He rejoices evermore, prays without ceasing, and in everything gives thanks. His heart is full of love to all mankind and is purified from envy, wrath, malice, and every unkind affection. His one desire and the one design of his life is not to do his own will but the will of Him that sent him. He keeps all God's commandments from the least to the greatest. He follows not the customs of the world, for vice does not lose its nature through becoming fashionable. He fares not sumptuously every day. He cannot lay up treasures upon earth nor can he adorn himself with gold and costly apparel. He cannot join in any diversion that has the least tendency to vice. He cannot speak evil of his neighbor any more than he can lie. He cannot utter unkind or evil words. He does good unto all men, unto neighbors, strangers, friends and enemies. These are the principles and practices of our sect. These are the marks of a true Methodist. By these alone do Methodists desire to be distinguished from all other men."

"LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON"

The old adage "like father, like son," was borne out by Ruth E. Eckert, associate professor of education at the University of Minnesota, at the annual University of Chicago Conference on Business Education.

Citing recent studies indicating the close relationship between a boy's progress, both in and out of school, and the occupation of his father, Mis Eckert said:

"A study in Maryland disclosed that more than eight times as large a proportion of young people whose fathers were in the unskilled labor group left school and went to work before they were 16 years old as was the case with youth whose fathers are professional or technical workers."

The study also indicated that if a boy's father has a low income job the odds are three to one against the boy rising to a white collar level. Conversely, the study showed that the chances of falling from a white collar job to a lower income level are four to one.

CHRISTIANITY

"Christianity is not a puzzle to be solved

But a program to be adopted;
It is not a creed to be recited
But a life to be lived—

It is not only a discipline to be undergone

But a dynamic to be experienced

That it is not a way of escape from the realities of life,
But a provision of power for the battle of life

That it is not a drab respectability to be endured,
But a daring challenge to be accepted."

—HUBERT T. QUILLIAN.

It Started A Century Ago

The Siloam Springs Methodist Church was dedicated on Sunday, October 19, with Bishop H. A. Boaz of Dallas delivering the dedication sermon in the absence of Bishop Seelman who was unable to be present. Bishop Boaz was secretary of the Board of Church Extension when the building was erected. Former pastors present were: Dr. J. D. Hammons, Rev. J. B. Andrews, Rev. F. R. Hamilton, Rev. A. L. Cline and Rev. W. T. Farley. Immediately following the services an old time basket dinner was served in the church basement. Following the dinner former pastors and long time members of the church spoke, and an

Miss Ida Britt and Addison Britt, still live two miles north of town and are members of the Methodist Church here.

Two of the important battles in the Civil War west of the Mississippi were fought south of here at Prairie Grove and east of here at Pea Ridge. As a result many men from other parts of the country came through this section and liking it, later moved their families here. Following the war many hundreds of people came from every part of the South to make their homes here and a number of them were Methodists. As a result Methodist revivals were held. The preachers traveling

now resides in Fayetteville), R. S. Morris, Mrs. Daisy Bartell (sister of Mrs. M. A. Holbrook, now resides in Seattle, Wash.), C. E. Depree, John Murphy, Birdie Shinn, Mrs. J. A. Holbrook), Mrs. Jennie Morey and family, W. C. Tate, Mary Dunclee and Mattie Vanhoozier (now Mrs. J. U. Bain and a member of this church).

In 1883 a group of Methodists from the Southern states organized a Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in the Hico School house and Masonic Hall on the northeast corner of Hill and Fifth Sts. The next year the church bought the building. The congregation continued worshipping there until 1886 when the two-story school house was torn down and a one-story frame church was erected. Bishop E. R. Hendrix preached in this building on Jan. 2, 1898. Leaders in this church were W. T. Stahl, president of the board of trustees, John Ewing (father of a present member, Robert Ewing), John Dodgen (father of a present member, Ernest Dodgen and Rev. Ethan Dodgen, pastor at Dardanelle), Max McPhetridge, Henry Pewell, J. M. Thurman, Mr. Slagel, Mr. Brock, Mrs. Heath, Mrs. Frantz, Mrs. Moss, Mrs. Petell, Mrs. Sparks and the Britt. The first of the Southern Methodist Church was a Rev. Mr. Scroggins who came in 1883. Others who followed soon afterwards were a Rev. Mr. Grenade and Rev. David Sturdy. The church in these early times was on a circuit, first with Springtown and later with Cincinnati. Since 1879 there have been 59 Methodist pastors who have served in Siloam Springs; twenty of these are still living, as follows: J. D. Hammons, F. M. Tolleson, Geo. Patchell, J. A. Reynolds, C. W. Lester, W. V. Womack, E. T. Wayland, Guy Murphy, W. A. Lindsey, Aubrey Walton, W. H. Goodloe, Thomas Wheeler, G. A. Moss, Lee R. Lemming, W. R. Dalton, J. B. Andrews, A. L. Cline, F. R. Hamilton, T. W. Shipley and W. T. Farley. The last five make Siloam Springs their home.

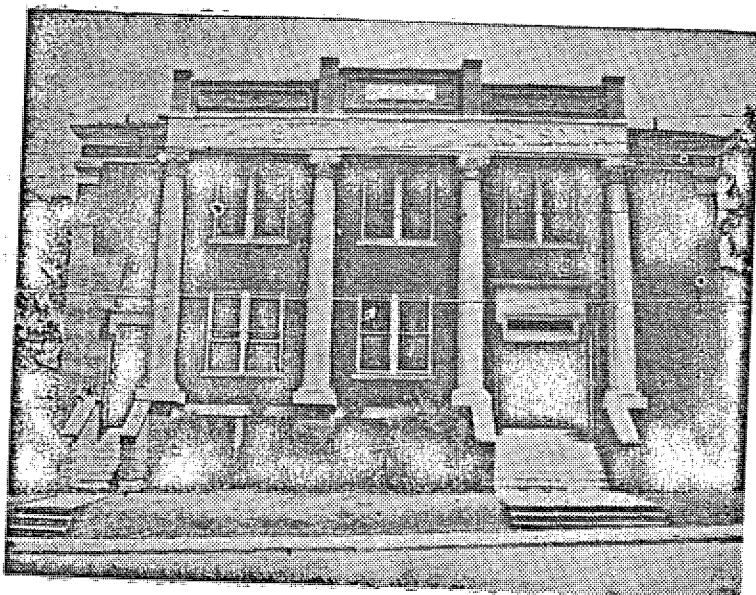
The Present Organization

After worthily serving Siloam Springs as separate churches for over 50 years, the congregations of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in November, 1937, voted to unite. This was made possible through the constructive leadership of Rev. F. R. Hamilton and Rev. W. R. Dalton and the Christian spirit of the members. This union preceded the union of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Methodist Protestant Church by several months. The united congregation decided to use the building formerly used by the Southern church. It was voted to sell the building used by the Methodist Episcopal Church and use the money to pay off the debt on the building used by the united congregation. The building debt was consummated as a result of this sale. The building used now is large and commodious. It has a large auditorium, seating about 450; there are 21 class rooms, a pastor's study, a church office, a large kitchen and a complete basement. The building is now clear of debt and is one of the best in this section of the coun-

try. The building holds a commanding position in down town Siloam Springs. Adjoining the building, the church owns a large frame residence. This was a gift by Mrs. F. R. Hamilton, wife of Rev. F. R. Hamilton and daughter of Mrs. S. A. Clapp whose family has made large contributions to church interests.

The church is a strong and influential group of Christians. It carries on a well-rounded program of Christian fellowship. There are 700 members, 350 members in the Church School and an average attendance of 200, 165 members of the W. S. C. S. and 80 enrolled in the Methodist Youth Fellowship. The officers are: Official Board, W. C. Burns, Chairman; A. L. Smith, assistant chairman; Dale Robinson, treasurer; Austin Feemster, Secretary; Tom Whiteside, Ernestine Crow, Mrs. A. L. Smith, J. W. Robinson, R. E. Curtis, C. M. Sisco, R. B. Pyeatt, T. H. David, Grover Harvey, Georgella Perry, Harriet Waters, Merrill Dorsey, Rev. W. T. Farley, Henderson Carl, E. C. King, Albert Rapp, Orval Jones, H. B. McGee, Mrs. J. W. Robinson, Mrs. W. C. Dorsey and Mrs. B. L. Miller. Trustees, C. H. Sisco, chairman; W. O. Burns, secretary and treasurer; Tom Whiteside, J. W. Robinson, R. B. Pyette, Rev. W. T. Farley, A. L. Smith and Merrill Dorsey.

Rev. James S. Upton is the present pastor. W. O. Burns is chairman of the official board, Mrs. B. L. Miller is superintendent of the Church School and Mrs. A. L. Smith is president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.



METHODIST CHURCH, SILOAM SPRINGS

historical pilgrimage to points of interest in the history of Methodism was made.

Early History of the Church

When Simon Sager came to Siloam Springs in 1834 one of the first Methodists came to this section and from that time on some kind of Methodist services have been held in and near Siloam Springs. Sager was born in Germany in 1802 and immigrated to the United States in 1832. He settled first in St. Louis, later in Westport, Mo., and last in Siloam Springs. He came seeking health but brought with him a religious experience and zeal that is still making its influence felt in Siloam Springs. He homesteaded the farm now known as the DeArmond farm and built a log cabin on it which is now the farm office of John Brown University. In that cabin the first Methodist services were held in this vicinity. Sager had seven children, four of whom were in the Confederate Army, one of whom became a preacher and preached regularly in the Sager home until he was killed during the war. Sager influenced the naming of places around Siloam Springs, such as St. John, St. Nicholas, the Isle of Patmos and Siloam because of their Biblical significance. The creek that runs through town was named for him. He was killed in August, 1854, by a roving Indian group who made their living through thieving and banditry. His wife had to dig his grave as most of the men were in hiding or had been killed in the war. He is buried in the Old Baptist cemetery in Siloam Springs. His grandchildren,

by horse back would hold meetings and then go on to another place. Some of the early locations of revivals were 10 miles east at Thorns-bury Camp Ground, 5 miles south at the Norwood Prairie Methodist Church and 3 miles east at Quaker Chapel. As a result many were converted and became Methodists.

In the period following the war Siloam Springs became well known as a health resort and quite a community was built up close to the springs. In 1880 it was incorporated as a city of the second class, a city without a postoffice, a school or a church. The year before there came a team of Methodist evangelists, Ford and Lackey. They held a revival in a community building that was located in the center of the Isle of Patmos. Many people were converted but there was no Methodist church for them to join. Some who were converted persuaded Rev. T. B. Ford to stay and continue preaching and organize a church. He stayed for several years and as a result the first Methodist Church in Siloam Springs was organized in 1880 with Hames Miles as the first chairman of the board and lay leader.

Mr. Miles was the grandfather of Mrs. M. A. Holbrook, now a member of this church. Mr. Ford, being from the North, organized a Methodist Episcopal Church. The church grew and prospered and in 1881 bought a site on the northeast corner of St. John and Maxwell Streets and erected the first church building in Siloam Springs. Some of the leaders in this church were: Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Axtell, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Turner, C. E. Bennett, W. H. Zizkefoose, C. A. Ford (Mrs. Ford



REV. J. S. UPTON, Pastor

WITH ALL HIS STRENGTH

A little boy declared that he loved his mother "with all his strength." He was asked to explain what he meant by "with all his strength." He said, "Well, I'll tell you. You see we live on the fourth floor of this tenement, and there's no elevator, and the coal is kept down in the basement. Mother is dreadfully busy all the time and she isn't very strong. So I see to it that the coal hod is never empty. I lug the coal up four flights of stairs all by myself, and it's pretty hard. It takes all my strength to get it up here. Now, isn't that loving my mother with all my strength?"—Michigan Christian Advocate.

THE DEVOTIONAL PAGE

ROY BAGLEY, Editor

PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS

The Christian religion must meet the needs of all humanity, if it is true to the vision and purpose of its founder.

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"If the Church is at home in society and if it voices only the prevailing views of society, it can have nothing redeeming to say to it."—Henry Sloane Coffin.

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"Sad will be the day for every man when he becomes absolutely contented with the life that he is living, with the thoughts that he is thinking, with the deeds that he is doing, when there is not forever beating at the doors of his soul some great desire to do something larger, which he knows that he was meant and made to do because he is still the child of God."—Phillips Brooks.

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"The perfect life, as viewed by the average youth or adult, is a round of ease or entertainment, of motion pictures, radio programs, parties. . . The pushover job, the unearned meal, the easy choice, are tempting many Americans down the soft decline. The intellectual teeth of a whole generation are rotting from disuse while tough social and political problems beg for vigorous mastication."—Dr. Alexis Carrel.

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GRAVETTE-DECATUR CHARGE

We have had a good year in this, our third year, and the Lord has blessed us with results from our labors. We have received members for every one of the five churches on the charge. We have had a conversion at every church except one, and have received sixty-seven members, forty-five of this number on profession of faith. I have baptized twenty-four, three of whom were over sixty years of age. Five infants were baptized.

Our five Church Schools have an enrollment of 554 with an average attendance of 235. I have conducted three Mission study classes, two

training classes, three vacation schools and six revival meetings. We have observed Layman's Day in every church as well as all the other special days. The people respond to the program of the Church in a fine way. They have met their obligations to World Service, support of the ministry, the two specials for Compassion Day and Ministerial Aid in February as well as all local obligations.

Much work has been done in building, painting and repairing church property. The most outstanding work has been done at Decatur and Gravette. At Decatur the Young People's Division sponsored finishing and decorating the basement of the church which was completed a

few weeks ago. At Gravette much work has been done in finishing the annex and painting the church. This was done by donations of work by our people and Mr. J. E. Potter, Church School superintendent, who donated the paint. The church and grounds were further beautified when Mr. Geo. Phinney gave about 75 shrubs and planted them on the grounds. We have bought an additional lot which gives more room for the parsonage. Through the efforts of Mrs. Oswald's class, Mrs. Jorgensen and A. L. Allum's class the parsonage has been redecorated. Mrs. P. J. Jorgensen, our class lay leader, has done an outstanding thing in, besides meeting all other obligations to her church, she has

contributed \$35.00 to a worker in the mission fields. Mrs. Jorgensen is not wealthy but she and her husband tithe their income. We have several tithers in the church and the finances are never a worry to the pastor. On the whole charge the finances come through the Church School.

Now, lest some should think that this report, written so near Conference time, was made on the eve of a move and someone would want to move here I want to clear this now. We are not expecting a move (that is, as far as I can find out) and it would be a disappointment to the pastor and his family, for this is truly a delightful people to serve.—Porter Weaver, Pastor.

POEM OF THE WEEK

"Thy Will Be Done"

"Thy will be done." Why always bow the head
In anguish when these sacred words are said?
More light than darkness falleth from above;
The will of God shows clearest through His love.

Why should we kneel in fear, as God were foe,
When unto Him we pray, "Thy will be done"?
Why learn to "bend and kiss the rod" in woe?
On just and unjust shines His blessed sun.

"Thy will be done." Is there no other way
Than crying out of sorrow, thus to pray?
God's daily gifts outweigh the heaviest loss:
The crown is ours as surely as the cross.

If ought we know, we know that joy reigns there;
Then let us, as we pray the Christ-taught prayer,
Lift up our hearts in joy at blessings given:
Thy will be done on earth, AS IT IS DONE IN HEAVEN.
—LOUISE PEABODY SARGENT.

Great Witnesses: Francis Asbury

By ARVA C. FLOYD

Among the early Methodists in this country, one man stands out like a tower of strength. No difficulty was too great for him, and no road was too long.

Francis Asbury was that man. He threaded his way through forest and swamp of the American wilderness to reach the scattered settlers. He was the frontiersman of the Church.

Born seven years after Aldersgate, Francis Asbury, on reaching early manhood, attached himself to John Wesley. He attended his first Methodist Conference in 1771. Already he had longed to go to America, and in the historic gatherings his services were volunteered and accepted.

Crossing the Atlantic, he had time for reflection. His motives for going to America were re-examined and he recorded in his Journal, "I am going to live to God, and to bring others so to do." Where could we look for a better definition of evangelism!

How sincere he was is witnessed by forty-five years of arduous labor, through which he never wavered from that purpose. He was a Britisher, and the War of Independence

placed him in a delicate situation. That he could remain in America at all, and that he could take, after the storm was over, a significant place of leadership among the patriots of the new republic, indicate a depth of courage and a breadth of spirit that few possess.

The work to which he gave himself demanded just that stability. On horseback he often rode more than five thousand miles a year. Neither heat nor cold, drenching rain or driving snow, comforts of the city or midnight loneliness in the mountains—nothing could deter him. Rarely could he travel entirely free of pain. But he set his face to carry the message of Christ to a vigorous people, and he gave all that the task required.

To this versatile man—who could study Hebrew as he rode through the woods, who could win the confidence of little children or defy bands of ruffians, who could preach to large congregations or talk persuasively to little groups of unlettered people, the Methodist Church in America owes for more than it realizes. And from first to last his ideal remained "to bring others!"

SENTENCE SERMONS

The end will not justify the means if the means are questionable.

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No apologies for failure are necessary if one has done his best.

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I may not reach my ideal, but like stars they guide me on my way.

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Blessed is the man who knows his limitations.

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God works with and through and for people at the same time.

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Being at peace with the devil is no evidence of a peaceable disposition.

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The moment we have a fixed heart we have a free hand.

Live as if Christ died yesterday, rose this morning, and is coming back tomorrow.

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Play the game and play it fair. If you win don't boast. If you lose don't complain.

MY PERSONAL WITNESS

By W. W. Adams

When I was eight years of age, on a winter night, the evening meal was over and we had gathered in the family room of my home. The lessons of school had been finished and the time had come for the "Family Prayer." I sat on a little stool by the open fire. The family circle was complete. My father read a beautiful passage from the family Bible and we knelt in prayer. Always following the prayer we had a folk song and on this night it was "Old Folks at Home." It was during this song that I felt the strangest sensation of my childhood. Inexplicable as it was, it came with force and power to tell me that I was not only a member of that family group at home but that the Father I had been praying to had recognized me as His own and had given me a place in His House.

At the age of fourteen I felt the call to the Christian ministry. For twelve years in active work I have been standing in the pulpit calling youth to an early acceptance of Jesus, calling men and women to repentance and the homes to the "Family Altar." I shall continue this as long as God lends me breath.

VANTREASE MEMORIAL CHURCH

Pictured here are members of the congregation of the Vantrease Memorial church, El Dorado, as they attended special ceremonies in celebration of paying off the last of the church indebtedness. Burning of the debt notes was a feature of the ceremonies held in front of the church on South Washington.

The total indebtedness of the church amounting to about \$18,000 has been wiped out with the final payment this year of \$3,000 in notes and \$548 for purchase of a lot adjoining the church and other improvements to the property.

Marvin L. Mann, chairman of the board of stewards, and the Rev. Jeff Perdue, of Champagnolle, mortgagee, were the principal speakers on the program. Mr. Mann told of the work of the collecting committee during the year and the value to the church in the future of being clear of indebtedness. He asserted the church could do a greater spiritual work and not have debts hampering the church program. Mr. Perdue spoke of the history of the debt during the past twelve years and of his patience and cooperation with the church. He expressed his belief in the church and predicted a bright future for the congregation. He later burned the notes in front of the large group. For the ceremonies members of the collecting committee were seated in chairs and in the above pic-

ture, reading left to right, they are as follows: Mother Johnson, one of the oldest members of the church, Mrs. Hop Ward, president of the Missionary Society. Lee Franks, chairman of the finance committee,

Rev. Jeff Perdue, the Rev. W. R. Burks, pastor, and Marvin L. Mann, chairman of the board of stewards.

Clearing of the indebtedness followed what was declared to have been probably the most profitable

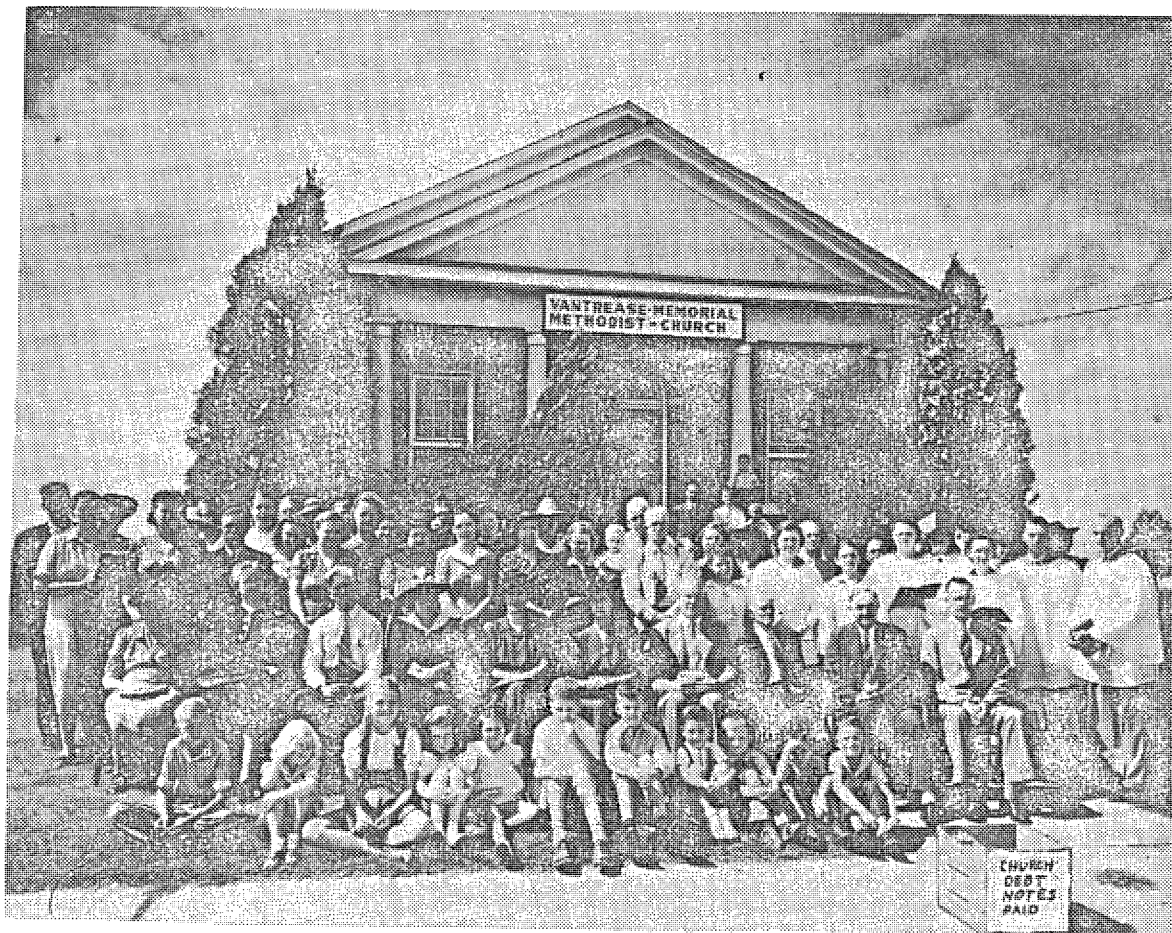
"I was glad when they said unto me, 'Let us go into the house of the Lord'."



REV. W. R. BURKS,
Pastor

the USA's peak times. At the start of this year Rev. W. R. Burks, the new pastor, realizing the church debt had prevented the church from progressing as fast as it should, met with a group of stewards and decided to make an effort to clear the debt. Within the first eight months of his ministry Bro. Burks had the church clear of debt, had bought a lot adjoining the church, painted the woodwork on the outside of the church and had redecorated the church auditorium. The Woman's Society of Christian Service had placed some new furniture in the parsonage. At the District Conference the district superintendent Rev. Leland Clegg, announced that next year will begin a new era for Vantrease Memorial Church.

When men speak ill of thee, so live that nobody will believe them.



VANTREASE MEMORIAL CHURCH

Mrs. F. M. Hamilton, Mrs. Mamie Enis, Mrs. J. H. Tomlinson, secretary of the board of stewards, M. D. Carmichael, church treasurer, the

year in the history of the church after a struggle that came with the "crash" in 1929 only about a year after erection of the church during

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Rev. John Thomas Hood, son of William Sterling and of Mary Angeline Hood, was born September 19, 1863, in Weekly County, Tennessee, and was called to his heavenly home September 3, 1941, from his home in Blytheville where he had lived since his superannuation in 1931.

As an expression of their devotion to Brother Hood a large congregation gathered the next day at the Lake Street Church for the funeral services. Those taking part in the services were: E. B. Williams of First Church, Blytheville; F. M. Sweet, former pastor of Lake Street; Dr. E. W. Potter, District Superintendent; and E. K. Sewell, pastor. Fourteen other pastors of the district were present.

The body was carried to Forrest City for internment by the grave of his wife who died several years ago. Rev. Paul Galloway of Forrest City, and Rev. F. E. Dodson of Marianna met the family and friends at the cemetery and took part in the service at the grave.

Brother Hood was licensed to preach in 1899 and the same year was admitted on trial in the Memphis Conference. He was married January 25, 1906 to Miss Mary Angeline Ray, to whom were born

three daughters and one son: Mary Emma, Laverne, Angie and Robert, all of whom survive. He is survived also by a sister, Mrs. Jennie Malone who has been a member of the family for many years.

After serving in Tennessee, Missouri and Colorado, Brother Hood was transferred to the old White River Conference in 1904 where he served the following charges: Colt, Bono, Luxora, Nettleton, a second term at Bono, Vandale, Wheatley, Widener, Haynes, Paragould Circuit, and Gainesville.

During his recent illness he received loving care for five weeks at the Memphis Methodist Hospital.

Brother Hood was much loved by the people whom he served. His release after several months' illness was a triumph. We believe he deserves the plaudit: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter into the joys of thy Lord."—E. K. Sewell.

Wisdom is knowing what to do next; skill is knowing how to do it, and virtue is doing it.—David St. Jordan.

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Who Must Win The Peace?

By JOHN Q. SCHISLER

THE Protestant churches in America face an unprecedented responsibility at this time. Are they ready to meet it?

Upon the answer to that question is involved the sort of world which this generation will bequeath to the next. The Methodist Church occupies a place of commanding importance among the Protestant forces of America. This question, therefore, assumes vast import for pastors, church school superintendents, teachers and all others who carry any sort of responsibility for leadership.

It is not too early to begin thinking about the conditions of the peace. I do not mean the conditions that may be written by the representatives of the nations who gather around a "peace" table somewhere. We must begin to think of the conditions that must be met in the attitudes, the ways of thinking and the ways of living of the people—the people of America included.

When this war is over and the true story is told, we shall doubtless find that the threads of financial interest have been interwoven with the threads of dishonor, intrigue and cruelty to form a cloak for this crime, which is one of the most colossal ever committed in the history of the race. We in America are not the only sinners, nor perhaps the greatest, but a large number of thoughtful persons are thinking that if America had been more unselfish in her economic relationships, the causes which led up to the war might have been averted. If we had spent one-half as much in money and human energy during the past twenty years to Christianize America and to establish international relationships as a basis of justice and good-will as we shall expend for war in three years, the curse of Hitlerism might never have come to power.

Whatever may be the causes of the war and whoever may be responsible for it, we all know that there can be no just and lasting peace unless the world is run on a radically different standard. Neither Hitlerism, nor Stalinism, nor British Imperialism, nor American aggression for world markets will suffice. The standard for interrelationships between nations, as between groups within the nations, and as between individuals within the groups must be the Christian standard.

One simple basic condition of the peace which is involved in this Christian standard is unselfishness. David Lawrence has said: "Defense must take precedence over selfishness." We must go further and say that unselfishness must become the

rule of life between individuals, between groups and regions and between nations or there can be no permanent peace. The world simply cannot live at peace for very long if it is run on the basis of selfishness.

This standard will not be easy to achieve because selfishness seems to be imbedded in our human nature. At least it shows up surprisingly early in children and with baffling persistence. It may be that an objective appraisal of the child's environment would reveal that those who surround him teach him selfishness from his infancy, many times wholly unaware of what they do. It is a fact that selfish interest largely governs us in our economic, political and social relationships. Who is brave enough to say that it is entirely absent in our ecclesiastical relationships?

The pressure groups in Congress wheedle appropriations for their particular causes; the various regions in our nation seek advantages in the tariff and freight rates and wage scales; labor and capital are in constant strife and neither has unity within itself. Protestantism's power is diminishing by reason of its divisions.

local churches in the same community compete as much as they cooperate, and groups within the same church are not always a team which pulls together.

If this picture seems gloomy, then you need only to be reminded of the sort of happenings in these realms which constitute news today. When two veterans of the first World War are found who have refused any sort of awards or bonuses from the government, it is news. When the president of a State College saves \$100,000.00 out of the appropriations which are made to his school by the State Legislature, that is news. It would be news if some community should refuse an appropriation from the Federal Government and should finance its public works out of its own resources. It would be news if a Methodist Church, a Southern Baptist Church, a local Church of Christ and a Church of God located in the same Southern town should agree to a division of territory and unite on a permanent basis for the genuine Christianization of community life.

Surely one condition of a permanent peace must be a willingness on our part to grant economic, cultural and religious advantages to Japan, Germany and the other nations. In fact, the strong nations, our own included, must be willing that other nations shall have a fair chance to achieve the good things of life for themselves even if the standard of

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DR. J. Q. SCHISLER

The Recovery Of Peace

By C. O. RANSFORD

THE agitation recently stirred up about religion in Russia has nothing whatever to do with the propaganda of a religious faith, the maintenance of the tenets of any sect, or the defense of any creed. There is a suspicion that the public statement was rather a maneuver to aid the political effort to give assistance to the government and military forces of Russia, and to win over the Italian people and the Pope in Rome. If aid should be extended to Russia, it should be given on the basis of humanitarian cooperation.

It is a strange service to which religion may be put. The most confusing aspect of the whole world war is the antagonism to religion.

For twenty years Russia has been avowedly communistic and hostile to religion. Churches were confiscated or destroyed, priests and church dignitaries were deposed, or imprisoned, and all religious teachings were restricted. The Christian faith and all religions of every sect were spoken of as "the opiate of the people." The Greek Catholic church, formerly the national church, was destroyed and missionaries of all the sects were banished.

When Hitler and his Nazi regime in Germany came into power their first efforts were to suppress freedom of thought. Freedom of thought is primary in every true religion and absolutely so among the followers of Jehovah whether Jews, Catholics or Protestants.

The outside world may never know the persecutions the faithful throughout Germany have suffered. Ministers, priests and rabbis all alike were silenced. Some were banished, some were put in prison, and some among the more zealous were put to death.

In the present situation throughout Russia and all Germany and the nations Germany has subjected there is no freedom of worship. And all this among a people who have been notably religious. Regardless of what any persons, Hebrews, Catholic, Protestant, or non-churchmen may think there has been a devotion by the faithful in synagogues, churches and cathedrals beautiful to behold. The world's religious art and literature have been the creation of the saints throughout all Europe. Greek and Roman Catholics and Hebrews have shared in rich contributions to the world's religious thought, sense of the aesthetic and reverence.

The losses to Europe in religion are incalculable. Cities and villages, industries and commerce, literature and art may be restored. The citizenry may again rebuild their cities and establish government, but with-

out religious teachings and moral guidance no people can bring to home and society and particularly the new generations the religious inspirations and moral forces that make a people strong and great.

Not only has Europe suffered great losses in the supervision and destruction of religion, but far away missionary enterprises begun by Catholics and Protestants of Europe in Asia, Africa, and the islands of the seas are now languishing without workers and without financial support.

Encouraged by the malfeasances of Europe, Japan has sought to destroy the Christian faith and work of the missionaries in China and in her own land has imposed such severe restrictions missionaries from America have surrendered their posts and retired from the field.

We are now confronted with the most serious conditions the Christian Church has ever known. Not even in apostolic days did governments on so wide a scale persecute the Church. Then persecutions were sporadic. Even the Roman government did not by decree suppress all religions or order all the faithful put to death. Even with

the bitter persecutions that arose the faithful continued their allegiance to Christ and the churches passing through fiery trials and persecutions in a better life survived.

The Recovery of Peace

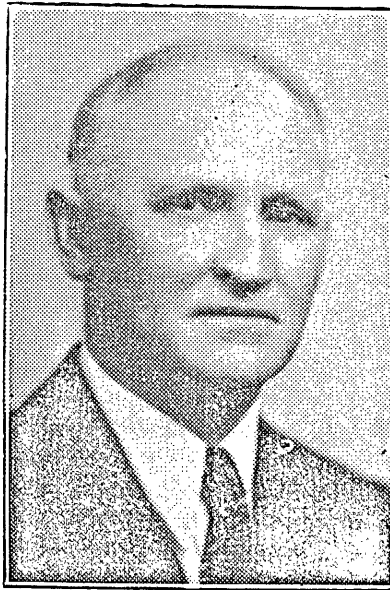
Nothing can be more ridiculous than the attitude of some church leaders today. Some seem to think the persecution of democracy as a state and the protection of the commerce of Great Britain and the United States are the only considerations worth while fighting for.

The real battle is not for the preservation of any kind of government. The best we have today are imperfect. Some of the most peace-loving people know little about modern governments. For the most part the lands untouched by war are just up from paganism.

One of the strong and strange texts of the Holy Scriptures is in II Thessalonians 2:8-12. In condensed form the words are: "Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness sends men strong delusion that they should believe a lie."

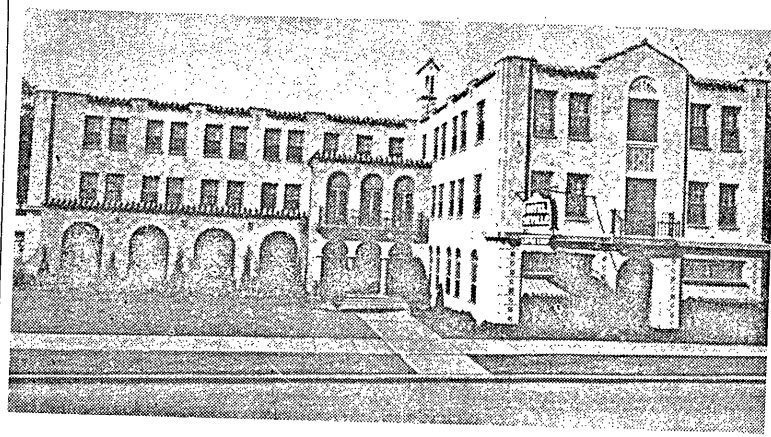
If Satan can prevail upon men to believe that the maintenance of democracy and the freedom of the seas for English and American commerce are the only considerations worth fighting for, then men will forget the principles of the Christian faith and neglect their churches

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Harrison covers an area of approximately $3\frac{1}{2}$ square miles, has more than 12 miles of well-lighted and paved streets, sidewalks, well-kept lawns, beautiful homes and a modern sewer system. The town is built on hills, and a beautiful valley, and is one of the most modern and progressive in the Ozark region. All the advantages and modern conveniences enjoyed in larger cities are to be found in Harrison.

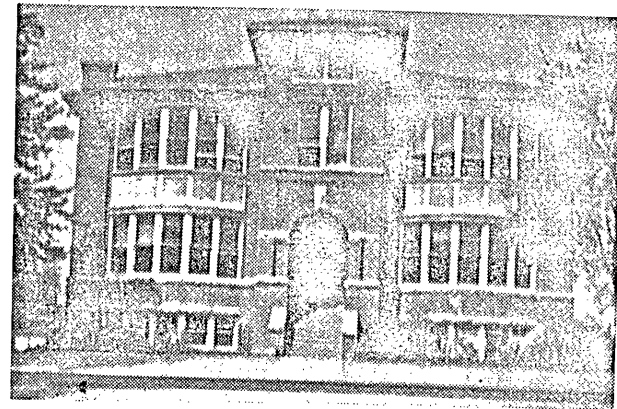
Harrison is the gateway from the north to the famous Diamond Cavern and from the south to the "Shepherd of the Hills" country.

SCHOOLS—Three ward, one high and one private elementary, with one ultra modern school, costing \$85,000.00. The scholastic standards are the highest. Approximate enrollment, 1,350 with 31 teachers.

CHURCHES—Harrison is a church-going city. All denominations are well represented, having active membership and commodious houses of worship. The pastorates are filled by men of high attainment and ability.

The North Arkansas Annual Conference will hold its meetings in the Methodist church at Harrison, November 5th to 9th.

Methodism had its beginning as early as 1871 there was a pre-Methodist Episcopal Church, the first property being in 1876 when the church undertook to establish another building was erected. The M. E. Church is located in 1876 unit of the present building. Rev. C. W. Lester, D.D., brick veneer building.



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coming in Harrison in the early 1870's. As early as 1870, a point here connected with the work of the church and some time during the early 70's the Methodist work here.

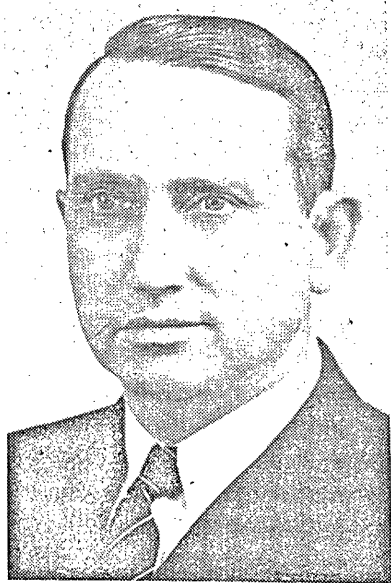
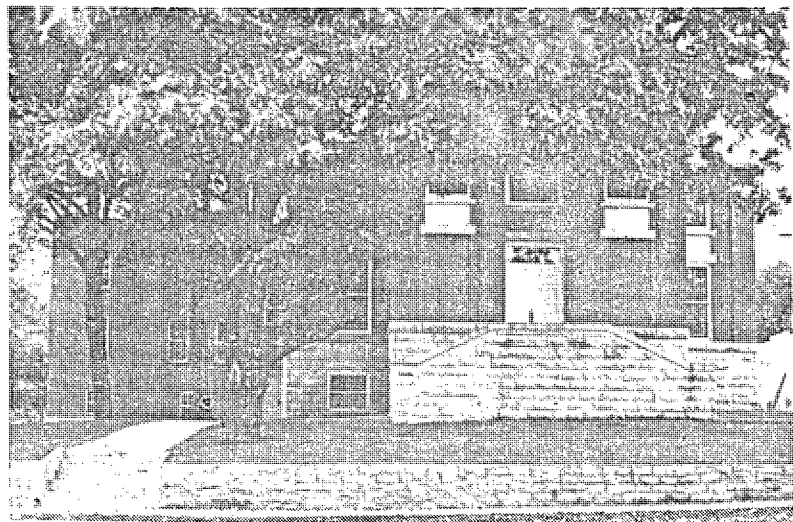
When Methodism in Harrison seemed to have died, the Methodist Episcopal Church secured property and built an institute. The building later burned and eventually it, too, was destroyed by fire. The church then secured the site where the present Methodist church was erected a small frame building. The original church was erected in 1913 during the pastorate of Rev. R. E. Connell. The Methodist Episcopal Church erected a new building which was used by them until 1938.

When the present pastor arrived in Harrison in November, 1938, he was informed that Methodist Episcopal Conference had not assigned a pastor to the congregation here and that the two congregations had agreed to worship together until such time as unification would make possible the unifying of the two churches. Within a month after the uniting conference held in 1939, we held a "little uniting conference" in Harrison and united the two bodies of Methodism here. About a year later, May 1, 1940, we broke ground for the new educational building to take care of the united congregation. The building was completed December 1, 1940.

The building program included not only an educational building, 50 feet by 86 feet, half of which is three stories and the other half two stories, but a complete remodeling of the former building which resulted in an enlarged and greatly beautified auditorium. The old building has new floors, new ceilings, new roof and a complete rearrangement and makes a sanctuary of unusual beauty. The educational building has on the basement floor the Intermediate Department, two adult classrooms, a storage room, and the furnace room that provides for heating the educational annex.

On the main floor, which is on the level with the sanctuary floor, there is a church office, pastor's study, one adult classroom, a large recreation and social room which serves as an assembly room for the Young People's Department, and three adjoining classrooms for that department, and an unusually well-equipped kitchen. The upper floor of the building houses the Children's Division and a Woman's Parlor.

Methodist Church Harrison



THE REV. S. B. WILFORD
Harrison Pastor

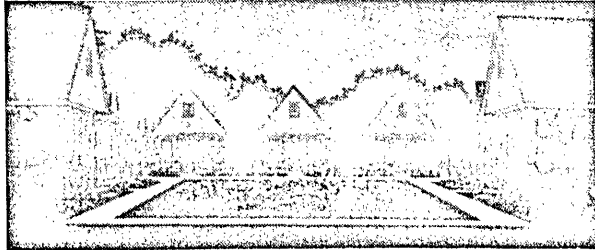
Harrison will entertain more than 500 Methodist preachers and leaders at the annual conference embracing eight districts in North Arkansas, starting Wednesday and continuing through Sunday afternoon, when appointments will be read by Bishop C. C. Seelman.

Districts and superintendents are: Batesville, R. Connor Morehead; Conway, E. T. Wayland; Fayetteville, Sam B. Wiggins; Fort Smith, W. V. Womack; Helena, J. L. Dedman; Jonesboro, Eugene W. Potter; Paragould, H. Lynn Wade. The Rev. R. E. Connell of Searcy will represent the Searcy District in cabinet meetings. District Supt. George W. Pyles died recently.

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THE RECOVERY OF PEACE

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and cease to contend for the faith delivered unto the saints.

Standing at the entrance to the beautiful temple of Israel in Jerusalem, Jesus said, "For the unfaithfulness of these my chosen people this temple will be compassed about by alien forces and utterly destroyed." There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down." To his disciples who little knew and nothing understood, he said, "And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations."

Rising over the wreckage of the city and its glorious temple by the preaching of Jesus' gospel a new Jerusalem and a holy temple in the Lord have been built. Here again some folk have perverted the Holy Scriptures. Jesus did not say nor intend any one to understand that then should be the end of the world. He meant the end of an evil era and the beginning of his new kingdom.

After World War No. 1 the world dreamed of a revival of brotherhood and the Christian religion. American churches did enterprize "New Era Movements," and "Men and Million Movements," and the Methodist Church has a "Celebration of the Churches for Missions." And all the churches attempted a "World Interchurch Movement."

All alike raised much money and had some good features but their efforts were evanescent. We speak of these movements today with apologies. Our failure was in not taking advantage of the upward tide in proclaiming the gospel of Jesus' kingdom. Again the devil misled the churches and preachers and got them into confusion concerning peace treaties, leagues of nations,

and world courts. All were defeated, the United States presenting the strongest opposition, for lack of a Christian international attitude and a spirit of peace and good will.

It always has been true, it always will be true that the first and only business of preachers is preaching. If the reader in retrospect will review the past twenty years of church history, much of it given to inaction and theories, he must confess we have permitted ourselves to be misled by Satan and have neglected the Church's first and greatest service preaching the gospel.

A revival of intense preaching of the pure faith of Jesus is the primary need. It is the only hope of human kind and the only antidote for our present evil conditions.

The Recovery of Peace

Peace and good will have never been dependent on governments. Strong and righteous governments are developed by a people who live in peace and good will. Paul in Ephesians 2:15-18, Weymouth translation, puts it clear and strong in these words. "For He is our peace—He who made Jew and Gentile one, and in His own human nature has broken down the hostile dividing wall. He came and proclaimed the gospel of peace to you who were so far away and peace to those who were near."

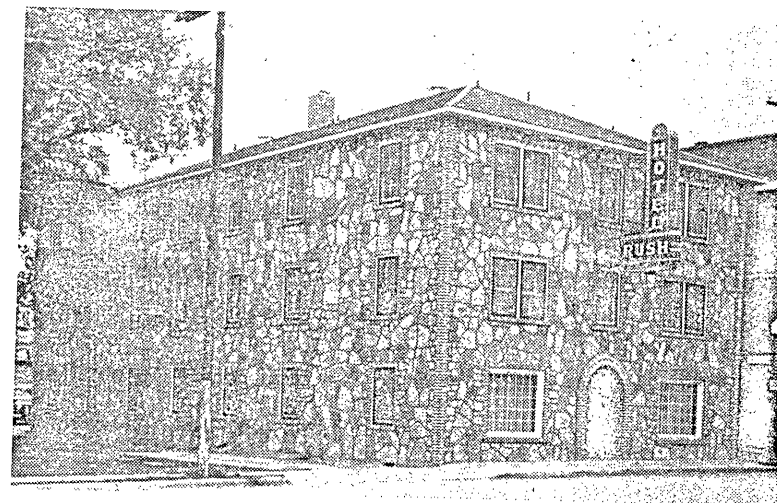
WHOMUST WIN THE PEACE?

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material comforts for us must be lowered in the process. We are not likely to arrive at that state of perfection on a nation-wide scale in our attitude toward other nations until we have reached it in our attitude toward people nearer home.

How is this desirable end to be achieved? Only by the Grace of God through which our whole approach to life is revolutionized and by teaching the children and youth that unselfishness is right and good. John Maurice Clark, a noted economist, has said: "The modern Protestant church must make men unselfish from within." This process must begin in the family circle. Many lasting attitudes are formed before the child is old enough to attend church or school. But the church has its share of responsibility. It must help the Christian home to teach the child to be unselfish in the ever-widening circles of his human relationships.

But how can we be teachers of unselfishness until we ourselves are unselfish? Surely, this is a time for heart searching inquiry into our own attitudes and practices. It matters not what may be the cost; it is high time for us who profess to be Christians to believe in the validity of unselfishness as a way of life and to practice it in all our relationships.



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MRS. J. R. HENDERSON, Editor

SOCIETIES HOLD ANNIVERSARY MEETINGS

BERRYVILLE.—The W. S. C. S. celebrated its first anniversary at the regular meeting on Oct. 16, with Mrs. C. B. Swezy as hostess. Nineteen members and one guest were present. The program depicted the duties of conference and local officers, and those taking part were Mrs. G. G. Davidson, Mrs. Fred Boyer, Mrs. Swezy, Mrs. J. W. Trimble, Mrs. G. W. Buell, Mrs. H. L. Lockin, Mrs. H. C. Wilton, Mrs. J. E. Gregson, Mrs. Vern Griffith, Mrs. F. M. McWethy, Mrs. J. L. Cooper, Mrs. Goddard Jarvis, Mrs. R. O. Beck, and Miss Ruth McQuown. Mrs. Beck and Mrs. McWethy sang a duet, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. H. A. Schoepel. A birthday offering was taken.

LUXORA.—The W. S. C. S. met in the recreation room of the church Tuesday evening, Oct. 14, for the celebration of the first anniversary. The president, Mrs. E. R. Bogan, presided over the program which was opened with prayer by Mrs. C. B. Rozelle. A violin solo was played by T. C. Wingfield. Mrs. Bogan presented Mrs. R. E. L. Bearden, District Secretary who reviewed the book, "The Keys of the Kingdom." Rev. Mr. Bearden was introduced and spoke briefly. Other guests were Mrs. Roy Dawson and Mrs. E. W. Packard, of Osceola who were heard in special musical numbers. Honorary memberships were presented by Mrs. Bearden to little Nora Ann Jackson, Elizabeth Ann Goudeaux, and Christine Johnson. Mrs. Milton Hobbs was heard in a reading. Members and guests enjoyed the birthday cake made by Mrs. R. H. Owen, and cut by Mrs. Elliott Williams, a charter member of the first Luxora Missionary Society.—Mrs. E. R. Bogan.

BLACKFISH CHURCH.—The W. S. C. S. met Oct. 7, in celebration of the first birthday. Mrs. W. G. Magers lighted the single candle on the birthday cake. The following took part on the program: Mrs. Wm. Wilkie, Mrs. Ollie Frazier, Mrs. Charles Grayson, and Mrs. Guy Dent. An offering was taken for the benefit of China relief. Rev. Mr. Dorman, pastor, led the closing prayer. At the social hour the cake and punch were served by Mrs. Magers and Mrs. Wilkie.—Mrs. Olive Pace.

EUREKA SPRINGS.—One year ago seventy women met at the Methodist church in Eureka Springs and signed their names to a scroll. These were charter members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. On Thursday, September 11, they observed the first anniversary in a service of rededication. Mrs. George Fentem, president, reviewed the year's work. She brought before the members the record of accomplishments of the first year.

In closing, the charges given to the society at the organizational meeting were reviewed and while a single candle burned in commemoration of the occasion and also as a reminder of "Jesus the Light of the World," all pledged "to live up to and accomplish the things with which we were charged."

Following this service members and visitors were served refreshments.

PARAGOULD.—Woman's Society

URGES RECOGNITION CLASSES

Attention! Secretaries of Missionary Education of the North Arkansas Conference: Make every possible effort to hold your study classes according to Special Jurisdiction Recognition plans. If you are trying to meet those requirements, you should write for an application blank before you begin your class, in order that there will be no oversight in meeting standards.

Last year seventy-two S. J. R. cards were awarded to fall study classes throughout this conference. Judging by the number of requests for blanks this year, we will fall far short of that record unless we get busy now.—Mrs. Alfred Knox, McCrory, Ark.

SUPPLIES N. ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

During the third quarter our "love gifts" (Supplies) were directed largely to Ministerial Aid. I wish I might tell you of the graciousness manifested in response to this call but I must confine my report largely to figures and leave you to imagine the joy that abounded in both the giving and the receiving. There are some societies that deserve special mention for their work but I must just say "thank you" for all you have done.

Cash received \$157.30; spent for new material \$238.79; total for Ministerial Aid \$396.09; Foreign Supplies \$128.70; for a car to be used by our deaconess \$550.00. Grand total \$1674.79. This does not include the \$30.00 we spend regularly for Ministerial Aid.

Seven applicants have received help. A large percentage was spent for hospitalization. You made it possible for a high school girl to have a needed appendectomy; you bought medicine for the aged, you gave a little girl the necessary clothing for her first year in school. May you hear Him say, "Inasmuch as ye did it unto the least of these my brethren, ye did it unto me."

For the fourth quarter direct your gift to Home or Foreign Supplies or to Ministerial Aid, whichever you prefer. This is your privilege in the fourth quarter. Send all cash to Mrs. W. T. Bacon, marked "Supplies."—Mrs. Fred Lark, Secretary of Supplies, N. Arkansas Conference.

of Christian Service, First Church, Paragould, celebrated its first anniversary Sept. 30, in the parlors of church. The program, "Women In a Changing World," was effectively portrayed in costume. Mrs. F. A. Poe, after reviewing the achievements of the organization through its first year, presented the program: Piano solo, Mrs. Atkins; vocal solo, Mrs. Joe E. Welbourn; roll call of charter members by Mrs. Dan Pepper, recording secretary. A pageant, "Women In a Changing World," with the following members taking part: Mrs. Chas. Landrum, Mrs. Lynn Wade, Mrs. Chas. Newsom, Mrs. Max Bbler, Mrs. Albert Fowler, Mrs. W. A. Beauch, Mrs. J. F. Cardwell, Mrs. Sam Witt, Mrs. Lowe and little Robert Landrum and Mary Ann Villines. Of the ninety-six charter members, thirty-three answered roll call. In this

ZONE MEETINGS

ZONE No. 1, MONTICELLO DISTRICT.—Zone No. 1 of the Monticello District met at Hermitage, on Sept. 24, with Monticello Society in charge of the program. Mrs. W. S. Anderson, Chairman, opened the meeting and presented Mrs. Hollis Calhoun, leader of the program. The devotional was given by Mrs. W. R. Massee, and Mrs. Zeb Haynes reviewed the book, "One Foot In Heaven." Mrs. Virgil White, accompanied by Mrs. H. L. Sadler, sang a special number. Mrs. W. O. Pontious talked on the work of Dr. and Mrs. Preston Boyd at the Marine Hospital No. 66 at Carville, La., and asked that the Zone be represented in the Christmas box she is sending. An offering was taken for that purpose. Rev. L. E. N. Hundley of Warren, led in the closing prayer for the morning. Mrs. H. L. Sadler led the opening devotional of the afternoon session. Mrs. W. S. Anderson talked about Scarritt College and the nominating committee, composed of Mrs. Duvall Perkins, Mrs. Frank Campbell, Mrs. I. Q. Thompson submitted the following report which was accepted; Chairman, Mrs. E. T. Attwood of New Edinburgh and Mrs. Lee Gaddy of Wilmar, Secretary. Mrs. V. O. Buck of Warren, District President, spoke briefly about reports. There were 35 present with 5 societies represented.—Mrs. W. O. Pontious.

ZONE No. 2, FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT.—Zone No. 2 of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Fayetteville District, met at the Siloam Springs church, Thursday, Sept. 25, with 92 women, representing 8 societies, present. Mrs. C. A. Waters, Zone Chairman, presided.

The morning program included an interesting devotional by Mrs. J. L. Oswalt of Gravette, a welcome address by Mrs. A. L. Cline, Siloam Springs, and a response by Mrs. Dod Carl, Gentry, a beautiful duet by Mrs. Tom Whiteside and Miss Geneva Thompson. The minutes were read by the secretary and the roll called, a representative from each society gave the year's report. Mrs. Elliott Berry, Bentonville, gave a very interesting talk on the "Local Church Activities." Mrs. W. F. Matthews, Rogers, told about the study work for the society. A delicious co-operative luncheon was served in the newly decorated basement.

The afternoon session included a talk by Rev. James S. Upton, pastor at Siloam Springs. The Wesleyan Service Guild of Siloam Springs gave a dramatization which was very instructive and should make each of us want to be better Christians and workers in the W. S. C. S. The program was concluded with a consecration service by Mrs. L. A. Baughn of Gravette and Mrs. C. A. Waters of Gentry, assisted by Gentry ladies with a beautiful and impressive candle lighting service.

The next meeting will be at Bentonville in the spring.—Mrs. Porter Weaver, Secretary.

number was our youngest charter member, Sara Manning Welbourn. A very delightful social hour was enjoyed by the guests. From a beautifully decorated table Mrs. Sam Shane served the birthday cake and grape punch.—J. F. Cardwell.

HOT SPRINGS HOLDS JOINT MISSION STUDY

For the second consecutive year the women of the various churches of Hot Springs united in their fall study. Representatives from 20 congregations took part, including speakers from the Jewish and Catholic organizations. Eight men, including the new Rabbi, Martin Perley, gave interesting addresses. The Y. W. C. A. and the Salvation Army also took active part. Four afternoons of helpful study ended with a beautiful candlelight service with representatives of the different faiths taking part. It was a time of great reverence and sweet fellowship and was most impressive with Jew, Catholic, and Protestants of the various denominations gathered about the altar, each one holding a lighted candle, seeking to shed light in a darkened world and bring a new world order. The Secretary of Missionary Education, Mrs. V. V. Kniseley, deserves much praise and credit for the results of this fine study. Perhaps there may not be so many in numbers meeting the requirements for recognition, but the greater good comes from our having united in a real sense and experienced a new feeling of fellowship with those of other faiths.

Our Society celebrated its anniversary with a beautiful party in September, at which time Dr. Smiley Blanton of New York City spoke on his latest book, "Faith Is the Answer." Twelve young women, representing the months of the year and dressed in appropriate costumes received the birthday gifts of paper money. During social hour the birthday cake and punch were served.

Dr. and Mrs. Homer Fort are leading us into a greater service than we have yet known.—Mrs. F. M. Williams, President.

tonville in the spring.—Mrs. Porter Weaver, Secretary.

ZONE 2, MONTICELLO DISTRICT.—Zone No. 2 of Monticello District of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, was held October 2, 1941, in Parkdale, with 43 present. The devotional was given by Mrs. A. T. McDonough of Crossett. "Take Time To Be Holy" was sung by Mrs. Barns from Hamburg. "Love's Gift," a playlet, was given by the following ladies from Portland: Mrs. H. M. Machen, Mrs. Jim Adkins, Mrs. J. D. Heron, Jr., Mrs. Leroy Noff, Mrs. E. L. Wilson and Mrs. A. J. Gregory. Mrs. Stuart Erwin, Crossett, spoke on "Chinese Loaves and Fishes." A poem, "Tomorrow," was read by Mrs. L. W. Moffatt, Crossett, the president of the Zone. Mrs. Harvey Parnell, Dist. Sec'y, stressed the Week of Prayer.

At the afternoon session Mrs. Haskew of Portland, expressed her appreciation of the privilege of attending the School of Missions at Mount Sequoyah and gave a very inspiring talk on the spiritual value she received from Mount Sequoyah. The reports were given for the following societies: Crossett, Hamburg, Montrose, Parkdale, Wilmot and Portland. The Zone was invited to meet with Portland for the next meeting. The meeting was dismissed with a prayer by Mrs. Harvey Parnell.—Mrs. N. J. Gossett, Secretary.

Meeting Of Boards And Commissions

NO. ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

At Harrison, Nov. 5

- (1) Board of Christian Literature, Wednesday, 4 p. m., W. F. Cooley, Chairman.
- (2) Commission on World Service and Finance, Wednesday, 4 p. m., H. M. Lewis, Secretary.
- (3) Board of Ministerial Training, Wednesday, 11 a. m. (Board members only). Second meeting, 2:30 p. m. (Board members, supply pastors and all in training classes). J. A. Reynolds, Chairman.
- (4) Commission on Evangelism, Wednesday, 3:30 p. m., O. E. Goddard, Chairman.
- (5) Memorial service, Thursday, 10 a. m., S. B. Wilford, Chairman.

APPLY FREELY

Dr. J. Campbell White has declared that Protestantism in North America is not more than 10 to 15 per cent efficient. And he lists five tests that we ought to apply to ourselves:

1. Supernatural living—living a life that only Christ makes possible.
2. Personal work—individual effort to make new disciples.
3. Stewardship of life and possessions, acting as trustees instead of owners.
4. World vision and purpose, sharing Christ's passion to save the lost everywhere.—From The Layman.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

At Fordyce, Nov. 12

- (1) Board of Ministerial Training, Wednesday, 10:00 a. m. and 3:30 p. m., A. G. Walton, Chairman.
- (2) Board of Missions and Church Extension, Wednesday, 2:00 p. m. (Superintendents should present askings). J. D. Hammons, Chairman.
- (3) Committee on Conference Relations and Ministerial Qualifications, Wednesday, 1 p. m. (Those seeking admission, re-admission, ordination, transfer from other communions and all undergrads.) (See Discipline, page 149-151). Chas. H. Giessen, Chairman.
- (4) All candidates for admission, all undergraduates and accepted supplies to meet Board. Ministerial Training, Wednesday, 3:30 p. m., A. G. Walton, Chairman.

There are three simple tests of character: What a man thinks about when he is alone, what he reads when he is tired and what he does when he is away from home.—J. A. Broadus.

I am a total abstainer from alcoholic liquors. I always felt that I had a better use for my head.—Thomas A. Edison.

There is always something wrong with a man, as with a motor, when it knocks continually.—Virginia Christian Advocate.

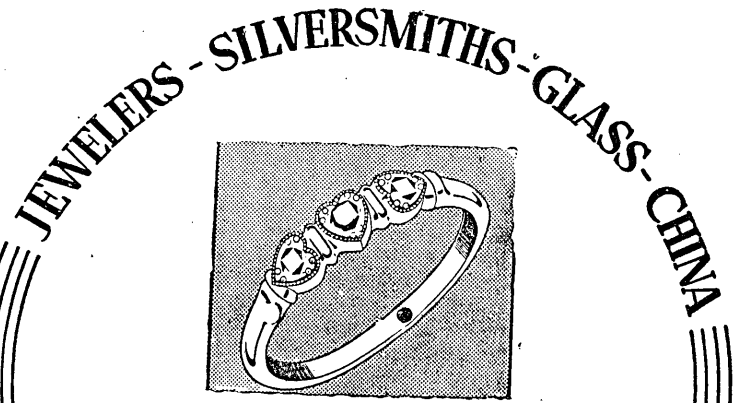
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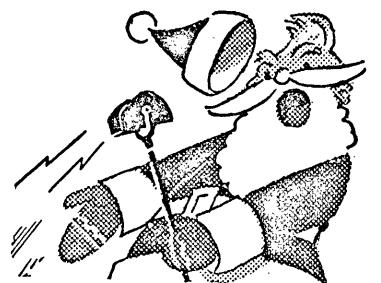
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THE LAYMAN'S PAGE

A. J. SHIREY, Editor

A SITUATION THAT NEEDS REMEDYING

We Methodists never have paid our retired and disabled ministers a pension or retirement fund sufficient to enable them to live decently and comfortably. Under the present law of the Church, distribution must be made on the basis of number of years of service. This sounds very fair and good; in fact, generally speaking it is the best guarantee of a just distribution that could possibly be given. The trouble is, it makes no allowance for cases that are clearly "unusual" in their nature. A man who entered the ministry young and retired because of age limitations now enforced, would draw something near \$450.00 on the basis of last year's distribution of funds in the Little Rock Conference. This man would have no dependents beyond a wife. His children, if any, would themselves be facing the problem of rearing their own children. This would not be a problem of the retired minister, retired from old age under the retirement ruling.

The case of the young man who has been forced to retire because of physical breakdown is entirely different. He too, shares under the length of years service ruling, which in the case of a man with only eight or ten years of service would mean that he would only draw forty or fifty dollars. But this man in all probability is faced with having to support and educate a family of children too small to help themselves. His situation is more desperate than that of the man retired because of age. Unable physically to earn a living for himself and family, the Church says in effect: "It is sad, but you should have been able to put in the number of years required for retirement on account of old age. There's nothing we can do about it. Make the best of a bad situation."

Having put in the productive years of his life in the service of the Church the latter man is not entitled to "relief" from the Government. He is cast adrift on the mercy of the world. Had he been a ditch digger instead of a Methodist preacher the Federal Government would have cared for him when he became physically unable to work. But the Church only tells him, "You broke down too soon."

In simple justice to men who happen to be so unfortunate as to fall under the classification of forced retirement in early life, the Church should attempt to guarantee them a grant in aid on the basis of family need, at least the equal of what they would have received from the Government had they not been in the service of the Church.

If Christ could stand before us on the floors of our Conferences as we pass over these cases, doubtless He would ask again of us as His followers: "WHAT DO YE MORE THAN OTHERS?" It is sad to admit, but we are not even equaling the concern of governmental institutions and business enterprises in the care of those who have become unable to care for themselves. The only remedy is a greater liberality on the part of our Church in this great work, and a Christian conscience in the matter of making a just distribution of the funds—ACCORDING TO NEED.

LOOKING AFTER METHODIST BOYS IN THE CAMPS

The General Board of Lay Activities at its July meeting paid particular attention to the problem of giving religious training and care to our Methodist boys in the Army camps throughout the country. Few bigger challenges confront Methodism today than that of properly caring for these young men. In the October number of THE LAYMAN, the official publication of the Board, the following statement appears:

Enlisted Methodist Men

Young men going from home and native surroundings into the abnormal life of training camps and defense works centers present a situation meriting the earnest consideration of every Christian layman.

The obligation of mature Christian men in this matter can hardly be overestimated. A young man leaving his home and community has a right to expect that the substantial men of his church will have some concern for his moral and spiritual future. If churchmen fail in this, not only has the congregation missed an opportunity but it has directly contributed toward separating young men from the Church when they have increased need of its ministries.

In the discharge of its obligations the General Board of Lay Activities of The Methodist Church recommends that the Official Board, the Laymen's Organizations in each local church shall:

1. Provide some fitting means whereby the local church can give proper recognition to each man going into the defense service of his country, and as a part of this recognition there should be expressions of solicitude, encouraging a continued loyalty to the Church and its teachings wherever the service of his country may take him.

2. Make provision for the home church to maintain contact with the young men in their new surroundings by correspondence and by sending them church periodicals and local newspapers, and by sending to the chaplains of each camp such books and magazines as may be available for this purpose.

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3. Give assistance in keeping enlisted men in contact with the Church by notifying some congregations adjacent to the training camp, or defense works center, concerning the location or residence of these young men, and requesting that contact be made with them and, where possible, that a report be made to the home church.

4. We further recommend that Annual and District Conference Boards of Lay Activities devise and promote methods whereby the organized laity of the conference and district may cooperate with local churches adjacent to camps and defense works projects, thereby enabling them to assume the increased load of giving adequate care to the young men coming to their communities in response to the defense effort of their country.

You Have a Responsibility

Any layman who reads the above article should know that he has a duty to perform. "Everybody's business is nobody's business." If you leave it to the other fellow to do something about the matters referred to in this recommendation by the General Board of Lay Activities, it will never be done; so DO IT YOURSELF!

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE LAYMEN

Your Lay Leader, J. S. M. Cannon, has arranged a splendid program for Laymen Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock, November 14, at the First Methodist Church, Fordyce.

Brother Cannon informs us that caravans of Laymen are being organized in some of the Districts. It is hoped that all the Districts in the Conference will have strong representations at this meeting. **THE CHURCH SHOULD BE PACKED FOR THIS GREAT OCCASION.**

The program is as follows:

Bishop Charles C. Selecman, presiding.

Hymn No. 280, "Onward Christian Soldiers."

Devotional, Judge A. P. Steel, Texarkana.

Hymn No. 279, "God of Grace and God of Glory."

Address, "Charges For Lay Stewards," Dr. James Workman, Chicago, Illinois.

Hymn No. 287, "A Charge To Keep I Have."

Benediction, Bishop Selecman.

This is the occasion which shall put the Laymen of the Little Rock Conference "on the spot," so far as loyalty and interest in the Laymen's movement is concerned. Let the watchword be: "ON TO FORDYCE!"

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—Guy Murphy, Treasurer.

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	Ad. Fd.	Cn. Ex.
Batesville: First Church	\$ 20.75	\$ 4.25
Salem	7.00	
Weldon-Tupelo	2.00	1.00
Totals	\$ 29.75	\$ 5.25

Conway District

	Gen'l	Jurisd.
	Ad. Fd.	Cn. Ex.
Atkins	6.92	1.23
Belleville-Havana	3.82	.68
Cato-Bethel	1.70	.30
Conway: First Church	23.15	5.10
Conway Ct.	1.25	.25
Danville		8.00
Dardanelle	8.50	1.50
Gravelly Ct.	4.30	.90
Greenbrier Ct.	1.55	.45
Lamar-Knoxville	5.23	.92
Levy	6.03	1.07
Morrilton	16.58	2.92
Morrilton Ct.	1.85	.15
Naylor Ct.	4.45	.90
N. Little Rock: First	21.70	3.80
Gardner Mem.	16.30	2.90
Washington Ave.	3.68	1.30
Ola Ct.	6.00	
Perry-Houston	6.35	1.15
Plainview	5.70	
Pottsville Ct.	6.50	1.00
Russellville	8.80	1.60
Vilonia Ct.	6.40	6.00
Biglow Ct.	3.90	.70
Totals	\$170.66	\$42.82

Fayetteville District

	Gen'l	Jurisd.
	Ad. Fd.	Cn. Ex.
Alpena Ct.	.23	
Berryville	5.00	4.00
Centerton Ct.	1.05	.20
Cincinnati Ct.	1.00	1.00
Elm Springs-Harmon	5.08	.92
Eureka Springs	7.00	2.00
Gravette-Decatur	5.00	2.00
Green Forest	6.00	1.00
Huntsville	.75	.25
Lincoln	3.00	1.00
Monte Ne Ct.	1.00	
Pea Ridge Ct.	1.00	
Prairie Grove	8.00	2.00
Springtown Ct.	1.00	
Springdale	14.00	2.00
Viney Grove Ct.	1.00	1.00
Winslow	1.00	1.00
Totals	\$ 61.11	\$19.37

Fort Smith District

	Gen'l	Jurisd.
	Ad. Fd.	Cn. Ex.
Booneville	6.00	1.75
Cauthron-Bates	2.00	1.00
Charleston Ct.	10.00	2.00
Clarksville Ct.	15.00	4.00
Ft. Smith: Goddard Mem.	39.95	
Midland Heights	12.00	3.00
Greenwood		2.00
Huntington-Pine Street	7.00	1.00
Ozark	9.00	2.00
South Fort Smith	5.00	
Totals	\$105.95	\$16.75

Helena District

	Gen'l	Jurisd.
	Ad. Fd.	Cn. Ex.
Aubrey	6.00	1.00
Forrest City	17.00	2.00
Harrisburg	18.00	3.00
Haynes Ct.	6.00	1.00
Helena: First Church	17.00	2.00
Hughes	12.00	2.00
Vandale	6.00	1.00
West Memphis	12.00	2.00
Widener-Madison	11.00	2.00
Wynne	12.00	2.00
Totals	\$117.00	\$18.00

Jonesboro District

	Gen'l	Jurisd.
	Ad. Fd.	Cn. Ex.
Blytheville: Lake Street	2.55	.45
Dell Ct.	1.00	
Jonesboro: First Church	56.10	9.90
Jonesboro Ct.		1.00
Leachville	3.00	1.00
Marked Tree	12.00	4.00
Nettleton-Bay	1.70	.30
Turrell-Gilmore	1.00	
Tyronza	5.00	
Totals	\$ 82.35	\$16.65

Paragould District

	Gen'l	Jurisd.
	Ad. Fd.	Cn. Ex.
Biggers Ct.	4.00	
Corning	18.00	
Greenway Ct.	1.00	
Knobel Ct.	5.00	
Leonard Ct.	3.00	
Marmaduke	2.07	
Maynard Ct.	2.00	
Paragould: First Church	30.00	
Piggott	10.00	
St. Francis Ct.	2.59	
Walnut Ridge	14.45	2.55
Totals	\$ 92.11	\$ 2.55

Searcy District

	Gen'l	Jurisd.
	Ad. Fd.	Cn. Ex.
Antioch Ct.	3.00	
Bald Knob-Bradford	2.50	
Beebe		8.00
Clinton		8.00
Gregory-McClelland	5.00	
Griffithville Ct. (Harger)	6.00	
Griffithville Ct. (Lewis)	2.00	
Heber Spgs.: First Ch.	15.00	
Central	4.00	
Jacksonville Ct.	2.00	
Leslie	5.00	
McRae Ct.	3.50	
Pangburn Ct.	5.00	
Rose Bud Ct.	5.00	
Valley Springs Ct.	4.00	
Totals	\$ 62.00	\$16.00
Grand Totals	\$720.93	\$137.39

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on these funds.

Batesville District

	Epis.	Conf.
	Fund	Cmts.
Batesville: Central Av.	\$ 40.50	\$108.00
First Church	61.93	165.00
Bethesda-Cushman	9.00	24.00
Calico Rock-Norfolk	10.00	29.50
Cave City	1.00	3.00
Cotter-Gasville	18.18	52.20
Desha Ct.		7.00
Evening Shade Ct.	13.50	27.00
Melbourne Ct.		25.00
Moorefield-Sulphur Rock	6.22	17.15
Mountain Home	5.00	5.00
Mountain View	13.10	35.00
Newark	12.60	25.20
Newport: First	27.00	
Umsted Memorial	7.89	21.03
Pleasant Plains Ct.	4.38	11.70
Salem	12.15	32.40
Strangers Home Ct.	6.00	19.00
Swifton-Alicia	22.50	60.00
Tuckerman	40.50	108.00
Viola Ct.	2.25	4.00
Weldon-Tupelo	13.00	24.00
Yellville Ct.	5.00	15.00
Totals	\$325.70	\$818.18

Conway District

	Epis.	Conf.
	Fund	Cmts.
Atkins	20.25	54.00
Belleville-Havana	13.04	34.82
Cato-Bethel	6.25	14.40
Conway: First Church	81.00	216.00
Conway Ct.	2.25	6.00
Danville	20.25	54.00
Dardanelle	36.00	96.00
Dover Ct.	9.95	26.40
Gravelly Ct.	13.97	38.00
Greenbrier Ct.	10.85	28.10
Lamar-Knoxville	5.00	18.00
Levy	25.88	57.36
Morrilton	60.75	162.00
Morrilton Ct.	3.26	9.00
Naylor Ct.	7.07	10.00
North Little Rock: First	55.71	148.50
Gardner Mem.	45.08	120.25
Washington Ave.	17.50	46.50
Ola Ct.	20.31	54.18
Oppelo	3.00	6.00
Perry-Houston	21.63	57.72
Plainview	15.75	42.00
Pottsville	8.00	22.00
Putnamville	25.00	40.00
Russellville	28.00	72.00
Vilonia Ct.	12.21	32.58
Springfield Ct.	3.70	9.90
Waltreak Ct.		1.50
Biglow Ct.	8.16	11.43
Totals	\$579.82	\$1,488.61

Fayetteville District

	Epis.	Conf.
	Fund	Cmts.
Alpena Ct.	1.50	3.25
Berryville	11.00	5.00
Centerton Ct.	9.83	26.60
Cincinnati Ct.	7.02	17.82
Elm Springs-Harmon	13.00	25.00
Eureka Springs	27.00	60.00
Farmington-Goshen	10.90	29.10
Fayetteville: Central	67.50	180.00
Gentry	18.00	38.00
Gravette-Decatur	24.75	66.00
Green Forest	23.47	60.00
Huntsville	7.05	12.25
Lincoln	13.50	36.00
Monte Ne Ct.	2.36	3.61
Pea Ridge Ct.	12.75	33.50
Prairie Grove	28.00	75.00
Siloam Springs	22.50	120.00
Siloam Springs Ct.		4.00
Springdale	47.00	126.00
Viney Grove Ct.	9.00	26.00
Winslow	9.00	9.00
Springtown Ct.	5.87	15.78
Totals	\$371.00	\$936.94

Fort Smith District

	Epis.	Conf.
	Fund	Cmts.
Alix Ct.	3.00	10.00
Alma-Mulberry	19.64	52.88
Altus Ct.	5.65	16.30
Booneville	20.32	54.00
Charleston Ct.	10.00	
Clarksville	66.00	165.00
Ft. Smith: Goddard Mem.	47.40	125.00
Midland Heights	45.00	120.00
Grand Avenue	10.00	34.50
Second Church	27.00	23.00
Massard	3.00	10.00
Greenwood	15.25	39.00
Hackett-Midland	7.25	19.14
Hartman Ct.	15.00	50.00
Huntington-Pine St.	19.80	54.80
Kibler-City Heights	2.00	20.00
Lavaca Ct.	11.25	23.35
Mansfield	20.00	54.00
Ozark	34.00	90.00
Paris	13.50	30.00
Prairie View-Seranton	23.00	18.00
South Fort Smith	11.00	45.00
Van Buren: First Church	30.00	70.00
Waldron	25.00	46.00
Totals	\$484.06	\$1,169.97

Helena District

	Epis.	Conf.
	Fund	Cmts.
Aubrey	5.00	10.00
Brinkley	16.80	
Clarendon	13.50	36.00
Colt Ct.	14.50	18.00
Crawfordsville	13.00	35.00
Earle	10.50	27.00
Elaine	27.45	75.65
Forrest City	67.50	180.00
Harrisburg	32.00	84.00
Haynes Ct.	22.71	60.10
Helena: First Church	67.48	180.00
Holly Grove	10.00	20.00
Hughes	40.50	108.00
Hulbert-Black Fish Lake	8.72	23.24
Marianna	16.20	43.80
Parkin	23.00	62.00
Vandale-Cherry Valley	15.00	40.00
Weiner Ct.	24.77	66.00
West Helena	28.10	75.00
West Memphis	35.43	94.50
Wheatley	34.00	87.00
Widener-Madison	48.46	84.05
Wynne	25.00	63.00
Totals	\$599.62	\$1,472.34

Jonesboro District

	Epis.	Conf.
	Fund	Cmts.
Blytheville: First	62.25	165.00
Lake Street	17.50	54.00
Bono-Trinity	5.46	17.46
Brookland Ct.	14.92	39.78
Dell Ct.	18.00	48.00
Dyess-Whitten	9.50	29.00
Jonesboro: First	86.68	231.00
Fisher Street	27.00	72.00
Huntington Ave.	33.75	90.00
Jonesboro Ct.	5.66	15.60
Keiser Ct.	22.00	51.50
Lake City Ct.	27.00	62.00
Leachville	22.50	70.00
Lepanto	16.88	45.00
Luxora	9.20	25.00
Marion-St. John	27.61	66.25
Marion	33.75	90.00
Marked Tree	54.00	144.00
Monette	8.13	22.00
Nettleton-Bay	26.00	69.00
Osceola	40.50	108.00
Turrell-Gilmore	17.25	44.40
Tyronza	36.00	96.00
Wilson	15.00	36.00
Yarbro-Promised Land	24.00	34.00
Totals	\$660.54	\$1,694.99

Paragould District

	Epis.	Conf.
	Fund	Cmts.
Ash Flat Ct.	4.00	7.00
Biggers Ct.	12.58	28.91
Corning		108.00
Greenway Ct.	9.90	24.45
Hardy-Mammoth Spgs.	9.96	9.00
Hoxie Ct.	15.00	15.00
Imboden Ct.	10.77	28.48
Knobel Ct.	12.40	35.96
Leonard Ct.	13.50	34.50
Marmaduke	10.10	27.56
Paragould: First	67.50	180.00
East Side		50.00
Paragould Ct.	10.00	20.00
Piggott	27.90	74.25
Pocahontas	10.00	50.00
Rector: First Church	20.00	54.00
Fourth Street	11.64	20.25
Smithville Ct.		7.78
St. Francis Ct.	11.62	29.72
Walnut Ridge	47.25	126.00
Totals	\$304.12	\$930.86

Searcy District

	Epis.	Conf.
	Fund	Cmts.
Antioch Ct.	10.37	15.50
Bald Knob-Bradford	27.00	72.00
Beebe	33.25	90.00
Cabot	33.84	90.00
Clinton	29.25	78.00
Cotton Plant	30.26	74.00
Gregory-McClelland	16.86	45.00
Griffithville Ct. (Harger)	13.00	30.00
Griffithville Ct. (Lewis)	6.20	16.50
Harrison	40.50	108.00
Heber Springs: First	33.75	90.00
Central	15.00	40.50
Hunter Ct.	7.88	24.87
Jacksonville Ct.	3.50	13.50
Judsonia	18.00	47.00
Leslie	7.35	19.67
Marshall	8.00	20.00
McCrory Ct.	9.00	20.00
McRae Ct.	22.52	55.85
Pangburn Ct.	12.85	34.33
Quitman Ct.	14.84	40.25
Rose Bud Ct.	9.13	20.16
Scotland Ct.	1.46	3.90
Searcy: First Church	25.00	180.00
Valley Springs Ct.	9.80	26.29
Totals	\$438.61	\$1,255.32

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INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Lesson for November 2

SIN AND ITS CONSEQUENCES

LESSON TEXT—Galatians 6:7, 8; I John 1:5-2:6.

GOLDEN TEXT—If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.—I John 1:9.

Sin is an appalling reality, hideous and horrible in itself, and bearing with it the gravest consequences both in this life and in the life to come. Man does not find it pleasant to face that fact, and so he makes light of sin and even may go so far as to deny its existence. Obviously such an expedient does nothing to solve the difficulty or to meet the gnawing distress of a heart facing and fearing the judgment of God.

Far better to meet the reality of it, admit its awfulness, and seek God's way of full deliverance. Sin, which came into the world when man listened to Satan and disobeyed God in the Garden of Eden, has gone on to mar and to mark all mankind. We note that

I. Sin Brings Corruption (Gal. 6:7, 8).

Seedtime is followed by harvest. This is the law of nature, the law of God. The farmer who sowed wheat in the spring looked for wheat when the harvest time came. The same principle holds in the spiritual

realm. Just as the one who sows to the Spirit reaps eternal life, the one who sows to the flesh reaps corruption, and death.

A life of self-indulgence (which is sowing to the flesh) brings moral decay. The weakened will yields to desire, and it "bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death" (James 1:14, 15). This death is spiritual, bringing separation from God, a loss of fellowship and communion with Him.

II. Sin Loves Darkness (I John 1:5-7).

There is not a bit of darkness in God. He is light. When Jesus came into the world, He came as the Light of the World. But "men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved" (John 3:17-21).

The light still shines, and the one who is walking in darkness has only to step over into the light (v. 7) where he will find fellowship with all God's people and know the cleansing of the blood of the Son of God.

III. Sin Is an Undeniable Fact (I John 1:8-10).

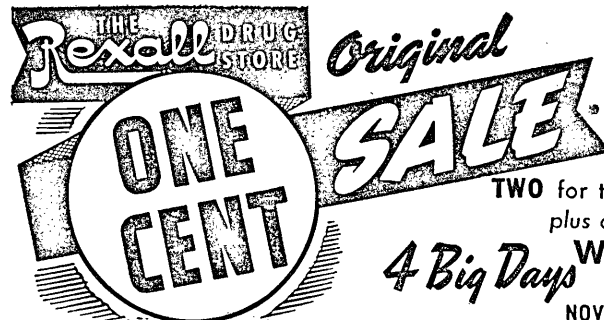
It seems impossible that a man who knows himself and knows the life he lives would ever deny sin, for it is one of the most evident of all facts. Yet men have denied it, or sought to explain it away, calling it error, or a "fall upward," or a step in man's development, or the evidence of man's self-consciousness and desire to learn.

There is no hope for a man as long as he assumes such an attitude, for he not only lies himself, but he makes God a liar. He denies the truth of God's Word about sin, makes meaningless or wicked God's dealings with sin.

IV. Sin Calls for a Saviour (I John 2:1-6).

Sin in the life of the believer also calls for a Saviour, one who will cleanse us (1:9) and who will in His own blessed name plead our cause "if we sin."

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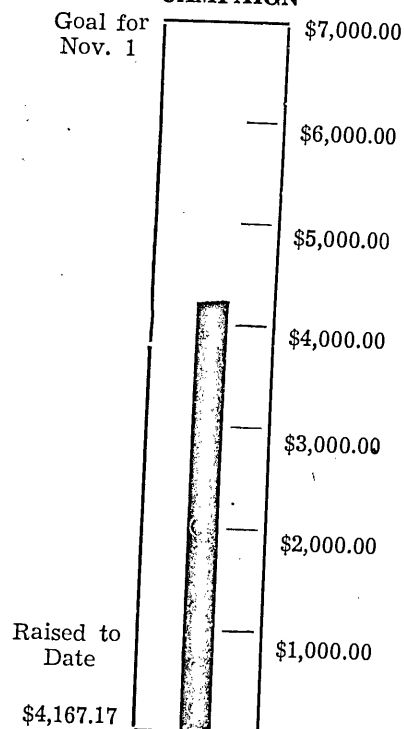
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Mrs. R. S. Arrington, 1850 Gaines, letter. . . Miss Sallie Fort Arrington, 1850 Gaines, letter. . . Mrs. Ferral Jo Ebbert, 1118 Cumberland, vows.

WOMEN HAVE SPECIAL WEEK OF PRAYER PROGRAM

The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service will be held at the church Monday morning, Nov. 3, at 10:30. Members of Circle No. 10 will be in charge of the program with Mrs. Paul E. James as leader. Others who will have a part on the program are Mesdames W. A. Adams, C. E. Mashburn, M. O. Wesson, J. L. Verhooff, J. A. Allen, Ben Boren, T. O. Owen, Randall Dixon, and Charles Mehaffy.

Mrs. R. G. Paschal, General Chairman, will preside over the business session. Lunch will be served at 12 o'clock.

OUR SYMPATHY

The sincere sympathy of Winfield Church is extended to Dr. N. T. Hollis whose father, Mr. J. H. Hollis, passed away on October 23.

STEWARDS TO MEET!

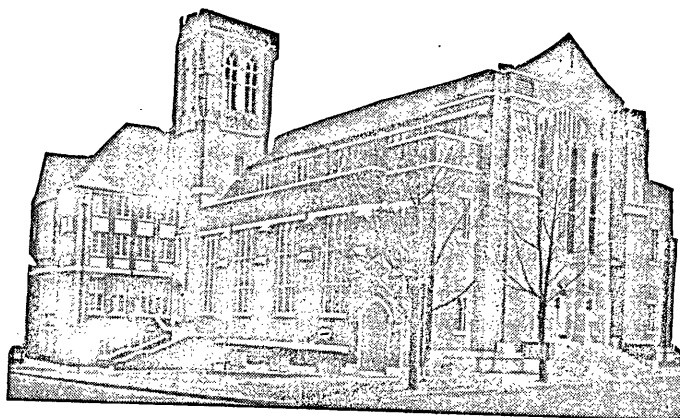
The November meeting of the Board will be held at the church Monday night, Nov. 3, at 7:30. This will be the last meeting of the Board before Conference and every Steward is urged to be present.

HALLOWE'EN PARTIES

The Hob-goblins and Witches hold full sway at the parties of the Friendship Class and the Wedding Ring Class, this week.

The Wedding Ring Class will hold its party Thursday evening, 7:30 p. m., Oct. 30th, in Fellowship Hall. It is to be a Tacky Party and Pie Supper.

The Friendship Class party will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Thompson, 3908 W. 8th, Friday evening, 7:30 p. m., Oct. 31st.



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MISS KATE BOSSINGER
Organist
MARGUERITE GOLDEN
Church Secretary

Next Sunday At Winfield

- 10:00 A. M. CHURCH SCHOOL—Your Opportunity.
11:00 A. M. MORNING WORSHIP—Sermon by Pastor.
6:00 P. M. Jr-High, Senior, Young People's Leagues and Young Adult Fellowship (Recreation-Devotions).
7:30 P. M. "THE CROWN JEWEL OF CHRISTENDOM"—Sermon by Pastor.

THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE

By GASTON FOOTE

NOVEMBER THE FIRST

This has been a significant day on the calendar of Winfield Church for the last fifteen years. On November the first the principal and interest payments on our bonded indebtedness fall due. That you might know that we are really "getting somewhere" with our building indebtedness and are not merely pounding our money in a "rat hole" we cite the indebtedness as of Nov. 1 for the past few years:

1936	\$134,000
1937	111,000
1938	104,000
1939	98,000
1940	89,000
1941	???

You will be reading this page (if you read it) on Thursday Oct. 30, or Friday, Oct. 31. And SATURDAY is payday for our patient and co-operative bondsmen. We must not let them down. We hope to reduce our principal indebtedness by \$9,000 this year. WE CAN if every pledge in the budget is paid in full. Please, if you are in arrears on your pledge, or if you haven't made a pledge, or if you haven't paid anything to date, or if you wish to pay more than you pledged, please drop by the church SATURDAY and pay what you can. Bonds have heretofore been bought at a reduction and your dollar NOW will probably pay nearly \$1.50 on the debt. Of course if you can't pay Saturday, bring your contribution to church with you Sunday. Local bills and salaries are to be paid in addition to the debt item. There are only two more Sundays until conference and we confidently expect to have a 100% financial record. We are sure we can depend upon each of you to do your best. You have always "come through" in a pinch and we are grateful for your fine response.

We shall be expecting you at Church School and Church Sunday.

METHODIST CHURCH

Christian Education

By HAL H. PINNELL

Church School Attendance
Last Sunday 724
A Year Ago 714

Department Reports

	Pres.	On Time	Cont.	Stay
Jr. Hi	68	60	37	51
Sr. Hi	64	41	41	45
Y. P.	60	60	22	40

Adult Report

Hinton Class	54
Men's Class	53
Jenkins Class	42
Fidelity Class	36
Wedding Ring Class	34
Couples Class	32
Friendship Class	24
Ashby Class	23
Bullington Memorial Class	16
Young Men's Class	12
Adult Officers	10

Total 336

Fellowship Reports

Jr. Hi Dept.	6:30—26	Church	8
S. Hi, Y. P. and			
Young Adult	6:00—105	Church	60

FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMS

Nov. 2nd—6:00 P. M.
Junior High Department: Leader, Miss Katherine Cooper; subject, "Adventures In World Friendship."
Senior High Department: Leader, Miss Betty Jo Kinsolving; subject, "Religion In Government."
Young People's Dept.: Leader, Mr. Robert McNeely; subject, "World Citizens For Brothers."

YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

6:00 P. M.
"The Angelus," a dramatic program centered around the famous painting, "The Angelus." Leader, Mrs. Hal Pinnell.

CALENDAR FOR WEEK

Monday evening, Nov. 3rd, Board of Stewards meeting and Quarterly Conference.
Wednesday evening, Nov. 5th, Fellowship Supper, 6:30 p. m., Adult Council meeting; Learning For Life School.

CONGRATULATIONS

Miss Sarah Nell Marshall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Marshall, and Paul Grantham, were married on Monday, Oct. 20, at First Methodist Church with Dr. Foote performing the ceremony.

Miss Mary Lynn Oates and Chas. A. McCoy were married on Oct. 26, with Dr. Foote performing the ceremony.

Our congratulations and best wishes to these young couples.

NOTICE!

One of the Methodist chaplains at Camp Robinson has asked us to help him find pianos for use in the day rooms at the camp. If you have a piano that you would like to place out there for the soldiers to use, please phone the Church Office and the Chaplain will be notified. He could also use small tables for playing games and writing.