When Conscientious Christians Disagree

T is not at all a new situation when conscientious Christians disagree regarding the proper course of action. Our environments, our training, our disposition, and our mental processes are so different as that our conclusions about basic matters at times are at variance.

In a matter of such major importance for life as the present world war, we may normally expect that reactions will be different. There is one thing that we should keep in mind, as Christian people, and that is that neither side in the controversy has a monopoly on the matter of Christian conscience. We do not have a very high regard for a fanatic, pro or con. We may have a tendency to impatience with one who is impractical, regardless of his position. We should endeavor, however, to be fair, considerate and brotherly with anyone who is sincerely following his conscience today, regardless of where it leads him.

Ecclesiastical Demagoguery

EBSTER tells us that a demagogue is "a speaker who seeks to make capital of social discontent and gain political influence." If we change the wording just a little we have a definition of an eccelesiastical demagogue: "a preacher who seeks to make capital of religious discontent and gain religious influence."

The statesman, or politician of the higher order, has ideas, ideals and principles born of the convictions of his own soul for which he works and fights. The political demagogue, devoid of ideas, ideals and convictions of his own, simply looks about him to discover some idea that he thinks will appeal to the greatest number of people and then pretends to get tremendously stirred up about that particular idea. The basic motive prompting such action is to help himself, rather than the people in whom he professes to have such great interest.

The analogy is almost perfect when we turn from the political to the ecclesiastical demagegue. Instead of having his own soul stirred with a message that is born of God in his own heart, he looks about him to find some idea which will catch the imagination of the largest number of people and pretends to get "hot and bothered" about his idea. His purpose again is not to help so much the people to whom he ministers as to advance his own interests by capitalizing on the discontent, or ignorance of the people to whom he professes to minister.

An ecclesiastical demagogue has a rather infertile field for his methods in normal times. He flourishes in times of great emergency and crisis. The present world disorder sets a stage on which he is at his best. We have today a spurious growth of prophets and interpreters of prophecy who work without any real basis their conclusions except the gyrations of their own fertile imagination. They feed like birds of prey on the fears, the uncertainty, the sense of insecurity which has gripped the lives of so many, amid the confusion and disorder of our day. The government is very strict about the matter of "using the mails to defraud." God, who knows the heart, will quite likely have a crowd of these opportunists charged with "using the pulpit and radio to defraud" when they stand in the judgment about which they now talk so glibly.

The Spirit of Methodism Essential to Religion

In THE articles, under the above caption, we are saying that the Methodist Church has a spirit or attitude toward the Christian Religion that is essential to the larger progress of our religion in the years before us.

Let it be said first that, in the Methodist Church, there is a recognition of the right of any Christian to choose his own church home without Methodism attempting to discredit or unchristianize him if he chooses a spiritual home in some denomination other than the Methodist Church. That attitude, we believe, is essential to the larger progress of any religious group, across the years to come, which expects to appeal to reasonable, fair-minded people.

One of the biggest handicaps that the Christian religion has had across the centuries has been the bickering and strife between religious denominations. It is not at all surprising that we have had different interpretations of the Bible



by different groups. These differences need not have been hurtful. The hurt came when some individual or group became so egotistical, regarding their own interpretations, as to teach that they are the "sole owners" of God's eternal truth, and so unreasonable regarding the opinions of others, who differ, as to rule them out of the Kingdom. Fair-minded people will hear with interest our reasons for believing certain things, but fair-minded people will hear with disgust—and increasingly so with the passing of the years-our attempts to grow strong through efforts to weaken others.

The Spirit and Genius of Methodism is characterized by a recognition of the right, the privilege and the responsibility of the individual to follow his conscience in the interpretation of the Bible for his own personal life, and a readiness and willingness to extend the hand of Christian fellowship and brotherhood to all Christian people everywhere, regardless of any differences of opinions that may exist on controversial religious questions.

Making Important Matters Interesting

B ILLY SUNDAY said in substance that the world gives us what we want and the church gives us what we need. He was saying that people are not always interested in that which is the most important for them. It would appear that there should be a very direct relationship between that which is interesting and that which is important. Important matters should interest normal people.

Perhaps we ministers are somewhat to blame for this false distinction between the interesting and the important. At least it should be our purpose as ministers to preach a gospel that presents truth in an attractive, winsome, interesting manner. That is entirely possible and it is also an obligation and responsibility. Truth in itself is not unattractive. If it appears so, the fault does not lie in the truth. The manner in which it is presented is quite likely at fault.

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Some one has said, "the job of the ministry is to make the indifferent different." Another big job of the ministry is to make important matters interesting. It can be done.

Keep Your Chin Up

ESUS tells us, in the twenty-first chapter of Luke, that there will be a time when distress and perplexity will be upon the earth; when men's hearts will fail them for fear because of the things which are coming on the earth. After this description of a world crisis, Jesus says "when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads."

This was the Master's way of meeting crisis, and it was the plan He outlined for His followers down through the years. If there is ever a time when Christian people should hold up their heads and face the world, undisturbed and unafraid it is when the world is in a panic because the sandy foundations on which it has built are breaking up. Every human life, to have any degree of happiness, must have some sense of security. That sense of security must have a foundation of some character on which to rest. There is no more terrifying experience in life than to be conscious that the foundation on which we have rested is crumbling beneath us. One feels so helpless in quicksand, where the ground one thought would sustain him is about to swallow him. Such is the situation of those who have looked to this world only for something which will give interests and value to life. The world today is taking rather than giving; it is demanding rather than sustaining life.

In a world where men stand distressed, perplexed and fearful, because practically everything in which the world trusts has broken down, Christian people should "look up and lift up their heads" because the foundation upon which a Christian life is built is just as strong and secure today as in any day. If professed Christians lose their balance and faith and sense of inner support now, it is evidence to the world about that for some, at least, Christianity has little or no real value. Religion that is vital and meaningful stands through crisis and is plainly evident to those who look on, who themselves do not have the undergirding strength real faith in God brings. This is a high day for the church and the ingividual Christian because of the opportunity it gives to demonstrate the values embodied in our religion. For our own sake and for the sake of the world we should "lift up our heads"-keep our chins up.

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CHURCH CALENDAR

June 28-July 3 — Conference-Wide Youth Assembly, Conway.

June 29-July 3—Christian Adventure Camp at Ferncliff.

June 30—July 3—South Central Jurisdiction Administrative Conference at Mt. Sequoyah. July 6-10—Magnolia Christian Adventure Assembly.

July 17-19 — Church School Superintendents' Conference at Mt. Sequoyah.

July 20-31—Leadership School at Mt. Sequoyah. August 4-15—Young People's Leadership Conference at Mt. Sequoyah.



IN THE LIVES OF MEN

By CHARLES O. RANSFORD

Liberty is not something politicians prate about or states confer by legislative decrees. Liberty is in independence of thinking and self-determination. Liberty is not conferred. Liberty is inherent in the man. The centuries have not made the slavish and backward people of the world free. The nations that know freedom have suffered in martyrdom that individual liberties may be won and preserved. From unwilling rulers liberty has been wrested by force. For liberty's protection dictators have been deposed.

What this world needs is less talk about democracy and the beginning of the practice of brotherhood. The ills of this world will never be cured with palliatives and nostrums. Some maladies are cured by burning and excisions. Others are cured by transfusions. Many common ills may be cured with a change of atmosphere or a change of diet.

Democracy is a great word, but brotherhood is greater. Democracy is a rule of man, brotherhood is the rule of God in human hearts. Democracy is the test men know under their own governments. Brotherhood is the best men know of a divine way. Democracies are begotten and maintained in a common faith of man in man and the governmental institutions that are of their own devising. Both England and America were begotten as democratic nations because underlying the whole governmental system was a recognition not only of rights and privileges but also of brotherhood.

Democracy is something that has everywhere $b\varepsilon$ en fought for. The valiant die rather than surrender freedom.

~ ABOUT PEOPLE ...

TOLLOWING the usual custom of the paper there will be no issue on July 2. In order that our readers may not miss the Sunday School lesson we are running the lesson for June 28 and July 5 in this issue.

PEV. H. LYNN WADE, district superintendent of the Paragould District, reports that five churches in the district, namely, Piggott, Cache Lake, Elnora, Beech Grove and Walnut Ridge, have been dedicated this year.

PEV. FRED R. HARRISON, pastor of Pulaski Heights Methodist Church, is to hold a meeting at the Carlisle church, beginning August 2. The people and the pastor, Rev. John W. Hammons, are eagerly awaiting this event.

EV. AND MRS. E. T. WAYLAND worked last week under difficulties after receiving on Thursday a message announcing the birth of a grandson, son of Rev. and Mrs. Ewing T. Wayland of Prairie Grove. The happy grandparents left Tuesday of this week for Prairie Grove.

PEV. ELDRED BLAKELY, pastor at Watson, announces that the church at Kelso on the Watson Charge, will be dedicated by Rev. Arthur Terry, district superintendent of the Monticello District, on August 2 at 2:30 p.m. Lunch will be served at the church. All former pastors and friends are invited to be present.

THERE has recently been dedicated in Hinghwa, China, a beautiful new Methodist chapel—the Brewster-Fisher Memorial Chapel—erected by the veteran missionary of that area, Mrs. William M. Brewster, in memory of her missionary husband and of her parents. It was dedicated by Bishop G. Carleton Lacy with a congregation that literally jammed it to the doors—students, teachers, preachers, lay delegates from the Hinghwa churches, and numerous Chinese and American friends.

PR. LYNN HAROLD HOUGH, dean of Drew Theological Seminary, Madison, N. J., will leave shortly by plane for London, England, where for six weeks he will be the guest-preacher to the congregation of the City Temple, one of England's most famous churches. Because its own edifice was badly damaged by bombing in the early days of the war, the City Temple congregation is now worshipping in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Dr. Hough has been an annual preacher in London for many years.

THE Board of Education of the Methodist L Church, at a meeting in Nashville, Tenn., adopted resolutions protesting against the proposal of a federal tax on church-supported and church-aided colleges. It is pointed out that these institutions even now are facing curtailment in revenue and in students because of the demand for youth in the war and in industry, and that added taxes will ruin the colleges. "For more than 150 years," says the Methodist educators, "the United States government, even in periods of extreme poverty, has held sacred her colleges, charities and churches, has regarded them as essential moral-creating agencies and has never imposed any form of taxes upon them."

HE library of Leonard Theological College, Jubbulpore, India, which is being widely used by ministerial students of many denominations, has been enriched by a five-year loan of 1,800 books from the personal library of an English woman doctor resident in Calcutta. Principal Orville L. Davis would like to add to the library a number of standard reference books, including a set of the Encyclopedia Britannica, Hastings Bible Dictionary, the Encyclopedia of Religion and Ethics, Cambridge Ancient, Medieval and Modern History and similar works. Anyone interested in donating used or new volumes, suitable for pastors-in-training, to Leonard may communicate with a member of the staff now on furlough in the United States-Prof. J. E. McEldowney, 5617 Drexel Avenue, Chicago,

MRS. R. P. JAMES, and children, Dwight, Lucy and Marvin, wish through our columns to express to their friends their fullest appreciation and deepest gratitude for the many tokens of love and kindness shown to them during and since the fatal tragedy that claimed their companion and father. Until about September 1 Mrs. James and children will remain in the parsonage at Lockesburg.

PRESIDENT SAMUEL TREXLER of the United Lutheran Synod of New York recently told a gathering of laymen: "We do not need to go to stories of the early church, we need not enter the catacombs, to find Christian courage; it exists today. Neimoeller has been in jail for five years; he would rather be fettered in body and free in soul. Our bishops in Norway, headed by Berggrav, have taken the same stand. Of our foreign mission posts none have been abandoned. . . . Men do not take a stand of this kind by themselves; it is only as God puts into their hearts the sense of his presence that they will obey God rather than man."

REV. E. H. MARTIN, pastor at Glenwood, writes that a great revival was held in his church, closing May 31, with Rev. Burke Culpepper of Memphis, in charge. There were twenty-two additions. He says: "Bro. Culpepper is a great preacher and revival leader, preaching the truth in all its purity and simplicity. Sinners were convicted and came to the altar by scores. We are glad over the great change that has been made in so many hearts and lives and we believe that Glenwood is a new town after this great meeting. The people responded in a great way with incidentals. We bought 250 song books to be used in services and they are now available to any who will pay postage and keep them preserved and return to us."

SUPREMACY OF LOVE

VERY man knows in his heart that there is E no greater thing in the world than pure, unselfish love. Death cannot conquer, nay He teaches ever that love is supreme. Good men do not die. Their lives are as the tearing of the veil, they show us something of that which is eternal, for if here love is greater in the heart of man, must it not be greatest in God himself? And if greater in himself, then let the mystery of his will be never so dark, we may gird ourselves each to his life's work with something more than courage. Love bridges death. We are comrades of those who are gone; though death separate us, their work, their fortitude, their love shall be ours.-John Wilhelm Rowntree, in The American Friend.

READ THE WORD

Do we take "delight" in reading the Word of God and in meditating upon it? To read the Bible as the performance of a duty is better than not to read it at all, but if we would secure from such reading the maximum of spiritual blessing, we must turn to its pages with joyous anticipation and eager desire. We will not exclude all other reading, to be sure, but we will prefer it above all other. We will turn to it as we would to a message from a loved friend. Such indeed it is—a message from the greatest of all friends. When we learn to read it as such, it will bring to us that spiritual refreshment and strength that are so necessary to true Christian living.—Selected.

Kind words are the brightest flowers of earth's existence; they make a very paradise of the humblest home that the world can show. Use them, and especially around the fireside circle. They are jewels beyond price, and more precious to help the wounded heart, and make the weighted down spirit more glad, than all the other blessings the world can give.—Zion's Watchman.

DEVOTIONAL PAGE H. O. BOLIN, Editor



While dining with a Pharisee who marveled that he had not washed before dinner Jesus pronounced his woes upon their religious formalities and exactitudes. He said, "But woe unto you, Pharisees! for ye tithe mint and rue and all manner of herbs, and pass over judgment and the love of God; these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone."

This is a saying of Jesus that even yet seems to be almost universally misunderstood by the average reader. They read it: this ye ought to have done, commending them for their tithing, but chiding them for leaving the other undone. But Jesus did not use the word this but these, and these refers to "judgment and the love of God," or as Matthew puts it, "The weightier matters of the law, justice, mercy and faith." They were not to leave tithing undone, but judgment and the love of God were matters of first consideration. It takes Moffatt's translation to make the text unmistakably plain: "But woe unto you Pharisees! you tithe mint and rue and every vegetable, but justice and the love of God you disregard; these latter ye ought to have practicedwithout omitting the former." Shaler Matthews' comment is clarifying, "While rightfully applying the Jewish law of tithing, the Pharisees had allowed a regard for insignificant prescriptions to blind them to moral fundamentals of the law."

Worship is important, but it ever tends to become formal and ritualistic. With the Pharisees it degenerates into counting the seeds and leaves of mint, anise and cummin. The great temple, built as a house of prayer, became a den of robbers. Jewish money was essential in Temple worship, why miss the chance of exorbitant exchange?

As long as Amos divine worship showed the same weakness: "Take thou away from me the noise of thy songs I will not hear the melody of thy viols. But let Judgment run down as waters, and righteousness as a mighty stream." Jesus corrected the same religious fault in the Sermon on the Mount: "Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath aught against thee; leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift."

Worship is not a substitute for conduct. We should put in practice in our daily life and business, to the best of our insight, the ethical ideals of life. We should go to the house of God for worship, not so much to honor and praise God as to come into fellowship with the divine, and to apprehend more perfeetly the mind and spirit of Jesus. Thus with constant renewal and incarnation of religious ideals we might lift the level of everyday life for ourselves and for all men, and thus achieve an ethical and spiritual brotherhood. And thus the prayer of Jesus is increasingly answered, "Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven."-Chas. Franklin.

LIFE'S PATHWAY If I would teach My child to pray I first would tru To live that way. I'd teach him to live By the golden rule Whether at home At play, or at school. I'd teach him the art Of righteous living The joy of sharing The joy of giving. I'd teach him to love His fellowman To live as only A true Christian can. -Lucille Clerget Rankin Morrilton, Arkansas.

"WHY DONT MAN DO SOME-THING ABOUT IT?"

In the midst of present world conditions we hear many people raising the question, "Why don't God do something about it?" Some have gone so far as to say that He doesn't for the very good reason that He can't. According to this theory He simply isn't big enough to get the job done. The helder of this idea, however, attempts to console us by telling us that God is growing and bye and bye in a few more million years He will get grown and then He will be able to handle the situation and our dreams will all come true. I freely confess that it may be my ignorance that leads me to feel as I do about this theory, but according to my way of thinking, "He who sits in the heavens laughs" (or does He feel more like weeping?) at the nonsense of men in trying to pass the buck even to the extent of blaming God with their own failures. God has been trying to do something about the matter of greed, selfishness, jealousy and hatred ever since Cain rose up to kill his brother Abel but the trouble is He hasn't had much help; much cooperation. He has created man a free-moral agent, under certain limitations, with power to choose. In order to make this possible God has self-limited his own original, absolute power. Man has before him the material out of which he can build the Kingdom of God on earth or a hell. The trouble is he has chosen in many cases (in spite of all that God can do other than to make him less than man and take away his free-moral agency) to for himself a hell rather than a world brotherhood.

By far the most practical question is not "Why don't God do something about it?' but "Why don't we do something about it?" It is a known fact that in all things that pertain to world betterment God and man work together. "We are laborers together with Him." In this partnership God furnishes the power and man the instrumentality.

God, so to speak, is the electric current, man is the wires and the fixtures through which the current operates. Yonder is a desert but hard by there flows a river with bountiful water to make potent for life every inch of the parched soil. Provide a channel and the desert will bloom like a rose garden. God is the life-giving water, man is the channel. There is divine power enough at man's disposal to easily build a world brotherhood; to cause man to beat their swords into plowshares and the spears into pruning hooks, but that power has not been used. Why? Because the channels have not been kept open; the wires have not been kept clear. We can never know the great longing, passion of God to straighten out the kinks in this old world, but He is tied-up to man as an instrument and man (not God) has failed. "Why don't we do something about it?" Well, for one thing the success of this partnership in world-building requires a self-surrender on the part of man to the will of God that he has not as yet been willing to make. Will he ever do it? I think so. The hope of the world lies only in this.—H. O. B.

WORK AND PRAY

The Watchman Examiner recalls that during one of D. L. Moody's journeys across the Atlantic there was a fire in the hold of the ship. The crew and some volunteers stood in line to pass buckets of water.

A friend said to Moody, "Mr. Moody, let us go to the other end of the ship, and engage in prayer."

The common-sense evangelist re-"Not so, sir; we will stand right here and pass buckets and pray hard all the time we are doing so."

How like Moody this was! He believed that prayer and work were like the two hands of one person, in that they should never be separated.—War Cry.

The power of God is irrestible when we make contact with it through prayer,—Ex.

REST AND RECREATION ON SUNDAY

All of us need them, but in these days of gasoline rationing and tire shortages we are discovering that no real rest or recreation is to be found in reckless burning of gaso-

An hour of unhurried walking in the environs of one's own home provides more genuine refreshment of body, mind and spirit than a day of driving that takes us away from our needed, and too often negelected hours of worship and medita-

What we need is not wider range of motion, but wider-ranging and more deeply comprehending minds, a vast expansion of our sympathies. a tuning up to the wishes of God himself and his plans for us.

True rest and recreation come when we remember the priorities of the Christian faith, brought home in the act of worship and in the fellowship of other Christian people.—Carl Bader.

PRAYER

O Thou Who art forever opening doors into a fuller life, from which we turn away; Who art eager to give us good gifts, which we are not ready to receive; Who hast filled our world with treasures which we have carelessly wasted; we lift our hearts to Thee, because Thou hast so made us that we reach up for a Reality higher than ourselves, as the flowers climb toward the sun. We cannot understand Thy love, which can bear with our littleness, and care about us through all our sins. We wonder at Thy patience, able to wait so long for the fulfilment of Thy purposes until we grow enough in grace and wisdom to work with Thee for their achievement. We humble ourselves in reverence such goodness as Thou hast revealed to us in Christ, as we remember that insofar as we are his followers, we follow very far off. We could not believe that Thou art mindful of us-except that each day brings us some encounter with a Will that has planned good things for us, each breath links us with a vast and intimate world that we did not create, each quiet moment brings us a Presence of peace and power, and each memory of Christ assures us of a Friend in the unseen. As Thou hast continued in love to seek us out, Thy wandering sheep, be Thou still the Pursuing Presence telling us that we are not alone; the Voice that speaks in conscience telling us that we are not without sin; the Power that wells up in our hearts making us able for all things; and the Light that shines beyond the far horizon, bidding us be sure that eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man the good things which Thou hast prepared for them that love Thee. Amen.—Presbyterian Tribune.

Time is the most indefinable, yet paradoxical of things; the past is gone; the future is not come, and the present becomes the past even while we attempt to define it, and, like the flash of lightning, at once exists and expires.-Chas. Colton.



Reshaping America

By H. W. JINSKE, Arkansas College, Batesville



ODAY we frequently sing "God Bless America." It is well that we do. Let us ask the question, however, "What is there about America that deserves God's blessing? Is it the fact that she has great industries, cathedrals, highways, raw materials in abundance, and 130 million people? Is it because we have rivers, mountains, lakes and other natural scenery that are unsurpassed?" It is true God has blessed us and other nations with these material resources. For all this we should be thankful to him. Again can God bless the way we use many of these material resources? Just a casual survey of our activities as a nation would show that much of this has not been used to the glory of God, and the uplift of man.

Yes, we must still sing, "God Bless America," not so much as she has been but as she ought to be. Not so much preservation, as regeneration is our need. There is much in our civilization that should perish. Among which are, (1) exploitation on the part of a selfish monopolistic capitalism, (2) racketeering in labor circles which takes from the laborer part of his substance and enriches only the labor politician, (3) race and religious prejudice which has never done anyone any good but enslaved those who harbor it, (4) the educational and economic inequalities that still exist in a land of schools and plenty, (5) the crime wave which is costing the nation fifteen billion dollars each year. There are almost five million criminals in the United States and only one million college students. For every college student we have five criminals. The majority of these criminals are under twenty-five years of age, (6) the broken homes that are threatening the very foundation of our nation, (7) the liquor traffic which is costing more than we spend for public education. The American people need to repent for such wholesale misuse of their talents and material resources.

Before America can be reshaped, she must first be regenerated. The crime, the broken homes, the racial and religious prejudice, the poverty, in the land of plenty, the ignorance in a nation that claims the best school system in the world, the Godlessness in a country that calls



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itself Christian, (50 per cent of the people are unchurched)—all of these are only festering sores of an unsound condition within. America should be first, but first in what? Bishop Oldham of Washington, D. C., said, "Our beloved country should be first not in sky scrapers, bank accounts, but in ideals, service and character;

not in flaunting her strength like a giant, but in bending over a sick and wounded world like a good Samaritan, not in war, but in peace; not in rights, but in duties; not in splendid isolation, but in friendly cooperation; not in the disdain of other races, but in helpfulness that will enable each nation to recognize its own worth and improve its character in ways of peace and brotherhood. Sme day some nation will blaze that trail which will lead to the New Jerusalem. This honor I covet for my beloved America."

We must be strong, not to conquer, but to serve. America must reshape herself along the lines of Christian brotherhood. God has blessed us with great material resources but if we use these resources for our selfish ends we are on our way to self-destruction. There can be no real political and social democracy without a democracy of economic opportunity. We still have too many who will sell their birthright for a bowl of porridge. These same people in order to have some economic security will sell their birthright of freedom. This must not happen. It it does, we will sink to a low level of moral and spiritual values. To some extent we need to reshape our sense of values. Today we are driving more slowly, turning corners with greater care in order to save tires. Yet many would not do this in order to save lives. We must realize that it is folly to get revenue from a source to educate our children and to cure our people from ailments when this very source promotes ignorance, poverty and disease.

Too much of our energy is spent on things that do not count, on things that are harmful, not helpful. Some of our modern devices may be called progress but in reality they are a setback to the things that really count. It is a false sense of progress. Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick says that we must judge progress by the change that has been produced in the thinking and feel-

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SPECIAL URGENT FINAL APPEAL!

Imitiative Petition Campaign Closing

Petitions Should Be Mailed By June 25

... but if you can get more signatures, please do so UNTIL JUNE 28th or 30th, then rush them to us. Petitions must be filed with Secretary of State by July 2. Arkansas Christians have great opportunity now. Are you cold, hot or luke-warm---which? Let's remember the Laodiceans, and God's opinion of them! Let's be ON FIRE for this righteous cause! Get every possible signature.

Rush Completed Petitions to Anti-Saloon League,
Donaghey Building, Little Rock, Ark.

Romans 12:11; Phil. 4:13.

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MONTICELLO CHRISTIAN ADVENTURE ASSEMBLY

The 12th annual Christian Adventure Assembly for the Monticello and Pine Bluff Districts, at Monicello A. & M. College, closed with a communion consecration service at noon Friday, June 19. A sacrifice offering of \$25.00 for Overseas Relief was placed on the chancel during the consecration service. Ninetythree persons participated in the offering. There were 118 students and 15 adults enrolled.

Rev. Edward W. Harris, dean of the assembly, had made careful preparation and capably led the affairs of the assembly. Enrichment courses were led by Mrs. Eldred Blakely, Rev. Robert Core, Rev. D. T. Rowe, Rev. J. L. Tucker, and Mrs. Winfred Wilson. The commissions were counseled by Mrs. Robert Core, Rev. Roland E. Darrow, Mrs. Perry Herring and Rev. Fred W. Schwendimann. Mrs. John Golden was hostess to girls, Rev. Alfred Doss was host to boys. Rev. Charles H. Giessen was registrar and business manager.

Miss Thelma Fish gave a program on Japan on Missions night. Brother Darrow promoted the home talent

The morning watch and vesper services leading up to the communion service on Friday noon, were conducted by Mrs. E. W. Harris. It was these services that made the consecration service so effective.

Assembly officials were high in their praise of the cooperation received through President Marvin Bankston and his college officials. Monticello was also most helpful in furnishing certain properties

The following youth officers were installed: Ray Bruce, Pine Bluff, president; Mary Jane Stockton, Dermott, vice-president; Wenona Knoll, Stuttgart, secretary; Fred Holt, Jr., Warren, pianist. They were installed at the communion service; conducted by the Rev. Arthur Terry.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP NEWS

The Greater Little Rock Methodist Youth Fellowship meeting for the month of June was held at Henderson Church, June 15, eight p. m. Venita Dobbs was in charge of the devotional period, the Reverend H. H. McGuyre gave the prayer, and Frieda Henning read the Scripture. Rev. H. O. Eggensperger, in the devotional period, presented a challenging and inspirational address, "Remember Jesus Christ." Palmer presided during the business session at which time a resolution of the Interfaith Organization of Greater Little Rock was read and petition blanks and copies of resolution were distributed. Rev. Fred Roebuck made an announcement on the Little Rock Young People's Assembly which is to be held this week at Hendrix College.-Jimmy

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A Watch Night Message From Youth

By MURRAY S. DICKSON

(This is part II of a message delivered at "The Twenty-Second Annual Conference on Ministerial Training" held December, 1941, at Evanston, Illinois.)

Youth is confused; is waking up to the wickedness of war, of race discrimination, of our economic system, and to the failings of the church. But youth also is believing.

There is a man by the name of Toynbee among the great of Britain's contemporary historians. Dr. Toynbee has done a monumental history of the world in which, incidentally, he develops the idea of what he is pleased to call the "Doctrine of the Saving Remnant." Men are of two kinds, says Dr. Toynbee. There are those who identify their ideas and their institutions—those, for example, who think of democracy on the one hand and the American or British Governments on the other as being identical. These people cannot distinguish between the virtues they hold dear and the partial institutionalizations thereof. So when their institutions fall, their ideals are for them dead. But there are other men, always a few in every decadent society, who are able to distinguish between their ideals and the institutions which partially express them. These men, even while the ruins of their institutions are falling about their very ears, yet see before them bright and clear the vision of the ideal and the practical possibility of a new institution's arising on the ruins of the old and more nearly approximating the ideal which it seeks to institutionalize than its predecessors had done. These whose ideals are not contemporaneous with their institutions are each society's "saving remnant"; they alone, their institutions being in ruins, have the courage to build new and more ideal institutions. Methodist youth is believing with all the passion of a "saving remnant" such as this. We believe with Benedetto Croce that all of history is the struggle for human liberty, that to look at a distance and lament, "Democracy is dead," is as inane as to view a corpse and wail, "Life is dead." Youth is believing that this very hour of chaos is another evidence of the working of God's laws. ye not deceived. God is not mocked, for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." The nations have sown hatred, selfishness, and greed, and now they reap their full harvest and in their reaping they make the way for a new and better world. Methodist youth is believing in God and in His Way.

But not only is youth confused, waking, and believing; we are seeking techniques. We want the training and the skill to have a part in the rebuilding of the world along more Godly lines. Those of us who are going to minister in rural churches need to know rural sociology, principles of marketing, co-operatives, and community recreation, things which are not being taught us now in the standard set-up for ministerial training. Those of us who are to work in the urban areas need to study labor problems, urban sociology, community welfare, and more co-operatives, things which for the most part we can't get in today's theological schools. Those of us who want to do full time religious work as laymen in the field of youth work or of labor relations need training which we can't get at present from the Church, but which we need from the Church, for the Church is Christ-centered, as we feel our lives must be. But I say to you with all the seriousness and earnestness of which I am capable that unless the Church gives us this training and these technique, the majority of us will get them some place else, from the labor unions, from the socialist leagues, from farmers' unions, or from other agencies which are class-centered rather than God-centered, as we want our training to be. Methodist youth wants skilled techniques; and if the Church can't or won't provide them, we'll go to someone who can and will.

In twenty minutes a new year begins. It is a year in which you, the leaders, and we, the youth, must work together as never before. As youth, we need your guidance, your inspiration, your wisdom, and your understanding. As adults, you need our zeal and courage. We want to work with you to make the Church truly God's agency. You have taught us a high religion, a religion of love and brotherhood, a religion of justice and mercy. Don't sell us down the river! Don't go back on us now in this hour of crisis. For though you do go back on us, though you do betray us, yet will we be true to the highest you have taught us. But we will go forward in sorrow, whereas we go forward in joy if we go with our hands in yours, together. Tonight all over the nation at this hour, in small groups and large, hundreds and thousands of Methodist Youth-2,000,000 of them—are kneeling in consecration services such as this one, dedicating themselves to the highest loyalty. As you come forward to partake of this communion service, remember the words of an early Saint to her disciples, words which have come to mean a great deal to students all over the nation, words which in a very real sense, express your responsibility as the trainers of Christian leadership and our responsibility as youth:

"Christ has no body now on this earth but yours, no hands but yours, no feet but yours.

Yours are the eyes through which His compassion must look out upon the earth.

Yours are the feet with which he must go about doing good. Yours are the hands with which he must bless us now.

Therefore live worthily, and strive heartily, and do all in His Honor, to His Glory, and in His Name, for

Christ has no body now on this earth but yours."

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFER-ENCE YOUTH ASSEMBLY

The Conference-wide Assembly for Methodist Youth Fellowship of the North Arkansas Conference will be held at Conway, June 29 - July 3.

Who should attend? Young people who have reached their seventeenth birthday, or who are high school graduates at sixteen. Provision has been made in the senior assembly or senior camps for persons who are fifteen and sixteen years of age. This assembly is for the more mature youth of the conference.

The registration will begin at 2 o'clock on June 29 and should be completed by 4 o'clock. Special provision will be made for persons who cannot arrive until later on

The first asembly meeting of the group will be held at 5 o'clock on June 29.

There will be no banquet this

The assembly will close at noon on Friday. Length of the time for the assembly has been shortened in order to save raising the price, which is \$7.00 for room and board and registration. Text materials will come extra, but none of these materials should cost over 60 cents per course.

The following courses wil be offered:

"What It Means to Be a Christian," Rev. Robert Beard∈n, Jr.

Worship and Evangelism," Rev. V. E. Chalfant. "Community Service," Rev. James

"World Friendship," Rev. Mark

Birrell "Recreation," Mrs. Robert Beard-

Rev. Vernon Chalfant will serve

as Dean of the Assembly.

Rev. George Stewart will be the presiding officer.

Rev. Mark Birrell will be the General Board of Education Representative. Mr. Birrell is Director of Institutes and Assemblies for the Methoaist Church. There are hundreds of assemblies and institutes under his direction.

CAMP MIRIAMICHEE

The North Arkansas Conference has two more camps planned for this year. Camp Miriamichee for intermediates, August 1-4; Camp Miriamichee for seniors, August 4-8. This camp is located near Hardy. These program are chiefly for Paragould, Jonesboro and Batesville Districts, but youth from other districts will be admitted if space will

BY AIR

From Rev. V. E. Chalfant of Vest Memphis comes the report that the Eastern Arkansas Young Men's Club is making time available over Radio Station WMC, Memphis, Saturday, June 27, from 2:00 to 2:15 p. m., to tell about the North Arkansas Young People's Assembly to be held at Hendrix College, Conway, June 29-July 3.

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LDREN'S PAGE ANNIE WINBURNE, Editor

IN STORYLAND

THE FOURTH OF JULY SURPRISE

By Ina Agnes Poole

"I can't go anywhere on the Fourth of July," wailed Joan. "Mother says that we will have to stay right here in the tourist camp all day.

Phil, who was stopping with his parents at Far View Tourist Camp for a few days, turned to Joan and said, "Joan, you remember that story we read yesterday—how Betsy Ross made the first American flag for George Washington—"

"Yes, I remember the story and the picture, too," said Joan. "But that won't help me to have a good

time on the Fourth of July."
"Yes, it will," Phil declared. "Let's make a play out of that story. You can be Betsy Ross."

"That's a dandy idea," Joan cried. She was interested in the plan now. "You and my two brothers can be George Washington and the other two Colonial gentlemen who came to Betsy Ross' home for the flag, and Nancy will be my helper."
Phil nodded his head. "That's the

idea. We will charge admission."

"We'll make lots of money because we have so many tourists here this summer," Joan said delightedly.

The children were very busy the next few days. Joan's mother helped her make a flag with thirteen stars on it. The boys cleaned the one-room tourist cottage next to the oil station. Then they planned the play. They practiced it over and

Fourth of July came at last. The children got up early, but a very strange thing happened. All of the tourists except Phil's parents packed and went away.

"Other people will come soon and they will go to our play," Joan said hopefully.

After dinner Joan and Nancy put on the Betsy Ross dresses mother had made. They powdered their hair. The three boys put on their Colonial suits. They powdered their hair, too. Then they sat down in front of the Betsy Ross cottage to wait for their audience.

Car after car passed the tourist camp. Now and then one stopped for gas at the gas station, but it went on again.

"I can't understand why no one stops," Joan mourned.

"I guess that everyone is going to hear the governor speak," said Phil.

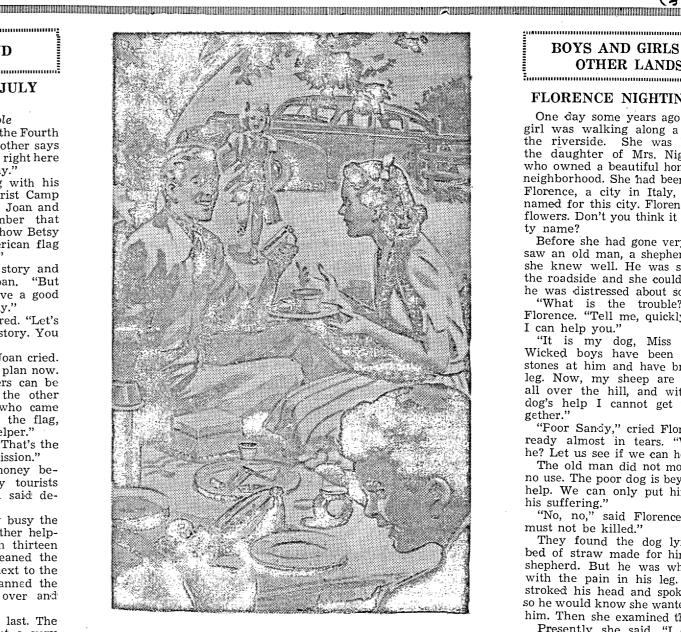
A car passed, then another and another. The children looked at each other gloomily. People do not spend the day in a tourist camp when they can hear the governor

"That car is stopping," Phil said excitedly. "Maybe those people will come to our play."

The car which drew up in the hade near the Betsy Ross was a very fine one. The chauffeur climbed out to change a flat tire. The three boys ran to the car to watch the chauffeur change the tire. Joan, with the flag in her arms, went too.

"What are you doing with that flag?"

Joan looked up. A very beautiful



HOW WE CELEBRATE

A picnic is just lots of fun When July Fourth comes round, We sometimes have it in the woods And sometimes on our ground.

Mother fixes up the lunch, Daddy buys cold drinks, Brother and I help all we can And mother says she thinks

To have good times we all must share Our pleasures and our joys, Good citizens we'll learn to be, And all the girls and boys

Who live in our neighborhood We'll ask to come join in, We'll go ahead and spread the eats The fun can then begin.—A. E. W.

lady and a white-haired man were sitting, in the car. "We wanted to give a play about Betsy Ross, but no one came. I'm Betsy Ross and this is the flag," Joan explained.

"Tell me all about it," the beautiful lady begged.

Joan sat down beside her and told her about the play. "No one came to see it because everybody is going to hear the governor speak, Joan said sadly.

"So the governor is spoiling your play!" the white-haired man said with a twinkle in his eyes. "We'll have to see about that, won't we, Barbara?"

"We certainly will! How would you three Colonial gentlemen like to go with us to hear the governor speak?" "Will we have time to change our clothes?" Phil asked.

"There won't be time. Go just as you are, and I want Miss Betsy and Miss Nancy to take the flag," the beautiful lady said merrily.

The white-haired man climbed out of the car and talked to Joan's father for a moment. The chauffeur changed the tire. Then the big car flew along the road to the next town. It entered the park where the governor was to speak. It stopped beside the platform and they all got out of the machine.

"Children, come with us," said the beautiful lady.

Can you guess where she went? The beautiful lady and the whitehaired man walked right up on the

BOYS AND GIRLS OF OTHER LANDS

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE

One day some years ago a young girl was walking along a road by the riverside. She was Florence, the daughter of Mrs. Nightingale, who owned a beautiful home in the neighborhood. She had been born in Florence, a city in Italy, and was named for this city. Florence means flowers. Don't you think it is a pretty name?

Before she had gone very far she saw an old man, a shepherd, whom she knew well. He was sitting by the roadside and she could see that he was distressed about something.
"What is the trouble?" asked

Florence. "Tell me, quickly; maybe I can help you."

"It is my dog, Miss Florence.

Wicked boys have been throwing stones at him and have broken his leg. Now, my sheep are scattered all over the hill, and without the dog's help I cannot get them together."

"Poor Sandy," cried Florence, already almost in tears. "Where is he? Let us see if we can help him."

The old man did not move. "It is no use. The poor dog is beyond your help. We can only put him out of

his suffering."

"No, no," said Florence. "Sandy must not be killed."

They found the dog lying on a bed of straw made for him by the shepherd. But he was whimpering with the pain in his leg. Florence stroked his head and spoke quietly so he would know she wanted to help him. Then she examined the leg.

Presently she said, "I don't believe that any bone is broken; certainly not the large one."

Then she told the shepherd to bring water and cloths. The wounded leg was soon washed clean and bandaged up.

This was the first patient of Florence Nightingale, who was afterwards known all over the world as the famous nurse of the Crimean War. She saved the lives of many wounded and sick soldiers. In every war since that time there have been other nurses who tried to follow

She was sometimes called the "Lady of the Lamp," because late at night she would take a lamp and go about the hospital to see that all the patients were as comfortable as possible. When the men were suffering and could not sleep they loved to see her coming with her lamp, They knew she would stop and speak and do anything she could for them.

In St. Paul's Cathedral, London, there is a monument to this famous nurse. She is shown with one arm slipped under a soldier's pillow raising up his head so he could drink from the cup of water she holds to his lips with the other hand.—Presbyterian of the South.

platform. The people shouted, "The governor!"

The beautiful lady and the whitehaired man bowed. Little Miss Betsy Ross and the three Colonial gentlemen had gone riding with the governor.—Apples of Gold.

A MESSAGE FROM REV. R. O. BECK

I want to take this opportunity through the Arkansas Methodist to express my sincere appreciation and to thank the many, many friends who I have been told sent flowers for the funeral of my wife and baby and who also remembered me so kindly with flowers, telegrams, letters and other kindness here in the hospital. I also want to send my love and sympathy to the members of the families and friends of those who were with me in the tradedy of June 1st.

My friends will be happy to know that after twenty-one days in the hospital, my injures have sufficiently healed that I am able to sit up part of the day in a wheel chair and hope to be able to leave the hospital by the Fourth of July. Nothing has been left undone by my good doctor, by the nurses and by my friends, both, in Little Rock and over the state to insure my speedy recovery and help me bear this deep sorrow which has come

Again I thank you.—R. O. Beck.

ARKANSAS METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Since my last note, we have passed through a season of grief and retrospection. A girl by the name of Dorothy Ann Winters of Widener, Arkansas, was placed in our home in December, 1925, and stayed with us until she arrived at the age when she was able to take care of herself and has been an active woman and was holding down a position at Jacksonville at the time of her death. She was killed in an automobile accident at Jacksonville last week.

Of course, as we pass through these seasons occasionally when some of our family pass on into the eternal realm, we are happy in the thought that we did our best for them while they were under our

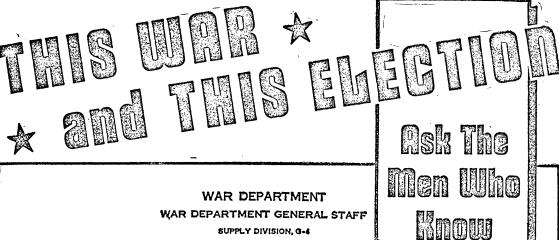
Yesterday I made a visit to the Orphanage and found everything in fine shape and all seemed happy. The thing that concerns me most is to find words to express my appreciation of the attitude of the people of Arkansas and other states in our behalf. I thank God for our friends and for those whose hearts are right with God.

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

HE GOT LEFT

Clara Logan sat by a log fire telling stories of children. "A lady," she said, "was reclining on a couch in her library one night with the light low, trying to sleep. Beside her on a table was a dish of fine fruit. As she lay there she saw her little daughter tiptoe into the room, in her white night-gown. The child, thinking her mother was asleep, advanced cautiously to the table, took a bunch of grapes, and stole out again. The mother was grieved at such misconduct on the part of her good little daughter, but said nothing. Five minutes passed, then back into the room again crept the child, the grapes untouched. She replaced them on the dish, and as she departed her mother heard her uttter, "That the time you got left, Mr. Devil!"—Anon.

It is always easier to speculate upon a principle than to act on it.-Edwin McNeil Poteat.



SUPPLY DIVISION, G-4

WASHINGTON, D.C.

December 15, 1941

Honorable D. D. Terry House Office Building Washington, D. C.

Dear Dave:

In looking back over my present year's tour of duty with the War Department and your helpful and effective cooperation as a member of the War Department Sub-Committee of the Appropriations Committee of the House, I can not let the opportunity pass to tell you how deeply appreciative I and my associates are for your vision and that of your colleagues in comprehending the problems with which we have been confronted and your tact and diplomacy in assisting us.

The Construction Division, of which I was the Chief from December 15, 1940, to December 15, 1941, was confronted with the Herculean task of supplying camp and ordnance facilities for the quickly expanding forces which were so urgently needed. Some, including Camp Robinson, were in your district and state.

Incident to the program, it was necessary to call upon you many times in working out policies so vital to the speedy construction of these urgent facilities. Your effectiveness in handling these problems in your Committee and on the floor has won for you the respect of all of us.

My best wishes and assurances of my desire to cooperate with you whenever I can.

SincereTy)



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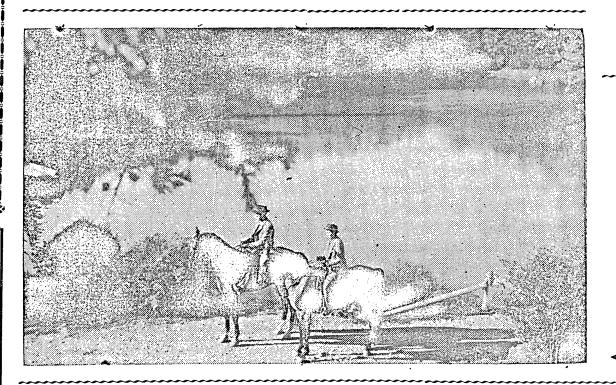
Hot Springs National Park, Ark.

By ALTA SMITH

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or even a week-end, will prove to be an excellent tonic for reviving war-worn energies.

The harder you work, the more you need a vacation to keep on working at peak efficiency.

When it comes to a resort where nature provided all the requisites of a perfect vacation spot, health, scenic beauty and recreation at one place, there are few, if any, resorts better than Hot Springs.

Hot Springs has another advantage, it is almost in the center of Arkansas. With Mr. Ickes' noose tightening around gasoline pumps and the tire situation becoming more critical every day, it might be just as well for all practical purposes, to forget all about long distance vacation motoring and enjoy Hot Springs—the vacation paradise and answer to the tire savers prayer.

This Spa, everybody knows, is particularly blessed with its famous springs—both hot and cold—and the charm of its setting in the picturesque Ouachita mountains.

Many people still think of Hot Springs only as a watering place, where millions have sought and received relief from a multitude of ailments. Through the centuries the springs have never once ceased their work of healing—bringing health to the ill and keeping the well fit. But Hot Springs also offers every pleasure of outdoor life: championship golf courses, fast tennis courts, speed boats, cance and sailboats, fine fishing for the water sportsman on Lakes Catherine and Hamilton; invigorating swimming in cold spring-fed pools; miles of mountain trails, bridle paths and drives, unfolding beautiful vistas.

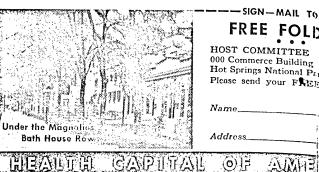
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he city, takes its name from the thermal waters which flow at the rate of a million gallons a lay to furnish palatial bath houses.

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General Hospital.

When it comes to accommodations, Hot Springs has a very wide assortment from which to choose, anging from deluxe ultra modern hotels, apart-Sonts, motor tourist courts and trailer facilities o the furnished rooms at prices to suit every ourse and taste. There are also lakeside cabins nd fishing barracks and nearby camping sites.

If you prefer to come by rail or bus, to save your tires, the Missouri Pacific and Rock Island railroads and several bus lines maintain excellent service in and out of Hot Springs, to make it accessible to all parts of the State.

The Interior Department, under which the National Park Service functions, is continuously showing its faith in the waters of the Park by a continuous program of improvement.

The headquarters of nearby Ouachita National Forest are also maintained in Hot Springs.

For more information about Hot Springs, I suggest that you write to the Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce for free literature.

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MRS. SUE M. WAYLAND, Editor

BUILDING A NEW WORLD THROUGH THE CHURCH

By Mrs. J. D. Bragg

As we think of facing this hour and of building a World Christian Community, we think of many acute problems.

The world is in the throes of the greatest war that mankind ever witnessed. We see social confusion and chaos, as our present order of life seems to be nearing a close. We think the Heavenly Father must look down upon His children with tender pity and compassion and lament over us in the awful tragedy which we have brought upon ourselves in these days.

The social situations growing out of the flood of liquor which at times seems almost to engulf us in this country, require more vigorous action than we have thus far been able to command, if we are to help stem the tide with its attendant evils. Closely associated with it comes the flaunting of vice conditions of devastating character for which present and future generations will suffer.

The rapidly shifting scene reveals crowded defense areas, racial tensions increasing all too rapidly, class distinctions and religious bigotry, all immediate and major problems. We realize if these are allowed to go unchecked, no race or religion will go unharmed—all will suffer together. We take some comfort in the fact that organized efforts to develop a hysteria of bitter hatred thus far seem to have failed to have a widespread effect. Some influence seems to have been at work in the hearts of people, who, while willing to acknowledge the full measure of guilt in the present world conflict and willing to suffer and sacrifice, still refuse to harbor personal hatred. Daily opportunity opens to demonstrate friendship to war refugees, born in this or other lands. Many of them are youth with normal desire for education and loyal to this, their native country, or to this land of their adoption and to the Christian faith.

Unparalleled opportunities open before us in foreign fields. We have only touched the fingers of the recommendations of recent world conferences as they pointed the way along every line of Christian advance. These are days for the strengthening of fellowship with the younger churches as the world shrinks geographically.

We recognize that the world which we hope to have a share in building must be different from our present world. We believe our Christ would wish us to help in giving it new minds, new bodies, new héarts, none of these being possible except as we realize that the hope of the world is in the words, "If any man is in Christ, he is a new crea-The need is not only for outward change but for inner transformation, which automatically brings new motives of action. . .

So we Methodist women face this hour, through the area of evangelism, attempting to find new, appealing methods by which the old, yet ever-new message may be given o spiritually hungry hearts every5.......... Behold, He that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep. Psalms 121:4.

I'LL PAUSE TO PRAY

By EDNA R. BROWN

When darkness is dissolved in dawn; When midday hours move quickly on; When twilight deepens-and is gone; Throughout the whole of day-Lest I become too faint and wan, Dear Lord, I'll pause to pray.

When joy abounds and all is fair; When life is pressed with heavy care; When someone's burden I would share; Whatever greets me on the way-Lest I should fail thee, here or there, Dear Lord, I'll pause to pray. -Herald of Holiness.

TUCKERMAN W. S. C. S.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service met in the auditorium of the Tuckerman Methodist Church, June 3, for the monthly program and business meeting.

The worship program was opened with quiet music played by Mrs. Henry Penix.

Mrs. D. C. Dowell, leader, sang as a vocal solo, "Jesus Shall Reign," and gave the meditation, "World Christian."

An interesting topic on Kingling College, China, was given by Mrs. K. K. Kimberlin.

Mrs. Alice Graham, president, had charge of the business meeting, in which she presented thirty-six nice, new folding chairs, bought by the society, to be used as needed in the department of the church; also the society authorized Mrs. Myrtle Dowell, Christian Social Relation chairman, to buy a second Defense Bond, June 30.

Plans for the Bible Study, "Our Times," were given by Mrs. M. D. Harris, study leader. The first study to be given in the church on the afternoon of June 9, by Mrs. K. K. Kimberlin.

The society has a membership of forty-four, divided into three circles, which are trying to carry on a well-rounded program of church activity. On the evening of May 23, Circle Number 2, under the supervision of Mrs. K. K. Kimberlin, Circle chairman, assisted by Mrs. O. B. Armstrong, sponsored a dinner, given at the Masonic Hall for the men of the town.

The Spiritual Life group is help-

here; through the area of education, ever-changing, yet ever to be kept Christian; through the challenging area of social welfare, medical and rural work, with special emphasis upon the needs of childhood; through the area of citizenship—world citizenship—which must demonstrate in daily living our preaching of brotherhood and goodwill among all races.

ing to build a Spiritual Tower for the entire church.

The Wesleyan Guild has a membership of ten, with a well organized program that is doing good work, under the leadership of Mrs. Taylor Dowell.—Mrs. M. D. Harris, Reporter.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

Eighty-five delegates from Zones 1 and 2 of the Fayetteville District of the Woman's Society of Christian Service met June 18 at Fayetteville Methodist church. Program was in charge of Mrs. Sæn McNair, District Secretary. Special guest speakers were Mrs. W. T. Bacon, Booneville, Conference Treasurer; Mrs. John McClure, Danville, Secretary Children's Work; Miss Estelle McIntosh, Deaconess, and Mrs. Carl Beadles, Rural Worker, and Mrs. J. B. Randolph, Secretary of Fort Smith District. Also Mrs. Anne Fellows, Panama City, Fla., and Miss Melba Rogers, Fayetteville, soloists. Mrs. J. S. Moulton, Springdale, and Mrs. H. C. Hankins, Fayetteville, gave report on Batesville Conference, and Mrs. Sam McNair gave report on General Assembly, Columbus, Ohio. Mrs. Slade, Fayetteville, and Mrs. W. A. Tittle, Lincoln, conducted special devotionals. —Mrs. Carl Wright, Secretary.

NOTICE, SECRETARIES OF C.S.R. AND L.C.A., LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

All reports for second quarter are due July 1.—Lila Ashby, Secretary.

Your character cannot be essentially injured except by your own acts. Good company and good conversation are the very sinews of virtue. Nothing is so strong as gentleness; nothing so gentle as strength. The benefits we receive must be rendered again, line for line, deed for deed, to somebody.-Emerson.

Thinking carefully and acting careflessly are seldom bedfellows .-Exchange.

TEXARKANA MEETING W. S. C. S.

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The executive meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of First Methodist church, Sixth and Laurel streets, was held Monday morning, with Mrs. Has Owen, president, presiding. Splendid reports of the various officers were given.

Announcement was made that Mrs. A. R. McKinney, conference president, would tell of her recent trip to the First General Assembly in Columbus, Ohio, at the evening service, June 14, at First Methodist church.

Circle chairmen were asked to urge the payment of the cultivation

After business, the program and fellowship meeting opened with a music prelude by Mrs. D. L. Venable. Mrs. J. R. Wiseman was leader, the subject of the program being "The Social Influence of a China College in a Changing Environment."

As a call to worship, Mrs. Wiseman read an ancient Chinese hymn. "God of Grace and God of Glory," was sung.

Mrs. A. J. Christie told an interesting story, "The Failure of Joshua Martin, Who Proved a Success." Questions and answers from China were given by Mrs. Wiseman. Mrs. H. W. Newbold told of the changing environment in China, after which the hymn, "A Charge to Keep I Have," was sung.

Miss Hallie Buie, a returned missionary, gave excerpts from a series of sermons which she attended in Hot Springs recently. Meeting was dismissed by Mrs. A. S. De-

At the conclusion, Dr. Jannis and Dr. Abrams, Bowie and Miller county health officers, showed films on social diseases and asked the women to take action to bring pressure on city officials in regard to hospitals for the needs of local citi-

BETHLEHEM W. S. C. S.

The Womans Society met at the church June second for the monthly meeting, with eighteen members and three visitors present.

The program was in charge of Mrs. Grace James, assisted by Mrs. Golden, Mrs. Tedford, Mrs. Lucile Gunter, Thelma Jones and Hazel Tedford

Subject of the program, "Social Influence of a China College." Opening song, "Where He Leads

Worship service was conducted by Mrs. James, assisted by Mrs. Dochia Cochran. Prayer by Mrs. Mollie Cochran.

World Outlook report was given by Mrs. Benton Leigh.

A special prayer for our foreign work and guidance of our armed forces was given by Mrs. Lillian

Meeting dismissed by Mrs. Maude Fawcett.—Reporter.

Success operates on the self-service plan.—Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

HRISTIAN EDUCATIO

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REV. IRA BRUMLEY, Executive Secretary North Arkansas Conference, Conway, Ark.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE NOTES

By Clem Baker

Monticello Christian Adventure

The Christian Adventure Assembly for our Junior High boys and girls for the Pine Bluff and Monticello Districts held at Monticello A. M. College last week was one of the most successful sessions we have ever had. It is being reported on our youth page this week. On behalf of the Board of Education we want to thank Dean Edward Harris and all his fine associates for their good work.

As we write this we are getting off to the Conference Young People's Assembly in session at Hendrix College this week. A full account of this will be found in next week's Methodist. From present reports we are expecting our usual splendid attendance. With the exception of our conference at Mt. Sequoyah this Assembly is the largest Methodist Youth gathering held in Arkansas each year. We want to thank our District Superintendents, District Directors and other for their splendid efforts in promoting the attendance upon this Assembly.

Christian Adventure Camp at Ferncliff Next Week

Our Christian Adventure Camp for Junior boys and girls from the Arkadelphia and Little Rock Districts will open at Ferncliff next Monday afternoon, June 29th and close after the noon meal Friday, July 3. Our Camp Director, Rev. Fred R. Harrison reports the largest pre-enrollment for this camp that we have ever had. Our pastors will please remember to remind our young people to take along enough sugar to meet their needs while at the camp. The Ferncliff management provides excellent meals but a government regulation makes it impossible for them to secure sugar for table use. Other groups meeting at Ferncliff this summer have carried their own sugar and have gotten along beautifully. We are sure that our Methodist boys and girls will be glad to do the same.

Magnolia Assembly

The last of our Christian Adventure Assemblies for the Little Rock Conference this summer will be held for the Junior Hi boys and girls of the Camden, Prescott and Texarkana Districts at Magnolia A. & M. College, July 6-10. This is the largest of our Christian Adventure Assemblies. Rev. Roy E. Fawcett is Director and with him will be associated a fine a group of adult counsellors, instructors and leaders as can be found in Arkansas.

Bishop Selecman Emphasizes Education Advance

Our own Bishop Charles C. Selecman, passing through Little Rock saturday stopped long enough to outline plans for putting new and increased emphasis upon the Christian Education Advance in all the Conferences in his Episcopal area. Final details for an intensive campaign to be launched early this fall will be worked out in a meeting with the District Superintendents and Executive Secretaries of his area at Mt. Sequoyah next week.

THE SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER

"PREPARING FOR REVIVAL MEETINGS" By CLEM BAKER

During the next two months hundreds of revival meetings will be held in the country churches in Arkansas. Our Church School Superintendents can do much to make these revival meetings a success. The following steps should be taken at once:

The Superintendent and pastor should have a meeting with all the officers and teachers of his school for consecration and prayer and study of the literature prepared for helping each age group in evangelistic work.

2. Each teacher should make a list of all the pupils who

have not already united with the church.

3. The teacher should seek a personal conference with each of these pupils and try to win each one of them for Christ and a decision for church membership. The superintendent and pastor will assist the teacher in this task. A list of all prospective church members should be given the pastor, who should form a class and train all Church School pupils in the meaning of church membership.

4. The new members from the Church School should be re-

ceived on the first Sunday of the revival meeting.

If each Methodist School in Arkansas will follow this simple plan, there will be thousands of our Church School pupils uniting with the church this summer. Literature on how to win Church School pupils for Christ in each age group can be secured free from the Service Department of the Board of Education, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tennessee. Let each superintendent remember that winning his boys and girls and young people for Christ is one of the supreme tests of his success as a leader in the church.

We are fortunate to have a Bishop with such fine interest in the Educational Frogram of the church.

CHURCH SCHOOL RALLY DAY OFFERINGS

North Arkansas Conference

The following Church School Rally Day offerings have been received since our last report:

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Green Forest 2.0	0
Helena District	
LaGrange 3.0	0
Forest Chapel 1.5	
Brinkley 15.0	0
Wesley 4.0	0
Forrest City 50.0	0
Paragould District	
Wright's Chapel 2.0	0
Liberty Hill 1.0	
Gravel Hill 1.0	0
Langley's Chapel 1.0	0
Moore's Chapel 1.0	
Walnut Ridge 25.0	0
Lorado Ct 2.2	
Searcy District	_
Cabot 16.0	0
Central 1.5	
Floyd	-
McClelland 2.5	-
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Griffithville	
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Heber Springs, First 20.00

New Hope 1.00

Ellis Chapel 2.00

Due to the splended cooperation of district superintendents, pastors and church schools superintendents, we have received on Church School Rally Day offerings \$628.97, more than received to same date of 1941.

The above splendid report has been made possible by two hundred and four church schools. This is only a little more than one third of the church schools in the North Arkansas Conference. It is hoped that each church school will yet observe Church School Rally Day and make report to Board of Education, Hendrix College, Conway, Ark. Some schools may have already observed the day but have not sent in report. —Ira A. Brumley.

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFER-**ENCE NOTES**

By Ira A. Brumley

Conway Christian Adventure Assembly

The Conway Christian Adventure Assembly for intermediates of the Conway, Searcy and Helena Districts was conducted June 15-19, with Rev. S. O. Patty of Augusta as director.

The following other persons served as members of the staff: Mrs. S. O. Fatty, Augusta; Mrs. J. Frank James, North Little Rock; Rev. and Mrs. Glenn Sanford, Conway; Rev. William Stewart, Plummerville; Mrs. John C. Miller, Heber Springs; Rev. Leroy Russell, Siloam Springs; Miss Ellen Henderson, Conway; and Miss Mary Ellen Smith, Conway.

The attendance this year has surpassed the attendance of last year.

Conway Senior Assembly

The North Arkansas Conference conducts an annual Senior Assembly at Conway for young people,

ages 15-17. This assembly is primarily for young people of Conway, Searcy and Helena Districts. Other young people of senior age are permitted to attend, should they so desire. Two churches outside these districts were represented this year.

The staff was composed of the following persons: Rev. Alfred Knox, McCrory; Mrs. W. M. Woodsmall, North Little Rock; Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Spicer, Harrison; Mrs. H. H. Bumpers, Conway; and Rev. E. J. Holifield, North Little Rock.

The attendance on this assembly was very satisfactory.

Camp Sequoyah

A camp for seniors of the Fort Smith and Fayetteville Districts was conducted June 16-20, with the following staff members: Rev. Sam B. Wiggins, Fayetteville, serving as Dean; Mrs. Sam B. Wiggins, Fayetteville; Miss Gilberta Walton, Siloam Springs; Rev. I. L. Claud, Booneville; Rev. Lloyd Conyers, Bentonville; and Rev. Martin Bierbaum, Greenwood.

While this camp served only two districts, the attendance was excellent.

Camp Oquoyah

Camp Oquoyah, for intermediates of the Fayetteville and Fort Smith Districts, was held at Mt. Sequoyah, Fayetteville, Arkansas, June 16-20, with the following staff members: Rev. J. M. Barnett, Ozark, Director; Mrs. J. M. Barnett, Ozark; Miss Fru Ella Carolan, Fort Smith; Rev. J. T. Byrd, Van Buren; Mrs. Robert W. Gregg, Fort Smith; Rev. William F. Cooley, Siloam Springs; Mrs. C. P. McDonald, Fort Smith; Rev. Floyd G. Villines, Jr., Elm Springs; Miss Anna Rose Miller, Fort Smith; and Miss Estelle McIntosh, Waldron.

This camp has been carried on for a number of years, with the attendance growing from year to year. The attendance this year is the best in the history of the camp.

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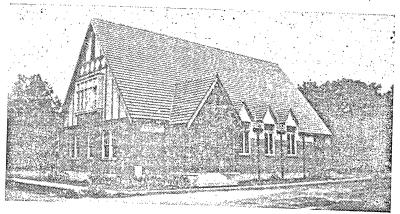
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Bald Knob Church Dedicated

Bishop Charles C. Selecman dedicated the Methodist Church at Bald Knob Sunday evening, June 14. The devotional service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. L. Shelby. Rev.

been quite a problem for some years, was raised by the present pastor since the last Annual Conference.

This beautiful church, well



BALD KNOB METHODIST CHURCH



BISHOP CHARLES C. SELECMAN

H. H. Griffin, District Superintendent of Searcy District; Rev. R. E. Connell, pastor of First Church, Searcy; Dr. Connor Morehead, pastor of First Church, Little Rock, and Rev. F. E. Lark, pastor at Judsonia were present at the dedication service.

Five churches, of other denominations in Bald Knob, dismissed their evening services and joined in the service. A part of the service, very interesting and very significant to the local congregation, was the burning of the note and mortgage which has stood against the church for about fifteen years. The balance of the debt on the church, which has



REV. JAMES L. SHELBY

planned and adequate for the present needs of the congregation, was built during the pastorate of Rev. J. M. Hughes, in 1927. The administration of Bro. Hughes in this charge was progressive and constructive as is evidenced by this splendid structure. Other pastors who served this charge since the present building was erected are: Rev. W. J. LeRoy, Rev. C. R. Culver, Rev. V. E. Chalfant, Dr. Charles Franklin, Rev. J. J. Webb, Rev. H. J. Harger, Rev. H. A. Stroup, Rev. J. W. Moore and the present pastor Rev. J. L. Shelby.

The pastor is very happy over the record the charge is making this year. While the paying of the indeb-

tedness against the church and its dedication are the outstanding achievements of the year, there are other features of the year's program of which our people are proud. The Bald Knob-Bradford charge is the first pastoral charge in the North Arkansas Conference to pay its Benevolent Assessment in full for the year. In addition to this payment, the charge has paid every other assessment made against it in full for the year. Some of these assessements have been over paid. There is now no other financial obligations to be met this year except the balance of assessments for salaries. The assessments for salaries are over-paid to date.

This is a delightful charge to serve. The membership is made up of good people young and old who



REV. H. H. GRIFFIN

are very cooperative in the program of the Kingdom. Our people are very appreciative of our District Superintendent, Rev. H. H. Griffin and feel that he is one of the best in the connection. He works at the job himself and helps the pastor to be his best.

With the new spirit that has come into the church as a result of the payment of the debt, we feel that the door is open for a great forward movement.—J. L. Shelby, Fastor.

HENDRIX COLLEGE

College education is getting a stamp of approval even from the gods of war. Hendrix College officials have recently expressed gratification that U. S. war officials recognize the value of college training and are trying to reduce interference between it and the war program.

Few people, said officials this week, are aware of the many ways in which men of college age can do their part and yet be granted the opportunity to enter upon or continue their college education.

To the men of college age, selective service heads have said, "Stay in college; when we really need you we will call you. In the meantime prepare yourself for greater service both now and later in the cause of peace."

Specific recognition is being given by the government to educational programs leading toward army, navy and marine commissions.

Under the army air corps program, students in accredited colleges can enter the air force enlisted reserve but continue in school until

graduation. They will then receive training for commissions as bombardiers, navigators, pilots, photographers, or in engineering, armament, communications or meteorology.

Under the marine corps reserve plan, students are permitted to remain in college till graduation and then begin training toward a second lieutenant's commission.

The Navy's V-1 program is open to college freshmen and sophomores 17 to 19 years old inclusive. Near the end of the sophomore year, V-1 enrollees take an examination prepared by the navy. Those passing satisfactorily may either enter the air crops training program at the end of the sohomore year, leading to a commission as a naval aviator, or they may continue to graduation and then train for a deck or engineering officer's career,

Literature on any of the various programs can be obtained by adcressing the committee on students at Hendrix, officials said.—Paul

Hate is the misuse of the soul's power to love.—Virginia Methodist

RESHAPING AMERICA

(Continued on Page Four)

ing of the people with respect to the prinicples of Christ.

The real test of a civilization does not lie in the machines that it has built nor in the facts of knowledge that it has accumulated. All of these are good in their place. The real test of a civilization lies in the quality of the people that it produces and in the quality of their living. Before we can have a better world we must have some better men. Christ is big enough. Are we big enough? It will do us no good to make new maps and to set up a new order unless we first make new men regenerated by the spirit of

Grown-ups may learn something from little Johnnie. On the morning of his birthday this notice was found pasted on the door of his room: "Remember my birthday; give till it hurts."—Ex.

He who will not be counseled will not be helped.—Virginia Methodist

QUARTERLY CONFERENCES LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT

Third Round

June 7—First Church, 11:00 a. m.; St. Mark's, 8:00 p. m.

June 14—28th Street, 11:00 a. m.; Hen-

derson, 8:00 p. m.
June 21—Austin Circuit at Smyrna, 11:00 a. m.; DeValls Bluff, 8:00 p. m. June 28—Scott Street, 11:00 a. m.; Prim

rose, 8:00 p. m. July 11-Hickory Plains Circuit, Hebron, 11:00 a. m.

July 12-Pulaski Heights, 8:00 p. m. July 18-Carlisle Circuit at Carlisle, 11:00

a. m. July 19—Carlisle, 11:00 a.m.; Eagle 3:00 p. m.; Mabelvale, 8:00 p. m. y 26—Douglasville-Geyer Springs at

Douglasville, 11:00 a. m.; Geyer Spgs., 8:00 p. m. August 2—England, 11:00 a. m.; Hunter

August 2—England, 11:00 a. m.; Hunter Memorial, 8:00 p. m. August 9—Winfield Memorial, 11:00 a. m.; Capitol View, 8:00 p. m. August 16—Bryant Circuit, Mt. Carmel, 11:00 a. m.; Highland 8:00 p. m. August 23 — Keo-Tomberlin-Humnoke at Tomberlin, 11:00 a. m.; Forest Park,

Tomberlin, 11:00 a. m.; Forest Park, 8:00 p. m.

August 30 — Bauxite-Sardis at Sardis, 11:00 a. m.

August 30—Asbury, 8:00 p. m.

September 7—Des Arc-New Bethel at Abbington, 11:00 a. m.; Hazen, 8:00 p. m.—C. M. Reves, D. S.

HELENA DISTRICT—Third Round

Harrisburg, June 21, 11:00 a. m. Weiner, at Pleasant Valley, June 21, 3:00

p. m.
West Helena, June 28, 11:00 a. m.
Elaine, at Mellwood, June 28, 8:00 p. m.
Colt, at Wesley's Chapel July 5, 11:00 a. m.

a. m.
Haynes, at Palestine, July 5, 3:30 p. m.
Hulbert, at Hulbert, July 12, 11:00 a. m.
Widener, at Tuni, July 12, 8:00 p. m.
Vanndale-Cherry Valley, at Vanndale,
July 26, 11:00 a. m.
Wynne, July 26, 8:00 p. m.
Holly Grove-Marvel, at Turner, August 2,
11:00 a. m.

11:00 a. m. Aubrey, at Forest Chapel, August 2, 8:00

p. m. Brinkley, August 9, 11:00 a. m. Wheatley, at Salem, August 9, 3:00 p. m. Marianna, August 9, 8:00 p. m. Clarendon, August 16, 11:00 a. m. Clarendon, August 16, 11:00 a. m.
Forrest City, August 16, 8:00 p. m.
Crawfordsville, August 23, 11:00 a. m.
Earle, August 23, 8:00 p. m.
Parkin, August 20, 11:00 a. m.
West Memphis, August 30, 8:00 p. m.
— J. L. Dedman D. 8

-J. L. Dedman, D. S.

A GRAVE EMERGENCY

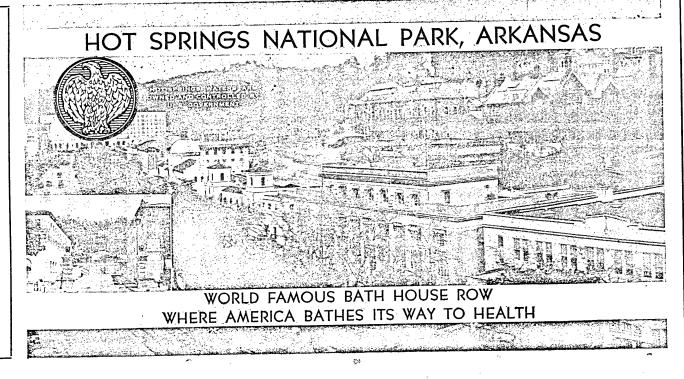
Today our nation and our state are facing a shortage of trained nurses. So many nurses have entered the service in army and navyhospitals, in hospitals of war production plants, etc., that an acute situation prevails in civil life. There is an urgent need for well qualified young women in the different schools of nursing throughout the country in this grave emergency.

If our civilian hospitals are to be maintained, if the war emergency is to be met, it is necessary that the call for young women to enter training he received without delay.

Many hundreds of Arkansas' daughters have been trained in the noble profession of nursing in the Baptist State Hospital School of Nursing, and have been fitted for every phase of the nursing profession. Today graduates of this School of Nursing are to be found in army and navy foreign service, in army camp hospitals at home, in war production hospitals, in college hospitals, in public health service, as doctors' assistants, in private nursing service, etc. In fact, the call for Baptist Hospital School graduates cannot possibly be filled owing to the great demand.

The Baptist Hospital School will be glad to receive applications from qualified young women desirous of entering the nursing profession. Applications should be sent in immediately for the September class. Candicates wishing to take the threeyear course should apply in person or by letter to the Superintendent of Nurses, Baptist State Hospital,

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The Sunday School Lesson By DR. W. P. WHALEY



Unmasking Alcohol Propaganda

LESSON FOR JUNE 28

LESSON TEXT: Proverbs 21:17; 23:32; Isaiah 5:20,23; Hosea 4:11; Joel 3:2-3; Ephesians 5:18. GOLDEN TEXT: "If sinners entice thee, consent thou not." Prov. 1:10.

I God's Written and Standing Protest.

"He that loveth pleasure shall be a poor man: He that loveth wine and oil shall not be rich." (Prov. 21:17).

"At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder." (Prov. 23:32).

"Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that putteth darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight! Woe unto them that are mighty to drink wine, and men of strength to mingle strong drink; that justify the wicked for a bribe, and take away the righteousness of the righteous from him!" (Isa. 5:-20-23).

"Whoredom and wine and new wine take away the understanding." (Hos. 4:11).

For my people, and have given a boy for a harlot, and sold a girl for wine, that they may drink." (Joel

"And be not drunken with wine, wherein is riot, but be filled with the Spirit." (Eph. 5:18).

These and many other similar passages have made Christian people acquainted with God's attitude toward liquor: the thing that keeps so many poor; the thing that bites and stings; the thing that blinds multitudes; the thing that makes fools think they are smart; the thing that makes weak men think they can carry it; the thing that will bribe our state and nation; the thing that makes it so difficult for thousands to be decent and religious; the thing that links up with whoredom and prostitution; the thing that sells boys to harlots; the thing that sells girls for bar maids; the thing that fouls the pages of dailies and magazines and highpowered advertising; the thing that insults the intelligence and heart of mothers by trying to get them to teach their own daughters to drink at home; the thing that speaks through the voice of men and women in high places; the thing that lies in political campaigns; the thing that cannot be bound by law.

II God's Organization Against This Evil.

Church people know God's attitude toward the liquor evil, for we read the Bible and hear it discussed in our churches; but most peopie do not read the Bible and attend churches. They never think of Goa's disfavor toward drink. There is no inspired word in their minds on the subject. They are carnally minded, and the gratification of lusts is their aim.

Paul says Christ "must reign till He hath put all enemies under His feet." Well, this enemy was already on the divine list when Christ came. God's people all through the ages

have been instructed on this evil; and, if we follow Christ, we will help Him subdue this great enemy.

III A Commercial Iniquity.

Liquor is made and sold for profit -not for those who drink-for those who make and sell. This commercial iniquity is rooted mainly in Europe, and the leading brands of liquors bear foreign names. In that greatperiod of prohibition in this country, vast stocks of liquors accumulated in warehouses in Europe. In France in 1928 the writer was shown and told of miles of wine cellars stored to capacity. It was election year in U.S., and the liquor people of Europe were desperately hoping for some political hand to open the door to American wealth. The deadliest bombs are the liquor and beer packages Europe is dumping upon

IV "The Children of This World Are Wiser Than the Children of Light."

Liquor people do not hold worship services and teach Sunday school classes to teach the blessedness of the drinking way, and to picture the happy realm to which their faithful drinkers are going. No: they adopt the best business methods for promoting their business. They put BIG MONEY into the business. They buy the best pages of dailies and magazines. They hire fine artists. They bring into their promotion the most skillful advertising writers. They organize. They hang together. They lobby with lots of money. They put money and business into their busi-

Church people preach to congregations already informed on the subject, teach Sunday school classes that are already fixed against the evil, print a little matter in papers with small circulation, and put almost no money and no business into our case.

V The Liquor Business Has Bought a Seat In Government.

The liquor business pays large revenue for license, protection, influence and lobbying privileges. Liquor people know the government must keep them in business if they stay in. We must learn that the government must keep liquor out if it is kept out. We must put money, business and politics into the fight against this giant evil—as much, or more than the liquor people are putting into the fight for it.

The Anti-Saloon League is a splendid organization for fighting the liquor business; but it has almost no money. With bare and empty fists it is engaging the strongly organized, highly financed, and brilliantly maneuvered liquor machine. In fighting against the liquor business the Anti-saloon League is fighting for all deserving businesses, and business men ought to give the Anti-saloon League the necessary financial support.

GOD THE CREATOR

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LESSON FOR JULY 5

LESSON TEXT: All of first chapter of Genesis, and first verse of second chapter. Please read all of this carefully.

GOLDEN TEXT: "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." (Gen. 1:1.)

What a sublime opening to the Bible! God, the number one subject of theologians; Creation, the number one subject of scientists! Only one thing said about God, HE created the universe. Only one thing said about the universe, it is God's handiwork.

I. A Brief Account.

Though so brief, this account of creation contains the whole truth, as an acorn contains the great forest that may spring from it. Through thousands of years, men have been thinking about God and the universe. Both subjects get larger all the time. When men thought the universe was small, they thought God was small; but now that we have discovered that the universe apparently has no limits, we say that God is infinite.

II. A Comfortable Account.

It is so satisfying to believe there is a God who created all we see, and a God who reigns supreme over the whole universe. It would not be comfortable to think the universe came by chance, and went on by chance. We could not feel safe if we thought the universe is selfoperating, without the direction of infinite wisdom and an almighty hand.

III. How God Created.

There was no infinite pile of material out of which God made the millions of suns, moons, and planets. There was no almighty machine for rolling materials into suns and worlds. "Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were made of things which do not appear" (Heb. 11:3). The early scientists found that notion hard to accept, the material universe is so solid and ponderous; but chemists of today have pushed back their analysis of matter until they have come to the Bible position. The lump of matter has been broken into molecules, the molecule has been shattered to atoms, and the atom has been pulverized into more than a thousand electrons. The conclusion is that there is nothing to the material universe but electrons; and that these electrons are not matter at all, but simply units of electricity. A lump of matter is made by the interlocking of positive and negative electrons. When the lock is broken, matter disappears entirely and nothing remains but two charges of electricity. And that is saying just what the writer in Hebrews said: "The things which are seen are made of things which do not appear."

IV. Divine Fiat.

"And God said, Let there be." The divine will of the Almis Spirit, with a word, interlocked the invisible electrons into matter that can be seen, weighed, measured and rolled into worlds and suns! What a miracle the material universe is! It is of unthinkable magnitude! Light travels at the speed of 186,-000 miles per second. By this measurement, astronomers have found that the sun is about 93,000,000 miles from the earth; and has a diameter of 865,000 miles. Our ordinary minds stop there with a headache. However, the well-equipped astronomer measures on quadrillions of miles into space; finds many millions of other suns, a hundred thousand of which are larger than our own, and surrounded with great planets; and still tells us he can't get to the rim of the universe because of the inadequacy of his instruments!

V. By Faith We Understand.

"Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God"! What understanding faith has! How correct faith has proved to be! The most modern and advanced science is coming to the same conclusions faith reached thousands of years ago, when men had to accept God and His universe by faith, in the absence of any scientific help. How the soul of David must have leaped in that unscientific age when he stood out in the night, and said to himself: "When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained." Sing with him his 19th psalm: "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handiwork."

VI. God Has An Eternity of Time.

Astronomers have found that it takes millions of years for the evolution of a planet, and many millions of years for light to travel to the earth from some distant suns. Some of us thought God completed creation in six days of human measurement; but we have discovered that God is still at work, continuing His uncompleted creation. He takes several thousand years to grow some trees. He, perhaps, has worked from the beginning just as we see Him working now. Bible scholars tell us that the Hebrew word used in the Old Testament for day often means a "prolonged period." Paul, speaking of the present Christian era, said: "Behold, now is the day of salvation." Peter says: "But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day." (2nd Peter 3:8).

So, scientists and Bible scholars agree that the six days in this brief account of creation mean six periods of God's time, not six days by man's clock. God has an eternity of time, and is not in a hurry.



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OUR NEW MEMBERS

Mr. Walter A. Hyde, 715 S. Maple. Mrs. Walter A. Hyde, 715 S. Maple. Mrs. John Crouse, 324 West 14th.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Mr. and Mrs. Paul Welker, 2116 Center, upon the birth of a son on June 14.

CHRISTENED

Eleanor Gail Storey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Storey, 2016 West 18th, was christened by Dr. Slack at the morning service last Sunday, June 21.

WEDDINGS

Thomas J. Marshall and Miss Zella Marie Childers, June 20.

John B. Shepherd and Miss Mary Lee Hughes, June 20.

George L. Hardgrave, Jr., and Miss Betty Ann Mabry, June 22.

Our congratulations and best wishes to these young couples.

OUR SYMPATHY

The heartfelt sympathy of the members of Winfield is extended to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Weidemeyer, whose granddaughter, Miss Betty Jean Weidemeyer, passed away in Champaign, Illinois, on June 18. She was the daughter of Mr. William Weidemeyer.

REV. BECK MUCH IMPROVED

The many friends of Rev. R. O. Beck, pastor of the Methodist Church at Foreman, who was injured in an automobile accident recently, will be glad to know that he has improved far beyond what was expected. He is still at the Baptist Hospital here.

THE UPPER ROOM FOR NEXT QUARTER NOW READY

The new Upper Room for July, August and September is now being distributed and you may get your copy from the Church Office or next Sunday from a Steward in the foyer of the Church. The cost is five cents. Thousands of our Methodist homes are using the Upper Room for daily guidance and find it a constant source of inspiration.

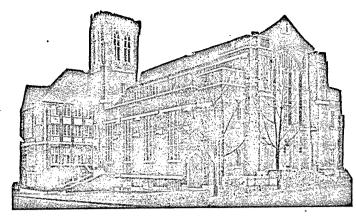
JUNIOR HIGH HAS ATTEND-ANCE PLAN

The Junior High Group has a plan for keeping up with absentees which reflects in their attendance record. Mr. Fred Moreland is the adult Secretary who directs the work of the two departmental secretaries elected by the group, i. e., Ed Faver Smith and Betty Hopper.

Each class has an attendance sponsor who has as his job the contacting of every absentee, letting them know they've been missed. A list of absentees is made available to each class sponsor at the close of the morning session.

The co-operation of those engaged in the work has been gratifying and by sponsor and teacher working together a close check is kept on each member of the Department.

Sponsors for the classes are Clifton Brown, Beverly Everett, Betty Hopper, Gertrude Langhammer, Viginia Sue Plummer, Norma Nethercutt and Ray Clayton.



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Miss Kate Bossinger Organist

J. R. HENDERSON Church School Supt.

Next Sunday At Winfield

10:00 a.m. Church School by departments and classes. We maintain the two-hour program for all children of the Junior age and below.

10:55 a. m. Sermon, "PATRIOTISM LOOKS THROUGH THE CHURCH'S EYE—by the Minister.

Text, "How shall we sing the Lord's song in a strange land?" Psalm 137:4.

This sermon is leading toward July 4th and some reason for rejoicing.

6:30 p. m. Youth Fellowships.

Eugene Haun will meet with the Junior Highs.

Miss Smith will meet with the Young People.

The Minister will meet with the Seniors.

This is an attempt that all of us may know all the

work and work together with full efficiency.

HEAR THE MINISTER 8:00 p. m.

"WORKING FOR LIFE AND BEING REWARDED"

"The gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:23.

THE MINISTER'S MESSAGE

SOME PEOPLE GO TO CHURCH because they feel the need of what the Church has to give in the preaching, teaching, worship, service fellowship.

Some go because they know the Church is the Institution of God that must be maintained for the conversion of the world and for the edification of the saints.

Some go because they feel that when the hot-weather tests come the weak fall by the wayside, therefore the strong and faithful must be all the more regular.

Some go because they have no other place to go and no money to spend on other things.

Motives play a large part in a person's life in determining what benefits are derived from Church attendance. THE STEW-ARDS have decreed for themselves to attend regularly. Theirs may include all the good motives in any heart. It is the Stewards who take the lead in many things in the Church. Let the membership follow.

I am adapting my sermons to the not-so-heavy angle for the summer. You have responded nobly and I continue to be grateful to you.

I'll be seeing you!

METHODIST CHURCH

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FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS

6:30 P. M.—June 28

YOUNG PEOPLE: Meet in Young People's Parlor for fellowship. The entire program of fellowship and worship will be in charge of the officers. Sarah Louise Steed will be in charge of the music.

SENIOR HIGH: Meet in the outdoor area. Worship service, which will be "Echoes From Assembly," will be in charge of Bill Slack.

JUNIOR HIGH: Meet in Fellowship Hall for recreation. The worship service will be in charge of Virginia Bradshaw on "World Friendship."

CHRISTIAN ADVENTURE CAMP FOR JUNIOR HIGHS

On Monday, June 29, the Junior High Group, ages 12 to 15, go to a Christian Adventure Camp for five days. Those who have attended this camp, which is held each year at Ferncliff, are enthusiastic about it. Parents of Children in this age group should make every effort to make this experience possible for them. Information may be obtained from the church office.

The group will meet at the church Monday afternoon and go out together.

Those who have already signed up to attend are Ashley and John Ross, Woodrow and Stanley Smith, Juanita Clift, Mildred Dixon, Sue Rice, Dorothy Mabrey, Jean Johnson, Tommy Stubbs, Mary Beth and Gene Raines, Juanita and Delores Ingram, Frank Graves, Tommy Lehman, Dorothy Wright, and Ellen Westlake.

Mrs. Edgar Dixon is Counsellor for this group and receives much of the credit for promoting such a splendid attendance.

NEW LEADERSHIP CLASS

The training class for workers of the Children's Division, taught by Mrs. Clay Smith, will complete its work this month. This has been a specialization course, providing for observation the second hour.

According to the plan approved by the Board of Education, there will be a continuous training program on Sunday morning, varying in purpose and content.

The course which will begin July 5th will be a general one, open to any one in the Church School. The title of the course is "Ways of Teaching," to be taught by Mr. E. Q. Brothers, Dean of Junior College.

YOUNG PEOPLE TO CONWAY

A large group of young people from all the Methodist churches in Little Rock boarded a bus Monday afternoon for Conway to spend five days filled with rich experiences. Winfield had four young people in this group, who are representatives of the Senior Department. They are Barbara Dixon, Martin Caldwell, Edna Grace Lore, and Mary Louis Stewart. They will bring back much information and help for their group.

KNOWN SICK

Mr. J. W. Martin, 2517 Izard.