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"The World is My Parish" — John Wesley

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

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Going Up To Jerusalem

THE Apostle Paul once said, "I go—unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there." And so it will be this week and next week as our ministers and laymen gather in our two annual conferences. While there is little of the secrecy that once attended the work of the Bishop and his Cabinet at an annual conference, the "open cabinet" does not eliminate the element of surprise or the degree of uncertainty as to just what will happen in the making of appointments. It simply means that these interesting side-lights and unexpected turns are scattered over the entire session of the conference rather than to be loosed in "bulk" with the reading of appointments.

Two elements are necessary in life, if a Methodist preacher is to be genuinely, completely happy at an annual conference; there must be a definite, unquestionable consecration of life to the Methodist ministry and there must be a full, undisturbed faith in the leadership of our church. If one has not fully committed and surrendered himself to the Methodist plan of making appointments, he is out of his elements at an annual conference. If there exists even a small doubt about the sense of justice and fairness of the Bishop and his Cabinet, mental misery has a fertile field in which to work. Having spent nine years in the Cabinet, and having served there under four different Bishops and with a host of the brethren, it is our definite conviction that any Methodist preacher, who is doing well his work, should be able to fully relax at an annual conference with the feeling that a sincere, earnest, prayerful effort is being made by the appointive powers to make such appointments as will best serve the interests of the Kingdom.

Conference Boards have work to do. The Bishop and Cabinet make the adjustments necessary in appointments for another year. These matters, coupled with the good fellowship the conference makes possible and the educational and inspirational features of the program, make a Methodist Annual Conference the unique church meeting of America or the world.

Clear As Mud And Truthful As Ananias

AS we close our forms for the press this Tuesday the voters of Arkansas are going to the polls to decide some matters vital to the future of our beloved state. It is quite possible that no issue in this election has attracted quite so much attention as the vote on Act No. 1. As important as this question is to the voters of Arkansas let it be said that if they have any real understanding of the matter they did not get it from the liquor forces. They have shown themselves experts at confusion. It seems that it has been their deliberate policy to so becloud the real issue as that anyone who listened sympathetically to their hodgepodge of bugaboos and misrepresentations would have about as high an appreciation of the issue before us as a jackass has of grand opera. The question at issue has been stated again and again but not by the liquor crowd. The only contribution they have made to the question has been an attempt to so muddy the waters as that in mental confusion people might vote with them rather than risk the synthetic disasters they have conjured up like so many ghosts. They have been as clear as mud in the presentation of the case and as truthful as Ananias.

Our Presiding Bishop

A METHODIST meeting of almost any kind has reached its climax if a Bishop can be present and give leadership to the occasion, even for a limited time. It is, therefore, no surprise that an annual conference, called together by a Bishop, and conducted for days under his leadership, holds a unique place in our church polity.

It is our good fortune and delight, in Arkansas, to have Bishop Charles C. Seecman as our presiding officer. It is the general feeling among our people that no Bishop, in the past, has made such a large place for himself in the hearts of our preachers and people throughout the state, as has Bishop Seecman. It is not difficult to account for that fact.

The untiring, unselfish manner in which he has given himself in the leadership of our church throughout his



Episcopal area is a challenge and an example for all of us. No situation in our state could be too large, and none has been small for him to respond to a call for service wherever his time and physical strength would allow. It is quite possible that he has already been in more rural churches in Arkansas than any other Methodist Bishop, living or dead. The wonderful thing about that fact is, when he reaches these rural churches, filled with rural people—city pastor and university president that he has been and Bishop that he is—that he knows how to adapt himself to any situation and knows what to say to them and how to say it in a way to minister to their spiritual lives as few can do.

It is the feeling also of those who have been close to him that one can hardly be more brotherly or considerate of people than he is. This uniform courtesy is in evidence whether he is dealing with a committee or delegation or preacher from the high-steepled, city church or from the country chapel. All have a sympathetic, brotherly hearing. Our church is honored by such leadership and has responded with a new consecration, faith and a larger willingness to serve.

Unmistakable Signs Of Weakness

AFTER marching across Europe, east, west, north and south, with an irresistible force, Herr Hitler began to believe his own propaganda about a super-race destined to subjugate and rule the world. With his campaigns one hundred percent successful against every continental nation he had invaded, he turned his forces, drunken with success, against the Russian people.

With a blast of trumpets and a prophecy of quick success he threw the might of his mechanized army against what he thought to be the poorly trained, poorly armed and poorly officered army of Russia. With a battleline a thousand miles long he entered Russia with the avowed purpose of utterly destroying the Russian army. With a relentless fury, born of past successes, he pressed the battle from the Gulf of Finland to the sea of Azov. When the paralyzing cold of the Russian winter settled upon his armies, he was just short of his main objectives—Leningrad and Moscow. Hitler had spent the larger part of the year fighting on one front with his task unfinished. Throughout last winter his armies in Russia suffered immeasurably from winter and attacks of the Russian armies.

The first summer campaign in Russia revealed the fact that he was up against a well trained, well armed force, led by some of the world's best generals; an army of men that would not quit and seemingly could not be conquered. This summer, instead of the front one thousand miles long, Hitler chose to mobilize the weight of his hitherto-irresistible army on a three hundred-mile front. By this concentration of forces on a comparatively short line, while Russia was under the necessity of being prepared to defend the thousand mile front at all points, Hitler was sure that he would be able to break through to the Volga river in force and over-run the oil fields of the Caucasus. Again his powers of "intuition" have betrayed him. The flower of his army has bled white before the impregnable defenses of Stalingrad while the right wing of his army has thus far been stopped again just short of his objectives—the oil fields of the Caucasus. Having failed first on a thousand mile front and then again on a three hundred mile front, there are signs of a growing weakness which will be fatal to Axis plans.

A Methodist Weakness

WITH all of our boasted, Methodistic efficiency, we have a decided weakness in our method of appointing pastors to charges. Our weakness lies in our multiplicity of changes of pastors each year. Last year, in the appointments at annual conference, and in the charges left to be supplied we had about one hundred and seventy-five changes of pastors in three hundred and eighty-seven charges in Arkansas. When we add to that the large number of mid-year changes it means that about fifty percent of our charges have had new pastors this year. Methodism will never make the progress it should while our average length of pastorate is two years. Arguments against wide-spread moving this year are too numerous to mention. Among these many reasons this year for a more settled pastorate, one should be sufficient—a more effective, efficient, productive, stabilized ministry. In the Methodist church we have tried to solve too many of our problems by moving the preacher.

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CHURCH CALENDAR

November 4, North Arkansas Conference, First Church, Batesville.
November 11, Little Rock Conference, First Church, Hot Springs.



IN THE LIVES OF MEN

By CHARLES O. RANSFORD

The man who will not compromise has half won his battle with his adversaries. Despite their evil doing none are so obtuse as not to know goodness when strong men uncompromisingly stand for the right.

Always give everybody with whom you work and play credit for being just as honest, just as hard working, and just as willing to give his best to win as yourself. That is the first rule for pleasant working conditions and success in all work and all games.

There are other than written rules in all the games of life. No books of rules have ever said, "Play fair," yet that is the first and most important. He who always plays fair in honest consideration of his opponent will observe all the rules of the game.

Growth is the law of life. God's world is ever expanding and becoming more beautiful. Each day reveals changing glories and blessed provisions for continuing growth for both man and beast. But only he whose mind and soul grow with his body sees and knows the beneficence of the divine creation.

He who can make two blades of grass grow where one has grown is the benefactor of all men. He who can kindle faith in discouraged hearts is the comfort of mankind. These distraught days much need the comfort of divine grace and brotherly helpfulness. The comfort spoken of is not soothing coddling, but a mighty power put under or brought along side of as the true meaning of the word comfort reveals.

The nations were not prepared for the first World War (1914-1918). When the armistice was signed no national preparation was made for the nation to return to normal ways. Therein lies the explanation of the second World War now in horror devastating the world. All the world is hastening to a terrible judgment because we seem unable to learn from these evil and disastrous experiences. An unwillingness to learn from our sufferings and losses impends greater suffering and losses.

NEWS AND NOTES ABOUT FACTS AND FOLKS

THE indebtedness on our church at Conway has been paid and the church is now debt free. Rev. Cecil R. Culver is the pastor.

BISHOP G. BROMLEY OXNAM will be the speaker for Religious Emphasis Week at Emory University, Atlanta, Ga., November 16-20.

SATURDAY, November 7, 10 a. m., has been fixed as the order of the day for the Memorial Service of the North Arkansas Conference at Batesville.

DR. E. STANLEY JONES will be in Ft. Smith for a series of addresses beginning Sunday, November 29. The addresses have been arranged for and are under the sponsorship of the Ministerial Alliance of Fort Smith and a group of representative laymen from various churches.

REV. S. O. PATTY, pastor at Augusta, writes: "Rev. Earl Walker, our pastor at Wynne, came to us on October 18 for an eight-day meeting. He did some fine preaching and endeared himself to all. The church was spiritually helped. We received seven into our church by baptism last Sunday. There are five others yet to be received."

REV. J. E. THOMAS, pastor at Farmington, writes "We have the money for a reasonably priced individual communion set for the Farmington Charge. Would you help us locate one through your columns I am sure there are sets out of use where churches have united if we can only locate them." Anyone having any information as to a communion set, please communicate with Brother Thomas.

BISHOP IVAN LEE HOLT preached at First Church, Stuttgart, Sunday, November 1, at 11 a. m. and dedicated the fine Mohler organ at the close of the service. Approximately \$1500.00 has been paid on the organ this year which clears it entirely of debt. Everything else is in full and thirty-five members have been received into the church this year. Rev. Van W. Harrell, calling at the Methodist office on Saturday, reports the best year in the church's history.

DR. FRANK C. LAUBACH, "who has taught more people to read than has any other man in the world," missionary of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, will leave shortly for South America for several months of study to assist in developing methods for "mass teaching" of reading especially to the long-neglected Indian populations of several republics. His work will be under the joint auspices of the World Literacy Committee and the Committee on Cooperation in Latin America. Dr. Laubach first came into renown twenty years ago when, as a missionary in the Philippines, he developed the so-called "Labauch method" of teaching Filipinos to read. That method has been varied in recent years to teach many hundreds of thousands to read their own languages in Africa, India and China.

REV. W. H. HARRISON, formerly pastor at Pangburn, has enrolled in Westminster Theological Seminary, Westminster, Maryland. He writes: "I had a very fine revival at Mt. Pisgah and at Pangburn. Both were outstanding. Twenty-six were saved at Mt. Pisgah and I baptized fifteen into the church. I took in eleven at Pangburn. We had very large crowds and each church has taken new courage. Rev. M. L. Edgington was appointed to fill out my year on the Pangburn Charge when I was released to enter the Seminary. I like the work fine."

CHRISTIAN missionaries have helped build a "reservoir of friendship and goodwill" for America throughout the world, Wendell Willkie told the nation by radio last week. "At the top of this list (of things that have created this reservoir) go the hospitals, schools and colleges which Americans—many of them missionaries—have founded in the far corners of the world. Many of the new leaders of old countries—men

who are today running Iraq, or Turkey, or China—have studied under American teachers whose only interest has been to spread knowledge. Now, in our time of crisis, we owe a great debt to these men and women who have made friends for us."

BOARDS AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Board of Lay Activities

The Board of Lay Activities of the Little Rock Conference is called to meet at 12:30 p. m., Thursday, November 12, at the Como Hotel in Hot Springs. All district superintendents, district and associate districts lay leaders are members of this board and are urged to be present.—J. S. M. Cannon, Conference Lay Leader.

Commission on Evangelism

A very important meeting of the Little Rock Conference Commission on Evangelism is called for 3:00 p. m., Wednesday, November 11, at the First Methodist Church in Hot Springs. Members of the Commission will be found on page 3 of 1941 Conference Minutes. Please come to room designated "Commission on Evangelism."—John L. Tucker, Secretary.

Board of Missions and Church Extension

The Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Little Rock Conference will meet at the First Methodist Church at Hot Springs on November 11 at 3 p. m.—J. D. Hammons, Chm.

Committee On Accepted Supply Pastors

The Little Rock Conference Committee on Accepted Supply Pastors will meet at 1:30 Thursday afternoon, November 12th. The Committee will meet in the room provided for it. Every Local Preacher expecting an appointment as an Accepted Supply Pastor should come before this Committee.—John B. Hefley.

Meeting of the Board of Education

The Little Rock Conference Board of Education will meet for dinner in the private dining room of the Como Hotel at 12:00 o'clock, Wednesday, November 11th. All members are requested to be present.—E. C. Rule, Chairman.

Meeting of Town and Country Commission

All members of the Little Rock Conference Town and Country Commission will please take notice that this Commission will meet in the Cabinet room at Hot Springs, 4:45 p. m., Wednesday, November 11th.—Clem Baker, Chairman.

PLANNING COMMITTEE SETS UP CALENDAR

The North Arkansas Conference Planning Committee in session at Hendrix College, Oct. 22, announces the following dates:

GENERAL SET-UP MEETINGS

November 17—Paragould and Jonesboro Districts.
November 18—Batesville and Searcy Districts.
November 19—Helena and Conway Districts.
November 20—Fort Smith and Fayetteville Districts.

OTHER DATES OF SPECIAL INTEREST

December 20—Orphanage Day.
December 27—Student Recognition Day.
January 10-17—Arkansas Methodist Week.
January 26-29—Ministers' Week, S. M. U.
February 1-14—February Special for Hendrix College and Ministerial Training.
February 14—College Day.
February 14—Race Relations Day.
February 22-25—W. S. C. S. Jurisdictional Conference, Dallas.
March 7—Dedication Day Offering.
March 7-13—Guy Black School of Evangelism, Little Rock.
March 16-18—W. S. C. S. Annual Meeting, Jonesboro.
April 4—Church School Day.
April 25—Easter Sunday.
May 30—Hendrix Closing.
May 31-June 4—Youth Assembly.
June 13—Methodist Student Day.
June 14-25—Pastors' School.
June 29-July 2—Administrative Jurisdictional Council.
July 19-31—Leadership School.
August 2-14—Young People's Leadership Conference.

If we have not quiet in our minds outward comforts will do no more for us than a golden slipper for a gouty foot.—Bunyan.

THE DEVOTIONAL PAGE

H. O. BOLIN, Editor

A SABOTEUR

He has been a member of the church for many years, and always a generous contributor. He is in his place in the house of worship regularly, and lives a life of unquestioned moral quality. He can always be relied upon to be at meetings of the board, and in matters of doctrine and belief he is altogether orthodox. He will lead in public prayer when called upon to do so, and no man surpasses him in private helpfulness to the widow and the orphan. He puts his church ahead of his lodge, his committee duties ahead of his own personal business, and his missionary pledge ahead of his club dues.

But he is guilty of sabotage!

Among his business friends who are not churchmen, he complains about "the way the church is run"—and thus alienates them further. He criticizes the preacher and the Sunday school teachers in the presence of his children—and thus incites them to rebellion against the Church. He stirs up strife and spreads discontent among the people if he cannot have his own way at the board meeting—thus sinning against the fellowship. He complains about "the apportionments," declaring that "the overhead is too high." He becomes the center of a little group of malcontents and "fights for a principle" until the life of the entire congregation is disrupted.

His generosity, his dependability and his moral character entitle him to a place of honor in the life of the Church.

His spirit of criticism, his disposition to peddle gossip, and his divisive attitudes, combine to make of him a dangerous saboteur.—The Christian Advocate.

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ONLY WAIT

*Oft there comes a gentle whisper o'er me stealing,
 When my trials or my burdens seem too great,
 Like the sweet-voiced bells of evening, softly pleading,
 It is saying to my spirit, "Only wait!"*

*When I cannot understand my Fathers' leading,
 And it seems to be but hard and cruel fate,
 Still I hear that gentle whisper, ever pleading:
 "God is faithful, God is working; only wait!"*

*When the promise seems to linger, long delaying,
 And I tremble lest perhaps it come too late—
 Then I hear the gentle whisper ever saying:
 "Through it tarry, it is coming; only wait!"*

*Oh, how little soon will seem our hardest sorrow,
 And how trifling is our present brief estate!
 Could we see it in the light of Love's tomorrow,
 Oh, how easy it would be for us to wait!*

—ALBERT B. SIMPSON.

Dead To Sin and Alive To God

The sixth chapter of Romans is one of the greatest in the Bible. In it, St. Paul shows the inconsistency of attempting to live in sin and live for God at the same time. We are saved from sin by grace through faith, but it is foolish to argue (as some did in that day) that since salvation from sin comes in this way and the more sins there are the more grace is required, people should continue in sin that grace may abound. His conclusion is that as Christians we are dead to sin. We are crucified with Christ and resurrected with Him to a new type of life.

Some feel this goal is too high. They say they have not experienced this total death to sin the Apostle speaks of. My only comment is, that whether any individual in the world completely reaches that standard or not, it is still the goal. We never accomplish anything by trying to lower religious standards. We do not even take more people into the church that way. High ideals are a great challenge to people. If we ever get anywhere we have got to aim high and shoot straight. You can't hit the weathercock by aiming at the barn door.

To get right into the heart of the matter let us raise the question, What does it mean to be dead to sin?

It means to be dead to the guilt of sin. Some may have turned to God so early in life that they have had but very little experience with this question of guilt, but those who have had the sad misfortune of going pretty deep in sin know what guilt means. They realize the burden of guilt that the sinner carries. They know the truth of the words of the poet who said: "Trust me; no torture that the poet feigns can match the fierce unutterable pain he feels, who night and day devoid of rest, carries own accuser in his breast." When guilt is dead there comes to the burdened heart of joy unspeakable and full of glory and a peace that passeth all understanding.

To be dead to sin means to be dead to its penalty. The greatest penalty for sin is separation from

God. Separation from God is hell. Sin does that to a person on both sides of the grave. That is why we get a foretaste of hell even in this life. Christ bore our sins upon the cross with great calmness, even praying for His murderers. But He went all the way in purchasing our redemption and when He suffered the extreme penalty; that, for the brief moment, of being separated from God, with much feeling He cried out, "My God! My God! Why hast thou forsaken me." We are told that even after forgiveness we suffer the physical consequences of sin. Some fox hunters once got on a big drunk in the woods. They built a bonfire. One of them who was for the time being paralyzed through the influence of drink got his feet into the fire and burned them so badly they had to be amputated. Later he was converted and began preaching up and down the country. His feet never grew back.

But he learned that when the extreme penalty was removed, that of being separated from God, he could get along pretty well without his feet. To die to sin means to die to its extreme penalty.

The person who is dead to sin will not respond to its allurements. He is not above temptation. Christ Himself was tempted in all points just as we are. He can be above response to temptation. Temptation is not a bad thing if we struggle against it and overcome it. The struggle makes us strong. We develop spiritual muscles like we do physical, by fight. This keeps us from becoming spiritual jelly fishes. The only person hurt by temptation is the one who succumbs to it.

What does it mean to be alive to God? This is the more important question. To be dead to sin is scarcely half of the story. The abundant life is the goal of Christianity, not death. We are only emptied that we may be filled. We only die that we may more fully live.

To be alive to God means to be as conscious of His presence as you are that of your closest relatives. We must know Him as our Father who loves us better than any one else in the world who knows all of our problems and is bigger than any of them.

When we thus realize we will feel that no sacrifice is too great for us to make for Him. We will gladly dedicate to Him our time, our talents, our money, our all.

Our parting thought is, this can only be done through Christ. We are crucified with Him. We rise to newness of life with Him. We live with and for Him. "He died our death for us that we might live His life for Him."

In case you have not already discovered it our text is, "Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord." (Rom. 6:11.)—H. O. B.

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Dedication Of Gardner Memorial Church

By MRS. R. J. GOSS

HAVING completed the payment of the debt, we have had the joy of seeing Gardner Memorial Church dedicated. Following is a brief record of the growth and development of this splendid church:

Gardner Memorial Church had its beginning under a "brush arbor" at the close of a protracted meeting held by N. E. Gardner, pastor of First Methodist Church. The society was organized with about 35 or 40 members and chose for its name Gardner Memorial.

This small group at once began its plans for a building, and through sacrifice and hard work, had a structure ready for occupancy in 1904, Rev. J. D. Sibert laying the cornerstone. Rev. Mr. Conyers, Jr., preacher of First Church, served as the first pastor.

The new church grew slowly during the next few years, with the following preachers leading: Rev.

Rev. O. L. Cole has served as pastor this year. Through the co-operation of the official board, the pastor and the people the church debt has been paid, a new piano and Solo-Vox has been purchased, and the budget balanced. The church is indeed proud of that record.

Space does not permit listing the names of all who have helped to make Gardner Memorial Church

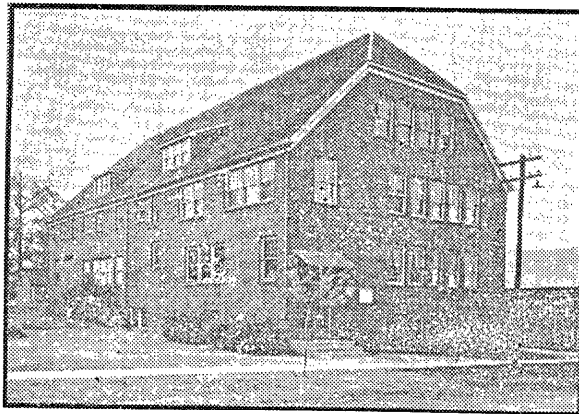
ing. As one old lady said one day, "It sure took a lot o' pies and suppers and quilts, but we raised our share of the money." Besides that these same "Ladies' Aiders" took care of the parsonage and took up the fight against liquor, to help the pastor. Even as today, they were laughed to scorn, sneered at and all but spat upon as they drove up and down the streets soliciting petitioners; but January 1, 1916, saw the

body but home folks and Sunday School teachers have forgotten us."

Multiply these by hundreds, add the names of all the pastors who have labored so efficiently and ceaselessly and this is Gardner Memorial Church.

On Sunday evening, November 1, Bishop Charles C. Selecman preached the dedicatory sermon and dedicated the church, assisted by the pastor, Rev. O. L. Cole; Rev. R. S. Hayden, District Superintendent; Rev. I. A. Brumley and Rev. C. R. Culver, former pastors and Rev. E. T. Wayland, former District Superintendent.

Gardner Memorial is closing an unusually good year.



GARDNER MEMORIAL CHURCH
North Little Rock



REV. O. L. COLE, Pastor

W. E. Hall, Rev. J. W. Taylor, Rev. S. L. Cochran, Rev. T. O. Rorie, Rev. H. H. Hunt, Rev. J. D. McClure and Rev. C. F. Hively.

In 1915, when Rev. C. F. Hively came, the membership of about 150, and Sunday school of about 65, grew during his pastorate to such an extent that the spring of 1916 found need for expansion. So an annex was built. Membership doubled, and the Church School, with L. H. Priest superintendent, more than doubled.

While Bro. Ed Forrest was pastor, a second addition was made to the building to accommodate the growing Church school.

Ground was broken for the present building in 1927, the second year of Rev. I. A. Brumley's ministry. It was a big task to undertake to erect a \$30,000 building, and many were the doubts and fears of those who helped, but Bro. Brumley had vision and courage and determination, and with God's help every one worked and in the fall of 1929, the building was completed far enough to be occupied, though it was some time before it could be called finished.

Following Bro. Brumley were F. A. Lark, Cecil Culver and Jefferson Sherman, all of whom were beloved by the people and who contributed much to the building of the spiritual life of the church.

what it is today, but two deserve special recognition, the present superintendent and the chairman of the board.

B. M. Huddleston has served as chairman of the official board since 1932. Through the years he has served quietly, unassumingly. In times of stress he has remained calm, in times of rejoicing he maintains the same attitude. His work through the years will stand as a memorial to him.

Oscar Goss has served as general superintendent of the Church School 20 years. It has been twenty years of quiet, effective service, beginning with a force of teachers, perhaps 10 or 12, to a faculty of 55. It has been his task to find these teachers, to put the right people in the right place. It has been his work to co-operate with the pastors in the teacher-training program, and to iron out the difficulties that may arise.

To these men are extended the thanks and appreciation of the church at large whom they have served.

We have seen this church grow from a membership of 35 to that of 1,000, and the Sunday School from 25 to more than six hundred.

It would not be a complete history of the church, did one not give a little bit of space to people who contrived the ways and means for carrying on.

There were the "Ladies' Aiders" in the early days, who made and sold pies, held suppers, had quiltings to help pay for the new build-

saloons of Argenta closed by local option law through their efforts.

There was the little boy, who, after hearing the pastor preach on "Tithing," walked into the church the following Sunday, handed a few potatoes to the pastor and said, "Brother —, here is my tenth." It was all he had of his own.

There was the carpenter, called before his local union for working

on the church over-time without pay, who said, "Gentlemen, it is mine and the Lord's business if I want to get up at four o'clock and work until dark. It is none of your business." They had nothing more to say.

There were the men and women who labored ceaselessly to complete buildings and who wore shabby clothes that they might give more for the cause of Christ.

There was the invalid, who, after months in hospitals, still unable to walk, remarked to a visitor, "Here is \$2.

I wanted to give something I had earned myself, to the church. I made some fancy work and this is mine. See that it goes to the most needed place.

East, west, north, south, have gone our young people to establish Christian homes, to fill their places in other churches, the product of Gardner Memorial Church and Church School. One young man wrote back from his lonely outpost in the army to a former Church School teacher, "You'll never know how much your letter did for me. We boys had decided that every-



B. M. HUDDLESTON
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YOUTH FELLOWSHIP NEWS

Members of the Senior and Intermediate Fellowship of First Methodist Church, Blytheville, began their year's work with an impressive candlelight installation service for newly elected officers of the two groups on Sunday evening, October 25.

The worship center for the service featured Sallman's "Head of Christ" and a small cross and open Bible, against a background of autumn leaves. Opening with a piano prelude, "Largo," played by Ann Deen, Senior Fellowship pianist, the following program was given: Prayer song, Mrs. Don Sutherland, Senior counsellor; poem, "A Candle," Nancy Partlow; scripture, with choral response, Billy Browne, Barbara Cullison, Polly Stewart, Virginia Swearingen, Marilyn Deen; violin and piano duet, Barbara Knapp and Ann Deen; installation ceremony, Rev. S. B. Wilford, pastor, officiating; hymn, "O Jesus I Have Promised"; benediction.

Also as a part of their plan for beginning the new year's work, the Senior Fellowship entertained new members promoted into the Senior Department, with a special supper and worship service on the preceding Sunday evening. Members of the Intermediate department entertained new members at a "Hobo Hardluck Party" the preceding week.

"WATCH YOUR SCRIPTURE READING"

(A Program Suggestion)

This is the theme for Bible Sunday in 1942, which will be celebrated in most churches on Dec. 13.

As in former years, the Bible Society is mailing to over 120,000 pastors in 55 denominations a packet of materials designed to aid in the observance of the day. The packet contains a copy of a beautiful poster produced in six colors, a twelve page brochure entitled "Attend to Your Reading" by Dr. Emer G. Homrighausen, professor of Christian education at Princeton Theological Seminary; a sample responsive reading, which the Society will furnish in reasonable quantities for use in worship services on Bible Sunday; and an order blank listing the other materials which the Society supplies either free, or for slight cost covering handling and postage. Listed also are the Society's aids to visual education including a new vocafilm lecture and a motion picture with sound accompaniment.

As formerly, the celebration will be endorsed by the President of the United States and by the governors of the several states. Libraries, schools, and bookstores will feature the Bible; and a nation-wide radio program, both on the networks and over local stations, will be heard during the week beginning Dec. 6.

For most people, successful Bible reading calls for guidance. It is the hope of the Society's officers that every church will seize upon Bible Sunday in 1942 as an opportunity to begin some type of program that shall encourage its people through the rest of their lives to be regular, devoted, prayerful daily readers of God's Word.—Bible Society Record.



The Appealing Christ

The first chapter of Sidney Powell's recent book, "Where Are The People?" opens with the following:

Fire engines shrieked through the subzero cold of two o'clock Good Friday morning as flames leaped through the roof of the historic People's Church in downtown St. Paul. The

firemen fought furiously hour after hour, but by the time the sun rose over the city the spacious building was reduced to a heap of rubble.

Among the art treasures of the old church was Thorvaldsen's eight-foot marble statue, "The Appealing Christ," an exact copy of the original in Copenhagen. Just as on that first Good Friday the cross was unable to destroy the Son of God, so by a miracle, though it had fallen through the burned floor to the basement, the lovely Italian-marble statue was unharmed.

Driving to my church office several days after the conflagration, I was startled to see "The Appealing Christ" standing in the street against a background of complete destruction, surrounded by flares to protect it from motorists. There hundreds of people saw the statue for the first time. They had not even been aware of its presence in the city before. Christ was in the church, but the crowd knew nothing of His presence.

Young men in the service, and civilians too, frequently state that in these days they have suddenly become aware of the appealing Christ as He stands in all His purity and splendor against the dark background of war and destruction. Confessions reveal that in many instances the Christ, thought to be dead or slumbering, has come to life and made His appeal to their heart and mind. I am persuaded that Christ is among us but that too often He passes through our midst unnoticed. The tragedy in our world today is not the absence of Christ for He is here, though many claim He is aloof from this world. Rather the crux of the matter lies in our inability to see the need for, and our willingness to pay the price of discovering the real living Christ.

Our inability to reveal Christ may partly lie in the fact that Christ is greater than us and does not depend entirely upon our feeble efforts. Christ is known by His spirit of truth and righteousness and this spirit pervades the universe. One may deny truth but one had better not try to build his life excluding truth. One may assert there is no need for law but one cannot destroy the fact that every step taken by the human foot deals directly with one of God's laws, gravitation. Our inability to reveal Christ lies deeper than the fact that He is independent of us. Our inability to reveal Christ is found in the life we live, the communion we do not have and the fellowship that goes unshared.

Were Christ only to be recognized in law, order, and truth He would lack an appeal which would be warm and welcome. Love, one of the greatest principles of Christianity, does not have its greatest revelation in the nature of this universe. Its growth is more visible, its sharing more keenly experienced in human life. Christ becomes "The Appealing Christ" to others only when he is able to make known His sympathy and interest through His followers. If our vision of Christ is blurred so will be the image we portray.

Near Little Rock there is a resort which has two unusual mirrors for the amusement of the patrons. One mirror makes you tall and thin and the other makes you appear short and stout. The image or reflections produced are far from the original and carry nothing of personal individuality and attractiveness. ARE OUR LIVES LIKE THESE MIRRORS IN THAT THEY REPRODUCE SO INACCURATELY THE ORIGINAL SPIRIT AND LOVE OF THE MASTER? Is His individuality, His attractiveness, and His winsomeness lost in reproduction? How great is our concern for manifesting the true Christ spirit and the true Christ love?

I was not surprised but I was pleased to read the other day in the "Church School" magazine an article stating quite emphatically that the only way to increase attendance is to witness more positively for Christ. Christians must have something precious to share with others. The author went on to say that this precious thing must be a Christian fellowship and a communion with God. The sharing must be a personal matter, motivated by love for Christ and others.

If Christ is to make a greater appeal to the masses today and in the tomorrows yet unborn He must be seen not primarily in the church buildings but in you and in me. The good that Christ can do, the love that He can extend to others, does not depend upon eloquent sermons, clever schemes of advertising, but upon a host of boys and girls, men and women who are willing to witness whole heartedly for Christ. It is wise to think in these days of those across the seas but it is equally wise to minister the cup of cold water to the neighbor across the street. WE ADVANCE BEST AND MOST WHEN WE ADVANCE BY FOLLOWING CHRIST. Each day that you and I take a loving personal interest in others, go to them in the spirit of the Master with a friendly handshake, a word of encouragement, a bit of inspiration, an invitation to Christian discipleship, we are creating miracles. For in these simple acts, "Chords that were broken vibrate once more." The need for Christ IS universal: His appeal can BECOME universal, but only as you and I make known today and everyday "The Appealing Christ."—H. O. E.

RESULTS OF METHODIST YOUTH BALLOT

As a result of a nation-wide ballot conducted by the Methodist Youth Fellowship in 43,000 Methodist congregations, the Emblem, Covenant, Motto, Colors, and Benediction of this newest organization of the Methodist Church have been chosen by vote of the denomination's youth members.

Tabulations of the ballot have been completed at offices of Walter Towner, director, and Edward D. Staples, associate director, of the Youth Department of the Board of Education of the Methodist Church.

The choices made by the youth through official ballot, follow:

EMBLEM: (The first one that appeared on the official ballot.) The outer design is a combination of the Cross Pattee and the Maltese Cross. At the center is the Latin Cross. Binding the whole together is the Circle. Meaning: The outer cross has eight points which stand for the eight Beatitudes, denoting the qualities of the Christian life. The four wings of the outer cross represent the four references in Luke 2:52. The inner, or Latin, cross is empty (as distinguished from a Crucifix which includes the body of Christ) and symbolizes Christ's sacrifice and victory over death. It teaches personal dedication to a living Christ who commanded his followers to take up the cross. As the Latin Cross stands at the center of the emblem, so sacrificial service, which it represents, is central in the organization.

The Circle symbolizes world-wide fellowship and fellowship with Christ and one another throughout eternity. The letters stand for Methodist Youth Fellowship.

COVENANT: It is the purpose in the Methodist Youth Fellowship: ". . . to live clean lives following the highest that we know; to give loyalty and service through the Methodist Church of which we are a part, working with others that the church may more perfectly follow the Master and more worthily bless mankind; . . . to hold the ideals of unselfish service, striving continually for human betterment, placing the welfare of others above self; . . . and in simple truth, to follow Jesus as Saviour and Lord."

MOTTO: Christ above all. **COLORS:** Blue and gold.

BENEDICTION: "The Lord bless thee and keep thee; the Lord make his face to shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee; the Lord lift up his countenance upon thee and give thee peace."

The Methodist Youth Fellowship, a name chosen a year ago by the denomination's youth representatives, seeks to enroll in all of its organizational units, on a national scale, some two million youth between the ages of 18 and 23. Through authorization of the Board of Education, the following is the basis for membership: "When one becomes a member in the youth division in a local Methodist church or of a Methodist student group on a campus, he is thereby a member of the Methodist Youth Fellowship. A member should wear the emblem only if he subscribes to the purposes, aims and ideals.

With The Churches

HAMPTON-HARRELL CHARGE

This has been a delightful time on this fine charge. We came to the charge from Lockesburg, where we spent two years and three months. Lockesburg is the mother and the hub of Methodism in that section, truly a great charge. We arrived in Hampton on March 3. The good people of the town found out that the preacher-family was now in the parsonage. They said to Mrs. Rogers, "We are planning some new things for you and a new cook stove is to be the first item." Well, soon that fine new cook stove was in and ready for service. The women of both Hampton and Harrell had it installed.

This charge is composed of five churches. Three of them, Hampton, Harrell, and Calion, are in town. Blantown and Faustina are in the country.

We were most graciously received on our first round, and that gracious spirit has grown ever since. Soon the old-fashioned poundings came in.

Soon we were informed that Hampton who to be host-church to the district conference. The men began planning to rebuild the yard and garden fences and to repair and repaint the parsonage. This was done at a cost of \$150.00. All the churches of the charge took part in this much-needed improvement. Later Calion made possible the repapering of two rooms in the parsonage. That work has just been finished.

This charge and the pastor have had an experience which neither ever had before. At the Fourth Quarterly Conference, on October 18, every church on the charge reported every acceptance paid in full. Not only paid in full, but they

had the receipts from the conference treasurer in hand. Too, Hampton, Harrell, Calion and Faustina have a balance in the treasuries to begin the new conference year.

The pastor did the preaching in the meetings of the charge. Rev. Welton Meeks, of Pine Bluff Circuit, assisted at Harrell and Hampton. Twelve members were received on profession of faith.

We are happy in our work. The work should go forward from the very first of next year. We have spent this year for the improvement of the parsonage, \$250.00. Every dollar has been paid.—Alva C. Rogers, Pastor.

DERMOTT CHURCH FREE OF DEBT

Dermott Methodism is now free of church debt. During the last two years these noble people paid on time and in full every item of an increased budget, the connectional interests and liquidated in full a \$6,000 church debt. During the past two months \$5,500 was raised to finish the debt and this year's budget is two weeks ahead of schedule. Seventy people have been added to the church family, thirty-two of whom were on profession of faith. Forty-one of the number came into the church this year, which makes a total enrollment of four hundred forty.

This splendid record was made possible by a faithful and far-seeing Board of Stewards, a hard working and sacrificial Society of Christian Service and a most loyal and dependable group of young people. Many of our Chinese and Jewish friends of Dermott have supported our church well during these years and especially in completing our church debt. Revs. Frank Roebuck, T. T. McNeal, E. C. Rule, former pastors of this church; Rev. Edward W. Harris of Monticello and District Judge DuVall L. Purkins of Warren all made large contributions by bringing splendid messages during our liquidation drive.

Governor Homer M. Adkins has accepted an invitation to be the speaker at the "Victory Service" scheduled for Sunday morning, November 1 at 10:45.—John L. Tucker, Pastor.

NEW AREA COUNCIL

The Carroll county "Area Council" was organized in Berryville Oct. 19th, with the election of the following officers: Eagle Thomas, Eureka Springs, chairman; Ray O. Beck, Berryville, Secretary, and Miss Molly Burkett, Green Forest, Treasurer. The second meeting will be held at Green Forest on the fifth Sunday afternoon in November.

Rev. Sam Wiggins, District Superintendent; Glenn Sanford, Special Rural Worker, led the Methodist pastors and laymen from four churches in the county in a very helpful discussion. Brother Sanford used slides and maps to show what had been done in other counties of the state.

The group was very enthusiastic about the outlook for a forward movement in the county by the Methodist church.

RURAL CHURCH HOLDS TOGETHER WITHOUT A PASTOR

Ebenezer Methodist Church, ten miles east of El Dorado, has had the misfortune of not having a pastor this year; however, the loyalty of its membership has refused to let this handicap keep them down.

The Sunday School and other work of the Church is going on and our budget has been paid in full, and all claims are to be in the district superintendent's hand before Conference.

We have not always been able to get a Methodist preacher, but have had more services held than when we had a regular pastor. We were fortunate in getting Rev. T. D. Spruce, pastor of the El Dorado Circuit, to hold our revival and his good preaching was an inspiration.

Another drawback that this church has suffered is in having to lose, temporarily, the services of our Church School superintendent, who is also chairman of our board. He is in government work which has necessitated his working on Sunday. However, he put the welfare of the Church School into the hands of others and they have carried on.

We are praying that we will get a pastor at Conference, but if not, we shall not let God's work die at this place.—Reporter.

DODDRIDGE CIRCUIT

The Olive Branch Church School has enlarged its teaching force, electing at a recent meeting, Mr. Joe Martin, adult teacher, Mr. Carl Stuckey, Intermediate teacher, Mrs. Joe Martin, Beginner teacher, Mr. W. S. Baker, Superintendent Home Department, and Mrs. Estel Adcock, Superintendent Nursery Department. Mrs. Adcock has enrolled 12 babies.

Our Olive Branch and Doddridge Youth Fellowship groups enjoyed a social at the parsonage during this quarter. Games and refreshments consisting of ice cream made it a happy occasion for the Young Fellowship members.—Rev. and Mrs. F. C. Cannon.

By bravely enduring, an evil that cannot be conquered can be overcome.—Old Proverb.

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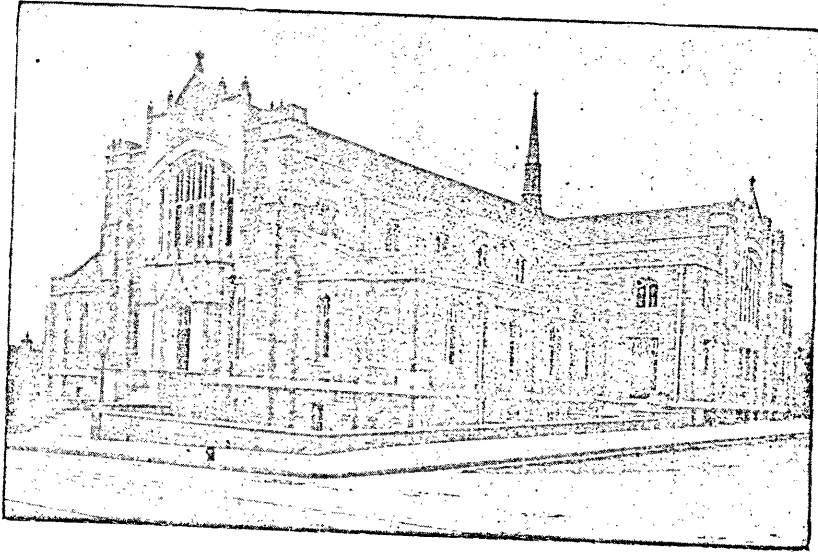
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History of The First Methodist Church

Hot Springs National Park

By Mrs. F. M. Williams

The romance of the First Methodist Church of Hot Springs is read in the indomitable will of the pioneer, the courage of the members in times of disaster, the proud loyalty of a kingly subject to the program of the Church at large, the beautiful devotion of its ardent lovers, the unbounded faithfulness of the consecrated followers and wise leading of the Holy Spirit.

No doubt every Methodist Society feels that its church has come through great trial and tribulation to the time when it can be called a great church. Such is the history of First Church in Hot Springs. Although we have come through flood, fire and drought and other difficulties we may say that through it all the hand of the Lord was upon us for good for the history of First Church relates one triumph after another in its onward march for the conquest of the world and the coming of the Kingdom to earth.

As the trek of the sick and weary in body ended in this place of healing it was soon proved that sick and weary souls needed the ministry of the church which holds to this day when thousands each year are cheered, comforted and saved through Hot Springs Methodism.

In 1813 the Hot Springs Circuit was organized as a part of the Missouri Conference with Bro. Wm. Stephenson as the pastor, this circuit embracing all the territory south of the Arkansas River to Louisiana. The population consisted of Indian traders and trappers, French and Spanish who were ministered to by this first circuit rider in this vast area. The following preachers succeeded him: 1816, Rev. Henry Stephenson; 1817, Rev. Philip Davis; 1818, Rev. Green Orr; 1822, Rev. John Harris; 1829, Rev. Rucker Turner (Rev. John Berryman, Assistant); 1830, Rev. Nelson Bewley (also Rev. Wm. G. Drake).

In 1836 Rev. Arthur Simmons was sent to Hot Springs Circuit which then included territory equal to three or four districts at the present time. In 1852 Rev. Samuel Morris first preached in a hotel known as "The Hale House" but soon began regular services in a log house on Exchange Street between the Masonic Temple and the Milwaukee Hotel which became the "meeting house" when Hot Springs Methodist Church was organized with 27 members.

In 1855 the "Ouachita Conference" appointed Rev. James E. Caldwell to the Rockport Circuit of 18 churches, one of which was Hot Springs which was made a station in 1859 with Rev. W. A. Chamberlain as pastor. In 1861 Rev. James See came to this church followed by Rev. R. F. Colburn in 1862, Rev. George Hare in 1867 and Rev. F. D. Van Valkenburg in 1869. Then came Rev. S. S. Colburn in 1870.

In 1873 Rev. T. H. Ware secured the lot at Central and Chapel and a new church was completed in 1874 with Rev. Sammy Coleman as pastor. This church was razed to give place

to a brick building which was burned in the great fire of 1908. The following ministers were then assigned to this church: I. Z. T. Morris, 1872; S. G. Colburn, 1876; A. R. Winfield, 1880; C. F. Evans, C. O. Steel, 1882; H. R. Withers, 1884; A. Soule Scott, 1888; C. C. Gadden, 1899; E. N. Evans, 1892 (assisted by W. P. Whaley); W. M. Hays, 1894; R. R. Moore, 1896; Julien C. Brown, 1898; Lewis Powell, Forney Hutchinson, assistant, 1902; M. B. Corrigan, 1908; Forney Hutchinson, 1908; Alonzo Monk, 1913; H. B. Trimble, 1914; Theodore Copeland, 1916; M. N. Waldrip, 1917; Marion Monk, 1919; J. J. Stowe, 1925; W. C. Watson, 1925; J. D. Hammons, 1934; J. L. Dedman, 1934; H. H. Griffin, 1938; Homer T. Fort, 1940.

The membership numbers 1974; value of church property is \$150,000; parsonage valued at \$14,000. The Church School numbers 820 with Mr. Lyal Bruce as General Superintendent. Mrs. Curtis Ridgeway is President of the Woman's Society of Christian Service; Mr. Thomas W. Stone is Chairman of the Board and Dr. (Continued on Page Fifteen)

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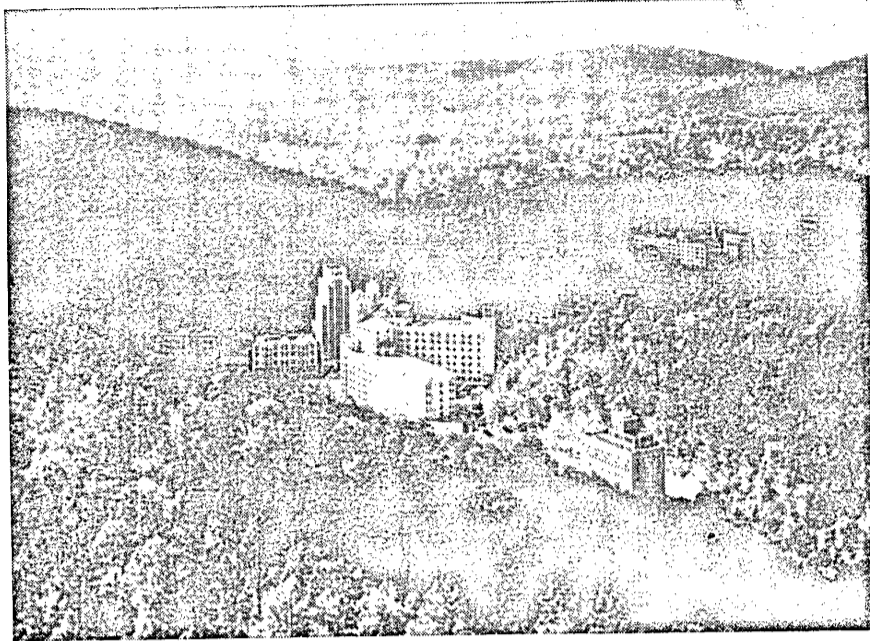
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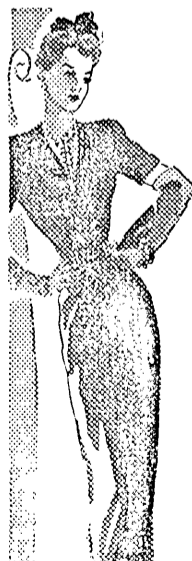
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Hot Springs Methodists, assisted by local friends of other churches, with the Arlington Hotel as headquarters, will enjoy the privilege of being hosts Nov. 11-15 to the Little Rock Conference of the Arkansas Methodists.

The Spa fee's greatly honored in being chosen as the meeting place for this great body of religious leaders. In fact, both site and dates for the conference were happily selected. Hot Springs, a spot of natural beauty the year round, is perhaps at its best at this season.

While the citizens of the resort will want you to get a great deal out of the conference, I voice their sentiment, I am sure, when I urge you to take time out between sessions to visit the museum of the administration headquarters of the National Park Service at the South end of famous magnolia bordered Bath House Row. There you will learn of the history and origin of America's greatest and only federal owned and endorsed Spa. Part of the exhibit has been prepared by government experts and includes numerous antiques, plants, animal life and minerals peculiar to the Hot Springs area.

Probably one of the most interesting sections of the museum is the display that illustrates the mechanism of the thermal springs of the health resort, or how, as

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HOT SPRINGS UNITED

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Two years ago the Methodist ministers of Hot Springs met and decided upon a united Methodist movement in the city. This has resulted in one of the most satisfactory efforts in the history of the local churches. No longer is the work divided into five units with little coordination but, on the other hand, every cause of the Kingdom is presented to the various congregations as a Hot Springs obligation. No church is content until the goal is reached for the city rather than for the separate churches. This spirit has radiated to the membership so that every Methodist in the city has a direct interest in every church and preacher. The people of each church have learned to know and love the people of other congregations and they have learned to appreciate those who are of the same faith in church which, heretofore, they have known little about.

The Methodist Men's Club has been organized and meets once a month. Men of all the churches attend and are beginning to get a vision of what the church can mean to this crucial place in our State. The various Woman's Society of Christian Service have caught the same spirit and are working and praying for a great influence in this Nation's greatest health resort.

The time is here when things look brighter than ever before for our church. Already people are saying, "Something is happening among the Methodists of Hot Springs."

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It is estimated that between six and seven Methodist Church alone. Among these same can be said of Grand Avenue, Park with safety that the number is constantly are resort but is rapidly becoming widely



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benefits from the baths, handed down from one tribal chief to another, are believed to have instigated Ponce De Leon's search for the "Fountain of Youth." Chroniclers of Spanish and French expeditions to the hot pools revealed that Hot Springs was sacred to the Indians; who made annual pilgrimages to the hot pools for their warring braves to bathe in them to recuperate from the strain of battle.

Today, as of old, men in the armed forces of the United States bathe in the famous health baths, where Uncle Sam operates one of his largest hospitals. Civil-ians whose nerves need a retreat from working longer hours and doing harder work in the war effort are invited to take the baths for rest and relaxation they so greatly need to achieve peak efficiency for fullest war production.

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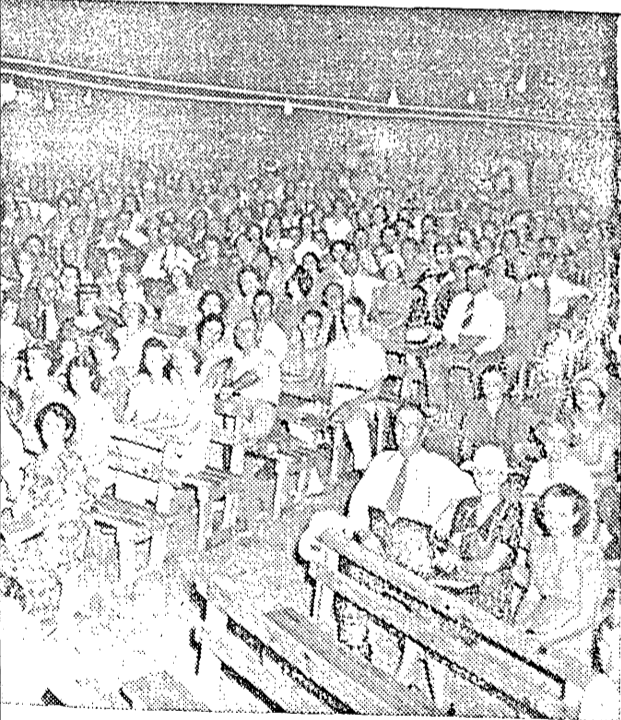
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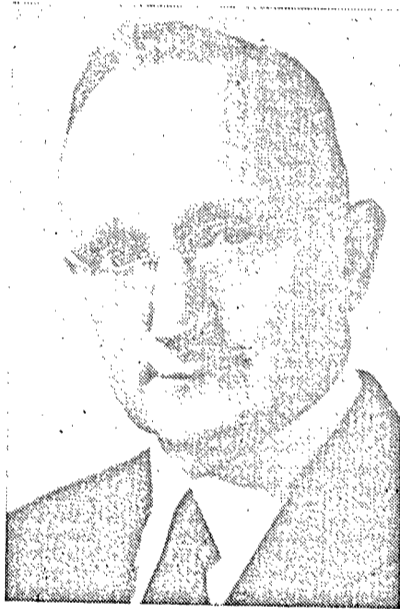


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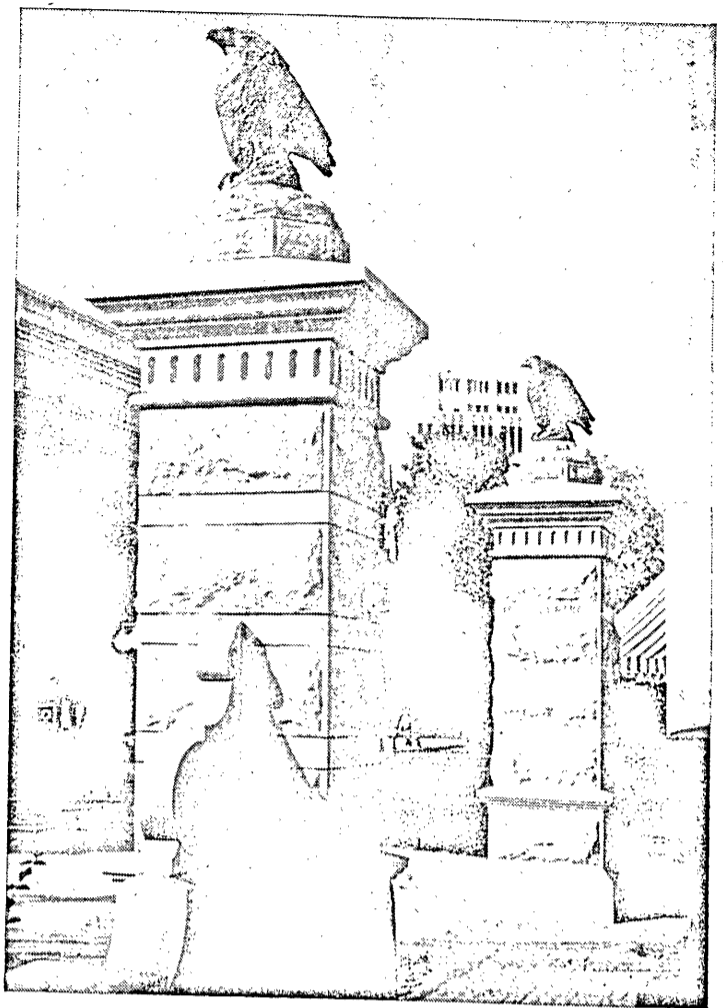
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REV. J. E. COOPER
District Superintendent

Hot Springs Methodism and the Arkadelphia District is deeply indebted to Rev. J. E. Cooper, District Superintendent, for his wise and energetic leadership during the past two years. Dr. Cooper's administration has been characterized by some of the best reports in the history of this important area. Every phase of the church program has been stressed and carried out conscientiously and with a fine spirit.

Dr. Cooper is an excellent preacher, a warm friend and wise counsellor. Methodism is in safe hands as long as he leads the hosts of this District. Mrs. Cooper is an invaluable aid in the church work and has endeared herself to ministers and layity alike.



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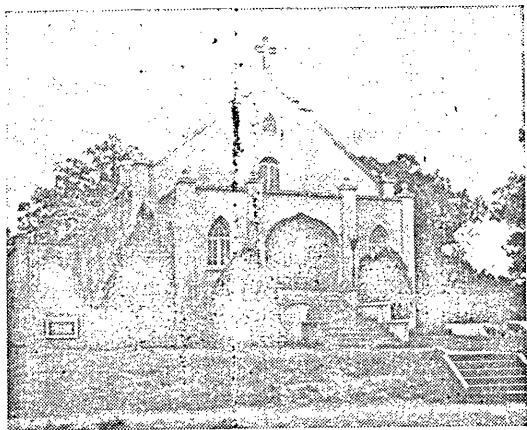
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Oaklawn church, in one of the residential sections of the city, was organized in 1906. It fills an important religious need in the lives of the people of the community.

For the past four years, Rev. George Reutz has been the pastor. During this time ninety-eight members have been added to the church, sixty-five on profession of faith. The Church School has

shown an increase in enrollment in each of the four years.

The church debt has been reduced one-half and all interest is paid to date. This year the church has been repaired—restuccoed and painted outside and basement and auditorium have been redecorated.

All acceptances for the year will be paid in full.

Three Youth Fellowships are organized with a Sunday evening attendance of around 50.

Oaklawn membership welcomes the Little Rock Conference to Hot Springs.

At Right
Rev.
George E.
Reutz
Oaklawn
Pastor



At left:
Pullman
Heights
Church,
Hal H.
Pinnell,
Pastor



PULLMAN HEIGHTS METHODIST CHURCH

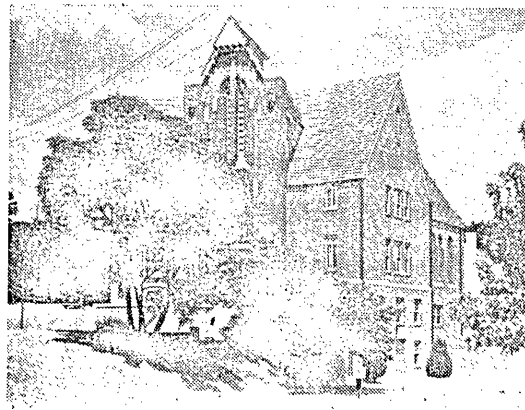
REV. HAL H. PINNELL, Pastor

The Pullman Heights Church had its beginning in 1884. The first meeting house was a little three-room cottage located on Bower Street. The organization of the church was brought about by the efforts of three of Hot Springs' pioneers: Mr. Fred Woodcock, Mr. W. A. Seay and Mr. Albert Barnes. The congregation soon outgrew the little cottage and it was decided to move the congregation to a location on Glen Street. This was done in 1890. In 1900 the church organization was again moved to Park Avenue and Pullman Street and in 1903 the Rev. J. L. Leonard's leadership provided a beautiful auditorium for the membership.

In November, 1927, the Rev. B. F. Fitzhugh became pastor and within 30 days it was decided to again move the congregation to a new location. This was done and a new brick building was built at the intersection of Pullman and State Street. At this location the church building has remained through the years.

This year the church has through a special debt retirement campaign raised enough money to pay off the debt which has

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The Grand Avenue Methodist Church

REV. R. E. SIMPSON, Pastor

Organized in 1887 as South Hot Springs Methodist Church. The following year a building was erected on Third Avenue and it became Third Street Church. In 1927 the present building was erected on the corner of West Grand and Quapaw and it became Grand Avenue Church. It occupies a strategic location in the residential section.

Rev. R. E. Simpson has been the pastor of the church for the past two years. This year the church purchased a lot back of the church and spent about \$2,000 on repairing and beautifying the building, both inside and outside and from top to bottom.

The church, through its pastor, has extended its service near and far in the use of the radio. Every Sunday morning at 8 o'clock the pastor teaches the Sunday School Lesson over KWFC, and the third and fourth Sundays in each month the morning worship services are broadcast over KTHS at 11 o'clock. This ministry to the sick and shut-ins has brought appreciative responses from the four corners of the state.

Ninety-one people have been added to the membership the past two years, and a fine Sunday School and Church service has been developed at Gardner Schoolhouse, near the airport, where the pastor preaches at ten o'clock the second and fourth Sunday mornings.

Grand Avenue is doing its share in welcoming the Annual Conference.

The church debt is now \$5,252.00 and is being reduced at the rate of about \$900 per year, plus about \$200 interest.



Tigert Memorial Church

Rev. S. K. Burnett
Pastor



Tigert Memorial Church is located in the eastern section of Hot Springs, and is doing an important work in the religious service it renders.

Rev. S. K. Burnett, who retired at the last Conference, would not stay retired. Shortly after he moved to his home here in Hot Springs he was "drafted" as the pastor of this church. During the year he has done some remarkable things. All finances were paid out several weeks before Conference, with the pastor overpaid. Extensive repairs have been made on the church building with plans for other improvements, all of which are on a "cash" basis.

Brother Burnett had to give up his property which was on

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WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

MRS. SUE M. WAYLAND, Editor

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING W. S. C. S. NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

At the First Methodist Church, North Little Rock, October 16, at 10 a. m., Mrs. R. E. Connell, president, called to order the Executive Committee meeting and led the devotional. "News Bearing," a commission given to the women at the tomb, belongs to the women of the Society today, she said. "Go your way, tell the disciples, and he goeth before."

In her final statement, "This is a day for good tidings," she set the spirit of the meeting on the high level of her own devoted and consecrated life.

Mrs. T. A. Hillis, vice-president, introduced Mrs. Doyle Baker, Pottsville, new District Secretary of the Conway District, and Mrs. Johnnie McClure, Danville, the new Conference Secretary of Children's Work. Mrs. R. H. Cole, Holly Grove, Conference Secretary of Literature and Publications was presented by Mrs. Homer Williamson.

Rev. Glenn Sanford, Secretary of Town and Country Commission, earnestly set forth the great need of tying up all agencies now operating, in one cooperative effort. He stated that the "Future of Christian Democracy depends upon the rural people." "We get more than 80% of our ministry from the rural communities. Urban population is maintained by the influx from rural localities since the urban death rate exceeds the birth rate. In the shortage of preachers Brother Sanford pointed out a definite call to lay women to serve in the nearby rural churches left without ministers.

The vice-president reported service in cultivation work in societies that had called her into their meetings. All District Secretaries were present except Mrs. Ben DeVoll, Paragould District, and gave excellent reports and pledged themselves to attempt closing out the year with all obligations fully met and finances paid in full.

Mrs. E. T. Wayland, former vice-president, was introduced and spoke briefly of the publicity of our work in the Arkansas Methodist, and as the efficient editor of the Woman's page she was promised support in "spreading the good tidings of our work."

And they shall be mine saith the Lord of host, in that day when I make up my jewels.—Malachi 3:17.

IN MEMORIAM

"Think of stepping on shore and finding it Heaven;
Of taking hold of a hand and find it God's;
Of breathing a new air and finding it celestial;
Of feeling invigorated and finding it Immortality;
Of passing through storm and tempest into an unknown calm;
Of waking up and finding it Home."

Whereas, God in His all-wise Providence has permitted death to remove from our midst our loyal friend and co-worker, Mrs. E. H. Hooks, who labored in our society for ten and one-half months and won our love and admiration by her sweet, gentle manner, her interest and enthusiasm for service to others, and her loyalty and support of all worthwhile things, and, Where Mrs. Hooks' daily life was an example of Christian graces and faith in God, inspiring her associates to a closer walk with Him.

Therefore, Be it Resolved, that First Methodist Church of Paragould has sustained the loss of a member who was faithful and true and willing to cooperate in plans for the good of all.

That the Woman's Society of Christian Service has lost a friend whose fellowship it was a pleasure and a privilege to enjoy. The five circles appreciated her friendly counsel and are grieved at her going.

That we extend to our beloved pastor, her husband, our love and sympathy in this hour of his grief, and to her bereaved daughters and mourning friends our heartfelt condolence and pray that God may bring relief to their burdened hearts and inspire with the consolations that Hope in the Resurrection and Faith in God give even in the Shadow of the Tomb.

MRS. MOLLIE DAVIES
MRS. H. LYNN WADE
MRS. J. M. LOWE.

Mrs. Alfred Knox, Secretary of Missionary Education and Service, gave a heartening report of the Seminars recently held in each district. A comparative record of the last three years revealed in what places needed work must be done. At present she will remain in the state, at least until her Army-Chaplain-husband is permanently located. So we rejoice in her continued, excellent service.

Miss Myrtle Charles reported the largest number of service guilds of the Jurisdiction, and the most new guilds added in our Conference.

Mrs. McClure asked for a better understanding of the Children's Work in the local societies.

Mrs. O. E. Goddard, chairman of

Missionary Personnel reported Virginia Echols, well established in Scarritt as our missionary-in-preparation for China, and asked that a new endowment fund be created for the support of other candidates for missionary life service.

Mrs. Bacon's treasurer's report was gratifying. She urged the full quota of the emergency fund be paid at once.

The request of Mrs. A. P. Patton for more accurate and regular reports.

At the appointed hour all matters scheduled for the day had been considered and meeting adjourned. All this was due to the fine executive ability of the president.—Mrs. O. E. Goddard.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

Receipts

Pledge	\$4,744.60
Bible Women	115.00
Scarritt	44.00
Honorary Baby Memberships	105.00
Adult Life	50.00
Wesleyan Service-Guild	298.71
Student Fund	12.50
Youth	77.92
Children	7.39
Foreign Scholarships	35.00
M. Williamson Hospital	25.00
Cash Supplies (Home)	3.00
Foreign Supplies	251.98
China Relief	33.67
Refund for Sequoyah	30.00
Refund from Conf. President	5.00
Total	\$5,838.77
Emergency Gift	1,509.99
Total	\$7,348.76

Disbursements

To Division	\$7,652.23
Honorary Memberships	155.00
To Conference Officers and Secretaries (expenses)	180.31
Rural Worker, Camden District	75.00
Little Rock Mission Board	75.00
Cash Supplies (Home)	3.00
Migrant Fund	1.00
Eagle Publishing Co., Warren, News Scope	17.85
Refund, Little Rock Mission Board to Scott St.	3.30
Total	\$8,162.69

To the Division—
Undirected Pledge \$3,791.86
Special Missionary Projects:

Scarritt	44.00
Bible Women	115.00
Foreign Scholarships	35.00
M. Williamson Hospital	25.00
Maintenance Budget, Brazil	225.00
Missionaries' Salaries	450.00
Wesleyan Service Guild	231.41
W. S. G. Missionary Projects	46.25
Student Fund	12.50
Methodist Youth Fund	77.92
Children	7.39
Honorary Baby Memberships	105.00
Adult Life	50.00
Total on Pledge	\$5,216.33
Foreign Supplies, China Relief	285.65
Emergency Gift	2,305.25
Total	\$7,807.23

Honorary Baby Memberships: Margaret Gwendolyn Gatlin, Huttig; Mary Elizabeth Gifford, Crossett; Hoyle Edward Gardner, Texarkana First; Robert Daniel Young, Texarkana First; Judith Ann Savadge, Snyder; Barbara June Savadge, Snyder; Charles Sutton Bonnett, Crossett; Marilyn Lee, Blevins; Sally Adams, Bradley; Jack O'Connor, El Dorado; George McKinney, El Dorado; Patricia Ann Hammons, Carlisle; Floyd Russell Pearson, Smackover; Anna Lou Johnson, Smackover; Charles Odum, Smackover; Elizabeth Ann Alspaugh, Smackover; Harding Briggs Cure, Pine Bluff, First; Gary Wayne Frederick, Little Rock, Highland; Shirley Ann Sanders, Sherrill; Joe Barrett Coloclosure, Sherrill; Robert Arch Robinson, Sherrill.

Adult Life: Mrs. W. C. Watson, Malvern.—Mrs. Allen Gannaway.

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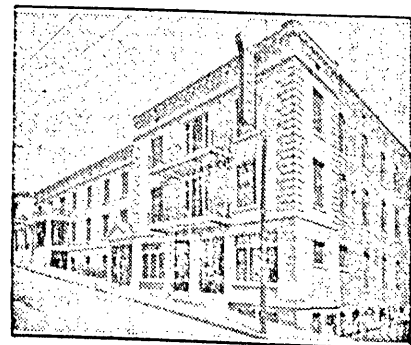
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LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE NOTES By Clem Baker

Good Reports From Fourth Sunday Programs

Since sending out our regular Fourth Sunday programs together with a special letter some weeks ago, we have received a number of encouraging letters from our friends in charge of the Fourth Sunday program in our Church Schools. We are glad to note that an increasing number of our schools are putting on the program and taking the offering. In some cases our correspondents are asking for more programs. We are glad to send as many programs each month as will be needed. Just write us how many you need.

Dr. Bugbee To Represent General Board

Dr. Lucius H. Bugbee, secretary of the Editorial Division of the General Board of Education and the editor of our Church School literature, will be the representative of the General Board of Education at the Little Rock Conference meeting in Hot Springs next week. Prior to unification, Dr. Bugbee was editor of the Church School literature for the M. E. Church with offices in New York. This will be Dr. Bugbee's first visit to the Little Rock Conference, and we heartily welcome him and are looking forward with interest to his coming.

Splendid Work Being Done by Wesley Foundation

The Little Rock Conference Board of Education in cooperation with the Board of Education of the North Arkansas Conference and the General Board of Education at Nashville is helping to support the Wesley Foundation at the University of Arkansas. This work is for the Methodist students attending our State University and its program centers in our Methodist Church at

LINCOLN AND ALCOHOL

There is hardly any subject of importance upon which Abraham Lincoln's opinion is not quoted. He said this about alcohol: "I promised my mother a few days before her death that I would never drink intoxicating liquor. This promise, made when a boy, I have faithfully kept." At one time, while Lincoln was President, he was called upon to receive at the White House, a committee of importance; his friends offered to provide liquor for the entertainment. The President replied: "I thank you for your kind attention, but most respectfully decline your offer. I have no liquor in my house and have not been in the habit of entertaining my friends in that way. I cannot permit my friends to do for me what I will not myself do; I shall provide cold water—nothing else."

Lincoln seldom spoke with greater wisdom.—Selected.

Real joy comes not from ease or riches or from the praise of men, but from doing something worth while.—Dr. Wilfred Grenfel.

THE SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER

By CLEM BAKER

"WHAT ABOUT AN EXTENSION SECRETARY"

"In his endeavor to reach just as many people as possible for Christian Education, I know one Church School superintendent who has appointed an Extension Secretary. The duty of this Secretary is to organize Extension or Week Day classes for those who cannot come to Sunday School on Sunday morning. These classes use the regular Sunday School lesson and material and do just as good and in some cases better work than can be done at the Sunday School hour. These classes sometimes meet in the pastor's home, sometimes at the Church and sometimes in homes of the members of the class. The classes for men and the mixed classes usually meet some week day night. The classes for women meet in the mornings or afternoons of week days. When we remember that there are between thirty and forty million adults in America who are not in Sunday School, we can see the importance of this type of work. We have many men and women including some young men and women, who cannot possibly get off to Sunday School but who could attend these Week Day Classes. This is especially true during these war times. As a part of our Education Advance, we sincerely recommend this plan and urge all our wide awake superintendents to try it out. In some schools the Superintendent himself may find it possible to look after the Extension Classes without appointing some one else for this responsibility. In large schools the Superintendent has so much to do that he will need a special person for this work. The Extension Secretary, together with the Nursery or Cradle Roll Superintendent and the Home Department Superintendent seek to reach all the people of all ages who cannot come to Sunday School.

Fayetteville. This work has been recently reorganized under the leadership of Dr. L. M. Starkey, the new pastor at Fayetteville. Brother Starkey is to be congratulated in securing the services of Miss Ruth Beyer to direct the Foundation Work. Miss Beyer has had large experience in Student Work and has already won the enthusiastic support of our students in the University.

Dr. W. C. Watson

It was quite a disappointment to this writer not to be able to be present at the Recognition Service

for Dr. W. C. Watson at Malvern last Sunday afternoon. From all accounts this must have been one of the outstanding occasions of our Conference year. For fifty years Dr. Watson has been an enthusiastic supporter of the total program of Religious Education in Arkansas. For several years he was the representative of Galloway College. Whether in the pastorate or on the district, Dr. Watson has always given loyal support to our Conference Board of Education and in token of our appreciation for this support, we are adding this word

to the many fine expressions heard at the Malvern meeting last Sunday.

Education Advance Special Order Of the Day

At 10:30 Thursday morning at the Little Rock Conference next week, the Special Order of the Day will be the consideration of the Education Advance. Bishop Seelman will be the principal speaker. The Education Advance is scheduled to be one of the outstanding features of our Conference program next year. We trust that our Church School people in Hot Springs and throughout that section of the Conference will take notice of this hour and plan to be present to hear the Bishop talk.

Benton Has 35% Church School Increase

A report just received from Rev. J. M. Hamilton at Benton indicates that our Church School there will show a 35% increase in enrollment for this year. A report from Rev. W. S. Cazort at Mt. Ida indicates that his charge will show at least a 20% increase. Our congratulations this week go to these fine leaders and the church schools they will represent at the coming Conference.

Rev. Ira A. Brumley To Be On Board of Trustees

Upon nomination of the Executive Committee, our co-worker in the North Arkansas Conference, Rev. Ira A. Brumley, will be elected this week as one of the North Arkansas Conference representatives on the Board of Trustees of Hendrix College, taking the place of Dr. Connor Morehead, transferred to Little Rock Conference. Brother Brumley is doing fine work in the field for Hendrix College and we congratulate the College upon his selection as one of its trustees.

When a man is appointed to an important position, he will either grow up or swell up.—Ex.

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DANVILLE PAYS OUT

At a meeting of the Fourth Quarterly Conference Wednesday evening, October 7th the church reported all finances paid in full for the year and voted to increase the pastor's salary from \$1,300 to \$1,600.

Under the leadership of our pastor, Rev. H. J. Couchman, this has been one of the best years this church has known. Since Brother Couchman's return from the army, March 4, there have been 19 additions, six babies baptized, a good increase in the Church School enrollment and a growing interest in the church services. Our prayer meeting is one of the best.

We had one of the best revivals in August that this church has witnessed in several years with Rev. Cecil Culver doing the preaching, Bro. Paul Bumpers working with the young people and Bro. Couchman leading the singing. There were 11 additions during the meeting, four on profession of faith, one by vows, and six by letter.

The ladies have purchased new curtains for the altar rail as well as kneeling pads for the altar. The pulpit and choir loft have been newly painted and a beautiful four by six-foot rayon silk American flag purchased. A Christian flag to match the American flag is being purchased by the Young People's Division and a Service flag is being made by the W. S. C. S.

Our seven-room parsonage has been newly canvassed, papered, repaired and painted at a cost of \$428.00. Several new pieces of furniture, including four rugs, have been purchased. This work was done in addition to our budget for the year, but is all paid for.

Our pastor has secured our quota for the Arkansas Methodist and we met our Hendrix Special quota of \$45, and Church School Day quota of \$10 as they came due. Last Sunday morning \$35 was laid on the altar as a World Communion Offering.

The Quarterly Conference voted a unanimous request for the return of their pastor and the finance committee reported they had secured signed pledges to more than cover the budget for next year. Bro. Hayden announced that Danville was the second church in the Conway District to report all finances in full for the year, but the first church to pay out and have next year's budget already sufficiently covered by signed pledges.—Baxter Gatlin, Secretary of Quarterly Conference.

PEA RIDGE CHURCH

This has been a year of celebrations for the Pea Ridge Church and a very pleasant year for the pastor. At our fourth quarterly conference, which was held September 13, Rev. Hugh Lee, superannuate minister from California, was here celebrating the fifty-fourth year since he had joined the church here and later had been licensed to preach from this church. Three others, among them our own Dr. A. W. Martin, have gone out from this church to bless the world with their ministry.

The whole Charge paid all its obligations in full on the above date, except for salary, which was paid at Pea Ridge in full plus three weeks before annual conference.

In our revival meeting here this summer led by Rev. R. A. Doman of Hulbert, twelve united with the church, nine on profession of faith and three by letter. Two had been baptized and received into the

church this Sunday before.

Mr. W. H. Martin and Mrs. Orena Mayfield of Brightwater have been subscribers to the Arkansas Methodist since the first publication. Mr. Martin, who had been a trustee or Steward since the present church was organized in 1908, is lay delegate to Annual Conference this year.—Clarence Wienand, Pastor.

NETTLETON-BAY CHARGE

As we approach the close of another Conference year, our charge is closing with a very successful year. We held pre-Easter services at Bay in which we dedicated one child by baptism. Then we held our summer revival at Bay the first of September. We had three additions on profession of faith and baptism. Bro. V. E. Chalfant, our pastor at West Memphis, did the preaching. Brother Chalfant delivered some very inspiring messages, which all enjoyed and were strengthened in the inner life. We never worked with anyone that we enjoyed their messages and fellowship any more than with Brother Chalfant. Our reports are all good and finances in full.

We held our revival at Nettleton in May, the pastor doing the preaching. We had seven additions on profession of faith.

We have had ten additions on profession of faith and ten by certificate. We have lost seven by death and otherwise. We spent \$50 remodeling the front of the church at Nettleton, and bought about \$50 worth of chairs for the choir and Sunday School rooms at Bay. Most all of our finances, save the pastor and District Superintendent's salary, were paid Christmas and finished Easter Sunday.

We have had a good year and are ready for Conference.—A. L. Riggs, Pastor.

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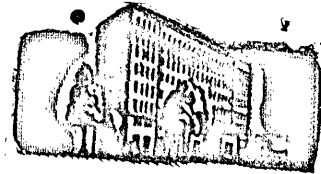
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THE WORK AT MALVERN

Malvern First Church is doing all possible to honor and encourage the young men who have gone into active service from our church. We have built a beautiful Honor Roll with all the forty-one names written in old English. This is very attractive with a silk American flag draped on either side, and stands in the vestibule of the church. A large Christian and American flag have each been ordered and will be placed on either side of the pulpit. Copies of the wonderful little book, "Strength For Service To God and Country" have been sent to each in the Army and Navy and the responses have been gratifying. Also each Sunday morning at the service a minute of silent prayer is observed for their welfare.

In closing out my eighth year as pastor, it is not without an element of sadness. Preaching, visiting, marrying, baptizing infants, and burying the dead for so many years in the same community, the severing of such bonds is not without a pull at the heart. This is a great church, judged from any angle. They expect to employ an educational secretary next year, and, of course, this will add to their efficiency in the total program of the church. I do not know of a church anywhere, big or little, that has a more efficient leadership from the body of the church than this. Any man who may come here and work at the job will have a loyal backing and a successful ministry.

As I retire from the active ministry after fifty consecutive years' work, my prayer is that the right man will be sent here to serve these noble people and that the work will go on in a bigger and better way.—
W. C. Watson, Pastor.

BLACK FISH LAKE

The Black Fish Lake church, under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. Raymond A. Dorman, is nearing the end of another Conference year with a good report. We have had eleven additions to the church by vows and letter.

The Church School attendance is good. The children contribute much to the worship service with their songs, prayers and vocal and instrumental selections.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service is active in serving the needs of the church and community, locally, and meeting the requirements and their obligations to the Conference W. S. C. S. The Official Board is generous and co-operative.

The church observed World Communion Sunday and an offering was made. The offering was sent on its way to contribute something to the Fellowship of suffering and for the service man's needs.

We are happy to have for the Fourth Quarterly Conference, a full report. As the new Conference year comes to us, even though there is uncertainty all about us, we expect to face it with high hopes and courage.—Church Reporter.



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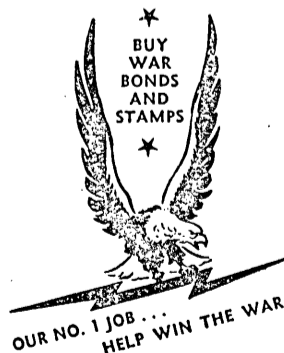
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Christian Nature In The Family

LESSON FOR NOVEMBER 8, 1942

LESSON TEXT: Deut. 6:49 and 20-25; 2 Tim. 3:14, 15.
GOLDEN TEXT: "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it."—Prov. 22:6.

The home was the first religious institution, and the family was the first religious congregation. Abraham talked with God in the doorway of his tent; and he "commanded his household" in the acceptance of religious instruction, and in the observance of religious ritual. Abraham and his sons, and his sons' sons for four hundred years had no places of "public worship" except crude stone altars built before their tents. In their tents and around these stone altars they taught their children and servants the new doctrine of monotheism, and trained them to worship the one GOD and live by faith in that one GOD. During the four hundred years in Egypt these descendants of Abraham kept up their family religion, preserved and propagated their belief, and held their people together. After they left Egypt, they built a tabernacle where their priests might carry on certain rituals, and around which the people camped and marched; but the people went out by families, held together by families, and worshipped by families. This family religion, more than anything else, has held the Jewish people together, and saved them from extinction by the persecutions through four thousand years.

I. Keeping Up Their Well-tried Family Religion.

Moses did not give the Jews any new doctrine, or command any new practice in the lesson text for today. From the time of Abraham, Jewish families had carried on their religious teaching, training and worship in their homes. Father Abraham was father of this custom. The case of Timothy, in the second part of our scripture text, shows how this old Jewish practice of home teaching and training still worked two thousand years after Moses. "From a child thou hast known the holy scriptures which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus." Timothy's religion had come down to him from his "grandmother Lois" and his "mother Eunice."

II. The Teachableness of Children.

The fastest learner in the world is a baby. He learns most of what he is ever going to learn before he toddles off to the primary grade school; and he learns it in and around the home. The foundation of his intellectual life has been laid, and much of the superstructure has been cemented into unchangeable lines. That is why the Jewish law required parents to teach and train their children from infancy. They saw to it that the important teaching and training for religious life had been thoroughly done before they entrusted their children to outside teaching. Early in Jewish history these people proved, and wrote down in their literature, the great proverb: "Train up a child in the way he should go, and even

when he is old he will not depart from it."

Jesus called attention to the quickness of little children for religious truth. Little children pressed as close as they could to Jesus, sometimes getting in the way of grown people. They took in His simple teaching more readily than some of the older people. Jesus gave public thanks that God had revealed His teachings "unto babes."

III. Priests of the Home.

St. Paul sent his greetings to the church in the home of Priscilla and Aquila. These two converts were carrying on church work in their home. Someone has said that parents are "the viceregents of God" to children. That is, they stand in the place of God. Whatever God does for a little child he does through the parents. God puts the parents between himself and the little child. The faith a child must have in God he must first have in his parents, the love a child must have for God he must first have for his parents, the obedience which a child must exercise toward God he must first exercise toward parents. "The first commandment" for a little child is to honor and obey parents. If we parents stand in God's stead in our homes, how important and sacred our place! The Bible teaches that our babies are an "heritage" from the Lord. A holy babe in our home! We standing in the place of God toward that child! That ought to make the home holy.

IV. Confidence In Parents Makes Parents Good Teachers.

When Paul was writing to Timothy about certain scripture teaching, he reminded Timothy that these scripture teachings had made his grandmother Lois what she was, and his mother Eunice what she was. That made it easy for Timothy to trust these scriptures. If these scripture teachings had failed with his grandmother and with his mother, Timothy might have hesitated to trust them in his own life. Children who are "sent" to church school, and forced to learn from a Bible that their parents do not respect nor live, regard the whole matter as an imposition from which they expect to be free when they grow up. It is a serious matter for parents to nullify by their own lives the scriptures they wish their children to know.

If parents fail their own children, it is probable that no other teachers can overcome that failure.

V. The Bible the Text Book for Moral and Religious Living.

It is THE BOOK. Not because it teaches everything, but because it is divine authority on the moral and the religious life. "It is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works."

The BOOK is a treatise on sin. It

catalogues a long list of sins. Tells the sad stories of people who sin, and shows that "the way of the transgressor is hard." God does not shield the most prominent characters in this Book, nor condone their sins. The BOOK is also a treatise on righteousness. It catalogues a long list of moral virtues, and tells us stories of people who exemplified these in their fine living. It is a treatise on faith. Through its pages we see men who "walk by faith," pray in faith, and triumph by faith.

There are no more entertaining stories for little children than Bible stories. Parents should get some of the wonderful books of Bible Stories for their children. Before the children can read, they will enjoy hearing the parents read these stories. These stories read into the eager minds of the little fellows will carry and fix scripture truth that will culture them and save them. This is the easiest way to teach religion; this simple and pleasant duty we can't afford to neglect.

"THE SOUL OF CULTURE IS THE CULTURE OF THE SOUL." Parents have the privilege of starting their children in the way they should go. Nobody else will step in until we have had our opportunity. After other teachers and trainers have stepped in, they cannot undo our work, if we have done our work well.

HISTORY OF FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

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J. M. Proctor, Chairman of the Finance Committee.

A good wind from the south blew our way and brought us Dr. Homer T. Fort of Texas in Methodism's changing program, who took hold with confidence and help of his people and by his good judgment, sense of fitness of things, fine sermons, the work goes on in great way.

In the years of trials and tribulations that have marked the progress of the church many rare blessings have come, many celebrities have graced our pulpit as people from all climes and all stations come to our healing waters who in our beautiful sanctuary find peace and comfort for their souls.

Like Paul I would say, "I reckon that the sufferings of this time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us as we too press toward the prize of the mark of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

(Editor's Note: Mrs. Williams has for years been an outstanding character in Arkansas Methodism. She has been a Conference officer for the Woman's Society of Christian Service and has served as President of the First Church Society for a long period of time.)

PULLMAN HEIGHTS METHODIST CHURCH

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been on the church building since 1928. Money was raised for improvements on the church building and the parsonage. All these improvements have been made and paid for and the church properties are now in good repair and much improved in appearance.

Forty new members have been added to the membership of the church this year. The budget has been increased considerably and all financial obligations will be paid in full, including a substantial payment on the debt and about \$350.00 on improvements.

TIGERT MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

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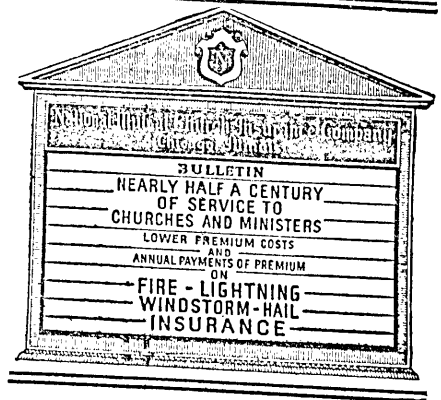
the proposed airport site and bought a house on Ward Avenue in Hot Springs, where he is now comfortably located—and says he is not the least bit worried about having to move right after Conference.

Tigert Memorial is looking forward to welcoming the Annual Conference.

These Questions may decide what laxative to give your child

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Mrs. B. B. Iverstrom, 1002 Barber.
James Iverstrom, 1002 Barber.
Patsy Iverstrom, 1002 Barber.
Sarah Iverstrom, 1002 Barber.

BAPTIZED NOVEMBER 1, 1942

Karen Sue Williamson, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Williamson.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Linsley, Route No. 3, on the birth of a son, Clyde, Jr., October 18, 1942.

CALLING ALL MEMBERS OF WINFIELD

We are now calling all members of Winfield to come to the rescue of OUR church. We would like to have every pledge paid up in full if at all possible by Sunday, November 8, so that the pastor can have a good report to take to the Conference. And surely some members of this great church have been blessed during the year beyond their expectations when pledges were made, and would like to pay more in proportion to that added blessing. And too, there are always a number who say, "I do not like to pledge, but you can depend on me doing my part." Well, there was never a better time to show your loyalty than now, and Winfield can use your gift now and needs your support. Do not wait, we are entering the last mile and it may take just your added help to put us over in a financial way.—W. P. Ivy, Chairman Finance Committee.

SYMPATHY

Our deepest sympathy is extended Mrs. Travis E. Cowart in the recent loss of her husband.

OFFICERS, BOARD OF STEWARDS

At the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Stewards, Monday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: C. C. Arnold, Chairman; James Verhoeff, Vice-Chairman; W. P. Ivy, Second Vice-Chairman in charge of the Finance Committee; Crawford Greene, Secretary; John C. Buzbee, Treasurer.

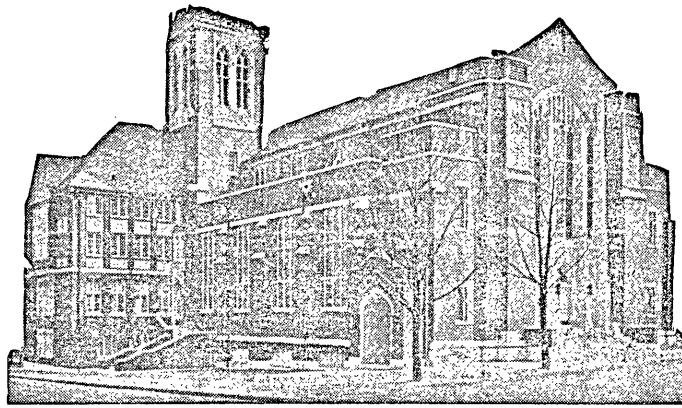
STEWARDS HONOR ROLL

The following men are members of the Board of Stewards of Winfield, and are in the uniform of our country, and will be continued as members of the Board during the absence in the war:

Joe W. Allbright
Dr. W. R. Alstadt
Jesse F. Burton
Dan Keely
Alvin L. Kline
E. O. Manees
Curtis L. Meeks
Garra Snofner
Louis Stewart

OUR KNOWN SICK

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Mr. L. P. Cryer, Trinity Hospital.
Mrs. C. B. Nelson, 2100 Battery.
Miss Alice Nelson, 1819 Gaines.
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Mr. J. W. Duckett, Room 204, Missouri-Pacific Hospital.



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Minister of Music

MISS KATE BOSSINGER
Organist

MISS OLIVE SMITH, Director of Christian Education

Christian Education

By Miss Olive Smith

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS

6:00 P. M.—November 8

YOUNG PEOPLE: Meet in parlor for recreation in charge of Charles Baughman. At 6:45 the World Friendship Commission under the leadership of Ruth Rhea and Tommy Fowler will begin a series of programs on the theme, "Our World Friendship." The subject for discussion this Sunday evening will be "Working Together For a Great Cause."

SENIOR HIGH: Meet in Fellowship hall for recreation followed by a discussion on the work of the Methodist Youth Fellowship. The program will be led by Carol Shuckers.

JUNIOR HIGH: Meet for fellowship in the Couples Class room. In the expressional meeting they will begin a series of four discussions on the "Use of the Bible." Delores Ingram will lead the first of the series on "How May I Use the Bible?"

WEDDING RING AND FRIENDSHIP CLASSES

The Wedding Ring and Friendship classes will meet for a combined business meeting and social on Friday evening, November 6, at 7:30. It is important that all members of both groups be present. Important matters will be discussed and the help and cooperation of each one is needed.

TOSS-UP HIKE FOR JR. HIGH

Members of the Junior High Department will enjoy a Toss-Up Hike, Friday, November 6, at 7:30. They are to meet in the Couples Class room where instructions will be given. Don't miss this if you are in this group.

NEW TEACHERS

We welcome Mrs. C. E. Mashburn as a teacher of the 7th Grade in the Junior High, and Mrs. J. A. Everette is teaching in the third grade of the Primary Department.

ADULT COUNCIL MEETING

We wish to express appreciation to those classes which had representation at the Council Meeting last Wednesday. It was a splendid meeting and we feel that much was accomplished. There was a fine spirit of co-operation and we anticipate even larger representation next time. Dr. N. T. Hollis, superintendent of this division, is interested in making this a vital meeting. Those classes represented were the Ashby, Bullington, Couples Class, Hinton, Jenkins, Slack, Wedding Ring, Friendship and Fidelity.

CHURCH WORKERS' LIBRARY

Some time ago we announced that a committee was working on our library. The books are now catalogued and the shelves have taken on a "library look."

We are grateful to Mrs. J. L. Verhoeff, Mrs. L. H. Caldwell and Miss Frances Barnett who have worked so faithfully on this project. This committee will continue to function for we hope to add new books as fast as possible. Books may be checked out on Sunday morning or any week day, following the same rules as the Public Library.

Next Sunday At Winfield

- 10:00 a. m. Church School.
Mr. Gerland Patten is the Promotional Director and Mr. C. B. Nelson is the Statistical Director for the 20% increase in attendance for which we are striving.
- 10:55 a. m. "A MAN IS AS GREAT AS HIS LOYALTIES"
Sermon by the Minister.
Text, "I determined to know Jesus Christ and Him Crucified." I Cor. 2:10.
Special seats will be reserved for those persons who have joined Winfield Church this Conference year.
- 6:00 p. m. Youth Fellowships.

7:30 p. m.

WELCOME

Members of Esther Chapter No. 217, Eastern Star, Miss Wilma Hogg, Worthy Matron.

These ladies will be our welcome guests for this evening service.

The Minister
will preach on the subject
"YOU CAN NOT BORROW LIFE"

The public is invited.

The Minister's Message

THANK YOU VERY MUCH for all the cooperation and sacrifices of this Conference year. Never before have the American people been called upon to meet such emergencies and demands as have come this year.

The membership of Winfield Church has made those adjustments rapidly and graciously. We have had our own disruptions, with 121 men going into the service. But others have volunteered or have been willing to be "selected" and the work has gone on.

Mr. James Verhoeff, and his special money-raising and debt-refinancing Committee, did noble work, and you responded gallantly. The Church debt has been put in good order and the payments will be met in the regular budget.

Mr. W. P. Ivy and his Budget Finance Committee has put in long hours and hard work to provide the money for the year's work. They have kept the mention of money matters out of the Sanctuary services, except in an informative way. YOU will be for the quiet and smooth manner in which they have handled the finances.

YOUR answer to the call to Tithe-for-a-month has continued to bear fruit and about \$1,200.00 has come to the treasury for the Benevolences.

We have just the expenses of the month of November to be met and the Church debt payment. Your pledge paid in full will do that. Thank you.