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"The World is My Parish" — John Wesley

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## First Honors

TO REV. HORACE M. LEWIS, pastor of First Methodist Church, Batesville, goes the honor of being the first pastor to make a complete report to our office from the North Arkansas Conference in the Arkansas Methodist Circulation Campaign. First Church, Batesville, will have this year a total of one hundred and sixty-five subscribers to our paper. One hundred forty of these are renewals and twenty-five are new subscribers. This is sixty-two more than their quota of one hundred three for this year.

Rev. Fred Schwendimann, our pastor at Tilar-Winchester, has the honor of making the first full report to our office from the Little Rock Conference in our Circulation Campaign. Bro. Schwendimann's charge had a quota of forty-six. He reports a total from his charge of sixty-one subscribers, which is fourteen more than the total number of last year. Twenty-five of these are new subscribers. Both of these reports came in several days ahead of the opening date of the Campaign. They are prophetic, we hope, of the reports that our office will receive from all sections of our state, as a result of the Circulation Campaign.

The Arkansas Methodist of January 28th will carry our first report of the results of the Campaign. It will be a full report, by districts and by charge of the results of the Campaign as reported to our office the week of the 18th. Reports should reach our office as early as possible after the 18th in order that we may have time to tabulate the results from the three hundred and seventy-five charges of the state.

## Our Staff Poet Honored

THE Harbinger House, publishers of New York, have just published a book of poetry, "Testament Of Faith", which the publishers call "An Anthology of Current American Spiritual Poetry." The publishers have this to say about the publishers: "Testament Of Faith" represents the fruition of a long cherished ideal—to bring together in a single volume the best of the poetry of religion being produced in America today. Culled from the pages of leading magazines and newspapers, or printed here for the first time, these poems are the wealth of America's spiritual feeling."

Two poems written by our staff poet, Miss Annie Winburne, and published in the Arkansas Methodist on the Children's Page, of which she is editor, were selected by the publishers to help make up this volume of "Current American Spiritual Poetry." In connection with the two poems selected, the publishers have this to say about Miss Winburne: "Miss Winburne is a resident of Arkansas, having been born and reared in that state. She is on the staff of the Arkansas Methodist and her works have been published in it, including her illustrated poems, which are a regular feature."

There are two matters with reference to this publication we feel sure our readers will appreciate: First, you will be glad that Miss Winburne's work has attracted the attention of a New York publisher and you will be pleased also that the publisher classifies the Arkansas Methodist with "leading magazines and newspapers" of America. If you are interested in current poetry, whether there are children in your home or not, you should read the poem on the Children's Page, written by Miss Winburne. Almost every issue carries one of these original poems.

## That Amazing Man—Christ Jesus

IN THIS column there will appear a series of articles under the above caption, "That Amazing Man—Christ Jesus." In these articles we shall give some of the reasons undergirding our faith in Christ as God's Son and our Saviour.

In these days of testing, we often feel the need of that quality of preparedness and certainty of which the Apostle Peter spoke when he said, "be ready always to give an answer of the hope that is in you." Sustaining and making possible the "hope" of which Peter speaks is the unswerving faith in the all-important, essential fact that Christ the Messiah is "the Son of the living God."

Many questions have been raised concerning the Christ of the New Testament. The virgin birth, the miracles, the sinlessness, the resurrection of the Master—these and other questions have



been the subjects of age-old debates. Back of all of these questions regarding the details of the life of Christ is one that overshadows all of them and is the real answer to all of them—was Jesus the Messiah, the Christ, the Divine Son of God. Believing that, and we do, we can believe anything else the Bible teaches us about Him. When we have lost faith in Him as the Divine Son of God, we will have also lost interest in the various other questions men raise concerning His life.

For most of us, as Christians, the teachings of the Bible, especially the New Testament, are sufficient to settle the question for us regarding Christ as God's Son. This is true with us because of the personal experience we have had as Christians and the conscious, constant inner witness we have that our faith in Him has not been misplaced.

Unfortunately there are many about us who do not accept the statements of the Bible as authoritative neither do they accept as final our personal testimony that Christ lives in our lives. For these we must turn elsewhere for a convincing answer when our faith is challenged.

Fortunately there are answers that must arrest the attention of any sincere searcher after God that are not dependent for their effectiveness on an acceptance of the authority of the Bible or the acceptance of the reality of our personal experience. In articles to follow the editor will state some of the reasons he would give to such a person for his faith in "That Amazing Man—Christ Jesus."

## It Must Not Happen Here

IN A RECENT report we are told that fifty or more colleges have closed their doors during the last few months. That report indicates the danger threatening all small colleges. The weak of course go first but any small college, not heavily endowed is in danger today. Hendrix College has some endowment but the amount is altogether too small to enable Hendrix to weather the storm which has swept over our educational world.

It is not difficult to discover some of the perplexing problems which colleges like Hendrix now face. There is the problem of the increased cost of operation which attends inflationary periods regardless of good management or attempts at economy. Even if the number in the student body were to remain the same, it would be difficult to pass on to the student this increased cost of operation as rapidly as it has developed.

When we turn to the actual situation—a substantial increase in the operating cost and a substantial decrease in the student body—we have a situation which will make it all but impossible for the college to continue its work unless the friends of Hendrix College unite with purse and purpose in the determination that "it must not happen here."

We must give more than money, if Hendrix College is to continue to live through this hour of testing. Most of the older students have already been called to the service. Now the new draft law, which includes practically every boy of college age, threatens to take all boys, physically fit, as soon as they reach the college age. When we remember also that many of our girls of college age are taking one of the many attractive jobs open to them and many other girls have entered the active armed service, we begin to see something of the difficulties facing our colleges. Hendrix College will need larger financial support from its friends this year than before and it will also need the personal service of its friends in large numbers in soliciting students for the coming year and in underwriting the support of prospective students who would attend but are not able financially. Hendrix College must stand and its friends must join hands and hearts in personal service and financial support to make it possible.

## Religion Ministering To The Whole Of Life

IN THE January issue of the Reader's Digest under the caption "He Saves Souls By Saving Soil" we have an article, condensed from The Progressive Farmer, which recognizes the vital place religious leadership has in developing a well rounded community life. According to the article Rev. Paul Doran, in a twenty-seven-year rural pastorate, has had a leading part in a program which has resulted in a social, economic and spiritual transformation which is also a revelation. It reveals that a minister of Christ, without a know-it-all attitude, by word of mouth and by a living example can lift the whole level of a community life to the attainment of the "abundant life" of which Jesus spoke. Most people are more interested in living here and now than there and then. It is difficult to convince people that we are interested in what is to happen to them in an indefinite future if we are indifferent to what is happening to them now.

# What Do Brazilians Think Of Protestant Missionaries?

By RODOLFO ANDERS, Evangelical Confederation Of Brazil

IN THE difficult days through which we are passing great effort is being put forth by the enemies of inter-American neighborliness to drive a wedge between the American nations. All kinds of pretexts are being used, even dragging in and debasing the ideal of friendship in order to divide and separate those who should be friends. And none other is the objective to which some citizens of the Americas, both Brazilians and Americans, lend themselves consciously or unconsciously, probably the latter, when they accept, without analyzing it, the affirmation, which finds its inspiration in disturbed Europe—that the work of North American Missionaries to the South of the Rio Grande is “the work of pure destruction.”

We Brazilians who know this work do not thus consider it. Neither do our leading and most cultured educators; nor does our Government think so. The work of these missionaries at least such as represent the mission boards of the accredited evangelical churches, as most of them do,—the work of these missionaries is not destructive but, on the contrary, constructive; it does not separate the great North American nation from the Brazilian Republic in which such work is carried on, but rather it promotes contacts, neighborliness, friendships and a better mutual understanding.

If the work of North American missionaries were destructive, the Brazilians of the city of Lavras, Minas, would not unveil in the public square, as they have done, a bust of the Rev. Dr. Samuel Gammon, thus honoring the memory of this great educator and Presbyterian missionary.

If this work were destructive our Government would not have bestowed the honorary distinction of “Commodore” of the Order of the Southern Cross upon Dr. Benjamin H. Hunnicutt, illustrious lay missionary who has done so much for the economic development of the country and for the promotion of friendship between Brazilians and Americans.

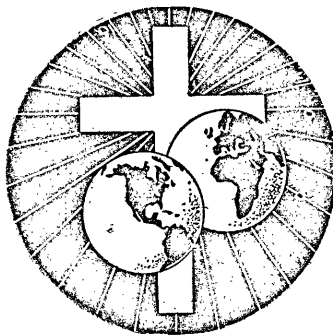
If this work were destructive we would not find the name of the missionary, Dr. J. M. Lan-der, given to one of the streets in the city of Juiz de Fora, nor find in Sao Paulo, a street with the name of the great missionary women sent to our land, Dona Carcia Browne, the right hand of the educational reform “Bernardino de Campos” in Sao Paulo that moulded the generation of teachers which gave glory and prestige to the teaching profession in the State of Sao Paulo.

If this missionary work were harmful to the country, never would distinguished men of Government circles declare, as have Dr. Oswaldo Aranha, Minister of State, and others, that they sincerely appreciate the work of North American missionaries; nor, if this were so, would President Getulio Vargas, who found it necessary to put severe restrictions on the entrance into Brazil of foreigners, particularly Europeans, have declared, as he did recently and officially, that the entrance into Brazil of North American missionaries is not prohibited.

If this work were destructive the illustrious Brazilian educator, Prof. F. Venancio Filho, in a public address on “American Contribution to Education” would not have made the following statement among others, which greatly honor North American missionaries: “Granbery College (founded by Methodist missionaries) has greatly served the cause of Secondary Education, according to the standards established by Brazilian legislation, already there having passed through its course more than 10,000 Brazilian young people,—Granbery College being also the pioneer in the preparation of Secondary (High School grade) teachers in Brazil”—also this: “A panoramic view of the educational work of American Protestants in Brazil, carried out under the inspiration of the ideals of Christianity, cannot fail to mention the initiative along the line of popular education of a most meritorious type taken by the People’s Central Institute of Rio de Janeiro, likewise organized by Methodist missionaries, as a work of love, of

dedication of abnegation and sacrifice.”

If it were a “work of pure destruction”, it would not have happened that in December, 1936, a small group of outstanding, cultured Brazilians of high social position, desiring to organize a Brazilian-American Society to promote cultural relations between the two countries, first approached American missionaries and laid before them their scheme. The conference resulted in a final decision to go ahead, and the “Instituto Brasil-Estados Unidos” was organized and has become a most efficient and influential institution for promoting Pan-American friendship. An American missionary, Dr. H. C. Tucker, was elected as its first Vice-President for three successive terms and is now the first and only Honorary member, Dr. Samuel G. Inman, present on the occasion of organizing the Institute, wrote: “Among the proudest moments of my life was one in January, 1937, when a Brazilian-North American Cultural Institute was organized at Rio de Janeiro to promote educational relations between the two countries. The Brazilian Minister of Foreign Relations (who had invited the organizing group of about 200 persons to hold the meeting at the Itamaraty



Palace) called on an American missionary as the most representative North American, to occupy the president’s chair.”

When Secretary of State Hull, returning from the Buenos Aires Conference, was given a reception by the American colony in Rio it was a missionary who was chosen to introduce the Secretary of State.

If it were a work of destruction that American missionaries are carrying out in Brazil, the illustrious Prof. Lourenço Filho, one of the highest authorities in the field of Brazilian education and Director of the National Institute of Pedagogical Studies, would not have said recently at a ceremony at which he was the leading speaker: “Here (in Bennett Junior College, under the direction of Methodist Women’s work) young women will prepare themselves for family life and at the same time for the social service which today’s society demands. Here they will be prepared to govern their own small kingdoms of the home and at the same time to serve the Nation, the great empire made up of these little kingdoms.” “From such schools as this have come forth men like Trajano Moraes, Vital Brasil, Firmino Costa, Erico Verissimo, and our late lamented Erasmo Braga, whose name is graven on one of the buildings today being dedicated—all Brazilians of the finest type, citizens of whom our nation is proud.”

If we turn our eyes to another sector of missionary work, that of medical missions, we will see their representatives located, not in the large cities where there is every comfort and an abundance of doctors, but in the interior of the country, in sections almost devoid of medical service, as Dr. James Franstone, in the model hospital which he directs in Anapolis, State of Goias; and Dr. Donald C. Gordon, at Rio Verde in the same state, where alongside of his overcrowded clinic he has established a high grade School of Nursing, and Dr. W. W. Wood, at Grace

Memorial Hospital, Ponte Nova, State of Bahia, also with a Nurses’ Training School the only hospitals in an area of hundreds of square miles.

And what shall we say of the work of evangelization? Hundreds of thousands of Brazilians who know evangelical work in Brazil but who do not belong to evangelical churches, would declare with me, if given the opportunity, that they appreciate and approve such work, because it is essentially constructive, carried out through the preaching of revealed truth, through Biblical instruction of children, youth and adults, through proclaiming the principles of worth-while living, through the diffusion of the ideal of personal purity, through obedience to law and service to one’s country, through spiritual guidance and moral supervision. Observant and enlightened Brazilians applaud this work because every individual reached by North American missionary effort, whether man, woman or child, never becomes a less useful citizen, but on the contrary always becomes more useful to himself, to his home, to his community and to his country as a consequence of the Gospel message which he received, and of which he was ignorant before. It is also proper to indicate here that as a rule, evangelical work in the capitals and large cities is in the hands of national pastors. The missionaries, with a true spirit of detachment and abnegation, locate themselves in the hinterland in order to plant and promote the work of the Gospel where the fields are most difficult and the labor most arduous.

Such are the facts, and the proofs that the work of North American Evangelical missions is constructive and is appreciated by the Brazilians could be multiplied many times.

## A MESSAGE TO CHRISTIANS OF OTHER LANDS

(Adopted by the Federal Council of Churches in Biennial Session December 11, 1942)

To Our Brothers In Christ In Other Lands: Across all the divisions of nation and race our thoughts go out to you as members, with us, of the universal fellowship of the Christian Church which God has created by His Holy Spirit. We rejoice that it is a fellowship which neither distance, nor language, nor color, nor political loyalty, nor war can destroy. In spite of all the cleavages that sunder men today, our fellowship in Christ remains unbroken. We declare our unity with you in every land who witness to the Word of God and hold fast to the Christian faith.

Many of you, living under the Cross, steadfast under hardship and persecution, have inspired us to greater faith and courage. What St. Paul wrote from prison to the Phillippians is true of many of our harrassed fellow-Christians today—because of their bonds we “are more abundantly bold to speak the word of God without fear”; the things which have happened to them “have fallen out unto the furtherance of the Gospel.” (Phil. 1:14, 12.)

We pledge to our fellow Christians everywhere an unceasing comradeship in prayer beseeching our common Father that He will vouchsafe His light and comfort to those in affliction and His strength to those under the burden of grievous trial. We pledge ourselves also to a comradeship in service for the healing of the nations, rededicating ourselves to Him in Whom alone is the way of peace and reconciliation.

## THE HOME BEAUTIFUL

Integrity must be the architect, and tidiness the upholsterer; it must be warmed by affection and lighted up with cheerfulness; industry must be the ventilator, renewing the atmosphere every day; while over all as the protecting canopy and glory, nothing will suffice but the blessing of the Almighty.—D. A. Hayes.

# THE DEVOTIONAL PAGE

H. O. BOLIN, Editor

## THE STRANGEST TEXT I EVER USED

Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour.—Matt. 27:45.

In the history of man there have been many periods of darkness. The text refers to the three-hour blackout in the days of Pontius Pilate. From this old story we hope to receive some enlightenment of mind and inspiration of soul to help us face the blackout periods of our day.

Despite our civilization, religion, education and culture, we are living in the world's darkest age. Hence, when the signal is given, draw down the shades and dim the lights, for the enemy may be overhead.

The people had gone up to Jerusalem to keep the Feast of the Passover. During this blackout they shouted, screamed and became excited while they crucified the gentle Nazarene. Thus these festive people behaved in the blackout.

Where were the disciples of Jesus? When he needed them to watch and pray with him, some of them slept. Peter denied Him. Judas betrayed Him. The others forsook Him and fled. This is the record of their behavior.

During this blackout the behavior of Christ was heroic. When Pilate was unable to sleep, when Peter wept, when Judas killed himself, Christ stood composed and serene. In great danger He was calm.

What was the secret of serenity? Darkness surrounded Him but He still believed in the light.

Light is God's first creation. Light is the primary agent of life in body, mind and soul. Light is the very essence of spirit. God is light. "Ye are the children of light."

Like Jesus we need to believe in the light, believe that the sun is shining above the clouds, believe in the eternal glory beyond the present gloom.

Although face to face with death, Christ still believed in life. On the cross His life was to end, but the end did not come. He lived through those dark days and appeared again on the third day. They could not blackout the Light of the World.

Although in the midst of bitter hatred, Christ still believed in love. Hate destroys. Love builds. Love moves the patriot in his country's just cause. Love will transform brutal force, conquer hatred and dispel the darkness of war.

Jesus was calm during the blackout because He firmly believed in light, life and love. If, during a real blackout our environment becomes poisonous and death comes near may we hold fast our faith in God and still believe the Light of the World, in that life which outlasts time and in that love which never fails.

When this war is over the Light on the Hill will still be shining. The lampstand—the cross—will still be holding aloft the Light of the World. Under this light internationally-minded men and women will build a new and better world.—John J. Prudom, from the Christian Advocate.

## THE MAN WITH A GRUDGE

There once was a man who bore a grudge.  
Stoutly he bore it many a year.  
"Beware!" said the parson. He answered; "Fudge!  
Well it becomes me, never fear."

"Men for this world, and saints for heaven;  
Too much of meekness shows a fool;  
My loaf shall rise with a livelier leaven;  
'Give as you get,' is a good old rule."

The longer he bore it, the more it grew,  
Grew his grudge, as he trudged along;  
Till in sight of a pearly gate he drew,  
And he heard within it a wondrous song.

The shining porter said, "Walk in."  
He sought to do so; the gate was strait:  
Hard he struggled his way to win,  
The way was narrow, the grudge was great.

He turned in haste to lay it down;  
He strove to tear it away—to cut—  
But it had fast to his heart strings grown,  
"O wait," he cried; but the door was shut.

Through windows bright and clear he saw  
The blessed going with their Lord to sup.  
But Satan clapped on his grudge a claw;  
Hell opened her mouth and swallowed him up.  
—SARA HAMMOND PALFREY.

## WE ARE ON OUR WAY

There is an old jazz song which begins something like this: "I don't know where I'm going but I'm on my way." The difference between the jazzer and the true Child of God is, the Christian knows where he is going. He doesn't know what a year will bring forth, but whatever may come he knows his life is in the hands of God. Paul said, "I know in whom I have believed and am persuaded he is able to keep that which I have entrusted to him against that day." And again this same great writer said, "For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens." It is wonderful to know that in an age of strife and confusion, hatred and death a Christian can look the world squarely in the face without fear. Physically speaking, the greatest calamity that can be brought against us is death, but the Christian's God cares for him even in the midst of death; he therefore has nothing to fear. God is bigger than all of His problems. We are on our way to the great untried experiences of the New Year, but we are not alone for God is with us.

In the early weeks of this year every one of us ought to take stock. We ought to raise something like the following question with ourselves: "What did I have last year in the way of attitudes, purposes and habits that hindered me?" None of us made the progress that was possible for us. We all had our faults. We didn't live as well, on the whole, as we should. What kept us from it?

There are many things that hinder in fine living; one is that of holding grudges. I have never known a person who stooped to such an attitude toward his fellow-

man who made much progress in spiritual development. The poem on this page has a great lesson for the grudge holder. Hate is a gun that is loaded in the wrong end. We point the barrel toward our enemy the pull the trigger, but the bullet passes back through the stock and into our own soul. This is a time when we will have to fight hard against hatred. We can't even stoop to hating our enemies without hurting our own spiritual lives. Let's not bring across the border of the years the spirit of hatred, of grudges and ill will toward others. In so doing we sin not only against God and our fellowman but most of all against ourselves. The soul that harbors hatred will shrivel and die. A person is as big as his love and as little as his hatred. How big are you? How big do you want to be during the New Year? Your attitude along this line will determine your size and your progress.

Another thing that holds us back is spiritual laziness. I say, spiritual laziness, for there is more than one type of laziness. We have all seen people who are very industrious with their hands but lazy with their minds; they simply will not think. Then we have seen others who do a lot of thinking but will not work with their hands. These types are the motor minded and the mentally minded. There is another type, however, which we do not hear much about; and that is the group which may be ever so industrious with hand and mind, but is extremely lazy when it comes to the spiritual side of life. They seem to have no spiritual appetite. They have no love for the Church of God. They will not lift a finger to help bring in the Kingdom of the Lord. Spiritually speaking their lives are a perfect blank. God has ordained

## A PRAYER FOR THE TIMES

By Joseph A. Smith

O God, infinite and eternal, Creator of the universe, fearful in might and glorious in holiness, we bow in awe and reverence before thee, acknowledging our utter dependence.

The disparity between our own unrighteousness and thy absolute righteousness would crush us into the silence of abject humiliation, if it were not for the divine revelation of thy love and the impartation of thy life through Jesus Christ, our Saviour and Lord—God manifest in the flesh.

O God in Christ, we come to thee. We come in the boldness inspired by thine own grace and impelled by our dire needs. Have mercy upon us; forgive our sins; regenerate our lives; reconstruct our society in accordance with truth and justice and love.

Through thy Holy Spirit clarify our minds, strengthen our wills and fill our hearts with love so that in a world at war we may yet do justly, love mercy and walk humbly with thee. "Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour" in Christian faith and hope, that out of our present confusion there may come a new order of life among men and nations which will conform more nearly to the mind of Christ. Amen.

certain activities which aid the individual in his spiritual development: such for example as Bible study; prayer; unselfish service for others; love and good will for all mankind and loyalty to good causes which include the Church. These spiritually lazy people will have nothing to do with any of these wholesome activities. Once in a while they will pray, but it is only when they are scared. They want to run to God when they are in trouble but have nothing to do with Him when things are moving smoothly. Would it not be a fine thing to bury all of this negligence, this carelessness, this spiritual laziness in the old year and begin the new with vim and vigor and determination and courage and zeal and faith and love? This can only be done by fully imbibing the Spirit of Christ. He is knocking at the door of every closed heart and when the door is opened and He comes in He brings all of these wonderful qualities with Him.

Yes, my friends, we are on our way, and I trust happily so. The past year is history; the new is promise; the present day is ours; it is a time of vital importance. We are not traveling alone. He who records the past, knows the future and gives power for the present is with us. "The Lord of Hosts is with us. The God of Jacob is our refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms." May God bless us and make our lives a blessing to others. Amen. H. O. B.

Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy YOUTH, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them.—Solomon (Ecc. 12:1).



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## IN THE LIVES OF MEN

By  
CHARLES O. RANSFORD

Humility is a step toward learning. To know one does not know is a strong incentive to study. The humble never boast of their knowledge. Knowing their limitations, they seek more knowledge.

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A vital religion cannot thrive on past memories and experiences. The sting in the prodigal's sufferings was the memory of the blessings in his father's house with "bread enough and to spare." "Sorrow's crown of sorrow is remembering happier things." If we had always a grateful spirit in appreciation of our mercies there would never be an unhappy or backslidden soul.

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Only a really great soul could say he "served the Lord with all humility of mind." It was his pride and self-will that made Saul of Tarsus a persecutor of the followers of Jesus. In remarkable contrast it was his humility that made him Jesus' devoted disciple. The full powers of his life were realized when he thought of himself as "a servant of Jesus Christ—separated unto the gospel of God."

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The vigorous training of our military forces is to bring our young men to the top efficiency. The training is constant whether in the preliminary stages or active service. A soldier must never grow stale. He must always be at his best and prepare to meet every condition whether with full or depleted rations. He must be hardened to meet all changes in conditions of service, climate, or physical needs. The top efficiency demands the whole man able in service to endure all hardship, grief and loss. That is what Paul meant when he said to Timothy, "Thou therefore endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ."

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A well educated and discreet man had the reputation for answering many questions by saying he did not know. When asked why one so well informed should answer he did not know, his reply was, "It is a safe way. Unless a man knows and has a positive opinion, it is better to say, 'I do not know'; then he may inform himself and answer with discretion." He added, "Far too many people are presuming to have opinions and sometimes express themselves with a degree of authoritative positiveness, when it would be wiser to say I do not know."

## NEWS AND NOTES ABOUT FACTS AND FOLKS

REV. R. O. BECK, who was pastor at Foreman last year, has been appointed assistant pastor of the First Methodist Church, Little Rock. Dr. Connor Morehead is pastor.

REV. A. J. SHIREY, former editor of our Layman's Page, and pastor at Hunter Memorial Church, Little Rock, will enter the service as chaplain in the Army. He will enter the Chaplain's School at Harvard University for training.

DR. W. C. WATSON, pastor of First Church, Malvern, for the past eight years, has been appointed pastor of Hunter Memorial Church, Little Rock, to take the place of Rev. Alton J. Shirey, who has been called as a chaplain in the U. S. Army.

REV. B. F. FITZHUGH, pastor of Twenty-eighth Street Church, Little Rock, in making his first report on the subscription campaign in his church, called Monday and gave us the following fine news concerning his church. All assessments against his charge have been paid in full for the year except assessments for district superintendent, pastor and Sustentation fund.

DR. AND MRS. A. M. SHAW of Oakdale, La., formerly of Arkansas, write: "It will not be a matter devoid of interest to our many friends in Arkansas to learn that our preacher son, Joe C. Shaw, an honor graduate of Hendrix College recently completed a course in the Chaplaincy School at Harvard University. Receiving his orders, he immediately removed with his family and this is his address: Chaplain Joe C. Shaw, 112 Station Hospital, Fort Jackson, South Carolina."

MRS. S. R. TWITTY, wife of Rev. S. R. Twitty of Conway, suffered serious burns from a gas heater on January 8 which resulted in her death on the following day. Mrs. Twitty was one of the first Hendrix graduates and later received a master's degree from Vanderbilt University. Besides her husband Mrs. Twitty is survived by a brother, E. H. McCulloch of Fort Smith, and a sister, Mrs. Walter Young of Checotah, Okla. Funeral services were held in Conway Sunday by the Rev. Edward W. Harris.

TWENTY-FOUR of the languages spoken on the Solomon Islands by the native people were first reduced to writing by missionaries, and then some part of the Bible was published in those tongues. In six of the languages the entire Bible has been published: Bugotu of Ysabel Island; the Florida Island tongue; Ulawa of Ulawa Island; and Saa, Malu and Lau dialects of Mlaita Island. The Gospels and the Book of Acts have been published in Vaturanga, and selections of these in Logu—both tongues used on Guadalcanal Island.

REV. ROBERT BEARDEN, JR., pastor at Walnut Ridge, writes: "We are beginning a series of services Sunday, January 10, with Rev. James Upton as preacher and Rev. Raymond Franks as song leader. Special effort will be made in the field of personal evangelism and visitation. The meeting will start on Sunday night with a supper meeting for the Youth Fellowship at which Bro. Upton, who is Conference Director of Youth Work, will begin special work with the young people. Bro. Franks will work with the Senior choir and the children's choir and direct congregational singing."

REV. A. L. RIGGS, pastor at Nettleton-Bay writes: "Rev. J. A. Gatlin, superintendent of the Jonesboro District, delivered a very helpful message last Sunday night after which we held our first Quarterly Conference. We had good reports from all departments of the church. Pastor and district superintendent's salaries are paid to date, Conference Claimants and Bishops' salaries for Nettleton 25 percent and 50 percent. Bay paid \$22.00 World Service and Nettleton 100 percent less the fourth Sunday offering. Our work is starting off in fine shape. Dr. O. E. Goddard will conduct our pre-Easter revival, beginning April 11th. Our revival at Bay will be held August 8-22."

MILLIONS of workers in hundreds of new war industry plants are obliged to live in trailer camps, tourist cabins, tent villages, or other temporary shelters. Scarritt College, Nashville, Tenn., is helping train a number of young women volunteers who will serve under the Board of Education as the Church School Extension Corps, to extend the services of Christian education to these people. In nursery schools, mothers' clubs, girls' clubs, scout groups, Bible classes, discussion groups and study clubs, the Christian worker will seek to lift standards of living for children and adults, and will help to fill the need of spiritual leadership where local church facilities and personnel have been overwhelmed.

A H. WESTERMAN, charge lay leader at Weiner, sends the following good report from that charge: "As charge lay leader I report that we have made considerable progress under the leadership of Rev. H. C. Minnis who was returned for his fourth year as our pastor. The year before he came we paid \$900.00 salary and \$120.00 on Benevolences. In three years we have come to \$1800.00 on salary and have accepted all askings this year and same is paid for the Conference year 1942-43 in the amount of \$536.00. We appreciate Brother Minnis' work with us. He has given us a vision of what the connectional interests of the Church are. We have also paid our Hendrix College quota for the year."

REV. H. F. McDONAL, pastor at Hughes, writes: "Since the meeting of the Annual Conference, we have paid the debt on our church which was completed in 1937 during the pastorate of Rev. J. J. Galloway. We have accepted and paid in full all the askings on World Service and all other benevolent causes. All departments of the church are doing good work. All the services are well attended, and there is a spirit of earnestness, sympathy, and willingness to work among the membership of the church. During our pastorate more than one hundred people have united with the church, slightly more than forty percent of these have been by vows. Our fifth year starts well and promises to be one of the most satisfactory of our entire ministry."

REV. S. T. BAUGH, our pastor at Prescott, has written and printed a neat little folder entitled "To a New Church Member" which he gives to all members received into his church. He writes: "For several years I have felt the need of something to hand to new members when received into the church which would suggest to them a line of conduct which, if followed, would help them to grow and develop in Christian living." His district superintendent, Rev. Van W. Harrell, is recommending it to the other pastors in the Prescott District. It is well-written and contains valuable information and suggestions to a new member as to the work of the church and how they may "develop in Christian living." Pastors interested in using this plan should communicate with Brother Baugh. His address is 323 West Second, North, Prescott, Arkansas.

DR. EDGAR JAMES HELMS, founder of Goodwill Industries and pioneer in Methodist city missionary work, died on December 24 in the New England Deaconess Hospital in Boston, within a month of his eightieth birthday. Dr. Helms was resident of Watertown, Mass. In the field of city missions, Dr. Helms earned an international reputation. While pastor of Morgan Chapel in the South End of Boston, more than forty years ago, Dr. Helms conceived the idea of collecting cast-off clothing for his needy parishioners. From this humble beginning, the Goodwill Industries developed and has now spread to more than 100 American cities and 16 foreign countries. Last year more than \$3,000,000 in wages were paid to 35,658 persons who reconditioned clothing, household articles and furniture that had been discarded by more than 2,000,000 housewives and collected in Goodwill bags.

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# YOUTH'S PAGE

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## "GLANCE OVER IT"

I met a Methodist preacher on the street the other day and asked him to write an article for this page. It was the first he knew of my being editor of this page. I chided him for not reading his church paper. "Oh, I glance over the articles, but I had not noticed who was editor of the 'Youth Page,'" he remarked. I said to him, "If you had glanced over every issue you would have known I had been given the task of editing this page, because I gave myself a big introduction in my first issue."

I knew then he had not been reading Brother Wayland's editorials on the front page, because Brother Wayland made mention of the outgoing and incoming editors of this page. Of course, I did not feel so bad about his overlooking the editorial page, but you can imagine how terribly let down I felt when I learned he was not reading Youth's Page—my page.

Seriously speaking, I think the editorials in the Arkansas Methodist are the most enlightening and inspiring to be found in any paper. Preachers and teachers, or anyone who is called on to speak, would do well to make a scrap book of those editorials which appeal to him most. Learn to treasure good reading; it will last when all other pleasures are gone. If you do not care to make a scrap book or keep your paper, pass it on for someone else to read; it may bless his life and cause him to become a subscriber.

It is quite a task to edit a paper and keep it interesting and free from errors. In fact, you may have to overlook a few errors on my page now and then. Like the widow who went to the editor of a small town paper and told him she wanted him to say something about her husband who had recently passed away. The editor assured her he would take care of the matter. The next day the paper, among other things, said this about the deceased, "Brother Jones has gone to rust."

The widow was much grieved and called the editor's attention to the error. He promised to make the correction. The next day the paper came out with this, "Brother Jones has gone to roost." The widow complained again and the editor assured her he would get it right the next day. The next issue of the paper had this, "Brother Jones has gone to roast."

Rev. H. O. Bolin, editor of the Devotional Page, offers helpful material for those who are called on to lead devotionals. His material is rich enough to become a part of our sermons, and good for private meditation.

Any teacher or worker with children should make a scrap book of the Children's Page, edited by Miss Annie Winburne. Those excellent and original poems by Miss Winburne are worth the price of the entire paper. My children always read the Children's Page.

Any woman who is properly interested in the women's work, will become a devoted reader of the page given to the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, which is so efficiently edited by Mrs. Wayland. She not only keeps us informed on the activities of the society and the calendar of events, but fur-

## AMERICA

*I have often wondered if when the Grand Architect of the Universe created this mundane sphere, He didn't choose the most beautiful spot of it all upon which to place the supreme effort of his handiwork?*

*If this be true, He builded unto Himself a continent of glory and filled it with jewels rare and treasures unlimited and untold. He carpeted it with soft rolling prairies, dotted with the flowers of the field; pillared it with thundering cataracts, wondrous fountains, and traced it with rivulets whose cool, refreshing sounds, purling about jutting stones, won one's spirit like the music of the spheres. He graced it with deep shadowy forests and filled them with the warble of the song-birds.*

*Then He called upon His people and summoned the bravest among them. They came from the uttermost parts of the earth with souls of promise, each bearing a gift of hope and with the glory of adventure in their eyes.*

*And out of the earth and labor of these people, out of the longing of their hearts and prayers of their souls, out of the memories of age and the hope of the world, God fashioned a nation of loyalty, love and devotion, blessed it with purpose divine, set His proud seal of accomplished effort upon it, and christened it—AMERICA.—Selected.*

nishes helpful material and inspiring poems which may be used in the devotionals of the society.

Superintendents and teachers in the church school should follow very closely the page devoted to Christian Education, and edited by Rev. Clem Baker and Rev. Ira A. Brumley. The information carried on this page is very vital.

You ask why give this resume of the Arkansas Methodist on Youth's Page? For this reason: This is Arkansas Methodist Campaign Week, and I said in a former issue that if you get youth behind a job it is as good as done. Let every youth see that the Arkansas Methodist comes into his or her home. If your parents are not subscribing for it, you subscribe, and you will prize the paper more highly. Why not have the young people in every church organize into "Arkansas Methodist Campaigners"?

We are missing the Layman's Page which was so ably edited by Rev. A. J. Shirey, who is leaving us to become a chaplain in the U. S. Army.—C. W.

## SLIGHTLY SOILED

Walking along a business district an observer noticed a suit of clothes hanging in the breeze at the side of a window. They were marked, "Slightly soiled, greatly reduced in price." "What a text for young people!" he thought. A young man or woman's mind becomes "slightly soiled" by reading a coarse book, by seeing a vulgar show, by allowing little indulgences in dishonest or lustful thoughts. Just slightly soiled! But in the course of time it will be found that these young people are greatly reduced in value. Their charm, their strength, their influence has vanished.—War Cry.

"Christ does not make you good. He gives you the power to be good, and helps you to go on being good, but he leaves the continual choice between good and evil to your own will. Otherwise you would not be a free soul, as he wants you to be."

## LAUNCH OUT

Bishop Arthur Moore said recently, in an appeal for a free pulpit, "You had better permit your preacher to make a few mistakes and do something than to make him so nice and proper he becomes useless." Many youth fail to undertake worthy tasks for fear of criticism. Don't be afraid of criticism. Be sure you are right and go ahead. Begin right, right away. Every man who has ever blossomed into a genius was called an insane man during his budding season. Edison, Bell, Newton, Galileo and others were so branded. Will Rogers was considered trifling and rude, Robert Louis Stevenson was said to be lazy. They each had a goal but others could not see it. Jesus said, "Launch out into the deep." America needs young men and women who will become adventurers in high things.

*In days long gone, God spoke unto our sires:*

*"Courage! Launch out! A new world build for me!"*

*Then to the deep they set their ships, and sailed*

*And came to land, and prayed that here might be*

*A realm from pride and despotism free,*

*A place of peace, the home of liberty.*

*Lo, in these days, to all good men and true,*

*God speaks again: "Launch out upon the deep*

*And win for me a world of righteousness!"*

*Can we, free men, at such an hour sleep?*

*O God of freedom, stir us in our night*

*That we set forth, for justice, truth, and right!*

—Thomas Curtis Clark.

By every part of our nature we clasp things above us, one after another, not for the sake of remaining where we take hold, but that we may go higher.—H. W. Beecher.

## A LITTLE SPICE

Several years ago Firestone, Ford, Edison and Burroughs were touring through West Virginia. A headlight on their car went bad and they stopped at a little crossroads store. Mr. Ford went into the store to make a purchase.

"What kind of headlight bulbs do you have?" he asked.

"Edison," replied the merchant.

"I'll take one," said Ford, "and, by the way, you might be interested to know that Mr. Edison is out in the car."

"Is that so?" answered the merchant.

When the light had been repaired, it was discovered that a new tire was needed. Ford re-entered the store and asked what kind of tires he carried in stock.

"Firestone," was the prompt reply.

"That will be all right. Just put a new one on for us, and it happens that Mr. Firestone is also out in our car, and I am Mr. Ford—Henry Ford."

While the merchant was putting on the tire, Burroughs, who had quite a growth of white whiskers, leaned out of the car and said, "Good evening, sir."

The merchant looked up at him with a grin of sarcasm and said, "If you try to tell me you are Santa Claus, I'll crown you with this here monkey wrench."

## MY BENEFACTOR

A legend says it was proclaimed by an angel in a certain city, that whoever laid an acceptable offering on the altar in the cathedral on a certain day, would receive a miraculous sign of acceptance, with the divine blessing. The rich paraded ostentatiously down the center aisle, and gave their race and costly gifts. Mighty soldiers laid their swords there, kings and emperors their crowns and scepters; but all were rejected by invisible angelic hands. At the last hour in the fast deepening twilight, a young woman, modestly dressed, slipped into the church and hugging the shadows crept up to the chancel. Unobserved she threw herself upon the chancel rail, and reaching far across, laid her bare and empty hands upon the altar. Long she remained in silent prayer. At length she slipped away as she had come. But where she had laid her hands, behold, two tall white lilies sprang up, bloomed and filled the temple with fragrance. Her service, humble and complete, was the best of all the gifts laid upon the altar.—The Presbyterian Advance.

West Helena Young People are publishing a mimeographed paper of their own, consisting of four or five pages. They make a special effort to send copies of their paper to the boys in service and keep them informed of the news back home. This seems to be a good idea which might be adopted by other groups of young people. Carl M. Connor is editor of the paper and Rev. O. L. Cole is pastor of the church.

Painful duties lead to pleasurable consequences.—McGuffey.



# THE CHILDREN'S PAGE

ANNIE WINBURNE, Editor



## BOYS AND GIRLS OF OTHER LANDS

### THE LEGEND OF SAINT CHRISTOPHER

There once lived in a far-away land a great giant, Offero by name. It was said that he could swim through mighty torrents, that he could pull forest trees up by their roots, that he could travel for miles through burning sands or over snow-covered mountains, and not grow weary.

One day the mighty Offero left his home and started out in search of one whom he might serve. "For," said he, "I want for my Master the mightiest man in all the world."

He traveled for days until he finally came to a walled city, where he had heard there ruled a great king. When the monarch saw the giant approaching he greeted him gladly, for he saw his strong shoulders and his mighty arms, and he knew that he would be a faithful servant.

"I will make you a leader in my army," said the king. "Go forth and fight my enemies and win great victories for your Master."

Offero fought hard and overcame the enemies of the king. When he returned to the palace he received great glory and honor. As he came into the presence of the king, the mighty monarch arose and said, "You have fought well, Offero. I shall make you the head of my armies, for with you in command I shall never fear any foe."

"Not even Satan?" asked a courtier standing by. But at the mention of Satan, the monarch's face grew pale, for he feared Satan above all other foes.

"Why do you fear Satan, O King?" asked Offero. "Is he mightier than yourself? I will leave you, then, for I would serve the strongest Master in the world." Soon Offero left the presence of the king and was on his way in search of Satan, that he might serve him.

Almost before he knew it, Offero found the mighty Satan, who was glad to have the great giant for one of his servants. As before, Offero served his master well, traveling far and wide on his evil errands. Satan was greatly pleased at the work of Offero and one day he said, "With you to serve me, O mighty Offero, I no longer fear the Christ."

"The Christ?" cried Offero. Do

so he decided to build himself a hut beside a raging river, and there he lived, with still a longing in his heart to find the Christ that he might serve him. But he was not idle, nor was his great strength wasted, for he was so strong that he could carry the people on his back, as he swam across the river from one side to the other. He was always ready to help the weary travelers across, no matter how fierce the storm, or how dark the night.

One night as Offero was just about to go to bed, he heard a faint voice outside his window. A terrible storm was raging. The wind was roaring through the trees of the forest and the great waves of the river beat against the shore. "Offero, Offero." Again sounded the voice, this time a little stronger, "Offero, Offero, won't you come and carry me

were so tightly clasped about Offero's neck that he could scarcely breathe. At last he reached the shore and caught hold of the rocks and grass that he might pull himself out of the water. He was so exhausted that he hardly had strength to stand erect on the river's bank and set his burden down. But then he heard a voice saying, "Offero, you have served me well. From now on you shall be called Christophero, which means Christ-bearer, for in serving me you are helping to carry the burdens of the whole world."

And in the place of the little child Offero saw the shining figure of the Christ, whom he had sought and found in deeds of service.—From "Knights of Service," Abingdon Press Religious Educations Texts.



### A KNIFE, PLEASE

*When Mother fixes up my lunch  
For school she always tries  
To put in just the things she should  
For boys about my size.*

*Today I found an apple there,  
A sandwich and such things  
As help to make me grow each day,  
She says they're fit for kings.*

*And Betty who ate next to me  
As the apple came in view  
Said as she opened wide her mouth  
'I'd give a bite to you.'*

*I really like to share my things  
But this I know is right  
That when I share such things as food  
I should cut off the bite.—A. E. W.*

## IN STORYLAND

### A COLLIE SAVES TWO LIVES

William Workman's father gave him a collie dog. William had seen John Campbell's dog swim into the creek and bring out sticks for hours at a time, but the dog would not bring out anything else. William told John that he would not permit his collie to swim into the water and fetch out anything except something useful. John laughed at him.

Day after day William took old "Lige," his dog, to the creek. He carried with him a cap, a woolen hat, a derby, a straw hat, and two dolls, one dressed as a girl, the other wore trousers. One by one William tossed all of these things into the middle of the creek until old Lige became expert in swimming in and catching them in his mouth and then he would hurry out to the bank as quickly as possible. Sometimes old Lige would dive and get them as they sank.

Two years after William Workman had trained his collie to do this kind of work, he was out on the river with his father fishing on the Fourth of July. As usual, there were hundreds of other people on the river, some fishing, some boating and some swimming.

Just before noon they were startled at the cry of a small boy and girl, and, on running up the bank, they saw the two children being carried down the stream. The father had no boat and he himself was such a poor swimmer that it was dangerous for him to jump into the water. Calling quickly to old Lige, William Workman threw a clod of dirt that struck the water by the side of the little boy who was all but drowned. Instantly the dog was in the water and in less than ten minutes he had both of the children safely out on the bank.

The father of the two children hugged and kissed old Lige as he would have had the dog been a man. In a few minutes a very large crowd gathered about to learn what the faithful collie dog had done, and they all praised William Workman for his wisdom in training his dog to swim in the water and carry out something useful.—Our Dumb Animals.



# She Loved Her Church

By KENNETH L. SPORE

*"Thanks be to God that such have been,  
Though they are here no more."*

ON OCTOBER 27, 1942, Mrs. Horace Jewell passed to her reward, more than 95 years old. Martha Tabitha Taliaferro was born March 1, 1847, in Wilkes County, Georgia. Her parents, Nicholas Taliaferro and Nancy (Hill) Taliaferro, were the parents of four sons and three daughters. Martha Tabitha was the youngest of the seven. She united with the M. E. Church, South, at Pope's Chapel, Wilkes County, Georgia, in 1859, when she was twelve years of age. That was the beginning of 83 years of faithful service to the Church.

In the fall of 1860, her family moved to Cleveland County, Arkansas, settling about 25 miles from Pine Bluff. In Arkansas, she joined a church near their home, called Bethlehem. She probably remained a member of that Church for some 16 or 17 years. Her opportunities of education were limited, due to the circumstances of the times. She attended a private school three or four years before the Civil War. That, with one year in Wesleyan Female College, Macon, Georgia, after the war, was the extent of her formal education. However, she was a great student of life, and a reader of good literature. She was, therefore, an educated woman, in the real sense.

As a young woman, she lived through the trying times of the war between the states. Her three brothers (one had died before the war) went away to the war. Her oldest brother did not come back. She spent the first three years of the war at her family home in Cleveland County, which was for a time, between the Federal and Confederate lines. She saw an engagement, between a Company of Union and a Company of Confederate soldiers, fought in her own front yard. On another occasion a body of "grey-backs" all but hanged her father in their front yard, after stealing everything they could move from the premises. This she would have seen had she not been away from home that night, ministering to a sick neighbor. The last year of the war, she spent at Mound Prairie, Texas, where a brother, an army officer, was in charge of a Confederate Government factory. On Jan. 30, 1873, she married Mr. James M. Duncan, a young planter from southwest Georgia. They were very happy and appeared to have a bright future, but, in less than three months, on March 21, 1873, her young husband died leaving a noble Christian testimony. On November 5, 1873, the broken hearted young widow was blessed with the birth of a baby girl, who was named Jimmie, for her father. Jimmie is now Mrs. John Arnold, of Hope, who for nearly 69 years was a comfort and consolation to her dear mother.

For nearly five years, Mrs. Duncan and her little daughter lived on their farm in Cleveland County. It was during this period (1873), that

she entertained Bishop Wm. M. Wightman, and he held a Conference in her home with Miss Emma Van Valkenburg of Warren, and other women, which led, a few months later, to the organization of the first Woman's Foreign Missionary Society in the M. E. Church, South.

In 1877, Mrs. Duncan met Rev. Horace Jewell, at that time in his fourth year as pastor of First Church, Pine Bluff, and who had been bereaved the previous year of his first companion, the former Miss Mattie Powell of Camden. They were married on December 27, 1877. When Brother Jewell and Mrs. Duncan married she had her little girl, Jimmie, about four years of age; and he had two daughters, Ella, about fif-



MRS. HORACE JEWELL

teen who in 1884 became the wife of Rev. E. M. Pipkin of this conference; and, Nannie, about twelve, who married George Hughes of Benton in 1889. There were four other children of Brother Jewell's first marriage, who had died in infancy. These two daughters soon became quite attached to their step-mother, as did Jimmie to her step-father, and they all grew up together as one loving happy family.

After their marriage, Brother Jewell served the following appointments: Monticello, the Pine Bluff District; First Church, Little Rock; The Little Rock District; First Church, Pine Bluff; Searcy; Prescott; Winfield Memorial; Arkadelphia District; Malvern, and Lonoke. He retired in 1904 and moved to Hope in December. He served Fulton circuit and other supply pastorates in the vicinity of Hope for several years, and was accidentally killed by a train at a crossing, in Hope, on February 7, 1917.

To this union there were born three sons and two daughters. The sons were Albert Taliaferro, Horace Hughes, and Nicholas Taliaferro. Albert and Nicholas, both dutiful and loving sons, survive their mother, living in Hope. The daughters were Linda and Ann Taliaferro. The latter is now Mrs. John Hollis of Little Rock. Her frequent visits and letters were always sources of much pleasure to her mother. Miss Linda was the constant companion of her mother. If it is possible for a woman to be a mother to her mother, Miss Linda was. She made a career out of taking care of her mother.

Mrs. Jewell or "Mother Jewell" as almost everyone called her, for a quarter of a century (for more reason than because she was growing old in years), continued to live in Hope following the death of her husband. Until the very last years of her life, she came regularly to church, although for many years her hearing had been gone. She always occupied the second pew in front of the pulpit. This pew will doubtless continue, long, to be known as "The Jewell pew." After she could no longer go to church she made a church of her room, where she continued to read her Bible and pray and to talk to all who came about the church, and God, and all good things.

It would be difficult to pick out the outstanding characteristics of this noble soul. She did so abound in good things that could be said of her. She was kind, loving, and true. She loved her Church and the Church loved her, being indebted to her for many great and useful services over 83 years of her loyal membership. One could always be sure of striking up a conversation in which she was obviously interested, when the subject was the Church. She loved flowers. Wherever she went to parsonage homes across the state, she left the premises blooming—and flowers loved her; they always seemed more willing to grow and shed out their radiant beauties for her, than for most people. She loved children. Her life was given for her children, her children's children, her grandchildren's children, and the children of others—and these little ones loved her. They often would go to her from their own mothers. As observed above, it is difficult to pick out her outstanding virtues—it is more difficult to pick out her faults if one were disposed to look for them. She said she was "spoiled." Maybe she was, what of it? Surely it was a pleasure to "spoil" so sweet and fine a person.

The writer of these words can think of no more appropriate way of closing this little tribute than to quote from the memoir of her husband, written by Rev. T. D. Scott in 1917. Bro. Scott said of Brother Jewell, "He never seemed to grow old or lose interest . . . he was always cheerful and happy." These words are as descriptive of Mrs. Jewell—his wife for forty years, and his widow for twenty-five more—as they were of her noble Methodist preacher husband.

## URGES INCREASE IN WORLD SERVICE GIVING

All Methodists are urged to increase their World Service giving now for causes in a war-torn world which "so seriously" need help, by the Rev. O. W. Auman, treasurer of the Commission on World Service and Finance, in his December report which shows that at the end of the first seven months of the fiscal year there was a gain of 4.73 per cent over last year.

Increased giving of \$95,643 in December over 1941, accounted for the gain of \$86,720 for the fiscal year at the end of the month. Total World Service giving for the seven months amounted to \$1,920,890, as compared to \$1,834,170 for the same period of last year.

Dr. Auman pointed out, however,

in announcing these gains, that Methodism was "not yet assuring" the 10 to 25 per cent increase which has been asked for the Church by the Council of Bishops and the Commission on World Service and Finance.

"The income for January and February may determine the results for the entire year," Dr. Auman declared. "That is why it is imperative that giving be increased immediately."

"If we are to reach our goal, we must make a steady and consistent month by month advance across the Church from now until May 31, the end of the fiscal year."

Nothing is so strong as gentleness, nothing so gentle as real strength.—Francis de Sales.

## TEN COMMANDMENTS OF SUCCESS

1. Work hard. Hard work is the best investment a man can make.
2. Study hard. Knowledge enables a man to work more intelligently and effectively.
3. Have initiative. Ruts often deepen into graves.
4. Love your work. Then you will find pleasure in mastering it.
5. Be exact. Slipshod methods bring slipshod results.
6. Have the spirit of conquest. Thus you can successfully battle and overcome difficulties.
7. Cultivate personality. Personality is to a man what perfume is to the flower.
8. Help and share with others. The real test of business greatness

lies in giving opportunity to others.

9. Be democratic. Unless you feel right toward your fellowmen, you can never be a successful leader of men.

10. In all things do your best. The man who has done his best has done everything. The man who has done less than his best, has done nothing.—Chas. M. Schwab.

There is a marvelous want of savour in our piety. It is a flower of autumn, colored as highly as it need be to the eye, but destitute of fragrance.—Horace Bushnell.

If we are to live unto God at any time, or in any place, we are to live unto Him at all times and in all places.—Wm. Law.

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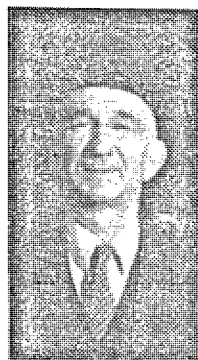
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## Rural Life Conferences

By  
CHAS. L. FRY,  
Pastor,  
Gravelly

Wednesday night, December 16, brought to a close a series of Rural Life Conferences held in the following named churches: Briggsville, Bluffton, and Gravelly, on the Gravelly Circuit, Conway District.

The various Federal and state agencies set up in each county for the improvement of living conditions among our people were represented. While they spoke from the standpoint of the work of each department they represented they recognized that it was distinctly religious. To have an abundant life for which Jesus came into the world; good homes, health, proper educational training, a suitable place to worship, etc., was the central aim of the conferences. The conserving and rebuilding and improving this "Good Earth" is certainly a part of our religion.

On Saturday evening, December 12, at Briggsville, Mr. Jodie McMullen, Assistant County Agent, spoke on the "Farm and the Community." He placed strong emphasis on the place of the church and the Christian Religion in building rural life at its best. The purpose of all these meetings was explained by Rev. Glenn F. Sanford. Sunday afternoon Miss Josie Benton, Home Demonstration Agent, gave a practical talk on "Health in Community Life." She showed in a clear way that religion must be interested in the health question and that they felt that they were doing the will of God when they improved the health situation.

On Tuesday afternoon at the Bluffton church the representatives of the F. S. A. discussed their program to a small but dependable group. Mr. Raymond Pledger and Miss Lucile Watson discussed "The Farm and the Community" and "The Home and the Community." They recognized the place of the church in the total program and rejoiced that they could discuss these living problems around the altar of the church.

In the evening Conference Mrs. Marion Fletcher, superintendent of the Fourche Valley High School, made a splendid talk on "The Place of Education and the School in the Community as Related to Religion."

At Gravelly the whole Conference was compressed into the Wednesday evening meeting. Mr. Barton Peters gave a helpful talk on "The School and its Place in the Community." A splendid article was then given by Mr. Fred Burns of the Soil Conservation Unit on "Sins Against the Soil." As the fertility of the soil in a community goes down the strength and vitality of the churches are reduced.

Each and every one of these speakers recognized the place of the church and the agencies which improve life as a whole as a necessity in making life complete. God, our God and Father, is in, and should be considered in the home, in the community, in the soil, in the schools, in

good health, and in everything necessary for a more abundant life. Religion is truly in all our life or it is nothing. Rev. Glenn F. Sanford showed in talks at each of these meetings how all these agencies are co-ordinated in reality and should faithfully co-operate in bringing about a revival of religion that will actually change the religious outlook of life and make religion the most vital force in all of life.

The slide pictures of the rural churches built and others revived, of Vacation Church Schools, etc., were shown at each place and held absorbing interest among both old and young. They proved to be object lessons for my people.

I believe with all my heart that these rural life conferences will bring good fruit in the days to come. Seed cast faithfully will find some place to lodge and some of it will sprout and grow to fruition. All these meetings were planned by Brother Sanford, Rural Work Secretary, and Mrs. Viola Beadles, the Deaconess in this area. There was a total of 174 people in these three conferences. I recommend them as a fine thing to be held in every church in the whole conference.

## BILLY SUNDAY AND THE BIBLE

Twenty-seven years ago, with the Holy Spirit for my guide, I entered this wonderful temple that we call Christianity. I entered through the portico of Genesis and walked down the Old Testament's art gallery where I saw the portraits of Joseph, Jacob, Daniel, Moses, Isaiah, Solomon, and David hanging on the wall; I entered the music room of the Psalms and the Spirit of God struck the keyboard of my nature until it seemed to me that every reed and pipe of God's great organ responded to the tuneful heart of David, the sweet singer of Israel.

I entered the chamber of Ecclesiastes, where the voice of the preacher was heard; and into the conservatory of Sharon, and the Lily of the Valley's scented spices filled and perfumed my life. I entered the business office of Proverbs, and then into the observatory room of the prophets, where I saw telescopes of various sizes pointed to far-off events, but all concentrated upon the bright and morning Star which was to rise as an atonement for sin.

I entered the audience room of the King of Kings and caught a vision of His Glory from the standpoint of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, passed into the Acts of the Apostles where the Holy Spirit was doing his work in the formation of the infant church. Then, into the correspondence room where sat Paul and Peter, James and John, penning their epistles. I stepped into the throne room of Revelation, where towered the glittering peaks, and saw One standing there, fair as the morning! Jesus Christ, the Son of God, and I found the truest friend that man ever knew; when all were false, I found Him true.

In teaching me the way of life, the Bible taught me the way to live, it taught me the way to die.—Wm. A. (Billy) Sunday.

Life, after all, contains only one great problem—that of so adjusting yourself to the inevitable that you can keep your peace of mind and self-respect. The great victory of life is the conquest of worry. The greatest discovery a man can make is how to escape envy and hate.—Douglas Freeman.

## TO SECURE STUDENT BODY FOR HENDRIX

The District Superintendents and the Joint Commission on the February Special of the Little Rock and North Arkansas Annual Conferences adopted the following resolutions at a meeting in Little Rock January 8:

Hendrix College as a Christian, liberal arts college is effectively training young men and young women, not only for maximum service in the direct war effort, but also for vigorous leadership in world reconstruction after the war.

Therefore, we believe that it is the unequivocal duty of Hendrix College to continue its status as a liberal arts college and that it is also our duty and privilege as pastors to urge the young people from our churches and communities to enroll in Hendrix College for participation in this type of training.

In view of the responsibility which rests upon the pastors and local churches of the North Arkansas and Little Rock Conferences we recommend the adoption of the following procedures for aiding the College in the enrollment of students:

1. That we seek to coordinate the effort and resources of the Methodist Church in Arkansas, The Hendrix Alumni Association, and The College in making a canvass of the state for students for Hendrix College this coming year.

2. That we use our present organization in the Church for the purpose of making a canvass of the Senior Classes of High School in the state.

3. That the District Superintendent be responsible for the canvass in his district.

4. That all pastors be requested to make a study of the Senior Class of the High School or High Schools in his charge for prospective students and that this list be submitted to the district superintendent not later than February 15.

5. That our pastors be urged to make contact in homes of these prospective students early in the year in the interest of securing attendance at Hendrix.

6. That the District Superintendent, if at all possible, follow up the contacts of the pastor in these homes and with the prospective student.

7. That the college make it possible for outstanding students now in the college to contact as many centers and places as possible giving the prospective student the advantage of his experiences in Hendrix College as a student.

8. That we comply with the offer of Bishop Charles C. Seelman that if a list of prospective students from Methodist homes will be provided for him that he send a personal letter to the home encouraging attendance at Hendrix College.

9. That through the office of Alumni Association that we seek to place before the members of the Association in Arkansas the plan for canvassing students and that we seek to enlist the help of members of the Association.

The only way to outlast a pagan attack is to overwhelm it with our own advance. But our advance must be that of Christ—an advance of love, never one of violence. Now is the best possible time to go forward. The Christian church and every member of it must face straight ahead. We of the Church School must lead the advance.—North Carolina Advocate.

## HENDRIX TO REMAIN UNDER CIVILIAN CONTROL

President Reynolds, at a joint meeting of the Little Rock and North Arkansas Cabinets with the Commission on February Special of the two conferences, made the following statement of principles and policy for Hendrix College during the emergency:

Technicians are needed in winning the war. In supplying that need we must not forget the big place of general education in our national life. American colleges through general education have furnished our statesmen, educators, preachers, jurists and other civilian leaders for three hundred years.

At the close of the war America and the world will be faced with the gravest civilian and international problems. Failure to train civilian leaders will be a national and world calamity. President Roosevelt links winning the peace with winning the war. The real peace will be won after the war. It should be a definite part of our national policy to train leaders in general education.

Hendrix College will remain under civilian control for the duration; it has no thought of accepting military control. The college believes that while fighting Hitlerism abroad, America must maintain the most virile democratic civilian life at home. She should permit no manifestations of Hitlerism within.

## SOURCE OF COMFORT

The God of all comfort; who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.—2 Corinthians 1:3-4.

Edward R. Murrow, chief of the Columbia Broadcasting Company's European staff, relates how that on August 28, 1940, while wandering around in the slums of London, with sirens warning of approaching enemy planes, he saw a comforting sign in front of a little church near the Thames estuary. It appealed: "If your knees knock together, kneel on them." That is a sure source of comfort and courage under all circumstances. God freely offers the indwelling of his spirit of peace to all who will accept it. They who do receive it become in his hands mighty to sustain and redeem the fearful and the faint.—John Marvin Rast.

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# WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

MRS. SUE M. WAYLAND, Editor

## RURAL LIFE CONFERENCES HELD IN SCOTT COUNTY

"Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest is plenteous but the laborers are few." Matt. 9:37. Like Jesus, the church workers in Scott county, Rev. J. M. Harrison, Rev. M. B. Short, and Miss Estelle McIntosh, looked upon the work to be done and realized that more workers were needed to bring the more abundant life to rural people. Rev. Glenn F. Sanford, Secretary of Town and Country Commission, was asked to come and spend a week in a series of Rural Life Conferences in Waldron and on the Waldron Circuit. The county workers were asked to cooperate in a series of programs in the local churches. Vander Hughes, a layman of Square Rock, assisted by furnishing electric batteries where the churches did not have electricity, to enable Rev. Glenn Sanford to show pictures of work of this kind that is being done through this part of Arkansas.

"Agencies working together in the community for the betterment of rural life," was the theme of the Rural Life Conferences held in Scott county, December 6-11. Each session was inspiring, enlightening, and presented a challenge to all present. There were 487 people reached in the seven conferences.

The conferences opened Sunday morning at the Waldron Methodist church. The second session was at Square Rock, Sunday evening with Rev. Glenn Sanford in charge of the service. He spoke to the people about religion and its relationship to life.

Monday afternoon carried the workers through the lovely winding roads of the mountains to the little community of Parks. As they traveled, the beauty of nature reminded them of the goodness of God. In the small white frame church, the minds of the people were lifted as Mr. James P. Howell of the F. S. A. led the discussion on "The Objectives of the F. S. A." Throughout the discussion it was noticed that the objectives were parallel with what Christianity should do for people. Mrs. G. C. Bates, field worker for the F. S. A., spoke on the "Social Problems Facing People Today." She said, "The F. S. A. helps to improve personal appearance, health and the surroundings, but after all this if they fail to improve their spiritual life the F. S. A. feels it has failed." Mr. W. J. Simpson of the Soil Conservation, spoke on the subject, "Soil conservation as a part of the well-rounded life." He said, "It is a real pleasure to be with folks who's religion goes further than just one hour on Sunday morning. Loving the soil and caring for it is a definite part of religion."

Mrs. Rae Harold, home demonstration agent, led the group in the thinking at Cauthron on "What an active home demonstration club can do for a community." She showed that an active club helps the members to have better health, wholesome family life, to save foods and solve economic problems." Then Rev. J. M. Harrison spoke about the "Town and Country Churches Working Together," showing that there needs to be more cooperation between these if the people are to be served and reached by religion.

*I am, come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. John 10:10.*



Left to Right: Rev. J. M. Harrison, Rev. M. B. Short, Miss Estelle McIntosh.

Through the rain and the cold the workers found their way to the small community of Bates. Here they found a nice warm church and a small group awaiting them. Miss Octavia Lowery, public health nurse, discussed "Public Health and Its Relation to Rural Life." She stated, "The health program is almost entirely educational and deals with prevention of disease. To do this it must be backed by all the agencies in the community. The health of the people is the foundation upon which all their happiness and their powers depend as a state." Then Mrs. Margie Dalton of the Welfare office spoke on their work with the rural people. She left this statement with the group, "Social work is a subject that people have been concerned about since the time of Jesus. Every social worker should be a Christian for in many cases the person needs God rather than finances."

Thursday afternoon found the workers in a service at Mt. Pleasant. Mr. Silas Rhodes, county director of public schools, led the group thinking along the line of rural education. His definition of education is, "It enables one to do better those things he is going to do any way. It enriches one's life, and brings vision to rural people. The American rural life is the backbone of the nation and I never lose an opportunity to hold up to the rural child the opportunities offered him in rural life. When this war is over the church and the school will have to work together to preserve our high moral standards." Mrs. Earl Neeley, field worker for the social work, spoke on the "History of Welfare Work." Ensign J. B. Cox of the Naval Air Corps, of Pensacola, Florida, spoke of his work there.

The final conference was held at Bird's View church. This was truly the climax of the week's work. Here it was shown what can be done for community life when all work together to forward the "Kingdom of God in the rural community."

## RECTOR W. S. C. S. HAS A SPANISH TEA

The W. S. C. S. of the First Methodist Church at Rector has a membership of fifty-three, which is doing good work, finished their last mission study for the year. As a climax, a Spanish Tea was enjoyed by the members of the mission class December 2, 1942, at the home of Mrs. Etta Roberts. This social occasion was the conclusion of the study, "Latin American Missions." Mrs. O. A. Seely, superintendent of study, conducted the study. The textbook used was entitled, "On This Foundation," by Dr. Henry Rycroft. Supplementary maps illustrating the exports, air lines and natural resources of South America were used.

Mrs. C. E. Sprague greeted the guests. She was dressed in a colorful Spanish costume with a corsage of cactus blossoms, the national flower of Mexico.

Mrs. Ollie Bearden was guest speaker. Mrs. Bearden has recently made a tour of Mexico. Her talk was entertaining and instructive, and her display of Mexican curios and souvenirs added to the interest. Mrs. G. H. Hardin and Mrs. Gertrude Parrish also had Mexican articles on display.

A musical program was presented by a group of high school girls in costume, who sang Spanish folk songs, accompanied by Mrs. Klugh Cowan, their instructor. In this group were Colleen Ford, Mary Jo Elsass, Demetra Bradshaw and Sue Barker. A piano solo, "Malaquena," by Lecuona, was played by Jean Lynch.

Mrs. J. C. Hardin, in elaborate Spanish costume, presided at the beautifully appointed tea table. Mrs. Sprague, Mrs. M. J. Gouge, Miss Minnie Morris and Mrs. Roberts assisted in serving.

Military victory is not enough. There must also be a victory of the spirit.—John Foster Dulles.

## WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD HAS GOOD YEAR

The Wesleyan Service Guild of Central Avenue Methodist Church, Batesville, has just finished a very successful year. Organized in 1940 with twenty-eight members, the society has been forced to carry on this year with only fourteen active members, though eighteen started the year and pledged \$45.00. The present group, under the leadership of Mrs. L. G. Walters, president, a teacher in Batesville public schools, has sent in \$55.48 on Guild projects, including one baby special when the daughter of Mrs. Troy Campbell, treasurer, was made a baby life member.

Several fellowship pot-luck suppers have been enjoyed, the last of these being a Christmas one, inviting the families or friends of members and each one bringing a toy which was sent to the Japanese Relocation Center at Jerome.

The Guild has cooperated with the local Woman's Society of Christian Service in entertaining both the Woman's and the Ministers' North Arkansas Annual Conferences, observed the Week of Prayer and the annual birthday celebration.

On December 3 Mrs. Charles Buchanan, Guild vice-president and program chairman, collaborated with the society program chairman in giving "Light In the Wind" at a special night meeting.

The fourth Tuesday night of each month has been given to sewing for the Red Cross and Miss Oza Baker was chairman of the committee named to secure the materials.

On November 18, the Guild entertained the Woman's Society of Christian Service with a Latin American festival. A review of John Gunther's "Inside Latin America," was given and a number of musical selections upon the South American theme were enjoyed. Native games were played during the social hour and dainty refreshments from the tropics served by waitresses in colorful fiesta costumes.

Fellowship Hall was decorated with the flags of the Pan-American republics, displays of missionary literature, among which was the "Upper Room" in Spanish and lovely articles from Mexico, Cuba, Brazil and the native American Indian were exhibited. The silver offering was for the special Guild project, Collegio Bennett in Brazil.

## NEW EDINBURG SOCIETY

On December 22, Mrs. E. T. Attwood was hostess to the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Mrs. Kendrick Parham was the leader. Those taking part in the devotional: Mrs. James Lash, Miss Sue Bell Carmical, Mrs. W. T. Bone; Mrs. L. L. Childress gave a Christmas story and a poem; Mrs. E. T. Attwood rendered special music.

After the devotional the society had its annual Christmas tree. All received from their unknown friend a gift. All had a good time, and the outlook is good for another year of work in building the kingdom of God. Trusting this year will be the best. The society is doing a good work, but expecting greater things this year.—Mrs. W. T. Bone.



# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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## LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE NOTES

By Clem Baker

### Arkansas Leads In Training Credits

A report just received from our Nashville headquarters shows that during 1942 the Little Rock Conference had 2,214, and the North Arkansas Conference 1,945 training credits issued. This is the largest number of credits issued to any Conference in the connection except two or three whose membership is more than twice as large as the Conferences in Arkansas. We congratulate our splendid district superintendents and other church workers whose zeal for good work is shown by this splendid training record.

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### Pastors' School Enrollment Exceeded Only By S. M. U. School

A report just issued by Dr. Anderson who has charge of our Pastors' Schools throughout the Church shows that there were 47 Pastors' Schools held in 1942 and that the Arkansas Pastors' School with 477 class enrollments was surpassed only by our great school at S. M. U. which had 486 class enrollments. Some of these school included all the Conferences in a Bishop's area. They were held all over the nation. Considering the limited territory covered by the Arkansas Pastors' School, we feel justified in claiming that it was the best held in the Church last year. The total number of people reached in class enrollments in these schools throughout the Church was 6,476, which was the largest number ever reached by Methodism.

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### Conferences Chosen For Experiment In New Literature

Our Church School editors and our Publishing House have collaborated in trying out a new type of broadly graded Sunday School literature designed to meet the needs of very small schools with limited equipment and with only three or four classes. Before this literature will be put on the market it is to be tried out under the direction of the Executive Secretaries in a few schools in sixteen selected Annual Conferences. Arkansas Methodism is honored by having its two Conferences selected for this experiment. This literature is not yet available for general distribution and we are not sure that it will ever be available. This is simply an experiment and is in keeping with the policies of the producers of our Church School literature in making sure their grounds before offering something new to the Church.

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### Executive Secretaries Meet In Nashville, Tennessee

The Secretaries of the three divisions of the General Board of Education called the Executive Secretaries of the Conference Boards of Education from all over the Church to meet in Nashville, Tennessee, December 30 to January 5. Eighty-five Executive Secretaries were in attendance. The meetings were held and the group entertained at Scarritt College. The central purpose of the meeting was to plan the work within the Conferences

## THE SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER

By CLEM BAKER

### "THE WAR AND CHURCH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE"

Many Church School Superintendents are reporting an increased attendance in their Sunday School sessions in spite of the war. There are good reasons for this. The gas and tire situation is preventing people from taking long Sundays trips. People are not going to so many other places, such as Saturday night parties and most of all, people are hungry for the things of God. Wide awake Superintendents will take advantage of this situation and put on a campaign to get everybody to come to Sunday School. In some cases, "Week Day Sunday School Classes" should be organized to take care of those who live too far to come to Sunday School on Sunday morning. Our Adult Home Departments should be very active in enrolling those whose occupations keep them from coming to Sunday School at all.

There is a fine crop of new babies who should be enrolled in our Nursery Departments. Let us make 1943 the best year we have ever had for our Sunday Schools. Let us keep the "home fires" burning. Let us reach that 20% increase which we have set as our goal for this year.

during the war period. Arkansas was represented by Ira A. Brumley and Clem Baker. Four days were given over to the Local Church Division with Dr. Schisler leading; one day to our college work with Dr. McPherson leading and the last day to our literature with Dr. Bugbee leading. It was a splendid meeting and we all came away inspired to do our very best to help our pastors and Church School leaders meet the unusual opportunities and responsibilities placed upon them by war conditions.

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### Clem Baker's Schedule

During the next two weeks the Executive Secretary of the Little Rock Conference will be out in the field promoting our Group Ministry Projects and helping the District Superintendents organize for their training programs. Our Schedule is as follows:

Mena—Group Ministry Project, January 11-13, Monday through Wednesday.

Warren—Group Ministry Project, January 15-17, Friday through Sunday.

Monticello District Training Conference—Lake Village, Monday morning, January 18.

Magnolia Training School and Coaching Conferences—Monday night through Friday night, January 18-22.

Magnolia Group Ministry Project, Wednesday night, January 20.

Fine Bluff Training Conference—Saturday, January 23.

Arkadelphia District Training Conference, Hot Springs, Monday, February 8.

Arkadelphia District Group Ministry Conference—Arkadelphia, Tuesday, February 9.

Prescott District—Group Ministry Project, Wednesday, February 10, at Hope.

Prescott District Training Conference, Thursday, February 11.

Texarkana District Training Conference, Friday, February 12.

See your pastor and join in the Arkansas Methodist Campaign.

## RESOURCE MATERIAL ON LATIN AMERICA

By Walter N. Vernon, Jr.

Church school teachers and other workers who are concerned about the January emphasis on mission work in Latin America will find rich resources in their Methodist Church school literature. In addition to units of study, articles, stories and pictures in the dated periodicals, there are several undated pamphlets which provide extra resource materials.

The complete list of resources listed herewith will enable local church leaders to make their plans early.

### Children's Division

A unit of four lessons will appear in the January issues of The Primary Class under the title, "A Trip to South America."

"Neighbors in South America" is the title of the study unit of five sessions appearing in Junior Quarterly for January, February, March, 1943. This periodical carries a two-page pictorial map of South America, and the words and music of a Brazilian game song.

Child Guidance in Christian Living for January contains numerous articles, poems, songs, and a two-page picture spread emphasizing Latin America. It also contains an interesting study for use in additional sessions called "The Church at Work in South America."

Undated pamphlet material for use in additional sessions called "The Church at Work in South America."

Undated pamphlet material for use by leaders of children has been produced by the Editorial Division as follows:

1. For Leaders of Primaries—Children and Churches in Latin America, by Eddy. A unit of work for ten sessions.

2. For Leaders of Juniors—Journeying in South America, by Hazelwood. A unit of work for additional sessions; and News Flashes from Latin America, by Kramer. Sug-

## TRAINING SCHOOLS BEING PLANNED

January and February are to be important months in the training program of the North Arkansas Conference.

Gardner Memorial Church, North Little Rock, is having a two-unit school, January 10-20, with Mrs. W. F. Bates offering the course on Teaching Children and the Executive Secretary the course on the Book of Acts.

The Batesville training school is to be held January 25-29, with the following courses being offered: Teaching Children, Mrs. W. F. Bates; Preparations for Christian Home Making, Rev. W. Neill Hart; and The Spirit and Genius of Methodism, Dr. Robert W. Goodloe.

The Marianna school will be held January 31-February 4, with two courses being offered as follows: The Children's Division of the Church, Mrs. Ira A. Brumley; The Teachings of Jesus, Dr. J. T. Carlyon.

Other schools are being planned as follows: Forrest City, February 7-11; Fayetteville, February 7-11; Fort Smith, February 22-26; Paragould, February 22-26.

A number of one-unit schools will be held during January and February.—Ira A. Brumley.

## ARKANSAS PASTORS' SCHOOL

The Undergraduates and Accepted Supplies of Little Rock and North Arkansas Conferences are interested in knowing what courses are to be offered in the Arkansas Pastors' School, June 14-25, which will apply on their course of study.

It appears now that we will be able to provide the following courses of study:

On Trial: Brown: Art of Preaching; Garber: The Methodists Are One People.

First Year: Abingdon Commentary (General Articles: O. T. Articles); The Methodist Discipline.

Second Year: Abingdon Commentary (New Testament Articles); Beaven: The Local Church.

Third Year: Rall: Christianity; Religious Education, which would include Harner: The Educational Work of the Church, and probably Smith: New Trails for the Christian Teacher and McKibben: Improving Religious Education.

Fourth Year: Knudson: Doctrine of Redemption; Bennett: Social Salvation.

We are not yet ready to announce the names of all the instructors. Just as soon as the program is completed we will give names of instructors of various courses.

This promises to be one of the greatest Pastors' Schools of Arkansas.—Ira A. Brumley.

gested plans and materials for ten monthly meetings.

Pictures and Stories, story paper for primaries, has stories about Latin-American boys and girls in almost every issue in January. Trails for Juniors provides stories, songs, games, and full page picture spreads throughout January.



## The Church and the Countryside

By

Glenn F. Sanford

### The Rural Church In Scott County

It was my high privilege to have a part in seven Rural Life Conferences in and around Waldron in Scott County December 6-11. On Sunday, Dec. 6, I was with Brother Harrison at Waldron. We had a great service. Brother Harrison is in high favor with his people.

The rest of the week was spent in the small churches with Brother M. B. Short and Miss Estelle McIntosh. They too are in high favor with their people. The conferences were held at Waldron, Square Rock, Parks, Cothran, Bates, Mt. Pleasant, and Bird's View. Most of the sessions began at 2:00 p. m. and continued through a night session with a fellowship supper served at the church.

Aside from Bro. Harrison, Bro. Short, Miss McIntosh and myself there appeared on the programs at the various places speakers representing the following interests: Public Schools, Soil Conservation, Farm Security, Home Demonstration Work, Public Health, Triple A., Welfare Work, County Farm Agent, and the Four H. At each meeting Bro. Harrison discussed the subject of the "Town and County Churches Working Together," and it was my privilege to discuss the theme of the "Relation of Religion and the Church to All of the Agencies Which Work For the Betterment of Rural Life." Pictures illustrating the work were shown at each place.

There was a total of 484 people who attended these conferences. In every place and with each and every individual there seemed to be the keenest of interest and a deep desire to understand religion in this fuller and closer relation to life. It was also true that the individuals who represented these various interests and agencies, regardless of denomination, expressed a deep appreciation for the work the church was doing along this line. They expressed a readiness to cooperate in every way and at any time. It was interesting to note that each of these several individuals were not only church members but active Christian workers in their church.

The cooperative work which is developing in Scott county between the churches and the leaders was one of the most wholesome signs in it all. Brother Harrison was in all the meetings and was as instrumental in planning the conferences as was Brother Short and Miss McIntosh. Some of his laymen took part in the programs at the various places. There is actually a "Group Ministry" program at work there now.

Personally, I would like to take a great amount of space to tell you of this work and my feelings regarding its permanent value. I will say only this, I do not feel that my services could have been given in a finer way than what seemed to be true in these Rural Life Conferences.

## UNITED CHRISTIAN FORCES PRESENT SOLID FRONT

In this hour of our country's greatest peril we insist that the iniquitous policy of issuing tax permits for public evils be abandoned as not only unholy, but destructive of every true value.

FIRST, that horse and dog race gambling be stopped by immediate repeal of the pari-mutual betting Act, thus ending the needless and senseless waste of the state's economic and moral resources, and particularly of vital defense war materials.

SECOND, that it be made unlawful to advertise intoxicating liquors by any agency or means whatsoever. Such advertising is a high crime against humanity, corrupting the minds of young and old alike, greatly increasing drunkenness, and destroying the lives of many people and the happiness of great multitudes. This initial step by the state, while only partially effective, would no doubt soon be followed by Federal action, making such law wholly effective.

THIRD, we favor the immediate and unequivocal repeal of Act 108, (the Thorne Liquor Law), of the 1935 General Assembly. The operation of this law has steadily increased drunkenness and resultant evils. Drunken driving continues a serious menace, after many hundreds of our citizens have been killed on our public highways. Moreover, bootlegging flourishes everywhere under the cover of legal liquor, and it is our belief that this evil would be materially lessened by the removal of this protective screen. No amount of revenue can compensate for the unspeakable evils of the commercialized liquor traffic.

We, therefore, call upon every moral and humane citizen of the state, individually and in organized groups, to get back of our governor, senators and representatives through voicing strong expressions of encouragement to them to take the right stand on these issues. Churches, Sunday Schools, Young People's and other organizations are urged to act promptly. Let us stand together in battling for the Lord against these enslaving evils.

Many contributions are needed for the legitimate expense of this campaign. Send all contributions to UNITED CHRISTIAN FORCES, 521 1/2 Main St., Little Rock.—Clyde C. Coulter, Superintendent Anti-Saloon League; Mrs. May C. Crouse, State President W. C. T. U.; Claude L. Jones, President Arkansas Better Government League.

## BAPTIST BOARD TRANSFERS DODD COLLEGE TO GREATER CENTENARY

Transfer of all Dodd College property to Centenary College (Shreveport, La.) as a step toward bringing vast new facilities for scientific education to that area was recently authorized by the executive board of the Louisiana Baptist Convention.

The transfer is expected to bring an immediate expansion of Army and Navy specialized training at Centenary for the duration, with the Dodd buildings likely to be used exclusively for that purpose. The ultimate objective of Centenary, however, is to establish a top calibre scientific department.

The action which will insure the continuation of the property for

Christian educational purposes was hailed with approval from several quarters.

The Dodd property will be known in perpetuity as the "Dodd Campus of Centenary College." The new campus is one mile from Centenary campus with street car service and a direct line between the two.

## U. S. AND MEXICAN METHODIST YOUTH FRATERNIZE

Through the cooperation of the consular service in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, who helped secure special government permission for 120 delegates to cross the border, students of Holding Institute, Laredo, Texas, participated in the Fourth National Congress of Methodist Young Men's Leagues in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, from December 5 to 10.

Superintendent Anton Deschner describes the Conference as "an interesting experience" and says: "In cooperation with the Laredo Mexican Methodist Church and the Young People's Department of the American Methodist Church in Laredo, we were able to entertain the group at Holding Institute Wednesday afternoon and evening. After we got them across the border, they toured Laredo and came out to our school about 5:30. The Holding boys played some of the delegates in a game of basketball, which our boys won. A weiner roast was held, followed by an entertainment in our chapel. The closing part of the program was a religious service around a beautiful bonfire on our athletic field. It was a beautiful and impressive service. All our children attended.

"We were glad to have had this opportunity to serve these delegates from all parts of Mexico. It was a very fine way to advertise our school, and also offered a unique way to cooperate with the Mexican Methodist and the American Methodist Churches of Laredo. The delegates to this Congress appreciated what we had done in getting permission for them to cross into the United States and will never forget the event. We are greatly pleased that we could serve them in that way."

## SCHOOLS STILL MOVING IN CHINA

Ever since the Japanese army began its invasion southward and westward into central China, a number of missionary and government universities and colleges have "migrated" ahead of the enemy, and many of them are now on campuses in Chengtu, Chungking and elsewhere in Free (West) China. Practically every campus in the west houses two to four schools, some of which have moved hundreds of miles with their faculties and parts of their student bodies. Now comes word from the National Christian Council that Yenching University (formerly of Peking or Peiping) is opening a new center in Chengtu; that the Law School of the University of Soochow is moving to Chungking; that Canton Theological College is to work in cooperation with Lingnan University at Pingshek. Of the trials of such migration, Principal Kunkle, of Canton Theological College, says: "The truck we finally secured was in very bad condition. We have been using vegetable oil and our load is too heavy. We were 17 days in a little mountain village of four houses, waiting for parts to replace broken machinery. We were walking up a steep grade when the truck got out of

control and landed in a bank. Fortunately no one was injured. Other students were in another truck when it overturned, but their injuries were not serious."

## BLESSING THE FIELDS OF SIRONCHA

By the Rev. Charles L. Swan,  
Sironcha, Central Provinces, India.

I have just come back from a tour through the villages around Sironcha. First I went to "bless the fields." I stood in 25 fields and gardens scattered in eight villages, and read from the great passages of the Bible. I had practiced the Telugu language over and over until it came with fluency and expression—not an easy exercise. The people wanted me to do it. Hitherto they have been calling in the village "medicine man," and he has cut a rooster's neck and planted the first seed.

The passages I read included Ps. 24:1-5; Ps. 51:1-3, 6:13; II Corinthians 9:6-11; Deut. 28:1-6; Phil. 4:4-7. Look them up, and tell me if you think they are a good substitute for the rooster. What is the difference between this and your way of doing things?

In my tour, I checked up on all membership and baptismal registers. I sat down in one village to do some revision. An old man said: "Saheb, why are you taking my name just now?" He had heard that there is a huge war going on in the white man's lands, and he half-way suspected me of being a recruiting officer.

We are getting a movement of song started in this District. Peace is based on righteousness, and righteousness is not a set of taboos. Righteousness means doing things, some of them hard, like helping the poor, and social service; and some of them joyful things, like loving your family and singing. Our Telugu Christian lyrics are real rhythm, the words are not frothy, and the melody is something caught out of the winds, and the sky.

I speak of this as a "tour," though I went only a total of fifty miles, but I walked every inch of it, and sometimes it meant some doubling back. There was lots of mud, but the car is on the blocks since a half-dozen rationings came into effect. I took a bullock cart along with me, but a journey by bullock cart is always twice as long because it involves so many ups and downs—some very sudden. I had planned on seven days, but the river came up and spread its muddy alluvial fingers everywhere, and it was ten days before I could get home even by boat.

Out of this sojourn in the Middle Ages—this Sironcha—I would like to exhort you moderns where the radio works: "Keep on going. Don't turn back. You will find your burdens not a bit lighter if you return to the land of yesterday out of which your fathers brought you with so much heroism."

The idea of God is like the sun in the heavens—no man can look it in the eye, but in the light of it we can see everything—Gilbert Chesterton.

The sermon is truth expressed through a man. It is bringing the personal Christ to men.—Phillips Brooks.

See your pastor about renewing your subscription this week.

## ARKANSAS METHODIST ORPHANAGE REPORT

This is the third report of the Christmas Offering for the Methodist Orphanage.

### LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

Arkadelphia District	
Arkadelphia Station	\$ 90.00
Benton Station, H. W. Anderson, Personal (additional)	40.00
Benton Ct., Pleasant Hill	5.00
Dalark Ct.	21.00
Hot Springs Ct., Mt. Pine	10.00
Leola Ct.	12.00
Malvern Station, personal gift by a friend (additional)	15.00
Total	\$193.00
Previously reported	\$ 661.08
Grand Total	\$854.08

Camden District	
Huttig (additional)	\$ 6.00
Centennial Chg.: Centennial	\$6.95
Dumas	7.95
Emerson Ct.	34.00
Norphet Charge: Quinn	5.00
Parker's Chapel, Fredonia	
Charge: Parker's Chapel	10.00
Strong Ct. (additional)	15.00
Thornton Ct.-Temperance Hill	2.00
Total	\$ 86.90
Previously reported	1,403.12
Grand Total	\$1,490.02

Little Rock District	
Austin Ct.: Concord	\$ 4.00
Smyrna	2.00
Bauxite-Sardis: Bauxite	\$50.00
Sardis	20.00
Carlisle Ct.	8.00
Douglasville-Geyer Springs:	
Douglasville	10.00
First Church, Little Rock (Add.)	500.00
Pulaski Heights, Little Rock, (additional)	12.50
Scott Street, Little Rock	32.65
Lonoke Charge: Lonoke	\$25.00
Eagle	5.00
Total	\$669.15
Previously reported	1,119.22
Grand Total	\$1,865.37

Monticello District	
Drew Ct. (additional)	\$ 3.25
Dumas (additional), personal gift of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Dante	5.00
McGehee	50.00
Tiller-Winchester (additional) personal gift of Mrs. R. H. Wolfe of Tillar	12.50
Total	\$ 70.75
Previously reported	715.05
Grand Total	\$785.80

Pine Bluff District	
Alzheimer	\$ 21.00
Glendale	5.00
Good Faith-Faith: Good Faith Church	\$13.00
Faith (additional)	2.00
Lakeside, Pine Bluff	160.15
Sheridan-New Hope Charge:	
Sheridan	\$25.00
New Hope	5.00
Sherrill-Tucker: Tucker	10.32
Grand Avenue, Stuttgart	25.00
Total	\$266.47
Previously reported	932.65
Grand Total	\$1,199.12

Prescott District	
Emmett-Bierne: Emmett	\$49.00
Bierne	7.25
Antioch	.25
Holly Grove	2.75
DeAnn	1.00
Boyd's Chapel	5.00
Murfreesboro	15.00
Prescott Ct.-Midway	\$2.26
Fairview	2.00
Moscow	2.00
Pleasant Ridge	3.15
Harmony	2.00
Salem	4.00
Washington-Columbus:	
Fulton	\$4.00
Columbus (additional)	2.25
Total	\$ 6.25
Previously reported	1,179.06
Grand Total	\$1,255.60

Texarkana District	
Cherry Hill Ct.	\$ 5.00
Foreman Ct.	3.25
Fairview-Texarkana	53.05
Texarkana Ct.: Harmony	
Grove Church	\$5.00
Rondo League	3.00
Winthrop Ct. (additional)	8.00
Dierks Church (additional)	6.24
Total	1.00
Previously reported	\$ 76.54
Grand Total	1,179.06
Personal Gifts: B. P. O. E.	
Lodge, Secty., Little Rock	10.00
Previously reported	10.00
Grand Total	\$ 20.00

Grand Total received from Little Rock Conference through Jan. 9, 1943.....\$7,986.98

### NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

Batesville District	
Cotter	\$ 5.00
Elmo-Oil Trough	4.00
Moore-Oil Trough	4.00
East Newport Ct.	
Umsted Memorial	\$2.00
Hope Church, by S. M. Penix	5.00
Salem	7.00
Swift-Alicia: Swift	14.35
Alicia	\$5.00
Tuckerman (additional)	5.00
Weldon	10.00
Total	2.50
Previously reported	5.00
Grand Total	\$ 51.85

Conway District	
Perry-Perryville (additional)	\$ 14.40
Total	\$ 14.40
Previously reported	358.61
Grand Total	\$373.01

Fayetteville District	
Berryville	\$ 5.00
Elm Springs Ct.: Elm Spgs.	\$5.00
Harmon	10.00
Farmington-Goshen: Farmington	\$ 6.00
Eureka Springs	5.00
Fayetteville Church	\$85.20
Fayetteville Church:	
Personal Gift	25.00
Lincoln	110.20
Rogers	5.00
Siloam Springs: Primary Dept.	40.12
Total	2.60
Previously reported	\$188.92
Grand Total	190.56

Fort Smith District	
Alma	\$ 5.00
Altus Ct., Grenades Chapel	2.50
Clarksville (additional)	50.00
Second Church, Fort Smith	10.00
Hartford: Miss Lucy Henry, personal gift, (additional)	10.00
Hartman Ct. (additional)	8.50
Kibler City Heights:	
Ozark City Heights: City Heights	4.72
Ozark Church	10.00
Mrs. Cecil Dotson, New Blaine	1.00
Total	\$101.72
Previously reported	\$435.87
Grand Total	\$537.59

Helena District	
Brinkley (additional)	\$ 42.20
Mellowood Church	2.50
Park Church (additional)	30.00
Vanndale-Cherry Valley:	
Cherry Valley	\$3.00
Vanndale	5.00
Farm Hill	1.00
Total	9.00
Previously reported	\$ 83.80
Grand Total	\$363.95

Jonesboro District	
Black Oak Ct.-Black Oak	\$5.00
Caraway	3.00
Macey	3.00
Bono-Trinity: Trinity	11.00
Brookland Ct. (additional)	7.20
First Church, Jonesboro	5.17
Lake City Ct.: Lakeview	50.00
Marked Tree	2.00
Total	40.00
Previously reported	\$115.37
Grand Total	\$376.30

Paragould District	
Knobel Ct.-Peach Orchard	\$ 5.16
Lorado Ct.-Pleasant Hill	5.00
First Church, Paragould	35.00
Piggott	20.00
Total	\$65.16
Previously reported	\$146.35
Grand Total	\$211.51

Searcy District	
Antioch Ct., Ward Church	\$ 4.00
A friend, Leslie, Ark.	100.00
Kensett	4.40
Valley Springs Church	8.50
Total	\$116.90
Previously reported	\$309.90
Grand Total	\$426.80

Grand Total received from all sources through Jan. 9, 1943	
Arkansas Conference through January 9, 1943	\$3,064.05
Personal, outside of Arkansas	
Conferences and Anonymous:	
Gift of a friend	5.00
Previously reported	20.00
Total	\$ 25.00

Grand Total received from all sources through Jan. 9, 1943 \$11,076.03

During the months of October, November and December, we have received the following cash contributions for the Home, in addition to the Christmas Offerings:

Susanna Wesley Bible Class, First Church, Texarkana.....\$ 5.00

Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Robinson, Des Arc Rt. No. 1..... 3.00

Mrs. Lucy Thornburgh, City..... 5.00

Mrs. M. E. Layman, Oil City, La..... 25.00

Mrs. Anna Cooper, in memory of Mrs. J. S. Utley, this city..... 3.00

Mr. J. R. Ricks, Jr., in memory of his grandmother, Mrs. J. R. Ricks, Sr., this city..... 5.00

W. S. C. S., Alzheimer, in memory of John F. Bowen, who was killed serving in the Armed Forces..... 5.00

Mrs. Tennie Sanders and Mrs. Essie Oglesby of Stephens, and Mrs. John Bennett of Rosston, in memory of Mrs. Sanders' granddaughter, Frances Findley..... 5.75

Total.....\$66.75

—James Thomas, Supt.

## OPEN HOUSE AT PARSONAGE AT TILLAR

The Christmas motif prevailed in the decorations of the parsonage home of the Rev. and Mrs. Fred W. Schwendemann in Tillar Thursday evening, December 10, when they entertained with open house. The living room was made very festive with ferns, holly and a mantle arrangement of greenery and red tapers. The family room had a small but lovely decorated Christmas tree. The dining table was laid with a handsome lace cloth centered with a reflector intertwined with greenery, varied colored balls and interspersed with red lighted tapers. On the buffet was an arrangement of the Nativity and the wise men in illustrated figures.

Mrs. Hutch Landfair, vice-president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, presided over the tea service and those further extending hospitality in the dining room were Misses Frankie Davidson, Rosalie Santin, Elizabeth Santin, Jane Collins, Frances Santin. A number from Winchester and Newton Chapel with those from Tillar called between the hours of eight till ten.

Bro. Schwendemann and family were returned here for the third consecutive year at the meeting of the Annual Conference in Hot Springs and are very popular. With the cooperation of his church he did an outstanding line of work last year, by having all finances in full in early fall and releasing a long standing debt on the parsonage in Tillar and seeing the Newton Chapel Church completed and free of debt, with a number received into church membership into the four churches on the charge.

We are now standing on the threshold of a New Year and are looking forward to a fine year with this fine family as our leaders and co-workers.—Mrs. S. V. Clayton, Reporter.

## WHY BE AFRAID?

Bishop John Gowdy, nearly half a century in China, tells the story of a humble Chinese servant who went to the market to purchase supplies for the family for whom he worked.

In the midst of his errand the air raid siren sounded. According to the law the store was immediately closed, and no one was allowed out on the street.

As the roar of the planes sounded clearer and clearer, the old servant busied himself about the store laughing and visiting with the terrified customers, showing not one trace of fear.

"Are you not afraid?" asked one frightened Chinese. "Don't you know that all of us may be killed in two minutes?"

"No," the old servant replied with a smile. "Why should I be afraid? I'm a Christian, and God will take care of me."

"But they may drop a bomb on us, and you may be killed."

"In that case I will go to heaven, and that will be even better than being here," the old man said.—Christian Advocate.

## TIME FOR A LITTLE CONSISTENCY

The Christian is to seek the things that are above, to set his mind on them, and to remember that his life is hid with Christ in God. He is so joined to Christ that he is separated from his former life's ways and is dead to the world. Heavenly things are to occupy the Christian's mind, as well as be the objects of his seeking. The outward life of effort and aim, and the inner life of thought and longing are to be continually centered in Christ. "For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God." The risen life of the Christian is hid with Christ in God. The Christian is dead to the world, but alive to God. Christ is the essence of life, and death is simply more of Christ.—The Watchman-Examiner.

## THE TEMPLE

The rabbis tell a story of the reason for the location of the Temple. Two brothers had inherited a farm and lived on different parts of it; one married, with a large family, the other a bachelor. At the end of the harvest the former said to his wife: "How much I have to be thankful for! But my lonely brother has no family. To make up for it, I shall take some sheaves from my field and put them in his." This he did late at night. The other brother said: "My brother has a large family to care for, so I shall put some of my sheaves in his field." So the next morning and several mornings each of the brothers found that there were still the full number of sheaves in their fields. One night they met in the moonlight. There the Temple was built, for it was the one spot of earth nearest God.—Percy Sylvester Malone.

## DON'T BE AFRAID

A recent issue of the Christian Century carries a statement by Bishop Arthur Moore in which he pleads for a free pulpit. He says: "You had better permit your preacher to make a few mistakes than to make him so nice and proper he becomes useless." There is a lesson in that statement for ambitious youth, especially Christian youth. Many young people are fearful of mistakes and criticism and refuse to make the venture of trying to do many worthy things. It is far better to try to do something and fail than to try to do nothing and succeed.

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# The Sunday School Lesson

By DR. W. P. WHALEY



## Seizing Opportunities For Winning Others To Christ

LESSON FOR JAN. 17, 1943

LESSON TEXT: John 4:1-42.

GOLDEN TEXT: "He that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathered fruit unto life eternal." John 4:36.

Let us keep in mind that John said he was relating these instances in the ministry of Jesus that we might believe that this Jesus, who lived at Nazareth thirty years, and then spent three years walking over Palestine doing good and preaching, IS THE CHRIST, THE SON OF GOD. All through his thirty-three years on earth Jesus was regarded as a man, except by a few. He was not called Christ; he was called Jesus. But, in his sermon at Pentecost, Peter said: "Let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ." From then on, the apostles preached that this Jesus, who had been thought of as just another Jewish prophet, IS THE CHRIST, THE SON OF GOD. for whom the church has been looking more than two thousand years.

On January 3, we had the witness of John the Baptist, the greatest prophet. On January 10 we saw Nicodemus accepting Jesus as the Christ. Today, we have John's story of how the Samaritans accepted Jesus as the Christ.

### I. Jacob's Well.

Shechem was the first place Abraham settled after he went to Palestine. Isaac and Jacob lived there also. The body of Joseph was brought back there from Egypt. Jacob dugged a fine well there, and walled it with stone. It is by the highway, and for about four thousand years it has afforded an abundance of wonderful water for beasts and people that traveled that highway. In 1928, a group of us stopped at this well. The attendant let down a light into the well, and we could see through many feet of crystal clear water the living stream coming boldly up through white sand. We let down a bucket and drew up the best water we found in Palestine. Jesus chose a fine illustration of eternal life when he told the woman at the well, THE WATER THAT I SHALL GIVE SHALL BE A WELL OF WATER SPRINGING UP INTO EVERLASTING LIFE. The community has changed names several times. In Jesus' day, the little village was called Sychar.

### II. The Samaritans.

Sychar is at the foot of a hill called Mt. Gerazim. More than three hundred years before Christ, the Jewish people split. Sanbalat, the ruler of Samaria, built a temple on Mt. Gerazim; while the people of Judea maintained the temple at Jerusalem. Through these hundreds of years there had been rivalry and contention between these two groups—the Jews claiming that Jerusalem was the place to worship, and the Samaritans contending that since Abraham, Isaac and Jacob built their altars of worship in Shechem (Sychar), that should be the permanent and only place of worship. This religious quarrel between two groups of Abraham's descendants,

both holding the same scriptures, had gotten so bitter and deep-seated that the Jews and Samaritans had no dealings with each other. Jesus and his disciples, on one of their trips through Samaria, wished to spend the night in a village; but the Samaritans would not let them stay. This made the disciples so angry that they wanted to pray down fire and burn up the town, but Jesus led them on.

### III. Jesus Starts the Conversation.

Our story today is that Jesus and his disciples were going north from Judea through Samaria. They stopped about noon at Jacob's well. Jesus sat and rested, while the disciples went into the village to buy their lunch. A woman of the Samaritan village came to get a bucket of water. Jesus was thirsty, and asked the woman for a drink. She was surprised that a Jew should speak to her, and reminded Jesus that she was a Samaritan, and that he was not supposed to talk to her. In the conversation that followed, Jesus "spoke as never man spoke." The woman had never met such a man. She had never heard such things as he was saying. She was religious according to her knowledge, she worshipped on Mt. Gerazim, and knew her scriptures; but her life must have been troubled. She had been married five times, and was then living with a man to whom she had not been married. As their conversation progressed, she was convinced that he was an unusual prophet; for he was seeing inside her heart and understanding her whole life. After leading her on with his great teachings about God and the way to worship God, the woman broke in: "I know that Messiah cometh, which is called Christ: when he is come, he will tell us all things." Then Jesus told her: "I THAT SPEAK UNTO THEE AM HE."

All through his ministry, Jesus kept telling the people that he was the Christ, or doing things and talking in such a way so that people came to that conclusion. Many people who heard him talk said, "Of a truth this is the Prophet." Others said, this is the Christ." Jesus' conversation with the woman prepared her to accept his plain assertion: "I THAT SPEAK UNTO THEE AM HE."

### IV. The Woman Carries the News.

Imagine the emotions of this woman as she hurried into her village thoroughly convinced that she had met the Messiah, prophesied and expected for two thousand years! Hurrying over her neighborhood, she told the people: "Come, see a man that told me all things that ever I did: is not this the Christ?" Her story and her manner brought her neighbors to the well to see the Christ. When Jesus saw all these Samaritans flocking toward him, he

said to his disciples: "Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields: for they are white already to the harvest." Jesus and his disciples remained in that community two days. They worked no miracles. The personality and talks of Jesus appealed to these people, and they said to the woman: "Now we believe, not because of thy saying: for we have heard him ourselves, and know that this is indeed the Christ, the Saviour of the world."

### V. Making Opportunity and Conversation With Strangers.

This woman would not have spoken to Jesus, and he was not supposed to speak to her; but Jesus made capital of his real thirst, and started the conversation by asking this strange and unfriendly woman for a drink of water. Jacob got acquainted with Rachel by rolling the stone from the mouth of the well and drawing water for her sheep. Moses met his wife to be by watering her sheep. A man can win an acquaintance by asking for a match. Personal workers must be skillful in making opportunity for conversation with strangers. Moody and Bishop Lambuth nearly always found a way to talk religion to a stranger with whom they might be thrown. Jesus made many of his opportunities by asking small favors, as when he asked this woman for a drink of water, and when he told Zacchaeus he was going home with him.

### VI. Religion Is Contagious.

People share their joys. The woman who recovered her coin just had to tell her neighbors. The shepherd who found his sheep that was lost could not hold all his joy: he had to call in neighbors to help him rejoice. A happy event must be published. This woman left the well with too much to hide away at home. It must be spread over the community. Religion is not taught. We catch it from people who have a good case of it. As a town burns up by the fire catching from one house to another, so Sychar was set ablaze by the fervent religious certainty of this woman, and spread from person to person. Religious fire is hard to put out. It is said that you can argue against a creed, but you can't argue against a Christian. So St. John cites the case of the Samaritans as proving that Jesus was more than just another Jewish prophet. Jesus did in Sychar what no Jewish prophet could have done. Further on this same fourth chapter, we are told of the miraculous healing of the nobleman's son, as another evidence that JESUS IS THE CHRIST.

## Madam, Does An Old TABOO Prevent Your Knowing This Help?

In less enlightened days, women didn't discuss these things. Now, it's different. If a woman suffers from periodic cramp-like pain and other purely functional distresses, she tries to learn how to help herself.

Thousands of women praise the 2-way help of Cardui. Taken as a tonic, it usually peps up the appetite, stimulates the flow of gastric juices, thus aiding digestion and thereby helping build up energy and resistance. Started three days before the time, and taken as directed, it should help relieve much purely functional, periodic pain.

Try CARDUI. A 62 year record says it may help!

## Good For Over 100 Years

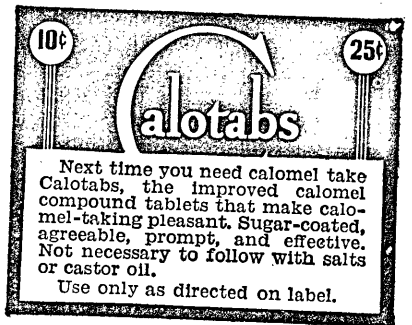
—And even better now. Recently greatly improved; more antiseptic, more active, finer quality ingredients. Spreads easier. Widely used for minor externally caused skin itching; boils, rash, tetter, pimples, cuts, bruises, etc. 35c.

→ GRAY'S OINTMENT

AT FIRST SIGN OF A

# COLD 666

666 TABLETS, SALVE, NOSE DROPS



## Beware Coughs from common colds That Hang On

Creomulsion relieves promptly because it goes right to the seat of the trouble to help loosen and expel germ laden phlegm, and aid nature to soothe and heal raw, tender inflamed bronchial mucous membranes. Tell your druggist to sell you a bottle of Creomulsion with the understanding you must like the way it quickly allays the cough or you are to have your money back.

**CREOMULSION**  
For Coughs, Chest Colds, Bronchitis



## Splendid Cough Relief Is Easily Mixed at Home

No Cooking. Makes Big Saving.

To get quick and satisfying relief from coughs due to colds, mix this recipe in your kitchen. Once tried, you'll never be without it, and it's so simple and easy.

First, make a syrup by stirring 2 cups granulated sugar and one cup of water a few moments, until dissolved. A child could do it. No cooking needed. Or you can use corn syrup or liquid honey, instead of sugar syrup.

Then get 2½ ounces of Pinex from any druggist. This is a special compound of proven ingredients, in concentrated form, well-known for its prompt action on throat and bronchial membranes.

Put the Pinex into a pint bottle, and add your syrup. Thus you make a full pint of really splendid medicine and you get about four times as much for your money. It never spoils, and tastes fine.

And for quick, blessed relief, it is amazing. You can feel it take hold in a way that means business. It loosens the phlegm, soothes the irritated membranes, and eases the soreness. Thus it makes breathing easy, and lets you get restful sleep. Just try it, and if not pleased, your money will be refunded.

# WINFIELD MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

## NEW MEMBERS

Mr. R. E. Mathis, 3515 High.  
Mrs. V. L. Simpson, 276 Plain-view Circle, Park Hill.  
Miss Diane Simpson, 276 Plain-view Circle, Park Hill.  
Mr. W. O. Beck, 2322 Wolfe St.  
Mrs. W. O. Beck, 2322 Wolfe St.

## CONGRATULATIONS

To Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Reinsch, Jr., 1707 West 14th, on the birth of a daughter, Patricia Ann, Dec. 24th.

## JANUARY CIRCLE MEETINGS

No. 1—Mrs. B. E. Smith, Chairman, to meet with Mrs. Randall Dixon, 5300 "T" Street, for 1:30 dessert luncheon.

No. 2—To meet with Chairman, Mrs. C. B. Wilson, 801 North Jackson, for 1 o'clock dessert luncheon.

No. 3—To meet with Chairman, Mrs. H. M. Gaylor, 114 Booker, for 1 o'clock dessert luncheon; Mrs. W. A. Bartlow, co-hostess.

No. 4—To meet with Chairman, Mrs. Frank Thacker, 3300 West 10th for 1:30 dessert luncheon.

No. 5—With Chairman, Mrs. Rufus Hunt, 1320 Schiller, 1 o'clock dessert luncheon; Mrs. Edith Lenhardt, co-hostess.

No. 6—Mrs. James Thomas, Chairman, to meet with Mrs. R. P. Ramsey, 412 West 17th, for 1 o'clock dessert luncheon; Mrs. E. M. Faver, co-hostess.

No. 7—Mrs. J. W. Rucker, Chairman, to meet with Mrs. O. B. McCoy, 2311 State, for 1 o'clock dessert luncheon.

No. 8—Mrs. Taylor Prewitt, Chairman, to meet with Mrs. F. S. Scott, 2708 State, for 1 o'clock dessert luncheon; Mrs. E. C. Reid, co-hostess.

No. 9—Mrs. W. J. Pennington, Chairman, to meet with Mrs. A. J. Hale, 1419 Hanger, for 1:30 o'clock meeting.

No. 11—Young Matrons to meet with Mrs. W. J. Cargile, 1814 Battery, for 12:30 luncheon. Mrs. Julian Davidson, co-hostess.

## FRIENDLY COUPLES POT-LUCK SUPPER

All members of this class are urged to be present at 7 p. m. Friday night, January 15, in Fellowship Hall for the regular business meeting and pot-luck supper.

## CALLING ALL MEMBERS OF WINFIELD

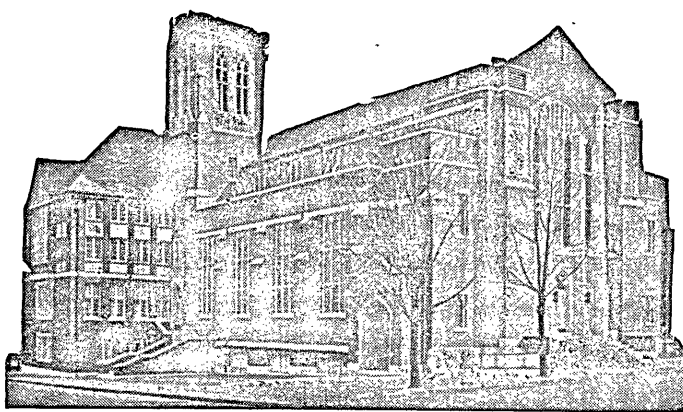
Please read and respond to the following request: To date about one-half of last year's pledges have been renewed. Please call the office and let us know what you plan to do, otherwise a busy steward will be calling on you for an increase. We need your help, and our community needs Winfield. We cannot afford, as Christian people, to let our Church down, for it should come first. If you wish to keep your pledge as of last year, please call us at 2-1990 and let us know this. We will appreciate it and you will not be worried further about it. Thank you.—W. P. Ivy, Chairman of Finance.

## SYMPATHY

Sincere sympathy is extended to Mrs. Zula Phillips and family on the recent loss of her sister.

## KNOWN SICK

Margaret Jean Finger, Mrs. J. W. Rucker and Mr. E. W. Jenkins.



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MISS KATE BOSSINGER  
Organist

MISS OLIVE SMITH, Director of Christian Education

## Next Sunday at Winfield

10:00 a. m. Church School.

Our goal is not less than 650 any Sunday; if YOU are present we may reach the goal.

10:55 a. m. Sermon by the Minister

"PRAISE THE LORD (PERIOD)."

"Thou didst well in that it was in thine heart."  
2 Chronicles 6:8.

6:00 p. m. Youth Fellowships.

6:30 p. m. Study Class in International Goodwill;  
Carrie Hinton Class room.

Discussion leaders: Mr. J. H. Bowen and Miss Lila Ashby.

7:30 p. m.

"TEST IT AGAINST YOUR GREAT PURPOSES"

Read John 1:6-14

"That is the true Light which lighteth every man."

This is the third of the series of the question  
of "How to tell right from wrong!"

## THE MINISTER'S MESSAGE

"The Week of Dedication" (Feb. 28-March 7) is primarily an effort to stir the entire Church to a season of prayer, to lay upon its heart the world's need for the gospel, to re-establish its faith in Jesus Christ.

"Our people will be urged to observe daily Bible reading, meditation, and prayer. Large emphasis will be placed upon personal dedication and the erection of family altars. A family altar in every Methodist home would result in new spiritual power throughout our Methodism."

March 7-12 will be a significant week in our City Methodism. Dr. Guy Black will conduct a week of training in Personal Evangelism. During the day 125 ministers from over the State will study, plan and pray with him. Each evening we will have a supper for some 50 of our own workers, who will be instructed and directed for an hour's work in personal evangelism.

March 28-April 11 Winfield will be joined with City-wide Methodism in simultaneous revivals. The Rev. A. G. Walton, Pastor, First Methodist Church, Texarkana, will be our preacher.

## CHURCH CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JAN. 15:  
Friendly Couples Pot-Luck Supper.  
Young People's Weiner Roast.  
MONDAY, JAN. 18:  
Little Rock Youth Sub-District Meeting at Winfield Church, 7:45 p. m.  
TUESDAY, JAN. 19:  
Woman's Society Council Meeting, 10:30 a. m.  
WEDNESDAY, JAN. 20:  
Board of Education, 5:30.  
Church Night Supper, 6:30.  
Departmental Meetings, 7:30.  
THURSDAY, JAN. 21:  
Junior High Department Week-Day Activities, 4 o'clock.  
Choir Practice, 7:30.  
FRIDAY, JAN. 22:  
Boy Scout Weekly Meeting, 7:30 p. m.  
Senior High Department Box Supper.

## YOUTH FELLOWSHIPS

6 P. M.—January 17

The Young People are continuing their study of Latin America as they look this Sunday at Peru, Bolivia and Chile. Mrs. John Crouse will lead the discussion. Recreation preceding this meeting will be in charge of Lottie Cobbs in the parlor.

The Seniors will have recreation in Fellowship Hall in charge of Gene Smith. A study of Peru, Bolivia and Chile will be conducted by the World Friendship Chairman, Virginia Bradshaw.

In the Junior High Group the discussion of the subject, "How Do We Make World Friends?" will be led by Wilfreida Olsen. Recreation will be in the department preceding the program.

All Young People are invited to the "After-Church" recreational period in Fellowship Hall. The first one held last Sunday evening was well attended and everyone seemed to enjoy this extra period of fellowship. Assisting with the plans for this time are Mr. and Mrs. Goetz, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Major and Virginia Westlake.

## YOUNG PEOPLE SUB-DISTRICT

City-wide meeting for January will be held at Winfield Church with our Young People and Seniors as hosts. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 7:45 p. m., on Monday, January 18, in the Sanctuary. Recreation in Fellowship Hall will follow the program.

## NEW IN CHURCH SCHOOL

Enrolled last Sunday were Helen Hollis, William Richard Moore, William Arthur Kirkpatrick in the Nursery; Dan Ellard, Jr., Martha Davidson, Rodney and Douglas Martin, in the Primary; Janice Greenway in the Junior; Worth Gibson, Senior; Mrs. Eva Russell and Mrs. Thelma Milliken, Ashby Class; Mrs. Singleton, Slack Class; Mr. and Mrs. Greenway, Buzbee Couples Class.

## NEW IN WINFIELD TEACHING PERSONNEL

Several New Teachers have been added to our staff. Miss Marill McCullars and Mrs. Debbie Haydon to the Nursery Department; Miss Virginia Westlake in the Primary; Mrs. Vera Scott in the Sixth Grade Junior, and Miss Alma Virginia Tapp as Secretary for the Juniors; Mr. J. H. Bowen, Senior High; Dean E. Q. Brothers, Young People's Dept.