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"The World is My Parish" — John Wesley

"Go ye into all the

" — Mark 16:15

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World Conquerors Become Fortress Defenders

THE change in the tone of Nazi propaganda, as much as anything else, indicates the radical change that has come in the trend of the war. Nazi propaganda has been filled, until lately, with the plans for a "new order" in Europe. The Axis forces stressed the fact that they were planning a new order in which the Axis nations would be supreme in Europe and through which they were to mould the life of the world.

Now for the first time we are hearing about the "European Fortress." We are told that the wall around Europe is so strong that no outside power can break through. This propaganda constitutes a confession that our former world-conquerors are now resigned to the fate of mere fortress defenders. The morale of the German people and Hitler's satellites has been held up in the past with stories of conquest and promises of early victory. Now the morale of that same group must be sustained by the assurance that Europe is a fortress that cannot be stormed by the United Nations. This new form of propaganda is a very weak substitute for the "world-conquering" variety on which Axis people have been fed in the past. It must be a morale shocking experience to the German people, after all they have endured for victory, to tell them that they are now fortress defenders instead of world conquerors.

The records of history across the years carry the unquestionable proof that, when a dictator goes over to the defensive, you are nearing the end of the story. A dictator reaches his place of power by force; he retains his place of leadership by force. When unmistakable signs point to the fact that he is battling a force stronger than he, whether within or without his regime, that point marks the beginning of the loss of his hold on his followers and the beginning of his own, inevitable downfall. A dictator cannot remain long on the defensive and remain a dictator. It remains to be seen, also, just how long an army, trained for world conquest, can maintain its morale when reduced to the limited role of defending, against attack, the very country that sent it out to conquer the world.

Balance The Budget---Now

WITH the passing of April, we have come to the end of the first half of the conference year. These have been eventful months in many ways. In many situations some parts of the church program had to face unusual difficulties.

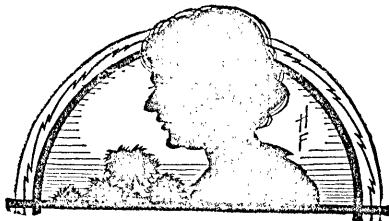
There is one feature, however, of the church program which has been easier this year than for a number of years. Financially the church has had it easy thus far. One pastor tells us that his financial program for the entire year has already been reached. With financial matters as easy as they are, every charge in the state should have a balanced budget for the first half of the year. That is simply being Methodist. It is a danger signal, in the present situation, if a charge is behind financially. We do not know how long the present conditions will prevail. It is good judgment to keep ahead of the calendar. Anything might happen, under present conditions, to disrupt our financial program. It is apparently unnecessary now for a financial program to be in arrears. A financial program, balanced at least each quarter, should effect for good every other part of the work of the church.

The Cost Of Motherhood

AFTER a mother had gone through the valley and shadow of death that her baby might live, another mother said to the editor, "It is no wonder that mothers love their children, when they must give them life at such a cost."

Regardless of the enormous price mothers pay, in physical suffering, to give life to their babies, it is true nevertheless that it is not the indescribable sufferings of childbirth that bring the highest cost in suffering to motherhood. Shakespeare said, "How sharper than a serpent's tooth it is to have a thankless child." In this statement the poet pictured the source of the greatest sorrow and pain that can come to a mother's heart.

Before our present connection with the Arkansas Methodist, we were talking to a mother whose son had wrecked the happiness of the home and all but broken the heart of his mother. With



her face wet with tears, she was telling the tragic story of the selfish indifference with which a godless child had sinned against the unselfish love of motherhood. Thinking to comfort her in her disappointment and grief, we suggested, although the lad did not now respond to her love or seem to appreciate the many sacrifices she had made for him, that the time would likely come when he would realize what she had done for him and return to the way of life she so much wanted him to follow. Instead of bringing the comfort which we had hoped, the suggestion seemed to bring fresh tears to her eyes as, between sobs she asked this question: "Why must my boy wait until I am dead and gone before he realizes how much I love him and how much I want him to live a good life?" That question is big in the lives of many mothers across America today and has saddened and shortened the lives of many. It is a question which it should be unnecessary for any mother to ask.

The flawless jewel of motherhood—the power to love—explains also the reason for much of the anxiety and suffering which many mothers know. This transcendent power to love her child makes a mother's life so sensitive to the welfare of the child as that anything which threatens its happiness or future is felt first by the mother. In this hour of world suffering and death, the cross of motherhood is especially heavy to bear. We honor her for the price she is willing to pay that the world may have the priceless boon of her deathless love.

Begging For Bread

ON THE streets of Little Rock, the past week, a poor, drunken, wreck of a man staggered up to a post near which we stood and, holding to the post to keep from falling, asked if we would give him some money for food, declaring that he was desperately hungry.

In answer to the suggestion that there seemed to be something wrong with him besides hunger, he readily confessed to being pitifully drunk. When asked why he had not used the money for food which he had spent for liquor he said, "We'll not go into that. I'll leave that to you."

Seeing in his features, his manners and his attitudes something of the man he once had been, and seeing before me the hungry, confused, unkempt example of alcoholic wreckage he had become, it was easy to understand why he was willing to leave it up to anyone to judge why he would spend his money for liquor instead of bread even though physical hunger had driven him to beg for food.

The answer lies in the fact that there are people so greedy for financial gain and so indifferent to the physical life and spiritual welfare of their fellows as that, for financial profit they will continue to sell a man drink until that man, made in the image of God, becomes little more than a bit of driftwood floating down the gutters of life. They sell him liquor, knowing if he drinks enough it will create in his body such a demand for liquor as that he will spend money for liquor while starving for bread. How anyone can get the consent of his mind to engage in a business that will do that to his fellow man is difficult to understand. One such case should be enough to make prohibitionists of all liquor dealers. When we remember that the poor, hungry, drunken wretch of the past week is only one of multiplied thousands of people, made so by liquor we wonder how those who sold them the liquor can rest at night or avoid going stark mad through the day while they know that they are a part of the wrecking crew of the bodies and souls of these helpless victims.

The Church In Russia Still Lives

FROM Moscow the Associated Press sends the report that twenty-six churches in this capital of Russia were filled to overflowing for Easter services. The military commandant announced at six o'clock p. m. that the midnight curfew was being lifted. By eleven o'clock all churches were filled and the yards of many were full of worshipers. Through the night the masses stayed until seven o'clock Easter morning.

We are not deceived as to the official attitude of government in Russia toward the Christian church. However, it requires more in the twentieth century—as it did in the early centuries—than an attitude of government, or even opposition of government, to destroy the Christian church. It appears that there have been unnumbered thousands in Russia, through the darkest hours the church there has known, who continued to hold fast their faith in God and the church.

In these Easter services we are told that the attendance was greater than at any time since the outbreak of the revolution. It is hardly possible that the millions in Russia could pass through their present Gethsemane and endure their crucifixion of Calvary without instinctively looking forward to the hope of Easter morning.

From The Land Of The Palm Trees

By JANE SMITH, Cienfuego, Cuba

(Miss Smith, who was born in Cuba of missionary parents, Rev. and Mrs. Henry Smith, well known in Arkansas, came with her parents to the United States about fifteen years ago and was educated at Hendrix College, Conway. She has now returned to the land of her birth where she is serving as a missionary under the Woman's Division of the Board of Missions.)

CUBA with its stately palm trees, its tropical climate, its friendly people full of hospitality, its lovely bays and beaches, its clear blue sky and large varieties of flowers, this is the place where I am at present trying to serve. This is the country where I spent my childhood, and where I have been able to renew old acquaintances.

During the past five months my work has been connected with the church and Eliza Bowman School in Cienfuegos. In the mornings my time has been devoted to visiting, language study and teaching. In the afternoons I have my social work with the underprivileged children at the church. I have sixty-five children who come regularly, most of whom come twice a week. This may not sound like many, but this is about all I can take care of with the space and equipment that I have. However, I am hoping to gradually get things organized and to acquire better equipment so that I can serve more people. We have the activities in a large room beside the church which is used for the Children's Department in our Church School. Also we have available an unstairs room which we use for carpentry.

On Mondays and Wednesdays the children who are from twelve to fifteen years of age come from four to six o'clock. The boys have carpentry and the girls have handwork. At five-thirty they all come into the group together and have thirty minutes of devotional program. This group has not been used to worshipping so we had to begin teaching them how to deport themselves in their singing, while hearing stories and while reading the Bible.

The children from eight to twelve years of age come on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the same time. They have manual training songs, stories, and play in the Rhythm Band. On Thursday mornings I have a group of girls who cannot go to the church in the afternoons, so they have their club meetings in the morning.

Friday afternoon the smaller children come. We have stories for them, singing, music and games.

The thing that I most desire is to interest the children in the Church and get them to attending regularly. This past Sunday we had a fine number present at the Church School. Some of the older children have started coming to our Intermediate group on Saturday afternoon.

The interesting fact is that the young people are my volunteers in the work. This has been a help for them and has met a need in their lives for many of them do not work during all the year. This group of young people also gave a program in order to have some money for the children at Christmas. They

have gone twice to visit the veterans in the hospital and have a service with them. Now they have started a mission Sunday School on Sunday afternoons at Tulipan, a barrier close by. Yesterday, we went to another home of a widow who offered us her home. We have seventy-five children present. The two small rooms were full of little children, which to me was an inspiration as I tried to teach them songs, told them a story, and played for them. The opportunity for missions here is very great and one that is challenging to me.

A week after the work was begun, it was turned over to Miss Hattie Carson who came from Mexico to do that type of work. At that time the school was called "Irene Toland," named for a missionary doctor who gave her life for the Cuban soldiers during the other war. The school remained there for one year, and was moved to Vedado, Havana, where it remained six years.

In 1907, it was moved to Cienfuegos into a big old Spanish residence at the corner of San Carlos Street where it continued until 1923. It was during this part in the epoch

Fridays. The program on Tuesdays is usually literary, musical or patriotic. The program on Friday is a religious program held by the pastor of our Church, Rev. Miguel Soto.

The children are invited to attend our Church School every Friday. In some rooms fifty per cent of the children attend, and this may be regarded as fairly good, as many of them do not attend any Church or are Catholic. However, more than eighty per cent of our young people in the Church come from our School. At present, both our president of the young people's department and the Conference President of the Young People in Cuba are alumni of this school. Many of the leaders of our churches in Cuba are the products of our schools.

We have *Chandler College* and *Buenavista* in Havana; *Irene Toland* in Matanzas; *Pinson College* in Camaguey. One of our most promising preachers attended *Scarritt College* last year, and is pastor in the city of Santa Clara, where he is doing an excellent piece of work. He married a graduate of *Eliza Bowman*. At the last Annual Conference he was named Conference treasurer. This is the first time we have had a treasurer from among the Cuban preachers.

At present the enrollment of the school is 165, eight of whom are boarding students. We have Kindergarten; Spanish Department through the sixth grade; English Department until Junior High; Physical Education Department; and Commercial Course. We have four missionaries who are regular teachers in the school: Misses Crone, Bailey, Hulbert and Miss Woodward, the directora.

The school is regarded by the towns people as a very good institution. It has their admiration and respect. This has been made possible through the faithful directorship of the school through all these years. Honor should be paid to them. Their names are: Hattie G. Carson, during fifteen years; Frances B. Moling, during twenty years; Frances Gaby, during two years (alternating); Dreta Sharpe, during three years; Mary Woodward, who is the present directors and has been here since January, 1942.

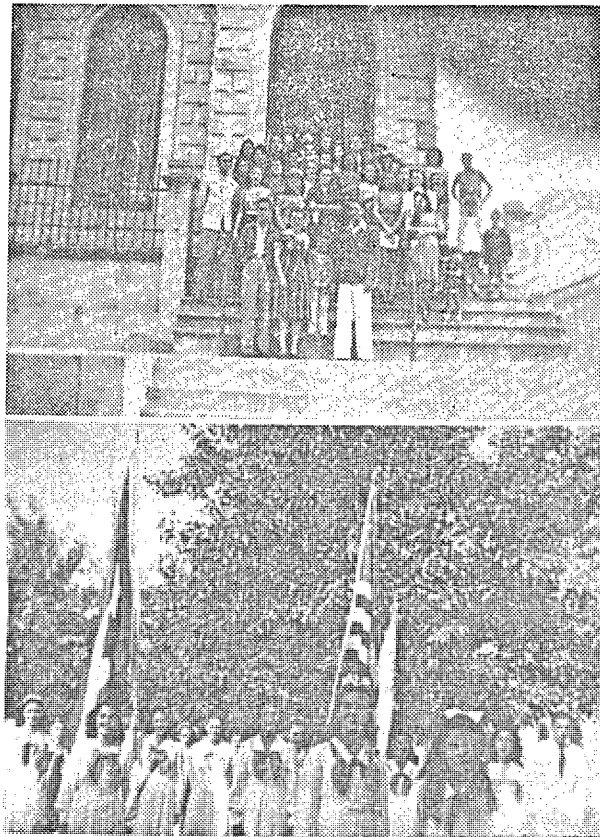
We must not however forget the faithful help of the Board of Missions, and especially to those women in the Woman's Society of Christian Service whose sacrificial offerings have made possible our school, where leaders may be found and trained for the future Church in Cuba.

I beg most earnestly that the public generally will prevent our young soldiers from being tempted to drink.—Lord Roberts, in an appeal just before his death.

Alcohol, by minishing the moral and material strength of the Army, is a crime against national defense in the face of the enemy.—General Joffre.

The genius of Christianity is the reverence for personality.—Fosdick.

If you would be doubted, doubt your fellowmen.—Exchange.



Upper Picture—Young people in front of church.
Lower Picture—At the parade on Marti's birthday, hero of the Cuban people. American and Cuban flags were carried. All schools in the city were represented.

"Let the children come unto me and forbid them not, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven," said the Master teacher. The future of our work in Cuba is in the training of our children and young people to be more faithful to the church, to teach those principles that make for Christian homemaking to our Christian young people. Then, they will take their children to the Church and in that manner, we can hope to see a stronger church in the years to come.

The Annual Conference held last month in Havana, was a great inspiration to me. There I was able to get a broader view of the entire work of the island, and to realize that our church in Cuba is taking a forward step in helping to bring the Kingdom of God to our dear country and people.

The following history of the Eliza Bowman School was written by one of our teachers in the school, Sra. Anita Diaz, who has attended all three of our schools:

Eliza Bowman School

Eliza Bowman School was begun in Santiago de Cuba in 1899 by Rev. H. B. Someillan and Mrs. H. Pelot.

of the school that I attended for three years. In fact, it was in this school that I began to go to school. At that time Miss Frances B. Moling was the director.

In that same year, 1923, it was moved into another large residence bought by the Board of Missions. This house was on the corner of Santa Elena and Gloria Streets, and is still used by the school for the residence of the workers and boarding students. This building was originally the city aqueduct, and now our children play tennis and basket ball on a court built where the large water tank used to be. The walls of this same building are more than thirty-six inches thick. There is a place in the garden where some people say a man was shot during the war.

Our educational building and Chapel were built with the funds derived from the Week of Prayer offering and was completed in 1931. These buildings are modern. The educational part contains classrooms, library, office and connected with it is the Chapel which is simple but lovely. Each week, the students have Chapel on Tuesdays and

THE DEVOTIONAL PAGE

H. O. BOLIN, Editor

MOTHER'S SACRIFICE

There is a story called "Laddie" that tells of a Scotch mother whose son in early manhood had been allowed to go to London to be brought up by an old physician friend who educated him in his profession. About the time the son graduated, his father died, and the young doctor was unable to go home. A few months later the mother, hungry for love, determined to go and live with her son who now had settled down to his profession. She surprised him, and while glad to see her, shadows played over his face at the thought of the little old-fashioned mother settled in the home. What would the aristocratic people think of her? What would his sweetheart, Violet, say, to her old-fashioned ways?

Keeping her true identity from his servants he determined to settle her in the suburbs of the great city where he might see her often. That night he suggested to her that the traffic and bustle of the city would be too noisy for her, and it would be better for her to live just outside the city, where he could run out and visit her. A shadow came over her face. Quickly concealing it, however, after a while she retired saying that they would talk the matter over again in the morning.

The doctor tried to sleep but could not. He rolled and tossed until he heard his door open and he called out: "Mother, what is it?" And she said, "Laddie, may I come in and tuck you in just as I used to do when you was a boy?" "Yes, mother," he replied. Tucking him in, she stooped over and kissed him, and then retired. That kiss burned into his soul, and he resolved that he would keep his mother no matter what happened. After making this decision, he fell asleep.

He slept longer than usual in the morning. As soon as he was dressed he went to his mother's room, but she was gone; the place was empty. A little note told him that she did not want to stand in his way, and she was sure she could find a way to care for herself. He tried to find her but could not; she had slipped out of sight. He told Violet and she searched with him, but to no avail. Months afterward when the doctor had visited a patient in the hospital, and was going out through the accident ward, he saw a screen around a cot, and he said to the nurse: "Someone near death, I see." "Yes," was the reply. "An old woman was run over by an omnibus and she tells in her delirium about her old home and now and then she calls for Laddie." Instantly the doctor was around the screen to the cot, and there lay his old mother. With a cry of "Mother" that would almost have called one back from the dead, he threw himself by her side. She opened her eyes and wearily stroked his head and said: "It has been a long way since I left you, Laddie." Violet came and the two stood by her cot as her life went out with the going down of the sun. And she gave them her parting blessing, and the doctor discovered a mother's love that did not want to stand in the way of her son's success.—From the Drama of the Face.

TWO RELIGIONS

I

*A woman sat by a hearthside place
Reading a book with a pleasant face,
Till a child came up with a childish frown
And pushed the book, saying, "Put it down."
Then the mother, slapping his curly head,
Said, "Troublesome child, go off to bed;
A great deal of God's book I must know
To train you up as a child should go."
And the child went off to bed to cry
And denounce religion—by and by.*

II

*Another woman bent o'er a book
With a smile of joy and an intent look,
Till a child came up and joggled her knee,
And said of the book, "Put it down—take me."
Then the mother sighed as she stroked his head,
Saying softly, "I never shall get it read;
But I'll try by loving to learn His will,
And His love into my child instill."
That child went to bed without a sigh
And will love religion—by and by.*

—From RAM'S HORN.

HOME RELIGION

We are approaching the time of our annual Mother's Day celebration. When I think of this period I like to think in terms of home religion. I also like to think of it in terms of parent's day; for the father as well as the mother has a part to play in building the right kind of a home. In the 20th chapter of Second Kings and the 15th verse we read this question, "What have they seen in thine house?" The question was asked of Hezekiah by the Prophet Isaiah. King Hezekiah had just permitted the servants of the King of Babylon to see all of his treasures. When he told the prophet he had shown them everything in his house, Isaiah warned him that they would come back and conquer the nation and take the treasures away to Babylon. That, in brief, is the setting of the text. Now let us apply the question to our own homes and families.

What have our children seen in our homes? Has it been a Bible or a deck of cards? Has it been a Sunday school quarterly or a True Story magazine? The best informed psychologists tell us that nine-tenths of the knowledge we have stored in our minds came to us through the sense of sight. This makes the things that people (especially children) look upon of great importance in character building. We have all read Hawthorne's story of the "Great Stone Face." In it the author teaches one important lesson, and that is, that people tend to become like the things they see. It was the child who, while growing into manhood, looked upon the stone face every day that finally became like it. The beloved Apostle John had this to say, "It doth not yet appear what we shall be but we know when He shall appear we will be like Him for we shall see Him as He is." It is only as we see Christ in the Bible, other good literature and the lives of those who imbibe His Spirit that we become like Him.

Some years ago a lady was the proud mother of six fine sons. As

rapidly as they grew up all of them went away to become sailors. They lived hundreds of miles from the sea shore and never had the opportunity of seeing a great ship until they went away to take up their life work. The mother was puzzled about this. Finally she consulted a highly trained man who knew a lot about human nature. He did not give his answer at once. She was showing him over her home. They came to a room, on the wall of which hung a beautiful picture of a great ship. The artist had done a wonderful job. He pictured the giant ship riding in the breeze. He even showed the reflection of the sunlight as it glistened from the ripples upon the surface of the water. "How long has that picture been here?" the visitor asked. "Many years," the lady replied. "That was a wedding present, presented to my husband when we married." "That is the reason your sons all made sailors," continued the visitor. "From their infancy they looked upon that picture until it became a part of them." So, as parents, we must be careful about the seeds we are sowing in the lives of our own children. They are certain to germinate and bring forth fruit. The great Apostle tells us that "Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." Sometimes that sowing is done in the lives of our own children and we have to reap it in tears and blood.

Some years ago one of the great preachers of the world was called on the phone. A weeping voice on the other end of the line said, "Come over; we want you to hold the funeral of our little daughter." He went and found the parents wild with grief. In her agitation the mother was pacing the floor. He tried to console her by telling her that she and her husband had been members of the church many years, joining even before this child was born. "Surely," said he, "you have brought her up in such a way that she has gone to be with the Lord, and soon

A LEGEND OF MOTHER-LOVE

It is said that an angel strolled out of heaven one beautiful day and found his way to this old world. He roamed through field and city beholding the varied scenes of nature and art, and just at sunset he plumed his golden wings and said, "I must return to the world of light; and shall I not take with me some mementos of my visit here? How beautiful and fragrant those flowers are! I will pluck of them a choice bouquet." Passing a country home where he saw through the open door a rosy cheeked baby, smiling up from the little crib into its mother's face, he said, "The smile of that baby is prettier than these roses; I will take that, too." Just then he looked beyond the cradle and saw a devout mother pouring out her love like the gush of a perpetual fountain, as she stooped to kiss good-night her precious baby. "Oh," said he, "That mother's love is the prettiest thing I have seen in all the world; I will take that, too." With these three treasures he winged his way toward the pearly gates, but just before entering he decided to examine his mementos, and to his astonishment the flowers had withered until they were no longer things of beauty, the baby's smile had changed into a frown, but the mother's love retained all its pristine beauty and fragrance. He threw aside the withered roses and the departed smile, and, passing through the gates, was welcomed by the host of heaven that gathered about him to see what he had brought from his long journey. "Here," said he, "Is the only thing I found on earth that would retain its fragrance and beauty all the way to heaven. The sweetest thing in all the world is a mother's love."—O. A. Newlin.

you, too, will go and find her there." At these words she became all the more agitated. "That is just the trouble," she said. "That beautiful girl there in her basket is fifteen years old. She had been in our home all those years and has never heard the voices of her parents lifted in prayer. She heard them lifted often in oaths, but never to worship our heavenly Father. We lived such poor lives before her, we fear she never accepted Christ as her Saviour." "What have they seen in thine house?" May that question burn its way into the very soul of every parent who is not living right in his own home.

A wicked man was dying. His last request was, "When I am gone nail my bad influence up in the coffin with me and bury it"; but that is just what can't be done. A man dies but his influence, whether for good or bad, lives on. Parents who set the proper example before their children and train them in the way that they should go may not live to see them all in the fold. But even after they have crossed the great divide voices will speak out of the dark and hands will reach across the chasm of the grave to guide their children into the straight and narrow way. "What have they seen in thine house?" God help that the influences of our lives upon our children may be wholesome.—H. O. B.

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CALENDAR

District Conferences:

May 4, Fort Smith District at Midland Heights,
Fort Smith.

May 10-11, Jonesboro District at Tyronza.

May 11, Camden District at Dumas Memorial
Church, El Dorado.

May 12-13, Batesville at Calico Rock.

May 12, Pine Bluff District at Lakeside Church,
Pine Bluff.

May 13, Monticello District at Tillar.

May 14, Searcy District at Searcy.

May 18, Little Rock District at Lonoke.

May 18-19, Paragould District at Shiloh church,

May 19, Arkadelphia District at Grand Avenue,
Hot Springs.

May 20, Prescott District at Nashville.

May 21, Texarkana District at Fairview Church,
Texarkana.

June 14-25, Pastors' School, Hendrix College.



IN THE LIVES OF MEN

By
CHARLES O. RANSFORD

The church of God has always been blessed with noble women. In the old Testament there were Sarah, Jochebed, and Hannah. In the gospel story there were Elisabeth, Mary and Salome. In the apostolic church there were Dorcas, Lydia, and Priscilla. In the post-apostolic church there were Nona, the mother of Gregory; Anthusa, the mother of Chrysostom; and Monica, the mother of Augustine. The pagan world, said, "What women these Christians have." The modern church has indeed been blessed with many good and gracious women. A notable contribution of the church in mission lands has been in motherhood. Today with seven million sons in military service, mothers are making a large contribution. Their love and prayers follow their sons around the world. These strong sons in military service whether in training, or in transit, or on battle fields begin and end their days with thoughts of mother. Strong men in business and the professions are thinking of mothers. All alike could wish there might stand by them in the hours of conflict these dear mothers. The whole world wants a little bit of mothering. Mothers mindful of these loves are in every service. They are holding homes together. They keep the home fires burning. Little children are looking to mothers. God, who knows all hearts, knows the mother's heart and her home cares and loves. The future of the human race in preservation and perpetuity rests with mothers. Mothers have never failed. They will not now fail their loved ones and their homes, their churches and their God.

NEWS AND NOTES ABOUT FACTS AND FOLKS

REV. C. R. ROY, pastor at Keo, preached the closing sermon for the Keo High School on May 16.

EVERY'S CHAPEL on the Bingen Circuit, finished paying the Benevolences in full on Easter Sunday. Rev. G. C. Bailey is pastor.

REV. J. W. NETHERCUTT, pastor of Emerson Circuit, and Mrs. Sula Hogg were married in the Vantrease Memorial parsonage, El Dorado, on April 28, Rev. W. R. Burks, officiating.

REV. LELAND CLEGG, district superintendent of the Camden District, announces that his district conference will meet at Dumas Memorial Church, five miles west of El Dorado on May 11 at 9:00 a. m.

REV. H. LYNN WADE, district superintendent of the Paragould District, announces that his district conference will be held on May 18 and 19 at Shiloh Church on Paragould Circuit, beginning at 9 a. m. on Tuesday. All connectional interests will be given some time to present their causes.

REV. A. E. JACOBS, pastor at Forrester, called Friday. He reports that a joint meeting with the Baptist Church will begin on May 23 and run through the first Sunday in June. Brother Jacobs will do the preaching and Rev. John Evans, pastor of the Baptist Church, will have charge of the music.

MARRIED at the home of Rev. Hoy M. Lewis, Wolf Bayou, on April 26, Miss Arvema Hester and Mathey K. Hartwick, both of Wolf Bayou, with Brother Lewis performing the ceremony. Mrs. Hartwick is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hester and Mr. Hartwick is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hartwick.

REV. HAROLD EGGENSBERGER, pastor at Beebe and former editor of our Youth Page, called Thursday. He is having a fine year on his work. On Palm Sunday evening he preached the sermon for the Beebe High School and the Junior College and on Wednesday, April 21, delivered the commencement address to the eighth grade class.

REV. A. W. HAMILTON, pastor at Rison, writes: "We had a great day in our church on Easter. We received fourteen into the church and paid our Benevolences of \$250.00 in full. We served this church in 1929-32 and now in our being here we are very happy and seem to be having a good year. Our people are loyal and very responsive to the program of the church."

REV. J. A. GATLIN, district superintendent of the Jonesboro District, adds the following to his announcement in regard to his District Conference made in last week's issue: Rev. A. N. Storey will preach at the 11 o'clock service on Tuesday. At that time a Sanctuary Service will be held when the place of the altar in the Christian life will be lifted up. The date of the conference is May 10-11 at Tyronza.

REV. E. D. GALLOWAY, pastor at Warren, called Tuesday. He reports that despite the fire the church is having one of its best years under the present leadership. Thirteen members were received on Palm Sunday and fifty-two on Easter Sunday, a total of seventy-seven for the year. The attendance at all services is unusually good. Brother Galloway will preach the sermon for the school at Banks on May 2 and at Warren on May 23.

THE sympathy of friends over the state goes out to the family of James J. Harrison in his death on Saturday, May 1 at the Army and Navy Hospital in Hot Springs. Mr. Harrison had been a leader in church, business, social and civic life of Arkansas for more than twenty years and was a son of the late Rev. W. R. Harrison, member of the Little Rock Conference and Mrs. Harrison. Funeral services were held on Monday, at 4 o'clock at the First Methodist Church, Little Rock, by Dr. C. M. Reves

and Dr. Connor Morehead. A fuller tribute will appear later.

THE Vantrease Church, El Dorado, completed the study course, From Bethlehem to Olivet, on April 16, with sixteen credits. Rev. W. R. Burks taught the course. Brother Burks also taught the course at Parker's Chapel which closed April 16 at which time Rev. T. D. Spruce announced twenty-five credits on the charge with one more school to be held at Fredonia. Vantrease Church paid all Benevolences in full for the year on Easter Sunday.

DR. WARREN JOHNSTON, former pastor at First Church, Little Rock, and now pastor of the First Methodist Church, Fort Worth, Texas, writes: "Our church program has been unusually crowded the last few weeks. Our preparations for Easter and our Palm Sunday and Good Friday services have kept us busy. We baptized twenty-three infants in the service on April 18 and received the children from the Church School. We have received a total this year through Palm Sunday of 162.

REV. GEORGE L. MCGHEHEY, pastor at Monette, writes: "Easter Sunday was a good day for the Monette Church. Eighteen members were received into the church, four by profession of faith and fourteen by certificate and vows. This was the closing day of a two weeks' evangelistic campaign. The first week the pastor assisted, by Rev. Glenn F. Bruner, Black Oak and laymen of the church carried out a visitation period. The second week our district superintendent, Rev. J. A. Gatlin, came to us and did some fine preaching. Monette Methodism is growing."

DR. J. W. CLINE, missionary in China, according to report in the secular press, is a prisoner of the Japanese in Shanghai and is among the Americans listed for inclusion in the second exchange of nationals between the United States and Japan. The news was received by Dr. Cline's niece, Mrs. Frank Parsons of Benton, in a letter from Dr. Frank Cartwright, associate secretary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of New York. The secretary said the State Department was endeavoring to expedite the return of Americans held at Shanghai but that no specific assurance could be given that Dr. Cline would be exchanged soon.

REV. J. M. HARRISON, pastor at Waldron, writes: "Rev. J. J. Decker of Midland Heights, Fort Smith, was with us in our revival from April 4 to April 18. His messages were much appreciated by our people. He is a good man to have if you want some real gospel preaching. We received five members by certificate, and on Easter Sunday we received a class of children by vows. Brother Decker assisted us in training these for membership. We also christened four infants at the Easter morning service. Our Church School workers gave the Rally Day program Easter Sunday evening. Our finances are in good condition. Waldron is making history in its financial program. It was our privilege to preach the commencement sermon for our Waldron schools on the night of April 11."

Truth is the secret of eloquence and of virtue, the basis of moral authority; it is the highest summit of art and life.—Amiel.

DR. THOMAS RESIGNS

As we go to press announcement comes that Dr. James Thomas, who has been in failing health for some time, tendered his resignation as superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage, Little Rock, at a meeting of the Board of the Orphanage on Friday, April 29. Dr. Thomas has given many years of faithful service. Dr. Connor Morehead, pastor of the First Methodist Church, Little Rock, was elected to succeed Dr. Thomas.

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YOUTH'S PAGE

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MASTER OF MY FATE

William James said this about human lives: "We are spinning our own fates, good or evil, never to be undone. Every smallest stroke of virtue or vice leaves its never-so-little scar. The drunken Rip Van Winkle, in Jefferson's play, excuses himself for every fresh dereliction by saying, 'I won't count this time!' Well, he may not count it, and a kind Heaven may not count it; but it is being counted none the less. Down among his nerve-cells and fibres the molecules are counting it, registering and storing it up to be used against him when the next temptation comes. Nothing we ever do is, in strict scientific literalness, wiped out."

Of course, this has its good side as well as its bad one. As we become permanent drunkards by so many separate drinks, so we become saints in the moral, and authorities and experts in the practical and scientific spheres, by so many separate acts and hours of work. Let no youth have any anxiety about the upshot of his education, whatever the line of it may be. If he keeps busy each hour of the working day, he may safely leave the final result to itself. He can with perfect certainty count on waking up some fine morning to find himself one of the competent ones of his generation in whatever pursuit he may have singled out. Silently, between all the details of his business, the POWER OF JUDGING in all that class of matter will have built itself up within him as a possession that will never pass away. Young people should know this truth in advance. The ignorance of it has probably engendered more discouragement and faint-heartedness in youth's embarking on arduous careers than all other careers put together."

I do not agree altogether with W. E. Henley in his poem, "Invictus," yet there is some truth in the following lines of that poem:

*"It matters not how strait the gate,
How charged with punishment the scroll,*

*I am the master of my fate;
I am the captain of my soul."*—C. W.

HEARD ALONG THE WAY

I was telling my wife about riding the street car last week (not a common experience with me); she asked if it was crowded. "Not so much," I told her, "I had a strap to myself." A man got up and offered a lady his seat and she fainted. After they succeeded in bringing her to, she thanked him and then he fainted.

Some other ladies were standing and one said to the other, "I wish that good-looking man would get up and give me his seat," whereupon five men got up and offered their seats.

When I got off of the street car it was pouring rain and I had no umbrella. A young lady stepped off at the same corner who had an umbrella and I said to her, "If I had an umbrella I would share it with you." It worked.

He who would have nothing to do with thorns must never attempt to gather flowers.—The Watchword.

A man should believe in himself first of all. He should believe in the goods he sells, the firm he represents, and he should believe what he preaches. A few years ago I became a salesman for a firm which handed me a small book of instructions and inspiring articles. Right in the front was an article entitled, "The Busy Man's Creed," which read as follows:

"I believe in the stuff I am handing out, in the firm I am working for, and in my ability to get results. I believe that honest stuff can be passed out to honest men by honest methods. I believe in working, not weeping; in boasting, not knocking; and in the pleasure of my job. I believe that a man gets what he goes after, that one deed done today is worth two deeds tomorrow, and that no man is down and out until he has lost faith in himself. I believe in today and the work I am doing; in tomorrow and the work I hope to do, and in the sure reward which the future holds. I believe in courtesy, in kindness, in generosity, in good-cheer, in friendship and in honest competition. I believe there is something doing, somewhere for every man ready to do it. I believe I'm ready—RIGHT NOW!"

If a man represents a firm in which he does not believe; if he sells goods which he does not whole-heartedly endorse; if he preaches a gospel he does not have faith in, he is the greatest kind of hypocrite. I have known men to sell products they told me confidentially they would not use in their own household. They said it was made out of scraps, left-overs, impure imitations, etc. It is not so bad for others to doubt a man and the firm he represents or what he says, but he must believe in himself.

When Jesus came teaching and performing miracles some mocked, some shook their heads, and some believed. That is the experience of every man who does anything, thinks anything, or is anything. People doubt innovations—things they are not used to. They first mock, then doubt, and finally believe. When Saul of Tarsus first came in contact with the Christians and their religion, he mocked, he shook his head, he doubted. He doubted to such an extent that he verily believed he should persecute the Christians. Little did he dream, as he walked down the Damascus road to persecute the Christians, that one day he would be the master Christian of all time. No bad life was ever lived but somebody believed in it; no good life was ever lived but somebody doubted. Whether our lives are good or bad, if they are sincere, people will believe in us, and it is the few people who believe in us that make life possible. Let the world doubt, let it mock and deride, just so we have the endorsement of our own mind and the approval of our own conscience we can win; these we cannot have unless we are sincere.

People have doubted and spoken their heads at the simplest inventions. A little more than a hundred years ago the school board of Chicago refused to allow high school

students use of the auditorium to debate the subject of railroads, saying, "If the Almighty had intended His people to travel at the frightful rate of ten miles per hour, He would have said so in His Holy Word."

Chauncey M. Depew, the famous wit and financial wizard, warned his nephew not to invest \$5,000 in the early Henry Ford Motor Company, stating that "Nothing had come along to beat the horse."

The brilliant H. G. Wells wrote in 1902 concerning the submarine, "I must confess that my imagination, in spite of spurring, refuses to see any sort of submarine doing anything but suffocate its crew and founder at sea." Since then German submarines have threatened Mr. Wells' own nation and caused him to turn from doubter to believer in the submarine.

Sincerity is the mother of a noble family of virtues, such as honesty, truthfulness, frankness and implicitly. It is a virtue which the human heart instinctively craves; and yet how common is insincerity in this world. There is humbuggery in society, business and politics. We strive to make people believe we are something we are not. We compliment with words when secretly we are thinking curses.

Of course, a man could be sincere and still be wrong. He could advocate or support the wrong thing and be sincere about it. He might support slavery and be sincere; a man might cast his vote for a harmful measure in all sincerity; but even when we are right and wish to lead others, we must be sincere. Many religious leaders are ineffective because there is not the ring of sincerity about their work. The greatest example of sincerity was Jesus. Those who opposed him accused him of many things but never did they accuse him of insincerity.

When Martin Luther took his stand against Roman Catholicism, he was sincere and the world knew he was sincere. When William Lloyd Garrison was fighting for the abolition of slavery, he said, "On this subject I do not wish to think, or speak, or write, with moderation. No! No! Tell a man whose house is on fire to give a moderate alarm; tell the mother to gradually extricate her baby from the fire into which it has fallen—but urge me not to use moderation in a cause like the present. I am in earnest. I will not retreat a single inch. I will be heard." He was heard and slavery was finally abolished and Mr. Garrison received a gift of \$30,000.

Without sincerity there can be no real and lasting friendship. Without sincerity there can be no happy marriages. Without sincerity homes will go to pieces. Without sincerity nations cannot be at peace. Without sincerity we cannot evangelize the world. Just as a straight line is the shortest distance between two points, just so is sincerity the only course between two people.

Whether you are a preacher, teacher, pupil, salesman or business man or woman, go back and read the second paragraph of this article and ask yourself if your SINCERITY would convince people that you believed in the company you repre-

EXTRA YOUNG PEOPLE

The young people of Extra church may not be as strong on organization as some other groups, but we get the job done anyway.

We have our Epworth League programs before Sunday school. We have only one group and use the series one programs recommended where the entire group meets together, because we have a number of children in our group. The programs have been a great influence in helping us to form the right opinions on many great issues of life—such as race relations, war, liquor, crime, etc.

We also have a Spiritual Life Group among the young people and children. This was organized at the close of our revival last July. We meet each Sunday after Sunday school, using programs which we planned ourselves. It is our aim to make them as spiritual as possible. Everyone, even the children, will take part in the programs which include songs, sentence prayers, Bible questions, discussions of certain subjects, passages of Scripture, or articles in "Tidings" which we all read. We have also studied "In His Steps."

We try to apply our Christianity to everyday living. We have gone in groups to homes of the aged and shut-ins and conducted song and prayer services. We have written cards and letters to those in hospitals, and to the boys in service. We also do all we can to encourage attendance at all the services of the church.

A number of young people will testify to receiving inspiration and information through this organization that they had not received from any other department in the church—and we plan to keep the good work going.—Juanita Riels, President.

YOU CAN

YOU CAN get smiles and cheer and continued youth—simply sticking to your own craft and running your own pilot wheel with "Your Best" as the place of port. Results will take care of themselves. Never mind the sneers, the criticisms, the misjudgments of others. Time will fade them all away from you if your accumulated strength of character has taught you how to wait. Today is yesterday's plans put into action. Tomorrow begins today. Your worth to yourself and the world is measured by what you contribute each day in usefulness. Success is the sum of the days.

Then do today.

YOU CAN make success sure by work, sacrifice, enthusiasm, unselfishness and self-control. You are the master of your own destiny. Take personal command of yourself today.

YOU CAN!—George M. Adams.

Every man goes down to his grave carrying in his clutched hands only that which he has given away.—Virginia Methodist Advocate.

sent, the goods you offer, and if you believed in yourself.

*"Help me in all the work I do
To ever be SINCERE and true."*
—C. W.



THE CHILDREN'S PAGE

ANNIE WINBURNE, Editor



IN STORYLAND

BETTY'S RAG DOLL

Betty Jean liked to go to school, and she loved her teachers. But now something had happened which made her quite unhappy. The teacher had announced that there would be a doll party on Friday, and every little girl was to bring her favorite doll and every little boy an animal toy of some kind. Betty Jean wanted very much to stay at home and miss the party, but she was afraid that Mother would not allow that.

Betty Jean was a wee mite ashamed of her favorite and only doll and a whole lot ashamed of being ashamed at all, which made her very uncomfortable. Gladys Ann was made out of odds and ends, her body was soft old stockings, the eyes and nose and mouth embroidered on her face in wools, her hair taken from a ripped place in the mattress, which made it really truly hair, although it never grew on a human head. Gladys Ann was a home-made rag doll. How Betty Jean did wish that some magic would change her rag doll into a store doll with golden hair and blue eyes before the party happened.

As Mother was making a new dress for the home-made doll, Betty Jean began to wonder if her very own mother would be ashamed of her little girl if she had shoe-button eyes or mattress hair.

"Mother, if I looked perfectly horrid, twisted, or had just one eye, would you love me just as much as you love me now?" she asked.

"Why, of course, I would love you just as much as I do now. Don't you know that to every real mother her ugly duckling is a swan?" laughed Mother.

By the time Betty Jean had been told all about ugly ducklings and swans, Gladys Ann's dress was finished to the last tiny buttonhole.

"I do love you," whispered Betty Jean, cuddling her rag doll in her arms. "After this I am going to be like a real mother, and love you just as much as if you had blue eyes and golden hair."

So Betty Jean and Gladys Ann went to the party. And the strangest thing happened. All the little girls left their grand store dolls and gathered about Gladys Ann. They admired her cunning little clothes with real pockets, and the real buttonholes, and the shoes and stockings which you could take off and put on.

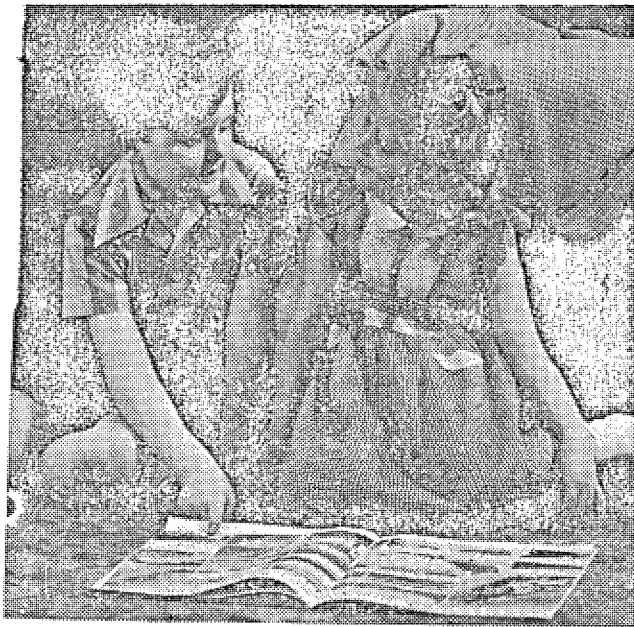
"Oh, what a cute doll!" cried the first little girl. "I wish I had one like it, she's so soft and cuddly."

"I'm going to ask my Mamma to buy me one," said the second little girl. "She's so much nicer than my own Margaret Louise."

"My mother made Gladys Ann and I love her just as much as if she was a swan," proudly declared Betty Jean.

"A swan is only an old bird that lives in a pond in the park, but this sweet doll—" cried the third little girl, gliding Gladys Ann to her heart.

And the very next day, along came the mother of the first little girl to ask Betty Jean's mother if she could make a Gladys Ann for



LEARNING

*Just before it's time for bed
And it's all quiet and still
We think of pleasant things to do
As happy children will.*

*Our books we read, our magazines
Show wonders strange and new
We learn a lot we'd like to share
With boys and girls like you.*

*Our mother thinks our plan is fine,
We're learning every day
We're glad we have this quiet time
When we can rest from play.—A. E. W.*

her little girl. And every day another mother came with the same request, until all the odds and ends about the house were made up into rag dolls, but not one of them as lovely in Betty Jean's eyes as Gladys Ann.

"Betty Jean, the ladies have paid me so well for my work, that now I can buy you a store doll," said Mother.

"But I don't want a store doll now," answered Betty Jean. "I love Gladys Ann just as she is, and I am ashamed to think that I ever was ashamed of her."

"And always remember that it is loving that makes the world and everything in it beautiful," added Mother.—Our Little Ones.

TRY WHISTLING

I find that by whistling softly in a monotone, I can approach much closer to the small animals in the woods. I got close enough to pet a wild rabbit in this way, and a small gopher practically sat beside me as I whistled. I tried it on a squirrel and it wasn't long before it ceased its chattering and eyed me closely as I stood close to its perch. I got within a few feet of a woodchuck in the same way.

Try it sometime. On hearing the soft tones the animals seem to lose much of their fear. But don't frighten them in any way, because they will remember it the next time you pass. And they don't forget!—Conrad O. Peterson, in *Our Dumb Animals*.

JUST FOR FUN

Missionary: "During the three years we were on the island, my wife saw only one white face. That was mine."

Mrs. Guild: "How she must have suffered!"—Sydney Bulletin.

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The teacher was giving the class a lecture on gravity.

"Now, children," she said, "it is the law of gravity that keeps us on this earth."

"But please, teacher," inquired one small child, "how did we stick on before the law was passed?"—The Tattler.

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Barber: "Is there any particular way you'd like your hair cut?"

Freshman: "Yeah. Off."—Cornell Widow.

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A little boy in Sunday school was asked: "What proof have we in Scripture that a man must have only one wife?"

"Please, ma'm," said Jimmy, a smart little lad, "the Bible says 'no man can serve two masters.'"

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One of the questions in an examination on the subject of stock raising was, "Name four different kinds of sheep."

An inspiring youth gave this for the answer: "Black sheep, white sheep, Mary's little lamb and the hydraulic ram."

BOYS AND GIRLS OF OTHER LANDS

THE SNOWDROPS

Our neighbor's evacuee is a little maid of five, and a day or two ago she and I walked into the woods together.

It was not a long journey, but it took us both far from this world of war and weeping, bringing us, as it seemed, into the very presence of God.

As I say, Mavis and I walked into the woods together. She did most of the talking.

"I like living here better than in our street at home," she said. "But I wish Mummy could be here, too. It is all houses where we live."

I nodded. "And now," said I, "we are leaving the houses and coming to the woods. I love this place."

"Yes," she whispered.

Our path took us among the trees and through slanting sunshine and kindly shadows and amid a shower of bird music, till suddenly we came upon a carpet white as snow—a patch of snowdrops in the sunshine.

"Look!" gasped Mavis in wonder. "What are they?"

"Snowdrops," said I, "hundreds of them."

She stood quite still. Never, I was sure, had she seen such a sight before. Her lips were parted. She was breathless with amazement.

Then, after a long pause, she whispered, "Who made them?"

"God made them," I replied, removing my hat as I did so.

There was another pause and then Mavis looked up shyly: "Do you think He would mind if I picked just one or two for Mummy?" she asked.—The Methodist Recorder.

AN IDLE DAY

"If I could only have one whole day to do nothing but play in, how happy I should be!" said Rosie at breakfast time.

"Try it," said her mother. "Play as much as you like. Try it today."

How the children going to school envied Rosie as she swung on the gate! When they were gone, she ran into the garden, picked some gooseberries and carried them into the kitchen.

"No, Rosie; that is work. Take them away."

Rosie got her doll and played with it, but soon tired; her ball bounced into the kitchen window. Rosie peeped in after it. Her mother was shelling peas.

"May I help you, mother?"

"No, Rosie; this isn't play."

Rosie strolled away with slow foot-steps to the garden. She watched the chickens. She heard her mother setting the table for dinner. After dinner Rosie took her little bag of patchwork and stole away to the barn with it, for she could stand idleness no longer.

"Mother," she said as she gave her a goodnight kiss. "I understand now what the teacher meant when she said: 'He has hard labor who has nothing to do.'"—Presbyterian.

The differences in men are not in their difficulties but in their reactions.



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MARMADUKE CHARGE

Six months of the Conference year have passed and we feel we have made several mile-posts. This has been a wonderful year for us so far. Our people are happy and cooperative in the work. As a church we have grown much in all departments. We are proud of our advance in our Church School, as well as other phases of the work. Our Church School has increased over 300 per cent. Where we formerly had 35 or 40 we now have 100 and over. Our attendance is largest in over twelve years.

We are proud of our pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Harold Spence. Through his evangelistic leadership we have grown in number and spirit. Seven have been added to the church, three by letter and four by profession of faith. We hope to reach many more before the year is gone.

Our finances are best in years—have gone over the top in all our collections. So far our budget is paid in full. Our Benevolences are practically paid up.

Our pastor, with the help of his people has organized a fine Church School at Old Friendship. They have grown, too. He preaches for them each Sunday afternoon.

A group of us enjoyed a few nights in evangelistic services during our Guy Black campaign. We had about sixty-six, two-thirds per cent success in spite of a number of handicaps which came our way. As one of the group I experienced a spiritual blessing never before experienced. Our plans are to do more of this visitation.

We are having the best mid-week services we have ever had. A leader is appointed and they use their own method of leading us. The variety of services help to create interest and are inspirational also. Our growth has been fine, both in number and spirit; even our children and young people enjoy them.

We have a good Young People's Fellowship group and hope to grow more as time goes on. Each Sunday morning and night you see our people turning their steps toward the church. Our crowds are fine for all services. Where once our pews were nearly empty, now most of them are filled. Yet there is much to do. —Nita Ferguson.

DEDICATION OF GREEN FOREST CHURCH

The Green Forest Methodist Church invites you to worship Sunday, May 9. For some time we have looked forward to the day when this beautiful and worshipful building would be dedicated. All former pastors and friends are invited to attend.

The present building was begun in 1937 after the church had been destroyed by fire. Rev. Lester Weaver laid the foundation, and the main construction was completed of native stone under Rev. O. M. Campbell's ministry and was finished by Rev. L. K. Wilson.

It is through the consecrated effort of the congregation and friends of the church, ably assisted by the W. S. C. S., that we come to dedicate this building. We are further indebted to Rev. S. B. Wiggins, our district superintendent, who will

bring the dedicatory sermon at 11 a. m. on Mother's Day. The church will serve dinner in the basement and have its second quarterly conference at 2:30 at which time all finances are expected to be in full for the half year. The church will have the commencement service for the high school seniors that night.—Albert Buell, chairman; Clarence Wienand, pastor.

SUNRISE SERVICE IN RURAL PROJECT OF SCOTT COUNTY

It was an inspiration to see the people coming up the hill on either side of the small rural church of Square Rock and assemble for a sunrise service Easter morning.

As the dawn was breaking in the East, and the wind was sighing through the tall trees and the birds beginning to sing, the thoughts of the people turned to the first Easter dawn centuries ago, when "Mary Magdalene and the other Mary" came to the sepulchre and heard the angel say, "He is not here; for He is risen."

In the spirit of the first morning of the resurrection, Christ lived anew in the hearts of the people and in the beauty of nature around about them. Under the leadership of Mrs. Clara McDaniel, a beautiful and inspirational service was held.

It was a joy and a privilege to have Rev. J. M. Harrison to lead the singing of the great Easter hymns. Rev. M. B. Short brought the Easter message on "He Is Risen." This helped the group to have a true worship experience and to resolve that in the future that Christ will be a living reality in their lives, in their homes and in their community. —Estelle McIntosh.

VICTORY FOR THE KINGDOM AT GREENWOOD

Victory has come to the church, in that the Educational building, which was completed last year, was paid out of debt. \$2,700 was paid last year. \$1,500 has been paid this year, also \$250 additional was raised to improve the building and classroom equipment. Six weeks ago the "Out of Debt Easter Campaign" was started under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. Martin Bierbaum. The campaign was received with such enthusiasm that it was decided to raise \$250 additional to make further improvements. The pastor culminated the whole program with a special worship service where we worshipped with our offering on Easter Sunday.

Thirty-one men met and organized a Methodist Mens' Fellowship Club April 1. Mr. Little Ridling was elected president; Mr. Henry P. Bell, vice-president, and Mr. George W. Johnson as secretary-treasurer. The new organization was received with enthusiasm. Rev. A. N. Boyd of Second Church, Fort Smith, was our guest speaker. Rev. W. V. Womack, our district superintendent, also spoke, as well as Mr. Durbin of Second Church, Fort Smith. Mr. J. O. Dill, our Church School superintendent, furnished the recreation with several tricks and magic.

Victory has come to the church during the last seven weeks in our

"Proclaim Your Loyalty To Christ and His Church" campaign. Our attendance has been very gratifying. On Easter Sunday we had 169 at the Community Easter Sunrise Service; 160 at the morning worship; 107 at Sunday school; 121 at the evening worship for the Easter Chorologue presented by Miss Sue Kathryn Joyce and Mr. John Cowns and the choir, and youth division. Our resident membership now is around 208.

On Sunday, April 11, the pastor and his wife presented to the church a United States flag and Christian flag set (3x5), which were dedicated by Chaplain Major John W. Hollister of Camp Chaffee. At this service on a rainy Sunday we had 175 present. On Palm Sunday we had 106 at the morning worship, and 116 at the evening worship. At our mid-week prayer service we have had the following attendance for these weeks—40, 71, 55, 34, 40 and 52. This week after the campaign had closed we had 54 present. —Martin Bierbaum, Pastor.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT PREACHERS' MEETING

The preachers of the Little Rock District met for their second meeting of the year on Thursday April 29th, at ten a. m. at First Methodist Church, Little Rock. Dr. C. M. Reves conducted the devotional, with Mrs. Curtis Stout at the piano, playing "Be Still, My Soul" and, "Beneath The Cross Of Jesus," as a musical meditation.

Rev. M. W. Miller led the group in singing, "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee," and we read as our lesson the responsive reading for the 52nd Sunday, first reading, after which we engaged in a season of sentence prayers.

Every preacher was present or accounted for, and Dr. Reves introduced Rev. Orrie L. Thompson and Rev. Earl Lewis as new members since our last meeting.

Mrs. Roland Shelton, newly elected District Secretary of the W. S. C. S., was introduced and spoke about the women's work, and urged especially that many of our women attend the District Conference at Lonoke on May 18th, at which time the W. S. C. S. will present a special program after the noon hour.

Rev. George G. Meyer spoke about plans for Youth Work, and urged that all preachers furnish him with a new list of Officers and Counsellors for the Youth Division.

Rev. H. O. Bolin spoke regarding our continuing Evangelistic work and plans were made for several preachers to give ten days or two

weeks to revival meetings, after which Bro. Baker spoke about our Pastors School and our Educational program in his usual enthusiastic manner.

Rev. Bentley Sloan, formerly Director of Religious Education for First Church, but now stationed in Shreveport, La., was introduced and welcomed as a visitor, also Rev. Herston Holland, a former member of the District Brotherhood, was introduced.

A memorial session was held for Rev. H. H. McGuyre, when the Henderson church was called, and many spoke feelingly with regard to Bro. McGuyre, after which Dr. W. C. Watson led us in prayer.

The report showed good progress and great advances over the same period a year ago, notably in the number of additions. In 1942 we reported 782 additions at District Conference; this year we have already had 1,076 additions to the church, with meetings in progress, to be reported at District Conference. In 1942 we reported \$9,723.00 at District Conference; this year we have already reported \$12,273.00 with three weeks to go before District Conference.

After the business session a period of "visiting" took place before we left for luncheon, and with high hopes we all look forward to our District Conference session in Lonoke on May 18th, at which time we are sure that more progress will be reported on all matters pertaining to the work of the church in the District.

Every one departed with the feeling that it was "good to have been there."—Claude R. Roy, Reporter.

NETTLETON-BAY CHARGE

Rev. J. A. Gatlin delivered a very spiritual sermon on the resurrection Sunday afternoon, April 25, at Bay Methodist Church. He also held our second Quarterly Conference. Good reports were made. It looks as if 50 per cent of all the finance will be up to date by District Conference. We held our pre-Easter Visitation Campaign at Nettleton, closing Sunday with three additions on profession of faith and five by certificate. We also baptized one infant at Nettleton and one at Bay.

We hope to have our church at Bay repainted inside and outside; also the new pews varnished.

We are serving fine people. Our Church School at Nettleton has three more enrolled at this date than this time last year, although a number have been called into service and several are out on account of illness.—A. L. Riggs, Pastor.

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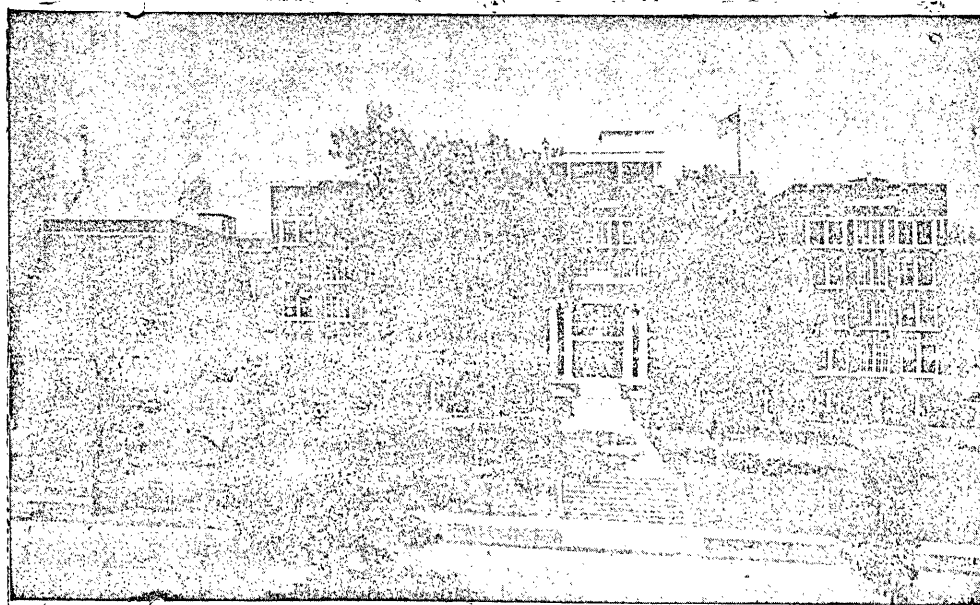
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These nurses are needed to replace those who have already joined the Army and Navy, and to meet the serious shortages in war plant centers and hospitals everywhere. ARKANSAS MUST DO ITS SHARE in supplying the 65,000 nurses which America needs. THIRTY-FIVE NURSES WILL GRADUATE from the Baptist Hospital School of Nursing on May 17th, these having completed their three-year course of intensive training. A new class will be admitted on June 1st, and applications are being received at this time by the Superintendent of the School of Nursing at the Baptist Hospital, Little Rock.

Church In Japanese Resettlement

By GEORGE E. RUNDQUIST, Executive Secretary
Committee on Resettlement of Japanese Americans

THE policy of dispersal resettlement of Japanese Americans, recently adopted by the War Relocation Authority, deserves the support of all Christian Americans. According to Dillon S. Myer, director of the W. R. A., "regulations have been adopted which should enable all evacuees who are qualified and care to do so to leave the Relocation centers.



An evacuee is shown with a crate of spinach. His smile would indicate his pride in his crop.

(W. R. A. Photo)

These regulations were discussed with the War Department and the Department of Justice and have the approval of these departments. These new regulations and the program of outside employment are meeting with the approval and receiving the assistance of other agencies of the Federal Government." The W. R. A. estimates that there are about 30,000 American-born citizens of Japanese extraction now in the ten Relocation Centers who will be available for private employment outside of the Centers.

The government has asked the churches to assume the following responsibilities in taking the lead in this resettlement program: to locate jobs for evacuees at prevailing wages in their community; to prepare the community in which jobs have been obtained to receive the evacuees; to make arrangements for suitable housing, with local hotels, such as the Y. W. C. A. or Y. M. C. A., and private homes, or if the job is to be one of domestic service, make certain that living quarters are suitable for intelligent Americans; to act as counselor or guide to evacuees, who will need sympathy and understanding outside of their jobs.

Every evacuee permitted to resettle outside of the ten Relocation Centers will be thoroughly investigated by the F. B. I., as well as the War Relocation Authority.

Some assurance that the presence of the evacuees will cause no disturbance in the community to which they go is required by the W. R. A. A letter from a prominent citizen, clergyman, or committee organized to assist the Resettlement program, stating

that in his opinion the evacuee will be welcome, is all that is necessary. A guarantee that there will not be any disturbance is impossible, but reasonable certainty of public acceptance can be assured if adequate preparation is made.

After the evacuee leaves the Center, he is requested to keep the W. R. A. informed of changes in address or employment. The employer assumes no more responsibility for the evacuee than he does for any other American in his employ. The evacuee may be discharged at any time and he may quit his job. He will be free to accept employment in another locality, or he may return to the Relocation Center.

The W. R. A. provides transportation only to the most convenient railroad or bus station nearest the Relocation Center. The evacuee, employer or interested friends or agencies will be expected to assume all traveling costs to the place of resettlement.

Several thousand applicants for resettlement are expected to be available soon. These people represent a real cross-section of American skills: domestics, secretaries, office workers, scientists, technicians, farmers, etc.

"A community which would be perfectly willing to accept a few Japanese families now that labor is needed would come to know the new residents and respect them; this has been the case in Colorado, Utah, and Nebraska communities where Japanese have already resettled," says the Friends Service Bulletin. "In post-war economic conditions, the reaction would be very different, thus making it nearly impossible for the families of Japanese ancestry ever to find satisfactory living conditions."

If you or your community is ready to accept an evacuee and can use some of these people, write: George E. Rundquist, Executive Secretary, Committee on Resettlement of Japanese Americans, 297 Fourth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Gifts of money to assist Japanese American college students to continue their education should be sent to W. J. Elliott, treasurer of the Division of Home Missions and Church Extension, 1701 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa., especially marked for this program.

Religion seeks its life in prayer, but it lives its life in deeds.—John Doughty.



Grandfather and grandson of Japanese ancestry at Manzanar Relocation Center, Manzanar, Calif. (W. R. A. Photo)



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METHODISTS SEEK 225 NEW MISSIONARIES

By W. W. Reid

Believing that the end of World War II will bring a great demand for new and well-trained missionaries in every part of the world, the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church is now seeking more than fifty young men and young women for immediate service, and some 175 others to prepare themselves for service within the next few years.

The immediate missionary needs—which the Board hopes to meet during 1943—are in Africa, Free China, India, and Latin America.

In Africa, the Christian workers needed include: eight women nurses, two doctors, an evangelist and school supervisor, manager of a bookstore, ten women social-evangelistic workers, four women teachers and supervisors, three women evangelistic workers.

In Free China, there are needed a college teacher and a high school teacher, each also qualified to engage in religious work.

India's needs include an evangelist for a large city, another for a rural district, and a third who could also supervise a school; a doctor, a director of physical education, three women teachers and supervisors, and five supervisors of district school and religious work.

Latin America calls for a doctor, a rural church pastor, an evangelist in a pioneer field, a college teacher, a social worker, and three women teachers.

The additional 175 workers, who may not be sent to fields until peace is declared, but who should be in training now for that time, include every type of missionary: ministers, religious educators, teachers in all grades of schools, social service workers, agricultural teachers, industrial teachers, business agents, physicians, surgeons, printers, nurses and many others. It is expected that the post-war years will call many qualified men and women overseas for relief and rehabilitation service, for reconciliation service, for strengthening the national churches, and for various pioneering tasks—pioneering both in types of Christian service and in geographical areas.

"We cannot wait until the war is over to begin selecting and training personnel for these tasks," says Secretary Ralph E. Diffendorfer. "The time of greatest opportunity will come just as the way opens up, while individuals and communities are aware of their need, and are seeking to rebuild their lives. We must be ready, and we can be ready only if we have NOW a group of adventurous men and women committed to this work and preparing for it."

A basic essential of every person chosen as a missionary is that he or she have "personal loyalty to Jesus Christ—a life that bears witness to the Christian conception of the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man." Candidates must be between 24 and 33 years of age (they can begin preparation earlier), of good health, members of the Methodist Church, graduates of a grade-A college—with ad-

More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of.
—Tennyson.

A MOTHER'S PRAYER

By RUTH SIMRALL MACKOY

Make me a wise mother, O Lord. Keep me calm and give me patience to bear the small, irritating things in the daily routine of life.

Give me tolerance and understanding to bridge the gulf which exists between my generation and that of my children.

Help me to bear silently the physical and mental pain of those whom I love by remembering that only through suffering may they comprehend the distress of others.

Let me be not too ready to guide my children's stumbling feet, but allow me to be ever near to bind their bruises.

Give me a sense of humor that I may laugh with them, but never at them.

Let me refrain from preaching with words. Keep me from forcing their confidences, but give me a sympathetic ear when my children come to me.

Help me to teach them that life must not be filled with promises, but must be replete with victories.

Make me humble.

Keep my children close to me, O Lord, though miles may separate us.

And let Thy light so shine upon me that they, too, will perceive Thy glory. Amen.—Exchange.



ditional training for and experience in the type of service they are entering. "Woman missionary" means a single woman. When men are selected, it is usually preferred that they be married, and that wife (or fiancée) meet the same requirements of qualification—as they also are missionaries on the field.

Students in high school and college may apply now for consideration as candidates, and for guidance in their courses of study. It is likely that many of the men to be chosen for missionary service in the post-war years are now in the armed forces—but they can adjust their present reading and study to prepare themselves for the future.

The Board of Missions is also seeking young men and women for home mission service in America, and young women to prepare themselves for deaconess work in local churches.

Anyone interested in any of these types or fields of missionary service, or knowing qualified young people who may be interested in this life-work, should correspond with Miss Ruth Ransom, personnel secretary, Board of Missions and Church Extension, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y. It will help, as a basis of correspondence, to give information as to the candidate's or applicant's references, education, training, religious activity, Christian experience, health, skills, and interests, and to enclose a photograph.

Wrinkles should merely show where the smiles have been.—Mark Twain.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE FIRST QUARTER REPORT

Receipts—	
Pledge	\$ 6,609.87
Wesleyan Service Guild	342.70
Methodist Youth Fund	113.27
Children	6.36
Youth Fund forwarded to	
to Little Rock	20.13
Delayed Week of Prayer	
Offering	14.31
Deposit on Pins for Honorary	
Baby Memberships	2.25
Foreign "Cash" Supplies	5.00
Home "Cash" Supplies	269.97
Total Deposited First	
Quarter, 1943	\$ 7,342.86
Balance end 4th Quarter, 1942	\$ 3,021.19
Total	\$10,365.05
Expenditures	\$ 6,917.84
Balance in Bank end	
First Quarter	\$ 3,447.21
Expenditures—	
Division	\$6,302.91
Conference Officers and	
Secretaries	431.37
Jurisdiction	69.18
Annual Conference Expenses	84.65
Contribution for Honorary Life	
Patron for Madame Chiang	2.00
Refund World Day Prayer	
Offering	4.25
Refund Cultivation Fund to	
District	2.00
Refund Camden District for	
Expenses	1.35
Refund Youth Fund to	
Little Rock	20.13
Total	\$6,917.84
Amount of Christian Social	
Relations and Local Church	
Activities	\$5,881.82
To Division—	
Undirected Pledge	\$4,300.11
Scarritt	59.86
Margaret Williamson Hospital	25.00
Scholarships	35.00
Bible Women	239.54
Honorary Baby Memberships	55.00
Honorary Junior Memberships	20.00
Honorary Adult Memberships	125.00
Honorary Life Memberships	100.00
Memorials	55.00
Maintenance Budget, Brazil	225.00
Wesleyan Service Guild	232.70
Wesleyan Service Guild Projects	60.00
Conference Work	361.85
Total on Pledge	\$5,894.00
Methodist Youth Fund	\$ 108.27
Young Women and Girls' Project	5.00
Children	6.36
Delayed Week of Prayer	
Offering	14.31
Foreign Supplies	5.00
Home "Cash" Supplies	269.97
Total	\$6,302.91

Honorary Memberships

Nancy Marie Dixon, Horace Andrew Hling, Jerome Hodges Atchley, Primrose; Linda Kay Brock, Lou Marilyn Primm, Donald Edward Oswalt, Smackover; Norma Ann Birch, Camden, Fairview; Joanne Bayliss, Benton; Norma Carole Willis, Huttig; Henry Clark Harvey, Jr., Dorothy Fay Mixer, Nancy Ward Watson, Hunter Memorial.

Junior—Enoch Marvin James, Arkadelphia; Paul Lamar Odum, Smackover. Adult—Mrs. R. P. James, Arkadelphia; Mrs. C. E. Key, Foreman, by Camden District; Mrs. Argie Henry, Dumas; Mrs. W. T. Bone, by Monticello District; Miss Pearl Giles, Bearden.

Memorials—Mrs. Robert Owen Beck and Robert Owen Beck, Jr., Camden District.

Honorary Life—Mrs. H. King Wade, Hot Springs, Conference.—Mrs. Allen Gannaway.

The church college should stand as the repository of the truth of all time to be interpreted by instructors whose faith and knowledge are rooted in the eternal truth of God.—W. M. Alexander.

You cannot create spiritual sunshine any more than you can create the morning star, but you can put your soul where Christ is shining.—T. L. Cuyler.

Truth is inclusive of all the virtues, is older than sects or schools, and, like charity, more ancient than mankind.—Amos Bronson Alcott.

FORT SMITH DISTRICT MEETING

The District meeting of the Fort Smith District of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, will meet at Paris, Wednesday, May 12, at ten a. m.

Mrs. G. B. Spencer, the new District Secretary, will be in charge and urges the societies to have a good attendance.

SHORT COURSE AT SCARRITT

During the summer of 1943 short courses for workers in local churches of various denominations desiring church leadership training and missionary education will be available. Class work will be offered in two sections of approximately two and one-half weeks each from June 8 to June 24; and from June 24 to July 14. "Christian Ventures In Learning and Living" and "The Church and America's Peoples," inter-denominational themes for adults' education recommended by the Missionary Movement for 1943, will be considered in the courses. The successful completion of class requirements will entitle the student to two quarter hour credits, and will provide background for leadership as teachers. In addition to classes there will be conducted a "workshop in education" for students who by previous arrangement are preparing to become accredited teachers in missions under the Methodist Board of Education.—World Outlook.

Life is short, but there is always time enough for courtesy.

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LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE NOTES

By Clem Baker

Getting Ready For Young People's Assemblies

Last week programs for the Little Rock Conference Young People's Assembly to be held at Hendrix College, June 7-11, and the Christian Adventure Assemblies and Camp to be held at Monticello, Magnolia and Ferncliff were mailed to all pastors in the Conference. Additional supplies of these programs with registration tickets will be mailed to each charge by the several District Directors. The Assemblies and Camps promise to be more interesting than ever. There is every indication that we will have the best attendance that we have ever had. We are especially anxious that the young people from each charge be represented. Now is the time to get ready to send your delegates. This matter should be taken up by the pastor, superintendent, and adult counselor along with the young people and plans made now to select the right delegates, provide for the funds and arrange for transportation.

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What Have Your Young People Done About Their Mission Pledge?

Now is the time when the young people of each church in the Conference should be checking up on their Mission pledge for the Methodist Youth Fund. Pledges made at and since the Assembly last June must be paid in full by the time of the Assembly again. Let's not wait until the day before the Assembly to look into this. Remember, that this fund is to be sent to Mrs. R. A. Thomas, Treasurer, 723 Center Street, Little Rock. Now is the time also for the young people of each church to decide what they will pledge for this fund next year so that your representatives at the Assembly will know how much to pledge for you. The Youth Cabinet of the Conference has set as its goal \$2,000.00 for this fund. If we reach this amount, the young people of the Conference can have their own Mission Special and support their own missionary who will work among young people in one of our foreign fields. The W. S. C. S. in each church is urged to help their young people decide upon their pledge, also help them raise it.

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Assembly Deans Attend Kansas City Conference

The Conference had a 100% representation of its Assembly Deans and Directors at a regional conference led by our General Board Staff at Kansas City, last week. The purpose of the conference was to study the very best methods of getting the most out of assemblies and camps. Attending from this Conference were: Rev. C. Ray Hozendorf, Dean of the Senior Assembly at Conway; Rev. Roy E. Fawcett, Dean of the Christian Adventure Assembly at Magnolia; Rev. Fred W. Senwendimann, Dean of the Monticello Christian Adventure Assembly, and Rev. Fred R. Harrison, Dean of the Christian Adventure Assembly at Camp Ferncliff.

Register Now For Arkansas Pastors' School

Pastors and pastors' wives will greatly accommodate the management of the Arkansas Pastors' School by sending in their registration cards at the earliest possible date. We believe that practically every pastor in Arkansas is going to the Pastors' School this year. Many pastors will bring their wives. An early registration will help us to decide how many text books to order for each course, what rooms to assign to classes and to make other arrangements for the convenience of those attending the school. Registrations for the Little Rock Conference should be sent to Rev. Clem Baker, 723 Center Street, Little Rock, and those from the North Arkansas Conference to Rev. Ira A. Brumley, Hendrix College, Conway.

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Having a Good Time With the Brethren

Last week was one of the most interesting weeks this secretary has had this year. It began with preaching for Rev. B. F. Fitzhugh at Twenty-Eighth Street on Easter morning. A crowded house, babies and adults baptized and a class received into the church made one almost homesick for the pastorate. Brother Fitzhugh was sick with the "flu." Beginning Sunday night and running through Wednesday night, we were with Dr. Watson and his church at Hunter Memorial in a training class that resulted in 23 certificates. Dr. Watson has received more than eighty members in the short time he has been there and this church seems to be more alive than it has been since the good days of Forney Hutchinson, Dan Hammons and those early days in Hunter's history.

Tuesday we were at DeWitt with Brother Hart and the preachers of the rice belt section of the Pine Bluff District. Heard Dr. Homer Fort preach at 10:00 o'clock and had a good meeting with the preachers while Mrs. Neill Hart and Miss Fay McRae were meeting with the children's workers in the interest of Vacation Schools. Dr. Vaught was the genial host and he and his people seem to grow more in love with each other each passing month. Wednesday we were with the ministers of the Pine Bluff section of this district at First Church, Pine Bluff. Another good meeting and a delightful visit and dinner in the new home of Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Rule.

Thursday, we enjoyed one of the best preachers meetings we have seen with Dr. Reeves and the ministers of the Little Rock District. From the reports given this district has the best record to date in all its fine history.

Saturday we met with Brother Clegg and the preachers in the Columbia County Group Ministers' Project at Magnolia. Interesting things are happening in that group but the most interesting thing was the announcement that Rev. Jesse Nethercutt had taken unto himself a new wife. As usual Brother Clegg is pushing every phase of the church program with the expectation that this will be the best year

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE NOTES

By Ira A. Brumley

Bible Conferences

The North Arkansas Conference has secured Dr. Robert W. Goodloe of Southern Methodist University for a series of Bible conferences, August 15-September 17. These conferences are to be held as follows:

Beebe, August 15-17; Dardanelle, August 18-20; Booneville, August 22-24; Berryville, August 25-27;

of his six on the Camden District. After the close of our meeting we ran out with Brother Fawcett for a visit with Rev. W. W. Christie, who for a number of months has been confined to his bed. Brother Christie says tell the brethren that he is feeling better and hopes to be up and around the house a little when the weather gets warmer. Saturday night was spent in the good parsonage home of Brother and Mrs. Fawcett. No one knows how to make a preacher feel more at home than do the Fawcetts.

Sunday morning at 11:00 o'clock we were with Brother Forest Dudley for the Church School Day observance at First Church, Arkadelphia. Preached to a crowded house, the offering was \$100.00 on a goal of \$72.00, the entertainment in the Dudley home was gracious and from every indication our Arkadelphia church is making great progress under Brother Dudley's leadership. This church has led the district in every special offering this year.

We closed the week with a happy visit with the preachers of Hot Springs at a Sunday evening supper given them and their wives together with Brother Cooper and Mrs. Cooper, by Mrs. Fort and preaching to Dr. Fort's good Sunday night crowd at First Church. It was a happy, busy week and was made more delightful by the fact that Mrs. Baker was with me on the Saturday-Sunday trip.

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Conference Adds 21 Names To Honor Roll

Since our last report twenty pastoral charges and one district have sent in their Church School Day offerings in full which now makes 109 pastoral charges and two district superintendents in full on Church School Day. The Arkadelphia District with a goal of \$450.00 has reported \$490.00 which puts the district superintendent, Rev. J. E. Cooper alongside Rev. Arthur Terry of the Monticello District with his district over the top. The pastors whose charges have paid in full this week are as follows: C. R. Andrews, Gray Wilson, S. K. Burnett, Forest Dudley, Alfred Freeman, Jesse Nethercutt, B. F. Roebuck, T. D. Spruce, A. C. Rogers, W. O. Tisdale, C. M. Atchley, H. O. Bolin, Fred R. Harrison, Fred G. Roebuck, Robert Core, A. W. Hamilton Osborne White, R. D. McSwain, M. E. Scott, Wingfield.

Our goal is EVERY CHARGE IN FULL BY DISTRICT CONFERENCE. We believe that we will reach it.

Harrison, August 29-31; Calico Rock, September 1-3; Tuckerman, September 5-7; Pocahontas, September 8-10; Truman, September 12-14; Earle, September 15-17.

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Institutes On Intermediate Work

Miss Elizabeth Brown of the General Board of Education, Department of Youth Work, is to be in the conference for five days of institutes on Intermediate Work. The discussion in these institutes will center in the work with intermediates in the local church. The five centers which Miss Brown will visit will be:

Jonesboro District at Jonesboro, May 9; Paragould District at Paragould, May 10; Helena District at Forrest City, May 11; Conway District at North Little Rock, May 12; Fort Smith District at Fort Smith, May 13.

Pastors, teachers and parents of intermediates should take advantage of these meetings. The older youth may be gone from your churches, but you still have the intermediates.

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North Arkansas High On Training Report

The Training Department of the General Board of Education has given out the report on training work for the first quarter of 1943, January-March.

The North Arkansas Conference leads in the number of training enterprises for the quarter, having reported 31 such enterprises. The Holston conference reported 30 and the Tennessee conference reported 29.

The Conference led the South-Central Jurisdiction not only in number of enterprises, but in number of credits, having 617 credits for the quarter. The next conferences of the Jurisdiction in number of credits are: Central Texas with 400 credits, West Oklahoma with 387 credits, Louisiana with 373 credits, and North Texas with 224 credits. Only four Conferences of the entire church had more credits reported for the first quarter: Upper South Carolina, 686; Virginia, 819; Holston, 913, and Western North Carolina, 1305. All of these are larger and better financed Conferences.

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Camp Miramichée

Plans are being worked out to secure Camp Miramichée for twelve days of camp this summer.

It is our plan to have an eight-day camp for Intermediates, providing for 40 Intermediates for eight days. At the end of the first four days of the eight-day camp, 40 more Intermediates will be admitted for the remaining four days.

There is to be a four-day Epworth Training Camp for Seniors.

The cost of this camping program to the campers will be \$1.50 per day which includes room, board, and registration fee.

The Intermediate program will begin August 2, and will close August 10. The Senior camp will open on August 10 and will close on August 14.

Persons desiring further information may write Rev. Ira A. Brumley, Hendrix College, Conway.

HENDRIX COLLEGE NEWS

Dr. Reves Speaks In Chapel

Dr. C. M. Reves, district superintendent of the Little Rock District, spoke in Hendrix Chapel last week. "Life is the art of all arts," Dr. Reves said. Life begins for one when he gets its proper conception, and the best understanding of life is derived through the Christian religion, he pointed out.

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Student Poem Printed

A poem by Frederick Cloud of Little Rock, Hendrix junior, was printed in a volume by Charlie Mae Simon, wife of John Gould Fletcher. The book, "Lays of the Land," which is copyrighted in 1943, consists of characterizations of American poets.

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Vesper Is May Day Program

A vesper service in the grove at Hendrix on May 9 will replace the traditional May Day-Mother's Day ceremonies it was announced by a student planning committee recently. Substitution of the less elaborate program for the usual colorful pageant, crowning of the queen, and other customary plans is appropriate in the nation's wartime policy, it was explained. Rev. Edward Harris of Conway Methodist Church will speak at the vesper service which is designed as a union service for all Conway churches. The Hendrix Concert Band, the String Ensemble and the Hendrix Choristers will participate in the program, it was announced.

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Bowman Placed On Naval Board

Dr. D. W. Bowman of the Hendrix faculty has been made a member of the civil committee of the naval selection board of New Orleans, La., it was announced last week. Dr. Bowman is civil aeronautics administration coordinator at Hendrix and a certificate of membership to the board, granted by authority of Lieut. Commander L. C. Priestman, officer in charge, recognized his "outstanding interest in and support of naval aviation."

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Two Engagements For Metcalf

J. Glenn Metcalf, Hendrix music faculty member, last week-end attended the public school music festival held in Springfield, Mo., to judge four contests. Other judges were Karl Kuersteiner and Russell Wiley, both from the University of Kansas. Mr. Metcalf, who also was adjudicator at the same festival last year, will judge the choruses, the vocal soloists, and vocal ensembles and piano entries. On May 17, Mr. Metcalf will play a program of organ music at the First Methodist Church at Little Rock sponsored by the Arkansas Chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

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Rogers Editor of Co-Ed Edition

Ethel Hays Rogers, Hendrix freshman from El Dorado, was editor last week of the all-girl edition of the College Profile, student news weekly. The co-ed edition is traditional with the Profile and this is the first occasion in several years in which a freshman girl has assumed editorship.—Perdue.

Meekness is imperfect if it is not both active and passive, leading us to subdue our own passions and resentments, as well as bear patiently the passion and resentments of others.—Foster.

Read the Arkansas Methodist.

MUST BE NEITHER TOO LITTLE NOR TOO LATE

"It becomes increasingly apparent," said Dr. H. W. McPherson, Executive Secretary of the Division of Educational Institutions and Director of the Loan Funds of the Board of Education, "that the post-war demands upon the Student Loan Funds will exceed all records. When students again in great numbers flock to the colleges thousands of them will urgently need the assistance which ample Loan Funds can provide. In anticipating this need and making adequate provisions for meeting it the Church's efforts must be neither too little nor too late."

For nearly seventy years in the former Methodist Episcopal Church the observance of Children's Day with special offerings in local churches, served as the source of the Loan Funds. It was a distinguished institution and its total resources were counted in the millions of dollars. In 1940 the name was changed by General Conference action to Methodist Student Day and it became a part of the great tradition bequeathed to united Methodism, for perpetuation of its service and for participation in its benefits (1940 Discipline, Par. 1091).

"Methodist Student Day is scheduled for observance on June 13."

ARKANSAS METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Since last report of February 11th, we have received the following cash contributions for the Home:

Trustees of Fairview Church, near Greenwood, Ark.	\$64.26
Mrs. Roxie Schwamb, Paragould	2.00
Mrs. G. W. Mayfield, El Dorado, Ark., Rt. No. 6	1.00
Susanna Wesley Bible Class, First Church, Texarkana	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Robinson, Des Arc, Ark., Rt. No. 1	2.00
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Barnwell, New York City	5.00
Mrs. Julia Farr, Hot Springs	1.00
We have received these additional Christmas Offerings:	
Batesville District, Cave City Church	\$10.00
Conway District, First Church, Russellville	25.00
Fayetteville District, Strickler Circuit, Liberty Church	3.00
Fort Smith District, Midland Heights, Fort Smith (Add.)	1.00
Fort Smith District, East Van Buren Church	3.50
Jonesboro District, Lake Street Church, Blytheville (Add.)	1.00
Paragould District, Rector Ct., Five Oaks Church	5.00
Paragould District, Strangers Home Ct., Clover Bend Church	2.52
Camden District, Columbia Ct.	5.00
Little Rock District—	
Des Arc-New Bethel: Des Arc	8.00
Abbingdon	2.75
New Bethel	13.75
Pulaski Heights Church, by C. K. Wilkerson, personal	25.00
Pine Bluff District, Mt. Carmel Church, Pine Bluff Circuit	3.00
Pine Bluff District, Almyra Church, for Christmas, 1941	15.00
—James Thomas, Supt.	

CHURCH SCHOOL DAY OFFERINGS

Received Since Our Last Report, Up To Monday Morning, May 3, 1943

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

Arkadelphia District	
Macedonia	\$ 6.22
Princeton	2.00
Waverly	1.36
Zion	.42
Manchester	6.00
Bethlehem	5.00
Hot Springs Ct.	6.50
Carthage	10.00
Tigert	3.00
Arkadelphia	100.00
Prev. reported	350.00
Total	\$490.50
Camden District	
First Church, El Dorado	\$0.00
Emerson Ct.	8.00
Portyce	35.00
Columbia Ct.	5.00

Parker's Chapel	7.50
Norphlet	20.00
Blannetown	1.00
Faustina	2.00
Calion	2.50
Prev. reported	261.50
Total	\$422.50

Little Rock District	
Primrose	15.00
Capitol View	30.00
Pulaski Heights	75.00
Salem	5.00
Asbury	65.00
Prev. reported	205.00
Total	\$395.00

Pine Bluff District	
Humphrey-Sunshine	\$ 10.00
Rison	20.00
Prev. reported	398.00
Total	\$428.00

Prescott District	
Ozan	\$ 5.00
Spring Hill Ct.	11.82
Center	1.50
Wakefield	2.00
Prev. reported	121.50
Total	\$141.82

Texarkana District	
Hatfield	\$ 8.00
Texarkana Ct. (additional)	6.00
Lewisville	23.00
Prev. reported	293.00
Total	\$330.00

Standing By Districts	
Arkadelphia District	\$490.50
Pine Bluff District	428.00
Camden District	422.50
Monticello District	405.00
Little Rock	395.00
Texarkana	330.00
Prescott	141.82
Grand Total for Conf.	\$2,612.82
—C. K. Wilkerson, Treas.	

MOTHER

By F. P. Traylor

I am sitting in the twilight, underneath a fading sky
As the gentle breezes murmur soft and low.
And they waft to me a message, saying,
still she lingers nigh,
Let us tread the dreamy paths of long ago.
Once again the scenes of childhood, hal-
lowed now by flight of years
Hover near and spread before my men-
tal gaze.
And again a thrill of rapture in my
yearning heart appears
As around me shines the light of other
days.
Croon to me, O, gentle breezes, croon to
me of days gone by,
Softly sway the leafy branches to and
fro;
Let the glamor of life's morning spread
again through earth and sky,
As I tread the dreamy paths of long ago.
I am sitting in the twilight, dreaming
of the days gone by
As the gentle breezes croon a mournful
lay.
Back across the years I wander, through
the gloom that hovers nigh
Till I scan the wavering fields of yester-
day
There surrounded with a splendor that
the shadows can not mar
There removed from sordid scenes of
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I inhale again life's morning, see its
beauties spreading far
As I tread the dreamy paths of long ago.

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The Church and the Countryside

By
Glenn F. Sanford

A FEW ITEMS OF INTEREST

We are happy to note the increased number of items being sent to the Methodist regarding interesting and helpful developments in rural churches.

An item in a letter from Rev. Thurston Masters, Mt. View: "We do not have our schedule for St. James completed yet, except that I go there on each first Sunday afternoon. I went down there two weeks ago and preached. We had 118 out for services." (St. James has not been served for a number of years. They have a new Sunday school. Large congregations attend).

It was my privilege to be in a revival at Bates, Arkansas, in Scott County. Rev. M. B. Short, pastor, and Miss Estelle McIntosh, deaconess, assisted in the meeting. There were seven additions. The little portable light plant rendered an un-failing service.

From Rev. Daniel Kaiper, Gentry, Arkansas: "Forty folks from Gentry went out to Highfill Methodist Church to present a missionary drama entitled, 'Light In the Wind.' The people appreciated our work. We presented this same play in the Springtown Methodist Church the last Sunday in February. I agree with you that there is much good work that the town churches can do right close around them if they will only open their eyes and follow the gleam."

Dr. A. J. Walton will be in the conference to attend the Paragould District Conference and to be in some Rural Life Conferences. Dr. Walton is head of the Town and Country Division of the General Board of Missions and Church Extension.

Dr. A. H. Rapking will be in the Searcy District in a series of Rural Life Conferences the first week in June. These conferences will be held in Boone County.

Bishop Charles C. Selecman will be in the conference in July for a series of conferences planned in rural churches.

It was thrilling to see the Group Ministry plan of work set in motion in Pope County. Rev. R. S. Hayden has a statement in the Methodist regarding the work.

The pleasantest things in the world are pleasant thoughts, and the great art is to have as many of them as possible.—Christian Nestill Bovee.

There are souls in this world who have the gift of finding joy everywhere, and of leaving it behind them wherever they go.—Virginia Methodist Advocate.

He who would have nothing to do with thorns must never attempt to gather flowers.—The Watchword.

GROUP MINISTRY PROGRAM IN POPE COUNTY AREA

By R. S. HAYDEN
District Supt. Conway District

On Monday afternoon, April 19, the pastors of the Methodist churches in Pope County and some laymen met in the Russellville church for the purpose of considering a Group Ministry program of work for Pope County. After some discussion it was decided that it was time to go to work. Plans were made for a Group Ministry program through May and June in the county. The most encouraging thing about this meeting has been the fine response the program has received from the laymen. Sixteen laymen in the county have volunteered their services in any way that they can help. We have four charges in Pope County and we have laymen from all charges that have agreed to help. With the help of these laymen and our pastors, plans have been made to have a worship service each Sunday in all the Methodist churches of the county and in addition, five extension points have been scheduled, namely: Pine Ridge, Price Grove, Booger Hollow, Mooreland and Shiloh.

Special emphasis for the two months will be given to the work of the Church School and attendance at preaching services where the whole program of the church will be considered. Each Church School superintendent in the county will make weekly reports to Rev. E. B. Williams, pastor of Russellville church on Church School attendance and church attendance. The results will be tabulated and given to each church on the following Sunday. Therefore, each church will know the number in the entire county that attended Sunday School on the previous Sunday. We expect to see a large increase in attendance in Church School and preaching service in Pope County during this period.

Our pastors cooperating are: Rev. E. B. Williams, pastor at Russellville; Rev. B. E. Robertson, Dover, pastor of the Dover-London Charge; Rev. C. H. Harvison, pastor of the Fottsville Charge, and Rev. Kenneth Shamblin, Atkins, pastor at Atkins.

The laymen who have volunteered their services are: Hayes Gibson, David Griffin, I. J. Hughey, and Mr. Bowden from Atkins church; John Page and Mr. Hudlow from the Dover-London Charge; George Jones from Pottsville; John Rye, C. A. Hughes, Boyd Keithley, A. R. Van Moore, Dr. J. W. Hull, E. W. Hogan, Clint Walden W. E. Phipps and G. R. Turrentine from Russellville church.

The Group Ministry program in the Conway District is a part of the program of work that is sponsored by the Town and Country Commission of the North Arkansas Conference. Previous to this program in Pope County we have had a similar program going for some time in Conway County and also in Yell County. Rev. Glenn Sanford, Secretary of the Town and Country Commission of the North Arkansas Conference, has rendered valuable assistance in carrying on the program of work.

"A Christian should be like a good watch; open face, busy hands, pure gold, well regulated, full of good works."

Every noble life leaves the fibre of it interwoven forever in the work of the world.—Ruskin.

"THE LAST FULL MEASURE"

By Luman J. Shafer

Throughout the war between Japan and China, missionaries have stayed at their posts and even now, when China is cut off by our war with Japan, there are still in Free China 633 American Protestant missionaries and in occupied territories about 500.

Many Chinese are saying today to the missionary, "We heard what you said about the love of God in Jesus, but we didn't understand your words very well. Now we see what you meant."

I would like to tell the story of one group of missionaries in occupied China, as typical of what has happened in many places. Eleven of them were caught by the outbreak of war on the Island of Kulangsu and confined to their homes under guard. A few months later the opportunity came to them to return to this country on the Gripsholm. Two of these men had just gotten back from the United States, having left their wives and children in this country. Others of them had been there for several years. One man had been separated from his family for nearly five years. Another had not been back to America in eight years. The Japanese permitted them to come together for Sunday services in one of their homes and after the service they were accustomed to have a social hour together. There they discussed the offer of

repatriation. We would naturally feel in America, I suppose, that there would be no room for discussion; that all of them would take this opportunity to come home. After their talk the group broke up concluding that each one would have to make his own decision. Out of the eleven, six came home.

When those who remained looked out over the harbor and watched the little Japanese freighter take their friends to Shanghai and the Gripsholm, so far as they knew they were saying farewell to America for the duration of the war. How long would it last? Where would their support come from? How would they get food? These questions were undoubtedly in their minds, but they had made their decision.

I have often thought of Mr. Poppen and Mr. Veenschoten, alone in their home on Kulangsu. They come down to meals and there on one side of the table sits Mr. Poppen, on the other Mr. Veenschoten day after day and week after week. They go out into the garden and look at the flowers. The poinsettias in that part of the world grow sometimes four or five feet high. Beautiful flowers and beautiful scenery, but even the most beautiful surroundings pall when human contact is cut off. Whatever news they get from their families must filter through from Free China after months of delay.

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The Sunday School Lesson

By DR. W. P. WHALEY



Peter And John Leaders In The Early Church

LESSON FOR MAY 9, 1943

LESSON TEXT: Acts 2:37 to 41; Acts 3:1 to 8; Acts 13 to 41. (Should read all of first four chapters of Acts.)
GOLDEN TEXT: "Now when they beheld the boldness of Peter and John, and had perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marveled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus." Acts 4:13.

I. The New Ship of Zion Is Launched.

The ministry of Jesus had been finished. His teachings, His miracles, His crucifixion, and His resurrection had proved that Jesus, the carpenter of Nazareth, is Christ the Saviour of the world. His new church had been founded several months. He had planned the launching of His church by directing that one hundred and twenty of His followers "tarry in Jerusalem"; that they continue with one accord in prayer and supplication for ten days in their upper room; that they wait for and expect the endowment of power by the coming of the Holy Spirit.

The little group did not quite understand what they were waiting for. They were simply obeying Christ's directions. They knew Jesus had promised a Comforter, and an endowment of power by the Holy Ghost; and, while they did not understand, they prayed and waited and expected. The Holy Spirit had inspired individuals all through Old Testament times; but there had never been such an outpouring upon a whole congregation as on the day of Pentecost. They tried to be ready for whatever was to come. Peter took the lead, and had the group select another apostle in the place of Judas.

On the day of Pentecost, fifty days after the crucifixion and ten days after the ascension of Jesus, the upper room praying group received the visitation. "Suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." (Acts 2:1). The commotion was such that thousands of people in Jerusalem gathered to see what the excitement might be. Some thought the folks were drunk; but Peter stood and spoke in a loud voice to explain. He said they were not drunk, but that the prophecy of Joel had been fulfilled: "It shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams." (Acts 2:14).

Then Peter went on to recount the occurrences of the past few weeks, which the people already knew; declared that Jesus had been proved the Christ; and called upon the people to repent of sin and turn to Christ for salvation. The response was almost wholesale. Three thousand people that day joined the little church of one hundred and

twenty members; and the NEW SHIP OF ZION launched out into the vast sea of the world. The first Pentecost was at Mt. Sinai fifty days after the Jews left Egypt. At that time Moses received the law, and launched the church of Israel upon its broader sea.

II. Two Mighty Fishermen From Lake Galilee Begin To Catch Men.

(Acts 3:1 to 8): Peter and John had been acquainted all their lives. They lived close together on Lake Galilee, perhaps at Capernaum. They were fishermen. Both were religious. Both were baptized by John the Baptist. Both met Jesus down where John was baptizing. Both were called to discipleship at the same time. Both, with James, were the most intimate with Jesus. John knew the language of love from the time he met Jesus; Peter, a few days back down on Lake Galilee, had learned to talk the language. They are going fishing together again; but this time to catch men. The temple authorities had crucified Jesus, and were trying to suppress His followers; but the once cowardly Peter was intrepid now; and he and John would not be run out of Jerusalem; but went daily to the temple itself to pray. They established the first Christian church right in Jerusalem, and gathered thousands of members into it. Jesus had promised to authenticate His new church by signs, miracles, tongues and spiritual gifts. (Mk. 16:17). Jesus Himself was approved by signs and miracles to be the Son of God; but, after sufficient proof was given, the signs and miracles ceased. God does but few miracles. Miracles are exceptions in God's dealings. God works by His own natural laws. But the NEW CHURCH Christ established, like Christ Himself, needed at first to be approved by signs and miracles; but, after demonstrating that the gospel of this new church is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth, there was no further need of miracles; so miracles for the authorization of the church ceased.

Peter and John had their apostolic ministry endorsed right at the beautiful gate of the temple. They healed a man who had been lame from infancy; and when a crowd ran together, amazed to see the man walking, Peter preached Jesus to them, and exhorted them to repent and turn to this Christ.

III. Arrested.

Before Peter got through with his sermon to the crowd that had gathered around the healed man, the temple authorities who had had so much trouble with Jesus laid hands upon the two apostles and put them in prison for the night. Next morning the prisoners were brought out and arraigned before

"Annas, the high priest, and Caiaphas, and John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the kindred of the high priest." These authorities asked "By what power, or by what name, have ye done this?" This gave the bold and Spirit-filled Peter an opportunity to talk to these leaders of the Jewish church. He had often heard Jesus contend with these same men; and he knew they had finally killed his Master; but he was emboldened to preach to them the little sermon found in Acts 4:8 to 13: "Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus." These temple authorities had had several rounds with Jesus; and, because they could not stand up with Him in argument, they resorted to brute force and killed Him. This board of enquiry found that Peter and John were exactly like their Master; and it looked like they would have to do some more murdering; but the murder of Jesus had not helped matters, but only their problem had grown. The great throng of new adherents to this new church in Jerusalem made the mighty Sanhedrin afraid to do anything to these preachers of the new faith except to beg them to let up in their preaching.

When Peter and John got back to their own company after being in jail all night, they had a wonderful story to tell. The church people were so thrilled that they began to praise God and sing psalms. (Acts 4:23 to 37).

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Mr. J. Russell Henderson, who resigned recently, has been appointed to the Department of Engineers in Washington, D. C., for the duration. We will miss him for that while. We are very fortunate to have such a Christian gentleman and capable worker as Dr. Day to take the place of Mr. Henderson.

WAR BONDS

Special Easter gifts of War Bonds, to be held and used on the church debt, have been made by Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Weidemeyer, and Mrs. J. P. Waldenberger, Mrs. Cappy Neal and Dick Neal in memory of Mr. Joe P. Waldenberger.

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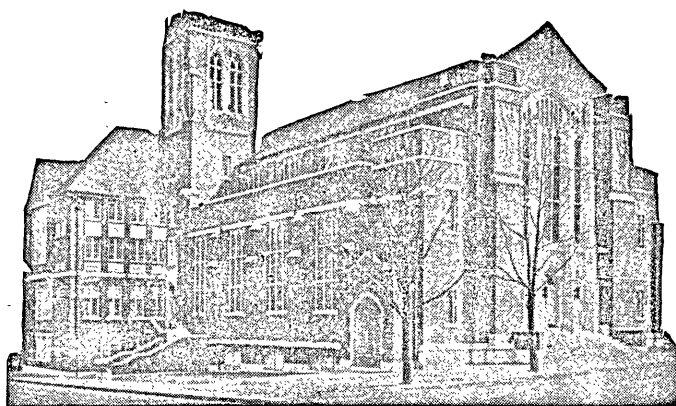
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CHURCH CALENDAR

FRIDAY, MAY 7:

4:00—Brownie Scouts.
7:30—Boy Scouts.

MONDAY, MAY 10:

6:15—Wesleyan Guild. (See article).

THURSDAY, MAY 13:

4:00—Junior High Activities.
7:30—Wesley and Chancel Choir practice.

FRIDAY, MAY 14:

8:00—Graduate's Banquet.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIPS

6:30 P. M.—May 10

The Young People are continuing a study of "When Life Is Difficult" with Billie Louise Wilson as the leader.

The Senior Highs will have a guest speaker to present "Co-ops In Our Community," as they study "Learning To Help Each Other."

Barbara Brothers will lead the Junior High Group in a special program celebrating Mother's Day. Her theme will be, "Our Mothers."

GRADUATE BANQUET

For Whom? All graduates of Colleges, Junior College, North Little Rock and Little Rock Senior High are special guests. All other young people are invited.

When? Friday, May 14, 8:00 p. m. Where? Fellowship Hall.

Tickets? On sale NOW. Reservations necessary. Price, 35 cents.

How Dress? Either formal or informal.

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD

In lieu of the usual monthly meeting at the church, the Guild will be entertained on Monday evening, May 10, by Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Slack in their home. Dinner will be served at 6:15.

WANTED

Red and white roses to be used by the Wesleyan Guild in the Vestibule Sunday morning. Each soldier who attends services will be given a rose. If you have roses and will share them for this service please call the office or Mrs. Frankie Murphy, 4-3016.

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Next Sunday At Winfield

10:00 a. m. Church School.

10:55 a. m. MOTHERS' DAY Sermon by the Minister

"THE MOTHER OF A SOLDIER"

"And let him teach them the manner of the God of the land." 2 Kings 17:27.

6:30 p. m. Youth Fellowships, Recreation, Service.

8:00 p. m.

"WHO WILL TAKE JUDAS' PLACE?"

This is the second of the series of evening sermons from the book of Acts. You are urged to read the entire Book during the month of May, 28 chapters.

The Minister's Message

Be a "Mother" to two soldiers Sunday. Winfield has 160 members in the armed services. The vast majority of them are too far away to come home for Mothers' Day and the most of them do not have their mothers or their families with them.

We hope the Churches will find a "warm spot" for our soldier boys and girls in a Mothers' Day service wherever they are next Sunday.

Therefore, we have plans to do for others as we would have others do for ours,—take two of them home for Sunday dinner. Please call the office in case you have not made your invitation known. Even if you should have food left you can eat it later, in case you do not get soldiers.

Mothers, with family, who have sons or daughters, and wives who have husbands, will sit in the center section, as long as those seats are not filled. Your soldier sons or daughters or your soldier guests will sit with you.

Your soldier guests will sit with you in Church, no matter where you sit.