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"The World is My Parish" — John Wesley

"Go ye into

the world—" — Mark 16:15

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"Time Marches On"

FOURTEEN years ago the North Arkansas Conference met at Russellville in the same church in which the meeting is being held this year. Many matters in the work of our Arkansas Conferences would impress one with the fact that "Time Marches On." One would need, however, only to look at the personnel of the Bishop's Cabinet in the North Arkansas and Little Rock Conferences fourteen years ago and now to see the great changes time has wrought.

The Bishop's Cabinet in the North Arkansas Conference, in 1929, was as follows: Batesville District, H. K. King, transferred; Booneville District, F. E. Dodson, deceased; Conway District, J. M. Hughey, retired; Fayetteville District, F. M. Tolleson, retired; Ft. Smith District, H. L. Wade, the only man in either Conference in the Cabinet then and now; Helena District, F. R. Hamilton, retired; Jonesboro District, James A. Anderson, retired; Paragould District, E. T. Wayland, Editor; Searcy District, W. P. Whaley, retired. The Bishop's Cabinet in the Little Rock Conference in 1929 was as follows: Arkadelphia District, J. W. Mann, pastor; Camden District, J. J. Stowe, deceased; Little Rock District, James Thomas, deceased; Montecello District, J. C. Glenn, transferred; Pine Bluff District, E. R. Steel, deceased; Prescott District, J. A. Henderson, retired; Texarkana District, J. L. Hoover, pastor.

We suppose that it is not necessary to name the members of the two cabinets at the present. If any of the brethren of our ministry do not know them, we would quietly suggest that this is a fine "season" of the year to make their acquaintance.

This is a very noticeable change in the leadership of the Cabinets of our state. Nevertheless, not only does "time march on," But Methodism marches on in Arkansas. Under this new leadership, the past year has possibly been the best year Methodism has known in our state. The next fourteen years may work changes as noticeable as has the last fourteen, yet it is our faith that Methodism in Arkansas, despite changing leadership, will continue to move on from victory to victory.

Waiting For The Zero Hour

IN MILITARY parlance the "zero hour" is the moment when a previously planned maneuver is to begin. We are told that one of the most severe tests a soldier must endure is to wait in silence and inactivity while the clock ticks off the hours, the minutes and seconds until the "zero hour" arrives.

In Methodism's part of the great battle of right against wrong our "zero hour" comes during an Annual Conference at the time of the reading of the appointments for the new year. Methodist preachers, of course, do not feel the stress and tension at an Annual Conference which presses in on the soldier as he waits the moment of crisis. However, an Annual Conference is a time when Methodist ministers await the word of their leader for marching orders for a new year. There is no finer evidence of the faith our ministers have in their leaders than to witness the calm confidence with which, at an Annual Conference, they entrust their future in the hands of the Bishop and his Cabinet and quietly await the "zero hour" in Methodism.

Six Years Our Leader

AT THE General Conference in Birmingham Dr. Charles C. Selecman, at that time President of Southern Methodist University, was elected Bishop. At that conference he was assigned to the Episcopal District, in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, which included Oklahoma and Arkansas. For two years he served our area as a Bishop of the Southern Methodist Church.

At the Uniting Conference in Kansas City, to the delight of our people in both Oklahoma and Arkansas, he was put in charge, as Bishop, of the Oklahoma Area in The Methodist Church, which includes the same territory over which he presided as a Bishop of the Southern Methodist Church. For four



BISHOP CHARLES C. SELECMAN

years now he has been the Presiding Bishop of United Methodism here.

It is doubtful that Arkansas Methodism has ever had a more fruitful or a more harmonious six years in its history than the past six years have been. Throughout this period we have been challenged with one major movement after another that had led us to a deeper consecration of life, and to a larger vision of the work of the Kingdom.

For this ere of progress and good will, we are much indebted to our leader Bishop Selecman. By an example of untiring, unselfish service, and by a spirit of unfailing brotherhood, he has commended himself to us as a real leader in this time of testing. Arkansas Methodism would be honored and highly pleased if the coming Jurisdictional Conference were to give him back to us for the next four years.

Russellville Church To Be Dedicated

THE First Methodist Church, Russellville, one of the most beautiful church plants in the state, is to be dedicated by Bishop Selecman at the evening service on the opening day of the Annual Conference being held there. Rev. E. B. Williams, pastor and the leaders of the Russellville Church are to be congratulated and commended for excellent work done which makes this dedicatory service possible.

Making Arkansas Unsafe For Democracy

WHILE a World War was fought "to make the world safe for democracy," while we are fighting the present World War to preserve democratic processes and the democratic way of life, we are witnessing in Arkansas the most persistent, determined effort to thwart democratic processes and disregard the will of the people that we had known in years.

After spending money like drunken pirates to prevent the citizens of Arkansas from voting on Act No. 1, and after spending additional, staggering sums to defeat Act No. 1 when a vote was forced on them, the wets have contested, in one form or another practically every election held under this law since it was adopted by the people. They have contested practically all of these elections because they have lost practically all of them.

While our liquor leaders blow their patriotic bugles and beat their democratic tom toms and swear allegiance to the flag, which throughout the world is a symbol of democracy, they are, throughout Arkansas, resorting to every legal technicality imaginable, they are using every subterfuge conceivable, they are employing every delaying action possible to defeat the will of the people in dry territory who by their ballots—in some places almost unanimously—declare that they want to be rid of the liquor traffic.

Columbia County is but one of the many examples of such tactics. There the sale of hard liquor has for several years been outlawed. On October 7th the people voted more than sixty percent to outlaw the sale of all liquors. The fact that a majority of the county voted dry is seemingly not questioned. Because the election commissioners of the county did not dot every "I" and cross every "T" in canvassing and reporting the results of the election the lawyers for the liquor interests go to the courts to prevent the issuing of an order declaring the county dry. It is ragged, lousy sportsmanship to try to win an election on a technicality that you have lost at the ballot box in an honest election.

Winning On All Fronts

AT NO time since the dark hours following Dunkirk has the war seemed so favorable to the United Nations. On every front Germany and her satellites are being driven back. In the Pacific Japan is slowly being driven back island to island. In the Atlantic the U-boat, at least temporarily, has been defeated. In Italy the German forces are being slowly driven back toward Germany. In Russia the battle there has developed into a defeat for Germany bordering on a riot. In the air the United Nations have unquestioned superiority and Germany, under a rain of bombs, now knows the horrors of war, as their own manifesto to the Nazi high command indicates, "such as they have never known before." Perhaps this statement of German authorities should have carried the additional statement "in their own country." In countries which they have over-run they could see destruction equal to anything human Allied ingenuity could invent for the German nation. No one in high authority is ready to predict an early collapse of Germany, but veiled hopes are expressed that it may come soon.

"The Call To Worship"

By REV. C. RAY HOZENDORF

(A digest of sermon given at Mena Methodist Church by the pastor on Oct. 17, 1943).

"I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord."—Psalm 122:1.

I WANT to read two letters which have been received recently. One is written to a mother and father.

"Dear Mother and Dad:

"I thought that you might like to know that I have met the Chaplain of our regiment and that I have promised him to attend church every Sunday that I can.

"In times like these we all begin to realize the necessity of a vital religion in our individual lives, and in our home and community. The highest ideals of our home and nation depend upon it. Many of the men who have been at the battle fronts realize the importance of religion in their lives and have not been ashamed to say so.

The other letter is to the pastor:

"There is one thing that I want to say about the church that I guess a number of people have said or thought at least. Speaking for myself, I feel when I attend church services that I am near my loved ones wherever they may be. It might be that I experience a spiritual communion. Anyway, it's a wonderful feeling. I have always enjoyed church fellowship and I trust I always will."

To me this constitutes a call to worship to every man, woman and boy and girl in the community. If worship means that much to those in the service, we can have the same feeling and give them additional strength by our presence in the house of worship.

Why should we go to church? Because Jesus gave us the example. "And when He was brought up, as was His custom, he went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day." Again in Capernaum, "Straightway on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue and taught."

Paul also gives us an example of church going. "When they came to Antioch in Pisidia, he went into the synagogue and sat down." He also urges us not to forsake the assembling of

ourselves together as the manner of some is, but to exhort one another to regular attendance.



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There is a divine command to go into the house of the Lord. "But unto the place which the Lord your God shall choose out of all your tribes to put his name there, even unto his habitation shall ye seek, and thither thou shalt come."

Blessings are promised to those who go. "Blessed are they that dwell in the house of the Lord, for they will be still praising thee." The church is a place of refuge. King Hezekiah put on the cloak of humility and went into the house of the Lord, when Sennacherib invaded Judah. The prophetess, Anna, found comfort in old age for she "served God with fasting and prayer both night and day."

The church is a place of instruction. We go to church to learn about God, about the Bible, about Jesus Christ, and how to live the Christian life. To walk down to the altar and

give our lives to God is fine, but that is not enough. If we stopped there we would fall far short of God's plan for our lives. By regular church attendance we grow in our understanding of God and his purposes for our lives."

Jesus learned the Hebrew scripture in the synagogue. Because of his regular attendance upon the worship services of the synagogue, he was well versed in the Scriptures. Paul also was instructed in the Jewish synagogue. The spiritual leaders of the past and present were instructed and taught the Bible in the house of worship.

Balzac tells the story of "Christ in Flanders," which is a legend of the Flemish coast. A boat was being used to carry passengers from the coast to the island off shore. One day as the boat was loading for its last trip, the men and women of wealth and high rank were in the stern and the humble and poor folk sat in the bow. A stranger, plainly and humbly dressed, came aboard and sat down with the humble folk. On the way over a storm came up. Those in the stern of the boat were frightened and nervous, while under the quiet guidance of the stranger those huddled in the bow of the boat were given confidence instead of fear. At the command of the stranger they stepped out of the boat and walked safely to shore through the storm. When they reached safety they noticed a strange halo around the Stranger, and at that moment they recognized that He was the Christ.

William Blake says that Jesus comes to us in the hour of true worship and his confidence dispels our fears, his righteousness challenges us to higher endeavors, his fearlessness imparts courage, and his presence gives us power. Just as the sun glass gathers all the rays of the sun together and focuses them upon one spot, so true worship gathers all of our wandering thoughts, wandering emotions and wandering sensations and focuses them upon one point—God.

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

WEEK OF DEDICATION THEME SELECTED BY COMMITTEE

"The Church at Its Best" will be the theme for the 1944 Week of Dedication, February 27 to March 5, when Methodists will be called to another dedication of self, service and substance. The theme was selected by the Committee on the Week of Dedication at a meeting held in Chicago October 19.

Daily themes for use in meetings during the Week of Dedication will be recommended to pastors and lay men and women by the Committee as part of the program for church-wide participation in this spiritual and financial effort, which will call attention to Methodism's war emergency opportunities.

A plan of organization and procedure adopted by the Committee, contained the following recommendation from Rev. Grover C. Emmons, of Nashville, Tenn., executive secretary:

"The offering to be taken on Sunday, March 5, shall be a free will, sacrificial offering. There shall be no quotas or goals set for Areas, Conferences or Churches. Our giving must be lifted to a high spiritual level and become an expression of a very real desire to share Christ with our fellows in the war-stricken world. We believe our people will respond generously and sacrificially, if the spirit and purpose of this movement is laid upon their hearts."

Four standing committees and an Administrative committee were appointed to develop further the plans for the observance. Bishop Paul B. Kern, of Nashville, Tenn., chairman of the Committee on the Week of Dedication, announced the membership of these committees:

Committee on Episcopal Cooperation: Bis-

hops Kern, chairman; J. C. Broomfield, St. Louis, Mo.; Wilbur E. Hammaker, Denver, Colo.; Ivan Lee Holt, Dallas, Texas; Robert E. Jones, Columbus, Ohio; Titus Lowe, Indianapolis, Ind.; William C. Martin, Omaha, Nebr.; G. Bromley Oxnam, Boston, Mass.; Clare Purcell, Charlotte, N. C.; Alexander P. Shaw, Baltimore, Md.; A. Frank Smith, Houston, Texas, and H. Lester Smith, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Committee on Lay Cooperation: Dr. George L. Morelock, Chicago, chairman; Mrs. J. D. Bragg, St. Louis; Bishops Broomfield, Hammaker, and Martin; Rev. Clifford Bacon, Des Moines, Iowa; Harry Denman, Nashville; Neyland Hester, Lubbock, Texas, and Judge Herschel Snavely, Marshall, Ill.

Committee on Literature: Dr. Emmons, chairman; Mrs. W. M. Alexander, Nashville; Bishops Kern, Oxnam, A. Frank Smith, H. Lester Smith, and Shaw; Rev. Costen J. Harrell, Nashville, and Rev. Paul E. Martin, Wichita Falls, Texas.

Committee on Publicity: Dean James A. James, Evanston, Ill., chairman; Bishops Jones, Lowe and Purcell; Rev. O. W. Auman, Chicago; Rev. W. F. Bryan, Houston; Rev. W. G. Cram, New York City; Rev. Roy L. Smith, Chicago, and C. A. Jones, Columbus, Ohio.

Administrative Committee: Bishop Kern, chairman; Bishop Broomfield and Lowe, Mrs. Alexander, Doctors Auman, Emmons, Morelock and Smith, and Dean James.

The month of January has been designated by the Committee as "the preparatory period for the setting up of the organization in the local church." District superintendents and pastors will be advised of the purpose and plan for

the Week of Dedication during November.

Bishop Oxnam reported on the action taken by a subcommittee on budget regarding the projects which will be included in the financial support. This information will be contained in the literature which will be sent to all churches from the Chicago headquarters of the Committee on the Week of Dedication.

CABLEGRAM FROM DR. PUGH

The following cablegram (all paragraphs after this one) has been received from New Delhi, India. It is signed by the Rev. Dr. William Barrow Pugh, chairman of the General Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains and Stated Clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, who is on a tour of United Nations theaters of operation as a representative of American Protestantism:

Heroic service of chaplains under battle conditions outstanding. Insufficient number in critical places. Urgent churches immediately increase efforts to fill quotas. Justifiable criticism unless done.

Many conferences held with hundreds of chaplains. Need Link and devotional literature. Churches, ministers, missionaries cooperating everywhere.

Protestant churches and missionaries everywhere helping. Preached Presbyterian church, here, to hundreds of soldiers in morning, in evening Methodist church to larger group. Manifestations of ecumenical ideal everywhere. Look to American churches for inspiration to build future world on principles of Gospel brotherhood and good will. Greatest opportunity of history.

THE DEVOTIONAL PAGE

H. O. BOLIN, Editor

A DEVOTIONAL SERVICE

The author of this is unknown. It was arranged by Mrs. Broyles.

The Questioner should be concealed. One of the musical arrangements of "The Lord's Prayer" could be used as background.

Reader: Now it happened one day in a great city, that a woman who sought to know the mind of God, went into one of the churches to pray. As she prayed conflicting thoughts arose in her mind. Her prayer was disturbed as a light shone about her. She began:

Seeker: Our Father, who art in heaven;

Questioner: Wait a minute please! Do you mean your Father or OUR Father?

Seeker: Our Father, who art in heaven.

Questioner: The Jew, the Negro, and the Japanese are included in that "Our Father."

Seeker: Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come.

Questioner: Do you want the Kingdom to come now? Will you be brother to all; to the coal miner, the garbage collector, the unemployed?

Seeker: Thy will be done.

Questioner: His will is to love your enemies. His will is to share your possessions, time, and talent. Do your share yours?

Seeker: Give us this day our daily bread.

Questioner: Give us, whom do you mean? Your family, or are you praying for a host of hungry people? How can there be enough to go around unless America, the richest country in the world, finds a way to feed the hungry? Have you found out whether or not your friends have enough to eat? Will you pass the bread before you eat too much?

Seeker: And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

Questioner: Do you forgive your debtors? The man who filched the milk off your porch. The neighbor who failed to return the borrowed property? The man who did not pay what he owed you? Do you forgive all these?

Seeker: Thine is the Kingdom, the Power, and the Glory!

Seeker: What have the Jew, the Negro, the hungry, and the needy. . . what have they to do with my prayer?

Reader: Jesus said, "Inasmuch as you have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me."—*Union Signal*.

INFLUENCE

On a very snowy Sunday morning, over a century ago, about fifteen people had braved the weather and gathered in a little church in England. Owing to impassable roads, the preacher did not arrive. One of the worshippers—described as "a poor, thin-looking man"—was prevailed upon to preach. There was a fifteen-year-old boy sitting under the balcony and the speaker's words that morning touched his heart. The boy was Charles H. Spurgeon. Forty-two years later he died having reached millions by his preaching and led hundreds of thousands to

THE FELLOW WHO CAN WHISTLE

The fellow who can whistle

When the world is going wrong,
Is the fellow who will make the most of life.
No matter what may happen,

You'll find him brave and strong—
He's the fellow who will conquer in the strife.

The fellow who can whistle

When the whole world seems to frown,
He's the kind of man to stand the battle's brunt,
He's got the proper mettle,

And you cannot keep him down,
For he's just the sort that's needed at the front.

The fellow who can whistle

Is the fellow who can work,
With a note of cheer to vanquish plodding care;
His soul is filled with music,

And no evil shadows lurk
In his active brain to foster grim despair.

The fellow who can whistle

He is built on nature's plan,
And he cheers his toiling fellow-men along;
There is no room for pessimists,

But give to us the man
Who can whistle when the world is going wrong.
—Sidney Warren Mase.

ASPIRATION AND FULFILLMENT

"Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled." Moffatt translates this passage, "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for goodness! they shall be satisfied."

I like all of the Beatitudes very much, but this one is my favorite. Christ here pronounces a blessing upon us, not for what we are, but for what we long to be. In the poem entitled, *Saul, the great poet*, Browning said, "Tis not what man Does which exalts him, but what man Would do." Again, in Rabbi Ben Ezra, he goes on to say,

"What I aspired to be,
And was not, comforts me:
A brute I might have been, but
would not sink in the scale."

King David longed to build a great temple for the worship of God but was not permitted to do so. His aspiration, however, was not in vain, for God said to him, "Ye did well that you had it in your heart to build a house unto my name." God gave him credit, not for what he did, but for what he longed to do.

We are all just Christians in the making. There are sins of omission as well as commission, and even if we refrain from committing the more obvious types of sin, we are still guilty of leaving undone many good things we ought to do. There are also sins of the spirit, such as selfishness, false pride, egotism and wrong attitudes which are so subtle that we fall into them almost unconsciously. Then, there is the sin of surprise which strikes so rapidly and unexpectedly that we are caught off guard and we take a tumble before we realize it. The only thing that is left for us to do is to repent. The Apostles asked Jesus to teach them how to pray. In the prayer He gave them,

Jesus Christ. That is something for all Christian workers to remember.—*Christian Herald*.

they were taught to say, "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." He did not tell them that there would ever come a time when they would not need to pray that prayer and I, for one, feel we will need to pray it as long as we live. "All of our righteousness is as filthy rags in the sight of God." When we finally stand before Him we cannot plead our own goodness; our own fine lives. In the words of the poet we may well say, "Nothing in my hands I bring; simply to thy cross I cling." Our hope is in the grace of God through the shed blood of Christ.

I have said of this to call our attention to one great fact; if we are Christians at all, in our humility, we will realize these shortcomings and we will long to do better and to be better. "Blessed are they who do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled." Filled once and for all time? I don't think so. At least, that is not true physically. No person can eat one meal or two meals that will last him for years. It is a day by day proposition. We are taught to pray, "Give us this day our daily bread" and that is true whether we are thinking of material or spiritual food.

Hunger and thirst are very strong terms indeed. When people get hungry enough they will go to any extreme to satisfy their appetite. We are told in the Old Testament that during a terrible siege of Jerusalem women cooked and ate their own babies. This thought seems very repulsive to us, but we do not know what we might be driven to do under the same circumstances. When people become thirsty enough they will drink any kind of liquid to try to quench their thirst. The point is, if we get hungry enough and thirsty enough for God and the better things of life, we will obtain them

PRAYER FOR PEACE

Eternal God, Thy presence abides with us, and is a steady light in the darkness. We have the spirit's quiet place amid the world's loud roar, and we hear Thy still, small voice in this shaken earth. Thy promises are lifelines to rescue our distressed lives from the headlines of global war.

Thou wilt not be dethroned. Thou wilt not become discouraged. Thou wilt bring to judgment all the sins of men. By the faith that holds fast, the hope that saves, the love that never fails, we take new heart in Thee.

We will not listen to the cynic nor the defeatist. Thou has spoken in other crises of history, and humanity has come into the great deliverance. We, too, believe that in the morning, we shall see the glory of the Lord.

We pledge our first loyalty to Thy Son, and our "all-out" effort in the church for which He died. Let us not forget that the star over Bethlehem troubled Herod's throne, and that in the blackout over Calvary were legions of angels.

Hear us in prayer for our loved ones away, and the loved ones of others. Pity us that we have so tried to isolate Thy gospel and deny the brotherhood of Thy family. Forgive us the sad failures of yesterday. Today let us know Thy peace within that it may the sooner come without. Guide us into the spiritual success of tomorrow. We pray for Thy truth that makes men free; the experienced liberty of personal and social redemption. Amen.—ROY L. TAWES.

at any cost or sacrifice. Other things being equal, appetite denotes health in the physical life, and the same thing is true in the spiritual life. We need not worry so much what we are—none of us are what we ought to be, but we ought to worry a great deal about what we long to be. Jesus spoke the truth when He said, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you." There is a place in life for things, but it must never be the first place. That belongs alone to God and His righteousness. The trouble too often is that many hunger and thirst after other things of life and crowd God and spiritual values out. When Jesus was born He was crowded out; there was no room for Him in the inn. Many times He is crowded out now. Our only hope in a world that is confused in the matter of values is that we may get our bearings. We must put God and His righteousness first; Christ and the things for which He stood. This will only be done by individuals and groups who hunger and thirst after righteousness. We have not yet arrived. We are only in the process of becoming. The progress we make; the growth we attain will largely be determined by our appetite. We will become filled with the things we most desire.—H. O. B.

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A WEEKLY
MESSAGE

B. FORNEY HUTCHINSON

THREE LESSONS IN
CONFERENCE

By Rev. B. Forney Hutchinson

There is a community made up
of people who are called "Campbell-
ites" and who are usually on religious ques-
tion. They are a time we would have
thought would be prominent always
in the church. We cared more
for them than we did for the
other people. I went out from that
community and preached against the
Campbellites.

One of the churches in Little Rock,
Arkansas, brought his wife
from a little Arkansas
town. He was ill and in a few
days he went out to see him and
he died alone with his
wife. He sobbed out his
heart and he took her to
his home to take her to
his home. He died of the under-
standing of it. It distressed
me. I was a single man then
and I could invite him.

He appeared at the door,
and introduced herself
to me. I explained the situa-
tion. He said, "Brother
Hutchinson, it is right
for you to be here. The First Methodist
Church is the best and the ar-
rangement is good. In the old-fash-
ioned way, I sat up
with other friends. She was most gra-
tified to have refreshments.

She was over, assuming that
she was the First Methodist
Church. I went to thank her for
her presence, when I dis-
covered that she was from the
First Methodist Church. Sister
Hutchinson had more to cure me
than all the debates to
show me evidence that
the church relations, she
was in her.

The denomination has
been in the grace or Christian
faith on the text,
and heart, give me thine

NEWS AND NOTES ABOUT FACTS AND FOLKS

ANNOUNCEMENT comes of the marriage of
Mrs. Bertie P. Clayton and Marion W.
Mills at the First Methodist Church, Riverside,
California. They are at home at 1126 North
Louise Street, Glendale 7, California.

THE Laymen's Missionary Movement with
national headquarters in Chicago is spon-
soring Men and Missions Sunday on November
14th. This is the thirteenth annual observance.
J. A. Hanna, 1819 Gaines, is resident chairman
in Little Rock.

CHAPLAIN RICHARD T. PERRY, stationed
at 316th T. S. S., Sheppard Field, Texas,
writes: "I am getting along just fine here and
having a grand time. A chaplain's work is never
finished since he is called upon to do practically
everything. Give my regards to all." Chaplain
Perry was pastor at Bryant, Arkansas, before
entering the service.

REV. W. I. TORBERT, who has been serving
the Viney Grove Charge in the North
Arkansas Conference, writes: "I have been call-
ed back to the Southwest Missouri Conference
to assume the pastorate of the Avilla Circuit
made vacant October 16th, by the death of Rev.
Mr. Welch. I have enjoyed my two years' work
in North Arkansas."

DR. RALPH W. SOCKMAN, pastor of Christ
Church, New York City, will continue his
inspirational talks on the National Broadcasting
System's "National Radio Pulpit" on Sundays
during November at 9 a. m. CWT. The topics
for November are November 7, "What is a
Man's Due?"; November 14, "Fears May be
Liars"; November 21, "A League of Lives";
November 28, "The Third Party."

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, Ft. Worth,
Texas, Dr. Warren Johnston, pastor, has
pledged \$165,220.00 in a special campaign to
clear the indebtedness on the church building
with a balance of \$25,000.00 to be secured. Dr.
Johnston announces that it is hoped that this
balance will be in hand by the meeting of the
Annual Conference on November 2. The church
was erected in 1930 at a cost of \$1,000,000.00.

IN Campus News issued by the Joint Com-
mittee on Public Relations for Educational
Institutions of the Methodist Church appears
the following item: "One chapel period a week
is devoted to stimulating musical appreciation
in the faculty and student body. The series
was opened by the study of musical moods,
followed by a study of tone quality. The study
of Hymnology and of the masters will be in-
cluded in this effort of making music a vital
force in creative living."—This comes from
Philander Smith College, Little Rock.

THE Sunshine Club, an organization which
devotes its energies and funds to work
among the hospital patients at Sanatorium, N.
C., began during the first quarter of 1943 the
distribution of copies of The Upper Room
among the patients. The response was so fine
that the club ordered and distributed 200 cop-
ies of the next quarterly issue and is consid-
ering making this quarterly distribution a reg-
ular feature of their work. The Upper Room
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eral Commission on Evangelism of the Methodist
Church. Dr. Grover C. Emmons is editor-in-
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NINETY-THREE speakers from twenty states,
the District of Columbia and Canada, are
listed as speakers for the Christian Mission on
World Order, a united effort of the Protestant
churches for a just and durable peace. There
are 102 cities in the United States from Maine
to California to be visited by speakers during
the first three weeks in November and they
will discuss with local church leaders a pro-
gram of action, one purpose of which is to

"develop a body of public opinion which will
assure American participation with other na-
tions in establishing and maintaining world
order."

CHAPLAIN J. RALPH CLAYTON writes: "I
am stationed at the airport in Astoria, Ore-
gon. I am the first chaplain to be assigned
here permanently and am having to organize
the work from the very beginning. It is in-
teresting, however, and I am sure that I will
enjoy my tour of duty here. I surely miss the
fellowship of the men in the Conferences, and
I feel this particularly now that they are almost
ready for the annual meeting." Chaplain Clay-
ton's address is VSNR, NAAF, Clatsop, Country
Airport, Astoria, Oregon. He was pastor at
College Hill, Texarkana, before entering the
chaplaincy. He asks to be remembered to the
men at the Annual Conference.

DR. NAT R. GRISWOLD, Director Adult and
Continuation Education, W. R. A., Reloca-
tion Branch, McGehee, Ark., writes: "In a re-
cent issue of the Methodist you gave the list
of Relocation Centers and the persons to whom
Christmas gifts might be sent for the children
for those centers. In your list Rohwer Center
did not appear. For the benefit of those who
would like to make their gifts to the Arkansas
centers, I am giving the persons to whom those
gifts may be sent: Jerome Christian Church,
Denson, Arkansas, in care of Rev. Mr. Aki;
Rohwer Christian Church, Relocation Center,
McGehee, Arkansas, in care of Rev. Mr. Fu-
kushima."

REV. R. A. TEETER, pastor at McGehee,
writes: "On October 13 we closed a suc-
cessful revival under the leadership of Rev. E.
D. Galloway of Warren and Rev. C. B. Wyatt
of Grady. The preaching of Brother Galloway
and the singing of Brother Wyatt were in high
favor with the people and the congregation was
widely and deeply touched and helped in its
spiritual life. The Quarterly Conference was
held immediately following the revival and fif-
teen new members were reported. The finan-
cial reports also showed the goals of the church
already reached and a spirit to accept the en-
tire asking for World Service for next year and
for a substantial increase in all other items of
the budget. We highly recommend our two
leaders in the revival for their sound and con-
structive work."

DR. MARVIN H. HARPER, of Washington,
Ga., Methodist Missionary-Educator in
Jubbulpore, India, recently returned to America
on furlough, says: "The friendly, democratic
spirit of the American troops in India has creat-
ed a very favorable attitude toward America and
things American. We certainly hope the Christ-
ian church in America will recognize this as
creating an unusual opportunity for a more ex-
tensive missionary program in India than we
have ever carried on before. The visit of
Christian Generalissimo and Madame Chiang
Kai-shek to India also helped the Christian
cause, for Indian nationals saw in them the
highest embodiment of Oriental Christianity.
If the Allies can take a Christian stand during
the days of peace-making, the open doors should
be even more numerous."

COMMISSION ON EVANGELISM

The Little Rock Conference Commission on
Evangelism is called to meet at First Methodist
Church, El Dorado, in the room designated, at
10:00 a. m. on Wednesday, November 10.

This is a very important meeting of the
Commission and every member is urged to be
present. Consult the 1942 Conference Journal,
Page 3, for membership.—Homer T. Fort, Chair-
man, J. L. Tucker, Secretary.

Other Conference announcements are found
on Page 11.



THE CHILDREN'S PAGE

ANNIE WINBURNE, Editor



IN STORYLAND

A DAY ON BOARD THE ELIZABETH JAMES

(This is the last in a series of stories on the Acadians. These stories were all from the book, "Our Church at Work in Acadia" by Constance Rumbough.)

Morris Le Blanc lived on Bayou Teche and often went with his father to church and to church school. The church was a boat, and Morris and his father went to it in a launch. Morris knew the bayous for miles around. He was eleven years old and could run the motor boat, guiding it around little islands and in and out of bayous almost as well as his father. Mr. Le Blanc was a good friend of Mr. Rousseaux, the preacher of the boat church, and sometimes went with him to other bayous to teach a Sunday School class or help with a church meeting.

One Sunday morning Morris and his father arrived at church early and when they stepped out of the launch Mr. Rousseaux said: "Le Blanc, I am planning a trip in my boat, the Elizabeth James, to Bell Isle to see what the chances are of opening a chapel there. Can you take off a day or two to go with me?" Then glancing at Morris and seeing the longing look on his face, he added: "Bring Morris with you. He and my boy, Joe, will have a great time together." Morris was breathless with suspense while he waited for his father's answer. "Why, yes," said Mr. Le Blanc. "This is the off season in my oyster work; I will be glad to go with you and take Morris, too."

Early one morning the party started off. When the Elizabeth James gliding easily through the water pulled up neatly at Mr. Le Blanc's landing there were several men and Joe already on board. Morris and his father were waiting and stepping upon board, gave a wave and a shout of "goodbye" to mother and sister and were off.

Joe took Morris on a tour of inspection over the boat. Together they admired its shipshape condition, its fresh paint, the glittering brass rods around the sides, the perfect order of the machinery. Every detail of the trim little craft was understood and appreciated by these two boys who were more at home on the water and in boats than on land in houses. At last, Morris and Joe climbed up on the hood and stretched out in the sun. The scenery along the way was familiar. Giant cypress and live oaks with lacy hanging moss grew to the water's edge, while tall grasses waved beneath them. Now and then a blue heron was seen in the bushes standing erect, balancing on one leg. The boys watched as a gray pelican swooped to the surface of the water and arose again, a fish in his bill.

"This is the prettiest boat I have ever sailed on" said Morris.

"Yes, she is a beauty," answered



AUTUMN

When Autumn comes and all the glowing colors
Show in the trees and flowers everywhere,
And crisp, cool days are filled with joyous duties
My heart lifts up to God in silent prayer.

I thank Him for the world so filled with wonder
And for His gifts to all His children here.
I thank Him most of all for sending Autumn,
The loveliest time to me of all the year.—A. E. W.

Joe. "But we have to work all the time to keep her in condition. We must watch every day or so to see that it is properly moored and that no other boat has damaged it. It has to be hauled out every six or eight months, cleaned and painted. The hot sun opens the seams, and then she has to be corked. Several times her seams have opened up before we knew it and she sank at the landing. Each time this happens it means a week of hard work to get the oil and water from the engine. Besides father has to pay a big bill to put her in order again."

With stories the hours passed. Nothing along the way passed the boys unnoticed. They saw the hundreds of bright-colored flowers on the banks, the clusters of little houses, the fishermen in small skiffs, and waved as children called to them from the boat houses.

It was a long past time for them to arrive at Bell Isle and still it was not in sight. Time and again they were lost. One bayou looked so much like another that they would guide the Elizabeth James up one only to find that it led back the way they had come and they must turn around and try another. Finally they saw rising high in the air a great white mound. It was a dome of salt, famous in all the country around, rising two hundred feet above the surrounding marshes and bayous. They could see the chimney of the old salt works standing out among the trees and shrubs of the island. Now they knew where they were.

It was not far to the Isle of Bell. The people there received them in a friendly way and listened with interest to all that Mr. Rousseaux had to tell them. None could doubt that this would be a good place for a new chapel.

All too soon the time came to go back. The return trip was hard.

for the tide had changed. No one on the Elizabeth James knew that part of the country very well. Some bayous led home and some to the Gulf of Mexico. Time and again they were lost. They would run the prow around a bend to the light of some friendly trapper's camp, get the direction and start off again. It was far in the night when they reached home. But in spite of having been lost and being sleepy, hungry and worn out, it was altogether the happiest, most interesting day of all the eleven years of Morris' life and one long to be remembered.

JUST FOR FUN

Father: "When I was your age, son, I was glad to get dry bread to eat."

Bright Five-year-old: "You're much better off now that you are living with us, aren't you, daddy?"—Wesleyan Wasp.

"Now children, can anyone tell me the meaning of 'unaware'?"

A tiny hand waved frantically in the air.

"Please, ma'am' unaware is what you put on first and take off last."

Frank, age three, was not accustomed to chickens. With his grandmother he was visiting at the home of his aunt. When a hen was discovered in the garden his grandmother called out "Shoo."

Frank, hurrying to the other side where the hen had run, said, "Wait a minute, mammaw, I'll run around here and tell her that."

Teacher—Who is man's noblest friend?

Johnny—The hot dog—it actually feeds the hand that bites it.

WE SHARE EXPERIENCES

Dear Girls and Boys:

We have some fine letters this week.

Two of the girls, Laura Hope and Joe Ella, have planned to surprise somebody special. We are always glad to hear about helpers.

Thank you, Peggy Sue and Signa Martha, for your letters. We like to hear about your hobbies.—Children's Page Editor.

Wiseman, Arkansas
October 25, 1943

Dear Friends:

I am a little farm girl. I help on the farm and help keep house. I have one brother.

I go to Sunday School every Sunday. I live close to Sunday School. My teacher is Miss Ethel Harber. She is a fine teacher.

I am ten and in the Fifth Grade. I hope can surprise my teacher.—Joe Ella Bookout.

Pangburn, Arkansas
October 24, 1943

Dear Boys and Girls who read the Arkansas Methodist:

I am a little girl eight years old. I am in the Fourth Grade. I go to Pangburn school.

I am a Christian girl and go to church and Sunday School. My daddy is my pastor.

I have three sisters and their names are Joanna, Joy and Myra. I have a baby brother. He is pretty and fat. I love him very much. He has seven teeth. Next Sunday he will be seven months old. Some people in Pangburn say he is the sweetest baby in town. He is Manford Lee Jr.

This letter is to be a surprise to my daddy.—Laura Hope Edgington.

Shoffner, Arkansas
October 24, 1943

Dear Boys and Girls:

I enjoy reading the Children's Page every week.

I am ten years old and in the Fifth Grade.

I go to school in Newport. My teacher is Mrs. Buster Taylor. My piano teacher is Mrs. Johnston.

I attend Sunday School at Welton.

I have two uncles in the Army. I am buying war bonds and stamps to help win the war.

My hobbies are playing the piano and collecting stamps.

My pets are cats.
Your little friend, Signa Martha Shoffner.

Rector, Arkansas
October 25, 1943

Dear Friends:

I am a girl twelve years of age. I go to school and am in the Seventh Grade. I go to Sunday School every Sunday.

We take the Arkansas Methodist. I enjoy the Children's Page very much.

Your friend, Peggy Sue Sinko.

WELCOME... TO EL DORADO



We join the general public in extending to you a cordial invitation to come to El Dorado during the Methodist Conference, November 10th - November 14th.

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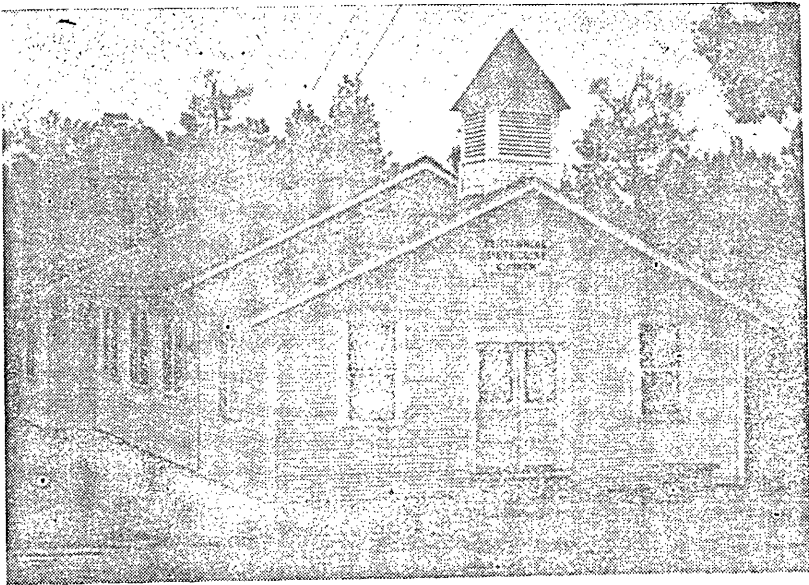
T. H. BARTON, Pres.

Centennial and Dumas Memorial Churches

THE CENTENNIAL Methodist Church was organized with fifty-two members in 1935 and a three thousand dollar build-

the past eight years. From this congregation one young woman has volunteered for 'life service and is now studying in Scarritt Col-

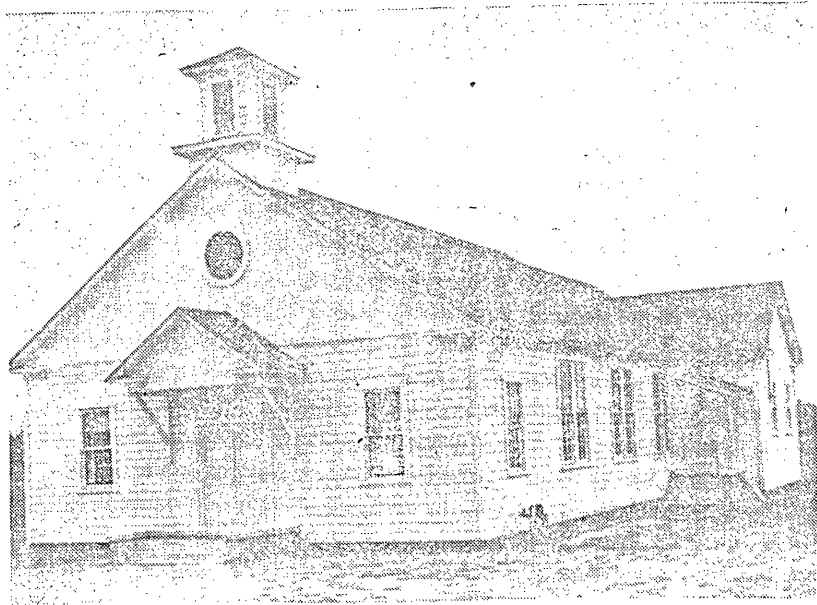
building was erected. After the erection of the building the pastor secured the services of Rev. W. R. Burks and a great revival was held



CENTENNIAL CHURCH

ing was erected. The church has enjoyed a steady growth under the leadership of Rev. P. D. Alston, who has pastored the church for

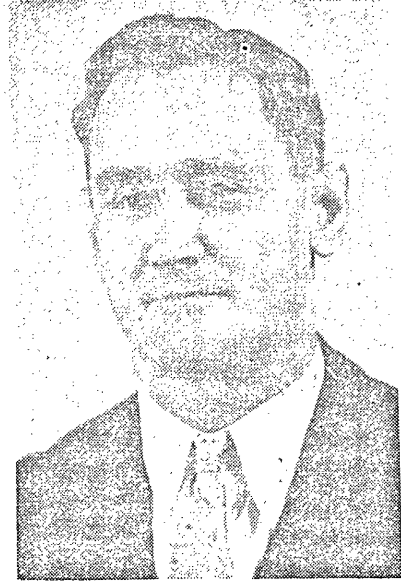
lege for the mission field. Two men have gone into the ministry from this church.



DUMAS MEMORIAL CHURCH

THE DUMAS Memorial Methodist Church had its beginning in a revival, October 10th, 1941. Rev. P. D. Alston held a revival in a building which belonged to the Home Demonstration

Club and out of this revival, true to the John Wesley spirit a new church was organized, with thirty-eight members. A lot was given by the Madison Dumas estate and a beautiful six thousand dollar



REV. P. D. ALSTON
Pastor

in the new church which resulted in the addition of twenty-nine new members. Since its organization the church has enjoyed a steady growth.

There is no duty we so much underrate as the duty of being happy. By being happy, we sow anonymous benefits upon the world, which remain unknown even to ourselves, or when they are disclosed, surprise nobody so much as the benefactor.—Stevenson.

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

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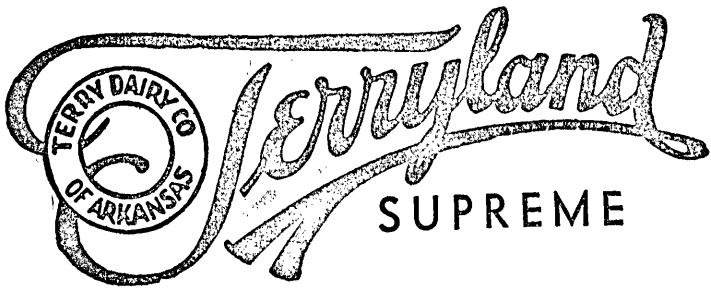
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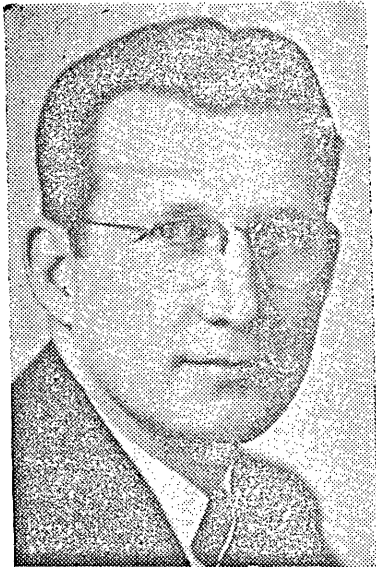
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El Dorado Methodism and Community

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

The First Methodist Church and El Dorado welcome the fifth session of the Little Rock Conference of the Methodist Church. With pleasure, we look forward to the spiritual benediction that this religious body



REV. ALFRED H. FREEMAN
Pastor

will give both to our city and our church.

The history of Methodism in El Dorado coincides with the history of the Church in Arkansas. The first Protestant house of worship in the state was built by the Methodist at Mount Prairie in 1816. Union County was created in 1829 with the county seat at Cadmen. Organized Methodism in the county started in 1833 when Union County was made a part of the Ouachita circuit of the Missouri Conference. The name of the circuit changed several times as more places of worship were added and in 1844 it was made the El Dorado circuit. The First Methodist Church was

organized a few miles south of El Dorado in 1833 with the Rev. Henry Cornelius as pastor. The centennial of Methodism in El Dorado was observed December 31, 1933 with special services by the pastor, Rev. J. L. Hoover. The First Methodist Church building was erected in El Dorado in 1845 on the site of the present church. The first building was a simple log structure which was replaced by another building in 1871 at a cost of \$1200. The third building was a brick veneer structure erected at a cost of \$7000. This was out-grown and in 1922 the present efficient church building was erected at the cost of about \$175,000 with a seating capacity of approximately 1000 and a \$36,000 four-manual Skinner organ.

Sixty-six pastors have served as leaders of the First Methodist Church of El Dorado, the present pastor, Rev. Alfred H. Freeman, having been here for the past two years.

Membership of the First Church is now approximately 2000. 450 new members have united with this church in the past two years. The Church staff is composed of the Minister, Executive Secretary, Minister of Music and Religious Educational Director, Mrs. Ethel Greenhaw, the Executive Secretary, has been a member of the staff for 15 years and handles office work and finances. Mr. G. Douglas Sloan, a graduate of Westminster Choir

College, Princeton, N. J., is the Minister of Music. He is in sole charge of the four choirs of 150 voices. Each of these choirs has its own roles and its own part in the worship services of the Church. Mrs. Florence M. Sloan is the Director of Religious Education and has under her direction all the educational organizations of the church—the church school, the Adult, Senior High, Intermediate and Junior Fellowships.

Miss Mary McSwain is our missionary in Brazil and has been supported by this church since 1936. Last year while on her furlough, she visited us and gave a new impetus to the missionary spirit of the entire church.

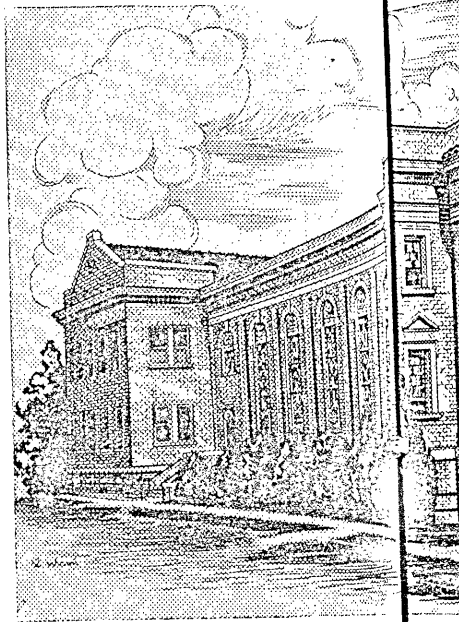
The various organizations of the church are well manned and are doing splendid work under the leadership of the following persons: G. P. Gammill, Chairman of the Board of Stewards; H. S. Yocum, Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Chairman of the Music Committee; R. A. Barrow, Chairman of the Board of Missions; C. E. Bethel, Chairman of the Board of Education; Ralph A. Pittman, Chairman of the of Ushers; A. G. Shannon, Superintendent of the Church School;

Mrs. B. R. McClanahan, President of the Woman's Society of Christian Service.

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G. DOUGLAS SLOAN
Minister of Music



EL DORADO

EL DORADO
SIZE AND CHARACTER

The City of El Dorado is the Oil capital of Arkansas, with practically all of the oil in Arkansas, being processed here. The "TWENTY YEARS OF OIL IN ARKANSAS," was celebrated here during 1941, with a gigantic festival which was attended by many prominent business men and officials of government throughout the United States.

El Dorado, according to the 1940 U. S. Census of Population, had 15,848 residents within the city limits, and 5,000 more in the immediately adjacent area. El Dorado's city limits, have not been expanded in over 20 years. The city ranks sixth in size in Arkansas. Union County, according to the Census, had 50,461 population, ranking fourth in the State.

The six Arkansas counties and two Louisiana parishes making up El Dorado's chief trade territory, had 216,750

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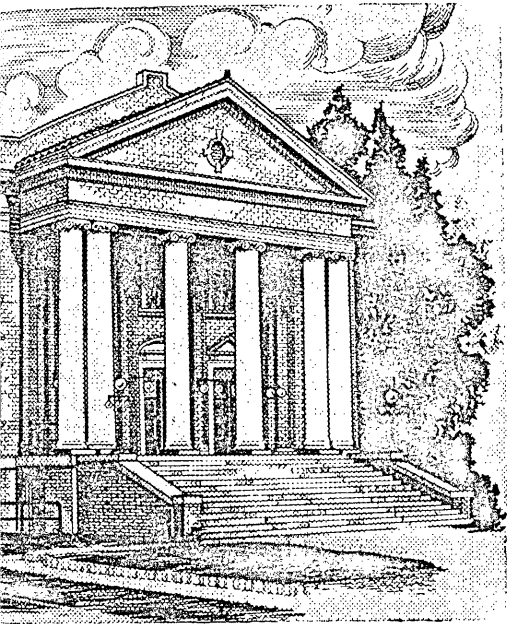
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COMMUNITY CITY, COUNTY, AND AREA

population in the 1940 census. El Dorado is the largest city in this area, and Union is the largest county from the standpoint of population. El Dorado's population is nearly 80 percent white, and is 99 percent native American born. The percentages for Union County and for the area are slightly smaller in the number of white.

Topography of the city and of the surrounding territory is rolling and well drained.

Climate: Temperate, with mean annual temperature of 64 degrees F. average annual humidity of 55-60 degrees, and average annual rainfall, 50 inches.

Altitude: 272 Feet above sea level.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

According to the 1940 United States Census of Manufacturers, the City of El Dorado has 20 manufacturing

plants, including oil refineries, foundry and machine shops, saw mills, cotton oil mill, fertilizer plant, brick plant, stave mill, bottling works, and bakeries. The annual pay roll of these industries is conservatively estimated to be in excess of \$1,000,000, excluding salaries of executives and officials.

As part of the national war program, a \$30,000,000.00 ammonium nitrate anhydrous ammonia processing plant has been completed to process South Arkansas natural gas. Approximately five thousand men were employed for a year in the construction of the plant, and about five hundred men are employed in its operation. Because of the nature of the raw material, and its abundance in this area, as well as the commercial value of the finished product, it is expected that this plant will continue to operate after the war is over.

The construction of two other plants is being completed as a result of the vast resources of oil and gas embracing the vicinities of El Dorado. One plant is a one hundred octane gasoline unit which is extremely important as aviation fuel, both for the war and post-war air transportation.

The other plant is a butadiene unit which manufacturers one of the important component parts of synthetic rubber.

Union County, of which El Dorado is the County seat, had 53 manufacturing plants in 1939,

paying annual salaries of \$1,936,536.00 using material valued at \$12,237,705.00 and making products valued at \$17,528,729.00, according to the Census.

In the number of plants, number of employees, amount of wages, and value of products, manufactured, Union County ranked third in Arkansas, being exceeded only by Pulaski (Little Rock, the State Capital), and Sebastian (Fort Smith). In the value of materials used, Union County ranked second in the State, Pulaski being first. Thus, it is seen that Union County is the chief industrial county of all South Arkansas, according to official, Federal figures. Oil is the chief industry, with lumber ranking second.

In the six Arkansas Counties and two Louisiana Parishes which make up the principal El Dorado trade territory, there were in 1939, according to the Census, 149 manufacturing plants, including all of those listed above, plus huge paper mills, lumber factories, pottery plant, cotton textile mill, and a wide variety of other industries. Paved highways reach from El Dorado, into every major point of this trade area.

NATURAL RESOURCES

Union County is the principal oil county of Arkansas. Columbia and Ouachita Counties which border Union, are important oil and gas producing areas. The Arkansas State Oil and Gas Commission, which headquarters

are in El Dorado, estimates that known oil reserves in the six producing counties of the State, all within 90 miles of El Dorado, are approximately 300,000,000 barrels and that known gas reserves of these six counties are



REV. LELAND CLEGG
District Superintendent

over one trillion cubic feet. Oil and its by-products are used throughout the world, and now the use of natural gas in the manufacture of plastics, and many other synthetic materials, is at hand. Thus, the El Dorado oil and gas producing area seems destined to take an even more important place in the industrial world.

Besides oil and gas, vast timber lands exist in the El Dorado trade area. Here also are clays, sands, and gravels awaiting industrial development. The soil of this area will produce many agricultural products suitable for chemurgic processing for industrial use.

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❖ Vantrease Memorial Church ❖

THE VANTREASE Memorial Methodist Church was built in 1928. Rev. J. D. Rodgers was pastor 1929-1933. The congregation at the end of Brother Rod-

pastor, was sent to Vantrease in 1941 and paid the debt and bought the lot adjoining the church, redecorated the church building and redecorated the parsonage. In 1942

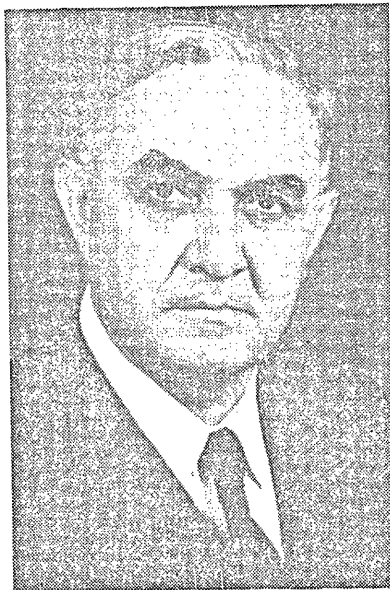
He has kept his membership in the Vantrease Church through the years and has preached many times in his home church. He has built two beautiful churches in El Dorado and has an outstanding record as an evangelist. This year Miss Joy McKennon volunteered to go to the Mission field and is now studying at Scarritt College.



VANTREASE MEMORIAL CHURCH

gers' ministry enjoyed a steady growth. Rev. E. D. Galloway was pastor from 1933-1937. Rev. D. T. Rowe was pastor from 1937-1938. Rev. George Meyer was pastor from 1938-1939; Rev. J. L. Tucker was pastor in 1940. Through these years the church enjoyed steady growth. Rev. W. R. Burks, the present

Bishop Charles C. Selecman dedicated the church. This year the church has built a beautiful educational building on the lot adjoining the church. During these years, Rev. P. D. Alston, now pastor of the Centennial Charge, answered the call and was licensed to preach.



REV. W. R. BURKS
Pastor

One of the great secrets in life is to make friends of our infirmities. If we fight them, they are very masterful. If we accept them, they have a strange way of lead-

ing us to surprises of compensation which the Lord has hid in his marvelous mines. Who can tell what immediate relationships there may have been between the ac-

cepted pain and the marvelous panoramas of spiritual glory which the Lord unveiled to his soul?—J. H. Jowett.

Dogs arrive at an age when they cynically avoid all superfluous barking as a waste of breath.—Hardy.

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ATTENTION, CONFERENCE UNDERGRADUATES AND ACCEPTED SUPPLIES

Candidates for Admission on Trial, Conference Undergraduates, and Accepted Supply pastors are called to meet the Conference Board of Ministerial Training at 1:00 p. m., Wednesday, November 10th, in the room assigned at the First Methodist Church in El Dorado.—Aubrey G. Walton, Chairman, Conference Board of Ministerial Training.

BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING

The Conference Board of Ministerial Training of the Little Rock Conference will meet at 10 a. m., November 10th, in the room assigned at the First Methodist Church in El Dorado.—Aubrey G. Walton, Chairman, Conference Board of Ministerial Training.

COMMITTEE ON ACCEPTED SUPPLY PASTORS

The Little Rock Conference Committee on Accepted Supply Pastors will meet at First Methodist Church,

El Dorado, in the room designated for that purpose at 7 p. m., Wednesday, November 10th. All accepted supply pastors are urged to be present and on time.—J. B. Hefley, Chairman.

BOARD OF CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS

The Board of Conference Claimants, Little Rock Conference, will meet in the room assigned us in First Church, El Dorado, Wednesday, November 10th, at 2 p. m. It is necessary that all members be present on time.—S. T. Baugh, Chairman.

A NEW CONGREGATION AT OMAHA

On Sunday, October 24th, Rev. H. H. Griffin, assisted by Rev. W. J. Spicer and Rev. Glenn F. Sanford, dedicated the church at Omaha. Omaha is on the main paved highway leading from Harrison to Springfield, Mo. Brother Spicer has been serving in this community for nearly two years. His efficient and sacrificial service has revived interest and a determined spirit

among the people for the church and Christian living. The Methodist organization which existed in the community many years ago started a building which was left both unfinished and heavily in debt. The house has been made into a beautiful and worshipful structure with all debts cleared.

The church was organized October 17th, with twenty-five members. It will become a part of the regular work of the area. An adjourned session of the Quarterly conference of the Harrison charge was held there during the afternoon session by Brother Griffin. The following officers were elected: Stewards, B. W. Snyder, Mrs. Platt Barnes, and Fred Richardson; Trustees, Fred Richardson, Garland Snyder and Will Ware. The church accepted a minimum assessment for the pastor of \$100.—Reporter.

ELBERTA YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The Elberta Methodist Youth Fellowship met October 21st, at Mineral Springs with 104 young people present. The churches repre-

sented were: Nashville, Bingen, Murfreesboro, Mineral Springs, and Ozan.

The Mineral Springs young people presented a very good program based on patriotism. A poem and talk were given and two young men from Ozan sang a duet. Miss Hickason of Ozan sang a solo and the Ozan young people marched with the Christian and American flag.

After the devotional the business was taken up presided over by the president. Reports were given by representatives from each church and the fellowship was found to be improving. The fellowship welcomed Rev. G. L. Cagle, the young people's director, and Rev. Van W. Harrell, the district superintendent.

Bro. Lewis and Bro. Cagle moved that the fellowship engage in an attendance contest, which will be discussed at the next meeting.

The fellowship hymn was sung and Miss Irene Calloway invited us to Murfreesboro for the next meeting which will be held December 2nd.—Betty Thompson, Sec.

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TRANSPORTATION

El Dorado is served by the Missouri Pacific Railroad, by the Rock Island Lines, and by the El Dorado and Wesson Railroad. United States highway 82 serves El Dorado East and West, and except for a few miles of unpaved road in eastern Arkansas, this shortline coast-to-coast route is entirely paved. United States Highway 167 serves El Dorado North and South, and is paved in its entirety from Little Rock to Alexandria, Louisiana. State Highway 15 serves El Dorado in a general northeast-southwest direction.

El Dorado has three major bus lines serving it, the Missouri Pacific Trailways and the Tri-State Lines, and the Southwestern Greyhound Lines. These lines give transportation facilities in every direction from El Dorado.

Twelve miles distance from El Dorado by paved highway is the navigable Ouachita River, which has a year-round 6½ foot channel and many products including oil, are shipped annually up and down this tributary of the great Mississippi River.

El Dorado has an excellent municipal airport suitable for use by smaller planes. Work is under way to build an additional airport to cost over \$1,500,000.00, which will have a First Class rank, meeting all requirements of the Civil Aeronautics Administration for commercial, passenger, and mail lines. The Chicago and Southern Airlines, Incorporated now operate daily schedules directly over El Dorado on their Memphis-Houston route, and it is anticipated that the line will make regular stops here, once the new field is completed.

With rail, highway, water, and air navigation, El Dorado and the surrounding area is in a position unsurpassed in transportation throughout the entire State.

BUSINESS AND MERCHANDISING FACILITIES

Three national banks serve El Dorado, the First National Bank and Trust Company, the National Bank of Commerce, and the Ex-

change Bank and Trust Company. There is one Federal Savings and Loan Association. The banks, on December 31, 1940, had deposits of \$3,190,132.50 and total resources of \$9,963,918.00. The savings and loan association on this date had assets of \$332,618.00.

The U. S. Census of 1940 showed 303 retail establishments in El Dorado, with an annual business of \$9,424,000.00; 47 wholesale establishments, with annual sales of \$605,000.00.

In Union County, according to the same Census, there were 622 retail establishments with \$12,596,000.00 in annual sales; 61 wholesale firms with \$9,144,000.00 in annual sales; and 349 service establishments with \$767,000.00 in sales.

In the six-county, two-parish area, the Census showed 2,022 retail firms with annual sales of \$34,042,000.00; 152 wholesale firms with \$19,290,000.00 annual sales; and 652 service establishments with \$1,892,000.00 annual sales.

The number of income tax returns of the residents of the El Dorado trade territory average 9½ per 1,000 population. In Union County the income tax returns average 26 per 1,000 population.

There were 1,923 new passenger car sales in 1940 in this area, and in Union County the total was 1,051. During 1941, 2,224 automobile licenses were sold in El Dorado.

Electric meters in use: (El Dorado) 4,389, and increase over five previous years.

Telephones in use: (El Dorado) 3,591 on December 31, 1940; 3,901 on December 31, 1939; 3,730 on December 31, 1938.

Postal Receipts, U. S. Postoffice, (El Dorado): 1940, \$103,684.00; 1939, \$101,593.00; 1938, \$102,428.00; 1937, \$96,339.00.

Building Permits, (El Dorado): 1940, \$211,818.00; 1939, \$241,547.00; 1938, \$374,799.00.

Assessed valuation of property: \$5,365,865.00, 1940.

Newspapers: Two daily, one weekly, one Sunday.

Radio stations: One, 250-watt, full time, locally owned, Blue Network.

Utilities: Natural gas for fuel;

water supply in unlimited quantities from wells 700 feet deep, remarkably pure; all modern, telephones, telegraph, and electric facilities (none municipally owned).

AGRICULTURAL INFORMATION

Principal crops of Union County and of the area, are cotton, corn, hay, potatoes, peanuts, and a wide variety of fruits and vegetables. Quality livestock, dairying and poultry production is increasingly rapidly.

The 1940 Census of Agriculture showed 2,815 farms in Union County, covering 234,193 acres. Value of farm land and farm buildings of the county was \$4,344,833.00. Only about one-third of the farmers were tenant farmers.

CIVIC

El Dorado has an excellent public school system, which includes one white and one colored high school, four white grade schools and one colored, and one parochial school. Total valuation of school property is approximately \$1,000,000.00. Training in music, business, nursing, fine arts, are also available from competent teachers in El Dorado.

Recreational facilities in El Dorado include: four motion picture theatres; amateur baseball, football, track, and other sports; wrestling and boxing; swimming, and golfing at the country club; fine hunting and fishing in nearby lakes, streams and forests; the city has three parks.

El Dorado's churches, including all denominations customarily found in this part of the nation, and are noted for the excellence of their church buildings and the interest which their memberships take in religious activities. Investment in church property is conservatively estimated to be over a million dollars.

One hospital, several clinics, and a highly trained and skilled medical fraternity make El Dorado the health center of a wide area.

Hotel facilities in El Dorado exceed those generally found in cities of this size, for this oil community must care for the needs of an industry which keeps scores of its officials on the move constantly. Four major hotels and several

smaller ones adequately meet this need.

Seventy-five miles of streets, 50 miles of which are paved, serve El Dorado.

There are 81 miles of sewers in El Dorado, and the system is believed to be adequate even for the increase in population expected as a result of the huge construction program.

The El Dorado police department employs a full-time staff, equipped with motorized equipment and with a two-way police radio system. The fire department employs a full-time crew, for five pieces of motorized equipment. It is to El Dorado's credit that there has not been a major fire or any major crime committed in the city for years.

Approximately 40 civic, fraternal, commercial and other kindred organizations function in El Dorado. The El Dorado Chamber of Commerce, including its junior division for young men, has approximately 500 members. The community concert association annually brings top-ranking musical and dramatic artists here.

Two libraries, the city and the county, operate in El Dorado and have total collections of nearly 20,000 volumes.

El Dorado had 4,890 housing units, according to the Census with 4.2 percent unoccupied at the time the Census was taken. El Dorado is in better condition than ever before, from the standpoint of housing, and approximately 250 dwellings have been completed and being planned. It is hoped that this will curb the excessive increases in rent experienced by other cities with war industries.

Careful and strict supervision over construction to assure the safety of the property owners, and ordinances protect various parts of the city.

The council form of government is exercised, consisting of two aldermen from each of four wards, plus Mayor.

El Dorado is a desirable and ideal place to live and to engage in any business or profession. We invite you to visit El Dorado and to come live with us.

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

MRS. SUE M. WAYLAND, Editor

EXECUTIVE MEETING NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

The Executive Committee of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, North Arkansas Conference, met October 14th and 15th at First Methodist Church, North Little Rock. The meeting was called to order at 1:30 P. M. by Mrs. R. E. Connell, President.

Much business of importance was transacted, and the sessions were marked by serious purpose and effort. Members of the Committee were very conscious of the particular challenge which these war-time days offers every phase of woman's work in the church.

A special missionary project which has interested the women of the Conference this year is the Scarritt Scholarship Fund. Encouraging reports of progress toward the \$2500.00 goal for this year were given by Mrs. O. E. Goddard, Chairman of Missionary Personnel. It was voted that the final goal for this scholarship should be \$10,000.00.

Contributions toward supplies under the leadership of Mrs. J. B. Randolph have furnished another achievement for which to be grateful during this year.

Although Missionary Education Seminars were not promoted by the conference this year in the same manner as during the past two years, the following districts conducted very successful Seminars

Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.—Psalm 51:10

using local leadership: Conway, Ft. Smith, Helena, Jonesboro and Searcy.

The group endorsed Senate Bill No 637, with regard to Federal aid for education, and Mrs. W. P. Pearson, Conference Secretary of Christian Social Relations, sent telegrams to Arkansas Senators concerning this pending legislation.

The annual meeting for the spring of 1944 will convene at Jonesboro on February 29, and will close on March 2. The date has been set earlier than usual because meeting at this time will enable the conference to have the presence of Mrs. J. D. Bragg, President of the Woman's Division. This high privilege is eagerly anticipated by women all over the conference. The committee charged with planning the annual meeting is composed of Mrs. A. P. Patton, Mrs. S. B. Wilford, Mrs. Robert Bearden, Mrs. Henkel Pewett, Miss Lucille Adams, Mrs. E. W. Potter, Mrs. Peter Kittel and Mrs. D. G. Hindman. This will be election year, and all conference offices will be voted upon. It was decided to conduct the voting this year by using a printed ballot.

Much discussion was given to the problem of organizing the var-

ious districts thus changing the plan of administering the work of the women. It was decided to recommend district organization work at the forthcoming annual meeting, and a committee was appointed to work out the details and make specific recommendations at that time: Mrs. D. G. Hindman, Mrs. W. P. Pearson, Mrs. Harry King, A. P. Patton and Miss Lavinia Jelks.

Local societies are urged to order their program material for next year immediately that Literature Headquarters will not be rushed with orders at the last of the year.

Serious consideration was given to the fact that many societies due to the stress of the times are failing to report their activities. All societies in the conference are urged to report whatever activities are being carried on, although they may be limited, to the District Secretary.

High points of the Executive Meeting were the periods of worship led by the Deaconesses, Miss Estelle McIntosh and Miss Dorothy Few. The latter is a new Deaconess, who has been assigned to work in Yell County.

All members expressed appreciation for the very capable manner

in which Mrs. Connell dispatched the business at hand, and inspired the group to reconsecrate their efforts to the work of the Woman's Society in this conference.

Regret was expressed in accepting the resignation of the Vice President, Mrs. T. A. Hillis, because of illness, and Mrs. Peter Kittel was elected to fill the vacancy.

The committee appreciated the hospitality of North Little Rock Methodist women, and felt especially grateful for the good meals served in the church dining room.

—Mrs. Robert Bearden.

MONTICELLO DISTRICT SEMINAR

The Educational Seminar of the Monticello District was held at Dermott September 28. Mrs. Pruitt of Tillar was in charge of the devotional with Mrs. Wells presiding over the business.

Mrs. T. E. Lovett and Miss Lila Ashby introduced the Fall, Spring and Bible Studies for the society.

Mrs. V. O. Buck, Mrs. E. D. Gallo-way and Mrs. Hasken gave interesting talks on the literature and work.

There were 69 members present representing 14 societies.

Lunch was served at noon by the Dermott Society. The meeting was very inspirational and educational.

—Mrs. B. W. Phillips.

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On coming here, I found a debt of several thousand dollars on the church which was completed in 1926. Some three years ago, we raised our total indebtedness and had the church dedicated on the eighth of February 1942. On the sixteenth of August following, the main portion of the building was destroyed by fire. Fortunately, the walls were left practically intact and the auditorium floor was sufficiently preserved as to allow us to use the basement for all our services. This was a poor makeshift, but it was better than being out of doors. We are still in the basement. Work of rebuilding has been slow. Labor has been hard to get and we have endless delays in getting materials needed. Right now we lack only the factory built doors and mouldings, but they come slowly.

We have the pews, carpet, pulpit and choir furniture and light fixtures. We lack four large windows and six small ones. They are built in St. Louis and help there as here, has been hard to get.

We shall have a much more beautiful building than before, but the cost will run around six thousand dollars more than the insurance allowed. We collected something over fourteen thousand dollars in insurance.

Marked Tree has a way of keep-

ing up on finances. We have been paying for several years, the askings for World Service. The Board of Stewards uses a post-dated check system and it works well. We have no rich people, but they are liberal.

Our organizations all function, but in a small way. Church attendance has grown with the years until now, we have fairly good audiences for public worship, even at night.

We were at the point of building a parsonage when the war began. The church has continued to raise money for this, and has bought bonds right along until now, we have a good sized sum to use when times are better. We do not plan to have a debt.—Jno. A. Womack, Pastor.

PRESCOTT CIRCUIT

We are closing out our third year on this work. We have spent three happy years with these good people. We have not accomplished all that we would like to, but we do feel that we have accomplished a little by God's help.

We began our revivals the first Sunday in July and closed out the last one on the fourth Sunday night in October.

We had good attendance and a good spirit throughout our revivals. We have had twelve additions this year. All our finances are paid in full. There has been some improvement on two of our churches this year, and also some improvements made on the parsonage.

We have served a very good and loyal people.—J. R. Martin, Pastor.

SOLDIERS GIVE TO MISSIONS

A correspondent of the International Missionary Council, reporting recently to the New York office from New Caledonia, former French penal colony in the South Pacific, said: "For some time there has been no appeal for funds from this field. One reason is the generosity of the native Christians who not only support their own work but are trying to care for their missionaries as well; the other is the generous offerings of American soldiers who worship in the 'Protestant Temple' in Noumea, the capital. Incidentally summer visitors from Australia report a new appreciation of the natives of the Southwest Pacific. Their loyalty and courage contributed materially to the successful defense of Australia and New Zealand, and there is a sincere desire to do more for the Islanders after the war, including greater missionary efforts on their behalf."

THE SECRET OF HAPPINESS

Happiness is to be found among life's common things. It is not to be found among life's rare things. It is not great knowledge, nor great power, nor great wealth, nor great genius, but it is health, and friendship, and love, and sunshine, and the voices of children. Happiness is found not in the rare blessings, but it is the gift of God that is scattered everywhere. But these commonplaces in our lives are to be consecrated by our Lord.

So, happiness is faith in God; it is doing the will of God; it is in much love; it is in much service; it is in "the love of Christ that constraineth us." You can be happy in the Lord.—F. O. Mixon, in Christian Index.

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One of the outstanding organizations of the church is the Methodist Men's group which meets monthly in a dinner meeting. Great speakers in various fields of Christian life appear before this group of 150 to 175 men each month. Dr. Shade P. Rushing is the retiring president, Mr. James P. Sinnott, the newly elected leader.

The entire Church staff and membership and the heads of every organization of this great church welcome you into our city and in Christian fellowship in our church.

GOD IS THE NEED

What the world needs, primarily, is God, not soup, or soap, or schools. If a committee had gone from the fathers' house and supplied the prodigal son with a robe and something to eat, he would have been as badly off as ever. If we give hospitals and schools and better living conditions to unsaved humanity and yet leave them without God, our gifts will bring only temporary relief, to be followed by a fatal relapse in this or a later generation.

Every man who has God is on the way to all he needs. Every man without God is doomed to destruction hereafter, though he may seem to be doing well on earth.—War Cry.

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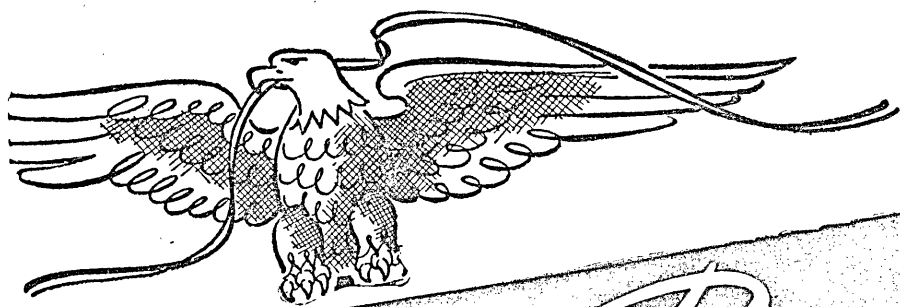
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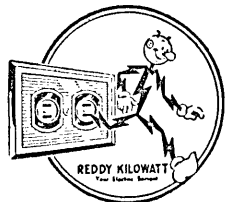
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By DR. W. P. WHALEY



The Sacredness of Human Life

LESSON FOR NOVEMBER 7, 1943

SCRIPTURE TEXT: Exodus 20:13; Matthew 5:21 to 26 and 38 to 45.

GOLDEN TEXT: "Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer." I John 3:15.

The history of the human race opens with a murder mystery (Gen. 4). Two brothers were members of a church I served a few years ago. They went together to another city to get employment and roomed together. One slew the other and dragged the body off and hid it; but "murder will out." It was my sad duty to conduct the funeral of the murdered boy and to sympathize with the family.

Such crimes are inhuman. We shudder at the news of them. However, they occur almost daily. Sons and daughters murder their mothers; sons kill their fathers; mothers kill their children; husbands kill wives and children and brothers kill their sisters. It is sickening to realize that human beings can sink so low. And just above this awful depth to which murder can sink is an appalling record of homicide. The death penalty that hangs over the murderer seems but a poor deterrent.

I. JESUS FILLED OUT THE TERM "MURDER" TO INCLUDE "HATE"

The sixth commandment as Moses gave it was simply "Thou shalt not kill." This was understood just to forbid the taking of physical life; but Jesus said that anger unexecuted might be murder. St. John said, "Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer." I John 3:15. Jesus said, "Out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies." (Matt. 15:19) That is the reason for the exhortation: "Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life" (Prov. 4:23).

II. WE CAN'T BE RIGHT WITH GOD WHILE WRONG WITH FELLOWMEN

"Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar and there rememberest that thy brother hath aught against thee; leave thy gift before the altar and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother and then come and offer thy gift." (Matt. 5:23, 24).

People have more against us than God has. Most of our sin is against our fellowmen; but the wrong we do people God counts as sin against Him. When King David had Uriah slain that he might take his wife, Bathsheba, for himself he thought he had simply killed a man; but he discovered he had broken God's law and his crime was against God. When he realized he had sinned against God, his crime assumed enormous proportions. (II Samuel II) In his penitence he confessed. "Against thee, thee only, have I sinned and done this evil in thy sight." (Ps. 51:4).

III. SACREDNESS OF THE HUMAN BODY

The sixth commandment forbade

destroying a human body. The body is the home of the soul; and it must be an enormous crime to destroy the home of a soul! In this home of flesh is where the soul is to have the "joys of living." From this priceless home the soul makes his intellectual and spiritual excursions through an infinite universe and brings in truth and inspiration for building an immortality. The body is, also, the machine through which the soul works. It must be an enormous crime to smash that machine! All earthly activities stop when that is done. The body is the possession not only of the soul that inhabits it but also of many others—the family, friends, community. It must be an enormous crime to kill a member of a family, leaving the wife widowed and children orphans; to kill a man from among his friends and leave them to mourn; to slay a citizen of the community and throw the community into turmoil and grief. No wonder the divine law is, "Thou shalt not kill."

IV. A HUMAN BODY IS A DIVINE TEMPLE

"Know ye not that ye are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are." (I Cor. 3:16, 17) "Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own." (I Cor. 6:19) Jesus considered His body as a Temple (John 2:21).

In this temple of flesh God who is a Spirit meets with man who is a spirit. Most of the worship we offer God we offer in the "holy of holies" of this temple of flesh. All private and secret prayer is offered in the secret place of this temple. In this temple God teaches and inspires the human soul and fits him for eternal life.

We reverence our churches of wood, brick or stone. The bombing of a cathedral sends a shudder through us. But these are only temples we have built. The human body is a temple God has built and claims. It must be a terrible sin against God to destroy one of His temples! "If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy."

V. MOST MURDERS ARE SELF-INFLICTED

Comparatively few of us will be murdered by somebody else; but many of us will kill ourselves by improper care or abuse of the body. "We dig our graves with our teeth" is a proverb all too true. So many of us treat our bodies as if they were animals we own. We fail to reverence them as temples

God owns. "Ye are not your own. Ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's" (I Cor. 6:19, 20) "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service." (Rom. 12:1) Paul said he mastered his body and made it subject to his spiritual life (I Cor. 9:27).

The human body is allotted a life of from seventy to eighty years and built to last that long with proper care (Ps. 90:10). We should try to live out our allotted time; and living means learning, working and growing. Good reading and suitable employment are conducive to longer life. We owe a salute to our doctors and to medical science for the more efficient fight against diseases and for the lengthening of the average of human life.

VI. IS WAR MURDER?

The Jews said "all the gods of the nations are idols" (Ps. 96:5); and that Jehovah is superior to them all. The heathen carried their idols upon the battlefield and the Jews carried the Ark, symbol of Jehovah. The Jews regarded Jehovah as a God of war. They believed God ordered their wars and made them victorious. The story of their conquests was called "THE BOOK OF THE WARS OF THE LORD" (Num. 21:14).

But Isaiah said Jesus would be the "Prince of Peace" (Isa. 9:6). He said the nations would beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks and learn war no more (Isa. 2:4). When Jesus was born, heaven announced that His coming meant "peace on earth and good will to men." Paul preached "the God of peace."

War is contrary to the spirit of Christ and contrary to His doctrine of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. God is not a God of war. Men become "war lords"; and war is the mistake of rulers. People do not vote a war, nor take up arms gladly. Rulers declare war and force citizens into it.

An old Greek poet said: "One murder makes a villain, millions a hero. Princes are privileged to kill and numbers sanctify the crime."

OUR COMMON HUMANITY

By the Hon. Edward Martin
Governor of Pennsylvania

Faced by the effects of the most devastating war the world has ever known we are becoming increasingly aware that only by the fullest acceptance of the principles taught by the lowly Man of Galilee can the Nations of the earth ever hope to escape recurring war.

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and for those who make more now to pay more. I believe every member of Winfield should be as anxious to pay off our church debt as he or she is to pay off the home indebtedness. Would you like for it to run on a twenty year basis? I think you would say "no." Help us this Sunday if at all possible and let us make this the largest collection in the history of Winfield.—Finance Committee, W. P. Ivy, Chairman.

The latest figures on the amount raised to date on the Church debt are not available today (Monday), but all workers are reporting substantial giving and a most cordial response. Never have so many had so much to give so liberally to so great a cause, and all seem to be recognizing that this is the time to render a far-reaching service. The amount of money paid on the principal NOW will save interest for all the rest of the time, and therefore enable the regular contract payments to reduce the principal all the more by applying on the principal what would be paid on interest.

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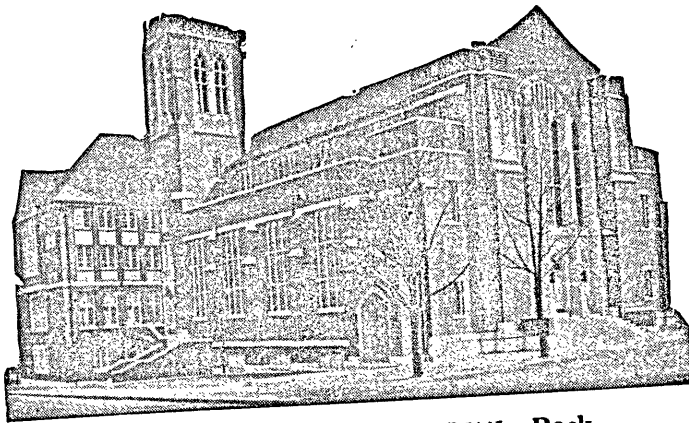
To Mrs. J. L. Thompson, 1612 Broadway, in the death of her mother, Mrs. M. P. Wood, Nashville, Tenn.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Next week, November 10th, thru Sunday, the Annual Conference will be in session at El Dorado. The Lay delegate will be Mr. J. S. M. Cannon and the Alternate will be Mr. C. E. Hayes. Methodism from the Southern half of the State will hear reports of the year's work and will lay some important plans for the next year's work.

WESELYN GUILD

Following Fellowship dinner at 6:15 Miss Birdie Kirkland will lead the Wesleyan Guild program, Tuesday Evening. The Reverend John M. McCormick will speak on "Freedom's Text Book."



Sixteenth and Louisiana, Little Rock
"Family, friendly Fellowship"

Next Sunday at Winfield

10:00 A. M. Church School.
THE TEACHING HOUR.

10:55 a. m. "FAITH IS WELL SUPPORTED."
Sermon by the Minister.

This is the service when all those persons who have become members of Winfield Church this year will be honored. Seats will be reserved for them. They will wear ribbons for recognition.

6:00 P. M. Youth Fellowships.

Church Attendance—October is gone; pledge yourself to be present, Morning or (and) Evening, during November and December.

7:30 Evening 7:30

"THE WORST TEMPTATION OF THE MINISTER"
by the Pastor

This is the last of the series of sermons on "Great Moments In The Life Of Christ."

Next Sunday night I will begin a series of three Sermons on "Your Bible Hero."

Please write me the names of your three Bible heroes, (1) a Woman, (2) a Man and (3) a Youth and tell in each case WHY this person is a hero to you. Name one or more qualities of character which you recognize or desire in your hero.

I will preach on "The Women of the Bible" Sunday evening, November 14th.

AMERICAN LEGION, A. M.,
NOVEMBER 14th.

Much is being said about "What shall be done with defeated nations." American Legion leaders are saying much; Church leaders are saying much.

Members of the local American Legion post have been and are invited to be present Sunday morning, November 14th, to hear the Minister on "HARM HATCHES HARM."

CHURCH SCHOOL

Mrs. C. B. Nelson, a very capable and well trained Church School worker, has been employed on a part-time basis in the Office of Director of Christian Education. She will be at the office two days a week, Monday as the fixed date and Friday as the flexible date, with the understanding that she may be here on some day other than Friday, according to the needs of the week.

The Girl Scouts will meet Friday at the Church at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. C. F. Shukers, leader. We welcome their presence at the Sanctuary service last Sunday morning.

The Boy Scouts will meet in their regular quarters at 7:30 Friday night. Mr. Will Weidemeyer and Mr. Dick Neal are Scout Masters.

With the Youth Fellowships, 6:00 p. m.

Junior Hi, Recreation in the department room. The program will continue the unit on "God's Workmen." Ashley Ross is the leader. All boys and girls of the ages of the Junior High are invited.

Senior Hi—Recreation and Fellowship will be in Fellowship Hall. The Devotional will be in the Bullington Bible Class. Subject of program: "Fellowship With Great Persons, by Virginia Bradshaw."

Young People: Recreation and Fellowship in the Young People's parlors. The program will be in charge of the World Friendship Commission, Miss Helen Newman, Chairman.