

Arkansas Methodist

Serving One Hundred and Sixty Thousand Methodists in Arkansas

"The World is My Parish" — John Wesley

"Go ye into all the world"

— Mark 16:15

VOL. LXIII

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, FEBRUARY

1944

NO. 6

The Final Complete Campaign Report

PAGES eight and nine of this issue carry the final complete report of the Arkansas Methodist Circulation Campaign. This report gives evidence of the fine way that the Campaign went over this year.

The total number of subscribers reported by pastors, in this issue, is fourteen thousand, eight hundred ninety. This is more than fifteen hundred above the third and final report last year. Since there are about forty charges yet to report and since the reports of pastors do not include about a thousand subscribers which the Arkansas Methodist receives from individuals, inside and outside the state, it is quite evident that the paid circulation of the Arkansas Methodist is now substantially larger than at any time in its history.

Unfortunately this peak in subscription totals came in the same month that a government order was received requiring us to cut our use of paper ten percent below the amount used in 1942. There has been a restriction on the use of paper for some time for magazines or papers using as much as twenty-five tons per quarter. This last order includes papers and magazines using as much as five tons per quarter. Since our usage of paper more than doubles that figure we of course are included. It is our feeling, however, that we can make some adjustments that will not seriously effect the usefulness of the paper generally and yet will bring our use of paper within this government order. This order became effective in January and will necessitate some early adjustments to meet the requirements for the first quarter.

Again may we express our sincere appreciation to the ministers and members of our church who worked loyally and royally to make the Circulation Campaign so successful. It is a high privilege to be permitted to serve, as editor, such a band of people.

Sunday School Vital To Protestantism

ONE of the most serious and disturbing factors in American Protestantism today is the loss we are suffering in the enrollment and attendance of Sunday School. This problem is possibly as acute in our own church as in others.

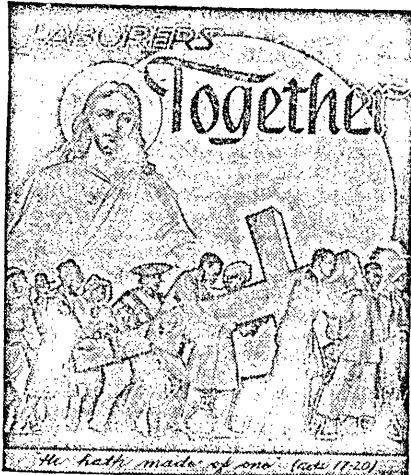
Our Catholic brethren through their extensive use of parochial schools and their special emphasis on child training in home, school and church are not so dependent on this type of service for their children. In our Methodism, as in many Protestant churches, practically the whole of our teaching and training program for children comes through the Sunday School or through other agencies that are largely by-products of the Sunday School. We need not go outside of Arkansas to discover the seriousness of this problem. The statistical reports of our two annual conferences revealed a total loss in enrollment in our church in the state last year of ten thousand, four hundred, fifty-eight, (10,458). If Methodism is to live and grow we must have a revival of heart interest in the Sunday School. We should not waste too much time attempting to fix the blame for the decreasing interest in the Sunday School. If a house is afire, the origin of the fire at the time is of much less importance than a real effort to stop the flames. We should try to learn the "why," without so much concern for the "who" just now.

Race Relations Day

NEXT Sunday, February 13, is Race Relations Sunday. This is a day in which all of the races of our country should give a wholesome emphasis to a proper relation between the various races that make up our commonwealth and the world.

The present war, especially in Europe, has engendered racial hatred and enmity that will create one of the most difficult obstacles to a just and lasting peace that our leaders will face when they gather at the peace tables. In our own nation there seems to be a deliberate plan to arouse our people to unbridled hatred of our enemies. It is quite doubtful that such a course will aid the war effort now and it is quite certain that such a course will be a positive hindrance to the kind of a peace our world leaders talk about, after war ends.

If there is any great nation of earth that should take seriously the study of



a better understanding between races it is the United States. Our nation numbers among its citizens a large group of people from every great nation of earth and it has a group among its citizenship from practically every race of earth. If in our country we are to be happy, prosperous and progressive we must learn to live together in a spirit of mutual trust, confidence and respect.

Some people get alarmed when one talks about a better understanding among races. They seem to feel that any move toward a more friendly relationship and a better understanding between races is a move toward the amalgamation of the races. It is our feeling that one race should be as much concerned about its racial integrity and racial purity as another. Such a desire however, on the part of the various races should not prevent a desire for a better understanding among races; it should not prevent a mutually helpful cooperation among races; it should not hinder a proper appreciation of the better qualities to be found in all races of people.

If we have the interest of our own nation at heart, we had better take this Race Relations Day seriously and do our part to help heal one of the most painful and dangerous wounds afflicting the body of humanity.

War East And West Of Same Pattern

AMERICA was shocked and stirred at it has not been before in this war when the stories of the treatment of our soldiers by the Japanese after the surrender at Bataan and Corregidor were released. These reports indicate that we are at war in the east with an enemy that has thrown into the scrap-heap every semblance of international law and is waging war by a pattern long outmoded by supposedly civilized nations.

It is quite probable, however, that these stories of unnecessary, inhuman treatment of prisoners impressed us more because our own American boys were the victims. We should not forget, however, that this war of conquest, from the beginning, has been as cruel, as ruthless and as inhuman as the mind can imagine. Mere words could not describe the wickedness of the war Japan has waged on an all but helpless China. Sufferings indescribable and death into the millions has been the result.

The war Italy waged against Ethiopia is of the same pattern. We find a nation with well organized armies, equipped with modern weapons of war, turning these powers of destruction loose on a nation of unarmed, often half naked, primitive people, and laughing with glee at the amazed, bewildered, dying natives.

Germany's war in Europe has followed the same low standard. History carries no record of mass murder that is quite so inexcusable as the deliberate plan of German leaders to rob and exterminate the Jews—and that solely because they happen to be Jews. The Nazi practice of standing twenty innocent hostages against a wall and shooting them because the party guilty of an offense could not be found is an example of inhuman indifference to life and of gross brutality that plumbs the depth of human depravity.

The war strategy of all of our enemies was cut from the same piece of goods by the same pattern and is of a kind wherever found. At the present time there seems to be no course open to the rest of the world but to put such conduct down by force. To follow that plan does not necessarily call for hatred any more than the defense of life against a mad-dog demands that we hate the mad-dog. Possibly we would make a better defense against the dog if we kept our wits and mental balance. America had better not lose its balance because the horrors of this war have finally reached into our own lands and homes. For the sake of the present and the future we had better move to our task with well balanced thought and undisturbed purpose.

An Appreciation

MAY we here express our sincere appreciation to our friends and to the many friends of the Arkansas Methodist for the many kind, encouraging words which come to us through the mails expressing appreciation of the paper. Such expressions are usually numerous during our Circulation Campaign when we are hearing from practically all of our preachers as they report the results of the campaign.

Some papers print these expressions of appreciation for which we have no criticism. It has not been our policy, however, to print these personal items which usually come along with other matters; especially so since some of these statements carry comparisons which it would hardly be in order to print.

(Continued on page four)

Paragould East Side Honors Founder

By NESTEL WOODWARD

*"The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ
her Lord;
She is His new creation by water and the
word:
From Heav'n He came and sought her to
be His Holy Bride;
With His own blood He bought her,
And for her life He died."*

ON December 12, 1943, the East Side Methodist Church of Paragould, Arkansas was officially designated Griffin Memorial.

Methodism in Paragould began with the organization of the First Church in 1883. At this time Paragould was a small town rapidly growing into a city. Not only did it extend westward, but soon covered a large territory east of the two railroads—the Cotton Belt and the Missouri Pacific. This community was called East Side.

It was evident to many, that if this section of the city was to be evangelized and saved to Methodism a new church must be established. Therefore, in 1903, Rev. A. C. Griffin, after a series of cottage prayer meetings, organized East Side Methodist Church. There were about a dozen charter members. A. P. Mack, Thomas Spillman, J. W. Brewer, A. C. Astrap and wife, A. C. Griffin, R. L. Mitchell and Mrs. Eliza Earl were among those listed.

Richard Jackson gave the church one acre of land, where the church now stands on East Court Street, and the church was built as soon as the material could be placed on the ground. A few years later, a wing was added, to take care of the rapidly growing congregation. Later, on the rear of the lot an annex was built, to take care of the growing Sunday School.

In the year 1914, during the pastorate of Rev. A. C. Cloyce, a splendid parsonage was erected on the lot beside the church. The parsonage was built in one day. A large force of men put up the house while the ladies prepared dinner and supper. It has since been improved and now is fitted with all modern conveniences.

The following district superintendents have served the charge: M. B. Umsted, Z. T. Bennett, J. K. Farris, J. M. Hughey, M. M. Smith, F. M. Tolleson, H. H. Watson, W. B. Hayes, J. A. Anderson, Wm. Sherman, E. T. Wayland, A. W. Martin, E. B. Williams, and the present superintendent, H. Lynn Wade. The pastors were: A. C. Griffin, J. W. Thomas, C. C. Burton, Fonsie Owen, A. C. Cloyce, J. E. Jones, J. F. Jernigan, A. B. Haltom, J. M. Harrison, J. L. Shelby, J. W. Moore, M. N. Johnson, E. L. Boyles, Sam Watson, A. N. Storey, E. E. Stevenson, J. W. Glover, Harold Harger, Raymond Franks, and our present pastor, R. E. Wilson.

Brother Griffin was a native of Alabama, but came to Poinsett County when a small child and was reared near Harrisburg, Arkansas. He was of sturdy pioneer stock among the early settlers of that community. He early entered the

conference in 1875, and for nearly fifty years preached the gospel up and down Crowley's Ridge. The later years of his life were spent in and around Paragould, among friends, who knew, loved and respected him for his sterling worth.

Brother Griffin was in all respects a plain man. There was nothing pretentious about his make-up. Extreme honesty in all relations with mankind featured throughout his entire life. If



REV. A. C. GRIFFIN

he had an enemy of earth, that enemy was placed at the disadvantage of being compelled to nurse his displeasure alone. He knew neither hatred nor envy. In later years of his life, it became somewhat of a habit for young people venturing out into the matrimonial sea to consider the aged minister an absolute necessity, almost as essential as the official license certificate. Many of the substantial citizens of this section were joined together in holy wedlock by Brother Griffin.

Greene County's hills and prairies are dotted with many tombstones which mark the last resting places of friends and acquaintances over whose remains Brother Griffin conducted funeral services, and where he fervently appealed to that God, he seemed to know so well, for mercy and forgiveness. At his going, his friends knew that it was said of him, "Well done thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of thy Lord." His picture occupies a sacred place on the wall of the church.

Many things have come about since the year 1903. From the exterior of this little church, it has changed from a plain white clap-board buliding to a lovely stucco. A two-story wing

has been added, supplying ample Sunday School rooms, a choir and a pastor study. There is also a nice large basement to be used for the recreation program of the church. Lovely evergreens and trees surround the building, making it a spot of beauty for the community to boast. From the interior, we see lovely new pews, rugs and a choir loft. The walls and ceiling are covered with tan and brown celotex, which blends beautifully with the other fixtures. The new walls and ceiling were a donation by one of the oldest and most loyal living members of our church, Mrs. J. P. Robinson.

But we cannot stop at describing the beauty of our church, because there is still more. For from its walls we find there are sacred memories. We have been blessed with God-loving pastors. Each has left valuable works to be remembered. We have a total membership of 325. Many have been saved and learned the way to abundant living through this church. Several men have been licensed to preach. Four of them are: Martin Bierbaum, Robert Arbaugh, Bill Watson and Joel Cooper, all of whom are serving in the active ministry.

Precious memories are in practically all the members' hearts. Some of them go back as far as three generations. In one particular family, a man was converted at the altar of this church. Here he was baptized and pledged his vows as a member. His wife soon followed. They had three children, all of whom were dedicated to Christ and later became members. The father was Sunday School superintendent and was licensed to preach. After giving ten years of active service to the ministry he passed away. His body was brought back to his church for burial rites. In the next year the older son was licensed to preach from the same altar. The daughter married here, a man who had also found his Christ there. They in turn had their child dedicated and last year she became a member. Four years after the death of the father the widowed mother remarried. This man was also a loyal member of the same church and is a nephew of the late Bro. A. C. Griffin. There are numerous other cases in our community.

We have a deep appreciation for them all and what they mean in helping us in our daily living, but we have a deeper appreciation to the man who made them possible. We should like therefore, with a prayer in our hearts, to live up to the things that Bro. Griffin lived for and in his memory, name our little sanctuary, Griffin Memorial. Pray for its success and that its work may be fruitful.

*"Yet she on earth hath union with God the
three in one,
And mystic sweet communion with those
whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace
that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may
dwell with Thee."*

BROOKLAND CHARGE

The Brookland Charge cooperated in a fifth Sunday fellowship and rally day. The four churches on this circuit, Pleasant Grove, Brookland, New Haven and Pine Log, were all well represented. The pastor delivered the morning address after which a fine dinner was served by the women of the church.

The afternoon worship services began with old-time Gospel singing and special singing by the Jonesboro quarter and the Brookland quartet. We were honored to have Rev. Gaither McKelvey of Lake City to bring a very inspiring message. We also had more distinguished visitors, Rev. Robert Montgomery and family.

I want to express my sincere gratitude to the people of this charge for the way they have received us and for the redecoration of the

parsonage. We also wish to thank the good members for the special gifts of furniture and for the one who donated fifty new worship hymnals to Brookland church.—W. L. Diggs, pastor.

CHURCH MEMBERS' QUIZ

If everybody gave no more than I, would the bills of the church be paid?

If everybody attended as regularly as I, would the pews be filled?

If others prayed as little as I, would Christ's kingdom come?

If others supported foreign missions as indifferently as I, would the heathen be saved? Would the home-mission program be pushed if others supported no better than I?

If others worked in the revival as little as I, would lost souls be saved and the gospel preached?—Exchange.

HENDRIX COLLEGE NEWS

Hendrix will return to the four and a half month semester plan this June after having operated for the past year on the twelve week quarter plan. The quarter system was decided upon last spring anticipating that it would enable civilian work to harmonize better with army work, which is organized on the twelve week basis. Since terms for the two groups have not coincided, however, there have been few benefits and therefore the semester plan will be resumed.

A summer session will be held again this year in order to accommodate accelerated educational plans. Twelve semester hours will be obtainable in the ten week term.

* * *

Colonel Blake R. Van Leer of Washington, D. C., chief of the

facilities branch of the army specialized training division, inspected the specialized training unit at Hendrix January 27 and 28. Colonel Van Leer made a comprehensive inspection of both the physical and academic facilities.—Reporter.

TINY MOMENTS

Time is so precious that it is dealt out to us only in the smallest possible fractions—a tiny moment at a time. We cannot live again a moment that has just passed, nor can we live in the moment to come. Just while the pendulum is swinging through the present instant—this the only time of which we are sure, the only time to do our thinking, and our working. Why not make this a perfect moment?—Irish Proverb.

THE DEVOTIONAL PAGE

H. O. BOLIN, Editor

LOVE NEVER FAILETH

A Methodist missionary, recently returned from India, tells this story of his trip: "The ship on which we traveled carried some German prisoners taken in Africa, who were in charge of a British escort. At the beginning of the voyage, the prisoners proved exceedingly haughty and unco-operative. However, as time went on some of the prisoners became ill, the British officers in charge made every effort possible to secure special food for them; some officers purchased milk chocolate from their personal funds to help the sick prisoners; in other ways they showed many kindnesses.

"The night before the ship reached an American port, the German Colonel, the ranking officer of the prisoners, sent word that he and his men wished to speak to certain of the British officers who had been especially kind. When the latter arrived, the Colonel, speaking English, said: 'My men have requested you to come here as they wish to express their appreciation of the very considerate treatment you have shown them during this long voyage. They appreciate the fact that you have exceeded the usual regulations governing prisoners of war. You have secured special food, and even have secured those bars of chocolate at your own expense. My men are, indeed, grateful for your kindnesses, and they wish me to express their appreciation, and I am very happy to do so.'

"The British officers were taken by surprise at this wholly unexpected expression of appreciation. But one of them responded thus: 'I have been a student of music in England, and had long hoped to be able to go to your country and finish my musical education. But the war came and made that impossible. However, at the close of this conflict I hope I shall be able to go to Germany and continue that education. And I hope that I may be able to meet some of you, and take you by the hand, and call you, 'Friend.'"—From The Christian Advocate.

WISE COUNSEL

Somewhere we read the story of two small boys sitting on a fence. A man came along and held out his arms. One of the boys jumped off the fence into the man's arms. A bystander said to the man: "Why did not the other boy jump?" "He is not my boy," replied the man with the boy in his arms.

Our Lord said: "My sheep hear my voice." Peter followed Jesus out on the storm-tossed waters. While he looked at Jesus he went forward; when he looked back at the boat, or down at the water, he began to sink. Don't believe in yourself, believe in Christ. Someone has put the Christian proposal with microscopic brevity when he said: "Decide to be saved; depend to be kept; delight to be used."—Presbyterian.

The worst that we can say of a man is that he has no conscience. On the other hand, when we would express the highest confidence in the moral character of another, we say he is conscientious.—Luther.

ALONG THE WAY

There are so many helpful things to do
Along life's way.
(Helps to the helper, if we did but know),
From day to day.
So many troubled hearts to soothe,
So many pathways rough to smooth,
So many comforting words to say,
To the hearts that falter along the way.

Here is a lamp of hope gone out
Along the way.
Some one stumbled and fell, no doubt—
But, brother, stay!
Out of thy store of oil refill;
Kindle the courage that smoulders still;
Think what Jesus would do today
For one who had fallen beside the way.

How many lifted hands still plead
Along life's way!
The old, sad story of human need
Leads on for aye.
But let us follow the Saviour's plan—
Love unstinted to every man;
Content if at most the world should say:
"He helped his brother along the way!"—Anon.

From "Poems With Power To Strengthen the Soul"

"WORK FOR THE NIGHT IS COMING"

The wise writer of the Book of Ecclesiastes said, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do with all thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest." "James said, 'Show me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works.' And again, 'But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?' Jesus said, 'I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh when no man can work.' That night did come. Just a few hours before His crucifixion, in prayer He said, 'I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do.' On the cross, with His dying breath, He said, 'It is finished.'

All of these passages teach one great truth—that of work. With every truth learned there is a duty to perform. "Without expression, there is no impression." People who know human nature best say, "It is better not to receive an impression to do good, than to receive one and not act upon it." We all know that the gospel either saves or hardens the hearers. The Holy Spirit attempts to lead all believers into paths of service. If they follow, they are greatly strengthened. If they refuse to do so, they are cut off as worthless branches of the vine and cast into the fire of separation from God. In the spiritual realm, as well as the physical and mental, God's edict is, "DO, or DIE."

Jesus spoke of the work which the Father gave Him to do. I like to think that God has given each one a task to perform. Success is not always, or even usually, climbing to the topmost rung of the ladder of world achievements. It is simply finishing the task which God has given one to do. For some ten-talent person that might be the accomplishment of some great feat, but for most of us one-talent people it will be the faithful do-

ing of the little deeds of kindness and helpfulness we find at hand each day. After all a helpful life is made up not of a few big achievements, but of a multiplicity of little things faithfully carried out day by day. People who live like that, will at the end of the way hear the welcome plaudit from Christ, "Well done, good, and faithful servant."

There are so many so-called little things (after all they may be the big ones) which are crying out for attention that we hardly know where to begin. For example, all around us there are people whose hearts are sad. This is nothing new. There have always been and so long as the world continues in its present state, there always will be broken hearted people. But because of the crisis through which we are passing now there is a greater number than is commonly the case. There is a word of cheer which can be spoken and a hand of sympathy which can be extended that will do wonders in helping to bear burdens. Paul said, "Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ." There are burdens that no power other than the nail-scarred hands of Christ can lift and bear, but our interest, sympathy and kindness will often prove a great help in leading others to more fully trust Him.

Then there is the church. How badly people need the church today! Just a kindly invitation from you may lead some one to turn his feet toward the house of God. How small this act seems to be; how easily it may be performed! And yet it may determine just how a person will finish his course on this earth and where he will spend eternity. Do you know of any children, young people, or adults who ought to be in Sunday School? Have you tried to bring them in, even to the extent (where necessary) of dropping by with your car to pick them up?

TIMELY PRAYER

O, Almighty God, the Supreme Governor of all things Whose power no creature is able to resist; We ask Thy guidance for our Government and for our people in this time of trial. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way. Drive from among us all bitterness and racial prejudice, fill our hearts with the spirit of brotherhood, and make us a united people faithful to do Thy Will, through Christ Thy Son, Our Lord. Amen—Prayer authorized for New York Episcopal diocese.

These are just things that people can do from week to week. They seem trivial, but the building of the Kingdom of God on this earth is tied-up with them. We have a terrible delinquency problem just now. Those under the influence of the church are not the participants. The hope of the solution of this problem lies in getting more people under the influence of the church.

On the other hand, there are your talents. God gave them to you to use. He has decreed that if you don't use them, they will be taken away from you. Not only so, but you will be "cast into outer-darkness where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." What are you doing with your talents, burying them in a napkin? You will be called to account for that some day. "We must all appear before the judgement seat of Christ, there to give an account of the deeds done in the body." God has given you a good voice. You should be singing in the choir. Many churches need a stronger choir. You have a knack for meeting strangers and making friends. The church is badly in need of friend-makers. All of us should practice it as far as possible. Many churches are badly in need of Sunday School teachers. Teachers are born, not made. All the training in the world will not make some people successful Sunday School teachers. On the other hand, a person who has the God-given talent for teaching and will become highly trained becomes one of the greatest powers for righteousness in any community or church.

There are many things that people can do for each other, but the most important is that of soul-winning. When you win some one else to Christ you have done for that person the greatest task that one human can do for another. One soul is worth more than all the world, and the value of a righteous life here on this earth is beyond computation. God has set His approval upon such work: "Let Him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins." "And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament: and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever." "When we wake with the blest in those mansions of rest will there be any stars in our crowns?" Work for your opportunities are passing.—H. O. B.

If a man has any religion he must either give it away or give it up.—Bishop Whately.

The Arkansas Methodist

PUBLISHED EVERY THURSDAY
Except the Weeks of July 4 and December 25

SUBSCRIPTION PRICE, \$1.25 PER ANNUM
Retired Ministers and Wives of Deceased Ministers
Complimentary

Office of Publication, 1346 Donaghey Building
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

E. T. WAYLAND.....Editor and Business Manager
ANNIE WINBURN.....Assistant Editor

ASSOCIATE EDITORS { H. O. Bolin Fay McRae
W. P. Whaley Mrs. E. T. Wayland

OWNED, MANAGED AND PUBLISHED BY THE
METHODIST CHURCH IN ARKANSAS
COMMISSIONERS

Little Rock Conference—J. D. Hammons, C. M. Reves,
J. S. M. Cannon, Connor Morehead, J. L. Hoover,
J. L. Longino.

North Arkansas Conference—W. F. Cooley, W. H.
Goodloe, A. W. Martin, C. D. Metcalf, J. G. Moore,
H. F. McDonal, J. A. Wornack.

Entered as second-class matter, January 31, 1908,
at the Post Office at Little Rock, Ark., under the Act
of Congress of March 3, 1879. Acceptance for mailing
at special rate of postage provided for in section 1103,
Act of October 3, 1917, authorized September 12, 1918.



A WEEKLY MESSAGE

By FORNEY HUTCHINSON

AN APPROPRIATE SONG

Rev. A. W. Wasson, now connected with the Methodist Board of Missions in New York City, is one of my dear friends and a Vanderbilt University classmate. We both hail from Arkansas and saw much of each other during our three years in Wesley Hall. He was a student in the University of Arkansas, and with one exception, graduated at the head of his class. The exception was Miss Mabel Sutton, who afterwards became Mrs. A. W. Wasson.

In August, after we graduated in June, he went out under our Board of Missions as a missionary to Korea, where he spent something like twenty-five years of his life. During our University days together, he told me much of his mother and family who lived near Fayetteville, Arkansas.

One summer, while on a short vacation, I found myself near his mother's home and decided to go by and pay her a little visit. Mrs. Reed was a widow with five children. Alfred Wasson was the oldest. I found the mother, two daughters, and two young sons still in the old home. Mrs. Reed met me at the door and when I told her who I was, she received me most graciously for Alfred's sake. Notwithstanding it meant a sacrifice for her, she had sent her oldest son forth on his missionary task with her blessings upon him.

We spent the afternoon most delightfully, looking over the farm and visiting with nearby relatives and friends. In the evening we gathered together in the family sitting room, one of the daughters played an old-fashioned organ, and they all united in singing a number of Christian hymns. The last one they sang impressed me as being peculiarly appropriate.

The chorus consisted of these striking words:

*"We'll girdle the globe with salvation,
With holiness unto the Lord."*

It seemed to me particularly fitting for the circumstances under which it was sung. That family was literally reaching out to the ends of the earth, with a global Gospel.

When I spent my sabbatical leave in 1939 on Mount Sequoyah, I went again to the old Reed homestead. Conditions had changed. One of the sons was running the farm and the mother was sharing the home. However, she was spending much of her time in the far West with the other children.

The homes of our nation today are divided and families are scattered in an effort to girdle the globe with the spirit of the Atlantic Char-

NEWS AND NOTES ABOUT FACTS AND FOLKS

REV. FRED M. HOLLOWAY, son of Mrs. and the late Rev. A. E. Holloway of Morrilton, has entered the Navy Chaplaincy and is now stationed as the Protestant chaplain at the Naval Air Station (Floyd Bennett Field), Brooklyn, N. Y. He had previously finished the Chaplain's School at Williamsburg, Va. Chaplain Holloway is a graduate of Hendrix College, Columbia University and Union Theological Seminary. He is pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Rutherford, N. J. which has given him a leave of absence for the duration.

THE many friends of Dr. John W. Cline in Arkansas are happy to welcome him home and to hear him tell some of his experiences in China where he spent so many years as a missionary. Dr. Cline spoke to a large congregation at the First Methodist Church in Little Rock on January 30. Other honored guests who were seated on the platform with Dr. Cline were Dr. C. M. Reves, Dr. J. D. Hammons, Dr. O. E. Goddard, Dr. W. P. Whaley and Dr. J. M. Workman. Dr. Cline will preach in First Methodist Church, Prescott, Sunday morning, February 27, in answer to repeated requests of Rev. Stanley T. Baugh, pastor, and the congregation.

REV. I. L. CLAUD, our pastor at Booneville, reports that Rev. G. C. Taylor, North Little Rock and Rev. J. W. Glover, Holly Grove, closed a very fine eleven day revival in his church on January 27. He writes: "These brethren make a fine evangelistic team for any preacher who wants consecrated and effective workers in a meeting. In spite of some snow on the ground when the meeting began, the weather was excellent throughout and interest grew each day and the attendance was beyond all expectation. A number were received into the church and the results delighted the pastor and the congregation."

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT on February 6 underscored the significance "To America and to mankind" of this year's observance of Race Relations Sunday on February 13. In a message addressed to the Rt. Rev. Henry St. George Tucker, president of the Federal Council President Roosevelt said: "The unity of the nations fighting for a free world includes men of every color and race. The strength which this nation contributes to that unity depends at home on men of all races who are also all Americans. No institution can be more effective in the creation of the harmonious and warm-hearted relations of men of all races than the Christian churches." Condemning those of our citizens who have "betrayed our cause and damaged the world's respect for our faith by acts of violence and prejudice, bigotry and division, the President declared that such men "require the never-ceasing reiteration of the Christian and American faith in the dignity of all peoples and right of all men to equal treatment in this land and on the earth."

REV. ROBERT L. BEARDEN, JR., pastor at Walnut Ridge, writes: "We are doing some things in the Crusade for A New World Order in the Walnut Ridge church that I think are interesting. Following the Little Rock meeting the local church Peace Committee set up the following program. E. C. Thoroman, the Red Cross Field representative at the Air Base, and a member of our church, is leading a series of discussions on 'What Can the Local Church do to Contribute to a Lasting Peace?' These sessions have been well attended and some vigorous discussions have been held. On the concluding night we will draft letters to our congressmen and senator and to President Roosevelt which will be signed by the more than fifty people who have taken part. Then we will write Christy Cards to our men in the armed forces telling of our convictions in the matter and

ter, but the work will not be perfectly and permanently done until the globe is girdled with the Gospel of Christ. May God speed the day. Mother Reed has done her part. A rich reward awaits her.

expressing our concern for them. I used the suggested sermon topics at the Sunday morning hour during January and a Sunday evening was given to a presentation of conclusions reached in the discussion."

100,000 METHODIST IN CENTRAL AFRICA

According to recent figures compiled in Africa, the Methodist Church serving in that land has more than 100,000 members and as many more students in church schools and in probationary classes in the Belgian Congo, Southern Rhodesia, Angola, Mozambique, and in the Johannesburg area of South Africa. These are in addition to members enrolled under British Methodist missions. Under the leadership of Bishop John M. Springer, episcopal head of Methodist work in central Africa, plans are under way to establish a theological school for the training of African pastors for all Africa, and for the formation of an "African Missionary Society" that will extend Methodist missionary activity to "unoccupied territory," near present conferences, where there are now no missionaries.

HE PAID GOD FIRST

A. A. Hyde, a millionaire manufacturer says he began tithing when he was one hundred thousand dollars in debt. Mr. Hyde says he argued with that thought until one day it flashed upon him that God was his first creditor. Then he began paying God first, and all the other creditors were eventually paid in full.

If a man owed you money it would be wise business policy on your part to encourage him to pay God first.—The Sunday School Times.

THINK HIGH THOUGHTS

Keep your mind on the great and splendid things you would like to do and then, as the days go gliding by, you will find yourself unconsciously seizing the opportunities that are required for the fulfillment of your desire. Picture in your mind the able, earnest, useful person you desire to be, and the thought you hold is hourly transforming you into that particular individual you so admire.—Elbert Hubbard.

EXAMPLE—TO YOUTH

The younger generation's great mistake is that it has learned things too readily from the older—N. Y. World-Telegram.

The grandson of a distinguished Methodist bishop has just been appointed to fill the Phillips chair of Religion at Dartmouth College. The new incumbent is Dr. Earl Cranston III, until recently on the faculty of the University of Redlands. Prof. Cranston was for a time a missionary in China under the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church. His father, Earl Cranston II, was one-time Federal district attorney for Colorado, his grandfather the late Bishop Earl Cranston whose episcopal residences were Washington, D. C. and Portland, Ore.

The world is divided into two classes, those who go ahead and do something, and those who sit still and inquire, "Why wasn't it done the other way?"—O. W. Holmes.

AN APPRECIATION

(Continued from page one)

While complimentary statements about the paper, whether written or by word of the mouth, are not published, we want our personal friends and all friends of the paper to know that, like them, we like to be liked, and we are especially happy if we know that the Arkansas Methodist is appreciated by them.

FOR WORKERS WITH CHILDREN

FAY McRAE, Editor, 723 Center, Little Rock

ART AND CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

*I thank Thee, Lord, for loveliness
like glory manifest;
For color and for melody, for vale
and mountain crest;
I thank Thee, Lord, for loveliness
like treasure hidden deep,
For memories of word and deed
the human heart may keep.
But with the gladness of all, my
praise to Thee I sing,
That I have found Thee at the
heart of every lovely thing.*

A good artist helps us to find meaning and color where before there may seem to be only confusion and despair. The greater the artist the greater his message and the more skillfully he is able to portray it by line and color. As Christian educators we seek to know the great artists who enrich us by their insights into the meaning of life. Our emotions are stirred, our thinking is deepened and broadened. As we see life with them we come nearer to the heart of the universe—God. This we need if we are to be worthy leaders of children.

Is it possible for children to have these creative experiences as well? Yes, if we discover those artists who speak the language of childhood. All the writers of our department manuals have suggested pictures which are appropriate for children of the various ages. Efforts have been made to discover the availability of these pictures today. In war-time the picture supply is low. Most pictures may be in small sizes.

Sources of supply for pictures referred to in the lesson material:

The Methodist Publishing House, Dallas, Texas.

Art Education Inc., 6 East 34th Street, New York City.

Artext Prints Inc., Westport, Conn.

Edward Gross, 118-120 E. 16th Street, New York City.

Hale, Cushman & Flint, Boylston St., Boston, Mass.

Perry Picture Co., Malden, Mass.

Rudolf-Lesch Fine Arts, 225 Fifth Ave., New York City.

St. Phillip Society, West Stockbridge, Mass.

The House of Art, 33 W. 34th St., New York City.

The National Gallery of Art, Washington, D. C.

The following are ways of using pictures with children which may lead to worship:

1. Pictures may be enjoyed, enjoyment and appreciation of a picture may be increased by:

1. Enthusiasm of the teacher.

2. Direct contact with what is to be appreciated.

3. The critical attitude in abeyance.

4. Time to luxuriate in the appreciation. Feeling of rush and strain prevents appreciation. Appreciation is an end in itself—enjoyed for its own sake. Extensive leisure is not necessary.

5. Atmosphere of appreciation in the group. "If a Church School is to help its pupils to appreciate good music, literature, art, worship, and service, it must provide these things."

6. Creative expression.

II. Pictures may be studied,—picture study may be the basis of conversation and discussion, may stim-

"No reason can be asked or given why the soul seeks beauty. Beauty in its largest and profoundest sense is one expression of the universe. God is the All-Fair. Truth and goodness and beauty are but different faces of the same All."—Emerson.

ulate, guide or climax an activity which includes worship.

1. Pictures may be studied to discover the artist's message. New values and meanings may come out of a study. Tom Curr's "Follow Me" is an illustration. It does not picture a historical fact but an idea. No one has ever seen Jesus walking toward a modern industrial city with the children of various races as His hiking companions. The artist is picturing an idea—an idea of goodwill and friendship for all children who know Him as their companion.

2. Pictures help one to visualize. Copping, Hole, Tissot, Wood and others are especially helpful in this way as they studied in Palestine and are able to visualize Bible customs and background in their pictures.

III. Pictures may tell a story or suggest a mood, thought or feeling. A picture may be used in a worship center because it can tell a story or speak a message without words. These silent messages may have as much place in guiding one's experience of worship as a spoken suggestion or sermon.

A picture properly displayed and lighted may create an atmosphere which is conducive to thought, feeling and worship.

IV. There are many other creative ways of using pictures.

1. Pictures may be combined with the other fine arts. Pictures, music and poetry fittingly combined have emotional power. It is a joy to creatively combine and use them this way, an experience in which both teacher and children may participate.

2. Pictures may aid in dramatization,—they may stimulate creative dramatics, or may suggest characters, scenes, settings, costumes or may result in living picturization.

3. Pictures may be used to illustrate:—one junior group enjoyed Feruzzi's "Madonna of the Street" on a hymn chart illustrating "For the joy of human love brother, sister, parent, child."

Tarrant's "Lord of Joy" is another way of saying Jesus is the friend of children.

Taylor's "When I Consider Thy Heavens" stimulates wonder and awe.—(Psalms 8).

4. Pictures inspire and are sometimes used in such activities as making movies, friezes, charts, posters, scrapbooks, dioramas etc.

5. Memorization may be motivated, made easier and more lasting when pictures are used.

(The above is selected from a bulletin issued by the Department of Children's Work of the Methodist Board of Education.)

"God is at the heart of every lovely and beautiful thing. Can we find Him also at the heart of life—wherever there are people—however, needy, wherever their struggles, their sins and their aspirations? It is both a comfort and a challenge to remember "The best of all is—God is with us."

PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS FOR WAYS OF DISPLAYING AND KEEPING PICTURES

(The following suggestions are gathered from observation made in various churches during institutes or other visits).

At Sparkman a mat was cut from appropriate wall paper selected from a sample book of wall paper. A space was cut the size of the pictures from THE BIBLE PICTURE ROLL, about a four inch margin, and the whole so mounted on heavy cardboard that the chosen picture could be slipped in. We also found here selected pictures of the life of Christ, which had been treated for transparencies so they could be placed on the windows, telling the life story.

At Winfield, a portfolio was made of heavy, waste, cardboard large enough to accommodate the largest sized picture they have. The four sides were provided with shoestrings tied to each of the covers and reinforced so that pictures placed between could not move. On the outside of the folio were typed the names and artist of the pictures. All departments of the church have these available for use and are checked in and out as are library books.

At Arkadelphia and several other places, a rack made of wood for holding a framed or mounted picture . . . the Vacation Church School is a splendid time for making such a rack.

A THOUGHT FOR TODAY

A poor workman always blames his tools. When all goes well he claims the credit. "Look what I did!" he boasts. "Had it not been for MY suggestion . . . MY leadership . . . ME . . .". But when the tide turns and misfortune is his lot—when his best efforts result in failure—the trouble is always elsewhere. The axe was dull. The rules were unfair. Competitors were dishonest. The boss showed favoritism. The firm or the public could not appreciate his interlocking worth.

In contrast, is the workman whose main concern is not to inflate his ego by excusing himself, but to locate the trouble wherever it may be found. He is not afraid to face his own limitations; to recognize his mistakes. But when he does, instead of excusing them, he corrects them. In so doing there soon comes to him that degree of success that his more unfortunate brother calls "luck."—G. S. R.—Va. Me. Advocate.

"In seeing or hearing the beautiful, there is sometimes an almost unconscious realization of the presence of God . . . We tend to become that which we admire."—Blashfield.

MUSIC IN THE RELIGIOUS GROWTH OF CHILDREN

Elizabeth Shields

A book review by Mrs. Ruth H. Gray

In recent years a sincere study of the materials of religious education has included music and the great opportunities it affords for worth-while learning experiences of childhood. A book which makes a unique contribution in the field is *Music in the Religious Growth of Children* by Elizabeth M. Shields. To those teachers who are becoming increasingly aware that through music the religious concepts of children may be enriched and developed the book is most welcome, and while the major part of the book is engaged in discussing ways in which skilled teachers are using their knowledge of children's musical interests, capacities, and needs, parents who wish to give their children a rich musical and religious foundation will find guidance in the use of music in family worship and grace at table, the use of phonograph records and the radio, and how they may participate in church festivals and special days.

The author clearly shows how material, method and purpose are inseparable and that teaching is no longer done by compartments. Over and over the intergration of music with the real experiences of children is emphasized. For that reason no attempt is made to provide set programs or to formulate rigid methods of procedure.

The book is informal in treatment. With the needs of particular children kept in the forefront of the reader's thinking sound principles and practical methods are set forth.

Miss Shields first directs the attention of leaders to the value of careful and intelligent selecting of songs to be used. Then we are led to a consideration of the guiding principles that help in choosing ways and methods of teaching songs or as the writer so aptly expresses it in a terse phrase, "Using a song is teaching." How to vitalize Bible stories and verses through music, how a very real connection between children's music and their worship experiences may be brought about, how music may be woven into the life fabric of all the child's church school activities even to the extent of the child's creating his own music, are dealt with in a most interesting manner.

Numerous songs and fragments of songs are presented as illustrations of how particular songs can contribute to definite ends in the child's religious experience. Worship programs of various types are discussed and several finished rituals are offered as patterns from which leaders may develop programs to meet the needs of their own children.

While the book may serve as material for the individual use of a teacher, it should serve a better purpose as a source book in group conferences and training classes, departmental meetings, where any contribution it may make to a better use of music in the religious education of children will be enriched by discussion.

THE CHILDREN'S PAGE

ANNIE WINBURNE, Editor



IN STORYLAND

THE ST. VALENTINE WIND

Ruth had quarreled with Rosalie for the first time since they had been play-mates. And now St. Valentine's Day was coming, and she could not send her the valentine that she had bought so joyfully only a few days before.

"I don't care," Ruth said as she put her other valentines into envelopes. But she knew that she did care a great deal. She sat and gazed at the valentine that had been intended for Rosalie. What should she do with it?

"I know what I'll do," she decided. "I'll just take it with me when I go out to carry the other valentines, and perhaps I shall think of some one to give it to."

She and Rosalie had always carried valentines round together, and she felt queer and lonesome now as she started off alone. It would not be nearly so much fun, she knew, to ring bells all by herself and then run and hide. She gave a deep sigh.

As she passed Rosalie's house she looked toward it out of the corner of her eye. Was Rosalie there, or was she, too, going forlornly round alone, carrying valentines?

By the time Ruth had finished running up and down the village streets, slipping her valentines under doors and ringing bells, she was quite out of breath. There was only one valentine left—the one that had been intended for Rosalie.

"I suppose I might just as well take it home," Ruth said sorrowfully.

The second time she passed Rosalie's house she tried to go by, but somehow her feet lagged. What would happen if she ran up the walk and rang the bell? Would the door fly open, she wondered, and some one shout, "Valentine! I caught you!"

Ruth hesitated a moment; then, as she started to walk on again, something unexpected happened. The wind which as night fell had been blowing harder and harder, came swirling suddenly round the corner of the house and snatched the envelope from her hand. Away it went high into the air, whirling and circling. It flew straight over the fence and into the yard of Rosalie's house. Up, up into the air it went, then down again it fluttered and landed right at Rosalie's door!

Ruth was so astonished that she stood stock-still in surprise. Then she pushed the gate open quickly. She must get back that envelope, and in a hurry, too!

There it lay right on the doorstep. Somehow it seemed to be just the right place, but it must not stay here.

As she stooped to snatch it up the door flew open. "Valentine!" a voice cried joyfully. "I caught you!" Some one seized her and drew her into the hall. It was Rosalie.

"I saw you pass," Rosalie said, "and I hid behind the curtain and watched. How I hoped you had



MY VALENTINE

I want to send a Valentine
To someone 'specially nice,
And since I can't make up my mind
I'll ask for your advice.

My money won't go very far
And there's Dad and baby brother,
Do you think they would mind a lot
If I sent it to Mother?—A. E. W.

brought a valentine for me! Then when you came into the yard I knew you had."

"But I hadn't," Ruth said, though she did not want to say it. "That is, I had a valentine for you, but I wasn't going to give it to you. The wind snatched it out of my hand."

"There!" said Rosalie, laughing. "I had a valentine for you, too, and I couldn't make up my mind what to do with it. I'm glad the wind was blowing tonight!"

The next minute Ruth was running home to ask if she might stay to supper at Rosalie's house. When she came back the wind was roaring down the chimneys and rattling the windows.

"Blow, wind," said Ruth. "We don't mind."

"Yes, blow, echoed Rosalie. "You are just a St. Valentine wind—full of fun."—Irene S. Woodcock, in The Youth's Companion.

WE SHARE EXPERIENCES

Dear Girls and Boys:

I hope we will have room for all our letters this week, but if we do not, we will use them next week. We are so glad to hear from Barbara who lives in North Carolina. Let's have more letters from girls and boys who live in other states. We are glad to hear from our other friends whose letters we are running this week.—Children's Page Editor.

Yellville, Ark.
January 25, 1944

Dear Boys and Girls:

I am a little girl nine years old and in the Fourth Grade. I go to Sunday School every Sunday. My teacher's name is Mrs. Atkinson. We love her very much. She has taught us the names of the twelve disciples. I like to read the Arkansas Methodist, especially the Children's Page.—Your little friend, Anna Sue Ott.

Monticello, Ark.
January 29, 1944

Dear Boys and Girls:

I am a girl twelve years old. I am in the Seventh Grade. My teacher's name is Mr. Harry Allison. I like him very much. I go to Sunday School at Wills Chapel. My Sunday School teacher is Miss Connie Doss. Our pastor is Rev. M. F. Scott. I like him very much.

I have four sisters and two brothers. My oldest brother is in the Navy. His name Leslie Fortner. I am very proud of him.—Your friend, Alice Fortner.

New Bern, N. C.
January 31, 1944

Dear Boys and Girls:

I am a girl twelve years old. I am in the Sixth Grade at school and my teacher's name is Mrs. C. Turner. I like her very much.

My grandmother, Mrs. J. L. Russell lived in Arkansas so when she came to live with us she continued her subscription.

I go to Sunday School and church at Centenary Methodist Church. My daddy is the pastor of this church.—Your friend, Barbara Russell.

Blytheville, Ark.
Rt. 1, Box 622.

Dear Boys and Girls:

I am a little girl eight years old. I am in the Third Grade. My teacher is Miss Rowell.

I have a baby sister five months old. I also have four brothers.

We take the Arkansas Methodist and I enjoy the Children's Page very much.—Your friend, Ann Glass.

Aunt (entertaining small nephew at tea): "You've forgotten to wash your hands, Bobby."

Bobby: "Oh, I thought it didn't make much difference, seeing that we're having dark bread."—Selected.

"I'm in an awful predicament."

"What's the trouble?"

"I've lost my glasses and I can't look for them until I've found them again."

JUST FOR FUN

Betty—What are you so unhappy about?

Henry—I bought this shoe polish with my last dime and on the can it says: "To open insert coin."

Voice on phone: "Willie Jones will not be at school today."

Teacher: "Who is this speaking?"

Voice on phone: "This is my brother speaking."

Tommy, a small boy on whose skin the summer breezes and sun had brought out much pigment, was talking, to a neighbor, when the latter inquired:

"How did you get so many freckles, Tommy?"

"They ain't freckles," Tommy replied. "I've been goin' swimmin' every day and them spots are just my iron constitution rustin' on me."

Wednesday For Half A Million

The Week of Dedication and the Church School

By J. Q. SCHISLER

This is not the "year that King Uzziah died." Nevertheless Isaiah really started something. And in 1944 many people still are saying, "Here am I, send me."

Of course this disturbs the cynics no little. By their rules, a moment, or an hour, or a week of dedication is silly. Because people don't act that way any more. All that business of being "lifted up" in the Temple, and hearing voices, and seeing celestial beings, and being stricken with a deep sense of obligation to serve—all that belongs back in the Old Testament where it is embalmed.

But the common people, knowing little about the cynics and caring less, go right on being greatly moved when God's voice gets through to them asking, "Whom shall I send and who will go for us?" And a great many of us who are plain, common people are still responding.

So the Church School, along with other agencies in our church, announces with great faith and great hope, the Week of Dedication for 1944. Its dates are February 27 to March 5. The special day of the Church School is Wednesday, March 1. It is the time when the Church School officers and teachers in every Methodist Church in this nation are urged to meet their pastor at the altar of the church in dedication.

At the outset it should be recognized for what it is. This time of dedication is expected to inspire people to give valuable things to Christ. It is not expected to be just a ritual, with candles and soft music. After it is over the people are not expected to be like they were before, returning home unaffected as though coming from a movie. The valuable things they are expected to give Christ are themselves and their money. How much of each? Well, you answer that.

People are needed to help proclaim the Good News of Christ through lips and lives. Money, lots of money, is needed to feed the starving and clothe and house the homeless; to bring to millions in war-wrecked places some little opportunity to live and be happy again; to carry Christian teaching to people into whose lives only bitterness and hatred have been flowing. We should recognize the Week of Dedication for what it is. It will certainly cost us something if we respond to it. An offering will be taken, with plenty of encouragement to make the amount large. And personal time will be asked for, with pleas to make it significant

for the rendering of service. And a new earnestness of devotion will be inspired, which could change us all into better workmen for our Master. The Week of Dedication will be costly.

Yes, say the cynics, that's just what we thought. All the church knows these days is to croak, "Gimme, gimme, gimme."

Fortunately for the world, the church still is saying (just as its Lord said), "Whosoever would save his life, shall lose it." "What shall it profit a man if he gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" Its message still is "Give, give give." Give yourself and give your means to help bring Christ's Kingdom to the earth. That is what the Week of Dedication is saying.

More than half a million men and women are now serving as Sunday School teachers and officers and leaders in our church schools. If in Jesus' time twelve men could turn the world upside down, what marvelous things are to be expected from more than half a million? But somehow, the arithmetic does not work out. And yet it could. It could if there were dedication earnest enough.

Wednesday of the Week of Dedication is for the church school. And on that day our services at the church will point all of us who work in the church school to two specific things: (1) Reach with Christian teaching the unreached people in the community, and (2) lead all pupils who are not real followers of Christ, to Him and to church membership. One wonders how many of the more than half million will dedicate themselves to these noble purposes. Probably the Master is wondering, too.

Throughout the whole week the offerings, too, will be dedicated. All will go for relieving human suffering and extending Christ's way among the peoples of earth. For these purposes, 50 percent will be entrusted to the Foreign Division of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, and to Overseas Relief. The other 50 percent will be entrusted for these purposes to the Board of Education, the Home Division of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, the Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains, the Crusade for a New World Order, and to Upper Room.

We will dedicate our week to the Week of Dedication and let Christ's spirit lead us. Many anxious, suffering people await our decisions.

bachelor-preacher happy amid the scenes of his childhood. He is living in the ante-bellum home which his preacher-father bought from Bishop Paine, and where the family of six brothers grew up. The Government had taken all but eight acres of the land on which to build the great Kennedy General Hospital with its more than 3000 beds where our wounded soldiers from overseas are brought for treatment. Bro. Barton had recently spent weeks in our hospital recovering from a fractured leg. He reads the Arkansas Methodist, of course, and his only complaint was that the Conference secretary does not send him a Journal and that he does not get

the Methodist in time to use Dr. Whaley's comments on the Sunday School lessons in his lesson preparation for his Sunday School.

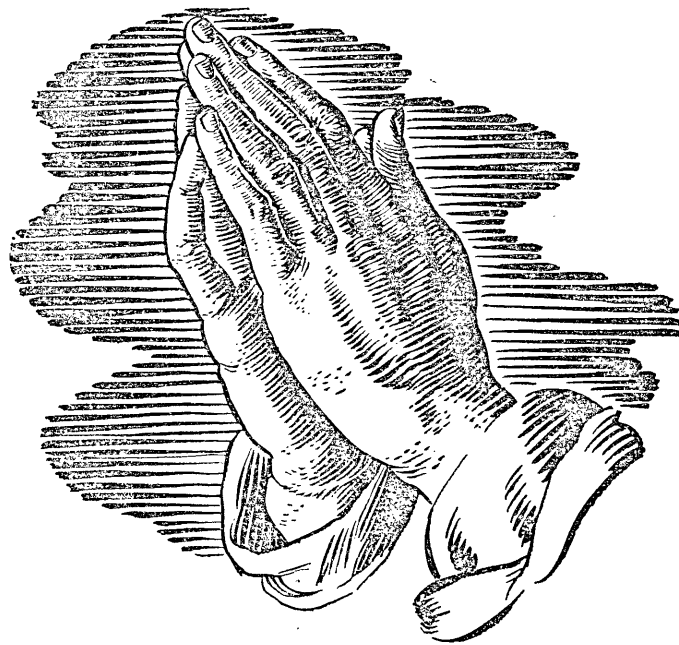
Our attachment and friendship began 33 years ago when Bro. Glass, the then presiding elder of Conway District, asked me to supply at Atkins two months while Dr. Barton took a vacation. Bro. Barton's last charge in our conference was Leslie.

On January 27 Dr. Hedden, the superintendent, kindly invited me to sit in on the annual meeting of the hospital board and take lunch with them. It was a revelation and an inspiration to hear the reports and to know first hand how this

wonderful institution, which our church owns, is operated.

More than 12,000 patients were admitted in 1943, many of them in charity. More than two thousand babies were born there. The plant, with the Memphis Ear, Eye, and Nose Clinic, recently acquired, is valued at more than \$2,000,000. And the debt is being retired at a rapid rate. It is truly, as the motto on the doors reads, a "Haven of Health."

Blessed is any weight, however, overwhelming, which God has been so good as to fasten with His own hand upon our shoulders.—F. W. Faber.



WE DEDICATE OURSELVES

THE WEEK OF DEDICATION is fundamentally an endeavor to awaken in our Methodism a deeper sense of relationship to God. It ought to be made in a very real sense an occasion for renewal of vows and a rededication to the great task of world redemption. A world at its worst calls for a church at its best.

THE WEEK OF DEDICATION is a call to re-establish ourselves in the joys and verities of the Christian faith. It is a time when special care should be given to our private devotions and prayer life; when families should assemble for family worship; when we should diligently seek to know the Lord Jesus Christ as a personal presence.

The observance of the **WEEK OF DEDICATION** will conclude with a free-will sacrificial offering on Sunday, March 5, to meet emergency needs for which no provision has been made in the regular World Service giving of the Church. But let us make this no evasive substitute, costing only a few dollars out of our abundant surplus, for dedicated lives and devoted wills ready to be spent in His service.

((With what will we come before the Lord on this day?
With dollars and cents only, or with ourselves laid once
more upon the altar and cleansed for service in a new world
that awaits the power of redeemed men and women?))

WAITING AROUND THE HOSPITAL

By H. Lynn Wade

Noticing the nice write-up by J. W. Beard concerning our dear Bro. E. N. Bickley who is now in Florida, it occurred to me that many folks would be interested in some more of our "forgotten men." So I am telling about a visit I made to the home of Bro. George M. Barton of Buntyn, Tenn., R. F. D. No. 5.

While waiting around the Methodist Hospital while wife was ill there, I with Bro. E. N. Storey and Bro. McKee of Bruce, Miss., went to the home of Bro. Barton. Living alone we found the 84-year old

WEEK OF DEDICATION
February 27-March 5, 1944
A DEDICATION OF SELF, SERVICE, SUBSTANCE

The Arkansas Methodist Circulation Campaign

REPORT NO. 3—THROUGH SATURDAY, FEB. 5, 1944

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT—Quota 1286

	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Arkadelphia	16	59	15	90
Arkadelphia Ct.	12	66	3	81
Benton	3	3	3	9
Benton Ct.	10	24	3	37
Carthage-Tuliy	3	6	3	12
Delark Ct.	15	10	6	31
Friendship Ct.	7	9	1	17
Holly Springs	16	84	100	100
Hot Springs First Church	41	18	4	63
Grand Avenue	21	23	1	45
Oaklawn	11	14	2	27
Pullman Heights	2	1	3	6
Tigert Memorial	3	11	14	28
Keith Memorial	13	15	28	56
Leola Ct.	22	62	3	87
Malvern	5	1	6	12
Pearcy Ct.	10	21	1	32
Princeton Ct.	12	33	1	46
Sparkman-Sardis	14	10	4	28
Traskwood Ct.				

CAMDEN DISTRICT—Quota 1731

	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Bearden	4	17	6	27
Camden First Church	44	136	6	186
Fairview	14	33	47	94
Chidester	21	48	14	83
Ebenezer Ct.	10	4	14	28
El Dorado First Church	24	101	1	125
Vantrease Memorial	28	31	1	60
Centennial	9	23	32	64
Emerson Ct.	6	6	12	24
Fordyce	10	44	54	108
Hampton Ct.	9	19	28	56
Huttig	3	22	25	50
Junction City Ct.	13	33	46	92
Louann Ct.	14	24	38	76
Magnolia First Church	34	48	82	164
Jackson Street	15	47	2	64
Norplot	6	34	40	80
Parker's Chapel	8	35	44	87
Smackover	14	48	62	124
Stephens	27	8	35	70
Strong	10	22	32	64
Thornton	8	34	42	84
Waldo				

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT—Quota 3500

	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Austin Ct.	2	11	2	15
Bauxite-Sardis	5	12	17	34
Bryant Ct.	19	10	3	32
Carlisle	15	28	1	44
Carlisle Ct.	3	5	8	16
Des Arc-New Bethel	3	23	26	32
Douglasville-Geyer Springs	11	24	1	36
England	5	31	32	68
Hazen	12	18	2	32
Hickory Plains	3	4	7	14
Keo-Tomberlin	8	11	19	38
Little Rock First Church	1200		1200	1200
Asbury	19	38	57	114
Capitol View	19	36	55	110
Chenault	4	1	5	10
Forest Park	8	17	26	51
Henderson	1	1	1	3
Highland	13	44	57	114
Hunter Memorial	8	14	22	44
Pulaski Heights	10	68	78	156
Scott Street	12	24	36	72
Twenty-Eight St.	15	24	40	79
Winfield Memorial	1000		1000	1000
Lonoke	13	25	38	76
Mabelvale	30		30	30

MONTICELLO DISTRICT—Quota 905

	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Arkansas City	4	14	2	20
Crossett	16	43	5	64
Dermott	17	41	58	116
Drew Ct.	9	23	34	66
Dumas	18	53	71	142
Eudora	2	28	36	66
Fountain Hill Ct.	2	13	15	30
Hamburg	10	30	40	80
Hermitage Ct.	8	15	23	46
Lake Village	11	26	37	74
McGehee	12	54	72	138
Monticello	30	47	77	154
New Edinburg Ct.	11	27	40	78
Palestine-Sumpter	6	4	10	20
Portland-Parkdale	4	28	32	64
Tillar-Winchester	11	60	77	148
Warren	40	146	186	372
Watson-Kelso	27	15	4	46
Wilmar Ct.	1	3	4	8
Wilmot-Miller's Chapel	9	17	26	52

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT—Quota 1276

	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Almyra	6	14	20	40
Altheimer-Wabbaseka	36	39	75	150
Bayou Meto Ct.	17	22	39	78
Bethel-Redfield	10	2	2	14
Dewitt	10	37	63	110
Gillett	10	32	42	84
Grady-Gould	17	28	45	90
Little Prairie	21	17	38	76
Pine Bluff First Church	13	69	82	164
Carr Memorial	42	48	90	180
Hawley Memorial	18	24	42	84
Lakeside	32	45	77	154
Pine Bluff Ct.	6	7	13	26
Rison	10	32	42	84
Roe Ct.	11	15	26	52
Rowell Ct.	7	60	67	134
Sheridan-New Hope	15	26	41	82
Sheridan Ct.	1	1	1	3
Sherrill-Tucker	1	16	17	34
St. Charles Ct.	2	10	12	24
Star City	8	19	27	54
Stuttgart First Church	14	41	55	110
Grand Avenue	30	30	60	120
Swan Lake	14	7	21	42

* Indicates that Charge has reached quota.
 ** Indicates that Charge has exceeded quota.
 *** Before Charge indicates that Charge has more than doubled its quota.



PRESCOTT DISTRICT—Quota 956

	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Antoine Ct.	7	18	25	50
Amity Ct.	23	3	23	49
Bingen Ct.	9	35	44	88
Blevins Ct.	1	15	17	33
Center Point	3	10	13	26
Dierks-Umpire	17	48	70	135
Emmett Ct.	5	15	21	41
Forester	5	53	58	116
Gurdon	5	9	14	28
Glenwood Ct.	27	70	101	198
Hope	15	38	56	109
Mineral Springs	10	25	35	70
Mt. Ida	34	69	104	207
Murreesboro-Delight	7	24	31	62
Nashville	22	14	36	72
Okolona	13	58	71	142
Prescott	2	3	5	10
Prescott Ct.	39	12	51	102
Springhill Ct.	16	13	32	61
Washington Ct.				

TEXARKANA DISTRICT—Quota 1,029

	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Ashdown	17	43	60	120
Buckner Ct.	19	18	37	74
Cherry Hill Ct.	3	3	6	12
DeQueen	13	38	51	102
Doddridge Ct.	7	20	28	55
Foreman	2	36	39	77
Foreman Ct.	2	1	3	6
Fourk Ct.	5	11	16	32
Hatfield	13	11	24	48
Horatio Ct.	21	16	37	74
Lewisville-Bradley	15	48	63	126
Locksburg Ct.	10	21	32	63
Mena	15	62	77	154
Richmond Ct.	19	12	33	64
Stamps	5	41	46	92
Taylor Ct.	10	15	25	50
Texarkana First Church	58	103	160	321
College Hill	5	17	22	44
Fairview	5	33	39	77
Texarkana Ct.	9	8	20	37
Winthrop Ct.	8	9	17	34

BATESVILLE DISTRICT—Quota 946

	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Ash Flat Ct.	4	4	3	11
Batesville: 1st Church	36	144	180	360
Central Avenue	13	57	70	140
Bethesda-Cushman	8	18	26	52
Calico Rock-Norfolk	2	18	20	40
Cave City-Powell	25	16	41	82
Cave City Ct.	4	16	20	40
Charlotte Ct.	10	8	18	36
Cotter-Gassville	5	15	20	40
Desha Ct.	9	14	23	46
Elmo-Oil Trough	6	8	14	28
Evening Shade Ct.	6	10	16	32
Melbourne Ct.	11	32	43	86
Morefield-Sulphur Rock	13	18	31	62
Mountain Home	5	23	28	56
Newark	6	25	31	62
Newport First Church	6	31	37	74
Umsted Memorial	11	37	48	96
Pleasant Plains Ct.	10	27	37	74
Salem	9	18	27	54
Swift-Alicia	7	24	31	62
Tuckerman	6	22	28	56
Viola Ct.	7	6	13	26
Weldon-Tupelo	2	18	20	40
Yellville	1	1	1	3

CONWAY DISTRICT—Quota 1324

	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Atkins	6	22	32	60
Belleville-Havana	6	16	27	49
Cato-Bethel	4	16	21	41
Danville	13	24	38	75
Dardanelle	11	20	31	62
Gravelly Ct.	2	29	31	62
Greenbrier Ct.	11	10	21	42
Lamar-Knoxville	10	23	33	66
Levy	17	74	100	191
Morrilton First Church	7	8	15	30
Circuit No. 1	1	1	2	4
Morrilton Ct. 2	2	2	4	8
Naylor Ct.	2	2	4	8
North Little Rock First Church	24	67	95	186
Gardner Memorial	18	86	104	218

	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Washington Ave.	16	29	46	91
Ola Ct.	9	4	1	14
Oppelo	2	10	1	13
Perry-Perryville	8	17	25	50
Plainview Ct.	20	8	31	59
Plummerville	6	10	16	32
Pottsville	3	10	13	26
Russellville	41	49	90	180
Vilonia Ct.	15	4	19	38

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT—Quota 967

	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Alpena Pass Ct.	1	3	5	9
Berryville	7	8	15	30
Centeron Ct.	1	1	2	4
Cincinnati Ct.	6	38	53	97
Elm Springs	15	10	25	50
Eureka Springs	4	10	14	28
Farmington-Goshen	3	5	8	16
Fayetteville First Church	51	29	80	160
Fayetteville, Bethel	6	3	9	18
Gentry	8	13	22	43
Gravette-Decatur	9	23	32	64
Green Forest	22	8	30	60
Huntsville Ct.	4	7	11	22
Lincoln	13	9	22	44
Monte Ne Ct.	1	4	5	10
Pea Ridge Ct.	5	13	20	38
Pea Ridge	49	33	82	164
Prairie Grove	4	22	26	52
Rogers	15	13	28	56
Siloam Springs	27	23	50	100
Springdale	11	10	21	42
Springtown-Highfill	7	15	22	44
Sulphur Springs	10	3	14	27
Viney Grove	3	1	4	8
Winslow-Elkins				

FORT SMITH DISTRICT—Quota 1648

	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Alma	15	20	35	70
Altus	10	10	20	40
Booneville	16	52	68	136
Branch Ct.	10	18	28	56
Charleston	4	15	19	38
Clarksville	12	80	92	184
Clarksville First Church	15	18	33	66
Goddard Memorial	32	36	68	136
Grand Ave.	1	4	5	10
Massard	34	49	83	162
Midland Heights	9	14	23	46
Second Church	11	24	35	70
South Ft. Smith	22	21	43	86
Greenwood	9	9	18	36
Hackett	4	13	17	34
Hartford	8	20	28	56
Hartman	2	10	12	24
Huntington-Pine	6	6	12	24
Kilber-City Heights	5	7	12	24
Lavaca Ct.	3	8	11	22
Magazine Ct.	3	17	20	40
Mansfield	3	13	16	32
Mulberry	24	14	38	76
Ozark	7	3	10	20
Paris	11	23	34	68
Prairie View	11	23	34	68
Van Buren: 1st Church	4	12	16	32
Van Buren-New Hope	3	6	9	18
Vesta-Union	7	10	17	34
Waldron	9	13	22	44
Waldron Ct.				

HELENA DISTRICT—Quota 1079

With The Churches

SWAN LAKE CHARGE

Our circulation campaign ended with 22 percent of our quota, two-thirds of which were new subscriptions.

The people here are showing us how to put World Service into effect. The name of the church, painted by one of our number, can now be seen on the front of the church.

At a called meeting of the official board on January 16, we elected a chairman and vice chairman who can get things done.

In our goals and objectives we listed a need of fuel, a need of water, a need of some repair about the grounds, a hundred dollar bond to be bought and the most effectual way to carry on a visitation campaign for the sake of evangelism and finance.

We now have wood that was donated, the hauling of which was donated, a new pump, the money waiting for a bond to be bought and visitors at church on World Service Sunday who left \$10 in the plate.—Robert L. Riggins, pastor.

OPEN HOUSE AT BALD KNOB

Rev. and Mrs. Harold D. Womack recently had the pleasure of holding open house at the new Bald Knob parsonage. About fifty guests called during the evening.

The dining table, which was covered with a beautiful lace cloth and centered with a bouquet of carnations, was presided over by Mrs. O. H. Chrisp, Mrs. J. K. Jamieson and Mrs. Edgar Williams of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, who assisted in serving coffee, open faced sandwiches, cookies and mints.

During the evening, guests enjoyed several musical numbers including a vocal solo "Home, Sweet Home" by Mrs. Henry Ladd, a piano solo by Miss Cecil Crenshaw and group singing.—Reporter.

A CORRECTION

My attention has been called to an error in the Journal as regards the Sustentation Fund. Rev. F. A. Lark of Judsonia was not credited with any contribution. He should have been credited with \$6.00. Brother Guy Murphy had by mistake placed his credit to Rev. Harry King. We are sorry these mistakes were made and we are glad to correct them.—I. L. Claud, Chairman of Sustentation Committee.

CONWAY COUNTY PERRY LEAGUE UNION

The Conway County Perry League Union met Monday night, January 3, at the Perry Methodist church. Mr. Bill Fleming led the songs, and a very appropriate and helpful new year's program was presented. Judge B. E. Turner gave a very worthwhile talk, "How Young People Can Better Know God." Mr. L. B. Calvin's poem on "All This We Ask" was very inspiring. Others appearing on this new year's program were: J. A. Jones, Jerry Farish, Mary Farish, Lillian Middleton, Virginia Owens, Virginia Cragar, Mrs. J. D. Farish, Syble Dellis and Patsy Rickman.

The business meeting was presided over by Thomas Moore, president, after which many games in the keeping of the new year were participated in by all. Refreshments were served at the closing. Approximately 80 attended. The next League meeting will be at Perryville, the first Monday night in February.—Molsie Riddick, Reporter.

ROE CIRCUIT

On Monday following the Annual Conference we drove to Roe and made arrangements for a truck to move us. Then on the following Friday Brother and Mrs. Gerald Gray came to Princeton for us. The truck was soon loaded and on the way. Shortly after nightfall we were safely sheltered in the Roe parsonage.

We had heard many good things about the Roe Circuit, but must confess that we, like the Queen of Sheba, had not heard the half. To begin with, on Saturday night after we arrived Roe Church gave us a nice pounding. During the Christmas holidays while we were at Ulm they played Santa with a good pounding.

We have had our first Quarterly Conference and there has been a splendid increase in salary in three of the churches which we deeply appreciate.

In our report to the Arkansas Methodist in addition to the renewals, we are reporting eleven new subscribers.

We feel sure that we will have a great year. We have some of the finest people in the world on the Roe Circuit and we are glad of the opportunity to work with them on this good charge.—C. R. Andrews.

THE RICE BELT BROTHERHOOD

The ministers of the Rice Belt Brotherhood of the Pine Bluff District, met at the Methodist Church Dewitt, Tuesday morning, January 25th. We had 100 percent attendance by pastors and our Conference executive secretary of the Board of Education, Rev. Roy E. Fawcett. All ministers, Miss Fay McRae, and Miss Lucy Foreman were guests of our district superintendent, Rev. W. Neill Hart, for the noon meal at the hotel. Pastors present, Rev. Joe Robinson, Almyra; Rev. C. R. Andrews, Roe Ct.; Rev. John Rushing, St. Charles; Rev. Rayford Diffie, Little Prairie and Camp Shed; Rev. Robert Core, Humphrey; Rev. Hershel Richert, Bayou Meto; Rev. H. D. Ginther, Gillett; Rev. H. B. Vaught, Dewitt, Rev. John B. Hefley, Grand Avenue, Stuttgart, and the writer, First Church Stuttgart.

Our district superintendent led us in a helpful and inspiring devotional, using as his theme "It Can Be Done Through Christ." The meeting then was given to a "Check Up" of work done to date by the charges, and a "Planning" for further emphasis of the Church for the next quarter. Fine reports were made from each charge, and some churches reported ahead of schedule. We had gone over the top in the giving to the Orphanage with an increase of 33 percent as compared to last year. 357 subscriptions to the Arkansas Methodist reported, with reports incomplete, 21 subscribers to the Advocate. Definite plans, dates, and help secured in the matter of Evangelism both personal visitation, and preaching. Schedules were completed for "Layman's Day," "Leadership Training" and the "Hendrix Campaign."

Emphasis was given to the "Crusade For a New World Order," "Church School Day" and the "Week of Dedication."

Plans for Pre-Easter, Church School Evangelism and Crusade visitation were given by each pastor.

A fine spirit prevailed throughout both the morning and afternoon sessions, and the Brotherhood was invited by the pastor host, Bro. Vaught, to come back next quarter as his guest. This invitation was unanimously accepted. — Otto W. Teague, Secretary.

Ah! When shall all men's good be each man's rule and universal peace lie like a shaft of light across the land, and like a lane of beams athwart the sea through all the circle of the golden year?—Ex.

"A man is not judged by what he gets, but by what he gives."

LEONARD CHARGE

The people of the Leonard Circuit have received the new pastor Rev. J. H. Holt and family in a very kind way. They had the parsonage clean and warm, and best of all, a good supper warm and ready.

On Thanksgiving night at Macedonia, all three churches gave them an old fashioned pounding, a pick-up truck loaded with groceries. The pastor said it was one of the prettiest sights he had ever seen, and one that he would never forget.

Bro. Holt is in high favor with his people, and there has been throughout the charge, a gradual but continual spiritual growth. The wheels of progress are turning toward a great year. Macedonia has added two nice Sunday School rooms to their church, and improvement that cost over \$200, and is paid in full. Lumber is on the ground at Union Grove to rebuild the entire church. Four nice Sunday School rooms are to be added and a general working over. Simmons Chapel folk are having their floor stained and varnished.

Fifty new Worship hymnals have been purchased by the Macedonia church.

Our good ladies of all three churches are repairing the parsonage with new east screened porch and meat house, new steps, two new clothes closets, and three rooms papered and painted, and living room celotexed. They are also adding one occasional table, and one end table, and nice studio couch.

The pastor gives an expression of hearty appreciation for all that is done. Since they have come our way, our first quarterly conference has been held by our superintendent, Rev. H. Lynn Wade. The pastor gave the best report that has been given in many years. Bro. Wade complimented the great spirit of cooperation and enthusiasm with which we began our new year. The work shows signs of accomplishment, and advancement in future plans. Bro. Wade said we were first charge on the district to hand in the Arkansas Methodist report, with Macedonia subscribing as many as the whole charge did last year. The charge quota was 45 and the number secured 49.

So we are in high spirits for great things for the Kingdom of God, with the best cooperation that we have had for many many years. —Mrs. Eva Gibson, reporter.

Maybe if we did not have rocks in the pathway our feet would become flabby.—Quinn.

What a fool does in the end, the wise man does in the beginning.—Spanish Proverb.

THE ARANSAS METHODIST CIRCULATION CAMPAIGN

(Continued from page 8)

	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Hardy-Mammoth Spring	4	10		14
Hoxie	8	12	2	22
Imboden-Black Rock	2	14	2	18
Knobel Ct.	2	5		7
Leonard Ct.	26	23		49**
Lorado Ct.	9	9	5	23
Marmaduke	7	19	2	28**
Morning Star	9	16	5	30
Paragould: 1st Church	26	98	3	127**
Griffin Memorial	16	16		32
Paragould Ct.	5	24	3	32
Piggott	6	34		40
Pocahontas	6	22		28
Rector First Church	5	26		31*
Rector Ct.	2	4	11	17
Smithville Ct.	19	11		30**
St. Francis Ct.	19	10	5	34**
Stranger's Home Ct.	5	19	1	25**
Walnut Ridge	15	37	3	55
Walnut Ridge Ct.	17	14	2	33

SEARCY DISTRICT—Quota 1035

	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Antioch Ct.	11	21		32
Augusta	6	38	2	46**
Bald Knob-Bradford	14	17	1	32
Beebe	26	25		51**
Cabot	4	42		46**
Clinton	30	13		43**
Cotton Plant	7	14		21
Griffithville	5	8	1	14
Harrison	12	46		58
Heber Springs First Church	7	36	2	45**
Heber Springs: Central	6	13	1	20**
Hunter Ct.	20	9		29*
Jacksonville	7	9		16
Jasper	5	2		7**
Judsonia	2	8		10
Kensett	21	13		34
***Leslie	14	12		26
Marshall	2	6		8
McCrory	12	32	2	46
McRae	6	12		18
Pangburn		2		2
Quitman	14	31	3	48
Rosebud Ct.	20	13		33
Searcy	18	57	7	82**
Valley Spring		1		1

SUMMARY OF DISTRICTS

	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Little Rock	209	2702	11	2922
Camden	331	818	10	1159
Pine Bluff	340	641	19	1000
Monticello	248	687	32	967**
Jonesboro	348	529	28	905
Ft. Smith	279	579	22	880
Helena	310	525	26	861
Batesville	221	610	17	848
Texarkana	261	566	15	842
Conway	249	540	33	822
Prescott	256	532	21	809
Paragould	237	479	54	770
Searcy	270	479	19	768
Arkadelphia	233	475	35	743
Fayetteville	282	293	14	504
TOTALS	4074	10460	356	14890

We do not know what the future holds, but we do know who holds the future.—Willis J. Ray.



Come South, Young Man, Come South

NEARLY a century ago Horace Greeley urged the nation's youth to seek fortune in the then undeveloped West. Today it is the *South* which holds forth alluring prospects to the younger generation—to the men who will return from the Armed Services—to all men and women on the threshold of their careers.

New Opportunities Lie Ahead

On every side appear facts that justify an optimistic future outlook. New products, materials, and manufacturing methods, developed for war use, will have a tremendous effect upon our peacetime business and social life . . . Enterprises of the South—industrial, commercial, agricultural—have made great progress in this time of emergency . . . Thousands

of young men training in Southern camps have, for the first time, been exposed to the advantages offered by this section of the United States. Many will return here to live and work when the war is won, because . . .

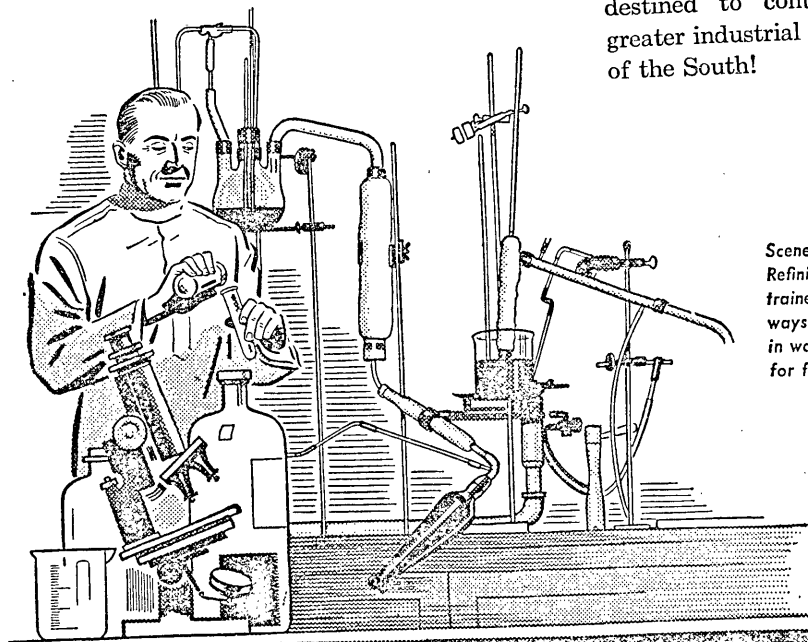
A Greater South Is In the Making

Typical of many progressive Southern industries, Lion Oil Refining Company, through constant research and experimentation, has succeeded in developing and is now producing from Southern crude oil, several components of 100 octane gasoline . . . vastly improved lubricants . . . Butadiene, the basis of Buna-S synthetic rubber . . . ingredients for explosives . . . and other vital materials required for war.

From these activities have come increased employment and expanded payrolls! From them *will* also come post-Victory products destined to contribute materially to the greater industrial and economic advancement of the South!

J. W. Barton
PRESIDENT

Scene in the research laboratory at Lion Oil Refining Company, where a large staff of highly trained men and women search unceasingly for ways to make petroleum render greater service in war . . . and to develop new and finer products for future civilian use.



CARE FOR YOUR CAR
FOR YOUR COUNTRY

LION OIL REFINING COMPANY
EL DORADO, ARKANSAS

TUNE IN "SUNDAY DOWN SOUTH", radio in the Southern manner, brought to you each Sunday at 5:00 p. m. over the Lion Network. See your Lion Dealer for Naturalube Motor Oil and other Lion products—Southern Made for Southern Trade.

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

MRS. SUE M. WAYLAND, Editor

Little Rock Conference Annual Meeting, Texarkana, Ark., Feb. 29, Mar. 1, 2



MRS. A. R. McKINNEY
President of Little Rock Conference WSCS

A STATEMENT FROM MRS. INA FULTON

Mrs. Ina Davis Fulton, Division Treasurer sends the following explanation for the delay in receiving life membership pins and certificates:

"There are complaints concerning honorary membership certificates not having been received in December, and should have an explanation. More orders for adult memberships were received in December than we would ordinarily receive in six months, and our supply of certificates could not hold out. Additional certificates had been ordered for weeks, but were not delivered until after Christmas. As soon as they were received, all orders that had been held were rushed out by air mail with a notice enclosed explaining the delay, and advising that pins would be sent as soon as possible. We placed an order for 1,500 adult pins last September, however, none of these pins have been delivered. Our jeweler advises that he hopes to begin making deliveries in quantities of 200 the last of this month, but it may be several months before he can deliver the entire order. Orders are now being held for more than 1,500 pins, and we do not know when the jeweler can accept an order for additional ones. On account of government priorities, he has not been successful in securing materials. I am sure you will realize the situation confronting us and will realize that we are doing the very best we can under the circumstances."

I will place no value on anything I may possess except in relation to the Kingdom of Christ. If anything I have will advance the interests of that Kingdom, it shall be given away or kept, only as by giving or keeping it I may promote the glory of Him to whom I owe all my hopes in time and eternity.—David Livingstone.

The Annual Meeting of the Little Rock Conference will be held in First Methodist Church of Texarkana, February 29, March 1 and 2.

First Church is the Church home of the Conference president, Mrs. A. R. McKinney, who will preside over the meeting. Rev. Aubrey Walton is the pastor, Rev. Andrew Christie the District Superintendent, Miss Annie Claire Atkinson, the president of the Woman's Society, and Mrs. W. A. Bengé is the district president of Woman's work. Mrs. T. H. Owens of Stamps is the district corresponding secretary.

The theme of the meeting is "Advance—Build—A Christian World." The program is built around the eight goals set up for our work for 1944.

Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president of the Woman's Division of the Board of Missions, with headquarters in New York will be the outstanding guest and speaker of the conference. She will deliver an address on Missions on Wednesday evening, March 1.

Dr. Mary Shannon of Topeka, Kansas, will be a guest speaker throughout the meeting. She was formerly president of Isabella Thoburn College of India where she spent many wonderful years of her life. She is at present, Secretary of Foreign Work of the South Central Jurisdiction. Dr. Shannon will be the dinner speaker for the Wesleyan Service Guild Dinner Wednesday evening at 6:00, March 1. She will bring other messages on Tuesday evening, Wednesday noon, and Thursday noon.

Mrs. H. King Wade of Hot Springs, will deliver a message Tuesday afternoon. She is now serving the South Central Jurisdiction as Secretary of Organization and Promotion. Mrs. Wade was Conference Corresponding Secretary for seventeen years.

Dr. John Cline, of China will deliver a message on Tuesday evening.

Dr. Cline, a native Arkansan, has served as a Missionary to China for forty-six years. He was recently repatriated on the Gripsholm.

Mrs. McKinney will bring her message at 11:00 o'clock Wednesday, March 1.

Miss Margaret Marshall, deaconess of the Little Rock City Mission, will bring a message on Juvenile Delinquency, on Wednesday afternoon.

The Wesleyan Service Guild, presided over by its president, Miss Fern Hueston, of Little Rock, will be held in the church banquet hall at 6:00 o'clock, Wednesday evening. Dr. Shannon will speak to them, afterward the Guild will hear Mrs. Bragg in the auditorium.

Rev. Aubrey Walton will bring a message emphasizing the Crusade for a New World Order on Wednesday evening.

The Executive Board will meet at 10:00 Tuesday morning in the church parlors. There will be a luncheon for the Board at 12:30.

The conference will open at 2:00 o'clock in the auditorium of the church, with Holy Communion. Rev. Aubrey Walton will be in charge.

The delegation to the meeting will consist of the society president, or an alternate, and the president of the Wesleyan Service Guild or her alternate. It is necessary that these names be sent at once to Miss Annie Claire Atkinson, 6th and Hickory, Texarkana, Arkansas. This information should say whether or not the Guild representative will spend the night, or nights. Also, it is vitally necessary for all Guilds to notify Miss Fern Hueston, 3101 Marshall, Little Rock, right away as to whether your Guild will have a representative at the dinner on Wednesday evening.

All Society presidents are requested to send names of deceased members for the Memorial Roll to Mrs. Walter Ryland, 1700 Pine Street, Pine Bluff, Arkansas, right away.

District Secretaries and Conference officers with statistics for the minutes, are requested to send their statistical tables to Mrs. Walter Ryland, Pine Bluff.

The hostess Church and the Executive Board urge a large attendance.—Mrs. A. R. McKinney, president; Mrs. E. D. Galloway, corresponding sec.

WEINER W. S. C. S.

Mrs. Ed Payne delightfully entertained the W. S. C. S. in her home for the installation of officers and pledge service. Mrs. H. S. Parr was leader. The following officers were installed: Pres., Mrs. W. T. Dinsmore; Vice pres., Mrs. H. W. Jett; sec., Mrs. Paul McGaughey; treas., Mrs. C. O. Wofford. Superintendents of other work include, Mrs. Hughes, Mrs. Haden, Mrs. Van Horn.

Plans for the year have been made which include, Spiritual Life Work, Study and C. S. R. and Supplies. Local work will be the furnishing of the parsonage which has recently been paid for and is a pride and joy of the membership. This group meets regularly each Wednesday afternoon. There are seventeen members. Several subscribers to the World Outlook and Methodist Woman. The Upper Room is distributed and used. A committee is in charge of the Arkansas Methodist Campaign.—Mrs. H. W. Jett, reporter.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE WOMEN

We wish to correct a misunderstanding about the delegation entitled to entertainment at the Annual Meeting.

Only the Society president, or her alternate, and the Wesleyan Guild delegate (where there really is a Guild) are delegates, and can be entertained.

Some have asked about youth and children secretaries.—We are sorry entertainment conditions will not permit us to care for more than those specified.

We offer our sincere apologies to the ministers' wives whom we've always invited, and entertained as our guests, and trust that in the near future we may resume the cherished custom of entertaining you again. Remember, we shall be so happy to see you in the Conference, but will be so sorry we have not a home to offer this time.—Conference president and secretary.



DR. MARY SHANNON
Secretary Foreign Work, South Central Jurisdiction WSCS

CLINTON WESLEYAN GUILD

The Clinton Wesleyan Service Guild, under the leadership of Miss Kathryn Bradford as president, has just completed a very successful year.

In the early part of the year the study "Will a Man Rob God?" was presented by Miss Elsie Kruger, our Spiritual Life chairman. This gave us a deeper realization of the meaning of stewardship and tithing.

To give us an idea of our responsibility in helping to rebuild a war-torn world, our program and worship material was centered about the subject, "A New Earth Wherein Dwelleth Righteousness." As a continuation of this subject, another study, "A Just and Enduring Peace," was presented by Miss Helen Stephens, our missionary education leader. As a result of these programs, we hope we can join with other groups of Christian women in forming a public sentiment for a just and durable peace after the actual fighting has ceased. As a part of our missionary education, we increased our foreign mission pledge for this year. We also contributed to China relief, Philander-Smith, and Hendrix Colleges.

We are especially proud of the accomplishments of our Christian Social Relations committee, with Mrs. Glynn McBride, chairman. This includes our news-letters to our service men, and we have received letters of acknowledgement and appreciation from all corners of the world. For Christmas we prepared boxes of clothing, food, and gifts for two needy families. We have bought new chairs for two classes in the children's department. We helped pay the expenses of a delegate to the Youth Assembly at Hendrix. We placed a new bedroom suite, complete with mattress and springs, in the parsonage.

Through individual payment of pledges from 18 members the sale of Christmas cards, and money gifts from members and friends, we have paid out a total of \$220.88 for the year.—Reporter.

The Swiss Alphorn In Legend And In Fact

By MARIE WIDMER

TRYING to explain the origin of the Swiss alphorn a pretty legend relates how a lonely young herdsman in the Alps wished constantly for something that might help him brighten the long hours of his solitude. One evening, after he was already in bed, he heard voices in the room below his sleeping abode. Peering down he perceived three strangers around the fireplace. In the huge kettle that always hung there one of the men was boiling a mixture.

Presently one of the nocturnal visitors went outside and strange sweet music began to float through the air. The herdsman listened spell-bound, but all too soon the music stopped and the player rejoined his companions. "Come down" the three men now urged the youth in the loft, and trying to show himself fearless he promptly obeyed.

Amazing things then began to happen. The stranger tending the boiling mixture took one of the three glasses which stood on the table and filled it. The liquid was of a brilliant green color. He gave a rap with his dipper, then filled the second glass, the same appearing bright red. With another rap he filled the third glass and that fluid showed the transparency of pure crystal.

"Drink" urged the men. "The green liquid will make you victorious in many battles" promised the first. "The red beverage will bring you countless riches" enticed the second. "Neither glory nor riches can I give you" declared the third, "but I offer you the happiness of real music and my alphorn."

Without hesitation the youth drank the clear liquid. The visitors and the glasses vanished and the bewildered herdsman climbed back to his sleeping quarters. Recalling the strange happenings in the night he ran outdoors next morning and beheld, leaning against a tree, a wooden horn some six feet long. He placed it to his lips and soon found himself playing some familiar herdsman's tunes.

More matter of fact data on the alphorn indicates that it had its origin in Northern Asia. From there it migrated southward with nomadic tribes, then finally reached the Swiss alpine region. According to Tacitus the Romans used horns of this type for signaling.

Historic records dealing with this now characteristic instrument of the alps are more definite from the 9th century on. In those early days, in the Bernese and Valaisian mountains, the alphorn reached a length

of over 13 feet. In other sections, especially in Central Switzerland, where the Rigi and Mythen districts near Lucerne were its favorite haunts, the instrument was sometimes shortened by bending the upper part of the conical pipe to run parallel with the lower part. The average length of Swiss alphorns

however, rather expensive. Today birchrind or thin oakwood chips are generally used as protective materials.

Seeing that the octave scale of the alphorn is not complete, players have been advised not to attempt the rendition of entire songs on this instrument. Nevertheless, in

the original melody, while the second echo may be a quarter note lower and rhythmically less precise.

Alphorn melodies, although limited, have frequently found a place in the work of great composers. Outstanding examples are the beginning of the fourth movement in Beethoven's Pastoral Symphony; the prelude to Mozart's pastoral play 'Bastien and Bastienne,' composed in 1768; the beginning of the overture to Rossini's 'William Tell'; also the respective passages in Meyerbeer's 'Dinorah' and Wagner's 'Tristan and Isolde.' According to a research on the alphorn made by S. Elkan, Wagner, when composing this opera, had suggested that a special instrument should be made for the herdsman's horn, taking the Swiss alphorn as a model.

Good alphorn playing is undoubtedly an art, for it takes skill to acquire the lip technique necessary for producing the desired notes and for giving musical variety. While there is no complete record of alphorn artists in days gone by, a few outstanding players are mentioned in small chronicles. Thus the 'Berner Taschenbuch' of 1892-1894 remembers one Jakob Henzi of Chateaux d'Oex who lived in the 16th century. He was the son of very poor people, but admirers of his alphorn music found a position for him as one of the guards of the Duke of Anjou in France.

In the 19th century there was a general revival of interest in Swiss folklore. As a result renewed attention was also focused on the alphorn. Thus Major Fr. von Mulinen arranged for a course of study in alphorn playing for young people, to be given in the Bernese Oberland by the composer Ferdinand F. Huber, a teacher at the Fellenberg School at Hofwyl. Huber accordingly spent yearly two weeks at Grindelwald and gave lessons on six alphorns. He was the first musician to attempt the tuning of several alphorns in the same pitch and to have alphorn melodies played in three parts.

Composer Huber's efforts evidently bore fruit. Since the middle of last century alpine festivals, with competitions in excellent alphorn playing, have become annual events in Switzerland.

The alphorn is without doubt the characteristic instrument of the Swiss Alps. Limited as its range is, its music, when floating and echoing through the wide spaces of the alps, has a magic of its own which fills the hearts of natives of the Swiss mountain regions with a strange tenderness and love for their homeland.

In spite of its limitations, the music of the alphorn in alpine regions is an unforgettable delight, especially when it is mingled with the sound of tinkling cowbells and joyous waterfalls.

Since the aesthetic effect of alphorn blowing depends not so much on the sound as it does on the echo, the instrument is most effective outdoors where it enjoys the advantage of open spaces. Interesting observations have been made regarding the quality of the echo. It has been found that the first echo usually retains the key of

is now only six feet. Nevertheless, even these shorter instruments can be heard at 1½ hours' distance.

Slender Cembra pines or young firs furnish the wood preferred for alphorns. They are cut in two, lengthwise, carefully hollowed out, then bound. The hooked end for the south-hole is made of the root. At first the horn was covered with tree-bark, mostly of birches, or with hemp yarn soaked in tar or pitch. Later on roots of young fir trees, about as thick as a pencil, were used, also rattan cane which, while excellent and attractive, proved,

much as they would ordinarily be.

On Sunday evening, January 23rd, Bishop Charles C. Selecman was present at the evening worship when the offering went to Conference Claimants. The response was so generous and the interest so pronounced that the Bishop asked that this plan be sent to the Arkansas Methodist for publication with the hope that it would be followed by other official boards throughout the state. It lifts the offering from the realm of the routine and places it upon a plane of joyous sacrifice.—Reporter.

HOT SPRINGS FIRST CHURCH PLANS

The Board of Stewards of First Church, Hot Springs, has authorized the pastor to use the Sunday evening offerings for connectional purposes. Before the offering is taken an announcement is made from the pulpit that the money given that night will go for Conference Claimants, Benevolences, Education or any other cause not included in the local budget. According to Dr. Homer T. Fort, the pastor, the offerings are from four to five times as

ROYAL RESOLUTIONS

I will study the language of gentleness and refuse to use words that bite and tones that crush.

I will practice patience at home lest my testy temper break through unexpectedly and disgrace me.

I will remember that my neighbors have troubles enough to carry without loading mine on them.

I will excuse others' faults and failures as often and as fully as I expect others to be lenient with mine.

I will cure criticism with commen-

dation, close up against gossip, and build healthy lives by service.

I will love boys and girls so that old age will not find me soured and stiff, but fresh and free.

I will gladden my nature by smiling out loud on every fair occasion and by outlook optimistically.

I will pray frequently, think good things, believe in men, and so do a full day's work without fear or favor.—Selected

Of all the evil spirits, insincerity is the most dangerous.—Froude.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN

For thirty-one years he nourished his spirit
Alone with God on the prairies of Illinois—
Suddenly, he became known
And men recognized a character before them
Greater than they.
Abe Lincoln won a nation's attention,
And was brought to artificial life.
America pondered the question:
Would the diamond of the mine bear polishing,
Or would it break into shivers?
Would the iron prophet melt
Into voluptuous softness?
Would he take on the world's manners,
The world's insincerity?
Thank God, my countrymen,
Of him it was not so.
There he stood in his nation's court
The prophet of the prairie still.



It was not hard for Abe to eat
His beans and polk on the prairie;
It was not hard to be friendly with the poor,
To speak contemptuously of greed;
It was not hard to defend the weak,
And plead for the widow;
It was not hard to do these things
While he was obscure.
But when God has given a man accomplishments
And power to shine as the worldly shine;
When God has given man that—
And he can still be firm and true;
When he can be as undaunted,
Before the rich as before the poor;
When rank and fashion
Cannot subdue him into silence;
When he cannot be bought,
And he refuses to use the soils of office—
There is truth in that man!—Daniel Kaiper, Minister of Methodist Church, Stroud, Oklahoma.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING FOR THE METHODIST HOME RECEIVED SINCE LAST REPORT

	Additional	Total
St. Francis	\$ 6.65	\$ 16.65
Blevins Ct.		31.00
Pleasant Hill, Lorado Ct.		3.25
Traskwood Ct.	16.00	25.00
Watson-Kelso	2.00	71.00
Vantrease, El Dorado	3.00	40.40
Wynne	25.00	95.00
Jackson St., Magnolia	22.00	72.80
Eureka Springs	18.34	22.34
Desha Ct., Salado	.25	2.50
Paragould Ct.		5.00
Pulaski Heights, L. R.	1.00	249.97
Cato		15.11
Winfield, Little Rock	1.01	708.70
Thornton Ct., Blannstown	3.00	33.00
Massard Church, Ft. Smith		6.00
First Church, Morrilton		67.00
Highfill Ch., Springtown	2.72	9.00
Parkin		30.00
Gurdon		63.50
Antioch, Searcy District		17.24
Mt. View, Kibler City Hgts.	5.26	15.26
Glenwood Ct., County Line Ch.		7.00
Sheridan Ct.		22.50
Conway	1.50	268.00
Bentonville	1.00	37.78
Forrester	3.50	23.07
Personal Gifts		
Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Dellinger		5.00
Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Tannenbaum		2.50
Susanna Wesley Class Texarkana		5.00
Grand Total to date		\$2011.57

THE HOME NEEDS A SAFE

It is very important that the Home carefully preserve the record of all children who may have been or who may hereafter be accepted. We have other important papers, insurance policies, books, of records, etc., which it is very important that we preserve. Perhaps some of our friends know where we might get a good iron safe in which to keep such papers and records. If so, will you kindly confer with me at once, giving information about the size, price, etc.—J. S. M. Cannon, Supt., 723 Center St., Little Rock, Ark.

HENDRIX HELPS WIN DRY ELECTION

The ward which includes Hendrix College (Conway, Ark.) polled the largest dry vote of any precinct in the special local option election held December 28. The traditional prohibition status has been restored to Faulkner County Arkansas for at least two years after a ten-year lapse. For forty-four years from 1889 to 1933 the county was dry.—Campus News, Board of Education Bulletin.

BIBLES OR CIGARETTES

One of the religious publishing houses in the United States appealed to the United States Government to be given some permission to get paper for the publication of Bibles. The privilege was refused quite discourteously on the expressed ground that the same paper that is used for Bibles is also used for cigarettes and there is a very great demand for cigarettes.

That is the sort of society we are now dealing with—a society with which cigarettes are more important than Bibles, even in a time when kingdoms are tumbling.—Christian Standard.

Superlatives OF TEACHING

1. The deepest devotion
2. The best use of abilities
3. The finest materials

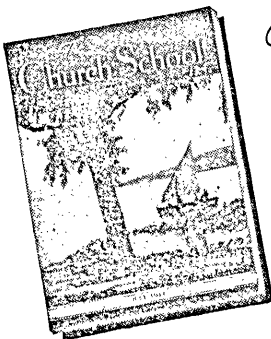


Child Guidance in Christian Living

A MONTHLY MAGAZINE FOR TEACHERS OF CHILDREN

IF YOU work with the nursery class, beginners, primaries, or juniors, you need this guidance manual to *adequate preparation*. CHILD GUIDANCE contains complete helps for teachers of both Group Graded and Closely Graded Lessons. In it you will find

rich articles and plans for the department superintendent and other workers, plus stories, poems, and other helps for the teacher. CHILD GUIDANCE answers the question: "How can the Bible be presented most meaningfully for children?"



The Church School

A MONTHLY MAGAZINE FOR TEACHERS OF YOUTH & ADULTS

EVERY teaching help—lesson comments and interpretations, teaching plans, articles on teaching problems, suggestions for conducting class sessions! Here teachers of intermediates, seniors, young people, and adults find the very best Bible scholarship

bearing on pupil's problems. Besides, THE CHURCH SCHOOL deals with the total work of Christian education in the local church. It is prepared for every pastor, superintendent, class officer, and teacher. Improve your preparation with THE CHURCH SCHOOL!

PRICES

These magazines are 25c each per quarter when ordered by churches; \$1.25 a year each for an individual subscription.

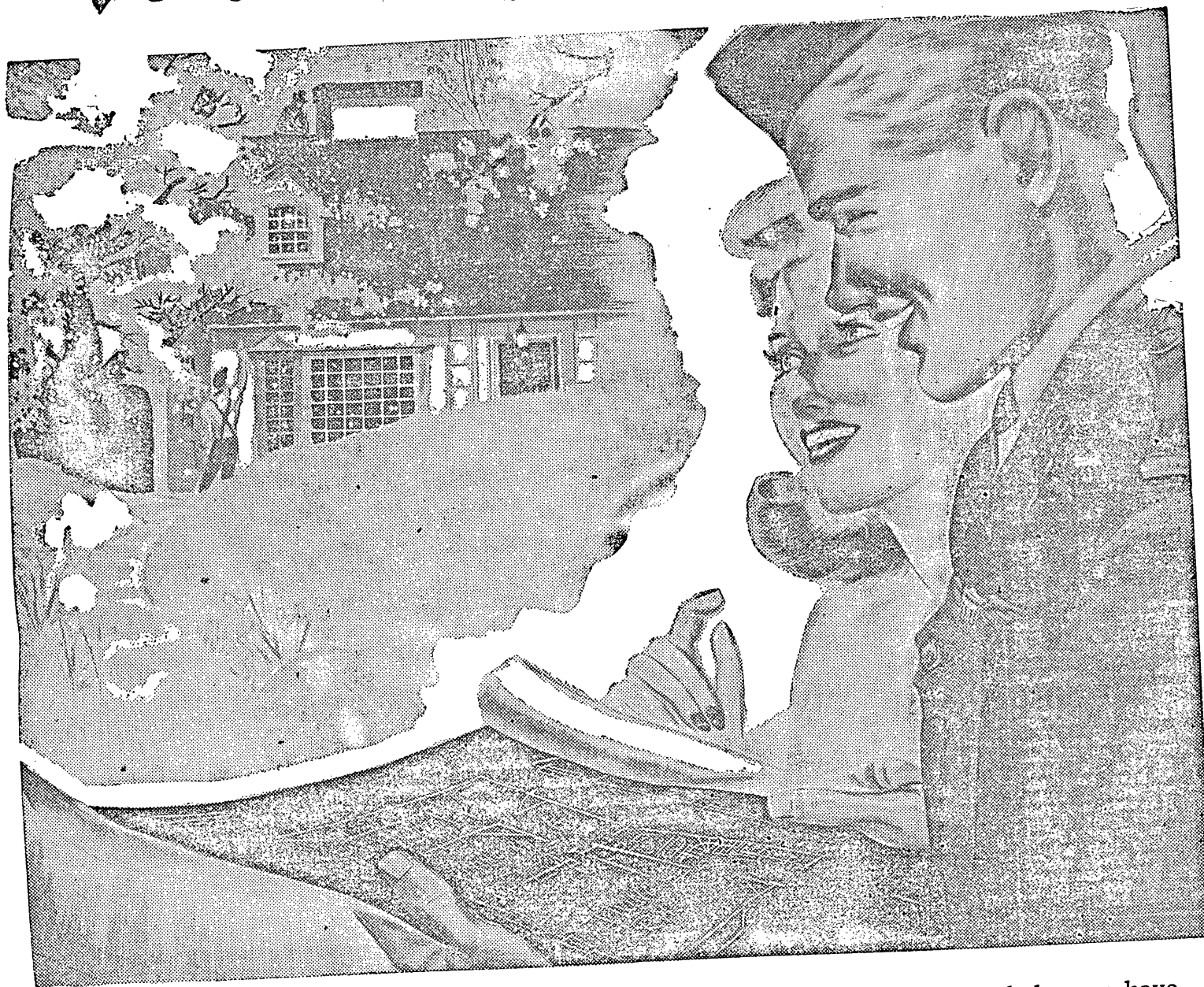
THE CHRISTIAN HOME—A monthly magazine for parents. A distinctive publication for helping parents grow on the job! It will bring the Church into homes of your community.



THE METHODIST PUBLISHING HOUSE

Order from the House serving your territory { NASHVILLE CHICAGO CINCINNATI NEW YORK DALLAS RICHMOND BALTIMORE PITTSBURGH BOSTON DETROIT KANSAS CITY PORTLAND SAN FRANCISCO

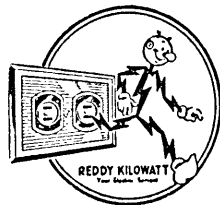
Buy War Bonds Now For Your Post War Electric Home



Your Government needs every idle dollar. America's future depends on your present investment of every possible dollar in War Bonds. *The attack is on . . . to strike the final blows that will crumble Nazi Germany . . . and then Japan. Back the attack by buying War Bonds to the very limit of your ability!*

And remember that every three dollars invested in War Bonds today will give you

four dollars in the future to help you have that electric home you will want . . . a home with all those modern-day electrical appliances that will do your household work quicker, better and without effort on your part—better still, your purchase of War Bonds today will hasten Victory and preserve our beloved Country!



*Waste in war is a crime.
Don't waste electricity just because
it isn't rationed.*

ARKANSAS POWER & LIGHT CO.
HELPING BUILD ARKANSAS

The Sunday School Lesson

By DR. W. P. WHALEY



JESUS ON THE MOUNTAIN AND IN THE VALLEY

LESSON FOR FEBRUARY 13, 1944

SCRIPTURE TEXT: Mark 9:2-29.

GOLDEN TEXT: "I believe; help thou mine unbelief." Mark 9:24.

I. Leading Up

We are now studying the latter half of the third year of Jesus' public ministry. In these months He gave special instruction to His disciples. He seemed to try to be much alone with them; but the people sought them out and crowded around.

After feeding the four thousand west of Lake Galilee, Jesus and His disciples crossed over to Dalmanutha, a community in the territory of Magdala east of the lake. He seemed to be trying to get away from crowds; but as soon as their boat landed, some Pharisees found Him and began urging Him to give them a "sign from heaven, trying Him." He refused to gratify their curiosity; and He and the disciples got into their boat and went back to the west side of the lake. On the way across, Jesus warned the disciples against the Pharisees. They had given Him so much trouble, and would give the disciples trouble when they began preaching the gospel.

Sometime later, Jesus and His disciples left Capernaum and went east to Bethsaida, where Jesus healed a blind man.

II. Peter's Confession (Mark 8:27; Matt. 16:13; Luke 9:18).

From Bethsaida, Jesus and the disciples turned north to Caesarea Philippi, about sixty miles. They walked leisurely through a sparsely settled country, and Jesus had better opportunity to talk with the disciples. Jesus would sometimes withdraw from His disciples and go apart to pray; but they would look for Him, and when they found Him their important conversations were resumed. For two and a half years, Jesus had claimed to be the Messiah, and had done many wonderful miracles in proof of His claim. Somewhere along this quiet road to Caesarea Philippi, He asked the disciples what the people were thinking and saying about Him. They told Him the various opinions they had heard—"John the Baptist," "Elijah," "One of the prophets." Then Jesus asked for the opinion of the disciples themselves. Peter replied promptly, "Thou art the Christ" Matthew gives a little fuller statement of this conversation. According to him, Peter said, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-Jonah: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven." Jesus was expressing His appreciation of Peter's faith, because it was not based on the physical ("flesh and blood") he had seen, but on a spiritual understanding. After His resurrection, Jesus said to the doubting Thomas after He had given him physical evidence "Because thou hast seen Me, thou

hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed" (Jn. 20:29). That is the sort of faith a Christian must have, a spiritual grasp upon Him who is invisible. Paul said, "With the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation" (Rom. 10:10). Saving faith is not an intellectual consent based on evidence, but a spiritual act based upon an inner recognition of Jesus Christ as the Son of God and our Saviour. There is not much physical evidence of the divinity and saviourhood of Jesus Christ, but for thousands of years people have been gloriously saved by Him; and they have been saved from Abraham till now by "beholding Him who is invisible." (Heb. 11:27). We must not stop with the evidence of "flesh and blood," the physical miracles Jesus did two thousand years ago; but find the invisible Christ of those saints mentioned in the eleventh chapter of Hebrews, and experience the spiritual miracle of forgiveness and becoming a new creature.

III. The Transfiguration (Mark 9:2-13 Matt. 17:1-13; Lk. 9:28-36)

On this trip Jesus began to talk to His disciples about His rejection by the church, His crucifixion, His resurrection, and the early manifestation of the Kingdom of God (Pentecost). They could not understand or believe any of this; and Peter had the boldness to rebuke Jesus for His gloomy outlook. During the next few weeks, Jesus kept talking to them about these things. They continued past Caesarea Philippi up into Mt. Hermon, about ten miles north. Leaving nine of the disciples down at the foot of the mountain, He asked Peter, James, and John to go with Him up into a high point to spend the night in prayer. The disciples fell asleep. They were awakened from their sleep, and saw a strange vision: Jesus was "transfigured before them: and His face did shine as the sun, and His garments became white as light. And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elijah talking with Him." "They spake of His decease which He was about to accomplish at Jerusalem"; the very matters Jesus had been trying to tell His disciples. Awed and confused, Peter said: "It is good to be here"; and he proposed that he, James and John put up three brush shelters—one for Jesus, one for Moses, and one for Elijah. Jesus and His disciples lived much outdoors; and they were accustomed to setting up these brush shelters to protect themselves against the cold of Palestine night, especially up in the hills and mountains. The disciples had not expected to stay long up in the mountain, and had not built any tabernacles; but, seeing Jesus and His two guests en-

gaged in conversation, they presumed they should look after their comfort by quickly constructing some brush booths. Before they could do anything about it, "a bright cloud overshadowed them: and, behold, a voice out of the cloud, saying, 'This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye Him.'"

Matthew, Mark, and Luke all tell this remarkable story; and Peter, in his second epistle, chapter one, verses seventeen and eighteen, refers to it briefly.

The transfiguration was a higher and spiritual evidence of the divinity of Jesus Christ, a confirmation of what Jesus was telling His disciples about the crucifixion, the resurrection, and the great spiritual demonstration of the Kingdom of God shortly to come at the next Pentecost. But Jesus did not wish everybody to know about this remarkable event until all these things should be accomplished.

IV. The Cure of the Demoniac (Mark 9:14-29).

When Jesus got back in the valley where He had left the nine disciples, He found them surrounded by "a great multitude." Some scribes were heckling the disciples; and the disciples were very much embarrassed. When Jesus came up, the parents of a demoniac boy brought him to Jesus to be cured. They had brought the boy to the disciples, and they could not help the boy. They did not understand why, and we do not. These disciples had been doing that sort of thing more than two years. After Jesus had cured the epileptic, and had gone into the house of the boy's father, the disciples asked Him why they had not been able to cast out the demon. Jesus may have talked to them a good deal about it; but one thing we know He said: "This kind can come out by nothing, save by prayer."

There had been a prayer meeting up on the mountain; none down in the valley.

(If you use or read these Arkansas Methodist Sunday School lessons, send your name on a post card to W. P. Whaley, Conway, Ark.)

WHAT IS HOME?

A roof to keep out the rain? Four walls to keep out the cold? Yes, but home is more than that. It is the laugh of a baby, the song of a mother, the strength of a father. Warmth of loving hearts, light from happy eyes, kindness, loyalty, comradeship. Home is first school and first church for young ones, where they learn what is right, what is good, and what is kind. Where they go for comfort when they are hurt or sick. Where joy is shared and sorrow eased. Where fathers and mothers are respected and loved. Where children are wanted. Where the simplest food is good enough for kings because it is earned. Where money is not so important as loving kindness. Where even the tea-kettle sings from happiness. That is home. God bless it!—Madame Ernestine Schumann-Heink.

I doubt whether I am where God wants me to be unless I am in the presence of the impossible. That is where Christ is, and He is waiting to break through.—John R. Mott.

Do

FALSE TEETH

Rock, Slide or Slip?

FASTEETH, an improved powder to be sprinkled on upper or lower plates, holds false teeth more firmly in place. Do not slide, slip or rock. No gummy, gooeey, pasty taste or feeling. FASTEETH is alkaline (non-acid). Does not sour. Checks "plate odor" (denture breath). Get FASTEETH at any drug store.

Good For Over 100 Years

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

GRAY'S OINTMENT

HEADQUARTERS
for
CHOIR GOWNS
PULPIT ROBES
Vestments • Hangings • Stoles
Embroideries, Etc.
NEW CATALOG on Request
NATIONAL ACADEMIC CAP GOWN CO.
1000 N. 10th St. Philadelphia, Pa.

When EXHAUSTION leads to Headache

Don't let headache double the misery of exhaustion. At the first sign of pain take Capudine. It quickly brings relief, soothes nerves upset by the pain. It is liquid—already dissolved—all ready to act—all ready to bring comfort. Use only as directed. 10c, 30c, 60c.

CAPUDINE

EYE COMFORT

The above picture illustrates how

JOHN R. DICKEY'S OLD RELIABLE EYE WASH

helps to relieve local irritation of the eyes caused by excessive use or exposure to dust, wind or sun glare. 25c and 50c at drug stores. Genuine in red carton.

10c 25c
Calotabs
Next time you need calomel take Calotabs, the improved calomel compound tablets that make calomel-taking pleasant. Sugar-coated, agreeable, prompt, and effective. Not necessary to follow with salts. Caution: Use only as directed.

This Home-Mixed Cough Relief Is Hard To Beat

So Easy. No Cooking. Saves Dollars.

No matter what you've been using for coughs due to colds, you'll be the first to admit that this surprising relief, mixed in your own kitchen, can't be surpassed.

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

Then put 2½ ounces of Pinex (obtained from any druggist) into a pint bottle, and add your syrup. This gives you a full pint of really amazing cough relief—about four times as much for your money. Tastes fine and never spoils.

You can feel this home mixture taking right hold of a cough. It loosens the phlegm, soothes the irritated membranes, and helps clear the air passages. Eases soreness and difficult breathing, and lets you sleep. Once tried, you'll swear by it.

Pinex is a special compound of proven ingredients, in concentrated form, a most reliable soothing agent for throat and bronchial membranes. If not satisfied, your money will be refunded.

WINFIELD MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

GOALS OF W. S. C. S.

The officers of the Woman's Society of Christian Service have challenged the members, and the members have challenged the church for 1944, with the following goals:

1. Deepening of our Spiritual Life by (a) Daily devotional periods. (b) Attendance at worship and inspirational meetings.

2. A larger number of women participating in the Society, this to be achieved by: (a) Visitation and personal interest in our church members and new prospective church members. (b) Challenging programs and study courses on the work of missions and world topics.

3. Increased Community Service: (a) The Methodist City Mission program. (b) Our Society programs and studies.

4. Raising our budget of \$2580.00.—Mrs. Dewey Price, president.

RACE RELATIONS MEETING

Sunday afternoon, 3:30 o'clock, February 13th, there will be a very interesting and important meeting of persons concerned with Inter-Racial matters of city, state and nation, the meeting to be held at the Negro church at 9th and Broadway.

There will be several musical numbers, one by Winfield singers, and one or more talks. The members of Winfield Church are invited and urged to be present.

When members of Winfield Church make a contribution to a Race Relations program in the Methodist Church, you are helping to support: Gammon Theological Seminary, Meharry Medical College, Flint-Goodridge Hospital of Dillard University for Negro students. Senior Colleges are: Bennett College, Claflin College, Clark College, Dillard University, Paine College, PHILANDER SMITH COLLEGE, Rust College, Samuel Houston College, and Wiley College.

Junior Colleges are: Bethune-Cookman College, Marristown Normal and Industrial College, Gilbert Academy and Morgan Center. The program of General Benevolences supports these.

The Methodist Church in Arkansas gives its annual offering to Philander Smith College in our own city.

This, along with much other work, means that Methodism is conscientiously working at the problem of race relations, and is making some progress at the solution of the same.

No one knows all the technique all the time. But the problems of living together are kept from getting larger and more entangled while we work at them in the Spirit of Christ.

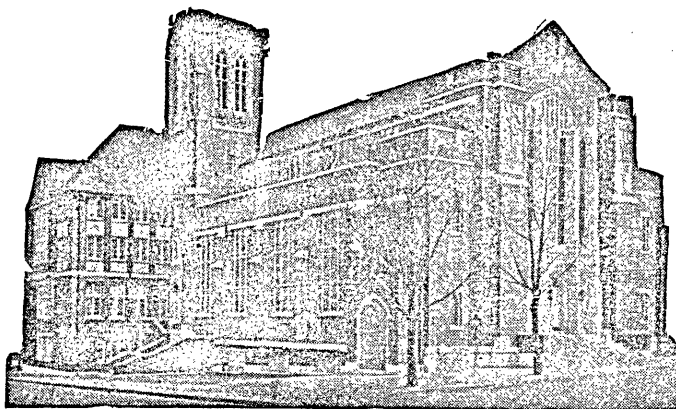
SENIOR HIGH DEPARTMENT SPONSORS VALENTINE PARTY

Members of the Senior High Department invite all young people of the church and their friends to an old-fashioned box supper and Valentine Party in Fellowship Hall Monday evening, February 14th. The boxes will be auctioned at 6:30.

This is the kind of party to which you will want to invite that boy or girl friend who has not been coming to our social affairs.

SYMPATHY

To Mrs. C. H. Winkler in the death of her brother.



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

WILLIAM B. SLACK, Minister

MRS. I. J. STEED
Minister of Music



MISS KATE BOSSINGER
Organist

MISS NEVILLE WILSON, Church Secretary

Next Sunday at Winfield

- 10:00 A. M. Church School.
The hour of instruction and study.
- 10:55 A. M. "THE KING WHO DIED ON THIRD BASE."
Sermon, in the language of baseball, for Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cubs, Brownies. I want to talk FOR boys and girls; I want to talk TO men and women.
- 6:00 P. M. Youth Fellowships.
(See next column.)

7:30—Evening Service—7:30

"WHAT KEEPS YOU AWAKE AT NIGHT?"

Sermon by the Minister.

THE MINISTER'S MESSAGE

Do not give up your Religious Faith; practice it more in these trying times.

To give up Religious Faith now would be worse than giving up your doctor when you are very ill.

It would be worse than giving up your lawyer when you are entangled with legal technicalities.

It would be worse than giving up your grocer when you are hungry.

It would be worse than giving up your clothier when you are cold.

Or your bed when you are tired.

Or closing the hospital in the midst of an epidemic of deadly diseases.

Religious Faith is the one strong Force that will see us through to triumph.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIPS

Junior High—Recreation in Department Room at 6:00 o'clock.

Program in charge of Dolores Ingram, subject: "Art." This is the second week of our unit on "Christ and the Fine Arts."

Senior High—Recreation and refreshments in Fellowship Hall.

Program in Friendly Couples Class room. Theme: "Youth of the World join hands"—dramatization of the hymn "In Christ there is no East or West."

Young People—Recreation and refreshments in Young People's parlor.

Program in the chapel in charge of Betty Jo Kinsolving will feature recordings.

LAYMEN'S DAY, 20th

To stress the work of the men of Winfield in building a greater church, the Fourth Quarterly Conference elected Mr. Clifton Scott to be the Church Lay Leader. Two objectives have been set-out. (a) Organization of all men in Winfield into a unit for the advancement of the several causes. (b) A Laymen's Day service, 11:00 a. m., February 20th, that will challenge men to attempt great things.

Mr. Scott has been at work on both phases of this year's work. You will be delighted with the forthcoming program on February 20th. Well known members of Winfield who will have a part in that service are: Mr. Clifton Scott, Dean E. Q. Brothers, Mr. J. H. Bowen, Mr. E. V. Markham, Mr. A. S. Ross, Miss Lila Ashby, and Mr. D. W. Glover.

The Men's Bible Class is backing this movement with enthusiastic support and cooperation. Plan with them to be present Sunday, February 20th.

Dr. C. M. Reves will preach and conduct the services that Sunday evening.

SCOUTS HONORED FEB. 13th

Much emphasis on the total program for Winfield Youth, and avenues to unchurched youth, will be given in the Worship Service, 10:55 a. m. February 13th.

At that Sanctuary Service the children of the Junior Department will sit in reserved section and will lead the Salute to the Christian Flag.

Boy Scouts, with Mr. Weidemeyer and Mr. Neal, Girl Scouts with Mrs. Shukers and Mrs. Brashears, Brownies and Cubs with Mrs. W. W. Booth and other leaders will wear uniforms and sit by groups. ANY SCOUT WHO WISHES TO ATTEND THIS SERVICE IS WELCOME AND SHOULD FEEL PERFECTLY AT HOME WITH THIS GROUP OF HONORED GUESTS.

Parents are urged to be present.

OPEN HOUSE FOR BOY SCOUTS

Open house for parents and families of all members of the Winfield Troop will be held in the Boy Scout room, 4th floor, Friday night, February 11th.

NEW MEMBERS

Miss Evelyn Schallhauser, 311 W. 5th.

Mr. R. L. Vandiver, 622 East 22nd.

Mrs. R. L. Vandiver, 622 E. 22nd.

Miss Beatrice Leech, 1220 Ringo.