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"The World is My Parish" — John Wesley

"Go ye into

the world—" — Mark 16:15

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A Gift S.M.U. Is Honored In Accepting

ONLY recently the organized liquor interests of Dallas, Texas, had the brazen effrontery to present to Southern Methodist University a gift of thirty thousand dollars. The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees, without even waiting for a meeting of the entire Board, quite properly returned the check to the donors. This same liquor organization, about the same time, made a gift of twenty-five thousand dollars to Baylor University of Dallas, a Baptist institution. Our Baptist brethren, as would be expected, also returned the gift.

Now comes word of a gift of one million three hundred and fifty thousand dollars to Southern Methodist University, announced at the meeting of the Board of Trustees last week. This princely gift was made to the School of Theology of Southern Methodist University by Mr. and Mrs. Perkins of Wichita Falls, Texas. These great supporters of higher education have already made substantial contributions to Southern Methodist University. The gift they have just made is the largest ever to have been received by any Methodist University in the south.

Five hundred fifty thousand dollars of the gift will be used for the building of two dormitories, one for married theological students and one for single theological students and also for the building of a chapel. Eight hundred thousand dollars will remain as a permanent endowment for the School of Theology. In recognition of this very unusual gift, the School of Theology has been renamed the Perkins School of Theology.

Southern Methodist University will be blessed and the Methodist Church honored by gifts of this character coming from consecrated servants of God who give because they love the church. Such magnificent, unselfish giving immortalizes the givers and makes us feel anew that man at his best really bears something of the image of God.

Amazing Accomplishments In Little Rock Conference

WE SINCERELY hope that all of our subscribers read the statement, in last week's Arkansas Methodist, by the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, B. T. Fooks of Camden, regarding the status of the Methodist Hospital soon to be opened in Hot Springs.

It is our judgment that Arkansas Methodism has never done a more amazing thing than was accomplished by the Little Rock Conference when in a few months it raised more than a hundred thousand dollars in cash for the purchase of a hospital. The Little Rock Conference assumed this responsibility while carrying its full share of the current expense of the church general and while facing the large askings of the Crusade which follows with scarcely any intervening time between the close of the hospital campaign and the beginning of the work for The Crusade for Christ.

Mr. Fooks reports that the opening of the hospital as a Methodist institution now awaits only governmental approval of the transfer of hot water rights. This should be the beginning of a truly great institution for the ministry of healing under the auspices of Methodism in Arkansas.

Problems Only Religion Can Solve

ONE of the great problems of the Christian church is one of its own making — denominational differences. The matter of denominational differences does not stop with creating more or less friction between different branches of the church itself, it weakens the whole Christian movements in its fight against evil and weakens it in its avowed purpose to evangelize the world.

The church has in its own spiritual "medicine kit" the remedy for the hurt that denominational strife has done the body of the church. The Christian Church must practice Christian principles in church relationships. Jesus felt on one occasion that His countrymen were ready to say to Him "Physician heal thyself." This proverb can well be applied to the Christian Church which teaches religion because RELIGION ALONE CAN SOLVE THE PROBLEM OF DENOMINATIONAL DIFFERENCES.

That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us.

—John 17:21.

It is not the fact that different people interpret the Bible differently and join together in different groups with people of kindred faith for purposes of worship and service that weakens the church for the great redemptive program outlined for it by the Master. It is the spirit of INTOLERANCE often exhibited by one denomination for another that has confused and often disgusted the world about us.

Sensible people, who know anything at all about the Bible, are not surprised that people differ in their interpretation of such a profound, life-challenging revelation as is found in this Book of books. Their surprise and bewilderment comes when they find some denominations of the Christian Church so intolerant of other Christian groups that they attempt to unchristianize them and appear willing, if possible, to destroy them.

Religious bigotry is one of the most subtle, dangerous evils with which the church is afflicted. It is subtle in that it often moves in and becomes a part of the life of a man who sincerely thinks himself to be religious. It is dangerous in that a religious bigot often becomes a crusader with the feeling that all heaven is behind him.

The Christian Church will continue to be handicapped in its mission until it learns to practice the principles of the Golden Rule in its interdenominational relationships.

Making A "Racket" Out Of Marriage

NO STATE in the union has suffered more from unfavorable publicity than has the state of Arkansas. Much of that damaging publicity has resulted from a strange quirk of fate that started people joking about Arkansas until the habit grew into large proportions. For such publicity Arkansas, itself, is not to blame. Despite this unsought, and often unfair publicity, Arkansas has made an enviable place for itself among the states of the nation because of its intrinsic worth in natural resources and in the opportunities it offers its citizenship for progressive development.

There are few other things, if any, that Arkansas has ever actually done to itself that has so cheapened it in the eyes of the nation, and especially in the eyes of neighboring states, as the deliberate passing of some illadvised laws with the intent of making a "racket" out of marriage. We have thereby earned the questionable honor of being a rival of Reno. We have nominated ourselves for the lowly place of beachcombers attempting to make a livelihood off the driftwood and spoils thrown up on our shores from matrimonial wrecks. We cannot truly respect ourselves and we cannot expect to have the full respect of others so long as we follow such a despicable course.

We have found neighboring states improving their marriage laws to prevent hasty illadvised marriages. We have felt the need of such laws in our own state. In the past we have refused to pass such laws lest we deprive some of our border towns of the profit they derive from across-the-border marriages. By this attitude we, to some degree, nullify the laws passed by neighboring states. We also, by this double-cross of our neighbors, smear the good name of Arkansas with the stain of unbridled selfishness and greed and an indifference to the desires of neighboring states to correct their marriage laws.

It is quite possible that Arkansas could do no one thing that would so quickly raise its standing with neighboring states and increase respect for Arkansas throughout the nation as to pass a law governing marriage that would indicate that we have a proper conception of the importance, the sacredness and the sanctity of this union of life with life.

March 4th Great Day In American Methodism

B Y ACTION of our General Conference in Kansas City, March 4th, 1945, was fixed as the day on which we climax our efforts for the financial objectives of the Crusade for Christ.

While the plan for payments of pledges may be extended through January of 1946 where it is necessary, the plan also calls for pledges or cash in full for the total askings for the Crusade for Christ to be in hand by the close of the day, Sunday March 4th.

Many churches have already paid in full or overpaid their askings. Many others have oversubscribed their quota. It is fully expected that the total asking of \$25,000,000 will be oversubscribed by the close of the day March 4th. That will be truly a historic day in American Methodism.

● Van Buren Layman Speaks For The Crusade ●

By CLYMAN E. IZARD

(This address was delivered by Mr. Izard, chairman of the Finance Committee, of the First Methodist Church, Van Buren, on Sunday, February 4).

IT is my purpose to speak to you this morning upon the "Crusade for Christ"—that great project which Methodism has launched, and about which you have been hearing so much.

In 1943 and 1944 everyone, you will remember, had a post-war plan. I developed an inferiority complex last year because I was unable to give birth to such a brain-child. Congressman Fulbright, one of Arkansas favorite sons, wrote his name in the stars with a 55 word resolution dedicated to the preservation of peace and post-war security, and incidentally coasted into the United States Senate on those same 55 words. Yet nothing tangible has come of these numerous post-war plans. WHY?—Because those plans deal only with the physical,—with the political aspect of the problem, and not one of them contained any reference to the spiritual relationship of mankind. The framers of those documents seem to have forgotten that nations, like individuals, have a spiritual being as well as physical. You and I never began to live a full and complete life until we came to realize that life is composed of two phases, the physical and the spiritual, and that we must nourish our spiritual body with church affiliation, prayer, and sacrifice just as we nourish our physical body with food, water, and fresh air, else that spiritual phase will surely wither and die. The framers of these high sounding documents have lost sight of the spiritual aspect of the situation, and, therefore, those post-war plans have made little progress.

But METHODISM has advanced a post-war plan that is going ahead by leaps and bounds, even though the post-war era is not even here yet. It should properly be called a pre-post-war plan, because it is making more progress than the military campaigns, and will likely succeed before a military victory is assured.

Our post-war plan is the CRUSADE FOR CHRIST, a humane, far sighted plan intended to aid international brotherhood and understanding and to plant anew the seed of Christianity and spiritual fellowship in all war-torn countries because the seeds heretofore planted by our missionaries, and by Christian education, have been blasted from the fertile soil in which they were sown in those foreign lands, blasted by heavy artillery, and by the robot bombs of the enemy of all Christianity, Hitlerism.

This post-war plan was not conceived by statesmen, diplomats, or politicians, but was born of inspiration in the minds of the leaders of the Methodist Church. IT CAN NOT FAIL because it is a project launched by God to help a war-torn world struggle back to its feet, and to prepare to meet his son, Jesus Christ, when he returns.

The ambitious program of our Crusade for Christ, our Methodist

post-war plan, is to raise 25 million dollars. It has a dual purpose, to relieve, to some extent, suffering and want, and, while ministering to the sufferer's needs, to tell him once again the story of the Prince of Peace. Having so recently experienced the sorrow, suffering, and famine brought on by the Princes of War, we should find them in a receptive mood to embrace the Prince of Peace.

May I transport you for a moment, by the medium of our imaginations, to Van Buren, BELGIUM. Let us pick up the tiny speck on the map that is Van Buren, ARKANSAS, and superimpose it on the map of Europe where we find many similar small towns. We find no-

the railroad shops and terminal. One bomb landed squarely on your home that you and your husband had skimped and saved so long to build, and though you and your older daughter were away from home at work, the younger children perished. The bombs wrecked the water and sewer systems and you had to use boiled drinking water from the river. The bridge across the river was blown up, the highway east of town blasted and Van Buren was an isolated place. Very few buildings in town escaped damage. Your heart was broken at the thought of your husband coming home, if he ever did, to find a pile of timbers where he once worked in the flowers. That

give every penny of it, not merely to help the people of Van Buren, Belgium, but also to help OURSELVES, because we have already found that there is a joy in giving, and the more we give the greater blessing we receive. If we receive a true blessing, we must give more than we feel we can afford. Don't worry about where you will get it; THE LORD WILL FIND A WAY. I decided the other day that I'd like to give \$100.00 to this campaign, but expected to borrow it because I did not have it to spare. This week an unexpected fee came in in almost that exact amount. Do you think the Lord had a hand in that? I do. In fact, I have never known of one being financially handicapped by what he or she gave to the church.

Here is how we are going to raise this money: seven or eight men are going to give \$100 each. We hope that a like number will give \$50.00 each. Then all church members are asked to give whatever they can afford, no matter how small. The children will be given cards to fill in with dimes from their own allowances or from their own efforts. When this is all added together, we hope that it will exceed our quota. If you are not able to give all your pledge at once, you will be permitted to give 25 per cent now, or within the next month, and the remaining three-fourths to be paid anytime before January 31, 1946.

We urge that you do not delay, but that you make your pledge while it is in your mind and on your heart, and thus make it unnecessary for a committee to call on anyone in order to raise this fund. Pledge cards will be handed you as you pass out of the building. Please fill one in and either put it in the collection plate next Sunday or mail it to our church treasurer. By doing so, you will truly join in the "Crusade for Christ."

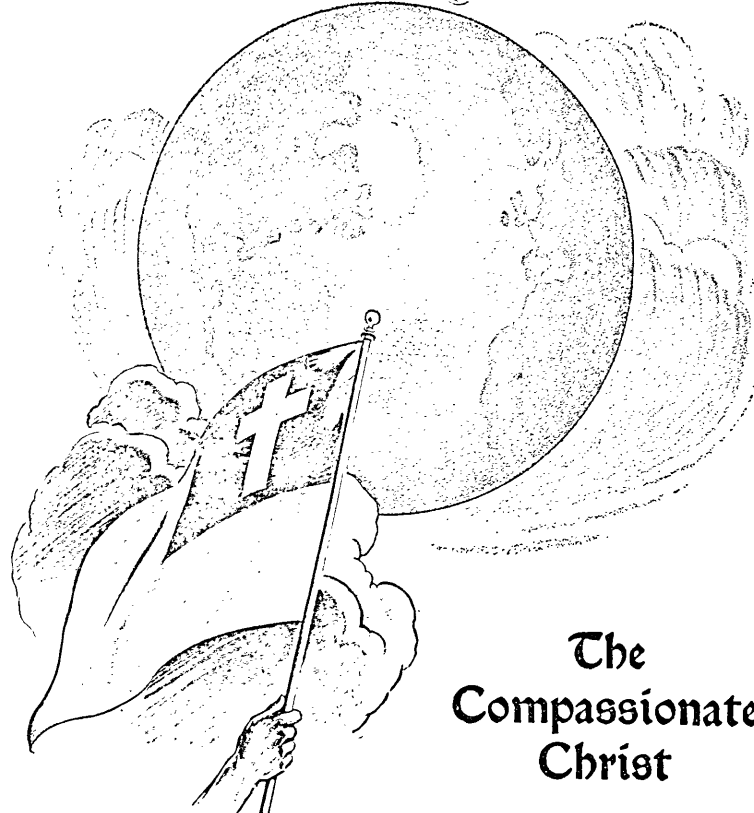
MAINE SPUDS SPUR CAMPAIGN

Mars Hill, Me.—The Methodist Church in this Bible-named, down-east village has just been commended by Bishop Lewis O. Hartman of Boston as the first in all New England to raise its quota for the denomination's Crusade for Christ fund of \$25,000,000. This three-point circuit, including Easton and Easton Center, over-subscribed its asking by 120 per cent and jumped the gun by finishing two weeks before the nation-wide drive opened.

Famous Aroostook potatoes played a role. Pastor Victor P. Musk, due to a shortage of labor (and possibly to other shortages well-known to rural preachers) helped harvest the potato crop. While following the digger he told his fellow-workers of their church's plan to give post-war aid to the world. Someone suggested contributing 1c for each barrel picked up. The young people came through with \$110 toward the \$700 quota. The remainder was raised Thanksgiving Sunday, a total of \$1,537.

O Master of the waking world,
Who hast the nations in Thy heart—
The heart that bled and broke to send
Thy love to earth's remotest part:
Show us anew in Calvary
The wondrous power
That makes men free!

—Frank Mason North



The Compassionate Christ

one in Van Buren, BELGIUM but you women and children, because all able-bodied men, regardless of age, are in the service. You women, the same women that we men tried to shelter so before we left, are now operating trains, working in factories, and working in the fields. While it was hard, and especially so when you received word that your husband or son had been killed at the front, you did not dream that anything worse could happen because Van Buren is so small, so insignificant a place, that nobody would want to capture it. But you forgot about the railroad yards. You forgot that transportation and communications, and supplies constitute the backbone of military operations, and you were shocked when the enemy hurled robot bombs, artillery shells, and aerial bombs indiscriminately and wiped out Van Buren just to knock out

is what happened to Van Buren, BELGIUM. But for the grace of God, it could have happened to Van Buren, ARKANSAS. Should we not, then, be thankful, and attempt, in a material way, to show it?

You will be asked to give, to give liberally, to the Crusade for Christ, and you are entitled to know how your money will be spent. Of the \$25,000,000, \$14,667,500 will be allocated to relief and reconstruction in foreign lands; \$1,530,000 is set aside in a contingent fund which includes amounts needed to insure the maintenance of Methodist participation in the World Council of Churches, and the emergency war work of the American Bible Society. The balance, \$8,802,500 will be devoted to emergency projects in the home field, Alaska and Hawaii.

Our church has been given a quota of \$1573. We are going to

THE DEVOTIONAL PAGE

ROY BAGLEY, Editor

FROM THE BOOKSHELF

For prayer is the heart of religion.

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The science which sometimes poked fun at "anthropomorphic God" is now found guilty of an anthropomorphic science!

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If there is no help beyond science, science itself is lost.

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There was never such world-wide admission that war is a crime, never such world-wide yearning for peace, and never such diabolical war and rehearsal for war.

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In a world where microbes are stronger than men, where sorrow waits, death stalks with violence, and an aroused conscience is a Cave of Furies, to pretend that we need no refuge is only a pretense.

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If his (Jesus) ethic is true, it is a fair assumption that this faith prayer cannot be false. His life and death had their secret springs, like a river, back in the hills where he was wont to pray.

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Prayer is like life, for it is life; it swings between the poles of aloneness and comradeship.—Buttrick, Prayer.

OUR HOPEFUL OUTLOOK

"The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage." Psalm 16:6.

God has been good to us. Only we forget. We have had a number of days in which we had trouble, and we talk about it the rest of our lives. We have undergone an operation or have had a spell of sickness, and we tell and retell it to our friends. But we seldom mention the days when all went well.

Most of us must confess that our lines are fallen into pleasant places. If we are past 40 years, then we have lived more than 14,500 days. Of these, undoubtedly, 14,000 were days when life was pleasant, the body well, the appetite good, and the friends kindly. How many have been "breaks" that are favorable! Yet, do we recognize this fact?

Above all, to us Christians have come more than the natural blessings that enrich the lives of all mankind. We enjoy the goodly heritage, the forgiveness of a gracious God, who sent His Son to the cross to redeem us. We have been filled with this peace which flows from such forgiveness of all our sins.

We have a security that is ours as we face death and judgment. There is no condemnation for them that are in Christ Jesus. Our outlook is always hopeful, because we are in the hands of a loving Father through Christ. Out of God's hands not even Satan can pluck us. This we want to remember today, in fact, each day of our life, and especially in the days when shadows lengthen and the darkness deepens to blacken day.

We are God's own; so the lines

THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE

O thou great Friend to all the sons of men,
Who once appear'dst in humblest guise below,
Sin to rebuke, to break the captive's chain,
To call thy brethren forth from want and woe!
Thee would I sing... Thy truth is still the light
Which guides the nations groping on their way,
Stumbling and falling in disastrous night,
Yet hoping ever for the perfect day.

Yes thou art still the life; thou art the way
The holiest know, light, life, and way of heaven;
And they who dearest hope and deepest pray
Toil by the truth, life, way that thou hast given;
And in thy name aspiring mortals trust
To uplift their bleeding brothers rescued from the dust.

—Theodore Parker
from The World's Great Religious Poetry.

THE VICTORIOUS CHRIST. III.

Jesus Committed Himself to the Best

We said last week that Jesus dared to think and hope for the best. But this was not enough to save the world. Once having conceived the best and hoped for it, it was necessary for Him to commit Himself to it, and this He did. Jesus was not content merely to dream, but He must needs act on what He believed, and it was this consecration of self to His task as He outlined it in His own mind, that brought Him much farther down the road to victory.

They say that talk is cheap. If so, then day-dreaming must be also. This is especially true if we dream of the impossible: things that we can do nothing about. But when we begin to dream of what is possible, and of what we might realize if we tried; and that dream gets on our hearts as well as our minds, then it is apt to cost. When we set out to realize our dreams, then they are no longer cheap. Why Jesus came to John to be baptized will never be decided to the satisfaction of everyone, but He seems to have made it a time of consecration. He began His ministry at that time, and "... once having put His hand to the plow," He never looked back.

It is not enough to talk, to dream, and to hear. If our house is to have a strong foundation we must be doers of the word, not hearers only. We talk of enduring peace, and hope and pray for it; but are we willing to commit ourselves to the great task of establishing it. It will not be easily done. It will not be easy on us. Are we as individuals and we as a nation willing to make the sacrifices necessary?

We think it a good plan that our

are fallen in pleasant places. God has been good to us.

Heavenly Father, forgive me all my murmurings, and give to me a grateful heart that will praise Thee, whose mercy is boundless in Christ Jesus. Amen.—From Candles of the Lord.

church is planning to use large sums of money in the rehabilitation of our work in devastated countries, the alleviation of suffering, the providing of doctors and nurses, schools, churches, and hospitals. Are we sufficiently convinced that it is a good thing that we will make a substantial contribution to the Crusade: one that represents a sacrifice?

It is not enough to say that our nation and our church should do certain things. It is our belief that in this democratic nation, both nation and church are primarily the people; and the success of both will depend on what we as individuals are willing to do. Have we the courage of our own convictions? We are willing for others to make sacrifices; are we willing to make them ourselves? Are we willing to commit ourselves to the best?

Chateaubriand, the French poet, was made Ambassador to Rome by King Charles X. The poet was at that time the greatest champion of liberty in France. He was a monarchist, but he did not believe in absolute monarchy, and he had fought it courageously for many years. After he had been in Rome for some time, the King appointed Jules, Prince de Polignac, as the chief minister of foreign affairs. Jules was an absolutist of the worst sort, and people immediately began to expect some kind of retaliation from Chateaubriand. The poet-ambassador was in Cautelets at the time. The bathers at this resort town immediately bore down upon Chateaubriand to ask him when he would send in his resignation. Every day brought letters urging him to resign in protest, in fact, pointing out that it was his duty to do so. Chateaubriand himself said of them, "They were filled with abnegation on my behalf: they could not do enough to strip themselves of all that I possessed."

We must not only be willing to give what others have; we must give what we have. We must commit ourselves to the best if we are to share in the victory of Jesus.—John Bayliss.

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Great God and Father of mankind, who didst make Thy children of one blood and dost desire them to dwell together in brotherhood, wilt Thou strengthen the ties that bind and weaken the forces that divide? Have mercy on our mistakes and forgive us our sins. Help us to be patient in our perplexities, calm in our fears, diligent in our duties, and honest in our dealings. Multiply our high moments of faith and deliver us from our moods of doubt. Sustain us with the memory of Thy past mercies and the sense of Thy present nearness.

Grant, O God, that we may be worthy of the heroic sacrifices made for us. May the spirits of the noble dead and the fellowship of loved ones far away quicken our hearts. Illumine the minds of our leaders; encourage the hopes of our people; and lift high the banners of Thy church that we may form a fellowship of love for the sake of those who suffer, until peace and justice shall reign throughout the earth. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.—Ralph W. Sockman, Pastor, Christ Church, Methodist, New York City.

BUT ONE WAS OUT . . .

Another method of reaching the unreached is through our Church School activities. We may call it educational evangelism, or sustained evangelism, or by whatever term we like but to overlook the fact that a majority who came into the fellowship of the church came in through influence of the church school is to miss the importance of the day by day and week by week of the loyal group of teachers and officers in the church school.

The church school worker who misses the significance of the position he holds in regard to the salvation of the lost has not caught the glory of his task in the redemption of lost men and women and the guidance of children and youth into the rich experience of fellowship with Christ. If the purpose in the church school is to merely relate factual material or to give the printed lesson then the larger opportunity has been neglected. If on the other hand, the radiance of a Christian experience is seen in the life of a church school leader the contagion spreads and members of the church school are drawn closer to Him who is able to take away the sin of the world.

Evangelism must take a larger concern than for just getting people into the church. It must take as another of its primary goals the growth and consecration of these persons as disciples of the Teacher who invites us "to learn of me for I am meek and lowly in heart and ye shall find rest for your souls." If the doctrine of the new birth means anything to us it means that we have people just born into a new experience that calls for careful nurture to make them full grown in the faith. The evangelistic spirit assumes this responsibility. Yes, as long as "one is out" the church school must seek the lost one until he is found.—R. B.

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A WEEKLY MESSAGE

By FORNEY HUTCHINSON

BREAD CAST UPON THE WATERS

(SERIES NO. 1)

Ecclesiastes 11-1:

*Cast thy bread upon the waters; for
thou shalt find it after many days.*

In the fall of 1918 I was transferred to the West Oklahoma Conference and stationed at St. Luke's Church in Oklahoma City. One day, after my arrival, I was walking down town and passed by a Catholic church. The parish house was just behind the church and the priest was out in the yard having some work done on his shrubs and flowers. I walked in, extended my hand and introduced myself. He said, "My name is Mutsears," and I told him that I had just come to Oklahoma City as pastor of St. Luke's Church, and wished to know the religious leaders in the various churches of the city. He seemed pleased and I went on my way.

In the summer of 1924, when it was generally known in the city that I was going abroad, Mont Highley, a Catholic lawyer, gave me a letter of introduction to Monseigneur Mutsears, who was then in charge of an Old Folks' Home in Rome. When I arrived in Rome, I went out to the Home and presented my letter of introduction. I was told that Father Mutsears was not in, so I left my letter, thinking that would end the matter. The next evening, after our party had spent the day sight-seeing, the hotel clerk told me that a Catholic priest had been there three times that day to see me, and that he had asked him to tell me that he would be in at eight o'clock again that evening and wished to see me. He came and we had a most delightful visit until eleven o'clock. When he started to go, he said that he would be at my command all the next day, if I cared to leave my party and see the city with him. He assured me that he could show me more in a day than those not familiar with the city could show me in a week. I thanked him, but told him that I would stay with my party, and assured him that when I got back to Oklahoma City, I would thank Mont Highley for making it possible for me to meet him.

Then the old man looked at me very kindly and said, "I didn't come to see you because of Mont Highley's letter. You have forgotten it, but I well remember that when you first came to Oklahoma City, you were passing my home one day and deliberately turned in, shook hands,

NEWS AND NOTES ABOUT FACTS AND FOLKS

REV. A. J. CHRISTIE, district superintendent of the Texarkana District, announces that C. E. Lawrence, a lay preacher, is pastor of the Foreman Circuit. His address is Foreman, Arkansas, Route 1.

REV. J. J. DECKER, pastor at Earle, writes: "I believe we are making good headway in our new field. The people have been very cordial to us and have given us many nice things to eat since we arrived here on November 8. We are happy here with these fine people."

REV. PAUL GALLOWAY, pastor of the Central Methodist Church, Fayetteville, was the principal speaker during Religious Emphasis Week, February 5-9, at Arkansas State Teachers College, Conway. The week is sponsored by the college Y. W. C. A. and Y. M. C. A.

EDMUND CHAMBERS, Methodist missionary in Poland, who for a number of years has been in a German concentration camp, has been released and is spending some time in the states addressing missionary groups. He was recently guest speaker at a series of missionary institutes in the Tennessee Conference. Mr. Chambers is a Canadian and a British subject.

MEDICAL Arts Building, Nashville, Tennessee, home of the Upper Room and the Methodist Board of Evangelism, was dedicated at the recent session of the Board, February 14-16. On the evening of the 14th, an oil portrait of Dr. Grover C. Emmons, late editor and founder of The Upper Room book of devotions, was unveiled. Cornelius Hankins, well known artist, did the portrait. Grown to a circulation of 2,350,000 copies per issue, The Upper Room goes quarterly to every country of the globe and men and women in the armed forces received 500,000 copies each issue.

REV. J. D. BAKER, pastor of Grand Avenue Church, Hot Springs, and Mrs. Baker have been notified by the War Department that their son, Sergeant Joe R. Baker, with the Eight Air Force based in England, was seriously burned and otherwise injured as the result of a fighter plane crash in which the navigator and probably the pilot were killed and others injured. Sergeant Baker is in a hospital in England. The extent of his injuries is not known. Brother Baker writes: "We have also received a letter from John D., Jr., a pilot on a night fighter in North Italy and he will be sent soon to rest camp in France where he will remain probably a month." The prayers of their many friends are with Brother and Mrs. Baker in these days of anxiety.

THERE are some 8,000 students enrolled in the colleges and universities of the United States this year, despite the disruptions and changes in student life made by the war, according to the Committee on Friendly Relations Among Foreign Students, an organization maintained by the Protestant churches and mission agencies of this country. Because of the war, there has been a falling off in students from all Oriental countries, but the number has been about compensated for by the influx of students from South and Central America. Among the students are 2,241 from Latin America, 2,065 from Europe (many of them being refugees), 817 from Canada, 33 from Africa, 82 from Iceland (most of them being refugees), 817 from Canada, 33 from Africa, 82 from Iceland (most of whom would in peace times have gone to Europe) 19 from Australia, 704 from China, 213 from else-

introduced yourself and said you were glad to meet me as one of the religious leaders of the city to which you had come to make your home. Through all my ministry no other Protestant preacher ever showed me that courtesy. I appreciated it more than I can possibly tell you."

Father Mutsear has passed away since then, but I hope to meet him again in the land where all of our differences are forgotten.

where in Asia, 142 from Turkey. The Committee attempts to counsel them in personal and educational problems, and to relate them to normal American Christian life. It is expected by many that the postwar influx of foreign students will reach 20,000 per year.

DR. A. W. MARTIN WILL GO TO FACULTY OF S. M. U.

At the meeting of the Board of Trustees of Southern Methodist University last week, Dr. A. W. Martin, district superintendent of the Ft. Smith District, was elected to the faculty of the Perkins School of Theology of Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas.

Bishop Paul E. Martin asked that the Arkansas Methodist announce for him that Dr. Martin will continue his work on the Ft. Smith District until the next Annual Conference.

BISHOP MARTIN SPEAKS IN JONES- BORO DISTRICT

Next Sunday, February 17th, Bishop Paul E. Martin is to preach at the First Methodist Church in Blytheville. All churches and pastors of the Jonesboro District, in the Blytheville Area, are expected to come together for this special meeting.

In the afternoon at 3:00 o'clock Bishop Martin will preach at Wilson. It is planned for all of the pastors and their people of the Osceola Area to be in the meeting at Wilson.

At the evening hour, at 7:30, Bishop Martin will preach at Lepanto and dedicate our church there at the close of the service. All Methodists of the Marked Tree Area are invited to this special meeting. The pastor, Rev. R. L. Franks, also states that an invitation is extended to all former presiding elders, district superintendents and pastors of Lepanto to be present for the dedication service.

A PRAYER FOR LOVED ONES

(This prayer was written by Pfc. James William Hancock, a member of the church at Bryant, from a hospital somewhere in England after being wounded in battle on the western front by a bursting shell last December. It was sent to his mother at Bryant.)

O God, the Protector and Helper of all Thy children; the Comfort and the Safety of the solitary, and those who are separated from those they love; we commit unto Thee and Thy fatherly keeping, our loved ones; beseeching Thee to grant unto them every good gift for the body and the soul, and to unite us all, present and absent, in true faith and love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

KINDNESS A DUTY

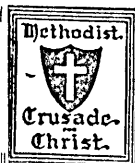
Kindness is not only a privilege but a duty. We were put into this world to be kind and to do our utmost to make it easy for everyone else to be just and happy. When we divert from this course we only invite distress and unhappiness upon ourselves. Perhaps the greatest evil force behind all war is intolerance—taking from the free the right to their inheritance. We had nothing to say about the circumstance of our birth. We have to accept what we are in good grace. There is, therefore, no room for intolerance on our part concerning anyone. "Judge not, that ye be not judged," still holds as a wonderful maxim of life.—George Matthew Adams.

THE METHODIST CRUSADERS

The Little Rock Conference Board of Evangelism is sponsoring a broadcast called "The Methodist Crusaders" each Saturday from 1:30 to 2:00 p. m. over station KARK. Our people are asked to tune in this fine broadcast.



News About The Crusade For Christ



GRAND AVENUE McALESTER, OKLAHOMA, EXCEEDS QUOTA

Rev. Earl S. Walker, pastor of Grand Avenue Church, McAlester, Oklahoma, and a former member of the Little Rock Conference, writes:

"My friends in Arkansas will be interested to know that Grand Avenue has already exceeded its quota of \$4,300.00 on the Crusade for Christ and has paid over 90 per cent of it in cash.

Bishop W. Angie Smith will preach for us a week, embracing the Sundays of April 15 and April 22. He has already endeared himself to Grand Avenue and to McAlester through his messages in the District Rallies. We are, therefore, on tiptoes with eagerness to hear him."

CRUSADE NEWS PARAGRAPHS

Charles W. Melick of Rochester, Mich., wrote to the Michigan Christian Advocate regarding the War-Sallman "Crusading Christ" painting which has become the official Crusade poster and has been used on some of the literature, as follows: "Of all the modern pictures of Christ, this is certainly the outstanding one. It has the force of character, action, vigor, and frank, open expression that portrays more nearly than any picture of Him, what we would expect from His life and teachings in the New Testament."

Four high school youth of Mason, Mich., pledged \$25 each to the Crusade Relief and Reconstruction Fund.

"Most impressive service I ever attended," said a member of First Church, Jersey Shore, Pa., to Rev. W. W. Willard, Jr., pastor, following the service in which \$3,214 was subscribed on a quota of \$2,000. Cash contributions alone amounted to \$243 more than the quota.

With only three of his four churches, Rev. W. E. Barber, student pastor of Crothersville, Ind., Church, can claim going over the top by 42 per cent. Cash and pledges total \$1,380 on a \$967 quota.

Sergeant Russell Dryden saw what missionaries had done for the natives in the Gilbert and Marshall Islands. He sent a check for \$200 to the Crusade fund of North Vernon, Ind., Church, where Rev. M. T. Eicholz is pastor. The check inspired members to go far beyond their quota of \$1,526.

DR. REVES SPEAKER AT CRUSADE RALLY

Dr. C. M. Reves, pastor of First Church, Texarkana, was the speaker at a Crusade Rally at the First Methodist Church at DeQueen on Thursday, January 25. The rally was presided over by Rev. A. J. Christie, district superintendent of the Texarkana District.

A duty dodged is like a debt unpaid; it is only deferred, and we must come back and settle the amount at last.—Joseph Fort Newton.

CONWAY CHURCH ANNOUNCES CRUSADE FIGURE

The First Methodist Church of Conway exceeded its goal of \$5,100 by more than fifty per cent, according to the figures available at the close of Sunday morning's service. Total cash and pledges received was \$7,750. Of this amount, \$5,70.17 was cash and bonds. The remainder was composed of short term pledges. Among these were the pledges of the children's Division and the Young People, which will be paid by Easter Sunday. The figures for the fund will not be closed officially until March 4, by which time it is hoped that the outstanding contributions of members will bring the total to an even \$8000.

"The response of our people," Brother Harris said, "has been inspiring in every way. 'Our people have responded enthusiastically to the appeal for a practical demonstration of Christian love and mercy for the starving and destitute men, women and children of war-torn areas. The willingness to share the burdens of the day was clearly evidenced by the fact that teams of solicitors were not needed in order to reach such a figure for the fund. Instead, the members of the church brought their gifts to the church for the voluntary offering on January 28, and sent them through the mail, and others brought them to the church February 4. This is a remarkable display of loyalty to their church and belief in this great movement of the church. The total number of contributors cannot be known until all the children and young people have completed their gifts, but the figure will run into the hundreds. Such general participation on the part of a congregation is deeply significant for the future of a vital evangelistic movement in the church.'"

CHIDESTER CHARGE

In a time of many trials and circumstances to try the faith of our people, we are privileged to see them rise to meet the challenge with greater faith than ever before.

Our church at Chidester bought and furnished one of the most comfortable parsonages last year valued at \$3500.00 and has moved from half time to a full time church with good organization. Our Church School has had an increase in enrollment of 16 percent within the past few months.

We have received splendid co-operation during our Arkansas Methodist campaign and we have a Christian Advocate club, hence we were not surprised when this church over-subscribed its askings for the Crusade for Christ by \$300.00 and more than \$1000.00 of the amount paid was paid by the church at Chidester with an active membership of seventy-six. Rev. Kirvin A. Hale is pastor.

One of old said without vision the people perish. We have no fear for this charge and covet your prayers that we may march with those who are marching for us.—Reporter.

MORE NEWS FROM JONESBORO DISTRICT

Rev. J. A. Gatlin, district superintendent of the Jonesboro District, sends the following additional Crusade news:

"Manila has oversubscribed quota and will have additional funds coming. \$1092 in cash already paid.

Nettleton has gone over, on a quota of \$442.00. \$587 has been paid.

Bay has paid in \$317.00 in cash on \$367.00 quota and will be over by next report.

Monette has \$400.00 in cash and will be over on time or ahead of time.

Other charges are working on plans to go over."

CRUSADE NEWS FROM THE TEXARKANA DISTRICT

Rev. A. J. Christie, district superintendent of the Texarkana District, sends the following news regarding the Crusade in his district:

"The Crusade for Christ is meeting with marked achievements throughout the Texarkana District. Ashdown has gone over their goal with cash and pledges.

Buckner Circuit has raised their quota in cash.

Stamps has raised quota in cash and has enough pledges to make it about 30 per cent plus.

The pastors, Rev. Frank Walker, Rev. R. M. Crain and Rev. J. A. Wade are to be congratulated along with their faithful people. Every day will bring news from other pastors and their charges with over-the-top reports."

HENDERSON CHURCH MEETS QUOTA

Henderson Church, Little Rock, Rev. Alfred Doss, pastor, has its quota of \$1600.00 for the Crusade for Christ. Of this amount \$500.00 was paid in cash and the rest pledged.

On a fund to buy a Hammond organ \$500.00 has been pledged. Henderson is also raising \$4000.00 on a building fund.

FORREST CITY EXCEEDS \$4000.00 QUOTA

M. L. Gross, chairman of the Board of Stewards of the Forrest City Church, by long distance telephone gives the following fine Crusade news: "Forrest City has exceeded its quota of \$4000.00 by \$500.00 and is still going. We are working toward \$5000.00."

CENTRAL AVENUE, BATESVILLE, EXCEEDS CRUSADE QUOTA

Word comes that Central Avenue, Batesville exceeded its quota of \$2000 for the Crusade for Christ at the morning service last Sunday. There are other subscriptions to be had that will increase the amount now in hand.

Whatever makes men good Christians makes them good citizens.—Daniel Webster.

THE CRUSADE FOR CHRIST AND EMMET CHARGE

The Crusade for Christ quota for the circuits may not make a big dent in the \$25,000,000.00 total for the whole church, but we of the Emmet Circuit are justly proud of the fact that on January 21 our people marched down the aisle and laid on the table before the altar their entire quota of \$1100.00 plus \$64.00.

So far as we know, we are the first charge of the Prescott District, if not of the Little Rock Conference to pay its quota in full. One gratifying feature of the campaign is the fact that a large number of contributors, rather than a few big givers, made this possible. True we had some rather substantial gifts, but the larger percentage were relatively small contributions. I think this is as it should be. There are five churches or preaching places on the charge.

The Emmet Charge is one of the most splendid in the Conference. The people are loyal to the call of the church. Every item is always eagerly taken care of. This fine record reaches back through the years and will doubtless obtain in the future. The pastors who have served Emmet look back to it as one of the high points of their ministry.—George L. Cagle, pastor.

RECEIPTS IN THE CRUSADE TREASURER'S OFFICE TOTAL \$1,103,642 ON JANUARY 25

CHICAGO — Bishop J. Ralph Magee, director of the Crusade for Christ, announced on January 25 that \$1,103,642 in cash had been received by the Crusade treasurer, the Rev. Dr. Thomas B. Lugg, for the Relief and Reconstruction Fund. This was the amount sent in by Conference treasurers up to that date.

According to reports sent in to Crusade headquarters on a voluntary basis of reporting, total pledges and cash through January 25 amounted to \$3,831,572. A regular basis for reporting pledges and cash is now being worked out, Bishop Magee stated.

Most of the reports coming from local churches, Districts, Annual Conferences and Areas show that Crusade quotas have been oversubscribed. As of January 22, three Areas, 10 Annual Conferences and 59 Districts had reported their quotas raised in cash and pledges. The list was based on reports received in the Crusade headquarters office.

"These reports are very encouraging," Bishop Magee declared, "since in a large part of the church solicitation for funds has only just begun. The great number of churches which are oversubscribing their quotas indicates that Methodists have only to be told of the need for relief of suffering and of a plan for alleviating it, and they will respond with a great out-pouring of sacrificial giving for others."

He who influences the thought of his time, influences the thought of all the times that follow.—Girard.



THE CHILDREN'S PAGE

ANNIE WINBURNE, Editor



IN STORYLAND

ANOTHER FRIEND

By Mary Agnes Colville

Just as music was inseparable from the life of Ethelbert Nevin, the musical composer, so was a spontaneous feeling for animals. It seems natural, too, that one who delighted in the society of children, and who set "Little Boy Blue" and other childhood verses to music, should also love those other appealing small folk of the animal and bird realm.

The creator of "The Rosary," "Narcissus," and other favorites of the home and concert stage, came of a family that was devoted to pets. If the Nevins were going out of town to a wedding or some other function, they would never consent to leave until they had made adequate arrangements for the comfort of their dogs and other pets. Some responsible servant or relative was delegated to the task of seeing that the animals were well cared for. Otherwise the family would not have enjoyed the holiday, due to anxiety over their pets.

In Ethelbert Nevin's life were a long succession of pets of various types and names.

Shortly after the composer's honeymoon, he and his young bride had a beloved puppy whom they called "Schopenhauer." Whenever they felt temporarily blue, lonely or perplexed over some problem, they used to call in the dog to comfort them. Affection was lavished plentifully by the young people on this adopted member of the household.

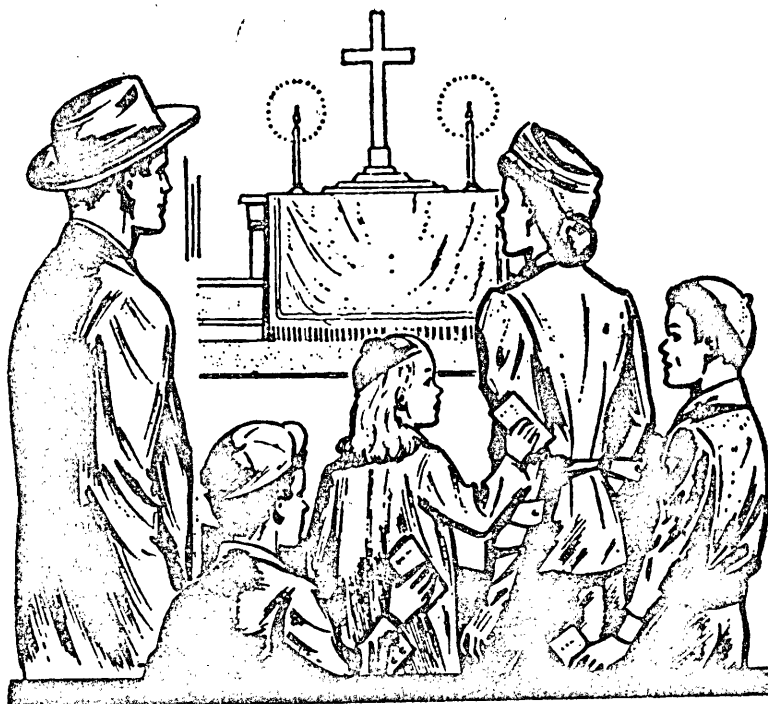
Once, when in Algiers, Nevin was more captivated by watching the antics of what he termed "a dear, little baby camel" eating grass under a tree than by any of his other experiences in a strange land. Horses, birds, ducks, he loved—even small pigs were among his special acquaintances.

While sojourning for a lengthy period in Italy, Nevin acquired several pets for his household. The composer wrote to friends that he could purchase a donkey as a personal pet for his little son, Paul. At this same period, the composer also had a dog, "Puccini," of whom he was justly fond.

The last time that Nevin sailed away from Europe to this country with his family, he was accompanied by two well cared for canary birds and a cherished greyhound. He would not think of leaving these precious companions behind in another country, no matter if he were inconvenienced somewhat himself.

No doubt, this warm feeling for animals and birds was natural to one of whom it has been said that he never made an enemy consciously, or uttered an unkind word of anyone. For, after all, is not kindness to people closely knitted to kindness to animals in a truly humane personality?—Our Dumb Animals.

Our Gifts We Share



Children Share in the CRUSADE FOR CHRIST a World-wide Plan of The Methodist Church

Thy work, O God,
Needs many hands
To help Thee everywhere,
And some there are
Who cannot serve
Unless our gifts we share.



Because we love Thee
And Thy work,
Our offering now we make:
Be pleased to use it
As Thy own,
We ask for Jesus' sake.
—By Calvin W. Laufer.

MORE than a million boys and girls may join in making an offering as a part of the CRUSADE FOR CHRIST. It is in addition to the usual offerings through the church and church school. The money will be used to—

1. To provide food, clothing, homes, and medical care where there has been war.
2. Rebuild destroyed homes, churches, schools, and hospitals.
3. Teach people everywhere to work together for a Christian world.
4. Help missionaries in teaching, preaching, and caring for the sick.
5. Help more people in all lands know and love Jesus.

DOLLY'S WARDROBE

By M. E. N. Hatheway

I'm so busy with my dolly's clothes
I've looked her wardrobe through
To see how much she has to wear
With fashions that are new.

But what she has is not the kind
To make a proper show;
For nothing is in favor now
That was a year ago.

Then hats were tilted toward the left,
With decorations bright;
This year they're trimmed with
sober tints,
And tilted toward the right.

The skirts that were so very short,
Much longer now appear;
It's plain no stylish doll can wear
One thing she wore last year!

—In Exchange.

Duty scorns prudence, and criticism has few terrors for man with a great purpose.—Disraeli.

JUST FOR FUN

A little fellow was learning from his aunt about Grant, Lee, and other famous leaders of the Civil War. "Is that the same Grant we pray to in church?" he inquired innocently.

"Pray to in church? You are mistaken, dear," said the aunt.

"No, I'm not," he insisted, "for during service we always say: 'Grant, we beseech thee, to hear us.' —Boston Transcript.

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"Has your husband any hobbies?" asked the neighbor who was calling.

"No," said Mrs. Tuggle, "he has rheumatiz a good deal, and hives now and then, but he ain't never had no hobbies."

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The teacher was trying to impress the class with the danger of bad habits. He asked, "What is

WE SHARE EXPERIENCES

WHEN SPRINGTIME COMES

This is the song the Apple Tree sings
When the wind through its branches is blowing:
"Somewhere a bluebird is spreading his wings
Though here it is snowing and snowing.
Somewhere a robin is taking a flight
In skies that are clear as these
skies are dim;
So I'll sing my song in the winter night,
And keep myself warm for him.

Hark to the croon of the Maple Tree,
When the wind of the winter is 'plaining:
"Sleep, little leaflet, and cuddle to me;
Dream that the snowflakes are raining;
Dream that the daisies are white on the way
In fields that are green as the drifts are deep;
Hush, little leaflet, nor waken to day;
Winter is given for sleep."

This is the tune that the Willow hums
When the wind through branches is grieving:
"Winter is bitter; but summertime comes,
And tempests are only deceiving
Little gray catkins, O, slumber and dream,
April is coming with sunlight aglow,
Cowslip and buttercup, sprinkle with cream,
Wait till she calls them to grow.

—Harriet F. Blodgett, in The Lutheran

LITTLE SUNSHINE

By James Henry Darlington

He was only a wee little boy
Who did not know much it is true
But though bashful and coy,
He'd the secret of joy,
Not everyone knows it. Do you

He'd laugh and he'd sing all the day
Yes, and smile in his sleep in the night.
Just to see him at play
Some went out of their way,
His looks and his words were bright.

From this little wee lad we learn
To consider our lot always be
To banish concern
And to happiness turn,
And in loving and serving find rest.

—Selected from Verses by the W.

it we find so easy to get into a so hard to get out of?" "Be came the answer.

A History Of Hendrix College

A HISTORY of Hendrix College from 1884 to the present time has been presented to the Hendrix library by its author, Prof. Guy A. Simmons, a member of the Hendrix staff since 1908, it was announced today by Dr. H. W. Camp, director of the library. The history, which covers more than 80 single spaced typewritten pages, is the longest and most complete one to date. Especially valuable, Dr. Camp said, is the detailed material concerning the early history of the college and the various other institutions which are now combined with Hendrix.

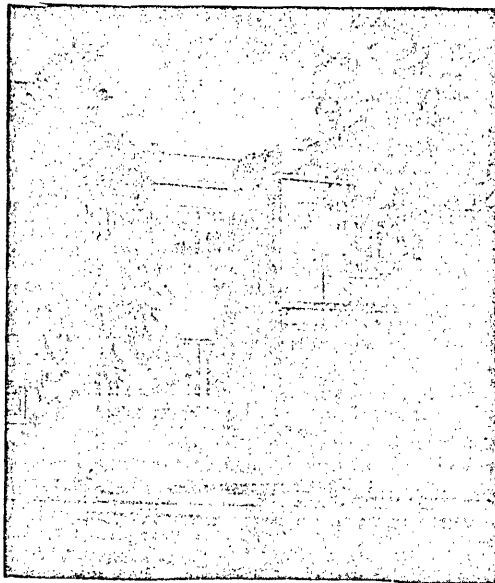
Hendrix, according to the history, is one of 10 colleges which the Methodist Church has operated in Arkansas at one time or another, beginning with two dating from just before the Civil War, the Ouachita Conference Female College at Tulip and Arkadelphia Female College at Arkadelphia.

Before the war, Professor Simmons points out, social and economic conditions were such that there was little demand for college education. Shortly after the war, however, interest in higher education increased and nine colleges were founded in the decade 1868-77, two of them for Negroes. Five of the nine colleges were Methodist: Camden Female College, Camden Male College, Quitman College, Arkansas Female College (Little Rock) and Philander Smith College (Negro) at Little Rock. One of the four non-Methodist institutions was Central Collegiate Institute at Altus, founded by Rev. I. L. Burrow in 1876 and destined soon to become Hendrix College.

The history of Hendrix begins in 1884 when the Arkansas conference of the Methodist Church purchased the property of Central Collegiate Institute for \$12,500. The name of the institution, which soon came also under the ownership of the Little Rock and the White River Conferences, was changed in 1889 to Hendrix in honor of Bishop E. R. Hendrix. In 1890 the college was moved to Conway in order to obtain a more liberal support and a central location. Conway had made an offer of thirty acres of land and \$55,000.

Since 1884, Professor Simmons' history shows, the college has granted 1,531 degrees,

1,440 of them being the bachelor of arts degree. Four degrees were offered during the first four years of the college; completion of the regular four-year course entitled men to the bachelor of arts degree and women to the mistress of arts degree. Completion of the course omitting certain subjects entitled men to the bachelor of philosophy degree and women to the mistress of English literature degree. During its existence Hendrix has offered eight different aca-



HENDRIX LIBRARY

demie degrees, the three degrees now offered being the bachelor of arts, the bachelor of science, and the bachelor of music.

Only 47 honorary degrees have been conferred by the college, the first ones being conferred in 1889. The list is made up of 26 doctor of divinity degrees, 20 doctor of letters degrees, and one doctor of literature. Among recipients of doctor of divinity degrees are James A. Anderson, Stonewall Anderson, F. S. H. Johnston, O. E. Goddard, W. P. Whaley, Marshall T. Steel, and A. C. Millar. Among recipients of the doctor of letters degree are J. M.

Williams, Roger W. Babson, Rupert W. Vance, James A. Farley, Clarence Dillon, Thomas J. Watson, and G. Oswald Burr. Recipient of the doctor of literature was Miss Ruth Hughey, a 1920 graduate of Galloway Woman's College.

Since 1937 Hendrix College has awarded reissued diplomas bearing the name of Hendrix to graduates of the other institutions which are officially combined into Hendrix. A total of 365 diplomas have been reissued, 282 for graduates of Galloway Woman's College, 65 for Henderson Brown College, 10 for Hendrix-Henderson College, and for Hiram and Lydia College. Three hundred and one of the reissued diplomas were awarded in the first year at the 1937 graduating exercises. All alumni of these institutions are now officially alumni of Hendrix College.

Hendrix has had four presidents. Reverend I. L. Burrow continued as president for three years after the institution was acquired by the Methodist Church in 1884. Dr. A. C. Millar was president from 1887 to 1902 and again from 1910 to 1913. Dr. Stonewall Anderson was president from 1902 to 1910. Dr. J. H. Reynolds has been president since 1913.

Included in Professor Simmons' sketch is a list of all former members of the Hendrix faculty, who total 161 persons. The list begins with J. P. Coleman, teacher of mathematics from 1884-1887 and includes O. E. Goddard, J. W. Cline, D. Y. Thomas, J. E. and S. M. Godbey, Walter W. Parker, Claude Nelson, George H. Burr, G. A. Hulen, M. J. Russell.

Professor Simmons has collected material concerning Hendrix history for many years. His sketch is based upon an extensive bibliography which includes many volumes of newspaper clippings, catalogues of the various institutions, church conference minutes and journals, historical sketches by James A. Anderson, Frank E. Robins, E. T. Clark, and others, and an unpublished history of education in Arkansas by W. O. Wilson, former professor of mathematics at Hendrix. The history will be a valuable addition to the library's Arkansas room, which contains many volumes and other materials pertaining to Arkansas history in general. — Hendrix College News Bureau.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE TRAINING PROGRAM

We are glad to announce that Rev. George A. Bowles, executive secretary for the St. Louis Conference has been secured to teach the course "Christian Education in the Church" for the Little Rock School during the first week in March.

It was my privilege to be with a fine group of workers at First Church, Pine Bluff, in the study of the course, "Christian Education in the Church." It was an interested group and we feel that it was a worthwhile week. Dr. W. E. Brown is the energetic and resourceful pastor appointed at the last session of Annual Conference.

Other classes with which I will be meeting in the near future are: Gillett, February 13th-15th, Rev. H. D. Ginther, pastor; and Murfreesboro-Delight, February 18-23, Rev. Eldred Blakeley, pastor.

A three-unit school will begin at Stuttgart Sunday afternoon, February 18th. This is a cooperative school between First Church and Grand Avenue, Rev. Otto W. Teague and Rev. John B. Hefley, pastors respectively. The courses are: "Teaching Children," Mrs. J. A. Gray; "Recreation," Miss Emily Lanier; "The Discipline," Rev. Fred R. Harrison.—Roy E. Fawcett.

QUAKERS IN INDIA TO SUPPLY FISHERMEN WITH BOATS

LONDON (By Wireless) (RNS)—The Society of Friends ambulance unit in Chittagong, India, has launched a scheme to provide fishermen with boats on which they depend for a living. The plan is being operated temporarily, in the hope that some native agency may take over the project.

THE FOUNDATION

A contractor recently dug down eighty-seven feet in order to find the rock upon which to lay the foundation of a great building. Nearly one-half the total cost of the building was for the labor and material used in the foundation. Invisible, immovable, the foundation supports the superstructure. There must be no flaw there.

The church and what it teaches are the foundation of every good thing. Our homes, our schools, our philanthropies, our business and industrial enterprises, our laws, our social order—all these depend upon the church. Destroy or weaken it and these great and vital things will disintegrate.

When we lend our influence to support the church we are strengthening all that is best in our civilization.—Duplex.

MOSCOW PAPERS QUOTE FROM 'THE PROTESTANT'

MOSCOW (By Wireless) (RNS)—Izvestia, official Soviet newspaper, features the recent declaration by 1,600 American churchmen against involving the democratic states "in any deal" in which the Vatican or any Protestant or Jewish religious group "has part or place, either as principal or mediator." The statement was addressed to President Roosevelt, Prime Minister Churchill, and Marshall Stalin, and was issued by Kenneth Leslie, editor of The Protestant, monthly journal published in New York.

The official Communist Party newspaper Pravda quotes from an article in The Protestant written by Dr. Hewlett Johnson, Dean of Canterbury, which dealt with socialist construction in the Soviet Union.

WACS TAKE ARMY AIR FORCE CHAPLAINS'

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (RNS)—A class of 30 Army Air WACS has been taking the Army Air Force Chaplains' transition conference course at the San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center. A second similar class of women is ready to take the two weeks' course, which is for Air Force chaplains and their en-

GERMAN PRIESTS SAID TO BE COOPERATING WITH AMERICANS

LONDON (By Wireless) (RNS)—German priests are taking a "dignified and correct" attitude towards American officials in occupied areas and are cooperating willingly with U. S. Army Chaplains in religious functions, an American chaplain, on leave here from a strongly-Catholic section of occupied Germany, disclosed. He said German priests are glad to have freedom again to preach and manage their ecclesiastical affairs.

German churches, the chaplain said, are being attended by American Catholic soldiers who show no hesitation in hearing Mass conducted by German priests.

listed assistants, according to Lieut-Col. Glenn J. Witherspoon, director. Many of these WACS, Col Witherspoon said, have been pastors' assistants, church educational directors, or choir leaders in civilian life.

As a fine human personality sometimes dominates the atmosphere of a room, so we want the personality of Christ to dominate our homes. This is a high ideal for the home in a materialistic and partially cynical world, but such a world makes ideals all the more necessary.—L. Foster Wood.



Little Rock Conference Treasurer's Report



ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT

CHARGE	B. F.	C. C.	Benev.	W.S.	G.A.J. Exp.Fd.	M.S.F. Crusade (C) For Christ
Arkadelphia			\$750.00			
Arkadelphia Circuit			15.00			5.00
Hollywood			15.00			100.00
Total			338.00		20.00	105.00
Benton	16.00	117.00				9.00
Benton Ct.: Congo				2.00		
Martindale				2.05		
Total				4.05		
Couchwood Ct.: Butterfield				2.82		
Magnet Cove				1.35		
Morning Star			25.00			
Total			25.00	4.17		5.00
Dalark Circuit:						
Bethlehem	4.00	18.00	35.00			
Dalark			20.00			
Manchester	7.00		25.00		5.00	4.00
Total	11.00	18.00	80.00		5.00	5.00
Friendship Circuit: Bismarck						
Friendship			30.00			
Midway			19.00			
Total			30.25			1.83
Holly Springs Ct.: Mt. Olivet	3.50		13.88			
Hot Springs: First Church	16.40	119.60	291.66	100.00	18.66	9.20
Grand Avenue	10.00		100.00			
Oaklawn			225.00			
Hot Springs Ct.: Mt. Pine			25.00			5.00
Total			25.00			5.00
Leola Ct.: Leola		3.83		8.15		
Malvern	63.00	468.00	1000.00	62.49	60.00	36.00
Princeton Ct.: Macedonia			18.00	8.00		
Princeton			3.00	1.37		
Providence			5.00	2.00		
Waverly			8.00			
Zion			7.50			
Total			41.50	11.37		
Sparkman-Sardis: Sparkman	26.00	132.00		265.00	13.00	13.00
Traskwood Ct.: Ebenezer			8.00			
New Hope	4.00	2.66	16.40	6.00		
Traskwood			5.00			
Total	4.00	2.66	16.40	19.00		
TOTALS	\$149.90	\$861.09	\$3000.69	\$474.23	\$116.66	\$ 71.20
GRAND DISTRICT TOTAL						\$221.83
						\$ 4895.60

CAMDEN DISTRICT

Bearden				5.00		
Camden	87.50		675.00	25.00	115.00	50.00
Fairview: Beuna Vista				3.00		
Fairview						1300.00
Total				3.00		1300.00
Chidester Ct.: Missouri				25.00		
Red Hill				25.00		
Rushing Memorial				160.00		
Silver Springs				45.00		
Total				255.00		
Centennial Memorial:						
Dumas Memorial	5.25	10.00		50.00		
First Church, El Dorado	115.00	780.00	1000.00		115.00	60.00
Vantrease Memorial:						
Vantrease	7.00	44.00	25.66	25.66		
Emerson Ct.:						5.00
Atlanta						
Christie Chapel				4.35		
Emerson				4.85		
Ware's Chapel						5.00
Wingfield	1.00	1.00	5.05	1.00	4.95	
Total	1.00	1.00	5.05	9.20	1.00	14.95
Fordyce		49.50	125.00	24.03	45.00	27.00
Hampton-Harrell: Harrell				17.50		
Huttig: Bolding	3.00	14.00	31.00		4.00	1.00
Huttig				5.29		
Total	3.00	14.00	31.00	5.29	4.00	1.00
Junction City Ct.:						
Beech Grove	1.31	4.00	5.00		1.00	
Junction City			60.00			
Olive Branch	1.31	4.00	5.00		1.00	
Total	2.62	8.00	70.00		2.00	
First Church: Magnolia	73.50	546.00	400.00		85.00	42.00
Marysville Ct.:						
Bethel	3.00	2.00	3.00	1.75		
Friendship	3.00	3.00	2.00			
Quinn				6.00		
Total	6.00	5.00	5.00	7.75		
Parkers Chapel-Fredonia:						
Fredonia	14.00				5.00	8.00
Parkers Chapel	17.50	5.00		10.00	5.00	10.00
Total	31.50	5.00		10.00	10.00	18.00
Smackover	8.00	49.50	60.00	10.00		
Stephens-Mt. Prospect:						
Mt. Prospect	4.20		25.00		4.00	2.50
McNeil	3.00		10.00			2.00
Total	7.20		35.00		4.00	4.50
Strong Ct.:						
Strong				6.00		
Thornton Ct.:						
Chambersville					2.50	
Temperance Hill					2.50	
Thornton					5.00	
Total					10.00	
Waldo Ct.:						
Kilgore	2.00	10.66	35.00			
Waldo	29.50	151.34	325.00		25.00	15.00
Total	31.50	162.00	360.00		25.00	15.00
TOTALS	379.07	1674.00	2791.71	453.43	416.00	217.50
Stephens-Prospect—M. S. F. (P)						4.50
GRAND DISTRICT TOTAL						\$ 7251.16

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT

Austin Ct.:	5.05	25.77				10.00
South Bend				3.00		
Bauxite-Sardis:						
Sardis				9.00		
Bryant Ct. Salem:				2.00		5.00
Bryant			22.00			
Mt. Carmel	1.02	3.00	11.52	6.00	1.00	
Total	1.02	3.00	33.52	8.00	1.00	5.00
Carlisle	42.00	240.00	201.00			24.00
Carlisle Ct.						5.00
DeValls Bluff	1.50	5.50	12.50	3.00	1.75	
Douglasville-Geyer Springs:						
Douglasville				14.00		
England	14.31	74.25	122.50		6.75	5.50
Hazen	9.00	32.00				
Hickory Plains Ct.:						
Bethlehem				2.00		
Johnson's Chapel				3.00		
Providence				4.00		
Total				9.00		

CHARGE

	B. F.	C. C.	Benev.	W.S.	G.A.J. Exp.Fd.	M.S.F. Crusade (C) For Christ
Little Rock:						
Asbury	87.50	150.00				
First Church			950.00	120.00	100.00	50.00
Henderson						258.00
Hunter Memorial	37.00	190.00	300.00			21.00
Pulaski Heights	16.57	116.45	437.50		18.45	8.95
St. Marks	1.50	4.25	8.75	3.01	2.00	
Mabevale	6.75	24.00	55.00			
Primrose Chapel			100.00		9.00	17.50
Totals	222.20	865.22	2220.77	219.01	138.95	126.95
Forest Park Church—Week of Dedication Offering						278.00
GRAND DISTRICT TOTAL						\$ 4092.60

MONTICELLO DISTRICT

Crossett	58.00				60.00	33.00
Dumas	9.99	55.00	106.50	6.00	30.00	5.00
Eudora	5.30	27.00				
Ft. Hill Ct.:						
Ft. Hill	5.00	21.00	21.00		3.00	
Pine Hill	.50	1.25				
Zion	1.25	5.25				
Total	6.75	27.50	21.00		3.00	
Hamburg:						
Extra	1.75	14.00		30.00		
Hermitage Ct.	3.50	13.00				
Jersey				8.00		
Total	3.50	13.00		8.00		
Montrose-Snyder:						
Montrose	3.75	17.00	117.00			
New Edinburg Ct.:						
Banks				3.21		
Hebron				5.00		
New Edinburg			9.45	13.73		
Wheeler Springs			4.50			
Total			13.95	21.94		
Tillar-Winchester:						
Newton's Chapel	1.25	6.25				
Selma	.45	1.30				
Tillar	5.50	22.05		1.00		2.45
Winchester	.92	4.75				
Total	8.12	34.35		1.00		2.45
Warren			600.00			
Watson-Kelso:						
Kelso	3.00	13.00	16.00		2.00	
Wilmar Ct.:						
Wilmar				5.67		
Totals	100.16	200.85	874.45	72.61	95.00	40.45
Lake Village—M. S. F. (P)						4.00
GRAND DISTRICT TOTAL						\$ 1387.52

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT

Alzheimer	1.75	10.00				
Wabbaseka	5.25	30.00				
Total	7.00	40.00				
Bayou Meto Ct.:						
Bayou Meto	2.25	6.75	34.85			
Bethel-Redfield:						
Bethel				5.00		
Redfield				9.50		
Total				14.50		
Good Faith			12.00	33.00		
Grady-Gould:						
Gould				3.03		
Grady				13.50		
Total				16.53		
Humphrey				30.43		
Little Prairie Ct.:						
Camp Shed				3.00		
Carr Memorial-P. B.				83.00		
Hawley Memorial-P. B.				7.00		
Lakeside-P. B.				535.89		
Prairie Union Ct.:						
Prairie Union				3.79		
Roe Ct.:						
Ulm	3.00	15.00		8.00		
Sheridan	8.75	45.00	96.25		4.00	5.00
Sheridan Ct.:						
Moore's Chapel				17.00		
Sherrill-Tucker:						
Sherrill					7.04	150.00
Star City Ct.:						
Star City	13.13	75.00	87.50		9.87	7.50
Grand Avenue:						
Stuttgart	20.00	130.00		40.00	30.00	40.00
Swan Lake Ct.:						
Bethany				20.00		
Totals	91.63	443.75	451.60	804.14	62.91	67.50
First Church, Pine Bluff—Golden Cross Offering						50.00
Sherrill—M. S. F. (P)						11.00
GRAND DISTRICT TOTAL						\$ 2132.53

PRESCOTT DISTRICT

Amity Ct.:							
Amity	4.00	20.00	40.00	15.00	10.00	12.00	
Antoine Ct.:							
Antoine	.55	1.25	6.50		.25		13.25
Boto							5.00
Japany							5.00
Pike							7.00
Total	.55	1.25	6.50		.25		30.25
Bingen Ct.:	1.30	5.50					
Doyle				3.00			
Sweet Home				3.00			
Total	1.30	5.50		6.00			
Center Point Ct.:							
Center Point				1.00			
Dierks-Green Chapel:							
Green Chapel			15.00				
Emmett Circuit							1164.00
Hope		39.00					
Murfreesboro-Delight:							
Delight	15.00	79.00	45.00	8.75		8.75	
Murfreesboro	20.00	25.25	48.75	14.00		11.25	
Total	35.00	104.25	93.75	22.75		20.00	
Prescott Ct.:							
Fairview	.24	1.06					
Holly Springs	.19	.71					
Midway	.46	1.95					
Moscow	.18	.78					
New Salem	.43	1.82					
Pleasant Ridge	.21	.99					
Waterloo	.56	2.45					
Total	2.27	9.76					
Springhill Ct.:							
Springhill				2.35			
Totals	43.12	179.76	155.25	24.35	33.00	32.00	1194.25

Arkansas Methodist Orphanage

Additional Report on the Annual Offering

We give below some additional offerings which have been received since our last supplemental report. We are greatly pleased with the annual offering and wish to thank all of our friends for the fine way in which they have responded to the needs of the Orphanage.

MEMORIALS

Sgt. Ralph Newkirk, killed in action in Germany, given by the WSCS of Morrilton \$10.00
Dr. J. D. Hammons, given by Mrs. Solon Humphreys, N. Little Rock 5.00

CLASSES

Women's Bible Class, Manila 18.00
Character Builders Class, Magnolia 10.00

INDIVIDUALS

Mr. & Mrs. B. J. Tanebaum, Dumas 2.50
H. L. Evans, Ashdown 25.00
Boyd Bros., Emmet 25.00
Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Robinson, Des Arc (Yearly contribution) 12.00
Youth Fellowship, Almyra 5.00

WAR BONDS

College Hill Church, Texarkana 25.00
Hope Methodist Church 25.00

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

CAMDEN DISTRICT

Hampton Circuit, Faustina \$ 2.50
Total for Hampton 49.18
Harmony Grove Circuit, Rocky Hill 10.00
Total for Harmony Grove 38.50
Magnolia, First Church 10.00
Total for First Church 189.00
Marysville Circuit 9.00
Total to date for Camden Dist. \$2744.28

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT

Winfield Church, Little Rock 5.00
Total for Winfield 1061.00
Total to date for Little Rock District \$5081.63

MONTICELLO DISTRICT

Wilmar Circuit, Rock Springs 15.00
Total for Wilmar Circuit 37.05
Total to date for Monticello Dist. 1937.55

PRESCOTT DISTRICT

Emmet Circuit (Individual gift) 25.00
Total for Emmet 85.21
New Harmony, Gurdon 1.00
Hope 68.50
Total for Hope 347.43
Total to date for Prescott Dist. 1464.67

TEXARKANA DISTRICT

Ashdown 135.00
Lewisville-Bradley 3.50
Total for Charge 207.65
College Hill, Texarkana 18.50
Total for College Hill 57.32
Total to date for Texarkana District 3202.73

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

BATESVILLE DISTRICT

Moorefield-Sulphur Rock 13.50
Total for the Charge 18.50
Total to date for Batesville District 567.72

CONWAY DISTRICT

Morrilton (WSCS) 10.00
Total for Morrilton 110.00
Morrilton Circuit No. 1 16.73
Total to date for Conway District 1345.33

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

Eureka Springs 21.00
Total to date for Fayetteville District 827.31

FT. SMITH DISTRICT

Kibler-City Heights 6.56
Total for the Charge 30.00
Total to date for Ft. Smith District 2212.57

HELENA DISTRICT

Marvel Circuit 17.50
Total for Marvel Circuit 41.00
Total to date for Helena District 1175.57

JONESBORO DISTRICT

Brookland Charge 20.00
Leachville 15.00
Manila (Women's Bible Class) 18.00
Total for Manila 38.00
Sixteenth Section 11.00
Total to date for Jonesboro District 1020.63

PARAGOULD DISTRICT

Maynard Circuit 9.00
Griffin Memorial, Paragould (Credited through error to Paragould Ct.) 43.15
Paragould Circuit (Corrected total) 10.00
Total to date for Paragould District 633.05

SEARCY DISTRICT

Hunter Charge, Hilleman 16.00
Total for Hunter Charge 58.80
Jacksonville 34.00
Quitman 12.50
Total for Quitman 15.65
Total to date for Searcy District 848.33
Total for North Arkansas Conference 8,630.62
Total for Little Rock Conference 20,194.53
Grand Total \$28,825.15
J. S. M. Cannon, Supt.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT

(Continued from page 8)

CHARGE	B. F.	C. C.	Benev.	W. S.	G. A. J.	M. S. F.	Crusade
Langley-New Hope Charge—World-Wide Communion Sunday Offering							7.00
Gurdon—M. S. F. (P)							2.00
GRAND DISTRICT TOTAL							\$ 1663.73

TEXARKANA DISTRICT

Cherry Hill Ct.:							
Cherry Hill	3.68	3.68	5.00				
Dallas	.28	1.11					
Highland	.53	2.16	3.12				
Ransom	.18	.73					
Total	4.67	7.63	8.12				
Doddridge Ct.:							
Olive Branch	7.84	31.36	37.00	7.00			
Fouke Ct. Fouke	4.59	18.37	25.00	4.00			
Silverina	3.78	14.70	25.00	4.00			
Total	8.37	33.07	50.00	8.00			
Horatio Ct.:	2.77	12.69					
Horatio			7.50				
Lewisville-Bradley Ct.							1000.00
Lockesburg Ct.:							
Belleville			2.00				
Rock Hill			2.00				
Total			4.00				
Mena	10.00	50.00	110.00	5.00	27.00		
Richmond Ct.:							
Richmond			5.00				
Taylor Ct.:							
Philadelphia			2.00				
Welcome			3.00				
Total			5.00				
First Church-Texarkana	24.12	178.75	318.41	81.59	110.00	55.00	
Texarkana Ct.:							
Harmony			12.00				
Totals	57.77	313.55	522.91	115.71	130.00	82.00	1000.00
Mena—M. S. F. (P)							27.00
GRAND DISTRICT TOTAL							\$ 2248.94
TOTAL RECEIPTS							23,679.08

—C. E. Hayes, Treasurer, Little Rock Conference.

Edward Payson's pulpit utterances were of the most startling and uncompromising character. It may be truly said of Edward Payson that he labored not to please

men, but God, and his pulpit thundered and lightened like another Sinai against every form of ungodliness and iniquity.—McClintock and Strong.

CHURCHES PLAN POST-WAR BUILDING

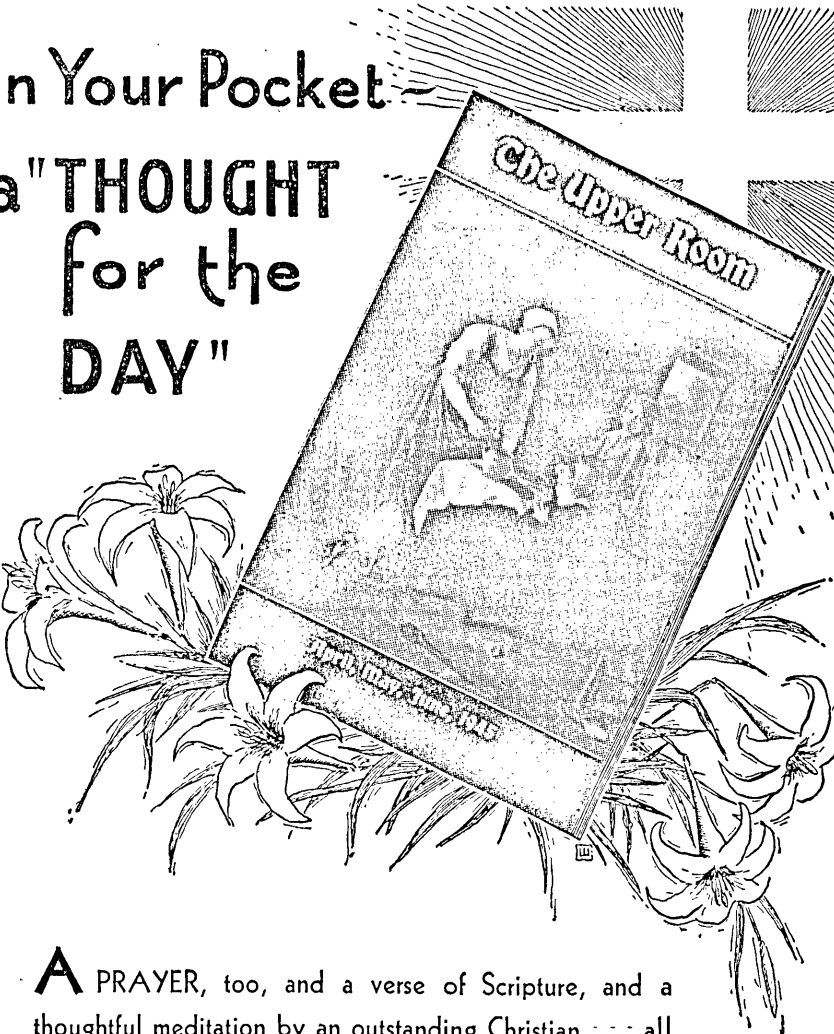
American Protestant Churches of 33 denominations are planning post-war church building projects with an estimated cost of more than \$500,000,000, it was stated by the Rev. Elbert M. Conover, New York City, director of the Interdenominational Bureau of Architecture, in his annual report to the Home Missions Council of North America.

More than 2,000 local churches received guidance in building plans from the Interdenominational Bureau of Architecture during the past year, Dr. Conover reported. Efforts are being made to help local committees plan their construction

so that there will be no debt on new buildings.

At a meeting of the Church Building Committee, Dr. C. Harry Atkinson, New York City, secretary of edifice funds of the Northern Baptist Convention is the newly elected chairman of the Church Building Committee of the Home Missions Council, Dr. B. P. Murphy, Louisville, Ky., assistant secretary of the section of church extension, Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, is secretary, and Dr. U. P. Hovermale, Dayton, Ohio, general secretary of the Home Mission and Church Erection Society of the United Brethren in Christ, vice-president.

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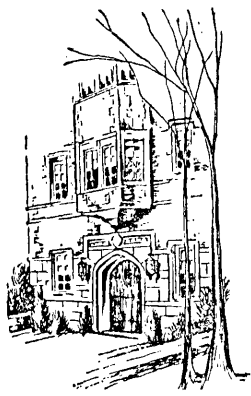
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MEDICAL ARTS BUILDING

NASHVILLE 3, TENNESSEE

Southern Methodist University Receives \$1,350,000.00



THE largest gift ever made to Southern Methodist University as well as the largest to any school of theology in the South was announced by Bishop A. Frank Smith, chairman of the board of trustees, when he told a special convocation audience in McFarlin Memorial Auditorium Tuesday night of funds amounting to \$1,350,000 which was given by Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Perkins of

Wichita Falls for endowment and buildings for the School of Theology.

Approximately \$550,000 will be used to construct dormitories for married and single theological students, a chapel and an additional class room building. The remaining \$800,000 will be used for endowment.

"The gift of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Perkins is the largest single gift ever made to theological education in the South and one of the largest

ever made to a school of theology in this country. It should open the way for the development of one of the truly great schools of theology in this country," Dr. Umphrey Lee, president of Southern Methodist University said in expressing the University's appreciation of the gift.

Mr. and Mrs. Perkins have long been benefactors of S. M. U. as well as other Methodist institutions. Their total gifts to S. M. U. now approach \$1,700,000 and include a \$55,000 endowment of a professional chair, the completion of the Perkins Hall of Administration at a cost of \$77,000, the erection of the Perkins gymnasium which cost totaled \$188,000 as well as various smaller gifts. Mr. and Mrs. Perkins have also been generous donors to Southwestern University and the Methodist Home at Waco. One of Mr. Perkins' early contributions to S. M. U. was made in 1920 when he helped to make a pool of \$100,000 to buy lots from S. M. U. to save real estate commissions. In 1938 he was voted the outstanding citizen of Wichita Falls.

The School of Theology, which will now be known as the Perkins School of Theology, began its work thirty years ago as the official theological school of the M. E. Church, South, for the church west of the Mississippi River.

Upon the union of the three Methodist churches in 1939 it became the one institution for ministerial training in the South Central Jurisdictional Conference. It is seeking to provide ministry for seventeen annual conferences with a local church membership of more than 1,500,000.

The School is one of the charter members of the American Association of Theological Schools. Last year the total enrollment was 263. These students came from colleges and universities all over the United States. Four of the bishops of the Jurisdiction are ex-students of the school. More than 160 of its graduates and ex-students are serving in the chaplaincy.

"The institution has long stood in need of a dormitory for single men, an apartment building for married students, a chapel and more adequate provision for library and reading room," Dr. Eugene B. Hawk, Dean of the School of Theology, said.

"February 6 is a historic day for the School of Theology at Southern Methodist University. It faces the future not only under a new name but with resources which will take care of many of its pressing needs in a way of buildings and equipment."

North Arkansas Conference Treasurer's Report

FIRST QUARTER, 1944-45

As Treasurer of the Conference, I have received on General (World Service) and Conference Benevolences, since Conference through February 6th, 1945, by Charges, as follows:

One star * indicates paid IN FULL, or over, two stars ** Askings IN FULL or over.

BATESVILLE DISTRICT

Ash Flat Ct.	\$ 6.00
Batesville: Central Ave.	326.16
First Church	1182.16
Bethesda-Cushman	173.00
Calico Rock	99.00
**Cave City Ct.	67.00
Charlotte Ct.	6.25
Cotter-Gassville	58.37
Desha Ct.	13.28
Elmo-Oil Trough	50.00
Evening Shade	17.68
Melbourne Ct.	55.00
Moorefield-Sulphur Rock	142.38
Mountain Home	100.00
Mountain View	13.84
Newark	70.00
Newport: First Church	450.00
*Umsted Memorial	90.00
Salem	24.06
Swift-Alicia	250.00
Tuckerman	267.83
Viola Ct.	10.00
Weldon Ct.	139.65
*Yellville	125.00
Total	\$3736.66

CONWAY DISTRICT

Atkins	200.00
Belleville-Havana	42.50
Bethel-Cato	65.57
Conway: First Church	600.00
Conway Ct. (Salem)	90.00
Danville	205.00
Dardanelle	104.00
Dardanelle Ct.	2.00
Dover-London	30.00
Gravelly Ct.	17.50
Greenbrier Ct.	12.94
Lamar-Knoxville	8.00
*Levy	275.00
Morrilton	300.00
Morrilton Ct. No 1	30.00
Morrilton Ct. No. 2	10.00
North Little Rock: First	1050.00
Gardner Memorial	332.00
**North Little Rock: Wash. Ave.	500.00
Ola	11.00
Perry-Perryville	30.00
Plainview Ct.	186.00
Pottsville Ct.	28.42
Russellville	330.00
Vilonia	20.50
Total	\$4480.43

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

Alpena Ct.	15.00
Berryville	54.40
Centerton Ct.	46.64
Cincinnati Ct.	33.00
Elm Springs-Harmon	245.06
Farmington Ct.	15.00
Fayetteville: Central	750.00
Bethel	4.36
Gravette-Decatur	90.00
Huntsville	5.00
Monte Ne Ct.	5.00
Pea Ridge Ct.	53.35
**Rogers	700.00
**Siloam Springs	632.00
Springdale	72.00
Springtown Ct.	22.16
*Sulphur Springs	152.00
Viney Grove Ct.	10.00
Winslow	72.00
Total	\$2976.97

FORT SMITH DISTRICT

Altus-Alix	\$ 2.00
Alma	166.85
Booneville	200.00
Branch Ct.	30.00
Charleston Ct.	238.75
Clarksville	314.00
Fort Smith: First Church	750.00
Goddard Memorial	261.00
Grand Avenue	62.50
Midland Heights	200.00
Second Church	75.00
South Fort Smith	42.00
Greenwood	81.25
Hartford	60.00
Hartman Ct.	33.00
Huntington	85.00
Kibler Ct.	77.00
Lavaca Ct.	112.00
Mansfield	46.87
Ozark	87.50
Paris	104.18
Van Buren: First	150.00
East Van Buren-New Hope	50.00
Waldron	78.50
Waldron Ct.	10.00
Total	\$3317.40

HELENA DISTRICT

Aubrey	\$ 100.00
Clarendon	300.00
*Colt Ct.	102.25
Cotton Plant	150.00
Crawfordsville	80.82
Earle	150.00
Elaine	430.00
Helena: First Church	750.00
**Holly Grove	350.00
**Hughes	500.00

Hulbert-Blackfish	105.35
**Marianna	800.00
Marion	400.00
Marvell Ct.	41.00
Vanndale Ct.	101.50
**West Memphis	700.00
Wheatley Ct.	235.00
Widener-Round Pond	212.75
**Wynne	900.00
Total	\$6408.67

JONESBORO DISTRICT

Black Oak	\$ 210.00
Blytheville: First	562.50
*Lake Street	276.00
Bono	5.00
Dell Station	12.50
Dyess	6.00
Harrisburg	150.00
Jonesboro: First	1250.00
*Huntington Avenue	411.00
Fisher Street	73.00
Jonesboro Ct.	16.00
*Keiser-Garden Point	150.00
Lake City Ct.	35.00
Lepanto	309.00
Manila	112.50
**Marked Tree	470.00
**Monette	267.00
Nettleton-Bay	50.00
Truman	100.00
Turrell	65.00
*Gilmore	57.00
Tyronza	60.00
**Weiner Ct.	340.00
Weona Ct.	25.54
Yarbro-Promised Land	50.27
Total	\$5286.31

PARAGOULD DISTRICT

Beech Grove-Camp Ground	\$ 75.00
*Biggers Ct.	75.00
Gainesville Ct.	15.72
Greenway Ct.	48.50
Hardy-Willford	9.32
Hoxie	22.63
Imboden-Ravenden Springs	78.00
Knobel Ct.	20.25
*Leonard Ct.	150.00
*Lorado Ct.	105.00
*Mammoth Spring-Black Rock	100.00
Marmaduke	41.79
Marmaduke Ct.	27.50
*Morning Star Ct.	93.00
Paragould: First Church	460.69
Griffin Memorial	46.40
Paragould Ct.	140.00
Piggott	118.75
Rector: First Church	159.00
Rector Ct.	95.00

St. Francis Ct.	51.25
Walnut Ridge	300.00
*Walnut Ridge Ct.	160.00
Total	\$2392.80

SEARCY DISTRICT

*Antioch Ct.	\$ 135.00
**Augusta	564.00
Bald Knob-Bradford	90.50
Beebe	222.50
Cabot	107.55
Clinton	236.00
Griffithville	141.00
**Harrison	800.00
**Valley View Ext.	20.00
**Heber Springs: First	505.00
**Central	155.00
Hunter	44.90
Jacksonville	32.00
Judsonia	46.70
Kensett	164.50
**Leslie	160.00
McCrary	147.50
*McRae Ct.	227.00
Newton County	37.15
Pangburn Ct.	70.00
Quitman Ct.	184.90
**Searcy: First	1000.00
**Gum Springs, Ext.	40.00
Valley Springs	15.00
*Pine Mountain Extension	10.00
Total	\$5155.30

DISTRICT STANDINGS:

Helena	\$6408.67
Jonesboro	5286.31
Searcy	5155.30
Conway	4480.43
Batesville	3736.66
Fort Smith	3317.40
Fayetteville	2976.97
Paragould	2392.80
Total Benevolences	33,754.54
Last year	\$25,359.52
Increase	8,395.01

Other Funds, totals:

General Administration	\$ 579.21
Jurisdictional Conference	835.67
Episcopal Fund	2,397.75
Conference Claimants	12,331.54
Methodist Youth Fund	142.95
Sustentation Fund	1,275.11
Race Relations	22.40
Golden Cross	20.00
Miscellaneous	375.79
Crusade for Christ	17,005.56
Grand total	\$68,740.52

—Guy Murphy, Treasurer.

A "COMMENTARY" FOR AFRICA

Do you have a set of Adam Smith's "Commentary on the Bible" that you will give for use in the training of young Africans—whose education is in English—for the ministry of Southern Rhodesia?

The request for such a set comes from the

Rev. Robert C. Gates, of Old Umtali, a member of the faculty of the Central Training School of the Methodist Church. Here young men are trained for the ministry and for teaching in the hundreds of native villages throughout the area. Mr. Gates is also superintendent of the district. School, communicate with R. A. Hasemeyer, if you will furnish this Commentary to the

Board of Missions, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y.

It may be well to remind ourselves that we can't go the second mile until we have gone the first.—Religious Telescope.

Wisdom consists in knowing what to do with what you know.—Earl Riney.

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

MRS. SUE M. WAYLAND, Editor

HAWLEY MEMORIAL—PINE BLUFF

The Woman's Society of Christian Service, Hawley Memorial, Pine Bluff, completed a splendid year's work in 1944 under the leadership of Mrs. Ralph Sallee, retiring president, with all obligations met in full and the unusual achievement of a generous surplus in the treasury.

The following officers for 1945 were installed by the pastor, Rev. C. D. Cade, in an impressive service at a Sunday morning hour just preceding the new year:

President, Mrs. W. J. Bayliss; vice-president, Mrs. V. O. Owen; recording secretary, Mrs. N. E. Camp; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Ralph Sallee; treasurer, Mrs. D. D. Pointer; secretary of Supplies, Mrs. T. E. Gray; secretary of Literature and Publications, Mrs. Mattie Powell; secretary of Young Women's and Girl's Work, Mrs. W. R. Evans; secretary of Missionary Education, Mrs. H. R. King; secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, Mrs. T. F. McCarthy; secretary of Children's Work, Mrs. H. S. Emigh; chairman of Spiritual Life Committee, Mrs. Milburn Isom; chairman of Committee on Status of Woman, Mrs. N. E. Camp.

A fine beginning has been made in all departments of the society throughout the month of January. Three new members; the two circles re-organized and at work, with Mrs. H. R. King and Mrs. H. S. Emigh as Circle chairmen; a generous increase in the budget of the local society; an increase in the Conference pledge of 50 per cent instead of the requested five per cent; co-operation with the pastor in the study, "Christ After Chaos," and plans practically completed for the organization of a Wesleyan Service Guild are some of the things accomplished the first month.

A group of women who are in earnest about the work of the Kingdom, and a Spiritual Life group that functions under the direction of Mrs. Milburn Isom, chairman, make this splendid beginning possible.

RUSSELLVILLE WESLEYAN GUILD

The Wesleyan Guild had a New England supper at the church with Mrs. Rollow Carden and Miss Lillian Cooksey as hostesses. Twenty-five members were present; in addition Mrs. McCowan Ferguson, president of the W. S. C. S., and Rev. and Mrs. E. B. Williams were guests. After the meal, a short business session was held, presided over by Miss Lillian Cooksey, outgoing vice-president. The Wesleyan Guild voted to make a contribution to the Infantile Paralysis Fund. This was followed by formal installation of the new officers for this year, who are: Mrs. Charles Ross, president; Miss Elizabeth Moore, vice-president; Miss Elizabeth Ross, recording secretary; Mrs. Jas. George, Jr., corresponding secretary; Mrs. Craig Lovesy, treasurer. The various committee chairmen

THE FIBER OF YOUR SOUL

Percy R. Hayward

*"It is easy to foot the trodden path
Where thousands walked before.
It is simple to push my fragile bark
Past the reefs of a charted shore.
I find it good to ride the road
Where others laid the rail.
It is well to test the ocean's strength
Where others also sail.*

*"But when a dream enslaves a man,
A dream of the vast untrod,
A dream that says, 'Strike out with me,
Strike out or part with God,'
A dream that leads to an untried path
Where unknown tempests blow,
And the only chart a man can boast
Is his will that bids him go.*

*"Ah, then, my soul bethink yourself,
For God has spread this scroll
To test the stuff of your rough-hewn faith
And the fiber of your soul."*

—The Methodist Woman.

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE SUPPLIES, FOURTH QUARTER

	Supplies	Cash	Totals
National Institutions—Indians in U. S.		\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
Foreign:			
China		678.30	678.30
Africa		179.90	179.90
Youth		5.00	5.00
India		6.00	6.00
Literature		30.00	30.00
Ministerial Supplies		120.00	120.00
Grand totals (Home, Foreign, Ministerial)		\$1047.20	\$1047.20

ANNUAL REPORT SUPPLIES, 1944, NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

	Val. Sup.	Cash	Total
National Institutions			
1st Quarter	\$ 455.66	\$ 93.76	\$ 549.42
2nd Quarter	28.54	2.00	30.54
3rd Quarter	3.60	26.00	29.60
4th Quarter		10.00	10.00
Total	\$ 487.80	\$ 131.76	\$ 619.56
Conference Institutions			
1st Quarter		15.50	15.50
2nd Quarter		71.15	72.75
3rd Quarter		83.30	97.00
Total		169.95	185.25
Foreign Missions			
1st Quarter		13.25	13.25
3rd Quarter		91.00	92.00
4th Quarter		917.00	917.00
Total	\$ 1.00	\$1766.00	\$1767.00
Ministerial Supplies	5.00	129.50	134.50
Grand Total (Home, Foreign and Ministerial)	\$ 509.10	\$2197.21	\$2706.31

—Mrs. J. B. Randolph, Secretary.

were also appointed at this time. After the installation of officers, the program was given with Miss Florence Dean acting as leader of the worship program, and Mrs. Charles Ross acting as leader of the study, "The Open Door." The Guild will meet next month with Mrs. Louis M. Smith and Mrs. W. J. Cowan as hostesses.

The more we study, we the more we discover our ignorance.—Shelley.

NEW WESLEYAN GUILD

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Garnder Church, North Little Rock, sponsored the organization of a Wesleyan Guild for the ladies of their church who could not attend the regular society. They organized with a good number at their first meeting. The second meeting will be with Mrs. Carlette Grimmett, 802½ W 21st, February 19th, at 7:30.

SHERIDAN W. S. C. S.

Woman's Society of Christian Service met at the church Monday afternoon, January 15. Beautiful nandinas decorated the altar. Mrs. Fred Jordan was in charge of the worship hour. Opening song — "Jesus Calls Us." Scripture lesson read from Matthew's gospel 7 1:1. Mrs. O. R. Williams at the piano. She sang a solo. President Mrs. Lester Sorrells led the prayer.

At this meeting we had our mission study course, "Behold I Set Before Thee An Open Door." It was very interesting and instructive.

Our pastor, Rev. James A. Simpson, attended and took part in the study course. He had with him a number of the Upper Room books and stated he wished to see these books placed in every home in our county as a daily worship for each family. Song — "In Christ There Is No East or West." The study course "Behold I Set Before Thee an Open Door," took in all races and nations of the earth.

Plans are being made for the World Day of Prayer on February 16. Everyone is asked to attend.

We will meet again in a business session the first Monday in February. We urge all members to be present. The W. S. C. S. wishes this year's work to be the best.—Mrs. John R. Mathews.

SILAM SPRINGS W. S. C. S.

The W. S. C. S. of Silam Springs had their first meeting of the new year, January 12. Following the 1 o'clock luncheon, Rev. J. T. Byrd, pastor, installed the officers for the ensuing year. They are: Mrs. A. L. Smith, president; Mrs. M. A. Holbrook, vice-president; Mrs. Frank McKinney, recording secretary; Miss Floy Dodgen, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Ralph Henry, conference treasurer; Mrs. A. L. Cline, local treasurer. Secretaries of Divisions are: Mrs. Tom Murray, Missionary Education; Mrs. S. E. Black, C. S. R. and L. C. A.; Mrs. Harriet Waters, Literature and Publication; Mrs. F. M. Crawford, Supplies; Miss Mary Walker, Student Work; Mrs. H. B. Perrine, Children's Work; Mrs. J. W. Robinson, Spiritual Life; Mrs. C. T. Easterbrook, Wesleyan Guild. Mrs. Besse Ross, Mrs. F. R. Hamilton, Mrs. Carrie Wohlford, and Mrs. Leon Miller are circle chairmen. Mrs. L. R. Sperry was leader of the pledge and program meeting. Her subject was "The Open Door." She was assisted by Mrs. C. E. Black, Mrs. Tom Whiteside, Miss Harriet Waters, Mrs. J. T. Byrd, Mrs. Grover Harvey, Mrs. Tom Murray, Mrs. C. T. Easterbrook, Mrs. Titus Chinn, Mrs. Earl McKinney, Mrs. Ben Garst, Mrs. Frank McKinney, and Mrs. Jim Perry. Mrs. Carrie Wohlford, soloist, accompanied by Mrs. Charles Dorland, furnished music throughout the program. All the members gathered at the altar to pledge their spiritual and material support to the W. S. C. S.—Mrs. Byrd Miller.

Wisdom consists in knowing what to do with what you know.—Earl Riney.

CURRENT NEWS IN THE RELIGIOUS WORLD

INDIANA WCTU TO ADD SIX NEGRO UNITS IN 1945

WINONA LAKE, Ind. (RNS)—The Indiana Women's Temperance Union will seek to add six new units among Negroes during 1945, it was decided at its midwinter session here.

Other goals include an increase of 3,500 members in the Loyal Temperance Legion, 600 members in the Youth Temperance Council, and a rise in adult membership of the Union.

BISHOP OF AACHEN MAKES SCATHING COMMENT ON NAZIS

LONDON (By Wireless) (RNS)—"Any Catholic priest who is pro-Nazi needs to see a psychiatrist."

This comment was made by the Roman Catholic Bishop of Aachen, Germany, to two American Catholic chaplains, it is learned here.

The bishop asserted that "there have been few collaborationists with the Nazis among the Catholic clergy."

"Virtually every Catholic college in Germany," he reported, "has been commandeered by the Nazis. They have destroyed youth through their poisonous teaching, and their history books are lies incarnate."

DR. WARSHUIS SEES A GREAT REVIVAL IN THE CHURCHES IN EUROPE

NEW YORK (RNS) — An American church "that stresses its denominationalism" is "out of step with the churches in Europe," Dr. A. L. Warnshuis, foreign counsellor of the Church Committee on Overseas Relief and Reconstruction, declared at a dinner meeting here opening the American Bible Society's drive for a \$3,000,000 war emergency and postwar rehabilitation fund.

The occasion marked Dr. Warnshuis' first public appearance since his return from Europe several weeks ago.

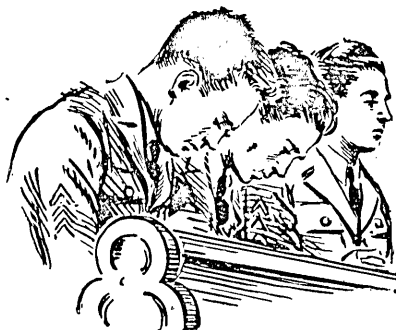
CHAPLAIN BRINGS SERVICE TO MAROONED SOLDIERS

ROME (By Wireless) (RNS) — One of the war's most unusual church services took place in a tiny shack atop a windswept mountain, where eight members of the U. S. Air Forces were marooned and snowbound for 19 days, Stars and Stripes revealed here.

Preceding the arrival of a rescue expedition, Chaplain Paul Wesley Bare, 46-year-old Methodist clergyman of Williamsport, Pa., fought for more than two hours through knee-deep snow to reach the party. He arrived loaded down with a portable altar, candlesticks, a cross, and prayer books, and also carried fruitcake and candy.

The amazed men gave the chaplain a rousing reception, then held a service which was their first in more than three months. It ended just as shouts from outside the shack announced that a rescuing bulldozer had finally reopened communications.

SPECIAL "WORLD DAY OF PRAYER" BROADCAST



Church Women is an interdenominational organization representing 10,000,000 Protestant church women throughout the United States.

Miss Margaret Applegarth will lead the program listeners in the prayer for the day. Music will be furnished by Solon Alberti, choir director of the Park Avenue Christian Church in New York City, and an octet of singers from his choir. Selections include "God of the Spirit," "My God and I" and the hymn designated for the annual observance, "The Day Thou Gavest, Lord, Is Ended."

For a quarter of a century World Day of Prayer has been observed as a day on which peoples of all creeds and all nations are united in spirit. The day begins when the sun first shines on the Fiji Islands in the Pacific, just east of the international dateline, continues in a global sweep around the world, and ends as the sun sets behind St. Lawrence Island, just west of the dateline.

CHURCHES IN WASHINGTON, D. C. KEEP PACE WITH EXPANDING POPULATION

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) — Forty-nine Protestant churches have been established in the metropolitan section of Washington since 1940, revealing that the interest in organized religion has kept pace with the expanding population, according to the Comity Commission of the Washington Federation of Churches.

According to the Rev. Philip M. Widenhouse, director of the Commission, one church is planned for every 2,500 persons. The committee representing 16 Protestant denominations, decides requests for churches on the basis of priority, the denominational background of the area, and the likelihood of the proposed church's success.

Minority groups are protected by special considerations as to their needs when the application is filed.

There have been cases when five denominations desired to establish churches in one suburb, all within a half-mile radius, and some of them on the same corner, but these "conflicts" were ironed out and only two churches were established by mutual agreement.

ELECT NEW ARCHBISHOP OF FINNISH LUTHERAN CHURCH

STOCKHOLM (By Wireless) — (RNS) — Bishop Aleksii Lehtonen of the Diocese of Tampere (Tammerfors) has been elected Archbishop of the Lutheran Church of Finland, according to word reaching here.

Results of the election were announced by Risto Rytö, president of Finland, where Lutherans comprise more than 96 per cent of the population.

Bishop Lehtonen succeeds the late Archbishop Erkki Kaila, who died last December after holding office since 1935.

THE Columbia network has prepared a special program observing the "World Day of Prayer," global devotional service held annually on the first Friday of Lent, February 16, WABC-CBS, 10:15-10:30 PM, CWT. The program, produced by CBS in co-operation with the United Council of Church Women, presents Mrs. Harper Sibley, newly-elected President of the UCCW, in a talk from Washington. The United Council of

FEDERAL COUNCIL SENDS GREETINGS TO ALEXEI

NEW YORK (RNS) — Greetings to Patriarch Alexei, newly elected head of the Russian Orthodox Church, were sent here by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. The message, signed by Methodist Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, president of the Council, read: "The Federal Council of Churches congratulates you on your election as Patriarch, and prays God's blessing on your service to the Church."

OHIO PASTORS ASK PROTESTANT REPRESENTATIVE BE COMMISSIONED TO SIT AT PEACE TABLE

COLUMBUS, Ohio (RNS) — The Federal Council of Churches was asked to commission a Protestant representative to sit at the peace table, in a resolution adopted by the Ohio Pastors' Conference here. It was suggested that Dr. E. Stanley Jones, noted missionary to India, be considered favorably as the representative.

The Rev. R. Lincoln Long, pastor of the Collingwood Presbyterian Church at Toledo, was elected chairman for the 1946 convention.

PROTESTANT SERVICES IN INSTITUTION CONDUCTED BY ROMAN CATHOLIC ORDER

DETROIT (RNS) — Through the efforts of the Detroit Episcopal City Mission, social service center of the diocese of Michigan, Protestant religious services are being conducted for Protestant young women at Vista Maria, an institution for wayward girls conducted by the Roman Catholic order of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd. It is the first time in the history of the institution, founded 60 years ago, that Protestant services have been held there.

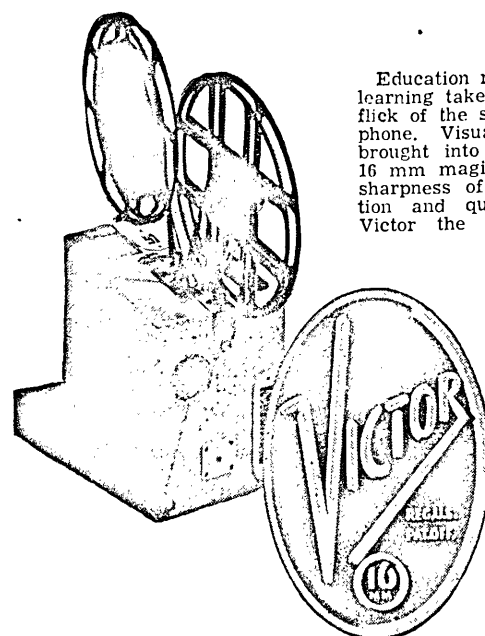
SCORES CHURCHES FOR NOT APPOINTING CLERGYMEN OVER 50

TORONTO, Ont. (RNS) — Policy of some churches against appointing ministers over fifty was criticized here by the Rev. W. R. Auld, president of the Toronto Conference of the United Church of Canada.

"The minister over 50 is the forgotten man," Mr. Auld declared. He warned that "we cannot attract the men we want to the Christian ministry so long as the fifty-year rule prevails."

Luxury, my lords is to be taxed, but vice prohibited. Let the difficulty in the law be what it may, would you lay a tax upon a breach of the Ten Commandments? Government should not, for revenue, mortgage the morals and health of the people.—Lord Chesterfield.

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CURRENT NEWS IN ARKANSAS METHODISM

METHODIST MEN OF CAMDEN PLAN NEW CLUB

Organization of the Men's Club of the First Methodist Church of Camden was perfected Wednesday night at Ramsey Hall when officers nominated previously were elected. The club will meet the second Wednesday in each month and outstanding speakers from throughout the south will be invited. Dinner will be served at each meeting.

Rev. J. L. Dedman, pastor, presided at the meeting on Wednesday night. He outlined plans and purposes of the club. The following is the list of officers: T. B. Rice, president; Ed Horton, vice president and program chairman and E. L. Moseley, secretary. Mr. Horton named B. T. Fooks, Don Harrell and Sam Steel as members of his program committee.

PASTOR ENTERTAINS BOARD

Rev. Earle Cravens, pastor at Osceola, and Mrs. Cravens, entertained the Board of Stewards of their church at a delightful dinner on Friday evening, January 26. Some twenty to twenty-five guests were present and the dinner was followed by an informal round-table discussion of matters of church interest. Dave Laney presided over the meeting and it was decided to begin the drive for funds in the nationwide Crusade for Christ on February 1.

Elliott Sartain is chairman of the committee to raise this special fund and will be assisted by Steve Ralph, Earl Robbins, Faber White and Melvin Waggoner.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCES

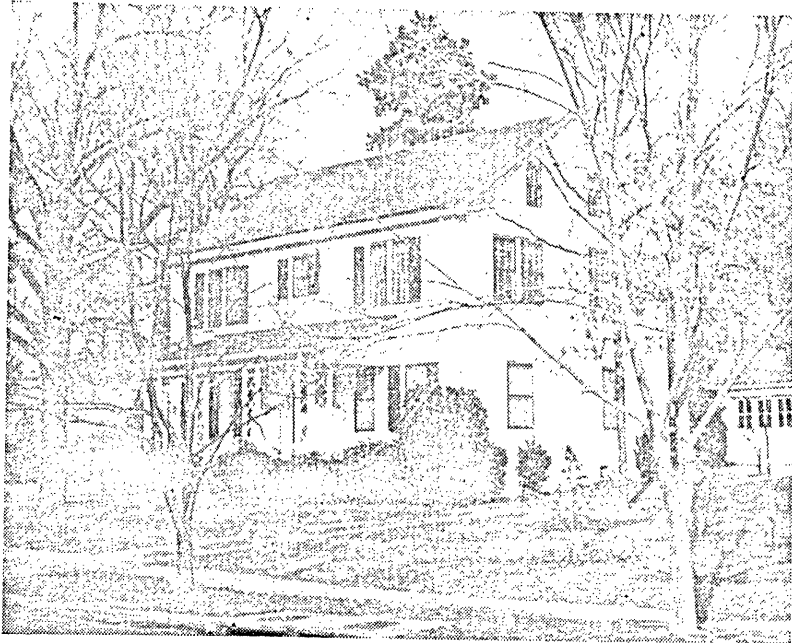
Texarkana District: Second Round

Lewisville-Bradley, Garland, 11:00 a. m., Jan. 21.
Lewisville-Bradley, Old Lewisville, 2:30 p. m., Jan. 21.
Lewisville-Bradley, Lewisville, 7:30 p. m., Jan. 21.
Doddridge Ct., Doddridge, 11:00 a. m., Feb. 4.
Buckner Ct., Mt. Vernon, 11:00 a. m., Feb. 11.
Stamps, Stamps, 6:30 p. m., Feb. 11.
Richmond Ct., Ogden, 11:00 a. m. Feb. 18.
Fairview, Fairview, 11:00 a. m., Feb. 25.
Foreman Ct., Wallace, 3:00 p. m., Feb. 25.
Foreman, Foreman, 7:30 p. m., Feb. 25.
Fouke Ct., Silverina, 11:00 a. m., March 4.
College Hill, College Hill, 7:30 p. m., March 4.
Texarkana Ct., Few Memorial, 11:00 a. m., March 11.
Ashdown, Ashdown, 11:00 a. m., March 18.
Lockesburg Ct., Bellville, 2:30 p. m., March 18.
Lockesburg Ct., Lockesburg, 7:30 p. m., March 18.
Hatfield Ct., Wicks, 11:00 a. m., March 25.
DeQueen, DeQueen, 7:30 p. m., March 25.
Sardis-Shiloh, Sardis, 11:00 a. m., April 1.
Cherry Hill Ct., Cherry Hill, 11:00 a. m., April 8.
Mena, Mena, 7:30 p. m., April 8.
Winthrop Ct., Alleene, 11:00 a. m., April 15.
Horatio Ct., Gillham, 11:00 a. m., April 22.
Taylor Ct., Sharmon, 11:00 a. m., April 29.
—A. J. Christie, district superintendent.

HULBERT-BLACKFISH LAKE CHARGE

We feel that the work on this charge is progressing in a fine way. Attendance at the Church School and preaching services have been good in spite of the weather condi-

NEW EPISCOPAL RESIDENCE, LITTLE ROCK AREA



—Photo by Robert McCord.

At the recent sessions of the Little Rock and North Arkansas Conferences Trustees were appointed from each conference with authority to buy an episcopal residence in Little Rock as a home for the presiding Bishop of this area. The building pictured here, at 205 Colonial Court, has been bought. It is a beautiful building, well located, and will, we trust be the home of the Bishop of this area for years to come. Bishop and Mrs. Paul E. Martin plan to move into their new home early in March.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT ON CIRCULATION CAMPAIGN

(Including District Totals to Date)

Arkadelphia District, Total 796		Conway District, Total 1072	
Couchwood, Albert Burroughs	5	Conway 1st Church, E. W. Harris	2
Dalark Ct., Forney Harvey	6	Dardanelle, E. W. Faulkner	3
1st Church, Hot Springs, W. B. Slack	6	Morrilton Ct., No. 1, M. B. Short	1
Tigert Mem., Hot Spgs., D. M. Hankins	1	1st Ch., N. Little Rock, A. D. Stewart	1
Hot Springs Ct, Chas. Baughman	3	Perry-Perryville, George Stewart	1
Camden District, Total 1359		Fayetteville District, Total 696	
Camden 1st Ch., J. L. Dedman	6	Bentonville, L. M. Conyers	14
Camden, Fairview, L. E. Wilson	6	Berryville, J. L. Johnson	1
Chidester, Kirvin Hale	1	Centerton Ct.,	4
Fordyce, George Meyer	39	Cincinnati Ct., Walter Pennel	1
Hampton, W. O. Tisdale	5	Fayetteville, Central, P. V. Galloway	2
Harmony Grove, H. R. Nabors	10	Rogers, J. T. Randle	1
Magnolia, L. M. Starkey	1	Siloam Springs, J. T. Byrd	2
Magnolia Jackson St., L. C. Gatlin	1	Sulphur Springs Ct., O. E. Houser	3
Little Rock District, Total 1289		Ft. Smith District, Total 1157	
Des Arc-New Bethel, O. L. Thompson	10	Ft. Smith, Grand Ave., Brady Cook	8
England, M. S. Monk	2	Hackett	1
Hickory Plains Ct., Wendell Hoover	6	Hartman, Frank Shell	4
Little Rock, 1st Church, A. G. Walton	5	Paris, J. H. Hoggard	4
" Capitol View, H. O. Bolin	5	Helena District, Total 1098	
" Hunter Memorial, W. C. Watson	1	Aubrey, M. A. Graves	6
" Pulaski Heights, E. D. Galloway	11	Brinkley, B. L. Wilford	1
" Winfield Mem., Kenneth Spore	5	Earle, J. J. Decker	2
Monticello District, Total 900		Hulbert-Blackfish, C. H. Harvison	1
Crossett, R. E. Simpson	1	Wheatley, R. L. McLester	3
Watson-Kelso	22	Wynne, J. O. Whitworth	3
Pine Bluff District, Total 1225		Jonesboro District, Total 1146	
Gillett, H. D. Ginther	1	Black Oak, W. B. Yount	2
Grady-Gould, C. B. Wyatt	1	Gosnell-Half Moon, R. L. Hanks	2
Pine Bluff Ct., J. A. Tadlock	3	Osceola, Earl Cravens	3
Star City, Noel Cross	1	Paragould District, Total 877	
Swan Lake, R. L. Riffin	1	Gainsville Ct., Alfred Gibbs	14
Prescott District, Total 868		Greenway Ct., A. G. Presson	2
Bingen Ct., R. R. Coley	1	Hardy, Miss Fern Cook	1
Center Point Ct., E. B. Adcock	1	Leonard Ct., J. H. Holt	1
Mineral Springs Ct., W. C. Lewis	3	Marmaduke Ct., Gus Evans	2
Murfreesboro-Delight, Eldred Blakeley	2	Maynard Ct., R. B. Howerton Jr	3
Okolona Ct., A. C. Rogers	4	Morning Star, H. M. Sanford	5
Texarkana District, Total 948		Paragould 1st Ch., Guy Ames	1
Cherry Hill Ct., G. C. Bailey	1	Paragould Ct., R. B. Howerton	7
Doddridge Ct., G. B. Pixley	3	Rector 4th Street	2
Richmond Ct., W. C. Onstead	2	Rector Ct., L. L. Langston	5
Batesville District, Total 1004		Searcy District, Total 839	
Desha Ct., T. O. Love	1	Antioch, M. L. Kaylor	1
Swifton-Alicia, H. C. Minnis	2	Bald Knob-Bradford, H. D. Womack	3
Tuckerman, H. H. Blevins	2	Griffithville Ct., J. W. Harger	1
TOTAL FOR WEEK		Jacksonville, W. H. Harrison	3
		McRae Ct., J. M. Talkington	2
		TOTAL FOR WEEK	
		316	

tions. The two churches, Hulbert and Blackfish Lake, have made more than \$300.00 improvement of the parsonage. The Blackfish Lake

Church has its entire budget paid for the year except the salaries of the pastor and district superintendent. Hulbert is up to date on

RESOLUTION OF THE PROTESTANT MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION OF BLYTHEVILLE

WHEREAS the Protestant Ministerial Association of Blytheville, Arkansas, at its regular monthly meeting in January, 1945, fully discussed the marriage and divorce laws and customs of Arkansas, and

WHEREAS these ministers found themselves with common convictions about these laws and customs, and

WHEREAS these ministers believe that the spiritual, moral, and physical well-being of the people, rather than the need or desire for county financial incomes, should determine the laws concerning the serious matters of marriage and divorce, and

WHEREAS the executive officers of the Blytheville Ministerial Association were duly authorized to draw up this resolution,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Ministerial Association of Blytheville in this resolution state its support of the following proposed changes in the marriage and divorce laws and customs of Arkansas, and that copies of this resolution be sent to our city, county, and state newspapers, our state church papers, and to all our county representatives in the state legislature.

1. Require a three-day waiting period between application and issuance of license for marriage.

2. Require health certificates, including V. D. tests, for all those who make application for marriage licenses.

3. Repeal the law which requires a person from another state to remain in Arkansas for 90 days before his divorce is granted. In the place of this

4. Require all divorce filings to be made at least 90 days before the hearing, and rule that the decree become final not less than 90 days after judgment.

Rev. R. L. Hanks, pastor of Gosnell-Half Moon Charge and a member of the Protestant Ministerial Association of Blytheville, says of the above resolutions:

"To those who read this resolution, if you are a member of any group or organization and you think that this resolution if made a law would raise the standard of social life in our state, then take action through the proper channels and help to make it a law. Let's put a stop to so many fly-by-night marriages and our ever increasing divorce rates will cease to rise and will gradually go the other way. What about it, my friends? Are you willing to make Arkansas a better place in which to live? Do your part."

everything.

A check for \$470.00 has been sent in on our Crusade for Christ quota and more than the remainder of the quota has been pledged. Prospects promise a good year.—C. H. Harvison, pastor.

Write it on your heart that every day is the best day of the year.—Emerson.

Rice And Religion In Kongju

By W. W. REID

WHEN World War II ends, when Korea, whether under Japan or as an independent nation, plans the re-establishment of her Christian institutions, Frederick E. C. Williams, educator, agriculturist, and Christian leader, will be wanted back at Kongju to lead the Kongju Vocational Agricultural School in again serving church, and community, and nation.



F. E. C. WILLIAMS

From funds raised by the Crusade for Christ, Principal Williams will be enabled to answer the call of rural Korea, and will be enabled to re-establish "teaching in rice and religion" as the foundation of a sound rural life for a vigorous Christ-inclined people.

One of the principles of the Kongju Vocational School is that every student, whether he is going to be a minister, a teacher, or a businessman, should also know how to farm, for farming is the basic security of Korea. Almost

every minister, for example, must help support his family from his own farm labor.

So when Mr. Williams was placed at the head of the Kongju High School in 1908, it soon developed into a "rural bias" school. As the Kongju Vocational Agricultural School it was soon training some 300 boys each year to be good farmers, to make their living off the soil, to be masters of the crafts and skills about the farm, those skills that distinguish the capable farmer from the peon. Gradually the Girls' School, also at Kongju, added agriculture and household crafts to its curriculum.

The boys of the new rural-biased School became skilled in general farm work, in the care of trees, in the tool shop, in the poultry yard, in the dairy and production and selling of milk, in raising rabbits and goats, in carpentry, and in tinsmithing. Preachers were started on their careers, too, but they could go into their parishes as preachers (and practitioners) of the "gospel of the plow" as well as of the Gospel of the Book. They showed many a farmer how better to feed his growing family.

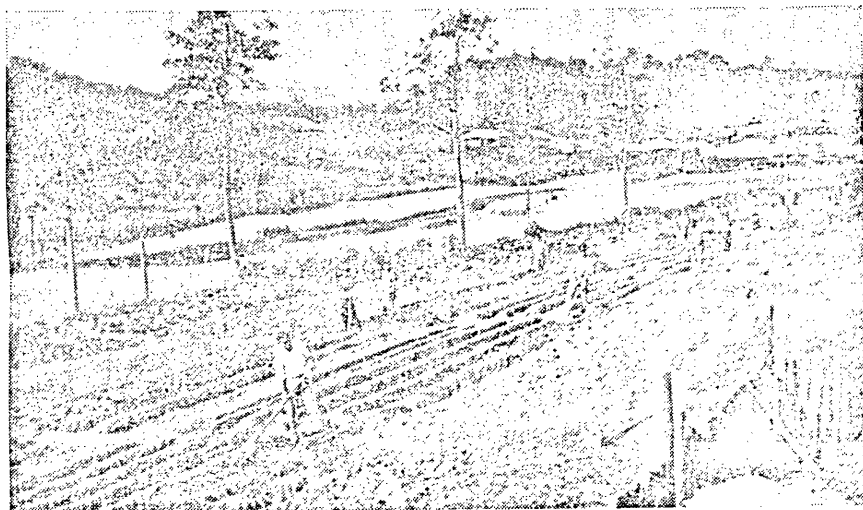
And the girls learned more than the three R's. They learned also to sew, to cook, to serve (both Korean and Japanese style), to plant and

care for mulberry trees, to rear silkworms, to weave, and they learned to care for babies in both the baby clinic and the day nursery.

Nor were the arts neglected. Music, and art, and good literature became a part of daily life. The Bible study class and the Sunday school were attended by every boy and girl; and the regular secondary school courses were followed.

In the midst of the development of this program and the garnering of some of its fruits, came the dark cloud of approaching World War II, and the evacuation of all missionaries from Korea. The School—and all that it means in human welfare for today and tomorrow—was left in the hands of Mr. Williams' Christian Korean collaborators. He himself went on to India where he has been a most valuable aid to Earl M. Rugg in the promotion and development of Raewind Christian Institute—an almost counterpart of the Kongju institution.

What Mr. Williams will find when he returns to Kongju he does not know... But he expects that funds from the Crusade for Christ will enable him to gather a body of students, and a faculty, and to begin again to prepare Christian youth for service to rural Korea.



Boys learn to farm at Kongju Vocational Agricultural Farm, Korea



The Church... and the Countryside

By GLENN F. SANFORD

THE GROUP MINISTRY AND OUR YOUTH PROGRAM

Last Sunday evening I was in a service with Brother T. H. Peck at Vilonia. I counted exactly thirty young people in their youth fellowship meeting. Thirty-six members of the group stayed for the church service which followed. Last night, Tuesday night, I went with Brother H. M. Lewis and Brother Byron McSpadden to Republican, a little church in a remote part of northern Faulkner County. Twenty-four of the thirty-six who attended that service were under twenty-four years of age. Last year I kept check on twelve services in twelve different rural churches and found that fifty-one percent

of the total attendance were under twenty-four years of age. These typical illustrations show the interest which youth have as well as the unusual opportunity which the church has for helping them.

The Group Ministry plan can help to meet the needs of youth in the rural areas of the conference.

The outstanding leader of youth found in any of the churches co-operating in the work might be secured to plan and direct the work for all. This is a distinct advantage of the Group Ministry since the most capable person would be available to lead and direct the various phases of the work of the church

in the entire Natural area.

Sub-District Youth Fellowships may be confined to a Natural area. The short distance for travel would make possible the attendance of the youth from the most remote church in the natural area. One does not need to emphasize the worship, the social, and the promotional value of these meetings.

Adventure camps may be promoted in each natural area. In order to have these camps there must be a group of workers who are trained in the art of camping. There must also be a suitable camp site which will meet the requirements of the Health Department. The camps of this type have all been successful.

Christian Adventure Institutes have proven their great value through many years. They are very successful and helpful in the small church and large church alike.

Youth Week in the Local Church is one of the most helpful of all special phases of youth work. The sharing of leadership in the natural area will make many of these special programs possible.

Youth Fellowship in the Local Church is the most important phase of youth work. Each and every part of the youth program in the natural area should strengthen the

work in the local church.

This is not intended to be a complete list of youth activities in a cooperative program in a natural area. Many types of activity, such as music, drama, community service, evangelism, training program, etc. would naturally arise as each church worked for the common good of all.

Specific guidance material may be had from Rev. I. A. Brumley, Conway, Arkansas, for all the activities mentioned above.

The youth in each of the cooperating churches should have a part in the planning and promoting of the many phases of the work which is offered to them. The experience which they will have in this work will surely build a leadership for our church.

PROTESTANT JOURNALS IN ITALY RESUME PUBLICATION

ROME (By Wireless) (RNS) — Two Protestant journals that were forced to suspend publication during Mussolini's regime in Italy have made their reappearance. They are the Waldensian bi-weekly, The Light, and the Baptist Evangelical weekly, Testimony.

HENDRIX COLLEGE NEWS

Three War Veterans

Three returning veterans, entering on the terms of the GI education bill, are among the new students enrolled at Hendrix for the spring semester. Also included among the new enrollees are two out-of-state students.

Willis F. Rose, son of Dr. W. F. Rose, Fort Smith physician, was in the marine corps three years and stationed in the vicinity of Honolulu. He has entered upon a pre-medical course of study. Thomas Mills of Conway, staff sergeant in the army prior to a recent medical discharge, has enrolled for a musical and liberal arts course of study. Adrian L. Person, formerly of the navy, is receiving his training under the vocational rehabilitation law. He expects to become a general accountant.

Rebecca Downs of Everett, Washington, and James Harris of Hatboro, Penn., are the two new out-of-state students.

Faculty Members Teaching Extension Courses

Two members of the Hendrix faculty began teaching extension courses in Little Rock at the beginning of this month. The courses are presented through the University of Arkansas extension center and are offered for graduate credit at the university. The classes are composed largely of teachers in the Little Rock high schools. Dr. R. L. Campbell, of the Hendrix English department, will offer Victorian poetry with emphasis on Tennyson and Arnold. During his last semester of instruction at the extension center his course concentrated on the works of Browning. Dr. Vernon C. Lingren, of the Hendrix education department, opened a course on principles of secondary education.—Russ.

BISHOP KAUNG'S DAUGHTER MARRIED IN NEW YORK

Miss Me Tsung Kaung, daughter of Bishop and Mrs. Z. T. Kaung, of North China, was married to Mr. Lai Boon Tang, of Swatow and New York, at a ceremony performed by S. R. Anderson, at China House, New York City.

As the wedding march was played by Miss Marjorie Eicher, Miss Kaung came in on the arm of Dr. Y. C. Yang, president of Soochow University. Miss Mary Low of New York was the bride's only attendant and Mr. Leland Liang, of Shanghai and Philadelphia, acted as best man. Bishop W. Y. Chen, of West China, offered the closing prayer.

Among the guests present at the wedding and at the reception following were Bishop and Mrs. Paul B. Kern of Nashville, and Mrs. Ralph Ward, wife of Bishop Ward, of Shanghai.

Mrs. Tang is completing work for her Ph. D. degree at the University of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Tang is working toward his Ph. D. degree at New York University. The couple will reside at 54 Barrow Street, New York City.

The second word makes the quarrel.—Bacon.

Living one's faith is the best method of defending it.—Ex.



It took a week of Father's wages

But it wasn't as extravagant as it seems today. Hats were bigger then . . . and also fewer. Mother's handmade mauve velour was good for several seasons. Today, Mother's hat bills may total as much or even more than the price of that quaint hat, but she gets many MORE hats for her money.

It's much the same with electric bills. If yours seem about the same as they did years ago, it's because you are enjoying so many more electric conveniences now. And you're getting FAR MORE ELECTRICITY FOR YOUR MONEY than you ever did before . . . about twice as much today as you did 15 years ago. Not only has the price of electricity come down steadily through the years, but it has stayed down while war sent other costs climbing.

Hard work and careful BUSINESS management by your friends in this company will continue to make electricity dependable and cheap . . . one of the big bargains of all time.

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The Sunday School Lesson

By DR. W. P. WHALEY



TREASURES OF THE KINGDOM

LESSON FOR FEBRUARY 18, 1945

SCRIPTURE TEXT: *Matthew, all of chapters 12, 13, and 14.*

GOLDEN TEXT: *"Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and coming down from the Father of lights, with whom can be no variation, neither shadow that is cast by turning." (James 1:17)*

These three chapters of Matthew contain more material than can be discussed in our printing space; but they are very interesting, and it is hoped you will read them carefully and note the nearly twenty items presented. In the 12th chapter is the story of (1) Jesus and His disciples walking through the corn field on the Sabbath, (2) going into the Synagogue where Jesus cured the man with a withered hand, (3) casting out a devil from a blind and deaf man (4) discussion of blasphemy (5) scribes demand a sign, (6) Jesus' family calls for Him. In the 13th chapter of Jesus preaches from a boat (1) on the sower (2) the good seed and the tares, (3) the mustard seed, (4) the leaven, (5) the hid treasure, (6) the pearl, (7) the net, (8) Jesus' disappointment in His home neighborhood. In the 14th chapter (1) Herod is worried by reports about Jesus, (2) account of martyrdom of John the Baptist, (3) feeding the multitude, (4) storm on the lake, and Jesus walking on the lake.

I. Parables of the Kingdom of Heaven (Matt. 13)

We shall confine our discussion to the 13th chapter. This is Jesus' sermon on the Kingdom of Heaven, which He preached while sitting in a fisherman's boat to a congregation on the lake shore. The sermon consists of seven parables, or illustrations.

(1) The Sower (Matt. 13:1-24). In this story, Jesus is emphasizing the importance of hearing, understanding, and holding the "word of the Kingdom;" so that, like good seed on good ground, it may bear fruit. The gospel is not just a wind blowing over us, not just a sound soothing or disturbing us, but good seed to be planted in our minds and hearts. Preaching to some folks is as vain as scattering seed on a pavement. Preaching to others, we get a quick and enthusiastic response; but the interest is short lived. Some minds and hearts are so occupied that preaching to them is like throwing seed through the woods. A good hearer is like a piece of deep, fertile, clean, and cultivated ground.

(2) Wheat and Tares (Matt. 13:24-31). In another place, Jesus said: "Take heed what ye hear." There are sowers who are not planting the "word of the Kingdom," but scattering seeds of error to hinder and choke out the good word. Christ warns in another place of false prophets that will be plausible in the presentation of error that, "if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect." (Matt. 24:24). Paul urges church people to be "grounded and settled" in the truth, so that they may be proof against the winds of false doctrine.

(3) The Mustard Seed (Matt. 13:31-32). By this parable, Jesus was illustrating the growth of the Church from a very small beginning to a great spreading institution: a great tree whose leaves are "for the healing of the nations." We can trace the Christian Church as far back as Abraham. It was small then. It was a little larger in Moses' day. It was still larger in Christ's day. It is much larger now. There have been times of drouth, times of flood, times of frost; but it still grows.

(4) Leaven (Matt. 13:33). This illustrates the silent, permeating, wholesome influence of the Church in the world. Its very presence in the lump of this old earth tones up things generally. Jesus in the sermon on the mount said that Christians are "the salt of the earth," and the "light of the world."

(5) The Net (Matt. 13:47). All sorts of people come into the church. All sorts of motives prompt people to join the church. Church workers cannot read motives, and they cannot shut the door in the face of those who seek to come in. Jesus got one bad fish in His net when He made a cast for His twelve. But there is a sorting time and place.

II. The Treasure and the Pearl Represent the Kingdom of Heaven, Which Is the Church (Matt. 13:44, 45)

Instead of thinking of the treasures of the Kingdom, as the title of this lesson suggests, I think it better to think of the KINGDOM OF HEAVEN as the treasure or pearl; and of Christ as the one giving all He had for that treasure or pearl. (Eph. 5:25, Acts 20:28).

The jewel of supreme value in Jesus' estimation is "HIS CHURCH," or "HIS KINGDOM." Sometimes His Church gets in the hands of people who do not display its value and beauty; but detract from it by a cheap setting of selfishness. Christ's mission to this world two thousand years ago was to get His hands on the Church: "that He might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, that He might present it to himself a glorious Church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish." (Eph. 5:26, 27). For this pearl Christ gave all He had, of the comforts He might have had in this world, and of the glory He had with the Father before the world was. (John 17:5). "Though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ye through His poverty might be rich." (2 Cor. 8:9).

We usually think of riches, beauty, and glory as descriptions of a heavenly kingdom; but Christ has only one kingdom, and that is in earth

SHARED READING

Lucia Mallory

"Please come in and join us, Lucia," Blanche Varian said cordially, as I stood at her door one Sunday afternoon last January. "We're reading our Christmas books."

I followed my friend into the living room, expecting to find each member of her family occupied with his own book. Instead of that, only small Joyce held a book. The others were grouped around her, as if they had been listening.

"Won't you please read to us, Miss Mallory?" Joyce entreated me after our greetings were over. "This is Tommie's new book."

"Haven't you been taking turns at reading?" I inquired.

"Yes, Miss Mallory," Joyce replied, "but we like to hear you tell stories at the library—"

"I'll read when it comes my turn,

and in heaven; and it is all one pearl to Him.

*"One family we dwell in Him,
One Church above, beneath,
Though now divided by the stream,
The narrow stream of death.*

*One army of the living God,
To His command we bow:
Part of His host have crossed the flood,
And part are crossing now."*

To Christ this church is a Pearl of infinite worth, and He gave all He had for it.

Christ is investing His Pearl in the plan of human salvation. It is said that Cleopatra dissolved a \$400,000 pearl at a feast and drank it to the health of Mark Antony. She consumed it upon her vanity.

By paying the price, we become "joint heirs with Christ" to the riches and glory of the Church, the Kingdom of Heaven. That price is our all. "Then Peter said, Lo, we have left all, and followed thee."

III. Investing the Church in the World's Salvation

The CHURCH is the most beautiful and valuable thing, both on this earth and in Heaven. Nothing else so adorns a life. Nothing else adds so much value to our possessions. Nothing else so secures our business. Nothing else so elevates society, and gives us entrance to the best. It is the most civilizing influence in earth, and the mightiest nation builder. It opens the way to an all round successful life.

The CHURCH is so valuable as a "treasure," and so adorning as a "pearl," that we may be tempted to hold it for our own profit and luxury, and consume it upon our own vanity. But Cleopatra brought disgust upon her name by dissolving and drinking her pearl. It would be no less dishonoring to us if we should consume "the pearl of great price" upon ourselves. The Church must be invested in the redemption of the world. As Christ is investing His part in that, So must we invest our part. We are "joint heirs with Christ" in the possession of this "pearl," and we must be partners with Him in the investment.

Dr. Whaley welcomes the 4000 new subscribers to the Arkansas Methodist. He invites them to use the Sunday School lesson on the last page each week, and to send their names to him at Conway. He will enroll them in his class book.

Joyce," I promised. "Won't you go on with what you were reading when I came in?"

Joyce finished her page of a story of courage and adventure that has been loved by young and old readers for over fifty years.

The book passed from hand to hand, with each one reading a few pages, and sometimes pausing to add an appreciative comment. Though I had read the book many times, I found the characters taking on new life and the phrases glowing with more warmth and beauty than I had ever sensed in silent reading.

"I don't know when I have enjoyed an afternoon so much," I told Blanche when I was leaving. "You were wonderfully kind to let me share your reading hour!"

"I am glad you like our family book club," she replied with a smile. "I'll tell you more about it some day."

Blanche fulfilled her promise the next time she came to the library. She is a member of the city board, and I am children's librarian.

"You know how much my husband and I love books, Lucia," she began, "and how hard I have tried as a library board member to make books attractive to all of the children in the city. You'll be surprised when I tell you that one of our own children didn't care much about books a year ago. Of course, Tom and I realized that Tommie shouldn't be expected to be exactly like his parents, and we didn't want to force him to read—we wanted him to become interested in books, naturally."

"At Christmas time a year ago, Tom gave Tommie a book that had been a favorite of his own childhood. Tom was keenly disappointed at his son's lack of interest in the book."

"Why couldn't we all read Tommie's book together?" I suggested.

"Do you think the children would enjoy that?" Tom asked doubtfully.

"Tommie likes to go fishing with you—he likes to work in the garden with you," I answered. "I believe he would like reading with you, too."

"Tom finally agreed that it might be worth while to try the experiment."

"The children were interested from the first day we read together. After Tommie's book was finished—and our son did enjoy it—Helen and Joyce brought out their Christmas books to be read. Then Tommie, one day, brought home from school a book on modern scientific developments. This the girls and I enjoyed as much as he and his father did."

"Reading together did more than introduce the children to our own best-loved book friends; we soon found out that the plan had some fine by-products. There was a better reader so as to take her place with her older brother and sister, and less attention, on the part of all the children, was now given to books and periodicals of doubtful value."

"Often the children bring in their friends," Blanche concluded, "and they are welcome to share our reading hour."—Issued by the National Kindergarten Association, 8 West 40th Street, New York City.

To be thrown upon one's resources is to be cast into the very lap of fortune.—B. Franklin.