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"The World is My Parish" — John Wesley

into all the world — Mark 16:15

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## Pastor's School Will Not Be Held

A T A MEETING of the Board of Managers of the Arkansas Pastor's School of the Methodist Church, called Friday, it was decided to cancel the plans for the annual session of the Pastor's School, according to an announcement made by Bishop Paul E. Martin, our resident bishop.

This action was in conformity with the regulations set forth by the Office of Defense Transportation governing church assemblies, gatherings and conventions. The Arkansas School is one of the outstanding schools of its kind in the United States, and with one exception, sessions have been held annually for more than twenty years. There is an enrollment each year of more than three hundred pastors and other church leaders from the Little Rock and North Arkansas Conferences.

Said Bishop Martin, "Although it is felt that the holding of the Pastor's School would not in any way interfere with the war effort, still the members of the group did not desire to conflict with any of the regulations of the regularly constituted governing authorities."

Plans were made, at the meeting of the Board of Managers, to have study groups of the under-graduates of the two Arkansas Conferences that would make possible the fulfillment of the educational requirements for ordination at the fall Conferences. There would not be more than fifty members in any of the study groups to be held. Announcements of the time and place for the holding of these study groups will be made at a later date, to the men involved, through the Conference Secretaries of Education.

## Hangman Himmler A Suicide

ONE BY one the Nazi gangsters are being run to the ground. The closer the view we have of them the smaller and more contemptible does their distorted, perverted lives appear. Himmler the hangman, was at heart a coward. When the test came he went out by the back-door route of suicide.

"Though the mills of God grind slowly, yet they grind exceeding small." It was a long, tortuous route that humanity traveled while the war lords of Germany and the big wigs of the Nazi party were bleeding white the nations they had subjugated and were threatening to over-run the world. All the while the "mills of God" were grinding and ever nearer was coming the day when the leaders of this scourge of humanity would find themselves as grist between the upper and lower millstones of outraged justice.

Today practically every one of the outstanding leaders of this Nazi-inspired war have been killed in battle, made prisoners of war or have killed themselves when the final test came. The most despicable one of the lot, Hitler not excepted, was hangman Himmler. The concentration camps and the extermination camps were under his control and nothing more inhumane has happened in the history of the world than the manner in which these camps were conducted. His body now lies in an unmarked grave. Press reports tell us that the "funeral oration" was short that day, consisting of only seven words, "Let the worm go to the worms."

## What Is Important In America?

ACCORDING to an announcement elsewhere on this page, the Pastor's School will not be held this year. The conditions under which the leaders of our church felt that it was necessary to discontinue plans for this school are indeed disturbing. It leads one to ask the question "What is important in America?"

The church in America is just as much interested in the preservation of our national life and our "way of life" as is the government or any other institution and it has accepted, thus far, any regulations suggested by constituted governmental authorities without protest and in good faith. It has believed also, that the government was acting in good faith when it imposed limitations on the activities of other interests for the good of the war effort, including horse racing, dog racing and the ban on road houses and other drinking places after the mid-night hour.

However, the church was amazed and disgustingly disillusioned when, immediately after the close of the European war, the government, with inexplainable haste, lifted the ban on horse and dog racing and also lifted the ban on post-midnight activities of night clubs, liquor joints and road houses, permitting them now to run wide open all night, while at the same time the regulations prohibiting special church assemblies and other gatherings and conventions were held in full force as necessary to the war effort.

If one had no other way of judging the matter, he might be led to believe, because of the haste with which the government lifted the ban on these plague spots in our American life, that they are THE vitally important interests in the ongoing of our national life. While hundreds of thousands may now gather from all parts of the North American Continent for dog and horse racing, with its attendant gambling, and hundreds of thousands may now gather nightly in night clubs, road houses and liquor establishments and stay until the break of day, it is still considered detrimental to the war effort for business, labor, education or religion to have special meetings for constructive planning, if more than fifty people are to be present.

This discriminating action, favoring unbridled rowdyism, is cut from the same piece of cloth which led our governmental planners to allow the distillers of America three thirty-day "holidays" in which to make liquor while the ban held tight on a thousand and one manufacturers of the common necessities of life. Unless the leaders of our national life get a new viewpoint on "What is important in America," we are headed for the breakers, despite our military victories in Europe and the Pacific.

## Seven Wars In A Nation's History

INCLUDING the Revolutionary war, which resulted in our freedom from England, our nation has had seven major wars in its short history; averaging one war about every twenty-four years. This does not take into account many minor skirmishes and the Indian wars.

Our nation was born as the result of the Revolutionary war. A few years later we were at war again with England fighting the war of 1812. We had a war with Mexico, which our neighbors have never forgotten. We had a civil war in which countrymen fought countrymen and often kinsmen engaged in battles on opposite sides of the line. Our war with Spain came within the memory of this generation. We fought the First World War "to end wars" but find ourselves fighting it all over again in a Second World War, which we again hope will be the end of wars.

Every generation of our American life, including the founders of our country, has heard the call to war and has seen thousands of the finest of its young men march off to war many never to return. It looks and sounds so foolish that one can hardly realize that it is true. We have long ago accepted the fact that there is a better way for individuals to settle difficulties than in a duel to the death with arms. We know that there is a better way to settle family feuds than to shoot it out. America and the world can surely find a better way to settle international difficulties than to resort to war with its indescribable waste of young life and destruction of property.

Out of the San Francisco Conference and other meetings of world leaders, it is our belief that there will be worked out a world program that will make it impossible for any nation again to involve the world in war.

## Mailing Troubles

DESPITE paper shortages, labor shortages and many other war-time difficulties the Arkansas Methodist has gone out each week to our subscribers with its full sixteen pages, with the exception of one week, when we felt it necessary to publish an eight page paper.

For the past month, however, we have been having mailing trouble. The man who has been mailing the paper for almost three years moved away and no other experienced mailer could be found, who would accept the job of mailing the Arkansas Methodist, in addition to the job he already had. It was inevitable that inexperienced people would be slower and not so accurate as one who had spent many years in that particular field of work. To put individual labels on seventeen thousand papers, to wrap them securely and to sack them properly for mailing is no small job even for an expert. We have had few complaints but we feel sure that many have received their papers late and perhaps some have not received them at all.

We are glad to announce that our mailer who moved away discovered that his new location was not so desirable as Little Rock and he has returned. He will resume the mailing of our paper with this issue. We are hoping, with his return, that we will again be on a regular schedule.

# Understanding of Other Peoples Asked of American Youth

By CAMERON P. HALL \*

(The last in a series of four weekly articles written from the United Nations Conference at San Francisco by Dr. Hall, staff press representative of the International Council of Religious Education, Chicago.—Editor)

SAN FRANCISCO, May 18—"A Report to Youth" was made to over 7,000 students of the high schools of the Bay Area by two chairmen of delegations to the United Nations Conference. According to the presiding officer, this meeting "brought together more high school students in one spot than ever before in San Francisco." It was held under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association of the city in cooperation with the city's public schools. It was opened and closed by two of the young people themselves, one using St. Francis' "Prayer for Peace" as the invocation, and the other Micah 4:3-5 as the benediction.

In his "Message to American Youth" General Carlos P. Romulo of the Philippine Commonwealth said: "Those of us in Asia hope and pray that the same spirit which has animated the relations of the United States with the Philippine Islands will animate the Charter of the International Organization. By your stress on the dignity of man and your respect for those of another race, as shown toward my country, you have made the people of Asia look up to you as being somewhat godlike. I plead with you to do nothing that will impair our enchantment toward you."

Mr. Jan Masaryk, Foreign Minister of Czecho-Slovakia, told this mass meeting of youth: "I believe the Conference is building a decent foundation upon which your generation may erect a decent structure of peace. It is important to remember that there is in all of us of every land something fine. Let us join hands in that spirit."

## Charter for World Organization Only Goal

"I believe that the regional pacts should buttress the authority of the International Organization and not displace it," said Anthony Eden to the press over a week ago. But the issue is still a thorny one. Because the regional pact that is to the fore

is the Act of Chapultepec, which the United States signed along with all the Latin American countries, this country is directly involved. It was thus reassuring to have Mr. Stettinius tell the press that, while assuring the Latin American countries that the United States stood with them as much as ever, yet "the United States delegation has come to San Francisco to help write a charter for a world organization. Nothing that we do must detract from the prestige and power of that."

stroy the world organization at its birth." This contest between the "Hemisphere" concept and that of "One World" is but one example of the travail that is involved in working through to a world organization.

## Consultants Propose Charter Improvements

After noting that "the forward strides which are apparent at numerous points in the preparation of the Charter provide a source of real encouragement" the

and Amendment. This is the second letter which these Consultants of the Protestant Churches have addressed to the United States delegation within a week, the other having to do solely with dependent peoples.

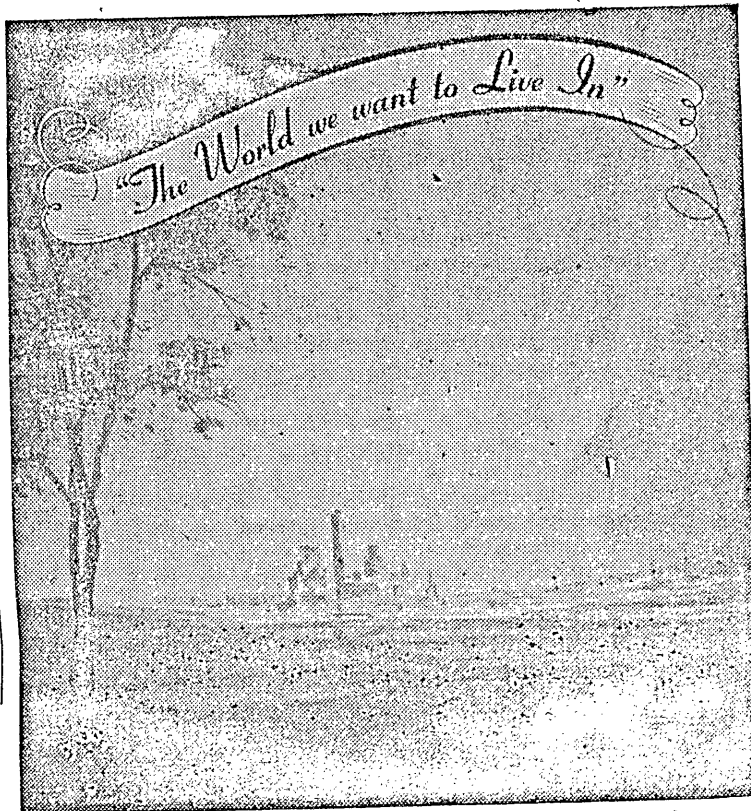
## Stassen Declares Social Maladjustments Between Nations Vital Issue

"Peace and social and economic justices are invisible," Comdr. Harold E. Stassen, a member of the United States delegation and president of the International Council of Religious Education, told the writer in an exclusive interview. "Through its Economic and Social Council, the International Organization can reach out to correct those social maladjustments between nations which, if allowed free reign, may grow to the stature of a threat of war." This kind of thinking is having a profound effect upon the developing character of the Charter.

"We have been both surprised and delighted at the increase in the prestige and scope being given the Economic and Social Council," the spokesman for the educational groups said at their press conference. The Chinese delegation began this trend early in the Conference with their inclusion of "the promotion of educational and cultural cooperation" in the objectives of the Council. Australia is strongly supporting a move to have "full employment" and "a high standard of living" within the responsibility of the Council.

The Consultants representing such groups as business, labor, agriculture and education united in putting before the United States delegation recommendations that would materially add to the scope and strength of the Council. One of the official committees of the Conference has voted to recommend that whereas in the Dumbarton Oaks proposals the Economic and Social Council is under the General Assembly, it be made one of the basic organs of the International Organization itself, on a par with the General Assembly, the Security Council, the World Court and the Secretariat.

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As efforts were made to work this out in terms of language upon which all could agree, the regional pact as against the world organization seemed to be making headway. This drew a strong statement from the Australian Foreign Minister: "Primary jurisdiction of the Security Council over regional enforcement action is essential. . . . Pan-Americanism is valuable, but unless the authority of the Central Security Council is maintained, it may develop into a form of isolation which is calculated to de-

three Consultants of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America to the United States delegation in a letter to the Secretary of State dated May 17 go on "to submit four areas where improvement may yet be possible at the San Francisco Conference." Each suggestion for improvement is introduced by citing the appropriate statement in the Message to Conference held at Cleveland. The four areas discussed concern Preamble, Eventual Universal Membership, Limitation of Armaments,



## Mrs. Sibley Receives American Mother Award



Mrs. Harper Sibley, Rochester, N. Y., president of the United Council of Church Women, was honored as the "American Mother of 1945" on May 11 at a luncheon at the Waldorf Astoria in New York City, by the Golden Rule Foundation, whose American Mothers' Committee sponsors the annual award. Mrs. H. V. Milligan, chairman of the committee, presided at the luncheon which was attended by representatives of civic and church organizations.

Presenting the medal to Mrs. Sibley, Newbold Morris, president of the New York City Council, said: "She combines all the traits of an American mother and an attractive

American woman. . . She has made a lot of people happy and not always at home, but in the world at large and so has been an ideal, an example to every woman from Maine to California."

Mrs. Sibley, who attended the San Francisco Conference on World as a consultant delegate representing the United Council of Church Women, spoke concerning the conference in accepting the citation. She stated that one cannot think of American mothers today apart from other mothers of the world. "There is an inseparable bond between them, of which one is especially conscious, coming from San Francisco."

"The conference has already succeeded because it has happened," she continued, urging that "under no circumstances should it be regarded as a failure, that it is important because it is building a deep deep foundation for the structure of civilization, things that are not front-page news." Whoever did not expect difficulties would be very naive, she said, adding that the differences were of minor importance.

In making the award to Mrs. Sibley, the American Mother's Committee announced that she was chosen because of "her inspiring achievement in combining devotion to her family with outstanding

service to society as a good citizen."

Widely known for her civic and religious leadership, Mrs. Sibley is a member of the national Board of the Y. W. C. A., of the Executive Committee of the USO, is chairman of sponsors of the American Mission to Lepers Post-War Anti-Leprosy program. With her husband, a banker and former president of the United States Chamber of Commerce, she accompanied him on a world tour for the Layman's Missionary Inquiry. She was a delegate to the Oxford Conference on Church, Community and State in 1937 and served as a member of the Jerusalem Conference of the International Missionary Council.

# THE DEVOTIONAL PAGE

REV. H. O. BOLIN, Editor

## THE BEST ATTRACTION

The superintendent of a Sunday School stopped a boy on the street and invited him to Sunday School, but the invitation was flatly refused. The superintendent told about the splendid singing, and the boy again refused. Then he told him about the interesting story papers given away every Sunday, but the boy continued his refusal. He then told him about the illustrated picture used, but the boy declined to go. The superintendent was turning away in disgust, at his failure to even interest the boy, when the lad said: "Will you be there?" "Yes," replied the superintendent.

"Then I'll come," said the boy.

After all, personality is the best attraction. Good music, interesting story papers, pictures are good, but a Christian superintendent, teacher, or pupil filled with the Spirit, a yearning love to help, and enthusiastic in personal efforts is a charm that will win when all other influences fail.—Cumberland Presbyterian.

## YOU MAKE LIFE

Your life is fashioned out of the choices you make. You were born into the world without any choice in the matter, but you cannot go on another hour without choosing the life you are to live. You choose the attitudes you take toward the world, toward other people, toward God, and toward yourself; and your life is made up of those attitudes. If your past choices have been bad they can be remedied by better choices today. Whatever you will know of happiness or pain tomorrow you decide today. No one can compel you to become jealous, envious, or petty. You make that fateful decision for yourself. Or you can choose the beautiful and good. "Choose ye this day whom ye would serve."—R. L. S.—The Christian Advocate.

## BECAUSE IT WORKS

A mechanic was called in to repair the mechanism of a giant telescope. During the noon hour the chief astronomer came upon the man reading the Bible. "What good do you expect from that?" he asked. "The Bible is out of date. Why, you don't even know who wrote it."

The mechanic puzzled a moment. Then he looked up. "Don't you make considerable use of the multiplication table in your calculations?"

"Yes, of course," returned the other.

"Do you know who wrote it?"

"Why, no, I guess I don't."

"Then," said the mechanic, "how can you trust the multiplication table when you don't know who wrote it?"

"We trust it because . . . well, because it works," the astronomer finished testily.

"Well, I trust the Bible for the same reason—it just works."—From Christian Medicus Magnus.

He who offers God second place offers Him no place.—Ruskin.

## A MOMENT IN THE MORNING

Arthur Lewis Tubbs

*A moment in the morning, ere the cares of the day begin,  
Ere the heart's wide door is open for the world to enter in,  
Ah, then, alone with Jesus, in the silence of the morn,  
In heavenly sweet communion let your duty-day be born.  
In the quietude that blesses with a prelude of repose  
Let your soul be smoothed and softened, as the dew revives  
the rose.*

*A moment in the morning take your Bible in your hand,  
And catch a glimpse of glory from the peaceful promised  
land:*

*It will linger still before you when you seek the busy mart,  
And like flowers of hope will blossom into beauty in your  
heart.*

*The precious words, like jewels, will glisten all the day  
With a rare effulgent glory that will brighten all the way;  
When comes a sore temptation, and your feet are near a  
snare,*

*You may count them like a rosary and make each one a  
prayer.*

*A moment in the morning—a moment, if no more—  
Is better than an hour when the trying day is o'er.  
'Tis the gentle dew from heaven, the manna for the day;  
If you fail to gather early—alas! it melts away.  
So, in the blushing of the morning, take the offered hand  
of love*

*And walk in heaven's pathway and the peacefulness thereof.*

From "Poems With Power To Strengthen The Soul."

## PERSONAL EVANGELISM

One might wonder why the matter of personal evangelism would be mentioned on the Devotional Page—a page dedicated to meditation on the spiritual values of life, to prayer, to worship; in brief, to a conscious personal contact with God. It is for this very reason that personal work is mentioned here. Consistent meditation leads to activity. Even "faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone." There are three degrees to prayer: "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you." Most people live and die without ever getting above the asking degree, but seeking and knocking are often necessary to get the job done. Many times we need to put feet and hands to our prayers. That is where personal service of all kinds come in.

Many modern church members—perhaps the majority of them—have lost the joy out of their salvation. They no longer have a consciousness of the presence of God in their lives. Why? The answer is not far to seek. They have become careless and indifferent; they do not pray; they do not meditate; they neglect public worship; and last, but not least, they do not serve.

The greatest service that one person can render for another is to bring him into a saving contact with Christ. In the first chapter of John we read of how Andrew came to get acquainted with Jesus. He was convinced that Jesus was the promised Messiah. With much enthusiasm, he started out to find his brother, Simon. We are told that "he brought him to Jesus." Christ gave him a new name. No

longer was he to be called "Simon" the undependable, the unstable, but his name was to be "Peter", the rock. We get our term "petrified" from this same root word. It was as though Christ said, "Simon, I am going to make a brick of you; you will really stand the test when I get through with you." We do not know how long Peter lived after his brother brought him to Jesus, or how many nice things others did for him, but we do know that no one ever did a greater piece of work for him than that done by Andrew when he brought him to Jesus.

In our day of trouble and crisis we are hearing many say that the hope of the world lies in Christ. We feel sure they are right. But if the hope lies in Christ, then we must seek to bring others into contact with Him. We call ours a Christian nation, yet more than half of our citizens make no profession of religion whatever. We must get a greater number lined up with Christ, and this can only be done by personal evangelism. I believe very much in mass revivals. We need them to tone up the spiritual atmosphere of the churches. It is my conviction that every church ought to have one a year. But when we wish to reach the lost we will have to go where they are, and they will not come to revival services in large numbers until they have been won to Christ. There was a time when non-church members attended such revivals in large numbers, but that time has passed. There are too many other attractions now to draw people away from the church. Christianity had its origin in personal evangelism, and more and

## GOSSIP

So -live that you wouldn't be ashamed to sell the family Parrot to the town gossip.—Live View Point.

more we will have to turn back to it. It was Jesus who said, "Go into the highways and hedges and compel them to come in." He practiced this method Himself and many others in the early days of Christianity practiced it, and it worked wonders. The church never before nor since has been so much alive; so dynamic; so happy, as it was then.

We hear many people complaining over the fact that they have lost the joy out of their salvation. How can they get it back? By meditation, prayer, Bible study, reading other good literature, associating with warm-hearted Christians, church loyalty? Yes, all of these are helpful, but it is my honest conviction that this joy will never fully return until Christians go out, not spasmodically but habitually, to win others to Christ. Where does this joy come from anyway? I think all will agree that it comes from a consciousness of the presence of Christ in the life. Where is Christ? Principally, out after the lost. His words are, "I came to seek and to save that which is lost," and again, "I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."

I fear that too often we get into our churches all smug and complacent, but we feel that something is wrong. We sense the fact that we are more or less in religious cold storage. There is no enthusiasm, no zeal, no spiritual glow; in brief, no Spirit of Christ. We have the form of Godliness—nothing is wrong with the form; we surpass all former generations along this line—but we have denied the power of Godliness. Our trouble is we largely lost the presence of Christ; for the very good reason that he just isn't present. It seems never to have occurred to us that he might be out where the needs are great; where hearts are breaking and great burdens are being borne; where sin unblushingly rides high in the saddle and righteousness trails her robes in the dust. Again I say, Christian happiness comes only through the consciousness of the presence of Christ. We can't be conscious of His presence until we go where He is. He is out there where toilers in the great struggle of life sweat blood; where hearts are wrung with sorrow and souls are damned with sin. After His resurrection and just before His ascension, He led His disciples out to the Mount of Olives. He is about to depart visibly from them and they will see Him no more on this earth. What will His parting message be? It is a commission, and has been called the Great Commission. His words are, "Go out after the lost, and I will go with you." It is only as we go that we can claim His presence. May God help us as we go out into the highways and hedges with Christ after the lost. Even patriotism demands that we do this. Our national hope is in Him.—H. O. B.



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## A WEEKLY MESSAGE

By FORNEY HUTCHINSON

### METHODISM'S LOST THINGS—NO. 3 THE PRAYER MEETING

More than forty years ago when I joined the Methodist itinerancy practically every church had a regular mid-week prayer service. Some churches and pastors were more successful with their prayer-meetings than others. However, it seemed to me then, and does until this day, that it was a most wholesome and helpful service to be held in a Christian church. That it is being lost from the life of the modern church is to me most deplorable. I know all sorts of substitutes are being used, but none of them, so far as I know, fill the place in the church once occupied by the prayer-meeting. I am glad I was able to maintain a helpful mid-week prayer service in all of the churches I served until I retired, and I congratulate my brethren in the ministry who are doing so today. It may not be easy, but it's worth all its costs.

The prayer-meeting came in the middle of the week, when we seemed to need it most. It was not largely attended like the Sunday morning worship services, but it was made up of the choicest spirits of the church and filled a great need. As a rule, the pastor led in the meeting, passages from God's word were read and studied, familiar songs were sung, requests for prayer were made, and testimonies were rendered. The fellowship was sweet and wholesome and all of those present felt free to participate.

I would not try to run a church without a prayer-meeting. What could be more natural and appropriate than for God's people to come together at least once a week for prayer and fellowship? In those days it was frequently said that the prayer-meeting was the "thermometer" of the church. I would rather say it was the "dynamo" of the church.

Before it is entirely lost to the modern church, let us work and pray for a revival of the mid-week prayer service.

### MEETING OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERS' RESERVE PENSION FUND

The Committee on Ministers' Reserve Pension Fund of the Little Rock Conference will hold an open hearing at the Pastors' School at Conway at 3:00 p. m. on Thursday, June 14. All members of the Little Rock Conference and their friends are invited to the hearing.—Harold Sadler, Chairman.

## NEWS AND NOTES ABOUT FACTS AND FOLKS

REV. ALFRED H. FREEMAN, pastor of First Church, El Dorado, preached the sermon for the El Dorado High School on Sunday evening, May 20.

REV. ROBERT S. BEASLEY, pastor of Kingsland Church, delivered the sermon for the Kingsland High School Class at 11 a. m., Sunday, May 20.

REV. CURTIS WILLIAMS, pastor of Pullman Heights Church, Hot Springs, preached the sermon for the Keo High School on Monday evening, May 25.

J. S. M. CANNON, superintendent of the Methodist Home for Children, was the speaker at the regular monthly dinner meeting of the Lakeside Men of Lakeside Church, Pine Bluff on Thursday evening, May 24.

DR. CONNOR MOREHEAD, district superintendent of the Camden District, is doing the preaching in a series of services at the Jackson Street Methodist Church, Magnolia. Rev. L. C. Gatlin is pastor.

DR. A. W. MARTIN, district superintendent of the Fort Smith District, preached the sermon for the Waldron High School in the Waldron Methodist Church on Sunday evening, May 20.

A RECENT cable from Chunging, West China, announces the arrival of Dr. Hyla S. Watters, medical missionary of the Methodist Church, at Kunming. She has just returned from furlough in the United States.

WORD comes from Mrs. Lewis that Rev. Hoy M. Lewis, one of our retired ministers, suffered a stroke on Saturday morning, May 19, at his home in Heber Springs. This is the second stroke he has had but Mrs. Lewis reports that he is getting along very well.

REV. ROY E. FAWCETT, executive secretary of the Board of Education of the Little Rock Conference, filled the pulpit at Stamps on Sunday, May 20, for Dr. J. A. Wade who is ill. District Superintendent A. J. Christie has been providing speakers when unable to be there himself.

ANNOUNCEMENT is made of the transfer of Rev. J. J. Clark from Mountain Home to Atkins to succeed Rev. Raymond C. Dorman. Brother Dorman was transferred to Danville. Brother Clark's successor will be announced by Rev. H. H. Griffin, district superintendent of the Searcy District.

MISS JOY MCKINNON, of El Dorado, sends to the Methodist office an announcement of the fifty-third annual commencement exercises, June 3-8, of Scarritt College, Nashville, Tenn. Miss McKinnon is a member of the graduating class and will receive her A. B. in Religious Education.

REV. JAMES L. SHELBY, pastor at Monette, announces that Rev. J. A. Gatlin, district superintendent of the Jonesboro District, will dedicate the church at Monette on Sunday evening, June 10, at 8 o'clock. All former pastors and district superintendents are invited to be present in the service.

THE sympathy of friends goes out to Rev. J. M. Barnett, our pastor at Ozark, in the death of his father, R. W. Barnett. Funeral services were held at the Plumerville Church on Tuesday afternoon, May 15, with burial in the Oakland Cemetery in Clarksville. Mr. Barnett is survived by his wife, three sons, two daughters and five brothers.

DR. and MRS. ALEXANDER H. KEMP, missionaries of the Methodist Church in Quessa, Angola, Portuguese East Africa, and their daughters recently arrived in the United States on a year's furlough. They expect to live during this period at Chataqua, New York. Dr.

Kemp will give some time to filling speaking engagements on behalf of Africa and Christian missions.

PFC. DAVID FOWLER REID, twenty-one, son of William Watkins Reid, of the Board of Missions, and Mrs. Reid, was killed in action in Germany, on April 30, according to announcement of the War Department. He was a medical corpsman with the 7th Army. David was a junior in Oberlin College when called into service. He had a license as a local preacher from the Brooklyn North District of the New York East Conference.

SOME noted Methodists have been nominated and will appear on the ballot of the Tenth Quinquennial election to the Hall of Fame. The decision will be made this summer by the 101 members of the College of Electors. Statues of those elected will be placed in the outdoor rotunda, known as the Hall of Fame, one of the buildings of New York University. The Methodists nominated are: Francis Asbury, Peter Cartwright and William McKinley. Those with Methodist connections are: Lillian Norton (Madam Nordica), Walter Reed, John Clark Ridpath and Frank Winfield Woolworth.

THE month of May is being observed in Asbury Church, Little Rock, as Christian Family Month. On May 6 a special sermon was preached for the boys and girls at 10:50 o'clock. At 8:00 a candle-light communion service was held with families taking communion together. On Mother's Day two morning services were held to accommodate the crowds with the pastor, Rev. W. Neill Hart, preaching on the subject, "The Modern Home and Religion." Subjects of vital interest to the home have been used throughout the month with other speakers taking part, both at the regular Sunday services and at the Wednesday evening prayer meeting. A Parents' Study Club was organized for those who have small children.

DR. J. A. WADE of Stamps writes: "Just this brief note that those of my brethren who have known about my serious illness may know I am slowly recovering. I was taken ill six weeks ago and was removed from my home to the City Hospital at Magnolia four days later in a very serious condition. The doctor found that I was suffering from a streptococcal blood stream infection caused from a bad throat which had been giving me trouble for two weeks. I was unconscious for several days and little hopes were held for my recovery. But thanks to modern medical discovery, penicillin, and good doctors and the prayers of a host of friends, I am now able to be up about the house, but my doctor advised me that it will be a couple of months yet before I will be able to resume my regular work and only then if I make good improvement. I shall greatly appreciate hearing from my friends with the assurance of their prayers for my complete and speedy recovery."

THE heads of five governments have issued a joint statement, through the World's Sunday School Association, calling upon church members to lay moral and spiritual foundations in the lives of young people for lasting world peace. The statement, signed by President Harry S. Truman, King George VI, Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, King Gustav, and Queen Wilhelmina, reads: "The people of goodwill in all lands are praying today for a just and enduring peace. The governments of the United Nations are designing the structure of a world organization to secure that peace. The statesmen who are working on that structure know that if it is to serve its purpose well, it must rest upon the solid foundations of strong moral and spiritual character in the life of all peoples everywhere. The world must look to the church to lay those foundations, especially in the lives of children and youth. Only if the church fulfills its teaching mission will future generations be blessed by the peace for which this generation is planning and praying and dying today."

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The Rev. Ernest Fremont Tittle D. D., LL. D. of Evanston, Ill., will preach on four June and two July Sundays on Columbia Broadcasting System's "Church of the Air." The services will be heard from 9 to 9:30 A. M., C. W. T., and will originate from the studios of Chicago's Station WBBM. Music will be furnished by the choir of the Federal Divinity Faculties of the University of Chicago directed by Frederick Marriott.

Dr. Tittle has been the minister of First Methodist Church in Evanston for more than 25 years. He was chosen one of America's six greatest preachers in a recent poll of clergymen. Dr. Tittle is a favorite at university chapels where he is frequently invited, and has filled many notable, endowed foundation lectureships, including the "Lyman Beecher Lectures on Preaching" at Yale. He is the author of nine books on religious themes.

The current series over C. B. S. is an experimental from the usual practice of the "Church of the Air." Instead of moving from place to place and from denomination to denomination each Sunday, the Congregational-Christian Churches and Methodists are together providing for 12 Sundays. Dr. Douglas Horton, minister of the General Council of the Congregational-Christian Churches, preached on the first six, with Methodists supplying the music. Dr. Tittle is preaching the last six of the series with Congregational music. The Presbyterian Church, U. S. A. filled the seventh Sunday. The general theme for all the sermons has been "Christian Vocation."

Dr. Tittle's subjects will be as follows: June 3, "Walls and Windows;" June 10, "What Do We Want?;" June 17, "All God's Children;" June 24, "A Cup of Cold Water Only;" July 1, "God in History," and July 8, "God's Care for the Individual."

Horace Greely once received a letter from a woman stating that her church was in distressing financial straits. They had tried every device they could think of—fairs, strawberry festivals, oyster suppers, donkey party, turkey banquets, poverty sociables, mock marriages, grab bags, box sociables, and necktie sociables. Would Mr. Greely be so kind as to suggest some new device to keep the struggling church from disbanding? The editor replied: "Try religion."—Selected.

SUPT. TUCK PRAISES FILIPINO CHRISTIANS

Dr. Ernest E. Tuck, superintendent of the Methodist Church in the Philippine Islands, and Mrs. Tuck have arrived in the United States, aboard an army transport, after their liberation from Los Banos concentration camp on Luzon Island. They are at present living with their daughter in Seattle, Washington. This is Dr. and Mrs. Tuck's first visit to America in eight years. After a furlough they expect to return to Manila and the work of rebuilding Methodism on Luzon.

"It was hard for us to leave our Filipino friends at this time," says Dr. Tuck, "but it seemed best after eight years of service for us to come home for furlough and then go back for a full term of service to help in the re-building and rehabilitation of our work and our properties. Much of our mission and church property in Manila as well as in the provinces was completely destroyed either by Japanese wantonness or by the necessary shelling and bombing when our American forces came in.

"How good it is to be back amongst friends and loved ones! Behind us are the concentration camps, the total 'black-outs' the bombings, the devastation and ruin of wrecked homes and properties, the slow starvation and the heroic, loyal and devoted Filipino friends and associates who want us to return to the Philippines as soon as practicable. You can hardly understand what it means to be deprived of all magazines, papers, letters, news and general information for more than three years. One feels completely out of touch with movements and events.

"The first two years of the war were not so difficult. We were able to get fairly adequate food although many things usually considered necessary for our diet were not available. The third year became increasingly hard. Our Japanese masters became more and more harsh as the war went against them. Food rations were so reduced in the last months of our internment that we were on a slow starvation diet of less than 850 calories a day. Medicines were not available for our sick.

"Then on February 23rd, 1945, in the early morning, American and Filipino forces with paratroopers and amphibian tanks executed a skilful and daring raid behind the Japanese lines, and took 2,145 of us out to safety and good food within the American lines. The Japanese were taken completely by surprise and before they realized what had happened we were out and beyond their reach.

"You will never know what a wonderful thrill it is to see uniformed men jumping from planes and floating quickly and smoothly to earth until you have lived behind prison walls and you realize that these men are your own countrymen landing at your prison gates to effect your release. You will never know that the deafening roar of huge steel tanks, that travel equally fast on land or water, can be music to your ears until you see them crash through walls that have confined you for long, weary months and you hear the smiling soldier shout, in your own tongue, 'Come on! Let's get going! We've got to be out of here in ten minutes!'"

"The Filipino people, especially our own church friends and associates in service, have been simply wonderful to us. We can never repay them adequately for the unnumbered kindnesses shown us. Many of them risked their lives for us. They sacrificed and shared with us, even their meager food resources. During the Japanese occupation they carried on the work of the church with remarkable devotion and loyalty despite the great difficulties. They fully justified the confidence and faith we have always had in them and we give thanks to God for their courage, their ingenuity and their willingness to suffer for an ideal that has become a very part of their lives.

"Both Mrs. Tuck and I are in good health despite the privations of recent months. Wholesome food, medical care, fine friends, a sense of release and freedom, and above all, God's gracious care for us, are working wonders in restoring health and strength and in putting back that song in our hearts that had been almost silenced by the years of weary waiting."

CHILD CARE

Parents are often so busy with the physical rearing of children that they miss the glory of parenthood, just as the grandeur of the trees is lost when raking leaves.—Marcelene Cox, Ladies Home Journal.

Recovery is not a commodity which can be purchased in the market place, all packaged, labeled, and priced. Recovery is the product of the harmonious functioning of business, agriculture, and labor.—Robert F. Wagner.

A VICTROLA FOR THE CONGO?

Off in isolated central Belgian Congo, Africa, a victrola is an educational institution in itself. In the villages and out in the bush, it can bring music, and story, and the Gospel to the native tribespeople. And it can be a source of inspiration and recreation to the missionary as well.

Nurse Mary Elizabeth Moore, of Prospect, Va., will soon be returning to her hospital work in the Belgian Congo, and would like to take a good-conditioned portable victrola with her. She has some good records—with therapeutic value for both patients, missionaries and tribesmen—but no suitable machine to play them.

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The printing press from which Voltaire's infidel works were issued has been used to print the word of God. Chesterfield's parlor, once an infidel club room, is a place where Christian men meet for prayer and praise. Hume predicted the death of Christianity in twenty years, but the first meeting of the Bible Society in Edinburgh was held in the room where he died. Paine, on landing in New York, predicted that in five years not a Bible would be found in the United States, but there are more Bible societies in America today than in any other country in the world.—Ex.

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# THE CHILDREN'S PAGE

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## IN STORYLAND

### BROWNIE BEN'S PICNIC

By Helen A. Monsell

Once upon a time there was a little wee brownie named Ben, who lived in the top of a big pine tree in the middle of a cool green forest. One day, as he sat at the door of his little house, sewing up a tear in his coat with a green pine needle, he heard some one singing and laughing. He looked down through the branches of the pine tree and saw coming along the path three children with a woman who carried a big, big lunch basket. They were Mary and Billy and little Annette, with Sarah the nurse.

"Oh look!" cried Mary. "Here's a lovely place for the picnic, right under this tree."

"Fine!" cried Billy. "You can sit here, Sarah, and rest, while we go hunt for ferns down by the brook."

"Give us each an apple before we go, Sarah, dear," Mary begged, and Sarah opened the big basket and took out three red apples.

"Goody, goody!" cried little Annette. "I'm so glad we're having a picnic!"

And off scampered the children, while Sarah sat down at the foot of the tree to take a nap, quite forgetting to put the cover on the basket.

"Now, what in the world can a picnic be?" thought Brownie Ben peeping down from the top of the tree. "Where do they keep it? I expect it must be in the basket with the apples because I can't see it anywhere else."

He crept down the tree very carefully to the lowest branch, and then crawled out until he was right over the basket. "Now," he thought, "if I look very hard—"

"Bang! Bang!" went a sudden clap of thunder.

It startled Brownie Ben so that he lost his hold on the lowest branch and dropped—pop—right into the basket.

It startled Nurse Sarah, too. She jumped right away, and called, "Come, come, children, quickly! There is going to be a storm. We must hurry home before it rains!"

The children came scampering. Nurse Sarah picked up the lunch basket, put on the cover, and almost before Brownie Ben knew what had happened, they were all rushing down the path. The apples bumped against him and bruised him a bit, while once he thought a big pile of sandwiches was going to tumble right on his head! He was glad when they reached the children's home and Nurse Sarah put the basket down in a corner of the porch. It took five and a half minutes to catch his breath, and by that time the rain had commenced to pour down.

"Oh dear," wailed little Annette, "it will be so wet we can't go back to the woods today at all."

"But I've got to go back," thought Brownie Ben. "How shall I ever get out of this basket?"

He peeped through the holes in the basket work, and saw something that almost made him forget his

troubles. Billy had brought out his scooter and was running up and down the porch. Brownie Ben had never seen a scooter. He thought it was the most wonderful thing.

"When I get out there," he thought, "I'm going to get one just like it and go whizzing down the paths in the woods. But how am I ever going to get out?"

A little sparrow flew on the porch to pick up some crumbs. Brownie Ben called to him, "Mr. Sparrow, won't you please lift up the top of the basket and help me out?"

"Not I," called back the sparrow. "I'm too busy," and flew away.

Then a fresh breeze came blowing against the basket, cool and pleasant after the rain. She whispered to Brownie Ben, "Why don't you do something? Why don't you try to help yourself out? That's the best way."

"That's an idea!" said Brownie Ben. He looked around him in the basket. There were, oh, so many sandwiches! Why couldn't he pile them on top of one another, like steps, until he could reach the top of the basket! At least he would try.

It was hard work because the

sandwiches were nearly as big as Brownie Ben himself, but he pulled and tugged. Once the top of one of them came off, just as Brownie Ben stepped on it. He pulled and pulled but he was stuck. It was a jelly sandwich, and his feet got stuck so fast he could hardly pull them out, and he had to try several times.

At last he got it all ready, a beautiful sandwich stairway! He climbed up, and pushed and pushed at the cover with his head until finally—pop!—off it came.

"Oh, look!" cried the children. "The top has come off the basket! Just look! Sarah, come, see!"

But Brownie Ben didn't wait for Sarah or for any one else to come and see. He jumped down from the basket and scampered off as fast as he could to the pine woods.

The rain had stopped now, and the sun was shining when he reached home. How happy he was to be back! With pine cones for wheels and a stiff big fern to steer with, he made a fine scooter like Billy's.

He tied a bluebell that grew by the brook on the front, to ring so that the wood folks would hurry up and get out of the way when they



## FUN ON THE FARM

*I am looking forward  
To vacation this year,  
I'll spend it with grandpa  
Who lives quite near.*

*I can help him a lot  
In so many ways,  
The work on the farm  
Just fills up the days.*

*There's time, too, for fun  
And carefree hours  
Filled with sunshine bright  
Then with cooling showers.*

*The happy days spent  
On the farm seem to be  
The nicest thing  
That happens to me.—A. E. W.*

## IN THE WORLD OF BOYS AND GIRLS

### A BOY WHO KNEW

An American boy, nineteen years of age found himself in London, where he was under the necessity of earning his bread. He went straight to a printing office and inquired whether help was needed.

"Where are you from?" inquired the foreman.

"America," was the answer.

"Ah," said the foreman, "from America. Can you set type?"

The young man stepped to one of the cases, and set up this passage from the first chapter of John: "Nathaniel said unto him, Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth? Philip said unto him, Come and see."

It was done so quickly, so accurately, and administered a delicate reproof so appropriate and powerful that it at once gave him influence and standing with all the office. He worked diligently at his trade, refused to drink beer or any strong drink, saved his money, returned to America, became a printer, publisher, author, postmaster general, member of Congress, signer of the Declaration of Independence, ambassador to royal courts, and finally died in Philadelphia at the age of eighty-four. There are more than one hundred and fifty countries, towns, and villages in America named after this same printer boy—Benjamin Franklin.—Selected.

## JUST FOR FUN

A curious inquirer wanted to know, "What are the sister states?" and the brilliant country editor answered:

"We are not quite sure, but we should judge that they are Miss Ouri, Ida Ho, Mary Land, Callie Forna, Allie Bama, Louisa Anna, Della Ware, Minne Sota and Mrs. Sippi."—Sel.

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"James, have you whispered today without permission?" asked the teacher.

"Only wunst."

"Leroy, should James have said 'wunst'?"

"No'm. He should have said 'twict.'"—Gargoyle.

heard him come whizzing along the path.

All day long he raced happily up and down and up and down the paths of the cool green forest.

"I see you're safe back home," the breeze called to him, "and I see that you've made your own scooter, too!"

"Yes, indeed," Brownie Ben called back. "You were right, Miss Breeze. You can get things done as soon as you try to help yourself—and it is loads of fun, too!"

And Brownie Ben went whizzing away on his scooter.—Child Life.



## Italy-Born Argentinean Retires As Methodist Bishop

By W. W. REID

Bishop Juan E. Gattinoni, the first Methodist in South America to be elected to the episcopacy of his Church, has retired from the general superintendency in which he supervised churches, schools and other institutions of the Methodist Church in Argentina, Bolivia, and Uruguay. He retires after thirteen years in the episcopal office, and forty years as a pastor and evangelical leader.

But the Bishop is not retiring into inactivity. He has accepted the invitation of the Evangelical Faculty of Theology in Buenos Aires to serve as counsellor, preacher to the faculty, and to teach some theological courses.

Bishop Gattinoni was born in Lombardy, Italy, on July 24, 1878, and was taken to Argentina at the age of six. His story is one of the romances of recent migration from southern Europe to South America. He was educated at the state schools and also studied accountancy. After leaving school he worked as a carpenter until he was eighteen years old, and then worked in a commercial firm. From there he entered the Mercedes Seminary. It was here that he met Miss Minnie Rayson, an immigrant girl from England, whom he afterward married, and who has been a worthy helpmate in his Christian service.

In early life Bishop Gattinoni was a Roman Catholic. At the age of sixteen he was converted to the evangelical faith. He says that the first time he entered a Methodist church, he liked the service so much that he was at once converted, and determined to enter a seminary and

make the preaching of the evangelical gospel his life's work.

Leaving the Mercedes Seminary, Argentina, he was appointed pastor to Mercedes, Uruguay, and from there to Junin and thence to Chacabuco. He had been successively evangelical Sunday School teacher, local preacher, colporteur, and then (at 24) a student at Union Theological Seminary, in Buenos Aires.



BISHOP J. E. GATTINONI

Later he was appointed pastor of the important Central Church, Montevideo, where he stayed for ten years; at the end of which time he became pastor of the Central Church in Buenos Aires.

During his long career, he was also superintendent of the District of Uruguay, the District of Buenos Aires, the District of Cuyo, and the District of the South. He has also

written many articles in the Methodist bulletin, "El Estandarte," and was a professor in what is today the Faculty of Theology.

In 1919 he traveled to the United States as a delegate at the Centenary of the foundation of the Methodist Missions, and twice to the general conferences in the United States. He has been six times present as a delegate at the central conferences.

In 1932 he was elected Bishop and was twice re-elected for four year terms to this post. On the occasion of his retirement, a presentation ceremony was held in his honor in Montevideo. It was attended by over 600 people, among whom were members of his old choir who struck up one of the old hymns which they had sung while he was preacher in Montevideo.

During his first year in the episcopacy, Bishop Gattinoni held the triple post of preacher, superintendent and bishop.

Mrs. Gattinoni removed from England to Argentina at the age of five. She was educated in Methodist and government schools in Buenos Aires, and was a teacher in Nicholas Lowe Institute. After her marriage to Dr. Gattinoni, she helped in the educational work of the churches of which he was pastor. Bishop and Mrs. Gattinoni are the parents of a wonderful family of ten children, one of whom is a Methodist minister. Mrs. Gattinoni was for years president and is now an honorary president of the Methodist Federation of Women in Argentina.

## PACKAGES FOR THE PHILIPPINES

The U. S. Government announces that the "export of gifts or samples, by mail" to persons in the Philippine Islands is now permitted. Any individual in the United States may send a bonafide gift or sample, not over 11 lbs. in weight, or \$25 in value, at the rate of one package per week. With the address of the consignee should be placed the letters "G-Post" on the address side of the wrappers. Local post offices have information as to rates, etc.

A recent letter from the Rev. Francis W. Bush (Harris Memorial Training School, Manila, P. I.) to the Board of Missions, expressed the need of himself and his Filipino associates for reading matter, church magazines, books, etc; they have been without these for four years.

Under the above regulations, packages can be sent to Mr. Bush for distribution to Methodist pastors and teachers.

## THREE RULES FOR LIFE

"Three rules for finding the best of life were given me by a teacher a number of years ago. I pass them on to you for I have found that they do work.

The first is "Go," the second is "Keep Going" and the third "Help someone else to go."—Theodore Adams.

The shaping of our own life is our own work. It is a thing of beauty, or a thing of shame, as we ourselves make it. We lay the corner and add joint to joint. We give the proportion, we set the finish. It may be a thing of beauty and a thing of joy forever. God forgive us if we pervert our life from putting on its appointed glory.—Ware.

You cannot inherit character. You must build it.—Ex.

## NAVY CHAPLAINS CONDUCTED 450,294 SERVICES IN 1944

Navy chaplains conducted a total number of 450,294 divine services during 1944, with 37,062,428 in attendance. Figures supplied by the U. S. Navy Chaplains Corps reveal that Navy chaplains conducted 399,428 services on their own ships or stations, 35,791 on other than their own ships or stations, and 17,075 divine services in civilian churches.

During 1943, attendance at divine services totaled 25,404,007, and in addition 113,733 men joined church parties to attend worship services on other ships or stations. Chaplains conducted 154,736 services on their own ships or stations, and provided 12,357 services at other ships or stations.

In addition to regular services, Navy chaplains conducted 3,982

marriage ceremonies, and 13,710 funerals. They also performed 14,793 baptisms, and received 8,072 men and women into the church, directed church parties leaving ships, and participated in special services.

In secular, as well as religious activities, Navy chaplains played a large part in the welfare and entertainment of Naval personnel, sponsoring a total of 40,683 lectures, rehearsals, discussion groups, or song feasts, holding 32,183 study classes, and 52,285 entertainments other than movies, with a total of 7,274,839 in attendance. Chaplains visited another 5,470,565 in hospitals, sickbays, and brigs, addressed civilian groups, wrote letters regarding personnel, and handled relief cases.

used for much needed pressing jobs in the army. He borrowed tools, cut a flat piece of iron into the proper shape, welded a handle onto it and smoothed it on an emory rock. He reported that this was the only iron in the entire battalion. On Easter Sunday more than 200 soldiers attended services conducted in Germany by Chaplain Waugh. He also said that one group of men interrupted their baseball game to attend church services!

Before entering the chaplaincy, Mr. Waugh had helped to rebuild two of the four church buildings on the four-point Becker charge in Mississippi. He had also been pas-

tor of the Toccopola Charge. He is a graduate of Michigan State Normal School, Ypsilanti, Michigan, and has taken all of his theological courses by correspondence.

## THIS CHAPLAIN IS INGENIOUS!

A communion set has been made from 20 MM shell casings by Chaplain William D. Waugh, formerly Methodist pastor at Becker, Miss., now in army service in France and Germany. Using the empty hulls of shells that had been fired, Chaplain Waugh cut them down to an inch and one-quarter in height and polished them until they "shone like a mirror." He bored holes in a board to make a tray for the thirty-six cups in the set, which he describes as "really very pretty." The chaplain has also employed his ingenuity to construct an iron to be

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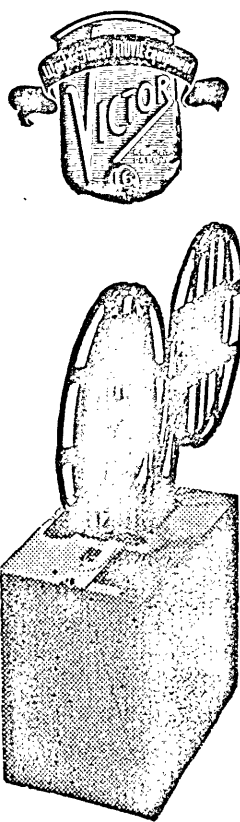
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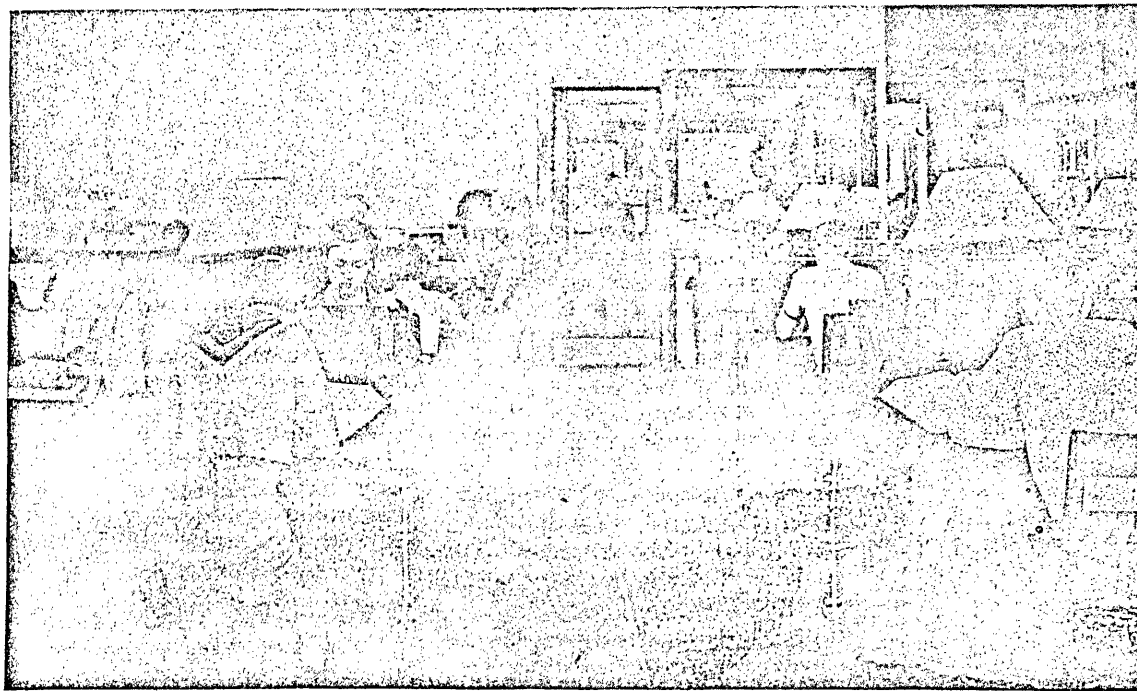
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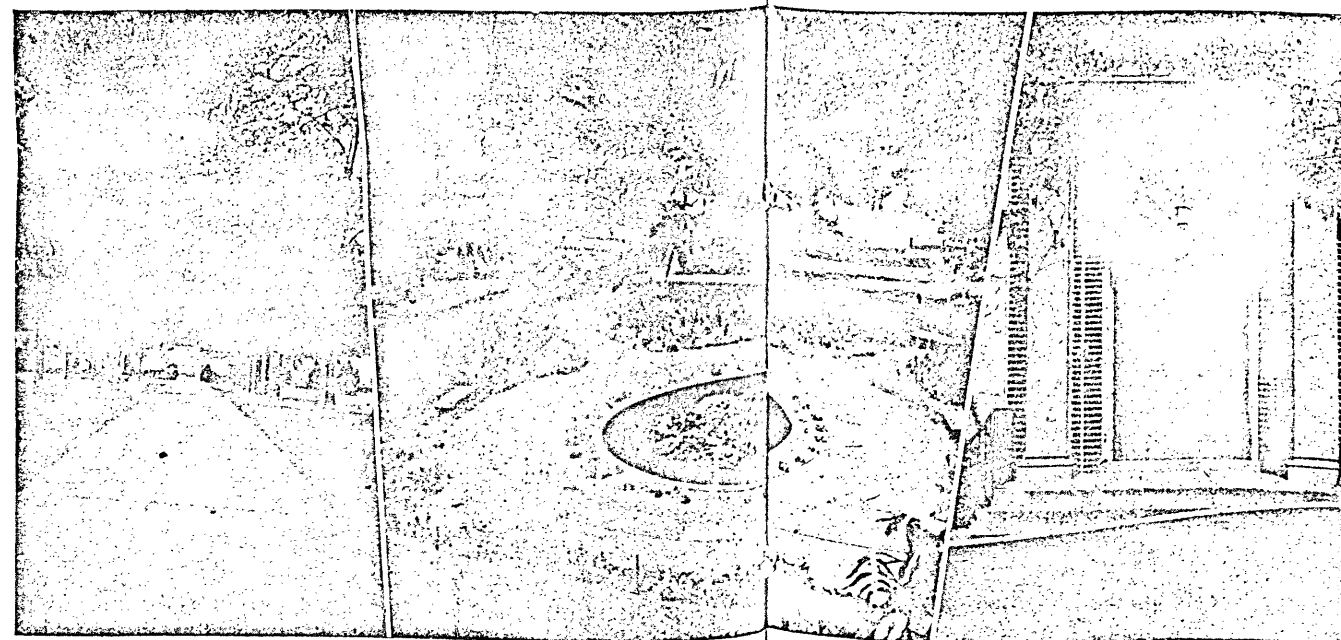
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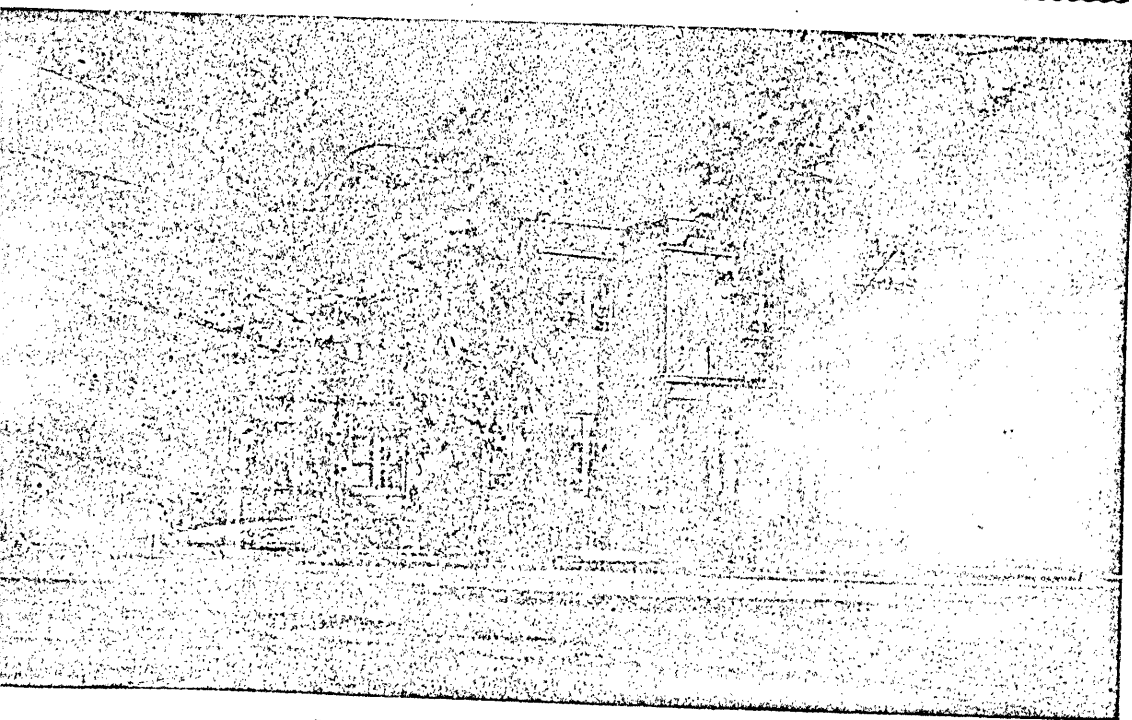
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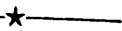
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## EXECUTIVE JOINS LITTLE ROCK FIRM

Thomas M. Tatum, formerly of Little Rock and for the last 13 years holding important offices in Washington, D. C., has returned to the city to accept an executive position with the Fidelity Company, 2nd and Main, an insurance firm.

Before going to Washington he was secretary to former Mayor Charles E. Moyer during his first two terms in office and later be-



THOMAS T. TATUM

came secretary of the Prudential Bond & Mortgage Company, a Little Rock investment firm.

He went to Washington in 1933 to become secretary and treasurer of the National Drainage, Levee and Irrigation Association; was secretary to John E. Miller, now federal judge for the Western District of Arkansas, while he was in the United States Senate, and since that time has served as assistant to John W. Snyder while he was executive vice president of the Defense Plant Corporation; also as administrative assistant to Jesse H. Jones while he was a member of the president's cabinet as secretary of the Department of Commerce, and in a similar capacity with Fred M. Vinson, federal war mobilization director. Mr. Tatum resigned from this position to return to Little Rock and re-enter private business.

## OUTLOOK

John Knox's little study in Edinburg was a tiny room, not much more than eight feet square. But from its windows he could look up and down the entire length of the "Royal Mile"—from Hollywood Castle to St. Giles Cathedral. What an outlook it gave him!

John Calvin's little church in Geneva, in its original form, permitted the great reformer to look over the city and the beautiful lake as he preached. What an outlook!

The most of life consists of outlook. It is the way a man looks out from his business office on the street that makes the difference in him as a man. It is the way a boy looks away from his books to the great world beyond that makes a man out of him.

The chief business of a school, a church, a book, or a leader, is to give men outlook.

No man ever thinks about the small room he lives in if he really has a great outlook.—Selected

## HENDRIX COLLEGE NEWS

### Dr. Reynolds Speaks On Final Assembly Program

Perhaps at no time in the history of the world has the future presented a greater challenge to young people, Dr. John Hugh Reynolds, president of Hendrix, declared in speaking before the final assembly program of the year.

Saying that he wished to speak "not of my world but of yours" the president who will retire on July 1 after thirty-one years of service, urged college students to become acquainted not only with their own future and nation but with the world, which is rapidly becoming the greatest political and social reality.

The old saying that there is nothing new under the sun has never been more untrue than it is at present, President Reynolds concluded. The world will always get more and more interesting, he said. "We are now building a greater social world just as scientists in the past two centuries have built a greater material world. There has never been a time which offered more opportunities than the immediate future for creative work in social and human affairs.

### De la Fuente to Make Overseas Tour

James de la Fuente, violinist and assistant professor of music at Hendrix, will spend the coming summer months on overseas duty entertaining members of the armed forces as a member of the concert division of U. S. O. camp shows. He will leave for New York by plane as soon as his classes have completed final examinations.

Mr. de la Fuente will travel with Mary Van Kirk, contralto of the Metropolitan Opera Company, and Willard Sektberg, who will be the piano accompanist. All three of the company have given many public performances under the sponsorship of Columbia Concerts of New York City.

Their group will be officially known as VE Unit 605 and will present programs ranging from classic to current popular music giving both formal recitals and entertainments of a more informal and intimate sort for smaller groups.

### Choristers And Band In Victory Concert

Popular music by American composers was featured on a victory concert given by the Hendrix choristers and Band. More than eighty students participated. Solo parts were given by Miss Bonnie Elms, Stuttgart, Miss Marion Tipton, Little Rock, and Thomas Mills, Conway.

Especially well received were two selections by the male quartet and the final number, a medley of songs from "Show Boat," by Jerome Kern, which was sung by the choristers and played by the band. The program began with the playing of the national anthem and concluded with the Hendrix alma mater.

### Two Alumni Graduating From Annapolis

Two Hendrix alumni are among the class which will graduate from Annapolis Naval Academy June 6. They are Hugh Decimus Reynolds, Jr., of Earle, who attended Hen-

Liberty has never come from government. Liberty has always come from the subjects of it. The history of liberty is a history of resistance. The history of liberty is a history of limitations of governmental power, not the increase of it.—Woodrow Wilson.

To resist temptation once is not a sufficient proof of honesty.—Ex.

drix in 1940-41, and Erwin Paul Young, Jr., of Hope, 1940-42.

Each will be commissioned an ensign in the navy or second lieutenant in the Marine Corps and will receive a bachelor of science degree.—Laura Alice Russ.

Our high respect for a well-read man is praise enough of literature.—Emerson.

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## PARAGOULD DISTRICT W. S. C. S. MEETS

The District meeting was held at the Baptist Church while the church district meeting was in session at our church.

Mrs. Franklin Wilbourn, District president, presided, and Mrs. J. B. McKamey led the worship service. The roll was called with 19 societies responding, showing that over one hundred were present.

The following officers were introduced: Mrs. R. E. Connell, Conference president, Mrs. A. P. Patton, Conference secretary of Organization and Promotion, Miss Lucille Adams, Conference secretary of Student Work, Mrs. J. L. Bledsoe, Conference secretary of C. S. R. and Mrs. C. W. Good, secretary of the district.

Mrs. W. W. Henry gave the financial report, showing that 18 societies had pledged \$1554.80 for this year. An offering was taken for promotional work in the district and \$14.26 was given.

Mrs. Connell told the group about our new Missionary, Miss Virginia Echols, who is waiting in California to be sent to China when conditions will permit.

Mrs. Couch, wife of the Baptist minister was introduced.

The following district officers were elected: Literature and Publications, Mrs. J. M. Oliver Jr., Corning; Supply work, Mrs. Arvil Hicks, Corning; Student Work, Mrs. Artie Garner, Portia; Youth Work, Miss Nell Weir, Hoxie; Children's Work, Miss Lelah Gilbert, Piggott. Mrs. Wilbourn asked that all reports be sent to the district officers.

Reports and recommendations were given by the different officers: C. R. S. by Mrs. J. L. Bledsoe, Pocahontas; District Parsonage by Mrs. Wilbourn, Paragould; Spiritual Life, Mrs. J. B. McKamey, Imboden; Missionary Education, Mrs. John Baumgartner, Marmaduke; Literature and Publication, Mrs. S. O. Bennett, Walnut Ridge; Supplies, Mrs. Martin Bierbaum, Rector; Children's Work, Mrs. T. G. Bridges, Corning; Youth Work, Miss Fern Cook, Hardy; Student's Work, Mrs. J. B. McDaniel, Paragould.

Miss Dorothy Daugherty and Miss Ruth Sutherland closed the meeting with a worship service. Miss Sutherland thanked the group for making it possible for her to attend Scarritt College the past two years.—Mrs. E. C. Cox.

## TWENTY-EIGHTH STREET SOCIETY

The W. S. C. S. met at the church April 19th, beginning at 11 with the devotional led by Mrs. W. O. Haggard. A short business session followed, held by Mrs. James Nolting, vice president in the absence of the president.

A covered dish luncheon was served at noon, and at this time the society presented Mrs. C. H. Farmer, the wife of the pastor with a Life Membership. In the afternoon Mrs. J. B. Ross presented a program on "The Churches of Europe," after which the meeting was adjourned.—Reporter.

## TO A MOTHER'S SON

Edna B. Hughes

*My son you are far away tonight,  
Far from home and those who care;  
But your mother's heart goes out to you  
As I kneel for evening prayer.*

*If I could, I would come to you,  
Though that journey be hard and long;  
For to be by your side for just a while  
Would fill my heart with song.*

*If I could reach out and touch your hand  
And tell you how much I care;  
You would know how you're missed by  
those you love  
While you're serving over there.*

*If I could just know where you are tonight  
It would help so much, my son,  
But our dear Lord knows where you are,  
At dawn or when day is done.*

*Though I cannot come to you tonight,  
I've asked God to come instead;  
I pray he will watch o'er you, my son  
Where e'er you must make your bed.*

*Though I cannot reach you tonight, my  
son—  
This takes arms much stronger than  
mine—  
Yet God can reach you and make you feel  
The touch of his hand on thins.*

*I feel secure as I leave you tonight  
In our loving Father's care;  
For you seem so near to your mother, son,  
When it's time for evening prayer.*

—Religious Telescope.

## ZONE MEETS IN MARKED TREE

A Zone Meeting of the W. S. C. S. consisting of representatives from Lepanto, Turrell, Tyrnza, Trumann, Harrisburg, Harrisburg, Weona and Marked Tree was held April 20, in the Marked Tree Methodist Church. Fifty representatives of the W. S. C. S. were present, also Rev. E. G. Kaetzell of Wilson, Rev. J. H. Richardson of Weona, Rev. W. A. Lindsay, Harrisburg, Rev. R. L. Franks, Lepanto, Rev. O. L. Cole, Trumann and Rev. J. A. Womack, Marked Tree.

Mrs. L. M. Wood of Tyrnza presided at the meeting. The meeting opened with a hymn, "The Church's One Foundation." Prayer was given by Bro. Womack.

Mrs. E. G. Kaetzell of Wilson, conducted the business meeting. Special reports were given by Mrs. T. C. Brigrance as district officer of Student Work, and Mrs. Sid Smith as District treasurer.

The morning session was adjourned with a prayer by Mrs. Kaetzell. A delightful lunch was served by the Marked Tree ladies.

The afternoon session was opened with the hymn "He Leadeth Me." Bro. Cole gave a very interesting message, "Christ With Us," closing with a prayer. Special prayer was given by Mrs. Lindsay or Harrisburg.

A consecration service was con-

## SULPHUR SPRINGS ORGAN- IZES W. S. C. S.

The ladies of Sulphur Springs met with the district Superintendent, Rev. Fred Harrison, and Mrs. Harrison, District President, Mrs. W. R. Alexander, District secretary, and organized a new W. S. C. S. with eight charter members.

There was great interest shown and they expect to start the study "West of the Date Line" very soon.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Will Watson; Vice Pres. Mrs. L. C. Smith; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. Fred Divine; Education and Spiritual Life, Mrs. H. A. Perry; Secretary of Children's Work, Mrs. Fred Divine. They expect to meet once a month. This new society is welcomed into the fellowship of the W. S. C. S. of our state.

ducted by Mrs. Kaetzell for the presidents of W. S. C. S. A lovely solo, "American Prayer" was given by Mrs. Quinn LaFargue, accompanied by Mrs. E. P. Blanton.

Mrs. E. A. East of Marked Tree was elected zone leader for the next meeting to be held in Turrell.—Reporter.

Honesty, truth, and fair dealings are things that lies don't destroy.  
—Ex.

## HELENA DISTRICT MEETS

The Helena District met May 2nd in Forrest City with Mrs. Homer Williamson, secretary of Organization and Promotion in the district presiding. The morning devotional was given by Mrs. Elmus Brown, of Elaine. The visitors were welcomed by Mrs. A. E. Smith, president of the local society, and the response was given by Mrs. John Cooper, of West Memphis.

The roll call was answered by giving the pledge for the year and also reporting on the Youth and Children's Work.

The following district officers were elected: President, Mrs. John Cooper, West Memphis; Secretary of Youth, Mrs. Emory Sweet, Forrest City; Secretary of Children's Work, Mrs. Vernon Bernard, Black Fish Lake; Secretary of Literature and Publication, Mrs. J. A. Brethrick, West Memphis; Secretary of Supplies, Mrs. Myrtle Bateman, Brinkley; Secretary of Spiritual Life, Mrs. Elmus Brown, Elaine. The officers were installed by Rev. G. C. Johnson, district superintendent.

Lunch was served at the noon hour, by the ladies of Forrest City. In the afternoon, Mrs. H. F. McDonald led the Memorial services for the members who had passed away in 1944.

The Organization and Promotion report in the minutes was explained by Mrs. Williamson, giving suggestion on how to study the minutes as a whole. Following the suggestion of the conference executive ruling, Mrs. Cooper explained how we were to keep a record of all Special Memberships by societies and then to pass the names to the districts for permanent record.

Mrs. Peter Kittel presented a baby life membership, given by the Forrest City society, to Mrs. A. E. Smith's granddaughter, Suzanne Smith. The conference was divided into three groups for instruction in their particular fields.

The ladies voted to have group meetings in the district instead of Zone meetings. These would be at the call of Mrs. Williamson. The meeting was dismissed with prayer by Mrs. Kittel.—Reporter.

## HUMPHREY W. S. C. S.

The Humphrey society met in the home of Mrs. A. J. Crum, with Mrs. Roger Crum and Mrs. Vernon Gatewood as co-hostesses. The meeting was in the interest of The Crusade for Christ. There were twenty members and three visitors present for the luncheon. The program that followed was led by Mrs. Florence Crum. The subject was "The Church at work in Europe." Talks were given by Mrs. P. H. Mathews, Mrs. E. Mulloy, Mrs. A. J. Crum, Mrs. Stillwell and Mrs. J. G. Mouser. Reports and business followed the program, and the meeting was dismissed by the missionary benediction.—Reporter.

He who worries himself with possible happenings will never be at rest.—Ex.



## SEES CHURCH MADE OR BROKEN ON RACE ISSUE

PAWTUCKET, R. I. (RNS) — "The Church can be made or broken in tomorrow's world on the issue of race, color or class," Dr. John Homer Miller, pastor of the Hope Congregational Church, Springfield, Mass., told the Rhode Island Congregational Christian Conference at its annual meeting here.

"We cannot treat Orientals and others as inferiors when Russians are ready to treat them as equals," he said.

Dr. Miller cited as major problems confronting the church population decentralization, economic change, the near "biological suicide of Protestants," and achievement of brotherhood among nations.

"We must become convinced again of the fact that the Gospel is the hope of the world," he said. "We must invade the world with Christ's spirit, and send missionaries out in order to save ourselves."

Guided by the example and good works of others, we must rely mainly upon our own efforts.—Samuel Smiles.

It is well enough to have a good opinion of yourself, provided you live up to it.—G. Herbert.

## PROPOSES NIEMOELLER BE MADE GERMAN MINISTER OF EDUCATION

TORONTO, Ont. (RNS)—Pastor Martin Niemoeller, liberated leader of the German Confessional Church, should be appointed Minister of Education in any government that may be formed in Germany, it was urged by Dr. W. E. Blatz, director of the Child Study Institute here.

"The only way we can hope to have direction over German education is to see that the right kind of Germans are put in key positions," Dr. Blatz said. "Men like Dr. Niemoeller should be given the first preference."

## THERE ARE ALWAYS CASES

Where showers fall most, there the grass is greenest. I suppose the fogs and mists of Ireland make it "the Emerald Isle;" and whenever you find great fogs of trouble, and mists of sorrow, you always find emerald green hearts; full of the beautiful verdure of the comfort and love of God. O Christian, do not thou be saying, "Where are the swallows gone? they are gone; they are dead." They are not dead; they have skimmed the purple sea, and gone to a far-off land; but they will be back.—C. H. Spurgeon.



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## God's Alchemy

By GASTON FOOTE

God of star-flecked and moonlight nights,  
Distiller of the dews, keeper of the forests,  
I see Your beauty in the rose and glint of red-bird wing;  
Master of seed-time and harvest, sunshine and rain,  
You've done Your part well—creator—God.

But did You hear that cry? A baby born two years ago—  
It did not choose its birthing, but there it is—crying.  
Mother was killed when deadly steel-wrapped packages  
Dropped from the sky.  
Father marked for mechanized death before its birth.  
How can You stand to hear a baby cry for food?

If You know the answers, God tell me this:  
Does not the sight of rotting bodies sicken You?  
Soft human flesh before hot slugs of steel  
Can only choose to die in blood-soaked open tombs.  
I don't know whose bodies—their name is Legion.  
White, yellow, brown, black; and all shades in between.  
A widow's only son, a rich man's pride and joy;  
New England farmer, West Virginia miner, Frisco factory hand,  
Cabbie from the Bronx.  
I can't see it matters who, if all belong to You.

This is not Your world? Then whose?  
Herr Hitler and Hirohito could not have made it so.  
You gave man freedom—freedom to murder, ravage, steal, enslave.  
O God, in mercy, take it back. Man has not learned to use it yet.  
You can't? Destroy Your image if You do?  
Then, God, won't You help us try Your way  
Of love and trust and brotherhood?  
We Americans don't want to be soft—the gospel of the other cheek?  
We're proud and superior and "In God We Trust."  
Not You, God; the coin.

This means another bath of blood? O God, we can't stand it.  
They will have died in vain who sleep in Bataan, Iwo Jima and  
Normandy.

Beat us into submission God.  
We will be humble, unselfish, brotherly  
If You let us keep our sons.  
It's more expensive—but we'll pay the price of peace.  
Since You gave us another chance we'll show You.  
Perhaps Yours is the only way.

## WHEREVER WE GO

## OTHER REFUGE—NONE

He was a very little fellow, but he wanted to say something comforting as his eyes turned toward the face of his mother, who was sad at leaving the dear old home and hills, the rivers, the woods. She would miss them all. Suddenly the little face pressed against the car window brightened. "Why, Mother!" he cried eagerly, "God's sky is over us yet; it's going right along with us!"

The mother smiled. "Sure enough, dear. God's sky is going with us wherever we go, and it will be with us always," she answered.—Ex.

Where is God today when armies clash in deadly battle? God is where mercy binds a wound; God is where sympathy stoops to share the awful burden; God is where grief sheds a tear and a little song of hope and love is at the heart of the battle's hell. God, I'm sure, is where tired, brave, bewildered lads lie down to die with forgiveness in their hearts. Aye, wherever the cross is, God is there, hanging upon it.—William Henry Boddy.

Life's best remedies are not always the easiest to take.—Ex.

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# CURRENT NEWS IN ARKANSAS METHODISM

## TEXARKANA DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Texarkana District Conference met at Ashdown on May 15th. Even though it was a day drenched with rain and torn by small tornadoes, it was a great day for Methodism in this part of the country. There were about one hundred present to transact the business of the Kingdom. After about thirty minutes delay due to a broken power line in Ashdown the Conference was opened by a short devotional service conducted by Rev. Fred Arnold of Fairview Church. Fred Gantt of Foreman was re-elected secretary for the fifteenth time and gave freely of his experience which greatly aided in the movement of the business of the day.

After reading of the composite report by Dr. C. M. Reves the following spoke briefly to the report: Clyde Parsons for Youth, Froan Gantt for the Adult Division and Roy E. Fawcett for the entire educational program as Conference Executive Secretary. Then Mrs. Jonnie Meissner and Mrs. A. R. McKinney spoke for the W. S. C. S.

The following visitors were present and presented the Conference program: Rev. Jimmy Upton spoke for Hendrix College and Ministerial Education. J. S. M. Cannon brought a message from the Methodist Children's Home. Rev. John McCormack of Scott Street Church, Little Rock, brought a message on Evangelism. Our guest preacher was Rev. John L. Hoover of Malvern who wonderfully uplifted the congregation with his message at 11:30. Other visitors were Rev. Robt. Moore of Hope, Rev. Joe Robinson of Dierks and Rev. C. B. Davis of Oklahoma.

Upon re-convening after lunch Rev. Frank Walker presided at which time Bro. McCormack presented the cause of Evangelism. After the routine of passing the characters and renewing the licenses of the local preachers, James Robert Scott, son of Rev. and Mrs. M. E. Scott of Lewisville, was licensed to preach and James Edward Christie, Wayne Banks and R. D. McSwain were recommended for admission into the Little Rock Conference at its annual session. All and all it was a good Conference and we want to thank Brother Walker and his fine people at Ashdown for the wonderful way they entertained it. The Conference goes to Rondo near Texarkana next year.—Reporter.

## A LACK OF MISSIONARIES

We hear much nowadays about a lack of man power. Coupled with this there seems to be a lack of missionary power. The report is that in Africa there is only one missionary to every 80,000; in Korea, one to every 120,000; in India, one to every 320,000 and in China, one to every 470,000. At the present rate of missionary progress, millions of people for whom Jesus died will die every year without ever hearing the gospel. What a tragedy!—Exchange.

## FORT SMITH DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Fort Smith District Conference convened in the Methodist Church at Alma, May 15, with Rev. A. L. Riggs as host pastor. Dr. A. W. Martin presided. Rev. James R. Chandler was elected secretary. Rev. Brady Cook, assistant secretary, and Rev. John Bayliss, statistical secretary.

The Conference was opened with a program of the Committee on Evangelism, Rev. Elmer H. Hook presiding. Rev. Garland C. Taylor, secretary of Evangelism of the North Arkansas Conference, brought a challenging message on Evangelism.

E. Wainright Martin was present and spoke in interest of Hendrix College and the "February Special."

Rev. Ira A. Brumley addressed the conference on the work of the Board of Education.

J. Z. Rainwater was granted license to preach. The following local preachers were recommended to the Conference Committee on Accepted Supplies: James Smith, L. R. Ruble, C. L. Martin, William Stegal, M. E. Marchbanks, Billy Hightower.

The Conference voted to accept the estate of J. F. Yeates of Magazine which had been willed to the district; said estate to be transferred to the Board of Finance of the North Arkansas Conference, to be used as other funds in that board for superannuates and their widows.

Since Annual Conference there have been 90 infants baptized, 240 received by vows, and 270 received by certificate. 177 training credits have been earned in the district during the first half of the year. 66 per cent of World Service acceptances have been paid. \$33,700 has been paid in the Crusade for Christ with an additional \$15,825 in pledges. The other local and connectional items are paid up-to-date.

The conference missed the presence of Rev. J. M. Barnett who was absent due to the death of his father.

It was a splendid conference and greatly helpful. We appreciate the kindness and hospitality of the fine people at Alma.

The Conference accepted an invitation from Van Buren, First Church, to meet with them in 1946.

The following resolution was adopted by a standing vote:

"Whereas, Dr. A. W. Martin, our district superintendent, has so faithfully and wisely, led us in a brotherly spirit in the work of the district for the past two years, and

Whereas, he is leaving us for other fields of service in the work of the kingdom as a member of the faculty of the Perkins School of Theology of Southern Methodist University, and

Whereas, his family has shared with the district, a fellowship that has been wholesome and friendly, be it

Resolved: that we give a standing vote of thanks as an expression of our deep appreciation for their splendid leadership."—James R. Chandler, Secretary.

## FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Fayetteville District Conference met in the Harmon Methodist Church at 9:30 A. M. Tuesday, May 15. Rev. Sam B. Wiggins, district superintendent, presided over the Conference which was attended by a fine delegation from the various churches and a number of visitors.

Rev. Alf Eason of Prairie Grove led the opening devotional service using as his theme "The Splendor of Redemption." At eleven o'clock a Communion Service was conducted by Rev. William Sherman. He was assisted in the service by other superannuate ministers of the Conference.

The District Conference was made vital and interesting by several significant things. Rev. Lee Cate was recommended to the Annual Conference for Deacon's orders. A. E. Stapleton, a layman from Sulphur Springs, was granted local preacher's license. Rev. V. S. Bower, pastor of Huntsville, was issued a new license in lieu of an earlier one which had become misplaced.

Upon adoption of the report of the Committee on Ministerial Relations, Bro. Wiggins announced a number of appointments that had just been released by the Cabinet. These included Rev. V. S. Bower to the Centerton Circuit and Rev. Kermit Vanzant to Madison County, effective June 1st. Bro. Wiggins also announced that Madison County was being established as a Missionary enterprise supported by both the General Board and Annual Board of Missions. This announcement came as a climax to several years of effort on hope on the part of the District. District Missionary Funds are also being invested in the project.

The report of the Committee on Missions, Hospitals and Homes read by Rev. J. T. Byrd, was adopted by the Conference with an offering of \$95.00 to provide hospitalization for a worthy and needy child in Fayetteville.

Another high point of the Conference was reached when the district superintendent announced that for the first time in its history the Fayetteville District had assumed its full apportionment on Conference Claims and World Service. The various First Quarterly Conferences had left a lack of only \$143. This amount was quickly assumed by various Churches in the Conference.

Hon. Karl Greenhaw, District Lay Leader spoke forcefully to the Committee on Lay activities and presented E. Wainright Martin, Conference Lay Leader, who spoke briefly in the interest of Hendrix College and Ministerial Education.

Special note was made of the presence of Rev. W. E. Bishop, superannuate minister and a former pastor of the Harmon Church. Bro. Bishop was presented to the Conference and spoke of early experiences in the ministry and present impressions of the Church and world.

A summary of the work indicated that several churches had already more people in Church School than

## JUNIORS AND PRIMARY DEPARTMENT ENTERTAIN MOTHERS

The workers in the Junior and Primary Departments of the Methodist Church School of Forrest City were hostesses on Tuesday afternoon, May 15, to the mothers of the children in those departments. Twenty children were represented by the group which assembled in the church parlor. The meeting was a part of the observance of National Family Week and the program was in keeping with the theme for 1945, "Pages of Power for Family Living."

Mrs. Peter Kittel, superintendent of the Junior Department, presided and was responsible for the worship center, which with a tiny bronzed baby shoe, a photograph of a service man, and an open Bible, represented the choicest of a family's possessions. Mrs. E. J. Kyle, superintendent of the Primary Department, led an impressive worship service on "The Christian Home." Dr. Golder Lawrence, pastor, spoke on "Religion in the Home," making many thoughtful and thought-provoking observations on the fundamentals of religion which should be taught in the home. Dr. Lawrence emphasized the importance of teaching children a respect for truth, a freedom from fear, a discipline of body and mind, and a faith in and love of God, based on the life and teachings of Jesus, which will lead them to understand that they are His followers.

Assembly and class rooms of the two departments were visited by the various age groups. The south balcony, which connects the two departments, made a unique and attractive setting for a beautifully appointed tea table presided over by Mrs. Fred Seaton and Mrs. H. S. Hinson. Punch and wafers were served.

Teachers in the departments are: Primary Department: First year, Mrs. Fred Seaton; Second year, Mrs. James Avery; Third year, Mrs. J. W. Beazley, Jr. Junior Department: Fourth year, Mrs. Luther Lieblong; Fifth year, Mrs. W. P. Gibbs; Sixth year, Mrs. H. S. Hinson.—Mrs. H. S. Hinson, Reporter.

all last year. A fine increase was also noted in the number received into the Church by vows. It was also noted that the District had paid \$20,088 in cash on the Crusade apportionment of \$22,541.00 and that we had a total of \$7,678 in pledges to be paid in the course of the year. Special mention was made of the host church and charge which led the District with a total contribution of 160 per cent of its apportionment.

The Conference voted to meet next year at Berryville.—Lloyd M. Conyers, Secretary.

Time does not become sacred to us until we have lived it, until it has passed over us, and taken with it a part of ourselves.—John Burroughs.

In the long run a man's best companion is his own mind, and if that companion is a dull one he will always be lonely.—Ex.

### DR. TITUS ELECTED SECRETARY NATIONAL CHRISTIAN COUNCIL, INDIA

The Rev. Murray Thurston Titus, Ph. D., D. D., a leading authority of Mohammedanism in India, and now serving as associate secretary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, has been elected a secretary on the staff of the National Christian Council of India. He is the first Methodist and the first American ever elected to a secretaryship of this central Protestant body; all other secretaries are or have been Britishers or Indians.



DR. M. T. TITUS

It is expected that the Board of Missions will release Dr. Titus from his present post, and that he and Mrs. Titus will sail for India this summer or fall. Their India residence will be in Nagpur, Central Provinces.

When Dr. Titus left India on furlough two years ago, he had been principal of Lucknow Christian College for several years.

Dr. Titus has long been recognized as an authority on Mohammedanism and especially upon the Mohammedan religion and its place in the life of India. He was secretary for work among Moslems under the National Christian Council of India, Burma and Ceylon; lecturer in the Henry Martyn School of Islamic studies; associate editor of the Moslem World Quarterly; and the author of a number of books in English on Mohammedanism, and of other volumes on Christianity designed for reading by Mohammedans. He has edited a series of volumes for the Oxford Press on "The Religious Quest of India," and is a member of the Asiatic Society.

Before going to Lucknow, Dr. Titus served in Bijnor as pastor and superintendent of the District; and in Moradabad as superintendent and principal of the Parker High School.

Dr. Titus was born in Batavia, Ohio, and received his education at Ohio Wesleyan University, Chicago University, and the Kennedy School of Missions, Hartford, Connecticut. Before entering the missionary service of the Methodist Church, he had been a pastor in Dunkinsville, Ohio, and principal of the Sleepy Eye High School, Sleepy Eye, Minnesota.

Speak of benefits received rather than those you bestow.

### DR. McKEOWN HONORED

Centenary College, Shreveport, La., at its commencement services on May 23, conferred upon Boyd M. McKeown the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws. Dr. McKeown is well known throughout the church, especially in our schools and colleges, as head of the Department of public Relations in the Division of Educational Institutions of The Methodist Church. Before unification, he had been, since 1930, Director of Promotion of the former M. E. Church, South.

Centenary College, in awarding this honor, gave recognition to an experienced educator. Dr. McKeown began his teaching experience in a one-room school and followed through the range of positions in educational institutions, having been dean for several years at McMurray College, Abilene, Texas. He is a graduate of Southern Methodist University, and holds his master's degree from the University of Chicago. He did additional graduate work in the University of Poitiers, France, the University of Colorado, New York University, and Columbia.

Dr. McKeown grew up in a Methodist parsonage, being the son of a pioneer preacher, Dr. W. B. McKeown who, now ninety years of age, was an active minister and pioneer organizer of the north end of the Texas Panhandle.—Joint Committee on Public Relations for Educational Institutions.

### THE WORK AT GREENWOOD

Some weeks ago we conveyed through the Methodist a statement of our delightful reception at the beginning of this, our first year at Greenwood and stated something of the progress of the building program. This report had largely to do with the work as carried on by the men of the church. But the women of the church are working diligently also. So well has their work been done that the women deserve this exclusive bit of praise.

The Greenwood parsonage is soon to be one of the finest and most completely furnished parsonages in the North Arkansas Conference.

Every Methodist preacher knows what it is to endure some ancient family relic in Methodist parsonages. The day when parsonages were furnished with "hand-me-down" furniture and furnishings which no one wanted is coming to an end.

Our people realize that if a preacher, his wife and children are to enjoy the proper cultural environment which almost all of our people enjoy, the parsonage must be modernly furnished.

In addition to the beautifully furnished front room, there has been added since our arrival, a new dining room suite and an Electrolux refrigerator. New curtains have been hung to add grace and beauty to four rooms in the parsonage, besides some repapering and new stoves which have been added.

### REVIVAL AT MT. IDA

Dr. Burke Culpepper, our splendid Methodist evangelist of Memphis, Tenn., has been with us for 2 weeks, closing the meeting last night. During this evangelistic campaign we have received 22 members into the church on profession of faith.

The Spirit of God has manifested its presence with us in great power, touching the hearts of scores of worshippers, quickening the spiritual lives of church members. Many have said that yesterday witnessed the high water mark in the religious experience of their lives.

The Mount Ida charge is a delightful work. Our Sunday School is more than 100 per cent better than a year ago, attendance being better than at any time during the last 25 years; we met our Crusade for Christ assessment in full, have already paid all connectional claims for this Conference year and we are keeping close to God and reading the Arkansas Methodist.—W. S. Cazort, pastor.

All of this makes a preacher and his family very happy, and we want to share our happiness with all the readers of the Arkansas Methodist. And they tell us there is more yet to come!

This is one church about which a preacher would be happy to sing "A Charge to Keep I have. . . ."—O. D. Peters.

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### Thos. M. Tatum

well-known business man recently joined the firm to serve in an executive capacity.

Mr. Tatum, a native Arkansan, was engaged in the bond and mortgage business in Little Rock for several years prior to going to Washington, D. C., as secretary-treasurer of the National Drainage Levee and Irrigation Association. From 1937 to 1939 he was secretary to United States Senator (now Federal Judge) John E. Miller of Arkansas. He then became assistant to Honorable John W. Snyder (now Federal Loan Administrator), Executive Vice President of Defense Plant Corporation. Upon Mr. Snyder's return to St. Louis as Vice



President of the First National Bank, Mr. Tatum was named Administrative Assistant to the secretary of Commerce, which position he retained until he resigned to become associated with the Fidelity Company.

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### GOAL FOR ENROLLMENT IN CHURCH SCHOOL

CHICAGO, Ill.—Total enrollment of 7,000,000 persons, making an increase of over two million, in Methodism's Church Schools by the end of 1948, is one of the goals set forth in the program formulated by the Advisory Council on Increasing Church School Enrollment and Attendance, which is the immediate objective of the denomination's Crusade for Christ, in a recent meeting here.

Other goals adopted for increasing enrollment and attendance include the following: At least 200,000 new officers and teachers, an average attendance of 75 per cent of the total enrollment; establishment of Church Schools in all Methodist preaching points not having one at present, and the establishment of Church Schools in unchurched areas.

In a resolution presented by the Rev. E. V. Tolley, Johnson City, N. Y., The Methodist Church stated its concern for increasing Church School enrollment and attendance. It read, in part, as follows:

"The Church has an inescapable responsibility to emphasize the supreme value of Christian education, lest false philosophies degrade the importance of the individual, undermine the foundations of brotherhood in our land, and imperil all hope for peace in our world."

Bishop Paul B. Kern of Nashville, Tenn., chairman, presided at the Conference of more than 30 Methodist leaders who make up the Advisory Council of the Division of the Local Church of the Board of Education, which is directing the Church School enrollment and attendance phase of the four-year, five-fold Crusade.

### METHODISTS PLAN FUTURE OPERATION OF HOSPITAL

Dr. John D. Benosn, head of the Methodist hospital in Indianapolis, Ind., met in Hot Springs May 15 with members of the Little Rock Conference Board of Trustees for the Ozark sanatorium, recently purchased by the Conference for use as a Methodist hospital. He advised members concerning future operation of the hospital when it is taken over. Possession is being held up pending the granting of the hot water permit by the Department of the Interior.

"I am very favorably impressed with the set-up you have here," Dr. Benson told members of the board. "I believe it could be developed into a great national institution due to Hot Springs' national prominence both as a park and as a health center."

Dr. Benson had visited Hot Springs on several occasions before but this was his first trip through the hospital.

He expresses the opinion that the hospital should be completely re-decorated and such repairs made and needed equipment purchased to put it into first class operating condition. He also offered his personal assistance and that of the national Methodist hospital board in getting the hospital properly set up.

Board members attending the meeting were B. T. Fooks, Camden, chairman; the Rev. C. Morehead, Dan Harrell and Rev. J. L. Dedman of Camden; Mrs. H. King, Wade, vice chairman, and Tom Stone, treasurer, the latter two of Hot Springs.

Would you be willing to live in a non-Christian land?—Ex.

The essentials of success are integrity of purposes and persistence in endeavor.—Wm. P. Frye.

Life takes on new interest when we forget self and think of others.—Ex.

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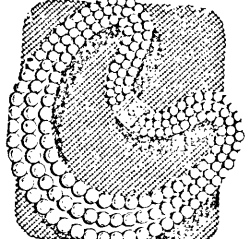
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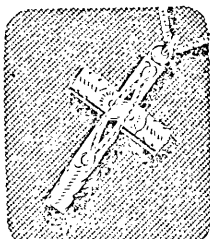
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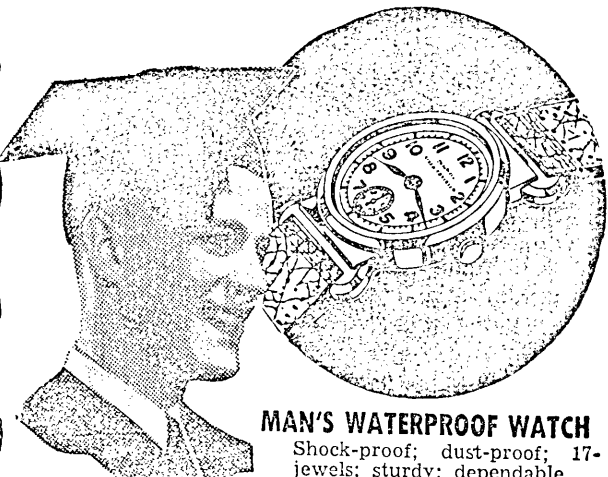
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# The Sunday School Lesson

By DR. W. P. WHALEY



## THE MINISTRY OF JESUS

LESSON FOR JUNE 10, 1945

SCRIPTURE TEXT: Mark 1:14, 15; Luke 4:16-21; Mark 8:27-31.

GOLDEN TEXT: "I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." John 8:12.

### I. Leading Up

In last Sunday's lesson, "Between the Testaments," we found that for about four hundred years nothing was added to the Old Testament. Malachi put in the last word about four hundred years before Christ came. But that was a prosperous period for the Jewish church. It was expanding, building churches (synagogues) all over the Roman empire, winning converts (proselytes) among the gentiles, and sending Jewish preachers everywhere. Though the Jews were subjects of the Roman empire, the Romans were the best rulers they had ever had. They rebuilt the temple in Jerusalem, and helped to build many synagogues. They made the chief priest and the sanhedrin the virtual rulers of the Jews; and the chief priest and the sanhedrin were so comfortably fixed they had ceased to desire a "king of the Jews." That was the reason the temple authorities did not welcome Jesus. They did not want the "status quo" disturbed.

### II. Two Arousing Voices

Up at Nazareth a plain young man was doing odd jobs of carpentry at 21½ cents a day, and regularly attending the synagogue. He had lived there thirty years; and nobody had ever paid any attention to Him, except when they had a little work for Him. He was known as Jesus, the oldest of the seven children of Mary, the widow of Joseph.

Down near Hebron was another plain young man, the son of an old priest. His mother was Elizabeth, a cousin of Mary, the mother of Jesus. He was about thirty years old, serious minded and retiring; but he had never found himself. His name was John.

One day, to the surprise of his neighbors, he broke his silence and began a tour of evangelistic preaching. He went along the Jordan valley, growing more confident and bold, and gradually attracting large crowds.

Many of the plain religious people thought this wonderful preacher must be the Christ, the Jews had so long expected; but he said he was only a "Voice" crying in the wilderness. One day, however, he exclaimed, "THERE STANDETH ONE AMONG YOU!"

Jesus heard of the sensational revival John was conducting, and He went down to hear him. Along with others, He submitted to baptism as a token of His consecration to the "kingdom of God," which John said was at hand. A few weeks later, Jesus was back up in His home country, carrying John's message, and voicing the call to repentance.

### III. A Plain Preacher and the Simple Gospel (Luke 4:16-20)

Jesus had been a poor man, a plain carpenter, and had used but few tools at Nazareth. He was just as poor, just as plain, and used just as simple equipment in His three years preaching. He did not think about a salary. He did not hesitate because He did not have a beautiful synagogue in which to preach. He did not call on Jerusalem for a dozen educated and trained workers. He just asked a group of plain men like himself to walk with Him from village to village over Palestine, and minister to disadvantaged people who were being neglected. There were multitudes of such. They were the people Jesus said needed feeding, healing, teaching, and preaching—the "common people." Not many of us preachers today would be satisfied with such limited equipment, such sorry helpers, and such shabby hearers.

And Jesus did not have any high-sounding gospel. He had no profound philosophy. He had simple remedies for the poor peoples' desperate needs. The hungry needed food, the blind needed sight, the lame needed strength, the sick needed healing, the ignorant needed teaching, and the sinners needed forgiveness. These were simple needs which the temple at Jerusalem and the rich churches over the country were failing to meet. Multitudes of the needy were "scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd." Jesus spent three years going about "doing good" to such people; and His apology was, "they that are whole need not a physician, but they that are sick."

Political revolutions and religious revivals begin in what we call the "lower strata" of society. We can not boil a pot by building a fire on top. The "upper class" people are too comfortable and satisfied themselves to be much concerned about the kind of people Jesus worked with. The preachers may build a fire over their heads, but the congregations do not boil. Jesus showed us where to put the fire and the fuel to use.

### IV. In His Home Town

Jesus and His mother had moved from Nazareth to Capernaum. He had been preaching sometime, and the Nazareth people had been hearing about it. However, they were more curious to see Him do a miracle like they had heard He was doing over the country than to hear Him preach. So, when He went to His home synagogue one sabbath, the regular church folks were there. They put Him up, and asked Him, "whatsoever we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in thy

## RELIGION AT WORK

By Macanna Cheserton-Mangle

"It's a comin' yet, for a' that, that man to man, the world o'er, shall brothers be for a' that." Robert Burns.

Rosie Quiroga is lame; but she has a heart of gold. She grew old in the service of an aristocratic family in Southern California, and at last was pensioned. Time dragged heavily for Rosie, after this, so she offered to care for a little boy of pre-school age while his mother was at work in a nearby airplane factory. The second day little Howard brought Georgie and his sister, whose mother also did defense work. Rosie hadn't bargained for three youngsters, but there was something so appealing in the eyes of the two little Negro kids that she couldn't refuse them. That was only the beginning. Today Rosie, born and bred in the Catholic tradition of old Mexico, is mothering sixteen children: Catholics, Protestant and Jew; Negroes and white—and one Indian! She gives them lunch, puts them to nap in the afternoon, and sometimes keeps them for the night when emergencies keep the parents at work. Upon these occasions Rosie even "hears" their prayers.

"I was an hungered and Ye gave me meat . . ."

A wire came from Rome, reading: "Statistics released here dis-

country." But Jesus never did a miracle to satisfy curiosity; and there was perhaps no sick or crippled person present in this comfortable church group. Such are rarely at church. So, Jesus read a short lesson from Isaiah and made a short talk.

The congregation was offended. This church was regularly served by educated rabbis "come from off." Jesus was to them just a home boy of a very poor family that they had hired to do little odd jobs. They could not think of Him as a rabbi, nor let Him assume the role and presume to preach to them.

Especially as He claimed to be the fulfillment of that old scripture which He read. That passage had been in their scripture several hundreds of years, and no one had ever been presumptuous enough to claim to be the fulfillment. If a stranger from afar had appeared and claimed to be the fulfillment of that passage, they would not have been offended. They would have been surprised, but maybe they would have believed. When their Bible teachers talked about the coming Christ, they had pictured Him in royal colors; as artists have always portrayed Him. The world has never accepted the truth, that Jesus Christ was poor and simple and one of us. We want Him rich and royal and far off. No people in the world ever had such a good opportunity to know Jesus Christ as both human and divine as did the people of His home town. But He could not show Himself to His neighbors. He was "without honor" in His home town.

There is something divine, as well as human, in the poor young man that works for you. Will he have to wait for recognition and opportunity till he can get into another neighborhood?

close that 5,200 Jews were given shelter and aid in 180 different religious houses and institutions in Rome: Catholic and Protestant—during the nine months of German occupation." "Statistics," indeed! It is 5,200 thrilling stories of lives saved through love, through understanding, through a spirit of brotherhood.

"I was a stranger and Ye took me in . . ."

Many churches in America are responding generously to the call for aid to the peoples of war-stricken countries. The Seventh-Day Adventist Church alone is sending 48 tons of clothing to Italy, France, Ethiopia, the Philippines, Belgium, Sweden and Russia. Norway and the Baltic countries are being served through the distribution made in Sweden. Fifty more tons of clothing are being made ready now to send overseas and second shipments are being made to the more destitute lands. This is being done for peoples of all races, faiths and cultures, in the name of Him who said "Come ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you."

For I was naked and Ye clothed me . . ."

Recently a member of the Urban League, addressed a group of women of the American Jewish Congress in Newark. In his talk he mentioned the desperate need for nurses in some of the local hospitals. His listeners were not satisfied to hear, but decided to "do" As a result, forty of those women are giving one day a week to odd jobs at a Negro hospital!

"I was sick and Ye visited me . . ."

A community center was built by the National Council of Jewish Women in 1929 to serve the needs of the Jewish people in the thickly populated East Bronx area. It flourished until 1941 when Negro families moved in, and a rapid shift in population left the neighborhood exclusively Negro. Rather than allow the Center, which represented an equity of \$250,000.00, to go unused, the Council decided to turn it over to the Negro residents of the district. An interracial Board of Managers, composed of white and Negro community leaders, will direct the Center's cultural and recreational program. In addition to the Center itself, the Council will contribute \$30,000.00, during 1945 and 1946, to establish the Center as a firm foundation. Forest House as it will be known, bids fair to prove a forest primeval for the children of that community who have known only walled courts, school or the city street for a playground.

"I was in prison and Ye came unto me . . ."

"Inasmuch as Ye did it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

The kingdom of heaven is set forward daily by the brave lives of plain people, by faith and love of which the world knows nothing by prayer and patience seen only by Him who seeth in secret.—Lodges.

God is saying to our generation "You had better mend your ways."