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"The World is My Parish" — John Wesley

"Go ye into all the world"

— Mark 16:15

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The Most Skilled Magician Cannot Do That

ONE of the most fascinating forms of entertainment we have enjoyed is to watch a skilled magician do his astounding tricks. He pulls money from your pocket when you know there was no money there; he pulls cards out of your sleeve when you know that, at least at that particular time, you had no cards up your sleeves; he pulls rabbits and guinea pigs from empty hats. The editor saw a magician walk down into the audience and, near where he sat, reach through the top of a man's coat collar and pull out a good-sized hen.

It was all very interesting and entertaining. However, despite appearances, every one knew that the magician had to put a rabbit into the hat before he could take one out. He was not producing guinea pigs, pouter pigeons and Dominique hens by his mysterious words or movements. Even a magician must put money into a hat before he can take money out of the hat.

There are too many people today who think of Uncle Sam as a master magician and the United States treasury a big stove-pipe hat. They seem to think that all Uncle Sam has to do, if money is needed, is to say a few "mumbling" words over the hat, make a few mysterious passes with his long arms and then reach into the hat and get as much money as he needs from an endless, inexhaustible supply that magical powers have produced.

We all know that the most skilled magician must put the rabbit into the empty hat before he can take it out. Multitudes of our people however seem to still believe that Uncle Sam can turn the trick. Some day America will wake up to the fact that even Uncle Sam must put money into the hat before he can take it out. We will realize also, some time, that the only way the government has of getting money is by borrowing it or through taxes. Often our politicians pose as benevolent godfathers as they vote funds for our favorite projects. We forget that they must then vote taxes, which we must pay, to finance their generous gifts. There is no one to pay the enormous bills of our government spending except our citizens. We are the government and its debt is our debt. If it is ever paid, we, or our children, or their children will pay it.

"Too Much Power"

IN his recent speech, President Truman said that both capital and labor have "too much power." He indicated that it might be necessary for the government to take action in defense of the rights of the great mass of Americans who are not directly connected with either capital or labor but who are directly affected by the fight that is on.

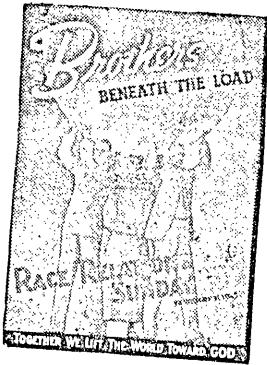
Any minority group in America that has power enough to upset the whole economic life of America, in an effort to gain its ends, has too much power. It is quite possible that capital and labor will both lose as a result of the situation they have produced. It will be quite unfortunate if the emergency that has been created in hasty legislation that will continue to handicap both capital and labor long after the emergency is past. Legislation is now pending that neither capital or labor wants. It would quickly die in committee, if they could settle their differences.

"For We Be Brethren"

CENTURIES before the Christian era, Abraham settled a threatened difficulty between himself and another with the words, "Let there be no strife. . . between me and thee. . . for we be brethren." In this statement, Abraham revealed something of the inner qualities of soul that have caused him to be numbered with the great of heaven and earth.

Next Sunday, February 10th, will be observed throughout the Methodist Church as "Race Relations Day." Would it not be a great thing if the people across the world could rise to the high level, in social attitudes, evidenced by Abraham who lived more than three thousand years before what we call the "dark ages"?

Our international difficulties and



the major difficulties within nations, at this late day in the world's history, are born largely of petty bigotry, selfish greed and racial intolerance. This failure to grow up, as a family of races and nations, with its attendant, childishness has brought the human race to the verge of selfdestruction.

Some races of earth, because of better opportunities or more favorable physical surroundings, have made more progress than some others. To have had better opportunities and more favorable physical surroundings is something for which any race might be thankful, but why be egotistical? To attempt to give evidence of superior progress through a spirit of bigotry or intolerance toward less fortunate races is a sign of immature weakness rather than a badge of strength.

In America, where our population is made up of major groups from practically every race and nation of earth, proper race relations is a "must" item in our national program if we are to have real peace at home.

Arkansas has a race problem that is far from a final solution. Some one has said that to "Live and let live is not enough. We must live and help live." In Arkansas we will have no better or more practical way to express that spirit than is found in the opportunity to make a contribution to Philander Smith College that is doing so much for the colored race in Arkansas and is also doing so much to promote right relations between all races in the state.

Our Most Successful Circulation Campaign

OUR Circulation Campaign, this year, is proving to be the most successful of the five we have had. This week, on pages fourteen and fifteen, will be found our final, general report of the Campaign. The total number of subscriptions received, as indicated, is fifteen thousand, seven hundred ten.

This is over thirteen hundred more than we had in our third report last year. It is quite likely that we will receive an additional thousand subscriptions through February. Our readers should also keep in mind that we have, on our mailing list, about two thousand subscribers that never show up in the reports of pastors. When that number is added to those the pastors send in, our total will be between eighteen and nineteen thousand subscribers for 1946—the largest circulation the Arkansas Methodist has ever had.

Since there will be a few charges yet to report and since numbers of pastors were not able to complete the work in their charges because of sickness and bad weather, we will carry through February, a report of any additional subscriptions received, the charges and districts from which they come and the new district totals.

May we here again express our sincere appreciation of the wonderful cooperation we have had in the Circulation Campaign by Bishop Martin, the district superintendents, the district directors, the pastors and the lay workers.

A letter just received from one of our pastors who did one of the finest jobs done in the Campaign says, "Between Circulation Campaigns somehow we ministers have come to feel that, 'With God's help It's your turn.'" That statement expresses a feeling that is deep in our heart. After the wonderful cooperation we have received in this campaign, we will sincerely endeavor to publish a paper that is worthy of the enlarged circulation our people have made possible.

The Judge's Three Big Problems

SOME days ago Judge Harper Harb addressed the United Commercial Travelers. In discussing his work as Municipal Judge, he named the three big problems confronting his court. Those three major problems, according to the judge, are chronic alcoholism, juvenile delinquency and reckless driving. At the head of the big three he named chronic alcoholism.

A glance at these three big problems confronting our legal authorities reveals a very strange situation. Juvenile delinquency is one of these three major problems despite every effort of law and society to prevent it. Reckless driving is favored by no one except the reckless driver. No one would consider granting license to the business of making juvenile delinquents. No one would think of granting license to people to drive recklessly. These two big problems have grown up in the face of the laws that would prevent them.

When we come to alcoholism and other drunkenness—the number one, "big shot, king pin" problem of them all, we find a problem produced by, and the inevitable result of a business approved by and licensed by the law which the courts are set to uphold.

It is an inexplicable inconsistency that a

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Lengthening Shadows -- Andrew Hunter, D.D.

By MRS. F. M. WILLIAMS

(Continued from last week)

THE character of Andrew Hunter stands out like a giant oak in the history of Arkansas pioneers as teacher, preacher, builder of churches and schools and civic and cultural influence in the making of a great state. Being a member of the first "Commission on Education" in 1844, schools, seminaries, colleges and universities followed in the wake of Andrew Hunter's activities among which were: Washington Male and Female Seminary; Soulesbury Institute at Batesville continued from 1849 to 1861; Crawford Institute, Tulip Female College; Wallace Institute, Camden Female College; Arkadelphia Female Institute; Ouachita Female College at Tulip; Quitman Institute; Lewisburg Seminary; Mineral Springs Academy; Arkansas Female College, Little Rock; Altus College moved to Conway in 1891 from which has emerged the great Hendrix College since union with Galloway College at Searcy and Henderson-Brown College at Arkadelphia. While all credit cannot be attributed to Dr. Hunter for all these institutions of learning his work as "Commissioner of Education" enhanced by his agency for books and other literature and organizing societies throughout the state helped to lay the foundation for cultural learning in the state. He said: "It was seed sowing and the church of today is reaping the fruits of our labors. The day of great things is always preceded by the day of small things. One class must sow before the other can reap."

In like manner many of the great churches in Arkansas owe their origin and progress to the work of Andrew Hunter. One such is First Methodist Church, Camden.

Rev. Kenneth Spore in his history of that church says: "Andrew Hunter, the greatest of the great so far as Arkansas Methodism is concerned was the pastor of this church for one year, 1883-84," which then had a membership of 160, pastor's salary \$573, total collection for all purposes \$820. But he it remembered that 40 years before his pastorate, he as presiding elder of the newly formed Washington District organized the Camden church when the county claimed only 500 people and the village of Camden had a population of 25.

It is true there had been preaching there for several years but Methodism counts her churches from the date of organization into a society. No doubt many churches of small beginnings owe their present greatness to this "Patriarch of Methodism" who organized groups all over the state which stand for every phase of Christian civilization, worship, education, literature and law observance.

Not only churches and schools owe much to the active presence of this pioneer preacher but he left a trail of light in the communities and homes as Rev. Horace Jewell in his "History of Arkansas Methodism" says: "Tulip was the home of Andrew Hunter for many years, that place being noted as one of the most pleasant and prosperous communities in the state for its intelligence, refinement and religious culture and contributed largely to the success of Methodism in the state."

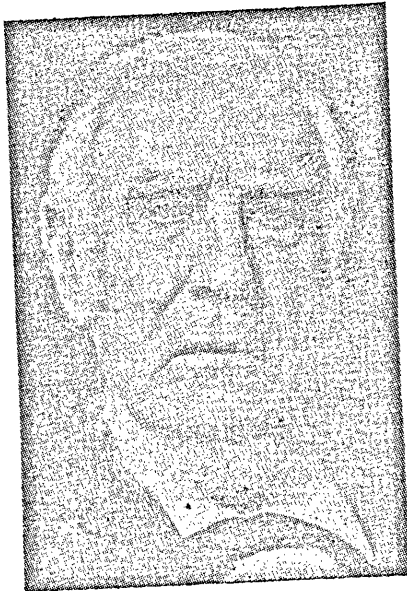
A man may be known by his friendships. So great a character as Dr. Hunter attracted great characters. He held warm friendships with many bishops and leaders in church and state.

METHODISM LIVES AGAIN IN NANCHANG

A cablegram from Bishop Ralph A. Ward, from Shanghai, to the Board of Missions and Church Extension, gives the information that the Kiangsi Annual Conference was held under his presidency from December 28 to January 2, in the city of Nanchang. All but one of the resident pastors, most of the lay delegates and the Bible women were in attendance, he says. He ordained nine local and travelling elders at this conference session. "There was a fine spirit and a good lift for the new flight," he adds. According to Bishop Ward, two-thirds of the

Of his devotion to the brilliant W. P. Ratcliffe he said in his "Memoirs": "Among the companions of my early ministry none were dearer than he whose name is the subject of this notice. I have a picture of him in the gallery of memory that stands like a column of crystal."

Dr. John W. Cline, one of Arkansas' great missionaries, in China for 47 years, says of his relation to Dr. Hunter: "I grew up almost next door to Dr. Hunter. Our fathers' farms near Colledgeville joined. While he appeared very



DR. ANDREW HUNTER

severe he was not really so. He inspired me as a preacher. He was one of my sponsors in connection with my appointment to China. Dr. Hunter was one of the great men I have known. He would have been great in any period. His friendship to me was one of the major blessings in my life. He was a great preacher and he loved God and men." How far the wave of his influence reached through Dr. Cline, who was for many years president of Soochow University in China and pastor of the great Soong family of whom Madame Chiang Kai-Shek is an outstanding representative!

Dr. Hunter's writings occupy many pages in Horace Jewell's history, in reports, memoirs, descriptions of country, men, places and churches and of whom the author says when he joined the conference, "There stood on that conference floor, in the vigor of young manhood, such a brave young spirit so full of hope and enthusiasm, read at the Master's bidding to go anywhere, do any work and endure any hardship for the sake of Christ."

He and others of that day were heroes who met dangers and overcame difficulties worthy to take their place beside the martyr-crowned men of old."

Dr. John H. Riggin closes his beautiful memoir of him in saying: "If the state of Arkansas ever places statues of her two greatest sons in the capitol at Washington, the statue of Andrew Hunter will be there."

As Dr. Hunter was abundant in labors he was also recipient of many honors, churches bearing his name and memorials of many kinds but the

greatest memorial no doubt is the countless number of young men who felt the call to preach and were encouraged by this mighty man of faith whose heart was "strangely warmed" by the touch of a holy fire.

In "Glimpses of Yesterday" in the Arkansas Gazette, Lucy Marion Reaves gave a partial reproduction of the pictures in "Bank's Gallery of Noted Arkansans" in 1881 which was entered according to the Act of Congress at Washington, D. C. These cards sold for 50 cents each, and among that galaxy of noted men is the name: "Reverend Andrew Hunter of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, president of the Senate in 1866."

W. J. Lemke gives a concise pictorial history of Dr. Hunter in his "Men who Made Arkansas History."

In Mount Vernon Methodist Church at Washington, D. C., known as the representative church of Southern Methodism, there is a memorial window, donated by Mr. Samuel Hunter, which bears these words in artistic stained glass: "To the memory of Dr. Andrew Hunter. The Grand Old Man of Arkansas," of which a former pastor, Dr. Forney Hutchinson says, "has become a wayside shrine where one lingers to pray" and where once I prayed.

Memorial windows, shafts, tombs and cathedrals crumble and decay, but the lengthening shadows of such men as Andrew Hunter stretch unto generations after generation in its copy of right living, earnest service and loyal devotion to the cause he avowed. This shadow fell athwart my path but once, but the impress was deep and lasting.

It was at an Annual Conference in Hot Springs in 1900 when it was announced that Dr. Andrew Hunter would conduct the Love Feast early Sunday morning. The combination of the words "Love Feast" and "Andrew Hunter" was enough to arouse in me a desire to attend that service. From early childhood the Love Feast at Conference had a mystical meaning of sacrifice of rising early, in the closed doors at a certain hour when no one was admitted, of bread and water being passed as a memorial of the fellowship of the early disciples, of the most saintly of all the preachers leading the service.

There I saw the stalwart, rugged frame of the saintly man leading his earnest listeners into the spiritual presence of his Lord. It was worth my going and the memory of that sacred hour is the inspiration of this portrayal of the lengthening shadows of Dr. Andrew Hunter.

Dr. Hunter kept his vigorous activity until late in life, at 85 preaching sometimes morning and evening without fatigue, his death probably being hastened by an injury from an accident.

One of his last services was the dedication of Hunter Memorial Church under the pastorate of Dr. Forney Hutchinson. Being too feeble to stand he preached sitting, but showed no loss of power in his preaching. It brings to mind his words to that young preacher when he was admitted in full connection at the Conference at Hope in 1901 when Dr. Hunter, then retired, shook hands with him saying, "Forney, I throw my mantle back on you," and for purity of life and spiritual discernment the "mantle" has truly graced the "young preacher" in his many years of successful ministry.

(To be continued--)

SCRIPTURES SENT TO JAPAN

Responding to a request for Japan's Christian leaders, brought to this country by Bishop James C. Baker, of California, and other churchmen who recently visited the Orient, the American Bible Society is preparing to print and send to Japan one million copies of the New Testament in Japanese, and 100,000 copies in English, the latter for use in classes studying that language. The first 60,000 Japanese New Testaments are already en route.

God will not always remove a burden, but He will always give strength to bear it; and strength is a far greater gift than ease.—Ex.

ancient city of Nanchang was destroyed in the war. The General Hospital was badly damaged, and the Women's Hospital was even more damaged. Both are Methodist institutions. He reports other mission property "essentially intact" in the city, but all equipment is missing. He expects the Methodist schools in the city to be reopened soon.

The Bishop, on behalf of the conference and the members of the Chinese churches, urges the Board to return to service as soon as possible all missionaries from that field now in the United States, and to send new missionaries as well. The Conference took official action asking for the return of all missionaries.

THE DEVOTIONAL PAGE

REV. H. O. BOLIN, Editor

A WAY OF LIFE

Christianity is not a shiboleth with which to conjure; it is a way of life which requires clear vision, high courage, unwavering devotion, and intelligent application. It alone can give men the power of faith, love, and a sure hope by which to live triumphantly."

These were the words not long ago of Dr. Ralph H. Long, of the National Lutheran Council at New York. The speaker went on to say:

"The moral tone of society never will rise higher than the average collective moral tone of the individuals who make up that society. No approach to the problem of moral betterment can succeed which ignores these facts. Social problems can be relieved and ameliorated by legislation and education, but they cannot be cured in this way."

Yes, Christianity must be a way of life, and the way of life, if it is to change the lives of men and of the world. Christ lived triumphantly, and he expects us to do the same, through his power and strength.

"I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." (John 10:10).—Evangelical-Messenger.

ROOSTER RULES

The Lord used a rooster to convict Peter. Luke 22:60, 61.

The Master will use any Christian following the rules adhered to by the Rooster:

1. He rises early and immediately begins his God-given task—crowing.

2. He does not refuse to crow because he is not a beautiful canary.

3. He does the thing never praised, but often criticized. (Whoever heard anyone compliment the crowing of a rooster?)

4. He awakens the sleeper. (Unpopular but necessary.)

5. He is the proclaimer of good news—a new day with responsibilities and privileges has dawned.

6. He is enthusiastic, persistent, and appreciative. He is a splendid advertiser. (He heralds the good work done by his associates.)

7. He never tires doing the same common task, nor does he worry about the future. 2 Tim. 1:6; John 9:4.—A. N. Dundas in "The Union Signal."

TRUE REFRESHMENT

The pause that refreshes is the pause for prayer. It is the quiet time we spend in communion with God in the secret of His presence. This pause for prayer always brings "seasons of refreshing from the presence of the Lord." It is assumed that Christians pray. Jesus said, "But thou when thou prayest, enter into thine inner chamber, and having shut thy door pray to thy Father who is in secret, and thy Father who seeth in secret shall recompense thee." This "inner chamber" that Jesus speaks about may be a church sanctuary, your own private room, a garden, or the holy of holies of your own soul. Wherever you talk with God the Father in prayer, you must commune with him in the secret chambers of the heart.—Presbyterian.

IF ALL WHO HATE WOULD LOVE US

*If all who hate would love us,
And all our loves were true,
The stars that shine above us
Would brighten in the blue;
If cruel words were kisses,
And every scowl a smile,
A better world than this is,
Would hardly be worth while;
If purses would not tighten
To meet a brother's need,
The load we bear would lighten
Above the grave of greed.*

*If those who whine would whistle,
And those who languish laugh,
The rose would route the thistle,
The grain outrun the chaff;
If hearts were only jolly,
If grieving were forgot,
And tears of melancholy
Were things that now are not;
Then love would kneel to duty,
And all the world would seem
A bridal bower of beauty,
A dream within a dream.*

*If men would cease to worry,
And women cease to sigh,
And all be glad to bury
Whatever has to die;
If neighbor spake to neighbor,
As love demands of all,
The rust would eat the sabre,
The spear stay on the wall;
Then every day would glisten,
And every eve would shine,
And God would pause to listen,
And life would be divine.*

—James Newton Matthews

From "Poems of Inspiration."

THE CHILDREN'S CRUSADE

By Chaplain Roland E. Darrow

One of the world's most ghastly tragedies occurred during the Middle Ages. It was called the Children's Crusade. Four great crusades had failed of their objective in wresting the Holy Land from the grip and rule of the infidel. Christendom, for varied reasons, had striven desperately to make Palestine a Christian community. But war brought greed and hate to the fore, as well as other influences, which defeated the best plans of the Roman Church. Thereupon the idea was born that perhaps the children might succeed where the adults had failed.

It happened in June 1212 that a shepherd boy named Stephen felt called of God to lead his French compatriots on a great crusade. Bravely they started out, filled with great zeal, devotion and awe, and blessed by the Church. More than 30,000 weary marchers finally arrived at Marseilles in August of that year. Many had starved and died upon the way. But there, looking at the blue Mediterranean Sea, they felt that their journey was soon done. Joyfully they embarked upon the huge number of ships that were to take them to their liberation of the place of Christ's birth and labors. But the ending was bitter. The happiest were those who were

drowned when a severe storm wrecked their ships off the island of San Pietro; the rest were sold into slavery in Egypt by their own countrymen who thus betrayed their great devotion and dreams.

At the same time a German lad named Nicolas was leading the youth of Germany on a similar crusade. Out of the cities, villages, and countryside of Germany flocked more than 20,000 children singing and shouting their high faith in their mission. They would succor the Holy Land from the hated Moslem. Many of them died in the passage of the Alps but nearly all finally gathered at Genoa in August 1212 waiting to set sail for Jerusalem. But they, too, were betrayed and all that remains of their great mission is the legend of the Pied Piper of Hamelin.

Another great tragedy, just as ghastly, was the marching of Hitler's youth. Boys and girls in Germany were trained from infancy to hate all that Christianity holds dear. They marched out to wrest the world from reason and goodness into the control of evil and the "Master Race." In the great Red Square in Moscow millions of Russian youth marched and sang and celebrated the godlessness of their new phil-

OPPORTUNITY UNLIMITED

All power is God's power. The man who paints a great picture or writes a good book does it by the power of God. The man who builds a worthwhile home or a successful business does it by the power of God. If we give ourselves in love or service to others, we do it by the power of God.

Life becomes ineffective in one or both of two ways: either when we do not give ourselves fully to become the channel of this power, or when we use what God gives in the wrong way. The weakness of life is due to unappropriated power. The tragedy of life is power misdirected and misused.

If only our lives could become fully open to God's power and to His guiding what might not be accomplished? Jesus could see no limit to what might be done. "With God," he said, "all things are possible."—James Reid in "The Union Signal."

osophy. They were dedicated to building a new world of Communism and destroy Christianity. Both groups were betrayed by false leadership and idealism.

Now we are engaged upon another crusade. It is the Crusade for Christ. We are not setting forth to destroy peoples or religions. We are setting forth to practice the teachings of Jesus. We are hoping to clear from the Holy Land of the Soul all dishonesty, uncleanness, opposition to Christ. We are beginning within ourselves and working out to our neighbors. We need consecrated youth to go forth as missionaries, teachers, ministers, doctors, agriculturalists, business men and women, clerks, workers—all highly devoted to God in this generation. We must mobilize our youth for Christ. There is a crusade to be preached and marched again.

Children are on the roads of France and Germany and America today. They will be drowned in evil and sold into slavery without the influence of Christ in their midst. One Hitler youth in a prison cage in France said this: "We don't believe in God. We are the Master Race." I tried reason and kindness but he persisted by saying, "So were we taught, our Fuhrer cannot be wrong." There are thousands of those children who need reclaiming. There are many more thousands in America who also need the story and practice of Jesus. What is your contribution to this crusade? It must not be made in money alone. We must have the lives of the youth of our churches dedicated to this great cause.

We face a spiritual renaissance or world-wide blackout produced by selfishness and hate. Those who teach the Bible can help to hold up the light that the people of the world may find their way to God.—Clifton Allen in The Teacher.

You cannot measure the value of a thing by the crowd of people around. There are always more people in a five-and-ten-cent store than in a jewelry store.—Vance Havner.

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A WEEKLY MESSAGE

By FORNEY HUTCHINSON

THE IDEAL PRAYER

Our Saviour reached the peak of his agony for sinful humanity in the Garden of Gethsemane. While he sweated blood through the pores of his skin, he cried, "Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass; nevertheless, not my will, but thine be done."

That, I consider, is the *ideal prayer*, not only because our Saviour offered it, but because in life's most trying hours it is the most appropriate prayer any of us could possibly pray. It indicates perfect faith and unwavering confidence in the wisdom and mercy of God. It is a confession of our inability to see the way, but at the same time it indicates our implicit faith in the wisdom and goodness of our Heavenly Father.

It is also unmistakable evidence of our complete consecration. We not only express our willingness for God's will to be done in our lives, but it is a prayer that His will shall be done. Indeed, the time comes in all of our lives when there is nothing else to be done but to await in confidence the accomplishments of His purpose in and for us. Blessed is the man or the woman who in the midst of life's trying and bewildering experiences can, like Jesus, simply say, "Thy will, not mine, be done."

For fourteen years, Hezekiah, King of Judah, was known as "The good King Hezekiah." Then through Isaiah, his pastor, God notified him to "set his house in order," as he would die and not live. Hezekiah demurred and wept and prayed that he might not die. God gave a reprieve of fifteen years. Those extra years were the king's undoing. He went out under a cloud. It would have been far better for him and his people if he had simply said, "Thy will be done." God knows best. We are always safe when we simply and trustfully say, "Thy will, not mine, be done."

It is the uncommon in the common that we are to look after, give heed to, follow, practice. We are to do common tasks in an uncommon way. Bring to life's duties an uncommon spirit, glorify our prosaic life with high purpose.—Earl Riney.

NEWS AND NOTES ABOUT FACTS AND FOLKS

REV. PAUL V. GALLOWAY, pastor of Central Methodist Church, Fayetteville, is the guest speaker for Religious Emphasis Week, February 4-8, on the campus of Arkansas State Teachers College, Conway. Brother Galloway was also the speaker last year for this special week.

REV. THOMAS R. WHIDDON, pastor at Cabot, writes: "The work goes forward here. We have had an increase in Sunday School attendance. Seventeen made decisions to come into the church on February 3, seven on profession of faith and ten by vow and letter. We have raised about \$2000 for a new educational building."

REV. B. A. MCKNIGHT, pastor at Belleville, writes of the serious illness of Rev. J. R. Ashmore, retired member of the North Arkansas Conference, and asks that preachers and friends write him and his wife. Since Brother Ashmore has been ill for a number of years and has had heavy expense, an offering from any of his friends who wish to help would assist him greatly. His address is Belleville.

RESPONDING to a request from Japan's Christian leaders, brought to this country by Bishop James C. Baker, of California, and other churchmen who recently visited the Orient, the American Bible Society is preparing to print and send to Japan one million copies of the New Testament in Japanese, and 100,000 copies in English, the latter for use in classes studying that language. The first 60,000 Japanese New Testaments are already en route.

THE President of the Republic of Cuba recently presented to the Methodist Children's Dispensary in Jovellanos, Cuba, a check for \$1,000. But because the sum had come from the proceeds of the Cuban National Lottery, the officers of the Dispensary, the pastor, and the district superintendent voted unanimously to return the unsolicited gift. "We have struggled hard to help the poor and the sick children," says an officer, "but we prefer to continue the struggle rather than to accept that which would stain our souls in accepting."

AFTER a year and a half of active service in Washington, D. C., and overseas, a director of the General Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains, Bishop Edwin F. Lee has resigned and resumed his duties as episcopal head of the Methodist Church in the Singapore and Manila areas. A chaplain in Europe in World War I then a missionary in Malaya, Bishop Lee was able to leave Singapore and return to the United States via Sumatra and Australia in advance of Japanese occupation in 1942. Now he is returning to help rebuild the Christian movement in Malaya and the Philippines.

DR. JOHN LEIGHTON STUART, president of Yenching University, Peiping, China, since 1919, is now in the United States after almost four years of internment by the Japanese. He is now working on plans for the rehabilitation of the University on its old Peiping campus. During the war, most of the University's services were conducted in Chengtu, thousands of miles away. A number of American and British missionary agencies unite in conducting the institution. China, says Dr. Stuart, has before it vast reconstruction and modernization tasks and the best help that Christians can give that land is to help train the technical and professional men needed.

AT the Roger Roop Farm, near Union Bridge, Maryland, are 175 head of cattle which the Church of the Brethren is presenting to UNRRA for the people of Czechoslovakia. The animals are bred heifers, mostly Guernseys and Holsteins, and are intended to rehabilitate the war-devastated herds of Czechoslovakia. They are the personal contributions of Church of the Brethren farmers and congregations, particularly from Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, Kansas, Maryland, Michigan, Pennsylvania and Virginia. Some city churches purchased calves a year or

more ago and paid nearby farmers to raise them for this project. "I cannot but recall that there were cattle in the stable the night Jesus was born; the spirit of that Christmas lives on in the hearts of those who gave these animals for the children of my country," said Dr. Vaclav Myslivec, in accepting the cattle on behalf of the Czechoslovakian government.

DR. CHARLES W. IGLEHART, professor of Missions at Union Theological Seminary, New York City, and formerly a missionary of the Methodist Church in Japan, is now in Japan as advisor in the field of education. He is to interpret the religious situation in Japan to the occupation authorities, and serve as liaison between these authorities and the leaders of the Christian movement in Japan. For thirty years, and until the outbreak of the war, Dr. Iglehart was a missionary in Hirohaski and in Tokyo. From 1934 to 1941 he was secretary for education on the staff of the National Christian Council of Japan. Meanwhile he was a professor of the staff of Aoyama Gakuin, Methodist college in Tokyo; active in the promotion of "newspaper evangelism" throughout the Empire, and editor of the "Japan Christian Year Book." Recalled to the United States by the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church when the war seemed imminent, Dr. Iglehart served during the war years as Far Eastern advisor to the International Missionary Council.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE BOARD OF MISSIONS AND CHURCH EXTENSION

The Executive Committee of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the North Arkansas Conference is called to meet at First Methodist Church, North Little Rock, Tuesday, February 19th, at 11:00 a. m. All persons wishing to have applications acted upon soon should have them in the hands of A. N. Storey, 2403 E. Washington Avenue, North Little Rock, by that date. The Board will not meet again until the meeting at the Pastors' School in Conway.—A. N. Storey, Secretary, Church Extension Section of Board of Missions and Church Extension.

WORKERS NEEDED FOR THE HARVEST

Today we are witnessing on a world-wide scale the condition described by Jesus when he said that the harvest is plenteous but the workers are few. All over the world the cry goes up for more missionaries. The church has never faced greater opportunity for evangelizing the world than that which is before it today.

Our Board of Missions and Church Extension is seeking capable, consecrated, well-trained young men and women who will be willing to become co-laborers with God in the ministry of teaching, preaching, healing, and ministering to the needs of a broken, torn, prostrate world. Anyone interested in responding to this significant need and challenge should write to Dr. M. O. Williams, care Board of Missions and Church Extension, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y.

THE JUDGE'S THREE BIG PROBLEMS

(Continued from page 1)

state, through laws seemingly approved by a majority of its citizens, would join hands with a business that produces the biggest problem with which courts have to deal. For a few dollars we grant license to an unscrupulous group to make merchandise out of the bodies and minds of our citizenship. We approve, by license, and protect by law a business that produces the biggest problem confronting the courts. The experiences of the present and the history of the past convince us that this shameless, merciless traffic in liquor will continue to be "Public Enemy Number 1" so long as we are foolish enough to grant it continued life.

FOR WORKERS WITH CHILDREN

MRS. W. F. BATES
Editor

BETTER TEACHING FOR MORE CHILDREN

MRS. NEILL HART
Editor

NURSERY OBSERVATION CLASS

Little Rock Training School,
March 4-8

Miss Emma Jane Kramer will teach a Nursery Observation Class in the Little Rock Training School. Miss Kramer is a member of the Department of Christian Education of Children, in Nashville, and is one of our outstanding Nursery workers. We are most fortunate in being able to obtain Miss Kramer for the March School, and we wish that every Nursery worker in Greater Little Rock could be in her class. But the class will have to be limited to twenty members, and in order that all the churches may be represented in the class, we are asking that each church select carefully one (or if you have separate departments for the two and three-year-old children, select one person from each department) to be members of this class. Please send the registrations for these workers in early.

The Nursery Observation Class will meet at 9:30 a. m. daily, at First Church. There will be other classes of interest for Nursery workers at the night sessions of the school. It is hoped that all of those workers who cannot attend the morning sessions will enroll for one of the night courses.—Mrs. W. F. Bates.

BETTER TEACHING FOR MORE CHILDREN

What plans do you have for becoming a better teacher this year? The following are some of the ways in which teachers may receive training as they work.

1. Set aside periods of meditation, prayer and study in order to enrich your own spiritual life.
2. Study the teacher's helps, and plan carefully for each session. Remember that children learn through doing.
3. Attend the Children's Workers Council Meeting each month.
4. Enroll in the Fellowship of Study. This provides a definite plan for guided reading and study.
5. Enroll in a Home Study Course.
6. Take part in a Leadership Training class wherever possible.
7. Attend institutes for children's workers in your district.
8. Plan to attend the Leadership School at Mt. Sequoyah July 15-26.—Mrs. W. F. Bates.

PRAYER

Prayer is never an isolated thing. Whenever anybody prays for you, it means that he bears you on his heart. When a mother prays for her boy who is a prodigal, that is a token that she loves him. When a sister prays for a brother who is careless, that means he is very dear to her. Prayers are mockeries that do not lead to action. True prayers issue in endeavor.—G. H. Morrison.

Sometimes wisdom does enter the minds of men by way of wounds that cut deep into him.—Thomas Merryweather.

THE ABSENTEE

"Someone is absent," the shepherd said,
As over my classbook he bent his head;
"For several Sundays absent, too,
So tell me, teacher, what did you do?"

"I didn't call as perhaps I should.
I wrote some cards but they did no good.
I've never heard and she never came.
So I decided to drop her name."

He answered gravely, "A flock was mine,
A hundred—no, there were ninety and nine,
For one was lost in the dark and the cold.
So I sought that sheep which had left the fold.
"The path was stony and edged with thorns.
My feet were wounded, and bruised, and torn,
But I kept on seeking, nor counted the cost;
And oh, the joy when I found the lost."

Thus spoke the shepherd in tender tone.
I looked and lo . . . I was all alone.
But God a vision had sent to me,
To show his will toward the absentee.

—Western Forum

From the CHILDREN'S DIVISION YEARBOOK
1944-45

NEWS FROM CHILDREN'S WORKERS

The first church to report a twenty-five per cent increase in enrollment for this year, in the Children's Division is:

Parker's Chapel Church, Camden District. They report that their enrollment at the beginning of the year was twenty-eight, and now is thirty-six. Mrs. Jack Britt is the superintendent of the Children's Division.

Carlisle Methodist Church Little Rock District

"We had some happy times with our Primary children during the Christmas season. Baskets were packed and delivered to nine 'shut-ins,' a tree was decorated by the first year class for the church; and a program was presented by the Primary Department, one night, for the whole church." — Mrs. W. C. Johnson, Supt. of the Children's Division.

Pullman Heights Methodist Church Hot Springs, Arkadelphia District

"The Primary Department had a lovely Christmas service. The room was decorated in Christmas colors; on one side was a Christmas tree and on the other a lovely manger scene. Mrs. Curtis Williams led the children in singing several Christmas songs. A number of the parents attended.

To increase attendance in the children's classes, the teachers either telephone, write cards, or make personal calls on those who were absent the previous Sunday."—Mrs. H. A. Deaton, Supt. of the Children's Division.

McNeil Church, Stephens Ct., Camden District

"We have twenty-three children on our roll now, and we have set as our goal, an enrollment of forty-six by next Christmas. I am calling and sending out cards to all the children

not now in Sunday School, telling them about the things we are doing, and inviting them to attend. We are inviting the parents to come also and visit the children's classes. We are trying hard to bring in at least one new child each Sunday. The children are arranging pots of flowers, and we are going to have a flower garden under our church windows. . . . We are planning now for a fifteen-day Vacation Church School. Last year we only had five days, and we realized that we needed more time."—Mrs. C. P. Merritt, Supt. of the Children's Division.

Nashville Church, Prescott District

"Our children meet every Wednesday in an additional session. We have forty children enrolled and a very good attendance. . . . (Thanksgiving) We brought and delivered a bushel basket of fruit and vegetables to a blind lady, member of our church.

Christmas we filled and delivered five pretty sunshine boxes to shut-in members of our church. We had a lovely Christmas service using the second scene of the play "God So Loved the World," which was outlined in the November Child Guidance. The children composed the choir, had on white vestments, the church was beautiful with little pine trees, blue lights, ferns and baskets of white chrysanthemums.

We are studying Africa this month, and because the weather has been so bad, we are continuing this study in our additional sessions during February. We are making an African village, musical instruments, learning two African songs, and will have an open meeting for our mothers at the closing session. At that time we plan to show the moving pictures on Africa, serve some Afri-

TRAINING CLASSES FOR CHILDREN'S WORKERS LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE DURING FEBRUARY

Jan. 30-Feb 1.—McGehee, "Teaching Children in the Small Church," taught by Mrs. W. F. Bates.

Feb. 10-12—Hot Springs, "The Children's Division," taught by Mrs. Ira Brumley.

Feb. 10-12—Crossett, "The Vacation Church School," taught by Mrs. W. F. Bates.

Feb. 13-15—Warren, "Home and Church Cooperating in Children's Work," taught by Mrs. W. F. Bates.

Feb. 17-19—Arkadelphia, "Planning for Children in the Church," taught by Mrs. J. A. Gray.

Feb. 20-22—Gurdon, "Planning for Children in the Church," taught by Mrs. J. A. Gray.

Feb. 24-26 — Carlisle, "Teaching Children," taught by Miss Fay McRae.

Feb. 24-March 1 — Pine Bluff, "Teaching Children," taught by Mrs. Ira Brumley.

Feb. 24-March 1 — Pine Bluff, "Home and Church Working Together for Children," taught by Mrs. W. F. Bates.

THOUGHTS FOR MEDITATION

Children are all about us. Some are in our church schools but many are not. We need to be concerned about each child in our community.

Jesus said, "It is not the will of your Father. . . that one of these little ones should perish." (Matthew 18:14.)

We need to know better the children we already have in our groups. Let us catch their enthusiasm, their eagerness to learn, their faith.

Let us seek to learn from the children we teach.

Jesus said, "Whosoever shall receive this little child in my name, receiveth me." (Luke 9:48a.)

Our children are worthy of our best. Let us resolve to spend more time with the children themselves.

Jesus was busy the day the mothers brought their children to him, but he considered that the children were very important. "He took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them." (Mark 10:16.)

Jesus said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me; forbid them not, for to such belongeth the kingdom of God." (Mark 10:14b.)—From Children's Division Yearbook, 1944-45.

can food and play an African game.

We have reached our twenty-five per cent increase in enrollment in the Primary and Nursery Departments. We send out cards, use the phone and visit in the homes in order to keep up our attendance. The survey has been made here, and as soon as we receive the cards for our division, the teachers plan to visit in all the homes and try to enroll the prospective pupils.—Mrs. H. M. Scoggin, Supt. of the Children's Division.



THE CHILDREN'S PAGE

ANNIE WINBURNE, Editor



IN STORYLAND

THE LEGEND OF SAINT VALENTINE

Long, long ago there lived in Rome a very good man named Valentine. He read and studied God's Holy Book and then he told the people about God. Many of those people did not know how to read and write and they loved to hear stories about the Heavenly Father. As this good man practiced all that he preached, the people believed in his teachings and followed him into the church.

Now in those early days many people did not believe in God, and the Roman Emperor, Claudius II, was very angry when he found people preaching the truth; so he persecuted these Christians. Valentine helped them all that he could and continued his work in spite of the Emperor. Then Claudius put the good Valentine into prison. But there in his dungeon, Valentine preached to his guard, who was converted.

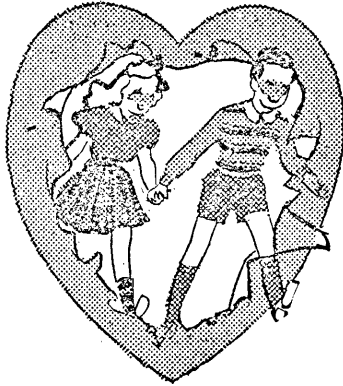
When the wicked ruler heard this, he commanded that the good Valentine be beaten and then beheaded. So this good man gave up his life because he believed in God. But the people, whom he had taught, continued to tell the Bible stories and to live as Valentine had taught them. They said: "Valentine gave up his life for his friends." They called him "Saint Valentine," and they said: "We shall always remember the day that he died, February fourteenth, by doing deeds of love in his name."

Now at this time, it was the custom in Rome to celebrate, in the month of February, the Lupercalia, or feast in honor of the heathen gods. The names of young maidens were put into a box and the young men each drew the name of a maiden who was to be his sweetheart.

The pastors of the early Christian Church did not like this pagan festival, and so in place of the women's names, they put the names of saints into the box, and the young people were to honor and imitate the saints whose names they drew from the box; and, as the festival of Lupercalia began about the middle of February, they chose Saint Valentine as the patron saint of this love festival. So the day became a religious festival, and the people prayed to God and went about doing loving deeds as Saint Valentine had done when he was with them.

After a while they did not celebrate this time as a church day; they went back to the pagan festival. In that part of the land, spring comes early, and when the flowers began to bloom and the birds began to choose their mates, the young men chose their maidens to whom they sent their love tokens upon February fourteenth. They did not have postmen in those early days; so their love messages were by carrier pigeons.

Now on our messages we see pictures of flowers, of mating doves and also the little pagan god of love, Cupid. But we call these love mes-



THE VALENTINE BOX

*We're invited to a party,
Brother and I.
We'll each take a valentine
With hearts and cupids shy.*

*A box all fixed with red and white
Will wait beside the door,
With room for both our valentines
And many, many more.*

*What fun we'll have when names are called
And we answer with a shout.
The nicest thing about it is
No one will be left out.—A. E. W.*

JUST FOR FUN

First Shopper: "Why, hello, you seem to be busy."

Second Shopper: "Yes, I'm trying to get something for my husband."

First Shopper: "Have you had any offers yet?"

Two friends met on the street. One of them remarked on the dirty state of the other's hands.

"Why," he exclaimed, "your hands are covered with soot."

"Well, that's cause I was down at the station seeing my wife away," replied the friend.

"But how does that affect your hands?"

"I patted the engine."

Auctioneer: "What am I offered for this beautiful bust of Robert Burns?"

Man in crowd: "That ain't Burns, that's Shakespeare."

Auctioneer: "Well folks, the joke's on me. That shows what I know about the Bible."

From a Kansas paper: "We wish to apologize for an error in the wedding story in last week's issue. Due to a typesetter's error we said 'the roses were punk'. What we in-

sages "Valentines," and the day Saint Valentine's Day. Yet we must remember that these pretty, lacy cards, with their flowers, doves and cupids, are really sent as love greetings, and we must not forget the good Saint Valentine who gave up his life because he loved others. —Georgene Faulkner, in The Story Lady's Book.

tended to say was, 'the noses were pink'."

Small Boy (waiting with others to be served): "Say, mister, hurry up and 'tend to me; my father's waitin' for his breakfast."

Grocer: "All right, sonny; what is it you want?"

Small boy: "A broom and a bar of soap."—Boston Transcript.

At the art museum the sign "Hands off" was conspicuously displayed before a statue of Venus de Milo.

A small child looked from the sign to the statue.

"Anybody could see that," she said dryly.

Mother (who has a guest at dinner): "Betty, don't talk with your mouth full."

Betty: "But, Mummy, what am I to do? When I talk with my mouth empty, you always say, 'Betty, go on with your dinner.'"

"I've got a most wonderful family tree," said the languid young man. "Really," drawled the girl, "and what are you—the sap?"

The customer pointed to the Chinese characters on his laundry ticket and asked the Chinaman, "Is that my name?"

"No name, disclaption," the Chinaman answered. "Means bald o' man, cross-eyed, no teet'."

The editor of a poultry journal received a letter from a woman reader. It read: "How long should a hen remain on the eggs?"

The editor replied, "Three weeks for chickens and four weeks for ducks." Three weeks passed, and

IN THE WORLD OF BOYS AND GIRLS

McNeil, Arkansas

January 20, 1946

Dear Boys and Girls:

I am a little girl seven years old. I have three sisters and two brothers. Their names are Zelma, 17, who goes to A. and M. College at Magnolia, Berryman, 15, Alice, 12, Doris, 10, John, 6.

My brother John and I are in the same class in Sunday School. My teacher's name is Mrs. Merritt and we love her very much. She has been a Sunday School teacher for a long time. My daddy works on the railroad. We always enjoy having him home on Sundays.

All of our family goes to church and Sunday School. We live right next door to the church.

Your friend, Helen Jane Vansickle.

TWO VALENTINES

*When Grandfather was twenty-nine
He send Grandmother a valentine
With crimson hearts
And Cupid's darts
On paper lace... He wrote a line:
"I hope you'll be my 'Valentine'."*

*When Grandfather was seventy-nine
He gave Grandmother a valentine.
Carnations red
Bore a note which said,
In a single tender, loving line:
"For fifty years my Valentine!"*
—Exchange.

WHEN MOTHER WENT TO TOWN

*When mother went to town today
I planned a big surprise,
And when she saw what I had done
She opened wide her eyes.*

*I put my playthings all away
In places they belong;
Instead of grumbling all the while
I really sang a song.*

*I hung my coat upon the rack
Instead of on the chair;
I cleaned the tracks out on the porch
My shoes had carried there.*

*I washed my face and combed my hair
And looked quite happy when
My mother smiled and said, "I think
I'll go to town again."*
—Story World.

the editor received a letter from the reader.

"Thank you very much for your kind advice," it read. "The hen remained on the eggs for three weeks, and there were no chickens hatched, and as I did not care for ducks, I took her off the nest and sold the eggs."

Driving Instructor: "In case of emergency, the first thing you want to do is to put on the brake."

Maid: "Why I thought it came with the car."

Philander Smith College Faces The Future

By M. LAFAYETTE HARRIS

FOR seventy-eight years Philander Smith College has stood as a beacon of service to Negro Youth through interracial cooperation and goodwill. It was created out of the hearts of Christian ministers and laymen comprising the membership of

represented by churches located within a radius of 4 blocks of the campus. The Girl Scouts' headquarters is located in the center of the campus. The YMCA, YWCA, and Urban League are located within two blocks of the campus. Each of these agencies is directed by a

which qualifies persons for civil service examination in the field of laboratory technician. The Department of Photography and Commercial Art provides special training in the field of advertising and journalism.

All of these are new courses which may be taken alone, or along with the standard Liberal Arts Course of Study. They constitute a fifth division of the curriculum, and thus enable retention of the regular Liberal Arts curriculum under its former high standard of academic achievement.

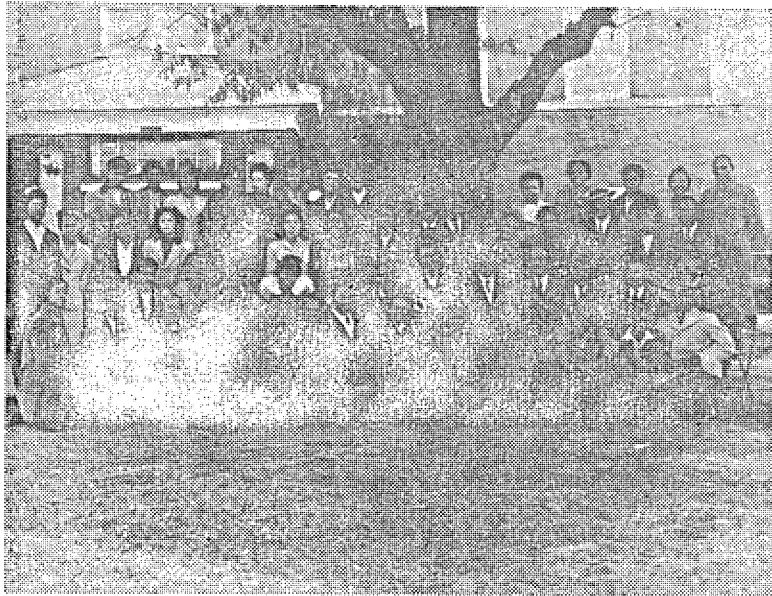
Religiously, Philander Smith has never strayed from the fold. It has always been, and still is a church college. Every member of the faculty is an acknowledged active communicant in the Christian faith and church. An average of 98.3 per cent of the students, taken over the past nine years, have been active church communicants. The faculty and student-body participate fully and freely in the religious activities of the college. They appear in devotional services at daily chapel periods.

The voluntary mid-week services provide freedom of religious expression through the Campus-Church Methodist Youth Organization, the Students' Christian Association, and the Wesleyan Club of ministerial students. The high-point of the week is represented by the College-Church Vesper hour. This adventure is a real plan of cooperation in which the college, the campus church, and the community worship for one hour of intense devotion. The college choir furnishes religious music and the strongest available

choose a local home church upon entering school. The lists of student choices are furnished to the respective ministers and each minister schedules at least one hour weekly, at which time he comes to the campus and counsels with those students who are affiliated with his church. These ministers are urged by the president and student deans to give these young people some definite church responsibility. At present there are several young people's choirs in local churches, composed almost entirely of our students.

In addition to this, the Department of Religious Education and Community Service provides an extension program of field work with the ministers. The head of this department, a Methodist minister recruited from the pastorate, devotes half of this time to field work in rural areas to train and stimulate community leadership. He also conducts training conferences for church workers in Greater Little Rock and Pulaski County, and promotes on the campus an Annual Institute on Leadership Training.

For more than three-quarters of a century Philander Smith College has stood as a tree by the waters. Its justification has been its fruitful service. Its survival has been the result of Christian giving. The institution faces now a world which presents Christian men and women with perhaps the greatest challenge of all times. Whether such challenge will be met successfully depends upon the effectiveness of agencies of Christian service such as Philander Smith College represents. When Christian men and women give to Philander Smith College, by



Methodist Youth Training Conference held at Philander Smith College, December 15, 1945

Negro and White Annual Conferences in the state of Arkansas. It represents an example of the kind of practical Christianity in which must be found all present and future hopes of genuine, wholesome community relationships.

It is out of this background and rich tradition that Philander Smith College faces the uncertainties of the present and the hope of the future, with enthusiasm, vigor, and courage. The administration and faculty have just recently completed a careful study of the college in relation to its purpose as a religious institution whose supporting constituency is Methodist, and whose anticipated service should be rendered with particular reference to postwar reconstruction and rehabilitation.

One of the first needs to present itself was the problem of an adequate leadership for the world of tomorrow. It was recognized that a most significant task which becomes the responsibility of the trained man, is that of contributing constructively to a social and spiritual reconstruction. To this end, the college places a new emphasis upon leadership training. A Department of Religious Education and Community Service has been added as one of the strongest instruments in promoting this cause. Students have their classroom work through voluntary services in the churches of the community, the YMCA, YWCA, the Urban League, and the Girl Scouts.

Twelve major denominations are

recent Philander Smith graduate.

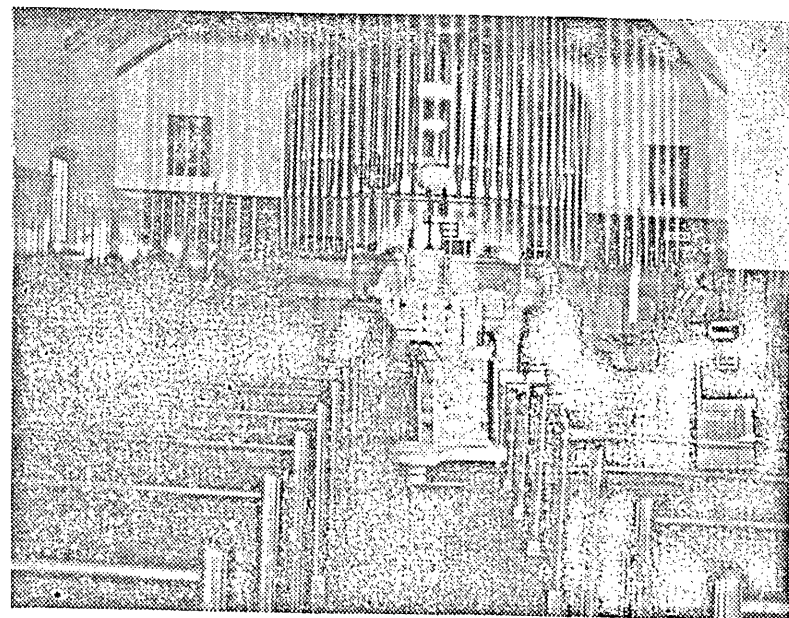
Leadership Training is also encouraged through student government. There are house committees formed by electoral representation on a quota basis. There is the all-campus commission elected by the entire student body, with a quota-representation from each of the four dormitories, and from among non-resident students. There is the Committee on Cooperation, composed of three students, elected by the student body from among the members of the All Campus Commission, and two faculty members. The plan of cooperation thus extends from student body, through the faculty, to the administration.

A second major problem with which the faculty has dealt, is that of Vocational Rehabilitation. It was clearly recognized that the vexing problem of unemployment, after a long period of war industry, must eventually be dealt with. To meet this situation, the college has instituted a series of terminal and quasi-vocational short courses. The Department of Commercial Dietetics provides training for cafeteria management and quantity cooking, such as qualifies chef cooks. The Department of Commercial Education provides training for office management, insurance, accounting, and teaching commercial subjects.

The Department of Cosmetology provides training for competent beauty parlor operators. This department has recently been approved by the State Board of Cosmetology. The Department of Laboratory Technique provides training

available at cost, 80 cents per hundred, 20 cents per dozen. Order from the Service Department, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

Parents also have an opportunity for growth through home study courses offered by the Department of Leadership Education. The following courses on family life are now available by correspondence: "Parents Understanding Their Children," "Christian Home-Making," and



The sanctuary where weekly vespers are held, Philander Smith College

ministers fill the pulpit. It is set apart as an hour of worship, and not a time for forums or lectures.

Other provisions for religious life include a program for pastoral counseling. Each student is requested to

their action they defend not only the heritage of those saints who have passed on, but equally as well do they defend their own faith in the coming of the Kingdom of God in the hearts of men.

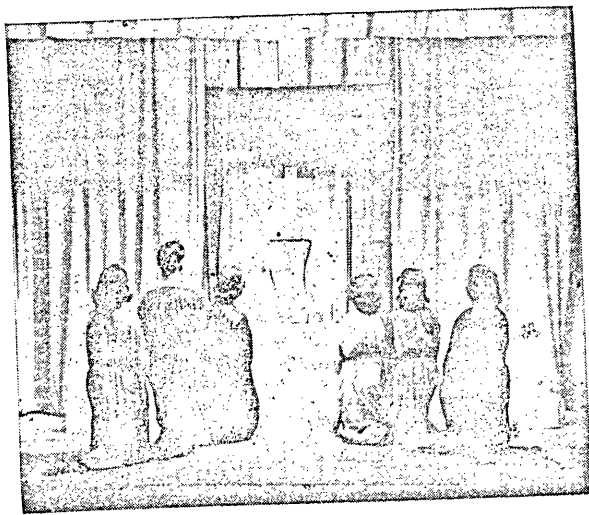
WHAT DO PARENTS READ?

To help parents choose books which will assist them most, the Division of the Local Church, the General Board of Education, through the department of Parent Education and Family Religion, has just released its annual annotated book guide, "Some Good Books for Parents." It is free to ministers, officers and teachers in the church school. Quantities for distribution are

"Home and Church Working Together." Send fifty cents with your enrollment to the Department of Leadership Education, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

The church is not a dormitory for idlers and sicepers, but an institution for workers. It is not a rest camp; it is a front-line trench.—Daniel A. Poling.

FEBRUARY SPECIAL FUND AND MINISTERIAL EDUCATION



STUDENTS KNEELING BEFORE ALTAR



PURPOSE

Three major goals characterize Hendrix College and Ministerial Education

1. TO ENLARGE AND BETTER MINISTERIAL EDUCATION (5 parts to be used for general fund for Arkansas ministerial students and elsewhere).
2. TO RAISE NOT LESS THAN \$100,000 (5 parts to be used for general fund for Arkansas ministerial students and elsewhere).
3. TO ACQUAINT OUR PEOPLE WITH HENDRIX COLLEGE.

The February Special

Back of both our Methodist ministry and our Methodist laity are our Methodist schools.

continue its important and productive work. We must not disappoint our preachers who need our help.

PREPARING OUR MINISTERS

Recognizing the importance of a training ministry, several years ago Arkansas Methodists devised a plan to help our young ministers go to college. The plan gives such young men summer work for which they are paid from the ministerial fund obtained in the February Special, the work being directed by the conference boards of education and the district superintendents.

The plan has met with notable success and was greatly increasing the number of men in training for the ministry when conditions were altered by the war. We can now expect the number of men in training for the ministry to begin increasing again and with it the need for increasing the funds to assist them.

This spring, funds from the February Special will be used for the second time to help finance the School for Supply Pastors. This program has won much praise from Bishop Martin, the pastors enrolled and all others acquainted with it. It too must

PREPARING OUR LAY LEADERS

Arkansas Methodism is approximately 170,000 strong in persons. Her property assets total into the millions. Such a history and growth have been possible only because Methodism has had great leaders not only in the ministry but in the laity as well.

TELLING OUR PEOPLE ABOUT HENDRIX

Besides raising money for better preparing leaders among both the ministry and the laity, the February Special aims to acquaint our people with Hendrix College herself, her problems and her achievements. We become interested in things only as we become acquainted with them. Many Methodists in Arkansas know little about their College. Part of the Campaign, therefore, aims through both the printed and spoken work to give our people some of the essential facts.

Into Methodist colleges go only 1% of the children from Methodist families, but out of Methodist colleges come more than 80% of our Methodist Ministers.

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REV. J. S. UPTON
Professor of Religion



DR. MATT ELLIS
President



CHURCH NEEDS MORE MINISTERS

By Rev. J. S. Upton

The need for workers in Arkansas Methodism is urgent. The Journals of the two conferences show that we do not have enough trained ministers for our churches. In order to supply any kind of ministry we now use 109 supply ministers and there were at Annual Conferences time 21 charges with a total of 85 churches that were left without any kind of pastor. There are perhaps many other extension or abandoned Methodist churches also without pastors.

This shortage of ministers is not peculiar to Arkansas Methodism. It is a common problem of American Methodist and Protestant Christianity. Neither is it entirely a problem created by war time conditions. The solution to a shortage of ministers can be solved only as the ministers and laity of our state give serious thought study, prayer and effort to the problem. Arkansas Methodists must and can produce an adequate ministry for our churches and for churches outside Arkansas as well.

The problem of a trained ministry has in the past been met by our church colleges, with 80 per cent of our ministers being trained in such colleges. Hendrix affirms anew its effort to train for Arkansas Methodists the kind and quality of ministers that the church in Arkansas needs.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS MUST DEVELOP

By Dr. Matt Ellis

The contemporary scene multiplies and magnifies the needs of students for religious guidance and for the development of a Christian philosophy of life. Hendrix, belonging in that group of schools that are "keepers of the light," must meet the tests of difficult days and continue to prove that it is well prepared for Christian character building.

Alert to demands for such modifications in program as are required to meet changing needs, Hendrix should have the curriculum and the extra-curriculum which the collective judgment of her leaders may decide are most effective in the college experience of young men and young women who represent the future leadership of church and state. Many of these students will need the help of able counselors in finding areas of usefulness in the work of the world into which they can adequately fit themselves and from which they can derive lasting satisfaction.

It is my greatest hope that Arkansas Methodists might through the years think of the school at Conway as the College of their Church. Through our cooperative efforts we must make and keep Hendrix "Christian without apology and Methodist with pride."

JOINT COMMISSION MEMBERS

Bishop Paul E. Martin, Presiding Bishop.
North Arkansas Conference: Rev. Earle Cravens, Rev. H. M. Lewis, Henry Rainwater, Mrs. R. E. Connell, Rev. Ira A. Brumley, and Miss Jamie Sue Rogers.
Little Rock Conference: Dr. E. C. Rule, Rev. Aubrey G. Walton, Rev. Arthur Terry, Dr. Connor Morehead, Henry Trotter and T. W. McCoy.

COLLEGE

A Plain Man

THERE was a resident of Philadelphia who worked hard to help elect Abraham Lincoln to the presidency. Afterwards this man, whose name was Alexander McClure, went to Springfield to meet the President, and described his first impression in these words: "Before me stood a middle-aged man, tall, gaunt, ungainly, homely, ill-clad—slouchy pantaloons, vest held shut by a button or two, tightly fitting sleeves to exaggerate his long, bony arms, all supplemented by an awkwardness that was uncommon among men of intelligence. I confess that my heart sank within me as I remembered that this was the man chosen by a great nation to become its ruler in the gravest period of its history."

There were other such impressions of Lincoln. But what do they prove now, except that no man can be fairly judged unless you know him, no matter what he seems to be?

For this Abe Lincoln, so unattractive at first sight, so crude and seemingly ill-suited for his high office, is the man Americans will honor for all time. Born in the backwoods, amid dire poverty, with only seven months of formal schooling, he was a plain man, who never pretended to be otherwise. The qualities for which he is revered are homely, honesty and modesty, generosity of soul, respect for one's fellow-man. Most Americans have these qualities of character to some degree. But Lincoln had them in overwhelming measure, and therein lies his greatness, both as a man and as a leader of men.

He was young when he first saw slaves being sold at public auction in New Orleans. "Boys," he said, "if I ever get a chance to hit that thing I'll hit it hard." From then on, his passion for human rights drove him forward, making him the Great Emancipator.

Lincoln was religious. "I know," he once said, "that the Lord is always on the side of the right; but it is my constant anxiety and prayer that I and this nation should be on the Lord's side." Believing in the brotherhood of man, he could

not help believing in the innate goodness of human beings. From this came his faith in "government

not be a patient confidence in the ultimate justice of the people? Is there any better or equal hope in



of the people, by the people, for the people." In his First Inaugural Address he asked: "Why should there

the world?" Because Lincoln lived, Americans are a strong, united people today.

But even while we pay him homage, some of us tend to forget the ideals for which he battled. When Lincoln spoke of the people, he meant all the people: white and black; Protestant, Catholic and Jew; native and foreign-born. In his great heart, there was no room for shabby prejudice or petty bigotry. Race and creed he saw as natural differences, in no way setting limits to a man's capacities or his human rights. In Lincoln's view, those who stood on differences of race or creed to set themselves above their neighbors were tearing down the very fabric of Americanism. "As I would not be a slave," he wrote, "so I would not be a master. This expresses my idea of democracy."

Unless we believe this, and act upon it, we are betraying Lincoln's faith in the nation he served.

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COACHING CONFERENCES ON EVANGELISM

During recent months nearly 500 preachers in twelve annual conferences have attended coaching conferences sponsored by the Department of Leadership Education, in the Division of the Local Church, General Board of Education, in preparation to teach leadership education courses on "Christian Evangelism." These conferences offer valuable assistance also to local church workers desiring to make their teaching evangelistic. It is expected that courses on evangelism will be offered in hundreds of churches in the months ahead, as an important feature of the emphasis on evangelism in the Crusade for Christ.—Board of Education Bulletin.

When you are having a good time stop long enough to ask yourself if your pleasures mean hardships for others. If they do, you should change your manner of enjoying yourself.—Selected.

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

MRS. SUE M. WAYLAND, Editor

MALVERN WESLEYAN GUILD INSTALL OFFICERS

Mrs. L. M. Mang, president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the First Methodist church, installed newly elected officers and committee chairmen of the Wesleyan Service Guild at its January meeting which was held in the home of Miss Annie Belle Collie, Tuesday evening. Officers installed were: Mrs. Hilliar Jones, president; Miss Annie Belle Collie, vice president and program chairman; Miss Cassie Swafford, treasurer; and Mrs. Fred Williams, secretary. Committee chairmen were Mrs. Cecil Riley, Spiritual Life; Mrs. K. S. L. Cooke, Mission Education and Service; Mrs. H. A. Stevens, Social and Recreational Activities; Miss Frances Beerstecher, Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities.

Following a brief business session, the Wesleyan Service Guild pledge service and devotional was presented by the program chairman.

The evening was closed with a social hour during which Miss Collie and Miss Cassie Swafford served a delicious buffet supper, from a candle-lighted table set with gleaming silver, crystal, and Haviland china.—Reporter.

CROSSETT W. S. C. S. OFFICERS INSTALLED

The officers of the Woman's Society of Christian Service were installed Sunday evening, January 13th, with a beautiful and impressive candle light service by Rev. R. E. Simpson.

President, Mrs. L. J. Arnold; Vice President, Mrs. John T. Erwin; Treasurer, Mrs. Eric LeBrocq; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Crossett Erwin; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. A. T. McDonough; Secretary of Missionary Education, Mrs. Woodrow Hinds; Secretary of Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, Mrs. R. D. Tucker; Secretary of Student Work, Mrs. Earl Wallick; Secretary of Youth Work, Mrs. Harold Moffatt; Secretary of Children's Work, Mrs. S. D. Snow; Secretary of Wesleyan Guild, Mrs. E. A. Rice; Secretary of Spiritual Life, Mrs. C. E. Upton; Secretary of Literature and Publications, Miss Maud Kinnebrew; Secretary of Supply Work, Mrs. Roy Dooley; Publicity Chairman, Mrs. R. J. Magness; Membership Chairman, Mrs. T. W. Walsh; Chairman of Status of Women, Mrs. Roland Wilbur; Chairman of Fellowship Committee, Mrs. W. C. Norman; Circle Chairmen, Mrs. Bill Utter, Mrs. John McKinney, Mrs. W. L. Woods and Mrs. Leslie Jefferies.—Reporter.

ANNUAL CONFERENCES MEET ON SAME DATE

The Annual Conferences of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of both the Little Rock and the North Arkansas Conferences will meet on the same date this year, March 26-28. The Little Rock Conference will meet at Lakeside Methodist Church, Pine Bluff. The North Arkansas Conference will meet at First Methodist Church in Harrison.

Guest Speakers For The Work Shop



DR. REGINA W. WEIMAN



MISS DOROTHY WEBER

Dr. Regina Westcott Weiman, Chicago, Ill., Consulting Psychologist, dealing with problems of Individual and Family Adjustment, is to lead four discussion periods at The Workshop on the Church's Ministry to the Family, to be held at the First Methodist Church, Little Rock, Feb. 14 and 15.

Dr. Weiman, in private life, Mrs. Henry Nelson Weiman, is an outstanding lecturer in the field of Psychology including Social Psychology of Religion, Parent Education and Religious Education. She is author of several books in the field including The Family Lives Its Religion; The Modern Family and the Church, Popularity, books for young people on their social problems.

Dr. Weiman is at present Director of the Family Community Project, Addison, Michigan, sponsored by the Kresge Foundation, and is an instructor of a graduate course in Counseling, Garrett Institute, Evanston, Ill., and a member of the faculty for a Seminar in Counseling arranged by the University of Chicago for pastors and religious workers.

Ministers, directors of Religious Education, teachers and counselors will be especially interested in the Workshop periods on Friday morning at 9:45-12:15, on The Church's Ministry Through Counseling Services for Parents and Youth.

The other subject for Dr. Weiman's discussion periods are How a Family Grows, Thursday afternoon at 1:30; The Modern Family and the Church, Thursday evening at 7:30; and Religious Nurture in the Family, Friday afternoon at 1:30.

The Workshop is open to all who are interested in the problems affecting family life in our modern world, and is sponsored by the Little Rock Conference W. S. C. S. and the Little Rock Methodist Council, including churches of the Central Jurisdiction and C. M. E. groups.

Miss Dorothy Weber, New York City, assistant secretary of Christian Social Relation in the Woman's Division, will discuss "Building Christian Attitudes Through the Family" and will assist in leading the Workshop. She will have charge of the Friday morning session which will place special emphasis on the W. S. C. S. in this field.

ANNUAL SUPPLY REPORT NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

	Value of New Supplies, Including Postage	Cash	Total
Supplies Sent to Home Mission Institutions			
National Institutions			
MacDonal Tr. Mission School	\$209.55	\$ 62.50	\$272.05
Harwood School—New Mexico	518.73	166.75	685.48
Geo. Robinson School—Puerto Rico		13.50	13.50
Scarritt		25.00	25.00
Indians		5.00	44.00
Valley Institute, Pharr, Texas	39.00	3.00	57.03
Mexican Rural Center	54.03	30.00	50.00
Undirected Cash	20.00	284.85	284.85
Christmas Boxes			776.09
Conference Institutions	776.09		
Miss Dora Hoover			30.00
Rural Worker (Deaconess)	30.00		209.75
Total sent to Home Mission Institutions	1647.40	209.75	209.75
Supplies Sent to Foreign Mission Institutions		800.35	2447.75
India		149.75	149.75
China		435.40	435.40
Africa		201.00	201.00
South East Asia		20.00	20.00
Total sent to Foreign Mission Institutions		806.15	806.15
Ministerial Supplies		155.25	155.25
Grand Total (Home, Foreign and Ministerial)	1647.40	1761.75	3409.15
Dear Friends of W. S. C. S.:			

Just look at our totals in Supplies for 1945! Hasn't it been a fruitful year in "His Service?" Let us make 1946 a greater one for Him.

I hope we can have a meeting of all District Supply Secretaries and discuss our work at the annual meeting.

Let us be sure that we accept our assignments for all quarters of 1946 and make our proper reports.—Mrs. J. B. Randolph.

TWENTY-EIGHTH STREET W. S. C. S.

The Woman's Society of Twenty Eighth Street Methodist Church met Tuesday, January 15, in an all-day meeting at the church. Mrs. C. E. Chastain gave an inspiring devotional after which a short business session was held. Mrs. James Noltling presiding.

At the noon hour a covered dish luncheon was served and enjoyed by everyone.

The afternoon session was opened with a song with Mrs. Ernest Phillips at the piano. The subject of the program was "Peace Through His Cross," Mrs. Ray Payne as leader.—Mrs. C. H. Farmer.

HELENA INSTALLS NEW OFFICERS

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Helena had their officers for 1946 installed by their pastor, Dr. Golder Lawrence, on New Year's Day. The following ladies were elected and installed:

President, Mrs. Floyd Curtis; Vice President, Mrs. W. F. Evans; Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. F. Wahl; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Marie Homtdedt; Conference Treasurer, Mrs. J. B. Connolly; Local Treasurer, Mrs. Jack Squier; Secretary of Christian Social Relation, Mrs. George Strickland; Secretary of Missionary Education, Mrs. W. G. Dinning; Secretary of Student Work, Mrs. O. C. Brewer; Secretary of Young People, Miss Bill Lanford; Secretary of Children's Work, Mrs. W. F. Barker; Secretary of Supplies, Mrs. Ralph Lynch; Secretary of Publications, Mrs. W. G. Dinning Jr.; Secretary of Spiritual Life, Mrs. B. L. Ross; Membership Chairman, Mrs. May Brown.—Reporter.

VANTREASE PLEDGE SERVICE

The Vantrease Memorial Methodist Church Women's Society of Christian Service held their annual pledge service January 21, 1946, in the home of Mrs. John Bolding. Thirty four members of the society and seven visitors were present.

Peace through the way of the cross was stressed in the worship theme. In the program of the afternoon the meaning of the stewardship of peace was interpreted. A feeling of personal responsibility in that stewardship was aroused, and an earnest commitment to sacrifice and service and faith for bringing about the Christ-given ideal of world peace in world brotherhood was created.

The Christian flag and Warner Sallman's "Head of Christ" were used to quicken and centralize the feeling of the listeners. Special music and the atmosphere of a fine Christian home all added to the service.

After being led in a mediation by the president of the society, the budget for the year was read by the society treasurer. Pledge cards were then signed and dedicated in a closing prayer which was led by the pastor.—Reporter.

He who never works never makes a mistake.—Ex.

"Scouts Of The World Building Together"

NEARLY two million Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Senior Scouts, and their adult leaders throughout the United States will commemorate Boy Scout Week, which begins Friday, Feb. 8, and continues through Thursday, Feb. 14. The theme of the observance, which marks the 36th anniversary of the founding of the movement in America, is "Scouts of the World—Building Together."

The Boy Scouts of America have created a "World Friendship Fund" and nearly two million members have been invited and urged to contribute voluntarily to it. Through the fund, Scout Associations in lands ravaged during World War II are being helped to rebuild their organizations. At the outbreak of the war in 1939 there were more than three million Scouts and leaders in 70 different lands.

Aid to Post-War World

Many Boy Scout Troops, Cub Packs, and Senior Scout Units will mark Boy Scout Week by contributing to the fund through local Boy Scout Councils. The National Executive Board of the Movement authorized the World Friendship Fund, believing it can make a definite contribution to the post-war world, since boys dedicated to the Scout ideals of tolerance, friendliness, and democracy, may be the leaders of the world of tomorrow.

Many Troops have contributed from money earned by salvaging waste paper, while others have given the proceeds of special Scout entertainments. To make certain the greatest good is done with each dollar spent, the Boy Scouts of America secures the advice of the International Scout Bureau in London and has arranged with agencies of the Federal government at Washington to see that the Scout organizations actually get the help in the manner intended. The fund will continue as long as Scouting overseas needs aid for rebuilding.

The Boy Scouts of the Philippines, for many years a part of the Boy Scouts of America, and now an independent association, has received a shipment of Scout supplies and \$12,500. Ten thousand dollars of the fund, earmarked for the Philippines, forms a memorial to the late General Theodore Roosevelt, a Vice President of the Boy Scouts of America at the time of his death in Normandy, who took a deep personal interest in the progress of Philippine Scouting while Governor General of the islands.

Help Through Literature

Thirty-seven shipments, mostly Scout literature, have been sent to 20 countries. The fund is making possible an international edition of Lord Baden Powell's original "Aids to Scoutmastership," an edition of value in every country. Much pictorial literature of the Boy Scouts of America is being made available, since little translation is needed. Since the printing of Scout manuals and other literature in foreign languages brings many problems, the Fund will arrange for photo-offset printing of copies of material sent from abroad.

A feature of the Boy Scout Week celebration is the "Shirts-Off-Our-Backs" Campaign. Boy Scouts are out to collect from 500 to 1,000 tons

of used but clean and serviceable Scout uniform parts and camping equipment to help Scouts overseas resume their Scouting activities. The collection is not considered charity but rather sharing by one Scout with another.

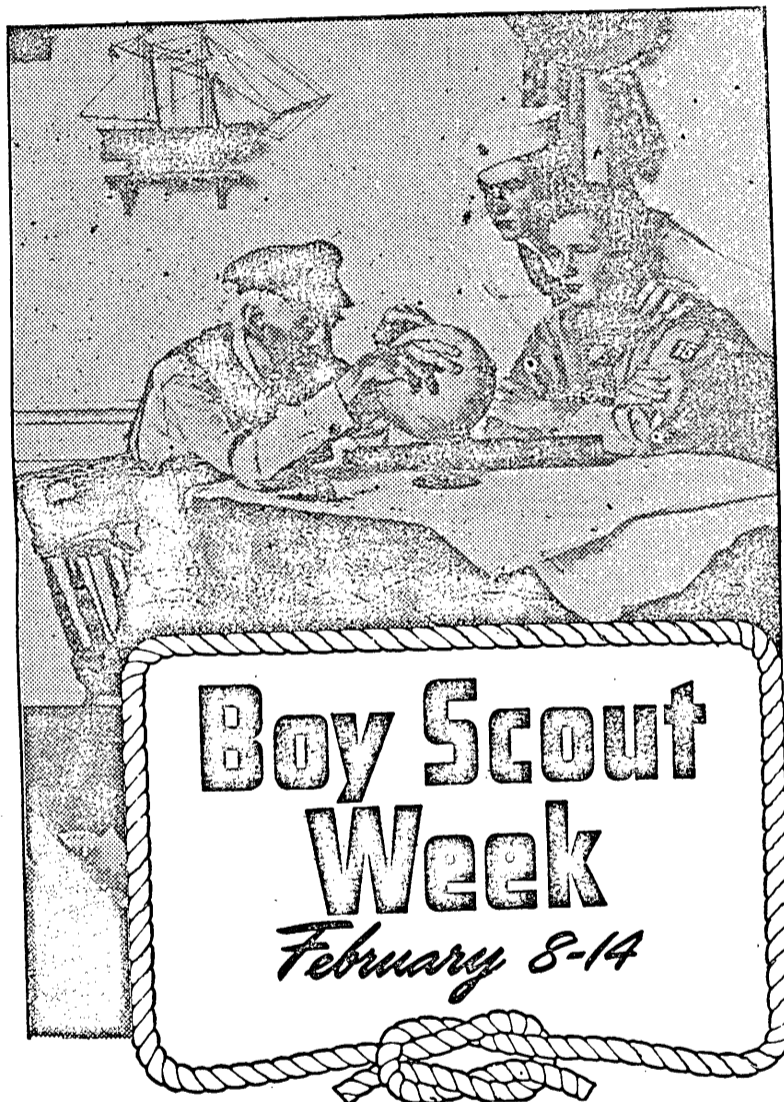
Seek Ex-Scouts' Uniforms

A special effort is being made during Boy Scout Week, and the rest of February, to call on former members for Scout Uniforms and accessories no longer needed. Each Scout donor has been asked to include his name and address on the

in every city and town and in nearly every village and hamlet in the nation. Since Feb. 8, 1910, when the Boy Scouts of America was incorporated at Washington, D. C., more than 12,500,000 men and boys have been in Scouting. The active membership today is more than 1,950,000 Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Senior Scouts, and adult volunteer leaders.

Hundreds of former members will gather at Troop Reunions, which this year, in many cases means returned Scout Leaders and Senior Scouts mustered out of the armed forces.

"SCOUTS OF THE WORLD BUILDING TOGETHER"



Official Poster for Boy Scout Week

equipment. Friendships that may be formed, it is felt, will contribute to the world-wide understanding.

The Scouts are seeking Boy Scout and Cub Scout shirts (without badges), hats and caps, shorts, neckerchiefs and slides, lanyards, belts, stockings, and shoes. Scout equipment being collected for shipment overseas includes axes, knives, mess kits, duffel bags, haversacks, sleeping bags, tents, bugles, compasses, fire-making sets, first aid kits, signalling flags, whistles, and Scout literature.

Items contributed in the eastern half of the United States will be shipped to countries of Europe while material collected in the western half will go to the Philippines and China. The World Friendship Fund will defray all shipping costs.

Nationwide Observance
Boy Scout Week will be observed

It is estimated that one-quarter of the men in the armed forces were once Boy Scouts.

There will be District Pot Luck Dinners, and Scout Rallies, bringing together many Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and their parents. In this way parents get to know more about the Scouting Programs, the boys with whom their sons work and play, and the high type of volunteer leaders that are attracted to the Movement.

Special Scout Services

Boy Scout Sunday, Feb. 10, will see hundreds of thousands of uniformed Boy Scouts attending large city cathedrals or small village churches with their Troops or Scouts of their own faith. Those of Jewish faith will hold their observance in synagogues and temples Friday evening, Feb. 8th, and Saturday, Feb. 9. Many sermons, ad-

ressed to the Scouts, will dwell upon the World Brotherhood theme of the anniversary.

The twelfth point of the Scout Law reads: "A Scout is Reverent." He is reverent toward God. He is faithful in his religious duties, and respects the convictions of others in matters of custom and religion."

During Boy Scout Week, Scouts take over scores of windows, and theatre and office lobbies to display their handicraft and demonstrate some skills they acquired through Scouting. Hundreds of new Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts are to be inducted with appropriate ceremonies. At Troop meetings, Scouts will rededicate themselves to the Scout Oath or Promise, and the Scout Law.

Last Year a Busy One

The year of victory, 1945, saw the Boy Scouts complete their 70th war service project, each of which was requested by some top-ranking federal official. They took part in all eight bond drives, not only helping local bond committees but visited millions of homes and have been responsible for the sales of approximately \$2,000,000,000 worth of Bonds and Stamps.

When federal officials called on young Americans to plant victory gardens and work on farms to meet the unprecedented need for food production last year, the Boy Scouts responded with their "Green Thumbs" campaign. Thousands of Scout gardens were cultivated and harvested. The National Victory Garden Institute awarded to 20,000 Boy Scouts the General MacArthur Garden Medal for doing superior jobs in raising and harvesting a variety of produce in gardens of at least 400 square feet. "Green Thumb Certificates" went to other Scouts who helped produce food.

Last Spring, the Boy Scouts pitched in and helped the United National Old Clothes program collecting ten per cent, or 15,000 tons of the 150,000 tons of serviceable used clothing, shoes and bedding obtained for destitute peoples overseas. Because they were best equipped for it, Scouts were generally used in the distribution of literature. They also aided effectively the Victory Clothing Collection in January.

CONTENTMENT THROUGH LOOKING

A bishop who was contented and cheerful through a long period of trial, and asked the secret of his contentment, said, "I will tell you. I made a right use of my eyes." "Please explain." "Most willingly," was the answer:

"First I look up to Heaven and remember that my principal business is to get there.

"Then I look down upon the earth and think how small a space I shall occupy when I am dead and buried.

"Then I look around and see the many who are in all respects much worse off than I am.

"Then I learn where true happiness lies, where all our care ends, and how little reason I have to complain."—Selected.

The gem cannot be polished without friction, nor man perfected without trials.—Chinese Saying.

CURRENT NEWS IN ARKANSAS METHODISM

METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP RE-ORGANIZED AT BINGEN

The Methodist Youth Fellowship was re-organized at the Bingen church, Prescott District, Sunday evening, January 20 with a large number of young people from Bingen and the Doyle churches.

Lloyd Thomasson and Barbara Hyatt of the Nashville Youth Fellowship met with this group. Lloyd Thomasson is the president of Elberta Sub-district and Barbara Hyatt is the former sub-district president. Both are well known throughout their sub-district and the Bingen young people asked that they help them re-organize.

Lloyd Thomasson presided during the meeting. New officers were elected and the duties of each officer were discussed. Following this the officers of the Bingen and Doyle Youth Fellowships were installed by Barbara Hyatt.

The following officers were elected for the Bingen M. Y. F.:

President, Eddie Jo Chambers; vice-president, Neta Bell Chambers; secretary, Faye Thompson; treasurer, Loy Turley; chairman of Worship, Sara Ellen Haynes; co-chairman of Community Service, Bud Jones and Mattye Lee Puryear; chairman of World Friendship, Ben Irvin; chairman of Recreation, Carolyn Sue Holt; adult counselor, Mrs. Clyde Owens.—Reporter.

METHODIST LEADER PRAISES SCOUTS

"A most useful builder of boyhood and an aid to the church," is what Bishop Charles C. Selectman of Dallas, Texas calls Scouting in a statement made in recognition of national Boy Scout week, Feb. 8-14.

Bishop Selectman, now president of the Council of Bishops of The Methodist Church, has long been interested in youth. For 15 years prior to his election in 1938 as bishop, he headed Southern Methodist University. During World War I he served with American troops abroad under the Y.M.C.A.

Bishop Selectman's Boy Scout message follows:

"For more than a quarter of a century it has been my pleasure to observe the work of the Boy Scouts of America. As a result of this observation I am convinced that it is one of the most useful builders of boyhood in body, mind, and spirit that has come to the aid of the home and the church.

"Because of this conviction, I have urged the pastors in my Area to offer every inducement to Scouting and to acquaint themselves with the work of the organization. In many cases our pastors have become actively engaged in some phase of Scout work.

"It is my personal opinion that the home, the church, and the school should welcome the cooperation of the Boy Scouts of America and should offer every aid and encouragement possible."—Methodist Information.

To work is to worship, to be merry is to pray, and to be happy the first step toward being pious. Stevenson.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE YOUTH ASSEMBLIES

The Little Rock Conference Young People's Assembly will be held in two sections this year. This has been made necessary by the increased attendance at the Assembly and by the possibility of a larger enrollment at the regular summer session of the college.

June 3-7 will be for the Prescott, Texarkana, Camden and Monticello Districts. Rev. C. Roy Hozendorff will be the dean. For the Arkadelphia, Little Rock and Pine Bluff Districts the date is July 15-19, for which the Rev. Fred Schwendemann will be the dean.

There will be five, and probably six, Christian Adventure Camps and Assemblies. Plans have not been completed for some of these groups. The dates that have been set are as follows:

Little Rock District, at Ferncliff, June 24-28.

Monticello District, at Monticello A & M, July 8-12.

Pine Bluff District, at Ferncliff, August 12-16.—Roy E. Fawcett, Executive Secretary, Board of Education, Little Rock Conference.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION WEEK AT UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS

Students at the University of Arkansas will observe their annual Religious Emphasis Week February 9 to 15, with a number of the nation's outstanding religious leaders participating in the program.

The program will open with a student retreat Saturday afternoon, (Feb. 9). A number of the visiting religious leaders will speak at Fayetteville churches Sunday morning, and a reception will be held for them Sunday afternoon at the Student Union.

Two general convocations for all students and members of the faculty will be conducted during the week, and numerous group meetings and seminars are scheduled.

Religious leaders scheduled to take part in the week-long program are Dr. Charles W. Gilkey, dean of the University of Chicago Chapel; Dr. John B. Thompson, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Norman, Okla.; Miss Elizabeth Turner, traveling secretary for the Student Volunteer Movement; Mrs. Charles W. Gilkey, former president of the Young Women's Christian Association in the United States; Dr. Stanley Martin, professor and director of religious activities at Boston University; Dr. C. Umhwa Wolf, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Toledo, Ohio; and Mr. George Workman, a native of Arkansas and now secretary of the Southwest Council of Student Christian Associations.

Pastors of the various Fayetteville churches will also take part in the program.

Dr. Thompson will be the speaker at the first general convocation to be held Monday morning, Feb. 11, and Dr. Gilkey will be the speaker at the second general convocation the following Friday morning.

"A man may give without loving, but he cannot love without giving."

TURRELL AND GILMORE CHARGE

We received a very cordial welcome on our arrival. The good people of both churches have been very gracious. At our Christmas party at Turrell Church we were overwhelmed with all the nice presents the people gave us. We received many presents besides this. At our first fellowship meeting at Gilmore we were pleasantly surprised with a bountiful pounding. This was very much appreciated and we hope that we will be worthy of such goodness.

At present we have just finished on our Arkansas Methodist Circulation Campaign and have doubled our quota. Also plans are being made for our Evangelistic School. Our instructor will be Rev. L. F. LaFevers of Tyrone.

We like our work very much and have every hope that much good will be accomplished in the coming year.—Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Krutz.

EVANGELISM IN PINE BLUFF

The past week, beginning Monday night, January 28, and closing Thursday evening, January 31, there was held in Pine Bluff a very successful campaign of visitation evangelism. The following churches and pastors participated: First Church, Dr. W. E. Brown; Carr Memorial, Rev. Virgil D. Keeley; Hawley Memorial, Rev. C. D. Cade; Lakeside, Rev. Otto W. Teague.

Each evening at six o'clock, the teams of workers met at First Church for supper, which was served effectively and deliciously by the women of this great church. The instruction for the first three nights was given by Rev. Fred R. Harrison, district superintendent; Dr. W. E. Brown, pastor of First Church, conducted the closing session.

The work of these four evenings for the four Pine Bluff churches showed the following results: There were thirty nine first decisions and sixty eight transfer of letters. This is a total of 107 members.

Plans have been made in each church to carry on this program of visitation evangelism through the year.

A Youth Revival will be held here March 17-21, with the Reverend Robert Bearden of Wynne, bringing the messages. A special survey of the high school will be made prior to the revival.—Reporter.

RELIGION AND LABOR CONFERENCE

A National Religion and Labor Conference, "to strengthen the bonds between them and to develop plans for mutual action," has been called to meet in Detroit, Mich., February 25 and 26, by the National Religion and Labor Foundation and by eighteen national church and labor bodies, including the Methodist Federation for Social Service. The theme of the Conference is "Religion and labor: allies for freedom." Considerations will be freedom through interfaith action, race equality, respect for minorities, full production, full employment, peoples' purchasing power, access to

JONESBORO DISTRICT SCHOOL OF EVANGELISM

The Jonesboro District School of Evangelism was held in Jonesboro from Tuesday, January 29 through Thursday 31. Every pastor in the district participated, with the exception of Rev. Lindley Vowell who was recovering from a recent appendectomy.

There were thirty-one laymen pastor teams working in this visitation campaign. In addition to the churches of Jonesboro First Church, Huntington Avenue, and Fisher Street, a number of churches in the surrounding areas were worked. They are as follows: Nettleton, Monette, Truman, Lake City, Bono, Black Oak, Mt. Carmel and Brookland.

The teams held 358 interviews and secured 140 decisions. Seventy were by first commitments, and seventy were by certificates. A prospective preacher was discovered by one of the teams.

Mt. Carmel led the other churches in numbers of decisions. Two teams secured twenty-five on profession of faith and five by certificate, a total of thirty. Laymen Albert Covington and Herbert Holford worked with Bros. Van Hooker and the pastor W. L. Diggs.

The pastors were entertained for lunch at Huntington Avenue, Tuesday, Fisher Street, Wednesday, and Bay High School, Friday. The pastors and laymen met at the First Methodist Church each evening for supper, instructions, and reports of the work by each team. The pastors met each morning at the First Church for a devotional, a discussion led by District Superintendent J. Albert Gatlin, and an open forum on personal visitation, evangelism, and other matters related to the School of Evangelism.—W. L. Diggs, reporter.

ONE CHURCH DID IT THIS WAY

Charles H. Giessen, pastor of Vantrease Memorial Methodist Church in El Dorado, did it this way: A form letter was sent to each family of the church describing, in a brief paragraph, certain periodicals of the church. There was also a form card with the names of the several periodicals, and the price of each, on the card. The family was to indicate by check mark which periodicals they desired and return it in the envelope provided with the proper amount of money to cover the subscription prices of the items desired. Here are the results thus far this year: 83 families subscribed to:

- 72 Arkansas Methodists
- 23 Methodist Woman
- 21 World Outlook
- 9 Christian Advocate
- 3 New Life Magazine.

—Arthur Terry.

facts, access to atomic energy, abolition of war, and through worldwide democracy.

The joint chairmen of the Foundation are Professor Liston Pope and Joseph Schlossberg; Dr. Willard Uphaus of New Haven, Conn., is executive secretary. Bishop F. J. McConnell is honorary president.

The Arkansas Methodist Circulation Campaign

REPORT NO. 3—THROUGH SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2.

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT—Quota 1314

Charge and Pastor	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Arkadelphia, John B. Hefley	25	76	6	107
Arkadelphia Ct., David Hankins	20	6	1	27
Benton, J. M. Hamilton	10	77	4	91**
Benton Ct.	1	2	.....	3
Couchwood Ct., Albert Burrough	3	10	.....	13
Dalark Ct., S. B. Bryant	52	12	.....	64**
Friendship Ct., R. L. Diffee	7	11	.....	18*
Fountain Lake, S. K. Burnett	3	4	3	10*2
Holly Springs Ct., Coy Rogers	2	8	.....	10
Hot Springs Ct., Wesley Reutz	7	5	.....	12
Hot Springs:				
1st Church, W. B. Slack	14	35	.....	49
Grand Avenue, J. D. Baker	11	45	1	57
Oaklawn, J. E. Dunlap	9	26	.....	35
Pullman Heights,				
Curtis Williams	12	28	.....	40**
Keith Memorial, L. Gray Wilson	16	18	.....	34*2
Leola Ct., Clyde Swift	11	20	1	32
Milvern, J. L. Hoover	25	94	4	123**
Pearcy Ct., Henry T. Miller	.....	2	.....	2
Princeton Ct., J. C. Van Horn	24	29	.....	53**
Sparkman-Sardis, J. A. Newell	6	51	.....	57**
Traskwood, J. R. Diffee	30	31	2	63**

CAMDEN DISTRICT—Quota 1527

Charge and Pastor	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Bearden, Thomas D. Spruce	7	35	.....	42*2
Camden, Fairview, L. E. Wilson	4	38	4	46
Camden, First Church,				
J. L. Dedman	29	89	4	122
Chidester, Geo. W. Warren	3	27	7	37*
El Dorado Churches:				
Centennial, P. D. Alston	4	21	.....	25
First Church, Connor				
Vantrease Memorial,				
Charles H. Giesson	17	53	2	72**
Morehead	48	118	.....	166
Emerson Ct., A. N. Stonecipher	19	17	.....	36
Hampton-Harrell, Joe W. Hunter	15	42	3	60**
Harmony Grove, H. N. Nabors	8	21	.....	29**
Huttig, S. B. Mann	4	21	1	25*
Junction City, O. L. Daniels	17	56	.....	73**
Kingsland, R. S. Beasley	2	28	4	34**
Louann Ct., L. R. Sparks	14	24	.....	33**
Magnolia Churches:				
First Church, L. M. Starkey	23	56	.....	79
Jackson Street, J. A. Wade	37	52	.....	89**
Marysville Ct., J. R. Martin	29	17	1	47
Norphlet, A. E. Jacobs	8	19	7	34*
Parker's Chapel, (Fredonia)				
O. C. Birdwell	4	20	.....	24
Smackover, W. R. Burke	12	60	.....	72*
Stephens, H. R. Holland	13	63	.....	76**
Strong Ct., C. C. Vanzant	25	45	4	74*2
Thornton Ct., W. I. Small	5	24	.....	29**
Waldo, Kirvin Hale	13	40	.....	53

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT—Quota 2316

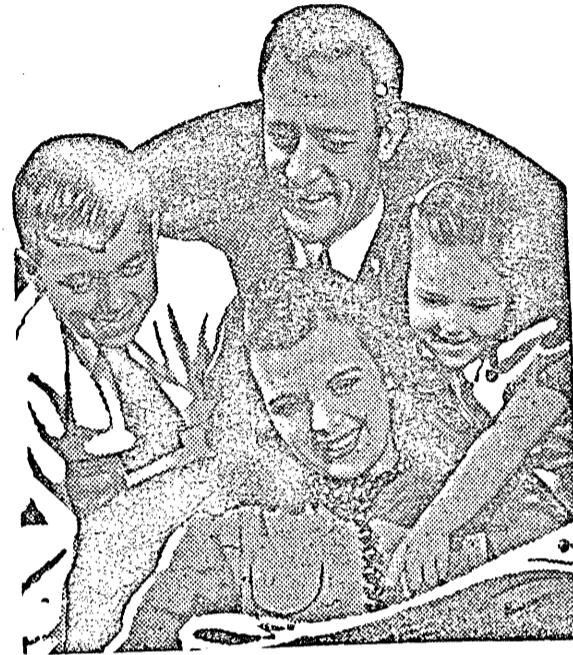
Charge and Pastor	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Austin Ct., L. O. Lee	6	15	.....	21
Bauxite-Sardis, George E. Reutz	4	12	2	18
Carlisle, L. C. Gatlin	27	45	3	75**
Des Arc-New Bethel,				
Orrie L. Thompson	6	16	.....	22
DeValls Bluff-Chenault,				
Wm. Elder	6	17	.....	23*2
Douglasville-Geyer Springs,				
B. F. Fitzhugh	7	31	.....	38**
England, F. W. Schwendimann	81	31	.....	112*2
Hazen, W. R. Boyd	26	36	.....	62**
Hickory Plains Ct., Albert Oliver	1	12	.....	13
Keo-Tombertin-Humnoke,				
Forney Harvey	6	18	1	25*
Little Rock Churches:				
Asbury, Neill Hart	32	88	1	121
Capitol View,				
Roland E. Darrow	13	86	.....	99**
First Church,				
Aubrey G. Walton	28	89	.....	117
Forest Park, L. E. N. Hundley	10	22	2	34
Henderson, Alfred Doss	1	35	2	38
Highland, O. E. Holmes	13	48	.....	61
Hunter, James E. Major	34	34	4	72**
Oak Forest, Thomas Peck	10	3	.....	13**
Pulaski Heights,				
E. D. Galloway	9	83	.....	92
Scott Street, John McCormack	21	25	3	49
28th Street, C. H. Farmer	12	48	.....	60**
Winfield, Kenneth L. Spore	1	3	.....	4
Lonoke, J. D. Montgomery	18	32	2	52**
Mabelvale, Alfred deBlack	8	13	.....	21**
Primrose, Clinton Atchley	4	29	.....	33

MONTICELLO DISTRICT—Quota 1003

Charge and Pastor	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Arkansas City, J. H. Cummins	3	16	.....	19*3
Crossett, R. E. Simpson	15	45	2	62
Dermott, W. D. Golde n	14	44	1	59**
Drew Ct., Robert L. Riggan	21	15	.....	36**
Dumas, R. F. Sorrells	19	64	.....	83*2
Eudora, H. D. Ginther	4	31	.....	35
Fountain Hill Ct., A. E. Wingfield	2	7	.....	9
Hamburg, John L. Tucker	9	49	.....	58*
Hermitage Ct., A. J. Bearden	11	30	1	42**
Lake Village, Lewis W. Averitt	3	31	1	35**
McGehee, Marlon W. Miller	16	37	3	53
Monticello, C. E. Whitten	24	58	1	83**
Montrose-Snyder, W. T. Bone	6	19	3	28*2
New Edinburg Ct., Harold Scott	5	25	.....	30
Portland-Parkdale, Clem Baker	16	31	.....	47*2
Tillar-Winchester, Roy W. Bevan	15	74	.....	92**
Warren, Dan R. Robinson	32	125	1	158**
Watson-Kelso, C. H. Gilliam	1	24	.....	25
Wilmar Ct., O. W. Hoover	5	13	.....	18
Wilmot, Robert McCammon	12	28	.....	40*2

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT—Quota 1270

Charge and Pastor	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Almyra, Bryan Stephens	17	13	.....	30
Altheimer-Wabbaseka,				
R. H. Cannon	4	42	.....	46**
Bayou Meto Ct., Herschel Richert	2	31	.....	33*2
DeWitt, Hal H. Pinnell	26	65	.....	91
Gillett, I. A. Love	4	36	.....	40**
Good Faith, Everett Vinson	4	7	.....	11
Grady-Gould, C. B. Wyatt	16	41	.....	57*2
Humphrey-Sunshine, Geo. L. Cagle	5	25	.....	30**
Pine Bluff Churches:				
First Church,				



Charge and Pastor	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
William E. Brown	19	37	.....	56
Hawley Memorial, C. D. Cade	6	50	.....	56**
Lakeside, Otto W. Teague	32	80	.....	112
Pine Bluff Ct., W. B. Lockhart	10	7	1	18
Rison, George W. Robertson	3	41	.....	44**
Roe Ct., C. R. Andrews	5	16	.....	21
Rowell Ct., H. A. F. Ault	3	21	4	28
Sheridan-New Hope,				
T. M. Armstrong	8	32	.....	40
Sherrill-Tucker, A. W. Hamilton	8	22	.....	30**
St. Charles Ct., John W. Rushing	21	25	2	48**
Star City, Noel Cross	7	32	8	47**
Stuttgart Churches:				
First Church, Bob Pool	34	36	.....	70
Grand Avenue, H. O. Bolin	42	47	.....	89**
Swan Lake, W. C. Johnson	1	9	.....	10**

PRESCOTT DISTRICT—Quota 1022

Charge and Pastor	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Antoine Ct., A. N. Youngblood	14	7	11	32**
Amity Ct., E. T. Miller	3	25	.....	28
Bingen Ct., W. O. Onstead	19	20	6	45
Center Point Ct., C. V. Mashburn	5	11	.....	16
Dierks Ct., Joe Robinson	5	22	2	29
Emmett Ct., C. D. Meaux	6	.....	.....	6
Forester, R. C. Walsh	3	14	.....	17**
Glenwood Ct., K. K. Carithers	17	14	1	32**
Gurdon, S. T. Baugh	10	51	2	63**
Hope, R. B. Moore	9	104	.....	113**
Langley Ct., George Townsend	3	5	.....	8
Mineral Springs Ct., W. C. Lewis	1	49	1	51
Mt Ida, W. S. Cazort	14	25	.....	39*2
Murfreesboro-Delight,				
Eldred Blakely	3	48	1	52**
Nashville, R. A. Teeter	16	35	5	56**
Okolona Ct., A. C. Rogers	14	45	.....	59**
Prescott, C. Ray Hozendorf	17	68	3	88**
Prescott Ct., Osborne White	33	28	.....	61
Springhill Ct., Cagle Fair	.....	12	.....	12
Washington Ct., R. D. McSwain	30	.....	.....	30**

TEXARKANA DISTRICT—Quota 1046

Charge and Pastor	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Buckner Ct., R. M. Crain	11	26	.....	37*2
Cherry Hill Ct., C. E. Lawrence	3	6	.....	9
DeQueen, Doyle T. Rowe	12	50	.....	62**
Doddridge Ct., G. B. Pixley	2	20	.....	22
Foreman, Claude O. Hall	9	30	1	40**
Fouke Ct., J. A. Ginnings	4	17	.....	21*
Horatio Ct., W. Braska Savage	15	26	1	42
Lewisville-Bradley, M. E. Scott	12	71	.....	83
Lockesburg Ct., Claude R. Roy	3	30	.....	33
Mena, B. F. Roebuck	10	63	1	74**
Richmond Ct., Geo. C. Bailey	4	16	1	21
Sardis-Shiloh, W. W. Fincher	5	13	.....	18**
Shady Grove, James A. Simpson	8	.....	1	9
Stamps, J. Wayne Mann	8	26	2	36*
Taylor Ct., E. T. McAfee	23	18	20	61**
Texarkana Churches:				
Fairview, Fred L. Arnold	7	30	.....	37
First Church,				
Edward W. Harris	48	118	4	170**
Texarkana Ct., D. L. McCauley	23	22	1	46**
Wilton Ct., S. W. Mooty	2	17	4	23**

BATESVILLE DISTRICT—Quota 831

Charge and Pastor	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Batesville Churches:				
Central Ave., H. J. Couchman	10	67	.....	77**
First Church, H. Lynn Wade	43	196	.....	239*
Bethesda-Cushman,				
Grover Sutherland	4	23	.....	27
Calico Rock, W. T. Watson	3	23	.....	26
Cave City-Sidney, R. E. Lee	12	28	.....	40*2
Cave City Ct., Henry Trotter	2	15	.....	17**
Charlotte Ct., Clyde U. Hughes	.....	5	.....	5

Charge and Pastor	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Cotter-Gassville,				
C. Everette Patton	1	19	.....	20**
Desha Ct., T. O. Love	2	1x	2	15
Elmo-Oil Trough, H. M. Porter	16	12	.....	28**
Evening Shade-Ashflat,				
M. B. Short	10	26	.....	36**
Melbourne Ct., Harry King	9	18	.....	27
Moorefield	9	17	.....	26**
Mountain Home, Joel Cooper	10	27	4	41**
Newark, J. M. Hughes	8	28	.....	36**
Newport, 1st Church,				
Jefferson Sherman	8	41	2	51
Umsted Memorial, G. G. Davidson	2	14	.....	16
Pleasant Plains Ct., J. A. Bailey	5	20	.....	25**
Salem, Farris McDonal	5	15	.....	20**
Sulphur Rock, J. B. Stewart	10	12	.....	22**
Swifton-Alicia, H. C. Minnis	1	32	.....	33*
Tuckerman, Alfred Knox	11	35	.....	46**
Viola Ct., A. Luther Love	3	1	.....	4
Weldon-Tupelo, Woodrow Woods	9	20	.....	29**
Yellville	5	5	.....	10

CONWAY DISTRICT—Quota 1388

Charge and Pastor	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Atkins, J. J. Clark	9	25	1	35
Belleville-Havana, B. A. Knight	5	15	2	32
Bethel-Cato, W. M. Womack	16	12	.....	28**
Houston, Jimmie Jordan	.....	2	.....	2
Conway-First Church,				
C. M. Reves	23	83	1	107
Conway Ct., J. M. Workman	6	2	1	9
Danville, R. A. Dorman	6	26	1	33**
Dardanelle, E. W. Faulkner	7	25	11	43*
Dover-London, B. E. Robertson	10	22	.....	32**
Gravelly, James Smith	14	20	.....	34
Greenbrier, Byron McSpadden	8	14	.....	22*
Lamar-Knoxville,				
J. F. Weatherford	3	14	.....	17
Levy, T. C. Chambliss	7	21	.....	28
Mayflower, Virgil Bel l.	.....	5	.....	5
Morrilton, G. C. Taylor	35	77	.....	112**
Morrilton Ct. No. 1,				
J. R. Abernathy	4	11	.....	15
Morrilton Ct., No. 2, A. E. Goode	9	6	.....	15
North Little Rock Churches:				
First Church,				
Allen D. Stewart	31	84	5	120
Gardner Memorial				
Vernon Chalfant	37	98	4	139**
Washington Ave., A. N. Storey	22	39	1	62**
Ola Ct., J. L. Leonard	8	11	.....	19*
Oppo, J. A. Reynolds	3	18	.....	21**
Perry-Perryville, George Stewart	8	28	1	37**
Plainview, W. L. Russell	1	29	2	32**
Plummersville, Maurice Lanier	5	7	2	14
Pottsville, J. E. Linam	7	32	1	40**
Russellville, Earle Cravens	59	55	.....	114**
Vilonia, Uriah Smith	21	14	.....	35**

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT—Quota 933

Charge and Pastor	New	Ren.	Not Due	Total
Alpena Pass	3	9	.....	12**
Bentonville, Harold Eggenesperger	61	16	1	78**
Berryville, Jesse L. Johnson	14	23	.....	37**
Centerton Ct., Verner S. Bower	14	14	2	30

The Crusade And The Church School

By BISHOP ARTHUR J. MOORE in Tidings

METHODISM is mobilizing for the greatest spiritual offensive it has undertaken in the life time of this generation. The secularization of modern life demands a revival of spirituality at its best. Hitlerism and other pagan philosophies sprang from a denial of God and the exaltation of things. As a result the entire world staggers under a weight of sorrow.

excellencies, and they are many, our modern civilization is largely the product of secular forces which are either non-Christian or anti-Christian. It does not subscribe to the principle that man lives not by bread alone; nor does it pursue a spiritual ideal. In fact, in many ways it gives practical denial to these convictions. Some would pass

Life today, for adults and youth alike, is surrounded by conditions and forces which have sprung up so swiftly as to take them unawares. The tempo of modern life has been so accelerated that it has become difficult to give attention to those things which make for faith and knowledge. The development of the religious sense of our children

disappeared. To these obviously destructive influences must be added a subtle effect of defective religious teaching. In the so-called emancipation from religion of authority many swung to an imaginary freedom, in which the great truths of the Christian message were questioned. We are, therefore, in the midst of a transitional period of uncertainty in which many ignore religion. Our foolish affectations, our deceptions, our poor ideals, our chaotic readings of God's purpose have all followed the loss of that overmastering sense of God which was the possession of another generation. Religion meant to our fathers and mothers the certainty and consolation of God's presence and power, in which they found a guide for this life as well as a hope for a future life.

Sober thinking reveals that we are now entering a period fraught with grave dangers and staggering responsibilities. Methodism must awaken to the challenge. There are tasks for every consecrated hand. There must be the full and undivided dedication of every one to Christ.

Thoughtful Christians cannot remain impervious to the wide swirl of mighty forces let loose upon the continuing life of the Church. Every age forms a bridge between that which precedes and that which follows it, but the Church of this epochal period is called upon to deal with unanticipated problems and a practically revolutionized society. Little by little the materialistic temper of the pre-war days has done its work. There has been no formal abandonment of faith, but many have become so engrossed in secular pursuits that there has been a quiet submergence of faith. We have been passing through a period in which the central affirmations of the Christian faith have been denied, with the result that many are paying no attention to religion and have subsided into a spiritual condition it is not unfair to describe as comatose.

Secularism, which is but another name for what our fathers called worldliness, has taken its toll of spiritual life. Whatever its material

the problem by lightly with the reflection that we are only witnessing a change in our spiritual taste. With that view we cannot agree. Something more dangerous is taking place. There are trends and tendencies active in modern life which endanger perpetuity of our Christian civilization and the life and witness to a fearless study of the underlying of the Church. We are compelled to a fearless study of the underlying causes.

is hindered by adverse forces, which tend to weaken and sometimes almost extinguish it. For several years we have been passing through a period in which such forces have been particularly numerous and active. Life has become so highly secularized that faith and devotion have been difficult. The cheap and oftentimes unwholesome pleasures that have multiplied tend to crowd out religious study and observance. In many homes the family altar has

If the principles of the Christian faith are applicable to the needs of our age, perplexed as it is with intellectual difficulties which affect belief and moral difficulties which affect conduct, there must be more widespread and effective instruction in religion. Christian education must not only continue to resist but aggressively combat the secularizing tendencies of our times by an insistence upon the eternal verities. The faculties of our youth must be put to school on their spiritual side. They must be taught to bow in reverent humility before the eternal wisdom and to live according to the immortal truths which came from the lips of the Teacher of Galilee.

The Church School will play an important part in the Crusade for Christ. Everywhere we must strive for increased attendance and a more positive effort to win our youth to Christ. Let everybody lend a helping hand.



BISHOP ARTHUR J. MOORE

ARKANSAS METHODIST CIRCULATION CAMPAIGN

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PRAIRIE VIEW-SCRANTON			
J. F. Glover	3	14	17
Van Buren, First Church, J. T. Wilcoxon	14	23	37
Van Buren, New Hope, Verlia Harris	6	14	20
Waldron, John W. Glover	3	25	28
Waldron Ct., C. L. Martin	12	28	41**

HELENA DISTRICT—Quota 993			
Aubrey	2	25	27
Brinkley, B. L. Wilford	15	52	69**
Clarendon, Irl Bridenthal	7	47	54**
Colt Ct., J. C. Richey	4	31	35
Cotton Plant, J. L. Pruitt	19	30	49**
Crawfordsville, Lyman Barger	3	19	22**
Earle, J. M. Barnett	5	28	34**
Elaine, Elmus C. Brown	10	25	35
Forrest City, W. J. Spicer	20	82	103**
Helena, Golder Lawrence	4	103	110**
Holly Grove, J. M. Harrison	4	17	22*
Hughes, Benjamin C. Few	1	1	1
Hulbert-Blackfish	1	1	1
C. H. Harvison	11	14	25**
Marianna, Sam G. Watson	5	45	50
Marion, E. J. Holifield	6	40	46**
Marvell, J. W. Glass	8	18	26**
Parkin, A. W. Harris	20	30	50**
Vandale, Clyde Crozier	16	35	51**
West Helena, J. W. Watson	19	44	63**
West Memphis, J. Kenneth Shamblin	20	40	60**
Wheatley, D. G. Hindman	3	18	21
Videner-Round Pond, George E. Patchell	12	38	50**
Wynne, R. E. L. Bearden	33	98	135**

JONESBORO DISTRICT—Quota 1304			
Lack Oak, W. B. Yount	20	26	46
Lytheville, Lake Street, Bates Sturdy	16	45	61**
ono Ct., Elvis Wright	2	36	38
rookland, A. C. Brannon	12	32	44*
elj Ct., Luther K. Wilson	2	11	13*
arrisburg, W. A. Lindsay	9	22	31
iner, J. W. Moore	6	20	26**
nesboro Churches: First Church, Sam B. Wiggins	74	100	174**
Huntington Ave.,			

E. E. Stevenson	17	24	41**
Fisher Street, George L. McGeehey	2	19	21**
Jonesboro Ct., Winfred Diggs	9	17	26**
Keiser-Garden Point, Linley E. Vowell	21	22	43**
Lake City, J. C. Riggins	8	27	35*
Lepanto, Raymond Franks	10	17	27**
Luxora, Charles W. Lewis	1	10	11
Manila, J. J. Decker	16	30	46**
Nettleton-Bay, G. A. McKelvey	17	36	53**
Marked Tree, John A. Womack	20	35	55**
Osceola, W. V. Womack	16	75	91**
St. John's Ct., Van Hooker	2	4	6
Trumann, O. M. Campbell	1	18	19
Turrell-Gilmore, Raymond Krutz	18	9	27**
Tyronza, L. F. LaFeyers	8	30	38**
Wilson, E. G. Kaetzel	7	11	18
Weona Ct., J. H. Richardson	17	13	30**
Weiner, Porter Weaver	17	28	45**
Yarbro-Promised Land, R. L. McLester	17	26	43**

PARAGOULD DISTRICT—Quota 1071			
Beech Grove, L. L. Langston	6	7	13
Biggers, Sherman Ragsdell	12	10	22**
Corning, H. F. McDonal	6	53	59**
Gainesville, A. G. Presson	1	7	8
Greenway, M. A. Pollard	11	10	21
Hardy, Miss Fern Cook	6	18	24**
Hoxie, C. C. Burton	5	13	18
Imboden-Black Rock, B. W. Stallcup	15	20	35**
Knobel, P. W. Emrah	6	7	13
Leonard Ct., Wade H. Harrison	5	30	35**
Lorado Ct., Alvin Gibbs	10	16	26
Maynard Ct., W. G. Connor	1	6	7
Marmaduke, R. B. Howerton Sr.	4	21	25
Marmaduke Ct., Gus Evans	1	6	7
Maynard Ct., W. G. Connor	2	8	10
Morning Star, Robert Howerton Jr	4	13	17
Paragould, 1st Church, Guy Ames	39	104	143**
Paragould, Griffin Memorial, R. E. Wilson	6	29	35
Paragould Ct., W. T. Lingo	16	30	46
Piggott, H. H. Blevins	5	29	34**
Pocahontas, Hubert Pearce	5	35	40
Ravenden Springs, J. W. Simmons	10	9	19**
Rector, 1st Church, Martin Bierbaum	4	31	35**
Rector, 4th St., H. M. Sanford	3	3	6
Smierville Ct., Charlie Woolridge	3	4	7
St. Francis, Albert Gibbs	1	12	13
Walnut Ridge, Lloyd M. Conyers	23	48	71**

WALNUT RIDGE CT.			
Y. D. Whitehurst	9	29	38**

SEARCY DISTRICT—Quota 977			
Charge and Pastor	New	Ren.	Not Due
Antioch, J. W. Harger	18	37	55**
Augusta, S. O. Patty	7	43	50**
Bald Knob-Bradford, H. D. Womack	8	25	33
Beebe, O. L. Cole	7	50	57**
Cabot, T. R. Whidden	5	37	42**
Clinton, J. H. Holt	8	36	44**
Harrison, W. F. Cooley	10	69	79**
Heber Springs, 1st Church, W. W. Allbright	7	38	45**
Heber Springs, Central, J. H. Smith	10	18	28**
Hunter, E. C. Hance	4	17	21**
Jacksonville, Silas L. Russell	16	15	31**
Judsonia, David T. Conyers	9	10	19**
Kensett, H. A. Stroup	1	21	22
Leslie, M. L. Kaylor	2	28	30**
Marshall, Miss Reabel Childers	19	7	26**
McCrorry, R. alph Hillis	2	36	38**
McRae, J. M. Talkington	4	14	18
Newton County, Thomas Huff	3	3	6
Pangburn, C. J. Wade	14	22	36
Quitman, C. E. Gray	13	24	37
Rosbud, W. C. Smith	6	27	33**
Searcy, C. N. Guice	23	71	94**
Valley Springs, Linza Harrison	4	22	26**
Van Buren County 1, Lloyd Turner	2	7	9**
Van Buren County 2, A. A. Nogle	11	5	16**

SUMMARY OF DISTRICTS			
District	New	Ren.	Not Due
Camden	363	990	1353
Little Rock	386	873	1259
Jonesboro	376	854	1230
Conway	336	812	1148
Ft. Smith	281	885	1166
Helena	247	892	1139
Pine Bluff	281	725	1006
Monticello	233	766	999
Fayetteville	376	555	931
Searcy	210	682	892
Batesville	195	713	908
Arkadelphia	233	599	832
Texarkana	214	619	833
Prescott	192	613	805
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The Sunday School Lesson

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THE RESPONSIBILITY OF A GREAT HERITAGE

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SCRIPTURE TEXT: Deuteronomy Chapters 1-4.

GOLDEN TEXT: He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered. Psalms 111:4.

There has been needless controversy about the Book of Deuteronomy. We shall leave the question raised by the critics and search for the spiritual truths and lessons for us in this interesting book. It is a well known fact that the study of this book has converted some Jews to Christianity and caused Roman Catholics to become Protestants. "Now therefore hearken, O Israel, unto the statutes and unto the judgments, which I teach you, for to do them, that ye may live, and go in and possess the land which the Lord God of your fathers giveth you." Deuteronomy 4:1.

Three Important Words in This Verse

These words are, "hearken," "live," and "possess." God calls upon us to hearken to the statutes and ordinances which he teaches us. All men should hearken to the voice of God. To ignore God's voice is perilous and dangerous. When God speaks He always has something worthwhile to say. It is wise to hearken to the voice of a wise man, much more so to hearken to the voice of God Himself. Human history is largely the record of the tragedies that come from failing to hearken to the voice of the Lord.

The second word is "live." That ye may live. God wants us to live, not merely exist. Jesus came that we might have life, and have it more abundantly. He wants us to have a full, rich, abundant life, physically, mentally, and spiritually.

"And possess the land." God wanted His people planted permanently in this land which He had chosen for their possession. By obeying God they did possess this land. By our obedience we have become heirs, joint heirs, with Jesus Christ. We have obtained an inheritance with the saints in light, undefiled, and that fadeth not away.

The Basic Truth of This Lesson

The fundamental fact in this lesson is that God had done great things for the Israelites and God wanted these facts kept alive in all the succeeding generations. They must not permit coming generations to forget how God liberated them from the Egyptian bondage; how He led them by a pillar of fire by night and a pillar of cloud by day; how He fed them on manna from heaven; how His arm of love was around them for forty years of their wandering. God is determined that they shall not forget Him throughout all coming generations. They are to teach these facts to their children, and their children to their children to the coming of Christ!

Every Great Blessing Brings With It a Responsibility Correspondingly Great

God bestows His gifts purpose-

fully. When He bestows great blessings upon a nation or a person it is an investment from which God expects returns. He expects more of the five talent man than of the two talent man. If the five talent man brought back no more than the two talent man he would be in default for failing to bring back results in keeping with what God had invested in him. God had invested heavily in the Israelites, and He was demanding adequate returns. He reminded them that no other people ever were so highly favored. He expected more of them than He did of the Amorites, Perizzites, or any other "ites." He had every right to expect more of the Israelites than of the Greeks, Romans, Babylonians, or Assyrians.

What Has God Invested in the United States?

It does not take a prophet to see the divine Hand in the very planting of our country. The Churches of Europe were not satisfying the souls of millions of God-loving peoples. The Churches had become formal. The services were lifeless. The sermons were meer generalities. God was not felt in the public worship. In the providence of God the Western Continent was discovered. It is true the Pilgrims and Puritans came to a land strange and new. They had left their mother country in search of civil and religious liberty. One cynical writer said, "God seems to take care of little children, fools, and the United States." His divine hand was so obvious that he who runs may read. He brought us through the Revolutionary War. He was in the hearts of the framers of our constitution. No other nation of modern times has been so highly blessed of God.

What Shall Our Great Nation Do?

Young as we are we are now one of the greatest nations of the world. God has made us the trustees of vast wealth and power. Shall we make our nation a blessing or curse to other less advantaged nations? Our act of Congress in appropriating such a huge sum for rehabilitation of a broken world is the most gigantic exhibition of international altruism in human history. Wicked as we are in some respects, here is an example of brotherhood never before seen in political history. If we do not lose too much time in red tape we shall save many millions from starving during this winter. Let us hope that whatever kind of legal corpus may be set up for handling all the international problems, that our great young country in this noblest work ever done governmentally, may show a deep concern for the disadvantaged peoples — such as the world has not seen yet.

What Has God Done for Protestantism and What Response Will Protestantism Now Make?

This is not the time nor place to cast aspersions at the Roman Catholic Church, nor to make odious comparisons between Protestantism and Roman Catholicism. It is right to say here that the Roman Catholic Church did not meet the spiritual needs of the people. I have seen the work of the Roman Catholic Church on every continent on this globe. Much of it is commendable. But a highly liturgical church under pontifical rule is not the church for all. No, not for the majority of the human race. Many people can get to God through the sacramentarian route, or the confessional. But my observation all over the world leads me to believe that Protestantism has a technique better adapted to the needs of a majority of the race. Luther, Calvin, Wesley, and all other chosen men of God, launched a movement that has reached millions the Roman Catholic Church never could have satisfied. God has blessed, guided, empowered the movement around the world.

A Danger

Notwithstanding the manifold blessings God has bestowed upon the Protestant Church we may fail God in this crisis in the history of Christianity. A divided Protestantism cannot meet the present needs of the world. If we could ignore our minor differences, be one in the essentials, and so federate our powers, we could do business for our King that would make the angels sing. The World Christian Council offers an opportunity for Protestantism to deliver itself with one impact against the world, the flesh, and the devil. Will we do this thing now?

What Response From the Privileged Class?

People who are economically free are beset by many subtle dangers. The danger is that they may feel that their money-making abilities entitle them to luxurious living that poor people cannot have. Not so. There is no advantage in being a five talent money-maker. The money-making gift is from God. He is only a trustee. God will hold him responsible for the way he makes, keeps, or spends every dollar. I wonder how any conscientious Christian can hoard money now. Here is the cry of starving millions calling for bread. Here is our Methodist Children's Home needing thousands of dollars. Hendrix College must have a million dollars. Were the calls ever before so compelling? Prosperous men and women, what are you going to do in such a time of dire need?

The Heritage of a Christian Home

What an inestimable blessing to be reared in a Christian home. God gave you your Christian heritage. What was it worth to you? Have you made your home more or less Christian than your childhood home? Are you going to lower the standard by allowing your home to be less Christian than was your parents' home? God is demanding of you a better Christian home than the one was in which you were reared.

Count Your Blessings

Kindly sit down and write out all

SAVED FROM SHIPWRECK, RETURNS TO MADAGASCAR AS MISSIONARY

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—(RNS)—A young woman who survived a ship disaster as a baby 28 years ago when her parents were en route to Madagascar to become missionaries is now returning to the island to serve as a missionary there herself.

Evelyn Lovaas, commissioned by the Norwegian Lutheran Church of America, will work on the same mission field at Fort Dauphin, Madagascar, which her parents served.

It was at this station that she gained the Malagasy name meaning "child of the sea" because of her rescue from the sea, with her parents, after the British ship, City of Athens, struck a mine and sank in August, 1917, off the coast of Cape Town, Africa. One missionary was killed in the disaster.

Miss Lovaas lived for 14 years in Madagascar and returned to this country 14 years ago with her parents. She is a graduate of Augsburg College and Lutheran Bible Institute, Minneapolis, and took advanced language work at University of Minnesota.

Her father, the Rev. David Lovaas is now a pastor at Prairie Farm, Wis.

Self-discipline is not easy to attain, for it requires a guiding sense of life-purpose and hard training and is therefore the primary responsibility of our churches.—Selected.

the things God has done for you. Then ask yourself whether God receiving adequate returns for the investments he made in you. What heritage has been transmitted to you by your predecessors? What will be the heritage you transmit to your successors? Each one of us has a glorious heritage! Are we disappointing God in our response to these blessings?

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