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"The World is My Parish" — John Wesley

"Go ye into all the world" — Mark 16

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Russia Raises A Government Loan On A Gamble

THE nation of Russia recently decided to sell \$3,774,000,000 of bonds to help finance their new "five year plan" and to further strengthen the military and economic might of the nation.

Instead of offering the bonds on their own merits as an investment, and appealing to their people to buy them for their intrinsic value and as a patriotic duty, the Russian government turned it into a gigantic gamble. The bonds will bear no interest but prizes were offered in an amount equal to four per cent interest on the loan annually over a period of twenty years. It was so arranged that one third of the bonds sold would draw prizes. Two thirds of the bonds will draw no prizes. The holders of these bonds would simply turn their money over to the government without interest for a minimum of fifteen years.

Whatever this loan may do for the economic and military might of Russia, it will be a blow to the moral and spiritual life of the nation that will outlast any financial benefits that may be derived. No nation can build true greatness on a gamble. A nation can be great only as its people are great. People cannot become great whose consuming passion is to get something for nothing. People become great who give something for nothing.

The tragic thing about gambling is that one gambler can win only because some other gambler loses; he cannot win unless somebody does lose. One has lost something out of life that has left it poor indeed if he can be happy over getting something for his own for nothing that belongs to another. When our happiness and joy is knowingly and willingly built on the sadness and misfortune of another we may still be human but we are not humane.

Russia has cheapened itself in the eyes of the world by resorting to such a racket to sell its bonds. It has done a hurt to the moral fiber of its people by leading them in this government sponsored, nation-wide, gambling enterprise.

Editors Attend Conference On Church School Enrollment

WEDNESDAY and Thursday of the past week leaders of the General Board of Education held a Conference on Church School Enrollment and Attendance at Chicago.

The Women's Society of Christian Service was represented in the meeting by Mrs. J. D. Bragg, president of the organization. The General Board of Evangelism and the General Board of Lay Activities were also officially represented. Bishop Paul B. Kern, president of the General Board of Education presided the first day. Bishop J. Ralph Magee, director of the Crusade for Christ presided the second day. The editors of the Methodist Church papers were invited to the conference.

This conference was not merely to check up on how far we have come in the crusade for an increased enrollment and attendance in the Church School. It was also a planning conference. Some very definite plans were formulated for a continued and increasing emphasis on this phase of the Crusade for Christ.

The reports in the conference were very encouraging and the plans made are very promising. The goals and objectives set up by the General Board of Education definitely challenge the church to a real crusade.

Evangelistic Opportunities And The Church School

WE have recently passed through the Easter period in which annually there is a great emphasis placed on evangelism in the Church School. This is quite proper because, there is no other time in the year, especially in our towns and cities, when people seem more ready to commit themselves to the Christian life. In many places we have come to look on the Easter period as the harvest time in our Church Schools.

Unfortunately this evangelistic emphasis in the Church School is too often confined to the Children's Division. While it is true that the church has no opportunity for evangelistic work with children comparable to that offered by the Church School, it is true, also, that the Church School offers one of the most fruitful fields we have for evangelistic work with young people and adults.

A pastor will seldom find a better prospect list for personal and visitation evangelism than the list generally to be had by checking the Church School class rolls, in the Young People's Division and the Adult Division, with the church register. It will be very unusual if this process does not reveal a number of young people and adults who are members of the Church School, whose membership is elsewhere, or who are not professed Christians. The number is usually in proportion to the total enrollment in the Church School.

It would be difficult to imagine a more promising list of prospects than this group in our Church School who are not members of our church. They have met us as Methodists, more than half way by coming to our church and enrolling in our Church School. They are already interested in religion else they would not be attending Church School.

Many of this group must be surprised and disappointed, if they attend our Church School very long, unless some one talks to them about joining the church, if they are Christians, or talks to them about becoming a Christian, if they have never made the decision. It would be somewhat like going into a man's place of business and finding him indifferent as to whether he sold you any of his goods. If people come to our church because they are interested in religion and we offer them little else than good fellowship, we likely stifle their interest in religion and also create a doubt in their minds about the sincerity of our religion.

While evangelism in the Children's Division receives special emphasis during the Easter period, the opportunity for effective evangelism in the Young People's and Adult Division is open throughout the year and offers us our most promising field for successful evangelistic work any month in the year.

Near 500,000 Added To Methodist Church By Easter

THE four hundred ninety-four districts that made a report on the results of the "Year of Evangelism" from September through Easter Sunday reported a total of five hundred fifty-five thousand eight hundred sixty-five additions to the Methodist Church in that period. There were sixty-nine districts that did not report in time to be included in this tabulation. Our leaders feel that fifty thousand is a conservative estimate for these sixty-nine districts since those reporting have averaged eleven hundred twenty-five. If that estimate is correct, there have been more than six hundred thousand additions to the Methodist Church in the last eight months.

Whether there were any districts in Arkansas among the sixty-six that were not included in the report we do not know. However, the report as tabulated showed that, already in our two Annual Conferences in Arkansas, during this period, there were four thousand nine hundred ninety-eight additions to our church on profession of faith, and five thousand, eight hundred and five by transfer of certificate, or a total of ten thousand eight hundred and three. That is more than we received into our church through the entire conference year, last year.

The six hundred thousand additions is a good start toward the goal of one million additions to our church for the "Year of Evangelism." Nevertheless, we are still quite a distance from the goal and it will require our best efforts, if we are to have the complete victory so essential to the program we have planned. Arkansas has yet before it the revival season in the rural areas and in small towns. The ingathering in our church in Arkansas should have a great increase by the time our Annual Conferences meet this year.

Let's make this "Year of Evangelism" a prophesy of the emphasis Methodist will continue to give the work of evangelism and also a prophesy of the success that may be expected to attend such an emphasis on this primary work of the church.

Why So Many Movies Are Bad

EVERYONE who is interested in the building of good character in our nation is interested in the major factors that enter into character development of the people of our country.

It is not surprising that there is a continual, continuous protest against the numerous moving pictures shown that hinder rather than help in character development. The blame is usually placed on the producers of the pictures.

Without question the moving picture industry deserves to be criticized for any bad picture it produces regardless of the reasons or motives that may prompt it to produce such a picture. The fact remains, however, that the moving picture industry is in the business for profit and they produce the character of pictures, so far as public sentiment and the law will allow, that will bring in the largest box-office returns.

The public has a very definite responsibility for the kind of movies that are produced. So long as questionable, suggestive pictures produce the largest net returns, under the present set-up, we may expect the continued production, in numbers, of such pictures. If shoddy clothing

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✻ Inside Japan Two Months After Surrender ✻

(An address by Bishop James C. Baker to an interdenominational gathering at the First Methodist Church in Los Angeles.)

(Continued from last week)

WHEN it comes to a question of the inner life of the schools during the wartime, here again you have the dark and the medium and the bright pictures. The oppression of the military was terrible—and the attempt to change the constitutions of Christian schools and to do away with all Christian ties was terrific. In some cases the schools yielded—the constitutions were changed. In other cases there was no yielding. Women's schools seem to have come off at that point more universally in a good way than the men's schools. Robert Spencer, now a Lieutenant Colonel in the American Army, said regarding the Fukuoka Girl's School. "The Principal kept the light burning gloriously." And I could name many other places where the same report can be made, i.e., Miss Kawai's School in Tokyo, the Tokyo Womans' College, Kobe Womans' College, et al, et al.

The trouble in trying to tell a story like this is that you are just full of it and case after case and illustration after illustration could be poured out. I wish I could give you some little notion of the most marvelous experience it has ever been the fortune of any men, I think, to have; but it is difficult to do it. Here for example was President Kanzaki at Kwansei Gakuin. Repeated and fearful pressures were put upon him to change the constitution of the school and to make it a different school entirely. Finally one day he gathered his family about him and said: "I am compelled to go again to the police station. I may not come back. I may be arrested. I don't know what lies ahead of me but I want you children to know that your father was an honest man." That's a sample of the faithful testimony many noble Christians gave.

We have a great interdenominational publishing building in Tokyo. It's standing in the midst of ruins. Sagawa, the manager, arranged to have somebody of his staff at every window of that building during the bombing so that the building might not be destroyed. On the night of the most terrible fire bombing he and the others left their own homes and went down to the publishing house and the Bible house to see if they could save it. The wall between the Bible house and the publishing house began to burn and there was no water. Sagawa went down on the street and organized a bucket brigade with such people as he could pick up on the street and so put out the fire. Somebody said to him, "Why did you leave your own home and go down there to save that building?" His answer was, "We felt it to be a sacred trust." Oh, our hearts were stirred over and over again by wonderful stories of steadfastness and faith.

And the women—I have referred to the women's schools and the way they came through. We had many stories of the work of the women in the churches. Of course we made special arrangements to meet representative women for conference. There are some great characters among the women leaders in the Japanese nation. There is new heart and new hope among

them; they say there is a new day dawning for women. You find that also as you read the English paper published by the Japanese, or as you have translated for you the vernacular press. Of course you know that the women are to have suffrage; that the age of voting has been reduced from 25 to 20, and the women (the leaders of the women—I don't want you to get the idea at all that I think that all the women in Japan know what's happening or have any idea about what they are going to do, any more than some American women) are thinking about their political responsibility. One of them said, "We know how the conditions are round about us, but we are very happy. Someway we feel that there is new opportunity for us." She went on to say, "God is just—we've reaped the penalty



Bishop James C. Baker

of what we have done as a nation—but God is good and the new day is before us." I don't want you to think that I am painting an over-bright picture—but I want you to understand that here are things that ought to stir our hearts through and through and make us see that it is possible for us to tie up again the bonds of unity in Christ and to work steadfastly for a "blue" Pacific.

These women are making their plans in the churches, in the Y. W. C. A., in the political parties, and so on. One of the things that I want to get to you very particularly is their concern about the whole Japanese nation so far as the relief of hunger is concerned and the provision of clothing and fuel. Over and over again the Christian group said, "We don't want to re-build our houses, as Christians, unless the others can rebuild. We don't want to be fed through any special relief fund from other parts of the world unless our fellow Japanese can be fed." One day the women came under the leadership of a woman whose husband had been Vice-Minister of the Imperial household for ten years—a woman who was at the very heart of Japanese life. As their spokesman she said, "We have been talking about what we can do—and we want to do our utmost to help. We'd like

to take out of the dearest treasures that we have heirlooms of one sort or another, porcelains, clothing and other things, and send them to the United States to be sold just as a token of what we want to do in this emergency, in this crisis. We know it won't amount to very much money—but it's all that we can do. What do you think about it?" Of course we said that we thought the women of the United States would be deeply touched by their desire. I hold in my hand an Obi, an heirloom, made of gold thread—it would cost hundreds of yen in Japan—taken out of the treasury of the household—but representative of the interest of Japanese women in the life of their people. Christian women who want some way to help the hurt of the world. I thought you'd like to see it. I'm taking it to New York the next part of this week, and I shall give it to a group of women there, and I doubt not but that it will serve a great purpose in helping make to our hearts to keep us from the awful callousness that follows war—in the midst of prosperity where our very souls are threatened. Something in the midst of the devastation of the world in Europe as well as in Japan, can destroy souls.

I'd like to tell you many other things about the women, but I realize I must not go on must however say a word about the Emperor and especially of his courage. If I had time to tell you the whole story you would see what it meant for him to issue the surrender proclamation. It took understanding and nerve. He never could have stopped the fighting war was stopped except as he stood out and said, "I am the Emperor." If we had gone in it would have cost hundreds of thousands of American lives as well as hundreds of thousands of Japanese lives. The hills are the instruments of war. We landed below the saki to gas our plane and our men told us that all through the hills there were great accumulations of parts for airplanes and ammunition and so on. At Atsugi Field there are really an underground factory and I suppose there are other factories in other parts of the nation. Hundreds of thousands of dollars of delicate intricate machinery was accumulated.

The Emperor stood out and called for surrender. Of course defeat was certain ultimately but he had the nerve to call and the people responded. You have read the story of his attempt to break his proclamation and the duty of the Imperial Guard.

In closing I recount some experiences that will live in my memory forever, which you'd like to have. Being with Russell Russell, for example, who for more than 23 years has been Y. M. C. A. Secretary in Japan, back there as one of the counsellors in the State Department because of his great knowledge reached Tokyo just two days ahead of us. He was our host and guide for many days. One of all classes rushed up to him with tears in their eyes and said, "Oh, Mr. Durgin, it's so good to have you back". As you looked at him you felt as though you were cashing in on a Christian investment of 25 years, as you felt the influence of that man in the life of the nation. I wouldn't have missed that for anything.

(Continued next week)

PLANS EDUCATIONAL MOVEMENT IN INTEREST OF CURTAILMENT OF LIQUOR TRAFFIC

Nashville, Tenn., May 8—Meeting under the chairmanship of Bishop Wilbur E. Hammaker, president of the Board of Temperance of the Methodist Church, plans were made here yesterday at the close of a two-day meeting, for an intensive educational and "agitational" movement throughout the entire Methodist Church in the interest of temperance education and curtailment of the liquor traffic.

The purposed church-wide program, according to Bishop Hammaker, will immediately tie in with the current program in behalf of church school enrollment and attendance sponsored by

the Local Church Division of the Methodist Board of Education, and will be actively pushed during the latter part of '47 and early months of '48 through a closely integrated church-wide movement designed to stimulate the total life of the church.

The Planning Committee, composed of executive and divisional heads of cooperating boards of the Methodist Church, brought to Nashville, and from the Board of Missions and Church Extension, New York City; Board of Lay Activities, Chicago; Board of Temperance, Washington, D. C. Bishop Schuyler E. Garth, of Madison, Wisconsin, was present, representing the special Temperance Committee of the Council of Bishops, and the Rev. Dr. M. E. Lazenby, representing the Christian Advocate, official organ of the Methodist Church, pub-

CORNELL FESTIVAL FEATURES CHICAGO SYMPHONY

Cornell College's (Mount Vernon) 48th annual May Musical Festival begins this week-end will again feature the Cornell Symphony Orchestra. This marks the second year in which the Chicago Symphony has appeared on the program, which is the first time that the festival has featured the best music festival west of the Mississippi. The event will include four separate concerts.

ished in Chicago.

The entire Methodist Church will be united to the cause of sobriety, decency, morality, spirituality, Bishop Hammaker said, "resound with the new note of dedication and consecration in the realm of temperance."

THE DEVOTIONAL PAGE

REV. H. O. BOLIN, Editor

WARNING ON DELINQUENCY AND COMMUNISM

An appalling picture of a wave of juvenile delinquency in this country is presented by J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. On these delinquents rather than on returning servicemen the head G-man is disposed to place much of the blame for the postwar outbreak of lawlessness.

He charges them with the commission of the most despicable offenses.

Arrests of girls under 18 have increased 198 per cent since 1939 while those of boys under 18 have jumped 48 per cent for homicide, 70 per cent for criminal attack, 39 per cent for robbery, 72 per cent for assault, 55 per cent for auto thefts and 101 per cent for drunkenness and driving while intoxicated.

American Communists, Mr. Hoover warned the annual conference of International Association of Chiefs of Police at Miami, Florida, are using their efforts to confuse and divide by "applying the Fascist smear to police departments, the FBI and other American institutions to conceal their own sinister purposes." The Communist party in the United States, he declared, is seeking to use the returning veterans as a "new front behind which they can hide."

Significantly when it comes to the question of the corruption of America, the FBI chief apparently rates the efforts of the Communists above juvenile delinquency, serious as that is. Undoubtedly part of the delinquency is to be traced to the studied efforts of the Commies to flout law and order. The FBI chief is not given to talking through his hat; his warning will be duly noted by all Americans who are not being bamboozled by the commies and their fellow travelers.—Los Angeles Times.

DIVINE DELIVERANCE

Since Divine Grace has made provisions for making man what he ought to be, every man is responsible for what he is.

If we are sinful after God has made provision to make us holy, then we are responsible for what we are, for God has thoroughly advertised His remedy for sin.

We, therefore, are responsible for our moral influence.

In other words, if we are not holy, we are a hindrance and a detriment to those with whom we associate.

We have been accustomed to hear it stated that we ought to be holy in order to live in Heaven and in order to increase our usefulness. These are axiomatic truths. But it is also our duty to be holy in order to avoid the injury which a wrong spirit and example do to those about us in every day life.

If we saw a man drowning and refused to help him, we would be responsible for his death. Every Christian who has been delivered from sin has a definite responsibility toward those who are sinking in its depths.—War Cry.

BE A BOOSTER

*If you think your church the best,
Tell 'em so!
If you'd have it lead the rest,
Help it grow!
When there's anything to do,
Let them always count on you,
You'll feel good when it is through
Don't you know?*

*If you're used to giving knocks,
Change your style;
Throw bouquets instead of rocks
For awhile.
Let the other fellow roast,
Shun him as you would a ghost;
Meet his banter with a boast
And a smile.*

*When a stranger from afar
Comes along,
Tell him who and what you are—
Make it strong,
Never flatter, never bluff,
Tell the truth, for that's enough.
Be a booster, that's the stuff,
Don't just belong.*

—Anonymous

From 1001 Illustrations for Pulpit
and Platform by Aquilla Webb

WHY ATTEND CHURCH?

When we speak of the Church we are not thinking merely of some denomination. We have many denominations—scores of them, but there is but one Church. This Church is made up of the true Christians in all of these denominations. All Christians belong to the same family. God is our Father and Christ is our Saviour and elder Brother. The sooner we come to realize this great fact the sooner there will be more cooperation between the different religious groups. We have before us a task that no one denomination can accomplish. Unless there is a greater spirit of understanding and cooperation between the different denominations, there will continue to be a lot of wasted effort and money. We feel that there must be a greater degree of cooperation between the different nations of the world, otherwise we can never have the social order we dream about. We can't expect nations to go farther along this line than religious groups.

Now, back to our question, "Why Attend Church?" First, because of its importance. Jesus said He would build the Church upon the rock of faith in Himself as the world's Saviour, and that the gates of hell could not prevail against it. The Church will always come out victorious. It will never ultimately fail. Nations may rise and fall but the Church continues. The Church militant here on earth will become the Church triumphant in heaven. In closing the 23rd Psalm David said, "I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever." When a person joins the Church (and he does so by joining any denomination for all are parts of the Church) he becomes a member forever. That is unless by his own maliciousness he severs his connection from it. We hear a lot of talk about life-time

memberships in certain organizations, but here is an institution to which one can belong forever. This makes Church membership a very important matter, and Church loyalty a thing that should be practiced by all members. All true members will be loyal. It will be noted that there are a lot of members of denominations who are not now and never have been members of the Church. The Church is the Body of Christ and no one who is not a true Christian ever becomes a member of it.

Second, people should be loyal to the Church because it alone exists for the one and only purpose of building the Kingdom of God on earth. From first to last the chief theme of all Christ's teachings was the Kingdom of God. Most of His teaching was done in parables. Think for a moment of these parables. They deal with this all important subject. The Kingdom of God is like a mustard seed; it is like leaven; it is like seed sown in the field; it is like treasure hid in the field; it is like a net full of fishes; and so on we could go multiplying examples. The disciples wanted Him to teach them to pray. The first petition of the prayer was, "Thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven." He began His ministry with these words, "Repent, for the kingdom of God is at hand." He ended it by saying, "It is finished." Through His life and sacrificial death He had made possible the entrance of every person into the Kingdom of God. The injunction is, "Whosoever will, may come." The Kingdom of God is a social order in which all people regardless of race, nationality, or color will live as brothers; a place where the golden rule, and not the rule of gold, will be practiced. The Church stands for the establishment

VALUES AND REWARDS

The person seeking enlightenment and proof of the exact values and rewards of a normal life, shall find their true evidence in his own life of daily conformity with moral law.—Edwin Dummer.

of this Kingdom. In fact, as we are here defining the Church it is almost synonymous with the Kingdom. The hope of the world lies in the establishment of the Kingdom of God. All members should be loyal to the Church because it is working toward the fulfillment of this hope.

All should be faithful to the Church because of their need of it. The Church teaches, and all stand in need of being taught. The Church preaches the gospel, and it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone who believes. The Church furnishes an opportunity for people to pool their efforts in service, and all must serve. The injunction is, "Do or die." Faith is very important but one only shows his faith by his works. All fruitless branches of the vine are cut off. The Church furnishes a place of public worship, and this is greatly needed. Even where two or three are gathered together in the name of Christ, He is in the midst of them. Our chief object in going to church is not to put on a dress parade or even to meet with our friends, but to meet with Christ. We can always count on His presence at every true church meeting.

During these spring days, and the summer ahead, many will hear the "call of the wilds." In fact this call is likely to sound louder in their lives than the call of God. The writer has an appreciation for the great out-doors; and hunting and fishing, O my! He often says that people will live longer and better if they do some of it, but we can't neglect our duty to God and the Church even for this. We must put Him and His Kingdom first in our lives.

Last we should be loyal to the church because we vowed to be. Lying alone is a terrible thing. Think how much worse it is to vow a lie before God and an assembled congregation. Most denominations have people take vows to the effect that they will be loyal to the Church. The Methodist Ritual raises this question, "Will you be loyal to the Methodist Church, and uphold it by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, and your service?" In answer to that you vowed, "I will." Are you doing it? God help you if you don't. David said, "I will pay unto the Lord my vows." These vows are not given merely to get one in a close place. They are given to help. Think of the blessings that will come to the person who prays for his Church, who attends it, who sacrifices for it, and who serves through it. The one who faithfully does these things will find himself growing in grace and in the knowledge of Christ. The very joy bells of heaven will ring in his soul.—H. O. B.

Many persons might have attained wisdom had they not assumed that they already possessed it.

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A WEEKLY MESSAGE

By FORNEY HUTCHINSON

WHAT THE PREACHER EXPECTS OF HIS PEOPLE

First of all, I expect that they should be absolutely loyal, not only to the church, but to me as pastor. If they have any criticisms to offer, they should come to me directly and not talk to others about me. I do not expect my people to advertise my faults to the public, but sympathetically to help me overcome them.

In the second place, I expect my people to be warmly sympathetic. Some men are more sensitive to atmospheric conditions than others. Personally, I am highly sensitive and must have a congenial atmosphere in which to do my best work. Unless my people can be sympathetic and appreciative, I will be hamstrung to start with. I recall a great layman I once had who was always at church, but never gave any expression as to his appreciation of my efforts. I used to think that I would give anything within the bounds of reason for just a crumb of commendation from him. He probably thought his regular attendance was sufficient, but it was not.

In the third place, I expect that my people shall be openly appreciative of my efforts. If my work is conscientious and efficient, they should not just take it for granted, but become enthusiastic about it. By doing so they can multiply the usefulness of my ministry a hundred-fold.

Fourth, I expect that they shall have an intelligent understanding of my problems. I would not have them blindly loyal. I greatly prefer that they be thoughtfully appreciative. Their counsel will bring me great help and inspiration. They should share with me the problems of their church and help me to think them through. Any suggestion from such a member would have my prayerful, careful consideration.

Fifth, I shall expect that they assume that I know more about my job than they do; that they should, therefore, defer to my judgment in matters that pertain specifically to the ministry. If that is not true, I should surrender my place to them, and if they can convince me of my limitations at that point, I will gladly do so. I should like them to understand that I am pastor of the whole church, not just certain phases of it.

Sixth, I shall expect that they take my preaching seriously and back it up with their lives. If they are going to hear me listlessly and indifferently, my ministry will hurt them

NEWS AND NOTES ABOUT FACTS AND FOLKS

REV. KIRVIN HALE, pastor at Waldo, preached the commencement sermon for the Waldo High School on Sunday, May 19, at 11 o'clock.

MISS VIOLA JANE GEISER and Nathan Putt were united in marriage on May 10 in the Methodist Church at Humphrey by the pastor, Rev. George L. Cagle.

ACCORDING to announcement Rev. James A. Upton of Hendrix College, will hold a series of services at Lepanto from June 23 to June 29. Rev. R. L. Franks is pastor.

REV. H. O. BOLIN, pastor of Grand Avenue Church, Stuttgart, preached the sermon for the Stuckey School on May 17 and the commencement sermon for the Stuttgart High School on May 19 at 11:00 a. m.

REV. FRED R. HARRISON, district superintendent of the Pine Bluff District, preached the commencement sermon for the following schools: Woodlawn, Sunday evening, May 5, and Sheridan High School, Sunday morning, May 12.

REV. J. T. BYRD, pastor at Siloam Springs, has been elected president of the Benton County Ministerial Alliance and Rev. James T. Randle, pastor at Rogers, has been elected treasurer.

REV. IRL BRIDENTHAL, pastor at Clarendon, preached the commencement sermon for the Clarendon High School at the Methodist Church on Sunday morning, May 19. He also preached the sermon for the Roe High School on Sunday evening, May 19.

REV. GLENN F. SANFORD, secretary of the Town and Country Commission of the North Arkansas Conference, was one of the speakers at the recent meeting of the jurisdictional meeting of the South Central Jurisdiction in Tulsa, Okla. The meeting was concerned primarily with the problems of the rural church.

CENTRAL METHODIST CHURCH, Fayetteville, had as guests preachers on Sunday, April 28, Rev. Forrest Kellog of the Sociology Department of the University at the morning hour, and Chaplain Gilbert F. Hyde of the Veteran's Hospital at the evening hour. Rev. Paul V. Galloway is pastor.

REV. ELDRED BLAKELY, pastor of Murfreesboro-Delight Charge, writes: "We have just closed a revival at Delight with seventeen additions, fifteen on profession of faith and two on certificate. Rev. Joe Robinson of Dierks did the preaching. The church will feel the effects of his good work for a number of years."

IT is announced that the Methodist Church at Okolona will soon be in a building program. The old building will be razed and a new structure, brick veneer, will be erected in its place. The building committee consists of Henry Rushing, Buren Hardin and Luther Orsburn. Rev. A. C. Rogers is pastor.

REV. CHARLES B. WYATT, pastor at Grady, writes: "On Sunday night, May 5, Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Brown visited Grady. Dr. Brown, who is pastor of First Church, Pine Bluff, preached for us. Although it was his fifth service for the day, it was given with spiritual power. We appreciated their presence with us very much."

more than it will help them. If I disclose to them a moral defect in their lives, and they do not try to overcome it, they will be all the worse for having heard me. Better hear no preaching than hear it, be convinced, and then not profit by it.

Finally, I expect them to pray for me and back me up in every possible way.

The relation of a pastor to his people is a serious matter!

PRESIDENT TRUMAN has said: "Surely we cannot ignore the cry of hungry children. Surely we will not turn our backs on the millions of human beings begging for just a crust of bread." Through the Emergency Food Collection on behalf of UNRRA, you can help save the 500 million human beings in famine-gripped lands of Europe and Asia. Give money to buy food or food canned in tin. Turn in your gift to your local collection committee, or send checks or money orders to National Headquarters, Emergency Food Collection, 100 Maiden Lane, New York 7, N. Y.

DURING the first three months of 1946, the Methodist Church, through its Committee on Overseas Relief, gave cash gifts and supplies of a total value of \$511,909, it is reported by the chairman, Bishop Herbert Welch. The use of these gifts included: the feeding of 15,000 children in Finland; sending 145 tons of flour to Greece; printing of 95,000 Bibles and 250,000 New Testaments in eight European languages; shipping of 3,765 bales of clothing to China, 1,000 pairs of shoes to children in Holland, 12 tons of powdered milk to China, and three tons of shoes and blankets to Poland.

REV. I. A. LOVE of Gillett visited the office and reports that 42 have been received into the Church. 25 on profession of faith, which is the quota for the Charge. He lacks but 8 having quota on addition by transfer of certificate. All financial assessments for the year are paid in full except the assessments for District Superintendent and pastor. These are paid in full to date. This is Brother Love's first year on this charge and he is enjoying the work. He preached the commencement sermon for the high school at Gillett Sunday, May 12. Golden Cross Sunday was observed at the evening hour. He already has in hand the full quota for the Methodist Hospital.

REV. BOB L. POOL, formerly pastor of First Church, Stuttgart, writes: "At my request in March Bishop Paul E. Martin and the cabinet of the Little Rock Conference released me from the pastorate of First Methodist Church of Stuttgart so that I might organize and direct 'Church Builders and Finance Service'. This service includes financial campaigns, stewardship revivals, church furnishings and architectural help. Expenses and an offering or fixed fees are the basis of support for this service. Correspondence with me at 3322 Robin Road, Louisville, 4, Ky., is now invited. During my pastorates in North Carolina, Texas and Arkansas I have had rather wide experience in church building, remodeling, and finance. From 1936 to 1940, I was director of the Division of Finance, Board of church Extension, M. E. Church, South, Louisville, Ky."

WHY SO MANY MOVIES ARE BAD

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produced the larger profit to clothing manufacturers and the public preferred such clothing, it would be quite difficult to buy a good suit. Where profit is the motivating principle of the producer or manufacturer we may expect them to produce what the public wants, if it is most profitable.

While the public is to blame for any demand for unwholesome pictures, this does not justify the moving picture industry in supplying that demand. Any agency that is as powerful in moulding life and character, in America, as the moving picture industry, should assume some responsibility, in its own right, regarding the effect its product has on American life. It should not be motivated altogether by financial considerations. It should take its place and assume its proper responsibility, as a great character forming agency, in helping to build good character.

The public generally can help them to come to that position by a proper attitude toward cheap, trashy, suggestive pictures.

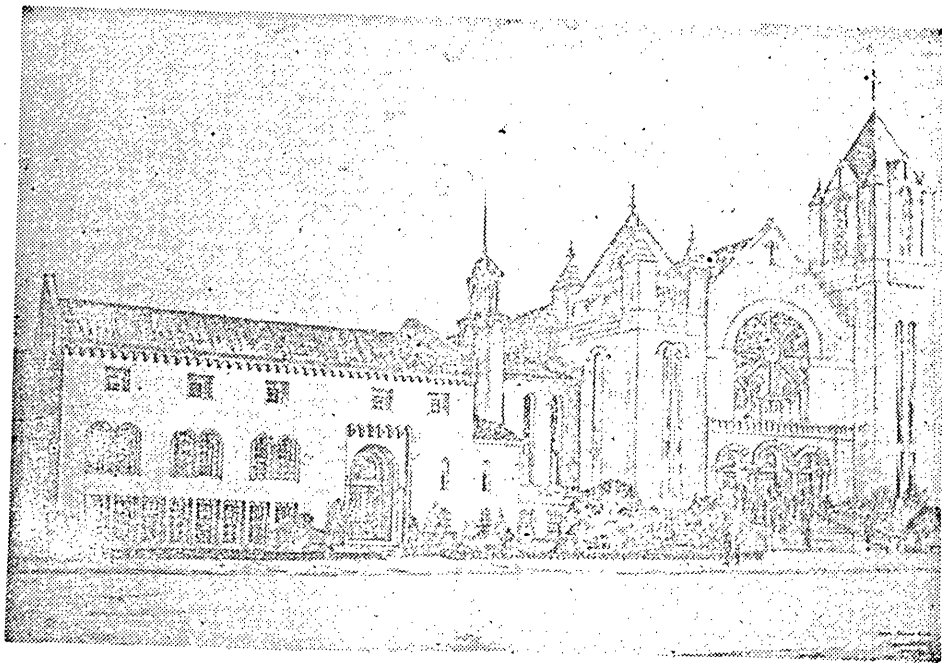
First Church, Little Rock Plans Building Program

PLANs for the expansion of the physical plant of the First Methodist Church, Eighth and Center Streets, Little Rock, have been announced. A third story is to be added to the present educational building and a new three story building is to be erected on Center Street where the frame building known as Rammel Hall now stands. Included in this project are plans for a chapel, a large recreational and social room for youth, and greatly increased room for the educational work of the church.

The First Methodist Church is one of the oldest institutions in the city of Little Rock. It was organized in 1831. The first house of worship was built on West Second Street in

an ambitious program for its youthful members. The Senior High and Young People's Departments will each have an assembly room and classrooms sufficiently large and inviting. On this floor there will also be a recreational room for the Youth Division (which includes the Junior High Department) designed for social functions, dramatics, visual education and the more active types of recreation participated in and appreciated by these age groups. The result of this plan is a compact, convenient and adequate arrangement for the teaching and social life of the youth of First Church.

The chapel is the jewel in the setting of the new church plan. It will serve a host of needs, worship services for small groups, small



Architect's Drawing of Proposed Addition to First Methodist Church

1833. In 1879 the property at Eighth and Center Streets was purchased and the building erected. A disastrous fire on December 15, 1895, destroyed this building. The congregation went to work, and between the years of 1896 and 1900 the present building was erected. To meet the needs of a rapidly increasing membership an additional structure was erected in 1924.

In order to provide room for a more adequate program of instruction and activities to meet the needs of today, the present building program has been launched. It is estimated that the new building, together with additions and improvements to the old building, will require an expenditure of \$150,000.

In the proposed plans for the ground floor a sound-proof rehearsal room is provided for the Choir School, with vesting rooms and an office for the organist and choirmaster. One room is given over entirely for use by the Scouts. The Junior Department will have enlarged quarters in the space now occupied by the Junior High Department. The dining room is considerably enlarged and the kitchen and pantry increased by as much as 50 per cent. Eight adult classrooms are provided on this floor, two of which, just west of the kitchen, are to be so arranged that they may be thrown together for a Ladies' Parlor, to be used for meetings of the Woman's Society of Christian Service and for social occasions. The present stairs will be removed and re-located in a much more convenient place.

As the main floor is entered from Center Street there will be a beautiful chapel which will be designed to seat approximately sixty people. Offices will be provided for the bishop and pastor near this chapel and convenient to the Center Street entrance. Enlarged quarters for the Nursery, the Kindergarten and the Primary Departments will be situated on this floor. The Junior High will have a larger and more attractive location. The church offices will remain where they are at the present time. The present chapel back of the sanctuary is to be used as an adult classroom. This room alone will seat twice the number of any adult classroom in use today. The improvements provided on this floor will solve in a large measure many of the present problems.

On the second floor First Church is planning

weddings and funerals, baptismal services and private, individual worship. The small church wedding involving, as is often the case, only a few people, will be much better provided for in this beautiful chapel than in the spacious sanctuary. The average funeral group will be much better accommodated in the intimacy provided by the chapel. This is to be a sacred place in the life of First Church in the future where one may turn in from the street to be alone awhile with God. The doors will always be open and the chapel will be a blessing.

It is fitting that in this expansion program proper attention be given to the choirs of First Church. Filling a large and ever-increasing place in the worship services and experiences of the congregation, and reaching more and more of the children and youth of the church with its inspiration and instruction the Department of Music is one of the most important in the total program of the church. Under the direction of John H. Summers, organist and choirmaster, the music of First Church has for many years been reaching numbers of people with its helpful ministry. At the present time more than 100 voices are enrolled in the choirs of First Church. To adequately train these singers and to provide the music for the various services, a great deal of rehearsal is necessary. A sound-proof rehearsal room will make it possible for the choirs to do their work without disturbing any other group in the church. An adequate office for Mr. Summers, with vesting rooms for the choirs, will provide for these faithful workers much needed facilities.

The present dining room will be enlarged by the addition of the space now used by the Nursery Department. At least 100 additional persons may be served in this larger room. The floor space of the kitchen and butler's pantry will be considerably increased and an entrance will be provided to the Alley in the rear. A dumb waiter will connect the kitchen and the Youth recreational room above. Re-decoration will make the dining hall a much more attractive and inviting room.

The building committee consists of T. J. Raney, Chairman, John A. Riggs, Mrs. H. B. Bethell, W. P. Guley, Doyle Colvert, W. R. Harrison, George H. Burden, Mrs. E. J. Rausch-

METHODISM URGED TO CONTINUE EVANGELISTIC EFFORTS

Chicago—During the recent annual meeting of the General Board of Evangelism, attention was given to the program of Evangelism and its continuation to the end of the quadrennium in 1948. It was stated that while thousands of new members have been won for the Church, only through careful efforts of assimilation can they be kept in the Church. As Dr. Roy R. Short, editor of "The Upper Room," put it, it will involve leading them into such a conception of Christian Stewardship that their religious interest will be maintained.

Methodism must not forget that there still remain thousands to be won for Christ and the Church, Dr. Short said, and suggested that an analysis of past failures might be helpful in future attempts.

The Board offers the following suggestions for continuing the evangelistic movement:

Conference

1. Fix a definite evangelistic goal for your Conference for 1946-47.
2. Let the Conference Board of Evangelism make a study of those areas of the Conference which are not being adequately served by the Church, and assist the district superintendent in holding an evangelistic effort in such communities preliminary to organizing a church.
3. Urge each pastor to follow the provision of the "Discipline" for notifying the district superintendent or pastor in the communities into which their members have moved.
4. Plan for a Conference School of Christian Doctrine during the year emphasizing the great basic doctrines in which evangelism roots.

District

1. Plan for an Annual Prayer Retreat.
2. Plan a district visitation campaign for 1947.
3. Promote a district camp meeting.
4. Promote a district-wide simultaneous revival in all churches of the district.
5. Sponsor tent-meetings during the summer in new population areas or in neglected areas.

Local Church

1. Proclaim constantly the Gospel of Christ as adequate for every area of life.
2. Stress constantly the importance of the Christian family, and keep before your people the value of having daily devotions in the home, and being well supplied with evangelistic literature.
3. Have organized functioning prayer groups in your church.
4. Find and know the people living in the parish bounds by conducting a survey and developing a constituency and responsibility lists.
5. Train children, young people and adults in classes in the Christian life and church membership.
6. Have a regularly functioning Fellowship of Evangelism.
7. Set aside one or more specific weeks for visitation evangelism in which laymen visit for Christian commitments.
8. Hold a series of evangelistic preaching services, a preaching mission or revival in which commitments for Christ will be sought.
9. Give the invitation to Christian discipleship at every service.
10. Follow a definite plan for assimilating new members into the church.
11. See that every new member of the church is enlisted in some Church School class and in other church organizations such as W. S. C. S., Brotherhoods and Youth organizations.

The motto of the Board is: EVERY PREACHER AN EVANGELIST, EVERY METHODIST A WITNESSING MEMBER, EVERY CHURCH AN EVANGELISTIC CENTER.

kolb, Joe T. Thompson. The ministers of First Church are the Reverend Aubrey G. Walton and the Reverend William J. Reid.

People are lonely because they build walls instead of bridges.—Joseph Fort Newton.



THE CHILDREN'S PAGE

ANNIE WINBURNE, Editor



IN STORYLAND

ELIZABETH AND THE FAIRY QUEEN

By Aunt Peggy

One cold spring morning Elizabeth slipped from the breakfast table and ran into the garden to gather flowers. She was skipping from bush to bush smelling the blossoms when something tickled her little upturned nose. And suddenly she began to shrink, and shrink until she was small enough to hide behind a pansy.

"A bee stung me," whimpered Elizabeth.

"Did it hurt much?" a tinkling little voice came from the heart of a lily.

Elizabeth looked up and there stood a fairy queen shimmering in the sunlight. "I touched you with my magic wand to make you grow small," smiled the queen. "Would you like to come up and visit me in the throne room? I'll have my servants make a ladder for you." And waving her wand again, she produced two black spiders who fell to work spinning a web for Elizabeth to climb up into the lily. "Now you can see my kingdom," exclaimed the fairy queen.

Elizabeth looked out to see hundreds of little fairies running about in the flower garden.

"Where are they going?" asked Elizabeth. "I thought that fairies lived in the forest and did nothing but dance. Your fairies all look as if they are going somewhere in a hurry."

"Every fairy has its work to do before it can dance in the moonlight," frowned the queen. "Humans have such queer ideas about fairies."

"But what do they do?" asked Elizabeth.

"Come with me," answered the queen, waving her wand. Elizabeth felt wings growing from her shoulders, and spreading them awkwardly she flapped after the queen.

Presently they were standing by a baby's cradle and heard a young mother's soothing voice, "Lie quietly. Mother has work to do." But the baby puckered its face and began to cry.

"Oh, dear," sighed the unhappy mother, "I have so much to do; I can't rock you now." And then her voice relaxed for her baby was cooing happily as it waved its hands in the air.

"Do fairies make babies laugh?" asked Elizabeth, watching the queen flitting about, kissing the baby's fingertips and tickling its dimpled cheeks.

"Every day some of my fairies fly over the world to amuse babies while their mothers are busy," nodded the queen.

Just then a tiny fairy flew in to play with the baby and the queen beckoned Elizabeth to follow as she went to inspect the work of other fairies.

They hastened on to a sickroom where a feverish child tossed on its bed, and there Elizabeth saw two fairies fanning the hot child's face while a third fairy sprinkled fragrant dewdrops on the pillow. When

the fretful child fell into a peaceful sleep, the queen led Elizabeth across the town to a kitchen where Aunt Jemima was preparing for a party. And there she saw a fairy with a tiny pump standing by the bread pan.

"What is she doing?" asked Elizabeth.

"Pumping up the rolls," laughed the queen. See how big and light they are getting?"

Another fat little fairy kept buzzing up to Aunt Jemima's ear.

"What's he doing?" asked Elizabeth.

"Whispering happy thoughts when Aunt Jemima gets tired and her temper rises. Nothing like a happy cook in the kitchen," laughed the queen. As they flew away they could hear Aunt Jemima humming and chuckling over her pots and pans.

"Can fairies do everything?" asked Elizabeth.

"No," sighed the queen. "Humans are stubborn and will not listen to fairy voices so much of the time. And only those who listen can be helped."

As she said this they lighted on the lily in Elizabeth's own flower garden, and Elizabeth heard her mother calling her.

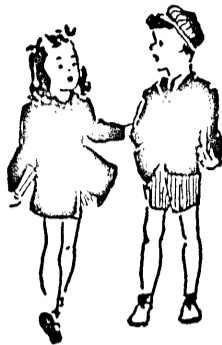
"I won't answer her," whispered Elizabeth. "She wants me to wash the breakfast dishes, and I don't like to wash dishes. I'd rather play with you."

"Did you have any breakfast this morning?" asked the queen.

"Oh yes, Mother made waffles," brightened Elizabeth.

"Your mother didn't say, 'I don't like to cook breakfast; I'd rather stay in bed,' did she?" asked the queen.

"But Mother likes to cook," Elizabeth started to say when she caught the eye of the fairy queen, and something way down inside her throbbed like toothache. Suddenly she wondered if her mother really did like to cook. "Do you suppose a fairy whispers nice things in Mother's ear when she doesn't want to get up in the morning?" she



VACATION

Vacation days with all their joys,
With all their fun, and all their noise
Have come again, school is now out.
Each girl and boy, with happy shout,
Plans, for the busy summer days,
To work and help in many ways
The folks at home and all friends, too.
A happy plan I think, don't you?—A. E. W.

JUST FOR FUN

Daughter: "Dad, what's the best way to make Willie stop spending so much money on me whenever he takes me out?"

Dad: "Marry him."

During a natural history lesson the teacher asked who could name an animal peculiar to Australia.

"The elephant," said a boy.

"But the elephant is not found in Australia," replied the teacher.

"No, miss; that is why it would be peculiar."

Teacher: "Now children, name some of the lower animals, starting with Jerry Mitchell."

A shy lad wanted to marry the girl, but he felt he would choke if he tried to mention the word "marry" or "marriage" to her. So, after giving much thought to the problem, he asked her in a whisper one evening, "Julia, how would you like to be buried with my people?"

Sitting on the paternal knee, little Tommy looked up into his father's face and exclaimed, "Daddy, when I'm a man I want to be just like you."

Then, suddenly realizing that his father was not exactly a handsome man, the youngster added with childish candor, but with an adoring glance which robbed the amendment of its sting, "Inside, daddy, not outside."

A fat lady stepped on the scales, not knowing they were out of order, and put in a penny. The scales went up to fifty-seven pounds and stopped.

asked.

The fairy queen nodded. "And I think Mother listens to the fairies."

Elizabeth's eyes sparkled as she cried, "Make me big again quick. I must go wash the breakfast dishes."—North Carolina Christian Advocate.

IN THE WORLD OF BOYS AND GIRLS

THE SILVER TRAIL

By Emma Florence Bush

"You never will learn that lesson," said Fred impatiently. "Here I learned mine an hour ago and you are still studying."

"I know it," answered Ben humbly, "it takes me so long to learn anything, but I hate to give it up. I don't like to be in class and not know my lesson."

"Well, if you can't learn, you can't," said Fred. "You have studied long enough. Come out in the garden and help me weed. You can do that, even if you didn't have gardens in the city."

Fred and Ben were cousins, and Ben, whose parents lived in the city, had come to spend a year with his uncle and aunt while his father and mother were away. He half sighed now as he rose to follow his cousin. Fred was so smart, he read his lessons over once or twice and then he knew them. He guessed he wouldn't study any more on that lesson today; as Fred said, he couldn't help it if he couldn't learn.

The two boys knelt down by the garden beds to weed. All at once Ben noticed a kind of silvery net work upon the soil.

"Why, look here!" he exclaimed excitedly. "Here's a silver trail. wonder what beautiful insect made it. See, it crosses the path here and disappears under that rock."

"Oh," said Fred indifferently, "that's nothing but an old slimy snail. They crawl around here every morning. They are all wet and slimy, and some of the moisture of their bodies comes off on the grass and dirt."

"But it is so pretty and silvery," said Ben. Then he thought a minute.

"Fred," he asked, "isn't a snail the slowest thing there is?"

"Of course," answered Fred impatiently. "Aren't you going to help me weed now?"

Ben rose to his feet.

"No, I am not," he answered decidedly. "I am going back and learning that lesson. Then I will come and help you. You can be doing something else until I finish, then I will weed with you. I guess if a snail can make such a lovely thing as a silver trail I can make some kind of a one myself, even if I am slow. The snail did not break his trail and I won't break mine."

Fred looked after him a minute.

"There's that knife-tray for mother. I have had half finished for weeks," he said. "I think I will finish it now while Ben is studying. I can't wait my cousin and an old snail get ahead of me."—In Zion's Herald.

ped. A newsboy standing by noted the situation. "Look!" he cried. "She's hollow!"

Business Man: "Hello, operator, want to speak to my wife."

Operator: "Number, please?"

Business Man: "Number? I don't know, but one."

HENDRIX COLLEGE NEWS

Conway, Ark., May 23—Hendrix will be host to the Arkansas College Press Association convention to be held in Conway Friday and Saturday, Feb. 6 and 7, 1947, Dorothy Storey of North Little Rock, editor of the Hendrix Profile, announced following her return from a recent meeting of the convention committee during the ACPA Convention for 1946 at Ouachita College.

Arkansas State Teachers College and Central College will assist in the planning and program of events of the meet.

It is hoped, Miss Storey said, that the 17 eligible Arkansas colleges will participate in the convention.

At the 1946 convention, the Hendrix Profile was picked for second-place honors in the Editorial Effectiveness Division and was third in the Headlines Division.

Profile winners in individual contests were Joe Shaw, third place in the Feature Division; and Nancy Penix, second place in the Columns Division.

Dan Harton, Hendrix senior, has been awarded a graduate assistantship in mathematics at Ohio State University.

Mr. Harton, who will complete his requirements for the bachelor of science degree at the end of the summer term here, will major in mathematics and chemistry at the graduate school at Ohio State, and according to the terms of the assistantship will teach five hours a week in the general college there.

He entered Hendrix in 1943, upon graduation from Conway High School, and has been active in the college band, symphony, and is a member of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, national music fraternity.

Mr. Harton is the son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Moore Harton of Conway.

The graduation recital of Corliss Arnold, Hendrix organ major from Monticello, at the recital hall in the administration building at Hendrix, concluded a meeting of the Arkansas Chapter of the American Guild of Organists in Conway on May 13.

Mr. Arnold, playing before a capacity crowd, featured selections by Bach, Brahms, Franck, and Symphony No. 5 by Widor in his recital. He received an ovation from the audience and was called back for several encores.

He is a student of J. Glenn Metcalf, associate professor of music at Hendrix.

Other features of the chapter's meeting included a business session at Galloway Hall, women's dormitory at Hendrix; the traditional guild service at the Hendrix auditorium, when the Rev. C. E. A. McKim of North Little Rock, presided, assisted by Rev. James S. Upton, professor of religion at Hendrix; and vocal numbers by the Hendrix chapel choir, under the direction of Mr. Metcalf. After Mr. Arnold's recital, he and the guild members were honored by a reception at Galloway Hall, with Miss Katharine Gaw, coordinator of music at Hendrix, in charge of arrangements.

At the conclusion of the convention, Mr. Metcalf assumed office as dean-elect of the chapter.

According to ratings received last week, five Hendrix students won high places in their divisions in the Arkansas Speech Festival held last month in Little Rock, Garrett L. Starmer, head of the dramatics department at Hendrix, has announced.

In the college oratory contest,

RUSSIAN WAR ORPHANS' CLOTHES WILL CARRY METHODIST LABELS



NEW YORK—Bishop Herbert Welch, chairman of the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief, presents to Eugene F. Perfiliev, representative of the Soviet Consulate, a check for \$15,000.00 for Russian Relief. With them is Dr. Ralph W. Sockman of Christ Church, New York, chairman of Russian Relief's National Interfaith Committee.

In making the presentation, Bishop Welch expressed the hope of the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief that the donation would be of immediate value in meeting high-priority relief needs for clothing for some of the Soviet Union's 4,000,000 war orphans. Each garment provided will carry a label, printed in Russian, indicating that the gift is from the Methodist Churches of America.

Nancy Penix, sophomore from Jonesboro, won a rating of "excellent," the highest grade attainable.

Marian Mouser, freshman from Hope, won an excellent and Yvonne Patten, freshman from Little Rock, won a "good" rating in the College Memorized Poetry division.

In the College Extemporaneous Poetry division, Mary Matthews of Heber Springs, won an "excellent" and Frances Benton, sophomore from Hot Springs, attained a "good" rating.

These students, in winning their places in the contests, were competing against students from all colleges in the state.

Also entered in the Festival by the Hendrix speech department was a modified version of the Globe Theatre Edition of "Taming of the Shrew," as featured at the Chicago World's Fair. This presentation, a formal reading, was not rated but won high praise from the judge of the dramatics division.

Paul Page Faris of the Hendrix faculty was elected associate editor and member of the executive committee of the American College Public Relations Association at the annual convention held at the University of Kentucky recently.

As associate editor he will edit the association's 150-page public relations annual, containing addresses, reports and other proceedings of the convention. Mr. Faris was a member of the association's plans and policies committee during the past two years.—Lane Scott.

"People die, murder and go insane through the excessive use of alcohol without evoking a murmur from the public or a gesture from health officers, while a rare disease which has caused the death of half a dozen people becomes a matter of public concern." — Dr. Lawrence Kolb, Former Assistant Surgeon-General, U. S. Public Health Service.

YET FORWARD

(The Message to the Church Adopted by the General Board of Evangelism at its Annual Meeting, April 26, 1946.)

Titanic events have given dramatic emphasis to the Year of Evangelism. We have the inspiration of feeling ourselves a part of a spiritual movement which we recognize as providential.

During the very year when the powers of destruction came to awesome climax, Methodism assumed a leading role in laboring with God for the hearts of men.

No search for words is needed to describe the convictions we have concerning the Crusade for Christ. It is bringing God to multiplied thousands of hearts.

Our Troubled Times

We see individuals living as spiritual anarchists, indulging in immoralities, ignoring God with reckless abandon.

We see our nation using the good earth and its sacred yield for despoiling the lives and homes of our people. We see gross secularism blinding multitudes to moral and social responsibility. So many are ready to approve a world half-slave, half-free—so long as they are among the free.

We see nations attempting to shield themselves behind phenomenal scientific discoveries, expending only a token of effort to brother all the sons of earth.

A split world cannot survive the split atom. Selfishness and pride, prejudice and hate, violence and lust are working havoc. A Power greater than atomic power must be let loose upon our world—at once. Christ is that greater Power. He is the last, best hope of earth.

For the Hungry and Thirsty

We work in a challenging parish!

BOARD OF EVANGELISM REPORT ON VISITATION EVANGELISM

Chicago — Visitation Evangelism Crusades were directed for 3,421 charges with 1,190,679 members, or 15 per cent of the Church, by Conference or District leadership or by leaders selected by Area cabinets, the report of Rev. Guy H. Black, Nashville, Tenn., associate secretary of the Board of Evangelism, revealed in the Board's recent annual meeting.

During 1946, 15,518 ministers were trained in visitation evangelism schools. In the last six months Dr. Black served 5,999 pastoral charges in Area and Conference crusades, with 2,633,748 members. He trained and used 71 outstanding pastors and district superintendents who directed visitation evangelism crusades in 10,150 pastoral charges with 3,579 members.

Conference and Districts representing 1,700 charges with 656,196 members did not have District or Conference visitation evangelism crusades, according to Dr. Black. "It is not likely that any of these Conferences will reach their goals," he said, and added:

"If a Conference or District is 40 per cent short of its goal in May or September, a visitation evangelism Crusade may be directed which will put them 'over the top' by Conference time or by World Wide Communion Sunday, providing pastors and superintendents will give good cooperation. We have competent, experienced leaders who are willing to direct crusades this spring and next September."

Beneath the crust of indifference, our generation has that "hunger and thirst after righteousness" of which Christ speaks.

As laymen and ministers we feel a divine urgency to proclaim and exemplify the transforming power of God. Scientists, statesmen, men of military prowess, thoughtful men in all ways of life—all these are helping the Church declare God's message. The pulpit itself is regaining evangelistic warmth and laymen are sharing the joy of heaven over the repentance of sinful men.

The stories being told and the tabulations of triumph being recorded indicate that still greater spiritual victories are within our reach.

Youth claim Christ when he is convincingly and compellingly presented. Bewildered and distraught adults inquire earnestly and accept readily the power of God in their lives. In every kind of community and in every kind of life God is coming alive! Pitiful spiritual vagabonds in every hamlet and city must and can be reached by our ever-widening concern and an ever-improving strategy of evangelism.

Only new men, given wisdom and power from on high, may hope to surmount the perils of this new age.

The Church at Work

The church at work—that is what we see as we look at Methodism today. We are becoming more courageous in our claims for Christ.

There is music in our souls as we continue crusading. God is making us increasingly aware that so long as we crusade for men, women, and youth we are crusading with Christ. "Yet forward!" comes the command from on high!

He who does not look forward remains behind.

Little Rock Conference Treasurer's Report

FROM ANNUAL CONFERENCE THROUGH MAY 10

ARKADELPHIA DISTRICT						CHARGE					
CHARGE	B.F.	C.C.	Benev.	W.S.	G.A.&J. Crusade Exp.Fd. ForChrist		B.F.	C.C.	Benev.	W.S.	G.A.&J. Crusade Exp.Fd. ForChrist
ARKADELPHIA			\$1450.00			Harrell	2.75	14.25		45.00	
ARKADELPHIA CT.						Total	11.50	67.12		65.00	3.00
Hollywood			5.00			HARMONY GROVE CT.					
Mt. Pisgah	4.00	17.00	25.00		5.00	Buena Vista		7.00	20.00		
Mt. Zion	2.00	6.00	20.00		2.00	Harmony Grove		14.00	35.00		
Smyrna	2.00	5.00	25.00		2.00	Lakeside		7.00	20.00		
Total	8.00	28.00	75.00		8.00	Total		28.00	75.00		
BENTON STATION	68.00	507.00	1500.00		40.00	HUTTIG CHARGE	3.00	7.00	12.00		
BENTON CT.				20.00		Bolding			79.00	12.22	
Congo				8.70		Huttig	3.00	7.00	91.00	12.22	
Martindale				15.00		Total					
Pleasant Hill				5.00		JUNCTION CITY CT.	1.00				2.00
Smyrna				1.00		Beech Grove	16.00	26.00	25.00	29.68	3.00
Total			15.00	34.70		Junction City		5.00			2.00
CARTHAGE-TULIP		59.00	80.00			Olive Branch	12.00	32.00	47.00		3.00
Carthage						Pleasant Grove	29.00	63.00	72.00	29.68	10.00
COUCHWOOD CT.				8.46		Total					
Butterfield	3.00	9.00		15.00	3.79	KINGSLAND CT.	1.00	5.00	18.00		5.00
Magnet Cove			25.00			Grace	16.00	42.00	67.00		5.00
Morning Star			30.00			Kingsland	17.00	47.00	85.00		
Rockport	3.00	9.00	55.00	23.46	3.79	Total					
Total						LOUANN CT.	4.00	16.00	10.00		
DALARK CT.	6.00	24.00	55.00		3.00	Liberty	12.00	56.00	83.13		
Bethlehem			75.00			Louann	7.00	32.00	6.87		
Dalark	10.00	41.00	90.00	20.00	6.00	Silver Hill	23.00	104.00	100.00		60.00
Manchester	4.00	16.00	25.00		1.00	Total	73.50	346.00	1000.00		
Manning	5.00	18.00	35.00		2.00	FIRST CHURCH, MAGNOLIA					
Rock Springs	25.00	99.00	280.00	20.00	12.00	JACKSON STREET-MAGNOLIA	4.00	24.00	15.00		10.00
Total						Lydesdale	42.00	144.00	110.00		4.00
FRIENDSHIP CT.	2.00	6.00	12.00	3.00		Jackson Street	8.00	54.00	60.00		14.00
Christian Home	3.00	9.00	35.00		2.50	Village	54.00	222.00	185.00		
Bismarck	5.00	14.00	49.95		3.00	Total					
Friendship	2.00	6.00	25.00		2.00	MARYSVILLE CT.	5.00	19.50		34.50	2.00
L'Eau Frais			23.00	9.76		Bethel	5.00	9.00	35.00		2.00
Midway	3.00	8.00	35.00		2.00	Ebenezer	5.00		25.00		
Social Hill	15.00	43.00	179.95	12.76	9.50	Friendship	11.00		60.00		2.00
Total						Marysville	26.00	28.50	120.00	34.50	6.00
HOLLY SPRINGS CT.		15.00	30.00			Total					
Holly Springs			25.00			PARKER'S CHAPEL-FREDONIA	14.00	36.00	85.00	20.00	8.00
Mt. Carmel			25.00			Fredonia	17.50	90.00	75.00		8.00
Mt. Olivet		6.00	25.00			Parker's Chapel	31.50	126.00	160.00	20.00	16.00
Total		21.00	80.00			Total	17.48	110.00	146.64	20.00	
HOT SPRINGS CHURCHES	57.54	418.60	1108.31	175.00	46.69	SMACKOVER					
First Church	15.00	250.00	500.00		185.00	STEPHENS-MT. PROSPECT	4.00	25.00	15.00		2.00
Grand Avenue	38.50	20.00		305.00	12.00	McNeil	4.00	27.00	35.00		13.00
Oaklawn		330.00	400.00		200.00	Mt. Prospect	38.00	236.00	275.00		15.00
Pullman Hgts.	4.50	18.00	15.00			Stephens	46.00	288.00	325.00		
Tigert Memorial	14.00	48.00	35.00			Total					
FOUNTAIN LAKE						STRONG CT.	7.00	34.00	55.00		3.75
HOT SPRINGS CT.			20.00			Rhodes Chapel	14.00	70.00	86.00	6.00	7.50
Bethlehem	1.00	5.00	22.00		2.00	Strong	7.00	10.00	17.00		
Gum Springs			45.00		8.00	Union	28.00	114.00	158.00	6.00	11.25
Mt. Pine	4.00	17.00	53.00		10.00	Total					
New Salem	5.00	22.00	140.00			THORNTON CT.	1.75	8.00	9.40		
Total						Chambersville	.50	3.00		5.00	
LEOLA CT.			15.00			Stony Point	1.00	5.00		9.25	
Clear Creek			30.00			Temperance Hill	9.00	37.00	56.15		
Hunter's Chapel			80.00	19.50		Thornton	12.25	53.00	65.55	14.25	
Leola			10.00			Total					
Rolla			15.00			WALDO CT.	42.00	240.00		400.00	20.00
Toler's Chapel			150.00	19.58		Waldo	790.17	3342.37	8251.65	763.30	430.75
Total	63.00	468.00	1000.00	124.98	40.00	DISTRICT TOTALS					44.00
FIRST CHURCH, MALVERN	23.00	104.00	60.00	20.00	12.00	AREA FUND—Bearden \$3.00, Fairview, Camden \$1.50, First Church, Camden, 10.00, Chidester Ct.-Rushing Memorial \$5.00, First Church El Dorado, \$10.00, Vantrease Memorial Charge \$5.00, Fordyce \$5.00, Hampton-Harrell \$10.00, Calion Church \$1.00, Harrell Church \$1.00, Junction City \$2.00, Charge, Calion Church \$1.00, Kingsland Church \$2.00, Village \$1.00, Marysville Ct.-Pleasant Grove \$1.00, Kingsland Church \$2.00, Village \$1.00, Marysville Ct.-Ebenezer Church \$1.00, Parker's Chapel \$1.50, Mt. Prospect \$2.00, Stephens \$3.00, Strong Church \$1.00, Rhodes Chapel \$5.00, Waldo Church \$5.00.					61.50
PRINCETON CT.	4.00	21.00	68.00	18.00	3.00	Total Area Fund					
Macedonia			20.00	5.26		MINISTERIAL SUSTENTATION FUND, CHURCH—Fairview \$10.00, First Church, Camden \$55.00, Chidester Ct.-Missouri \$1.50, Rushing Memorial \$4.00, Silver Springs \$2.00, First Church, El Dorado \$65.00, Vantrease \$4.00, Silver Springs \$2.00, First Church, El Dorado \$1.50, Wesley \$1.50, Emerson Ct.-Memorial Ct. Bethel \$1.75, Vantrease \$12.00, Wesley \$1.50, Emerson Ct.-Memorial Ct. Bethel \$2.00, Fordyce \$30.00, Calion \$3.00, Bolding \$2.00, Junction Atlanta Church \$2.00, Fordyce \$4.00, First Church Magnolia \$42.00, Jackson City \$9.00, Pleasant Grove \$4.00, Village \$5.00, Marysville Ct.-Bethel Church Street \$24.00, Lydesdale \$2.00, Village \$5.00, Marysville Ct.-Bethel Church \$3.00, Marysville \$6.00, Fredonia \$8.00, Stephens \$21.50, McNeil \$2.00, Mt. Prospect \$2.50, Strong Ct.-Strong Church \$7.80, Rhodes Chapel \$3.75, Union \$3.75.					334.05
Sardis	9.50	59.50		235.00	5.50	Total Ministerial Sustentation Fund, Church					
Sparkman	26.00	165.00		300.00	14.00	MINISTERIAL SUSTENTATION FUND, PASTOR—Arthur Terry, \$40.00, Chidester Ct. \$7.50, Vantrease Memorial \$15.00, Emerson Ct. \$1.50, Fordyce \$15.00, Jackson Street Charge, Magnolia \$31.00, Stephens-Mt. Prospect \$26.50, Strong Ct. \$15.30.					151.80
Total	35.50	224.50		535.00	19.50	Total Ministerial Sustentation Fund, Pastor					
TRASKWOOD CT.	5.00	18.00		15.00	5.00	PHILANDER SMITH COLLEGE FUND—Vantrease Memorial Charge-Bethel \$1.00, Vantrease \$10.00, Wesley \$1.00, Fredonia \$10.00, Parker's Chapel \$12.00, Strong Church \$10.00.					44.00
Ebenezer	4.00	12.00		53.00	3.00	Total Philander Smith College					150.00
New Hope	5.00	18.00		50.00		OVERSEAS RELIEF—First Church, Camden					\$14,363.59
Traskwood	14.00	48.00		77.00	8.00	GRAND DISTRICT TOTAL RECEIVED					
Total						LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT					16.00
DISTRICT TOTALS	394.05	2746.60	7328.26	1371.74	226.44	AUSTIN CT.	2.28	11.92	18.75	2.00	4.00
AREA FUND—Benton \$12.00, Grand Avenue, Hot Springs \$5.00, Malvern \$12.00, Sparkman \$3.00, Sardis \$2.00					Concord	2.75	14.14				
Total Area Fund					Mt. Tabor	1.53	7.69				
MINISTERIAL SUSTENTATION FUND, CHURCH—Benton \$39.00, Dalark \$3.00, Manchester \$5.00, Manning \$2.00, Rock Springs \$2.00, First Church, Hot Springs \$32.20, Oaklawn \$22.00, Pullman Heights \$30.00, Malvern \$36.00, Keith Memorial \$13.00, Sparkman \$15.00, Sardis \$5.50					Mt. Zion	1.32	3.74				
Total Ministerial Sustentation Fund—Church					Old Austin	.92	4.67				
MINISTERIAL SUSTENTATION FUND, PERSONAL—Keith Memorial \$13.00, Sparkman \$6.50					Smyrna	1.28	6.58		6.00		
Total Ministerial Sustentation Fund, Personal					South Bend	10.08	48.74	18.75	8.00	4.00	16.00
PHILANDER SMITH COLLEGE—Sparkman \$12.00, Sardis \$8.00, Keith Memorial \$6.00, Princeton \$13.00					Total						
Total Philander Smith College					BAUXITE-SARDIS	37.00	210.00	272.00		21.00	217.54
GRAND DISTRICT TOTAL					Bauxite	7.00	40.00	70.00	18.00	4.00	
CAMDEN DISTRICT					Sardis	44.00	250.00	342.00	18.00	25.00	217.54
BEARDEN	31.00	81.00	81.00		Total						
FAIRVIEW-CAMDEN	18.00	104.00	152.50		BRYANT CT.	2.50	11.00		35.00	3.00	
FIRST CHURCH, CAMDEN	96.00		2535.00	139.00	Mt. Carmel	6.00	32.40	92.00	9.00	2.00	
CHIDESTER CT.					Salem	8.50	43.00	92.00	44.00	5.00	
Missouri	3.00	14.00	30.00		Total	46.00	297.00	402.00	48.00	30.00	
Rushing Memorial	7.00	35.00	48.00		CARLISLE STATION						
Silver Springs	4.00	18.00	50.00		CARLISLE CIRCUIT						
Total	14.00	67.00	128.00		Hamilton			26.15			
CENTENNIAL MEMORIAL CT.	5.00	15.00		12.50	Shiloh			14.60			
Centennial Memorial	5.25	10.50	57.00		Walter's Chapel			9.25			
Dumas Memorial			10.00		Zion			20.00			
Hi-Bank	3.50	2.00			Total			70.00			
Lisbon	13.75	27.50	67.00	12.50	DES ARC-NEW BETHEL						13.67
Total	114.00	845.00	2000.00	80.00	Des Arc						
FIRST CHURCH, EL DORADO					DeVALLS BLUFF-CHENAUTL CHAPEL	4.00	15.00	30.00		6.00	
VANTREASE MEMORIAL CT.	3.06	19.25	35.00		Chenault Chapel	2.10	7.25	12.50	5.40	1.75	3.90
Bethel	21.00	132.00	167.46		DeValls Bluff	6.10	22.25	42.50	5.40	7.75	3.90
Vantrease	2.63	15.50	33.00		Total						
Wesley	26.69	167.75	235.46		DOUGLASSVILLE-GEYER SPRINGS	26.50		175.00		15.00	350.00
Total					Douglaville	15.00	50.00	85.00		10.00	260.00
EMERSON CT.	3.00	13.00	4.50		Geyer Springs	42.50	50.00	260.00		25.00	610.00
Atlanta	2.00	12.50	5.00	10.15	Total	13.12	82.50	125.00		10.50	13.00
Christie's Chapel	2.50	10.50			ENGLAND	21.00	120.00	350.00			623.00
Emerson	1.00	5.50	10.00		HAZEN						
Ware's Chapel	8.50	41.50	19.50	10.15							
Total	54.00	165.00	450.00	50.00							
FORDYCE											
HAMPTON-HARRELL CT.	2.25	12.75		3.00							
Callon											
Faustina		6.50									
Hampton	6.50	33.62		20.00							

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LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT

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CHARGE	B.F.	C.C.	Benev.	W.S.	G.A.&J. Crusade Exp.Fd. For Christ
HICKORY PLAINS CT.					
Bethlehem				14.00	
Hickory Plains				10.00	
Johnson's Chapel				4.00	
Providence				12.00	
Total				40.00	
KEO-TOMBERLIN-HUMNOKE					
Keo	7.00	32.00	62.00	8.00	8.00
Humnoke	6.00	30.00	20.00	27.00	4.00
Tomberlin	2.50	13.00		25.00	1.50
Total	15.50	75.00	82.00	60.00	9.50
LITTLE ROCK CHURCHES:					
Asbury	96.00	715.00	2380.00	120.00	85.00
Capitol View	63.00	468.00	1100.00		40.00
First Church	131.25	975.00	2850.00	50.00	110.00
Forest Park					129.04
Henderson	48.00		350.00		25.00
Highland	57.00	198.00			522.00
Hunter Memorial	42.00	240.00	300.00	5.91	405.50
Oak Forest	17.00	70.00	50.00		430.00
Pulaski Heights	37.62	279.48	1006.25		1082.40
Scott Street	18.00	130.00		200.00	268.00
28th Street	47.00	297.00	300.00		220.00
Winfield Mem.	105.00				887.00
LONOKE STATION					
Lonoke	21.00	120.00	480.00		17.50
Eagle			25.00		
Total	21.00	120.00	505.00		17.50
MABELVALE	32.00	162.00	220.00		
PRIMROSE CHAPEL-BETHEL					
Primrose Chapel	35.00		140.00	12.00	25.00
Bethel				10.00	
Total	35.00		140.00	22.00	25.00
DISTRICT TOTALS	956.67	4642.97	10,986.00	621.31	644.47
AREA FUND—Concord \$1.00, Bauxite \$3.00, Sardis \$2.00, Carlisle Station \$7.00, Capitol View \$8.00, Highland Church \$8.00, Winfield Memorial \$15.00.					44.00
MINISTERIAL SUSTENTATION FUND, CHURCH—Concord \$4.05, Bauxite \$21.00, Carlisle Station \$27.00, England \$7.50, Asbury \$55.00, Capitol View \$36.00, Henderson \$27.00, Highland \$33.00, Pulaski Heights \$21.48, Scott Street \$10.00, 28th Street \$13.50, Lonoke \$12.00, Mabelvale \$19.00, Winfield Memorial \$60.00, Mt. Carmel \$4.70.					354.23
MINISTERIAL SUSTENTATION FUND, PERSONAL—Carlisle Station \$27.00, England \$15.00, Hunter Memorial \$24.00, Gerald Dean, U. S. Army \$20.00					86.00
RETIRED MINISTERS RESERVE FUND—Pulaski Heights Church					150.00
PHILANDER SMITH COLLEGE—Carlisle Station \$15.00, Mabelvale \$25.00					40.00
CAMP SITE FUND—LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT					75.00
GRAND DISTRICT TOTAL					\$28,189.54
MONTICELLO DISTRICT					
ARKANSAS CITY	5.00	10.00		50.00	100.00
CROSSETT CHARGE					
Crossett	63.00	300.00			2900.00
Waller's Chapel	3.50	12.00	15.00		
Total	66.50	312.00	15.00		2900.00
DERMOTT	23.62	148.50		300.00	400.00
DREW CT.					
Green Hill	2.00	7.00	10.00	10.00	14.00
Lacey	1.00	4.50	6.25	6.25	
Prairie Chapel	1.50	6.00	10.00	10.00	
Valley	1.11	5.20	10.00	10.00	
Total	5.61	22.70	36.25	36.25	14.00
DUMAS	63.00	234.00	370.04	60.00	26.00
EUDORA	21.00	120.00	400.00		7.00
FOUNTAIN HILL CT.					
Ft. Hill	8.25	6.50	4.00	20.08	10.00
Pine Hill	1.00	2.50		15.00	
Zion	2.50	10.50		7.50	
Total	11.75	19.50	4.00	42.50	10.00
HAMBURG CHARGE					
Extra	4.00	15.00	30.00		
HERMITAGE CT.					
Hermitage	2.57	10.50	16.25	16.25	7.00
Ingalls	2.00	7.00	12.50	12.50	
Jersey	1.87	7.00	10.00	10.00	
Palestine	1.05	4.44	8.75	8.75	
Sardis	1.50	5.50	17.50		
Vick	1.00	4.00			
Total	9.99	38.44	65.00	47.50	7.00
LAKE VILLAGE	23.62	149.00	200.00		150.00
McGEHEE	52.50	330.00		800.00	25.00
MONTICELLO	29.00	198.00	500.00		17.50
MONTROSE-SNYDER					528.00
Montrose	7.50	34.00		73.50	4.00
Snyder	3.00	13.50	30.00		50.00
Total	10.50	47.50	30.00	73.50	4.00
NEW EDINBURG CT.					
Banks	1.81	7.18			7.00
Good Hope	1.10	4.38		17.50	
Hebron	1.12	4.49		7.70	
New Edinburg	1.57	6.26		22.50	
Wagnon	3.98	11.49	6.25	25.00	
Wheeler Springs	.98	3.93		9.75	
Total	1.26	5.07	2.50	17.71	
PORTLAND-PARKDALE	11.82	42.80	8.75	100.16	7.00
Parkdale					
Portland	7.00	36.00	80.00		3.00
Total	10.50	54.00	120.00		4.50
TILLAR-WINCHESTER	17.50	90.00	200.00		7.50
Newton's Chapel					
Selma	5.00	12.50	17.50		3.75
Tillar	3.00	7.50	22.50		1.75
Winchester	8.50	44.10	170.00	7.00	7.50
Total	4.63	10.75			37.50
WARREN CHARGE	21.13	74.85	210.00	7.00	16.75
Sumpter					
Warren	5.25	18.00	60.00		4.00
WATSON-KELSO	32.00	234.00	1200.00		20.00
Kelso	6.00	23.00		32.00	2.00
Watson	9.00	37.00	52.00	12.00	3.00
Total	15.00	65.00	52.00	44.00	5.00
WILMAR CT.					
Andrews Chapel					7.00
Rock Springs			5.00	4.18	
Wilmar	.50	5.75	17.75	9.00	25.00
Total	1.50	6.75	18.75	20.42	22.50
WILMOT-MILLERS CHAPEL	2.00	12.50	42.50	33.60	7.00
Miller's Chapel					
Wilmot	1.00	7.00	12.50		
Total	16.50	81.00	162.50		7.50
DISTRICT TOTALS	17.50	88.00	175.00		96.50
MINISTERIAL SUSTENTATION FUND, CHURCH—Crossett \$40.00, Dermott \$13.50, Dumas \$36.00, Eudora \$6.00, McGehee \$30.00, Parkdale \$4.00, Portland \$6.00, Newton's Chapel .75, Selma \$5.00, Tillar \$4.90, Winchester \$7.75, Warren \$18.00, Watson \$3.00, Kelso \$4.00, Miller's Chapel \$7.75, Wilmot \$9.00, Monticello \$16.50.					193.68
MINISTERIAL SUSTENTATION FUND, PERSONAL—Eudora \$18.00, McGehee \$30.00, Monticello \$16.50, Portland-Parkdale \$10.00, Tillar-Winchester \$4.50, Warren \$18.00, Wilmot-Miller's Chapel \$9.00.					106.00
Total Ministerial Sustentation Fund, Personal					\$14,873.94
GRAND DISTRICT TOTAL RECEIVED					

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LINCOLN AND THE KITTENS

President Lincoln was as sensitive to external impressions as the test paper of the chemist. The results of a battle pained him as though he himself were among the wounded or had lost a brave son. This sympathy—that is, his power of putting himself in another's place—extended even to animals.

The day on which Grant's army began the final advance, the President sat in a small telegraph office at City Point, receiving telegrams and examining a pocket chart. Three little kittens were running about the hut in which was the office. The President of the nation, whose fate was in the scales, picked up the kittens, placed them on the table, and said:

"You poor little miserable creatures, what brought you into this camp of warriors? Where is your mother?"

"The mother is dead," answered the colonel in charge.

"Then she can't grieve for them," said the President, with a sigh, "as many a poor mother is grieving for her son who has fallen in battle. Ah, kittens, thank God you are cats, and can't understand this terrible strife."

"There now, go, my little friends," wiping the dirt from their eyes with his handkerchief: "that is all I can do for you. Colonel, get them some good milk, and don't let them starve. There is too much starvation going on in this land, anyhow. Let us mitigate it when we can."

The great President, even at such a crisis, could, as Admiral Porter says, "find time to care for God's creatures."

URGES ELIMINATION OF RICE-THROWING AT WEDDINGS

NEW YORK—(RNS)—Elimination of the custom of throwing rice at weddings as a means of conserving food during the present world crisis was urged here by Dr. Earl F. Adams, executive director of the Protestant Council of the City of New York.

In a letter to 1,200 Protestant clergymen in the Metropolitan New York area, Dr. Adams asked them to use their influence in abolishing the practice. Over 1,500,000 pounds of rice would be saved annually if the ceremony were dropped on a nation-wide scale, Dr. Adams said.

He also asked the ministers to urge their congregations not to eat cake in order to reduce the consumption of wheat, fats, and sugar.

SWISS CATHOLIC ORGAN ASKS BETTER UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN FAITHS

GENEVA (By Wireless) (RNS)—A plea for better understanding between Catholics and Protestants was made here by La Vie Catholique, organ of the Swiss Catholic Federation, in a front-page article. It expressed regret over the "indifference" of Catholics toward such events as the recent meeting of the Provisional Committee of the World Council of Churches.

Asserting it is "a considerable novelty" to see Protestant Christians who have been divided for centuries now showing unity in such gatherings, the publication called on Catholics "rigorously" to examine themselves in regard to their attitudes toward non-Catholics.

SALVATION ARMY LEADER TO LIQUIDATE DEVIL'S ISLAND

NEW YORK — (RNS) — Devil's Island, France's century-old penal colony in French Guiana is to be liquidated, and the Salvation Army is to play an important role in its abolition.

Salvation Army headquarters here announced the arrival in this country from France of Major Charles A. Pean, who is en route to the colony as a representative of the French Government. Once there he will set the wheels in motion that eventually will end Devil's Island as a penal institution.

Twenty-three hundred prisoners still serving terms as habitual criminals must be returned to France before the settlement can be closed up. Major Pean's immediate job will be to arrange the repatriation of 2,800 others who completed their terms during the war but were forced to remain there because of war conditions.

"Shortage of French-owned shipping will make the repatriation a difficult one," Major Pean said, "because the men must be returned to their homes, which not only are in France but in North Africa and Indo-China."

Major Pean is credited with having played an important part in the plan to end the penal colony. Following recommendations made by him after his first visit to Devil's Island in 1928, and subsequent agitation by the Salvation Army, he was appointed in 1936 to serve on the official commission which drafted a decree suppressing the institution. The decree also abolished the system of compulsory residence at Guiana after completion of sentence.

The Salvation Army started its rehabilitation work in French Guiana in 1933 when, under Major Pean's leadership, a group of workers brought spiritual and material aid to the convict population. In the years that followed three institutions were established by the Salvation Army at Devil's Island.

FLOATING CHURCH ACCOMMODATES NORWEGIAN FISHING VILLAGE

OSLO (By Wireless)—(RNS)—A floating church—first of its kind in northern Norway—is serving the spiritual needs of remote fishing villages in the Tromsø area where many churches were destroyed during the German occupation. The church is built on a barge and has been consecrated by Lutheran Bishop Krohn Hansen of North Norway.

The barge church, in charge of Dean Alf Wiig, accommodates forty persons. It is equipped with a chapel for holding baptism, marriage, and communion rites. The barge was purchased with funds donated largely by the World Council of Churches in Geneva and by the Swedish Lutheran Church.

Clergymen in the diocese are free to use the barge for two-week periods each. The floating church also transports food and clothing to needy populations. Twenty-six churches and 15 rectories were demolished in the Tromsø district and reconstruction is expected to take many years.

Some people borrow trouble and then set about to lend it to others.

God's best gift to us is not things, but opportunities.—Alice W. Rollins.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE CHURCH SCHOOL DAY OFFERING

Arkadelphia District	
Arkadelphia	\$ 100.00
Arkadelphia Ct	60.00
Denton	
Benton Circuit	
Carthage-Tulip	
Couchwood Circuit	15.00
Dalark Circuit	12.00
Friendship Circuit	4.00
Holly Springs Circuit	
Hot Springs Churches:	
First Church	80.00
Grand Avenue	25.00
Oaklawn	15.00
Pullman Heights	15.00
Tigert Memorial	
Hot Springs Circuit	10.00
Keith Memorial	15.59
Leola Circuit	60.00
Malvern	
Pearcy Circuit	10.00
Princeton Circuit	25.00
Sparkman-Sardis	
Traskwood Circuit	
Total	446.59

Camden District	
Bearden	25.00
Camden:	
Fairview	15.00
First Church	85.00
Chidester	18.00
El Dorado:	
Centennial	5.00
First Church	80.00
Vantrease	25.00
Emerson	7.04
Fordyce	35.00
Hampton-Harrell	18.00
Harmony Grove	30.00
Huttig	17.00
Junction City	20.00
Kingsland	10.00
Louann	12.00
Magnolia:	
First Church	60.00
Jackson St.	15.00
Marysville	15.00
Norphlet	18.00
Parkers Chapel-Fredonia	13.00
Snackover	45.00
Stephens	18.00
Strong	18.00
Thornton	14.00
Waldo	27.00
Total	645.04

Little Rock District	
Austin Circuit	13.50
Bauxite-Sardis	10.00
Bryant Circuit	6.00
Carlisle	30.00
Carlisle Circuit	5.00
Des Arc-New Bethel	15.00
DeValls Bluff-Chenault	10.00
Douglassville-Geyer Springs	15.00
England	35.00
Hazen	35.30
Hickory Plains Circuit	27.14
Keo-Humnoke-Tomberlin	5.00
Little Rock Churches:	
Asbury	65.00
Capitol View	30.00
First Church	165.00
Forest Park	10.00
Henderson	15.00
Highland	35.00
Hunter	15.00
Oak Forest	7.00
Pulaski Heights	75.00
Scott Street	15.00
St. Marks	5.00
28th Street	15.00
Winfield	
Lonoke	25.00
Mablevale	15.00
Primrose	15.00
Total	713.94

Monticello District	
Arkansas City	5.00
Crossett	47.00
Dermott	25.00
Drew Circuit	8.00
Dumas	20.00
Eudora	12.00
Fountain Hill Circuit	6.00
Hamburg	20.00
Hermitage Circuit	12.00
Lake Village	15.00
McGehee	30.00
Monticello	45.00
Montrose-Snyder	15.00
New Edinburg Circuit	8.00
Portland-Parkdale	20.00
Tillar-Winchester	25.00
Warren	50.00
Watson-Kelso	10.88
Wilmar Circuit	12.00
Wilnot	15.00
Total	400.88

Pine Bluff District	
Almyra	12.00
Althelmer	20.00
Bayou Meto Circuit	9.20
Bethel-Redfield	
DeWitt	50.00
Gillett	15.00
Good Faith	
Grady-Gould	16.00
Humphrey-Sunshine	15.00
Little Prairie Circuit	7.00
Pine Bluff Churches:	
Carr Memorial	20.00
First Church	85.00
Hayley Memorial	
Lakeside	65.00
Pine Bluff Circuit	5.00
Rison	20.00
Roe Circuit	12.00
Rowell Circuit	
Sheridan-New Hope	
Sheridan Circuit	

Sherrill-Tucker	20.00
Star City-Glendale	15.00
St. Charles	13.00
Stuttgart:	
First Church	40.00
Grand Avenue	50.00
Swan Lake	
Whitchall	
Total	489.20

Prescott District	
Antoine Circuit	15.00
Amity Circuit	13.50
Bingen Circuit	7.50
Blevins Circuit	
Center Point Circuit	
Dierks-Umpire	
Emmet	
Forester	3.00
Gurdon	22.00
Glenwood Circuit	
Hope	
Langley-New Hope	
Mineral Springs Circuit	
Mt. Ida Circuit	25.00
Murfreesboro-Delight	
Nashville	

Okolona Circuit	35.00
Prescott	2.00
Springhill Circuit	
Washington Circuit	
Waterloo Circuit	
Prescott Circuit	123.00
Total	

Texarkana District	
Ashdown	8.00
Buckner Circuit	
Cherry Hill Circuit	
DeQueen	10.00
Doddridge Circuit	20.00
Foreman Circuit	
Fouke Circuit	
Hafield Circuit	15.00
Horatio Circuit	30.00
Lewisville-Bradley	
Lockesburg Circuit	35.00
Mena	9.00
Richmond Circuit	3.00
Sardis-Shiloh	5.00
Shady Grove	30.00
Stamps	19.75
Taylor Circuit	

College Hill, Texarkana	
Fairview, Texarkana	
First Church, Texarkana	100.00
Texarkana Circuit	15.00
Wilton Circuit	8.00
Winthrop Circuit	
Total	307.75

—Roy E. Fawcett.

"Alcohol is a major cause of insanity. The reported number of deaths due to alcoholism is an understatement. The Bureau of the Census estimates that deaths from alcohol as a primary or secondary cause are probably understated by at least one-half." — Dr. Lawrence Kolb, Former Assistant Surgeon-General, U. S. Public Health Service.

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MRS. SUE M. WAYLAND, Editor

COLUMBUS, OHIO HOST TO SECOND ASSEMBLY MEETING

A nation-wide Assembly of Methodist women concluded Thursday afternoon, May 3, with the adoption of a financial budget for 1946 exceeding three million dollars, and recommendations urging Congress to take action rationing sugar and grains in the production of beverage alcohol; and re-establishment of compulsory rationing of foods to meet the international food crisis.

A daily attendance of more than 4,000 women, including 1,500 registered delegates from every state in the Union, was present at the four-day meeting, April 29 - May 2, presided over by Mrs. J. D. Bragg of St. Louis, Mo., president of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, the sponsoring body. Delegates represented a constituency of nearly two million Methodist women who are members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of The Methodist Church.

Inspirational in character, the Assembly sessions featured platform addresses by outstanding ministers, bishops, missionaries, Christian national and officers of the Methodist Board of Missions. A daily appeal was made for sacrificial offerings for the starving peoples of Europe and Asia. More than \$3,500 was given as a free-will offering to this cause and has gone forward through the Methodist Committee on Overseas Relief.

Emphasis during the meeting was laid on the necessity for cooperation with all agencies in behalf of human rights and world peace; increasing numbers of missionaries to go to foreign mission fields; urgency for the church in America to bring about better understanding of family needs in the community and to take note of the change in woman's status throughout the world and create a moral atmosphere whereby high professional standards will be maintained with equal compensation for men and women.

Present at the meeting were 200 retired missionaries and deaconesses whose total years of service in their respective fields amounted to 3,962 years of service. The other side of the picture was represented by 60 young women in training for missionary service. More than 500 new missionaries are urgently needed now, retirees and officers reported.

Officers of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in the six Jurisdictions into which the territory of the Methodist Church is divided pledged their respective constituencies to raise the following financial amounts represented in the total financial budget of \$3,384,337: Northeastern Jurisdiction (Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Connecticut, Delaware, Rhode Island, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Maryland) \$765,118; Southeastern Jurisdiction (Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia) \$781,500; Central Jurisdiction (Negro Conferences) \$23,991; North Central Jurisdiction (Illinois, Iowa,

THE CHRIST IN THE WINDOW

By Claudia A. Pinckney

*As I entered the great Cathedral,
In the soft dusk of the night,
And gazed at the Christ in the window,
Limned against the light—
I could feel His sacred presence,
I could hear His precious voice—
And His hands outstretched in kindness,
Made my sad heart rejoice;
And as the sweet Cathedral bells
Rang softly on the air,
They seemed to make love, duty;
And change duty into prayer.
As with heart and voice uplifted
I knelt and prayed awhile,
My troubles forward drifted,
And I seemed to see Him smile.
So when I hear a church chime
Upon the midnight air—
I think of the great Cathedral
And the Christ in the window there.*

—Selected

PRESCOTT DISTRICT MEETS IN HOPE

The Prescott District WSCS met in Hope Wednesday, May 8 at the First Methodist church with over 100 delegates from the various churches of the district in attendance.

The morning worship was conducted by Rev. Van Harrell of Prescott, District Superintendent.

Mrs. J. M. Johnson of Emmet, district president of the Society was in charge of the business session.

The principal address of the meeting was given by Mrs. E. D. Gallo-way of Little Rock, Conference President.

At noon the Hope Society, under the leadership of Mrs. L. W. Young, Mrs. A. K. Holloway and Mrs. R. T. White, served a delicious luncheon to the delegates.

On the afternoon program a pageant, "Instruments of Peace," was presented under the direction of Mrs. Billy Gaines of Nashville. The background for the pageant was a huge lighted cross with streamers radiating to twelve different points around the chancel rail. At each of these points stood a speaker who spoke on one of the goals of the year.

Later Mrs. Leon Bundy gave a very interesting report on the Second Assembly Meeting of the WSCS, which she recently attended at Columbus, Ohio, as a delegate from the Prescott district.

Mrs. James McLarty sang a solo, "Songs My Mother Taught Me," accompanied by Mrs. B. W. Edwards.

The closing devotional was brought by Mrs. Tom McLean of Malvern, Arkansas, Conference chairman of spiritual life.

BETHEL SOCIETY

The Bethel Woman's Society of Christian Service has had six regular meeting and one called meeting this year.

The society has given gifts of necessary things to one of the local young people who entered school during the year.

They have had an increase of eight new members this year which adds new interest and strength to the society. Funds were added to the local budget by a flower sale. All pledges and offerings are kept up to date. Meetings are held regularly twice a month.

On March 22 they completed one of the approved studies for the year, "The Divine Fatherhood." This study was under the direction of Mrs. J. R. Martin, who is secretary of Missionary Education of the society.

The Study closed with a review of the book and a written report of what each race and group had contributed toward Christian Civilization.—Reporter.

There is but one straight road to success, and that is merit. The man who is successful is the man who is useful. Capacity never lacks opportunity. It cannot remain undiscovered, because it is sought by too many anxious to use it.—oBurke Cockran.

MONTICELLO EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

The Executive Board Meeting of the Monticello District met in Dermott, April 18.

Mrs. T. A. Prewitt had the devotional, using as her subject, "The Whole Wide World for Jesus, and Peace Through His Cross." Twelve officers responded to the roll call.

A talk on "Evangelism, Our Inheritance" was given by Mrs. V. A. Peacock. Following reports of officers, there was an open forum for all those attending.

In the afternoon reports were given of the Little Rock Annual Meeting, closing with a consecration service.—Reporter.

Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin) \$960,329; South Central Jurisdiction, (Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas) \$560,735; Western Jurisdiction (Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming, Montana, Nevada) \$261,644.

Other emphases in the findings included the following: that June 2 be observed as a day of prayer for the curtailment of the liquor traffic in the world; the immediate repeal of the Oriental Exclusion Act; removal of restrictions on mail to Korea and Japan; early opportunity for a plebiscite on independence for Puerto Rico; inactment of a permanent Fair Employment Practice Commission; repeal of the tax as a prerequisite to voting; removal of causes of racial tensions; that the Senate Military Affairs Committee request expiration of the draft on May 15 and urge elimination of teen-age boys from the draft at once.

The body voted favorably on a recommendation that a similar Assembly on a nation-wide scale be held in 1950 and every four years thereafter.

Too much care may be as bad as downright negligence.

CAMDEN DISTRICT MEETING

The Camden District held its meeting in Smackover, May 19, with 140 present, Mrs. Robert Cole, district president, presiding. Mrs. F. A. Gordon, of Fordyce gave the devotional, using as her subject "Instruments of Peace."

Mrs. Will Moseley, Secretary, called the roll, and the local presidents responded by giving a report of their societies.

Mrs. H. King Wade was the guest speaker, and reported on the recent Jurisdictional meeting, and stressed the work of the district.

The afternoon session opened with the Children's Chorus singing "Hear Our Prayer" directed by Mrs. Arthur Leggett. Mrs. J. Johnson sang a solo, "Face to Face."

Reports were given by following officers reporting their respective lines of work: Mrs. J. T. Dodson, on Organization and Promotion, Mrs. J. C. Farley, Christian Social Relations, Mrs. Douglas Sloan, on the School of Missions to be held at Hendrix College this summer, Mrs. Newton reported on Literature, Mrs. Frank Chidester, on Spiritual Life Work, Mrs. J. T. Adams, on Supply Work, Mrs. A. T. Gordon, on Children Work, Mrs. A. C. Hale, on Youth Work, Mrs. Wilmer Lewis, on Student Work, Mrs. Prim presented a skit on the Status of Women, "Woman Power." This was well received.

Mrs. J. L. Dedman was put on the Research Committee for the district. Mrs. J. T. Adams was presented a Life Membership. Mrs. Robert Cole gave some highlights of the Assembly of the Woman's Division held recently in Columbus, Ohio. The meeting closed with a pledge service.—Mamie Moseley.

What reality is there in your Christianity if you look at men struggling in darkness and are content to congratulate yourself that you are in the light?—F. W. Robertson.

He that is wise by day is no fool by night.

CURRENT NEWS IN ARKANSAS METHODISM

HELENA DISTRICT CONFERENCE

A glad sense of achievement and continuing purpose characterized the session of the Helena District Conference at West Memphis May 9th, where discovery of almost startling gains in evangelism pre-faced a spontaneous commitment to the campaign to raise \$1,000,000 for Hendrix College as the next major objective to be fitted into a balanced and exciting program.

A tabulation of reports as of April 22 disclosed that 843 new members had been received into the churches of the district, 446 of these coming by vows. This number constitutes more than 73 per cent of the quota set for the year of evangelism in the Crusade for Christ, and it is probably the largest number of additions to the Church within the history of the district.

As if spurning an apportionment of \$10,877 for World Service, the charges of the district had assumed \$13,165. Of this sum, the reports show that \$10,468 is paid at mid-year.

Comparison of the tabulation with reports made at a corresponding period last year shows an increase in Church School enrollment amounting to eleven per cent and a thirteen per cent increase in average attendance of these Church School members; 132 more training credits earned; 50 more infants baptized; 136 more in attendance on the sessions of the Methodist Youth Fellowship; and substantial increases in sums paid on budget items—\$1,869 on benevolences, \$268 on District Superintendent Fund, \$106 on Church School Rally Day, \$208 on Fourth Sundays for World Service, and \$212 added to acceptances on World Service.

The Arkansas Children's Home was represented by J. S. M. Cannon, superintendent. Superintendent Crews of Methodist Hospital, Memphis, spoke in behalf of the ministry of healing. Rev. Ira A. Brumley, executive secretary of the Board of Education, brought the greetings of his Board and a statement of policy with relations to emphasis on the campaign for Hendrix College. Dr. C. N. Reeves, for Hendrix College, was assigned the point of chief emphasis at eleven o'clock and introduced the plans for the campaign for the College, in an arresting address.

Evading the sometimes hollow gauge of figures and reports is the glad spirit of the people and their pastors, working, counselling, living together in harmony and hopeful purpose, led by their alert and progressive Superintendent, Rev. G. C. Johnson, whom they honor with the confident assurance with which his leadership is trusted and his friendship is cherished.

The laymen of the Conference held an absorbing special session in which the plans for Hendrix College were enthusiastically endorsed and the full program of the Church commended. M. E. Bird was elected District Lay Leader, with Chris Bumpers and Elton Rieves, Jr., Associate Lay Leaders.

A report on Findings, presented by Robert E. L. Bearden, Jr., covered the work of the Conference and made vital recommendations

BATESVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Batesville District Conference convened at Calico Rock on May 7th at 2:30 p. m., Rev. W. Henry Goodloe, district superintendent, presiding. The roll call revealed the absence of only two of the pastors and the presence of 34 lay delegates.

On every item except two, the district report showed a gain over last year's report. At the last District Conference, the charges had received 57 by vows; this year, 180. At the last District Conference, the charges had received 97 by certificate; this year, 232. The district has 60 more subscribers to the Christian Advocate than it had last year, and 30 more subscribers to the Arkansas Methodist. There are 785 more members of the Church Schools than there were at the last District Conference, and the average attendance at Church School has increased 299 over last year's report.

There has also been an increase in each of the following items: training credits issued, total membership of the W. S. C. S. and Guilds (two new societies have been organized), amount raised for local work by W. S. C. S., payments to Orphanage, and Rally Day Offering. And since the pastors of the district have been paid \$1495.00 more than they had been paid at this time last year, there has been a proportional increase in all items the amount of which is based on a percent of the pastor's salary. The district has been apportioned \$288.00 more on Benevolences than it was last year, has assumed \$918.00 more, and has paid to date \$713.00 more. The district Crusade quota has been over-paid by \$493.00 with \$1,029.00 in pledges yet to be paid.—Joel Cooper, Secretary, District Conference.

JUNIOR CHOIR OF WILSON METHODIST CHURCH

The Junior Choir of Wilson Methodist Church has met each Wednesday since October with an average attendance of twenty between the ages of seven and twelve. Songs are practiced for the monthly participation in the regular Sunday morning church service. The group enjoyed several parties and picnics during the year.

Officers elected are: President, Nancy Crain; Vice-president, Virginia Ellen Bird; Secretary-treasurer, Mary Ann Crain. Sponsors are Miss Mary Symonds and Miss Flora Belle Farley.—Reporter.

on interests and procedures. The report was adopted with spontaneous enthusiasm and it was ordered mimeographed and furnished for the guidance of the charges in the district.

The session of 1947 will be held in Forrest City.—Reporter.

No government is respectable which is not just. Without unspotted purity of public faith, without sacred public principle, fidelity and honor, no mere forms of government, no machinery of laws, can give dignity to political society.—Daniel Webster.

FROM THE MARVELL CHARGE

Our evangelistic campaign was held the first week in April and was followed with a series of services, Rev. J. M. Harrison from Holly Grove doing the preaching. We had thirty-three additions to the Church from the beginning of the campaign to Easter Sunday.

Easter Sunday morning we held a sunrise service with worship and holy communion. Rev. Mr. Taylor, Christian minister from Marianna and Rev. T. Steiner, Evangelical minister, assisted the pastor with these services. At the 10:00 o'clock service holy baptism was administered to four children and two adults. The spiritual life of Marvell Church has been greatly revived. Plans are now underway for a new parsonage which we hope to have completed by Annual Conference.

Easter Sunday evening we began our meeting at Lexa, the pastor doing the preaching. Twenty-two members were received into the church during this week. Sunday, the 29th, fourteen members were received by vows and were baptized. One child was christened. Plans are underway and funds are being raised for a new church at Lexa.

Our financial obligations are being kept up in full to date. We are happy to be of service to the good people of Marvell Charge.—Reporter.

WATSON CHURCH

On May 12, Mother's Day, we had a fine crowd and everyone seemed to enjoy the services.

We had the oldest mother present who had been a member for sixty-three years of the Watson Church. She is eighty years old and she walked to church and seldom ever misses any service. All of her children and grandchildren are members of the same church here in Watson.

We also had a little boy eleven years old who walked six miles to join the church on Mother's Day. You can see that this pastor was a very happy man by having the oldest and youngest members at church on this Mother's Day. We are hoping and praying that Grandmother Irby will have many more Mother's Day services.

We are having fine services each Sunday in the school auditorium while we are in the midst of building a new church here in Watson. We hope to be in the new church by Father's Day.—Cleve H. Gilliam, Pastor.

Before you flare up at anyone's faults, take time to count 10—10 of your own. — Springfield Union & Republican.



CAMDEN DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The eightieth session of the Camden District Conference convened at Jackson Street Methodist Church in Magnolia, Arkansas on May 15. Two young men were licensed to preach. They were, Scott Thomas Christie, a senior in Junction City High School and Willard Edwards, a freshman in Hendrix College, and a member of Bethel Church on the Marysville Charge.

The Conference went on record as "fully supporting the campaign to raise \$1,000,000.00 for Hendrix building and endowment."

The district had overpaid the quota on Golden Cross for the Methodist Hospital at Hot Springs.

Reports showed:—735 new members; 1,539 subscribers to the Arkansas Methodist; \$9,015.00 paid to the Conference treasurer on benevolences; \$3,342.00 for Conference Claimants; \$4,000.00 for the orphanage; \$3,167.00 for Ministerial Education—Hendrix Special; \$6,688.00 for the Hospital.

The Conference sermon delivered by Rev. Robert S. Beasley, Kingsland, was a spiritual classic.—Arthur Terry, District Superintendent.

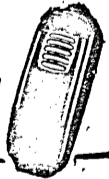
MT. MAGAZINE SUB-DISTRICT MEETING

The First Methodist Church of Paris was host for the Mt. Magazine Sub-district meeting held May 13 at 7:30 P. M. The M. Y. F. of Paris gave a very interesting program about ways to worship God through music. It showed that faith in God may be increased through music at home, in the church, or across the Pacific. Mary Elizabeth Lodder, Doris Lou Smith, and Martha Jane Daniels were the speakers for the worship program.

A new secretary, Rosalyn Schriver, was elected to replace Katy Lou Lloyd who, because of school work, will be unable to fulfill the duties of secretary. This sub-district consisting of: Booneville, Branch, Charleston, Lavaca, and Paris—was named the Mt. Magazine Sub-district.

There were 118 persons present. Thirty-five of these were from Paris, and thirty-four were from Charleston.—Reporter.

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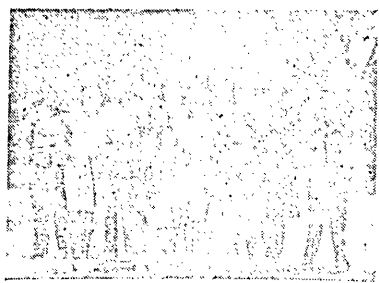
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our prayers, my enrollment is now sixteen. Joy filled my heart that I had faith to keep trying. God speaks and works through the consecrated life of our Christians.

I am very proud of the splendid work my girls and boys are doing. My attendance is now one-hundred percent.—Mrs. Clyde Smith.

RICE BELT SUB-DISTRICT MEETING HAS INTERESTING BANQUET

Members of the Rice Belt Sub-district No. 1 were entertained with a banquet at the Grand Avenue Methodist Church, Stuttgart, during the month of April. Rev. Fred R. Harrison, district superintendent, gave the invocation and introduced the pastor of the First Methodist Church and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. V. D. Keeley and Rev. Hal Pinnell from the DeWitt Methodist Church.

The theme of the program was "A Trip to Africa by Airplane" which was given by members from Humphrey and Hodges Corner. Imogene Berryman led the program. Those who took parts of missionaries of the stations visited are as follows:

1. In Algeria we stopped at Constantine and saw Miss Gevedolin Narbeth, who has charge of the Children's Home there, portrayed by Gloria Bueka.

2. In Liberia we stopped at Monrovia and were met by the Rev. and Mrs. Sam Smith, a teacher and evangelist, played by John Lewis Berryman and Dasha Phelps.

3. In Angola we stopped at Quessia and were met by Miss Violet Crandall who is head of the Bible schools, portrayed by Catherine Clum.

4. In the Belgian Congo we stopped at Minga to see Miss Edith Martin whose home is in Harrison, Arkansas, played by Johnny Martin.

5. In Southern Rhodesia we stopped at Untali and were met by the Rev. Tudor Rhodes Roberts, a native teacher trained, played by Nickey Hargrave.

6. In Portuguese East Africa we visited Miss Victoria Lang, a nurse portrayed by Betty Barker.

The navigator, Joe Phelps, reported bad weather ahead so we did not visit Tranvaal where we have one station.

The crew was navigator, Joe Phelps, pilot, Edward Ray Matthews, co-pilot, David Mouser, stewardess, Imogene Berryman.

Our pilot pointed out on a large map the places we visited.

John David Chamber gave a very interesting talk on Africa which prepared us for our visit in Constantine, pointing out the Arabs are very clever traders.

During the program songs were

MONTICELLO DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Monticello District Conference met at Portland, May 14th, with the district superintendent, Rev. T. T. McNeal, presiding and with a good attendance from the several charges of the District. After the roll call Rev. R. E. Simpson was elected as secretary and Rev. Bob McCammon was elected as assistant secretary. The pastors were authorized to certify to the secretary any alternates to be seated in place of elected delegates.

There were two things which seemed out of the ordinary in modern-day Conferences: First, the calling of the roll with each member answering "present," and second, the pastors making individual reports of work for the first six months of the Conference Year. It was figured that little time was lost in these two matters when compared to the modern streamlined fashion. Members of the Conference seemed to like the "old fashioned" way and some were heard to say they would like to attend one more "District Conference that met on Monday and adjourned on Friday."

Dr. C. M. Reves spoke on Hendrix College and before the morning session adjourned held a brief "question and answer" period on the Million-Dollar Campaign for the College. Rev. Roy E. Fawcett, as executive secretary of the Board of Education, spoke of the work throughout the Conference and District leaders in this field emphasized the program locally. Otis E. Williams presented the Arkansas Methodist in glowing tribute and emphasized the development of Visual Education for the churches. The morning preaching service was under the direction of the Committee on Evangelism with Rev. Dan R. Robinson of Warren bringing a splendid and challenging message.

The district superintendent appointed a committee in each County in the District to find any abandoned church property and report back to next year's Conference.

The WSCS of the Portland Church served a delightful barbecue dinner in the basement during the noon hour. Rev. Clem Baker, pastor host, entertained royally, and Mrs. Guy Lindsey furnished music during the day on the Hammond organ.

A brief memorial service was held for Rev. J. H. Cummins, our pastor at Arkansas City, who had passed away a few days before. The Conference, through the secretary, sent its affection and love to Mrs. Cummins and the family.

The pastor's reports show splendid progress during the first half of the year: 609 additions, with 259 on profession of faith; 150 persons baptized; 87 Training credits; 5,012 Church School enrollment; 1,040 subscribers to Arkansas Methodist; 99 to the Christian Advocate; 196 to World Outlook; 278 to Methodist Woman; every charge has one or more WSCS except one; total money reported by WSCS was \$4,712.

The Golden Cross offering on

sung, two specials, a song, "The Old Refrain" by Bonnie Hoiem and a poem was read by Johnny Martin. The Wesleyan Guild prepared and served the meal. The First Methodist Church was in charge of the decorations.

The banquet closed with African sentence prayers and the Rev. Mr. Pinnell pronounced the benediction.—Donna Burke, Reporter.

Mother's Day totaled \$2,700 and it was assured the goal of \$3,400 would be reached. Final payments on the Crusade for Christ were \$6,478 which brought the District total to \$26,200 (about \$3,000 above the quota assigned). The charges have raised \$27,500 for building and improvements since the Annual Conference. Among these are: Hamburg with \$10,000; Watson with \$5,000; Sumpster with \$5,000; Portland with \$1,800 and Crossett with \$1,000.

Payments to the Conference Treasurer amounted to \$8,492, or more than \$1,000 above last year. On World Service it was revealed that EVERY charge accepted its full askings and Eudora, McGehee, and Warren have paid their's in full for the year.

The Conference unanimously and enthusiastically passed a resolution authorizing the district superintendent, district and associate lay leaders, to work out means for providing the necessary financial support of a District Missionary and asked that Bishop Martin and his cabinet appoint a member of the Annual Conference to this work.

The Conference voted to meet next year in the new church, now under construction, at Watson. The pastor promised the members a "fish dinner" and the vote was unanimous.

Through the past years the District has been gradually growing in every phase of the work and the pastors and lay members rejoice especially in the continued improvement as shown by every report.—R. E. Simpson, Secretary.

Knowledge is a comfortable and necessary retreat and shelter for us in an advanced age; and if we do not plant it while young, it will give us no shade when we grow old.—Lord Chesterfield.

FINDS SPECIAL USE FOR BOOK OF WORSHIP

Several people have asked me to write you concerning an interesting experience with the Book of Worship. Since around the first of the year I have been using this book in my marriage ceremonies, and have been giving a copy to the couple. Recently I have been able to get some marriage certificates printed which are the size of a page in the Book of Worship. I paste one of these on the fly leaf of each book, and fill it out following the ceremony. I have been interested at the fine reactions from couples of all sorts to these little gestures. I believe I can safely say that I have not married a single couple who have not deeply appreciated the use of the book in their wedding and the gift of the copy to them following. I had a thousand of these certificates printed—so I can spare a few to any of the brethren who are interested in trying the same thing.

We had a very delightful Mother's Day here in Harrison, and received thirty-nine persons into the fellowship of the Church, most of them adults, and twenty-four of them by vows or profession of faith. It made a very inspiring service and one which we shall not soon forget.—W. F. Cooley, Harrison, Ark.

The very essence of a free government consists in considering offices as public trusts, bestowed for the good of the country, and not for the benefit of an individual or a party.—John C. Calhoun.

Not by atomic might nor by bombing power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts.—Postcard sent out by Rev. Otis Moore, Kenilworth, N. J.

METHODIST STUDENT DAY
June 9, 1946

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NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE EDUCATION NOTES

By Ira A. Brumley

Attendance Gains

We have the reports of six districts out of the eight, as to average attendance in the Church School for the first half of the Conference year. These reports show for these six districts a gain of 2,239 in average attendance report made at Annual Conference in 1945. They show even larger gains as compared with the same period of last year.

We are not able to make as complete report on enrollment. The general reports which we have indicate splendid gains in enrollment as well as in the average attendance.

The progress already made should help to make even greater gains during the remainder of the church school year.

Some churches have not yet worked out a program for the Adult Home Department, or the Nursery Home program. These two important types of programs should not be neglected by any church however small. Should you need guidance for the developing of these programs of work please write the Conference Board of Education.

Vacation Church School Reports

Vacation Church School reports are beginning to arrive in our office. It is important that each Vacation Church School in which a Methodist Church has a part, be reported. Even the Methodist group in a cooperative school should be reported. We do not advocate cooperative schools, but some are held in which our workers and children are taking part.

Should your church be planning a Vacation School, but has not secured report blanks, please write us for them. Each school needs four blanks to be used as follows: one to be kept as the record of the school, one to go to district superintendent, one to district director of children's work, and one to go to the Conference Board of Education office.

Have Your Church Represented

The State Conference for Workers' with Children, to be held at Hendrix College, Conway, June 21-23, will provide for only about fifty children's workers from the North Arkansas Conference. Thus we are finding it necessary to limit housing space to not more than two from any church in our Conference. Those who can drive from home each day or can find space off the campus can come, any number from a church, as the Conference will be open to all who can get to it.

It is hoped that local churches will make every effort to get one or more workers into this meeting. The children's workers of the local church make possible all the other program to a degree as the foundations of church life are being built in the children's classes and departments. Too often the local church authorities overlook the sacrificial service rendered by these faithful workers with children. Even pastors and parents are not always appreciative of the service given the children of the church by these workers. Your local church would do well to raise some money and provide these workers an opportunity for better training. You will be improving your program as well as showing appreciation. This is

SEARCY DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The 73rd session of the Searcy District Conference convened May 16, 17, in Cabot with Rev. H. H. Griffin, district superintendent, presiding. Rev. H. D. Womack was elected secretary of the Conference.

Principal activities of the first afternoon and evening were devoted to youth work. Approximately two hundred young people participated in study, recreation and worship activities. The highlight of the evening came at the close of a drama presented by the Cabot Youth Fellowship in a consecration service led by Rev. Thomas C. Huff who had brought to the youth an inspiring message earlier in the evening.

After a devotional by Rev. S. O. Patty the first committee report that of the Committee on Ministerial Training, was heard Friday morning. Two men were licensed to preach, namely, Carl Frederick Wood and Edgal Joseph Holt, both of Newton county.

The speaker of the eleven o'clock hour was Dr. Matt L. Ellis, president of Hendrix College, who presented the cause of Hendrix in a very fine way.

Among those who spoke during the afternoon session were Mrs. S. O. Patty, representing Vacation School work; Mrs. H. H. Fulbright, who spoke concerning the W. S. C. S.; and Brother S. O. Patty in favor of

just as important as sending other persons to meetings.

Leadership Schools

We have in the Board office copies of the programs for Leadership School, July 15-26; and Youth Leadership Conference, August 5-15. Persons interested in these programs should write us for these. The number that can attend either of these schools will be limited. The Youth Conference is limited to conference, district, and sub-district officers.

NCWC RELIEF SHIPMENT ARRIVES IN AUSTRIA

NEW YORK—(RNS)—War Reliance Services-National Catholic Welfare Conference has announced here the arrival in Austria of its first shipment of relief goods. The consignment amounted to more than a million pounds, valued at \$353,909.

According to Thomas Fox, WRS representative in Austria, 40 carloads were needed to carry the supplies from the Port of Antwerp, Belgium, to Salzburg, Austria. They were distributed as follows: 20 carloads to Vienna, six to Innsbruck, four to Linz, four to Salzburg, three to Graz, and three to Klagenfurt.

Msgr. Patrick A. O'Boyle, executive director of WRS, said all the supplies would be distributed to needy persons through Caritas, federation of Austrian Catholic Welfare Agencies.

Adult Work Literature. Others who were presented to the Conference and spoke were Rev. Ira A. Brumley, Conference Executive Secretary of the Board of Education, and Rev. Glenn F. Sanford, Secretary of the Town and Country Commission.

The remaining committee reports were heard in turn with special emphasis given to the report of the Committee on Evangelism. Significant gains recognized were members received by profession of faith totaling 336 this year compared to 145 last year, and 220 members received by transfer while there were 86 last year. Stress was given the importance of continuing to place supreme interest and emphasis upon evangelism.

Next year's session of the District Conference will be held in Bald Knob.

Cabot did an excellent job of entertaining the Conference.—H. D. Womack, Secretary.

RICHMOND CIRCUIT

This circuit is having a prosperous year in every way under the leadership of our fine consecrated pastor, Rev. George C. Bailey. Two new church buildings are being erected.

Wade's Chapel is not yet completed but is far enough advanced that it is being used. They have recently organized a Sunday School and will have a Vacation Bible School beginning on May 20. Brother Bailey will be assisted in this by Mrs. Mary Smith, Mrs. Claude Cobb and Mrs. G. C. Bailey.

Walnut Grove hopes to obtain necessary material to complete their building by late summer. At present they have the use of another building for all services. They have a very fine Sunday School and later plan a Vacation Bible School.

On Easter Sunday morning Walnut Grove Sunday School met with the Richmond Sunday School. The two combined rendered an inspiring program on "The Risen Christ." This was followed by a splendid Easter sermon by Brother Bailey after which all adjourned to the church lawn when a sumptuous dinner was served to all present.

On Mother's Day, in the old historic church at Richmond, a beautiful song service preceded a splendid sermon on the words of Christ spoken on the cross, "Behold thy Mother." This text was handled in a masterful way by Bro. Bailey and left no doubt in the minds of his hearers that Christianity pays big dividends to mothers and their families everywhere.

Brother and Mrs. Bailey are doing a monumental work on this circuit. We expect a great year spiritually and financially under the leadership of this fine consecrated couple.—Reporter.

Let the farmer forevermore be honored in his calling; for they who labor in the earth are the chosen people of God.—Thomas Jefferson.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

JUNE 9, 1946

Let This Pentecost Be a Great Harvest Day for Christ

Pentecost—when 3,000 people confessed Christ and were baptized—marked the founding of the Christian Church. This should be one of our most fruitful days.

• This Pentecost Sunday should be a great anniversary. Precede this day with some form of public or visitation evangelism, and reap a harvest of many for Christ and the Church.



CRUSADE FOR CHRIST



THE UNFILLED DESIRE

by

Iona Lamb Pontius

Have you ever longed, with a yearning that consumed your entire being, for some particular thing? It may be for some physical object to add to your comfort or pleasure; it may be for health, or it may be an intangible feeling growing out of a temporary dissatisfaction or unhappiness, for a complete change of some kind.

Again, it may be unfulfilled ambition to do a particular piece of work. You, perhaps, have studied, practiced, observed others' performances in the chosen field of labor, who are leaders in their profession, no matter what it is. All your earnest energies have been bent toward reaching your goal. Most probably your aim in reaching this goal, if you are sincere in nature, is to benefit and help others and to uphold and strengthen the ideals of your profession, that mankind may derive more blessing and constructive aid.

Then, for some reason you cannot fathom, you have the frustration of seeing some one step into the place you have, not selfishly coveted, but have honestly longed for and desired, because you do have a high aim and purpose for development of good.

If you are honest in your feelings and associations with man, and the person taking up the work you longed for, proves himself able to carry on proficiently and in spirit congenial to your aims and purpose, then the frustrated feeling should pass and a willingness to quietly co-operate take its place. This does not by any means, indicate you are giving up your ambitions, for you may take advantage of the delay in the realization of your ambitions, to go on studying and further preparing to do the work in a way even better than you could at the present. During the wait, properly directed and helpful contacts to aid in placing yourself, are permissible.

Some one has said that the desire to do a thing is the "Call"—and the opportunity to answer that call comes, when we are fully prepared to perform the duty in the efficient way such duty requires.

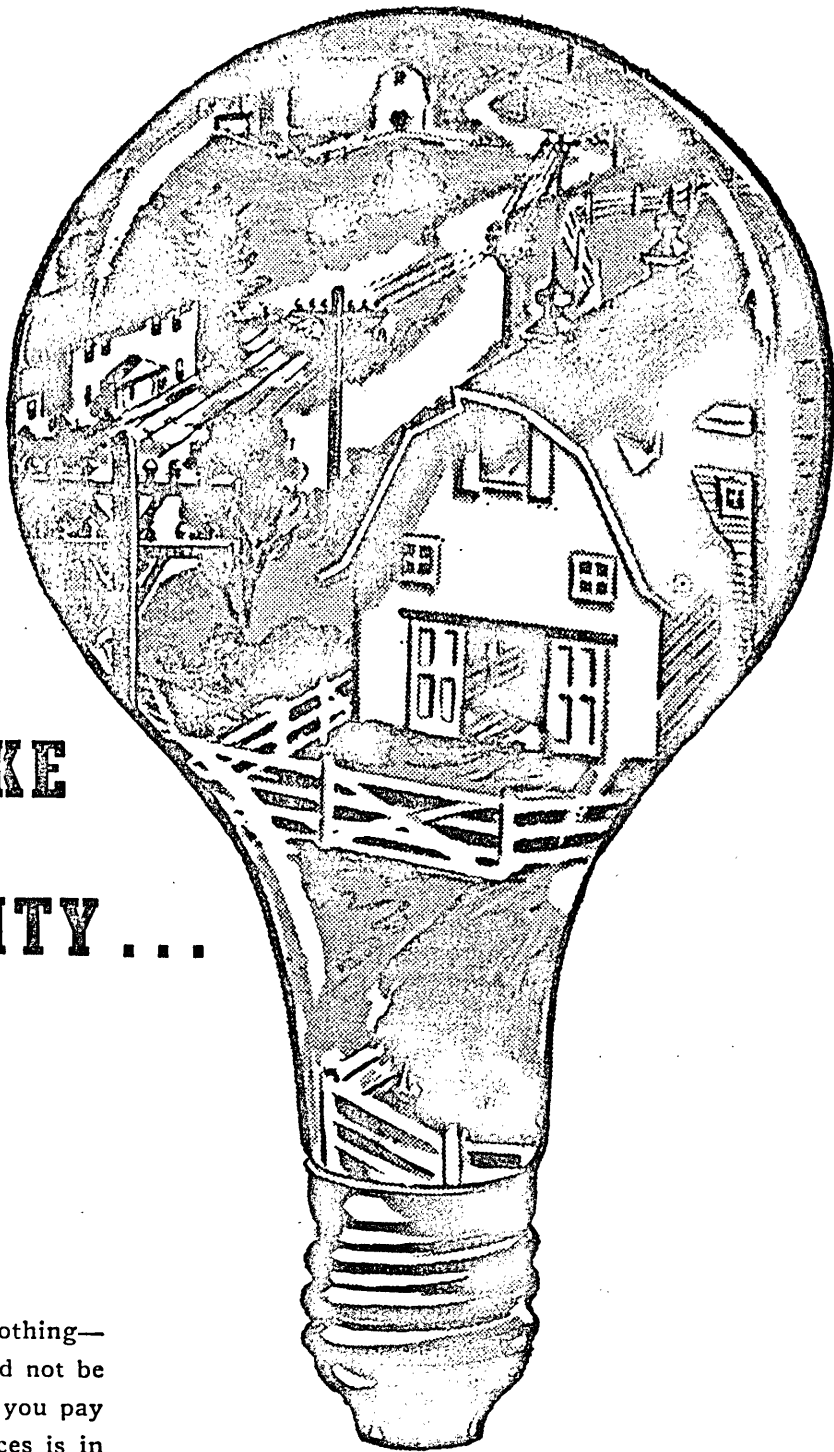
If he who takes up the longed and hoped for work, is inefficient or carries his responsibilities lightly and carelessly, not fully understanding the fuller and deeper significance of his position, then the frustration remains and becomes a burden that is harder to bear.

But, again, the only thing to do is to be helpfully co-operative, go on praying and studying and patiently wait for what may be an even greater opportunity to serve. Of paramount importance—do not let disappointment lead to discouragement.—Warren, Ark.

The man who lets promotion or fortune cut him off from his kinsmen and the friends of his youth is lacking in principle. But what about a man who lets a deeper religious experience alienate his sympathy and break his fellowship and affiliation with the rank and file of the people of God?

A committee of five usually consists of the can who does the work, three others to pat him on the back, and one to bring in a minority report.

SUPPOSE IT COST US NOTHING TO MAKE ELECTRICITY...



Even if electricity could be made for nothing—the cost of using it in your home would not be greatly lowered. A large part of what you pay for electricity and its many conveniences is in the cost of delivering it to your fingertips after it is made—and keeping it there ready for you every minute.

To serve you properly necessitates vast investments in the lines and equipment that carry, control and regulate electricity. Money must be spent to maintain all of these lines and this equipment at a high standard for dependable service. An organization must be on duty day and night.

Waterpower or steampower—the principle is the same. The largest part of the cost is not in the making, but in the delivery and maintenance of the service for any and every need, whenever you wish it!

Every one of the steps is vital. Your home and this community could not risk anything less. In these days, when electricity is used in a hundred ways other than lighting your home—life, health and comfort depend more than ever upon the quality of electric service.

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The Sunday School Lesson

By DR. O. E. GODDARD



FRIENDS AT BETHANY

LESSON FOR JUNE 2, 1946

SCRIPTURE TEXT: Mark 14:3-9; Luke 10:38-42;
John 11:1-44; Galatians 5:13; John 12:1-3.

GOLDEN TEXT: Let us love one another, for love is of God.—I John 4:7.

All the incidents in today's lesson occurred in Bethany. This village is situated just over the hilltop from Jerusalem. It was more fitting that Jesus should choose Bethany for these events than to have chosen Bethlehem, Nazareth or Capernaum. Bible readers will find some inhospitable things that happened to Jesus in those places. In Bethany there was hospitality, quietude, rest, and sleep.

Jesus Came to Save the Sinners but He Delighted to Associate With the Saints

I can imagine Jesus as an ideal guest—courteous, considerate, appreciative, interesting. I am sure the Bethany home and all the other homes to which He went for social fellowship, counted themselves highly honored and were benefitted by His visits. Whatever else Jesus was or was not, He was always a gentleman. How you and I would rejoice to have Him as our guest. In former years I sometimes saw a motto as a mural decoration, "Jesus the unseen guest and the silent listener to all our conversation." Would such a motto put any restraint on your family table talk? Would Jesus be interested and pleased at the family conversation in the average Methodist home?

Let Us Love One Another, for Love Is of God

Drummond was right in calling love, as depicted in the thirteenth chapter of I Corinthians, "The Greatest Thing in the World." Love cannot be described, it must be felt. Love cannot be measured in pounds, miles, acres, or dollars, Love is incomparable. Everything else on earth fails. Love never faileth. Love is boundless, fathomless, inexhaustible. God is love. Love is the center and substance of the Christian religion. Love is the fulfilling of the law.

Mary Exhibits Genuine Love

Hers was a very costly service for one in her financial circumstances. But Mary had a spiritual discernment that enabled her to know the Master was heavily burdened. He had said nothing about it, but crucifixion was just a few days removed. Love has eyes to see the invisible, to hear the inaudible, and to feel the impalpable. Mary saw and heard, and felt these things and her love, like boiling water, could not be suppressed. This irresistible love manifested itself in the anointing with the spinkard oil. The good guests stood aghast, the skinflints murmured, but Jesus smiled his approval. He could not rebuff such an overflowing exhibition of love.

"Sell This and Give to the Poor," said Mr. Tightwad. Have you not noticed that when a preacher or church starts a good movement to raise needed money for a certain cause the tightwads trump up something else in which they assert they

are more interested. Let me give you some illustrations: In the long, long ago I went out to raise the assessment on my church for foreign missions. One of my members told me he was opposed to foreign missions but deeply concerned about paying to the superannuate fund. The next week I sent him a notice reminding him how glad I was that he was so deeply interested in the fund for our old ministers, their widows, and orphans and asked him to contribute twice as much for that fund as he had been paying to all the benevolences. He answered me he would not pay a cent, that I had caught him unawares, and that he had decided to withdraw from the church. In the same town that I now live, our pastor, more than fifty years ago, went out to collect the foreign missionary assessment. One man told the pastor he had no sympathy for foreign missions but was enthusiastic for home missions; that he would not pay a cent on that call but when he wanted money for home missions to call on him. In due time the pastor called on him for his contribution to home missions. The man dropped in the sadly disappointed pastor's hand the huge sum of twenty-five cents. It always has been amazing and disappointing to me to see how the church tax dodgers can find something else they are more interested in than the cause you are presenting. Judas claimed to be interested very much in feeding the poor but the record indicates that he did so because he held the bag and was a thief. He was also a liar and a crook. Brother, beware of trumpeting up something you are vocally more interested in than what the church is collecting for at that time. You put yourself in the Judas class.

Jesus Believed in Memorials for Great Saints

"Verily I say unto you, whosoever this gospel shall be preached throughout the whole world, this also that she hath done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her." (Mark 14:9.) We wonder how many millions read this memorial every year. Paul gave his great gifts to God, so we see how he is honored even today by the great number of churches bearing his name of St. Paul. St. John loved Jesus as few other men have loved Him, and we note the unusual number of churches that are called "St. John." It is right that great saints who have rendered service for all coming generations should have their names memorialized as an inspiration to the generations to follow throughout time.

"Lives of great men all remind us We can make our lives sublime And departing, leave behind us Footprints on the sands of time."

In our coming campaign to raise a million dollars for Hendrix College, a goodly number of our

wealthy people should give so largely that subsequent generations will not let their names be forgotten, nor their deeds unhonored. Witness the case of the greatest early supporter of Hendrix College—our own revered and cherished Captain W. W. Martin.

Mary and Martha Mary the Mystic and Martha the Realist

We need both types of women. Never should the Marthas try to be the Marys or vice versa. But the need is that all the Marys and all the Marthas shall consecrate their lives, their gifts, their personalities to God—housekeepers and teachers, machinists and farmers, statesmen and merchants—all should consecrate their entire lives to God. The good choice, such as Mary made, is putting God first in our lives, whatever be our line of work. It matters not so much what kind of legitimate service we render—whether we be a one or five talent man—but it does matter that we and all we control belong to God.

Lazarus the Friend of Jesus

Lazarus was more than a friend to Jesus. His devotion for Jesus was unusual. When the sisters reported Lazarus' sickness to Jesus they said, "He whom thou lovest is sick." Jesus did not raise to life all the dead people He saw, but He did bring back to life this, his friend, Lazarus. Are you a friend of Jesus? He said, "Ye are my friend if you do whatsoever I command you." Obedience to the commands of Jesus seems to be the condition of maintaining friendship with Him. Obedience to Jesus commits one to the whole program of Jesus. We are friends, brothers (He is our elder brother) and partners with Jesus.

What Does Our Friend, Elder Brother, Partner Expect of Us?

"A new commandment give I unto you that you love one another." He expects us to love all whom He loves, to maintain a friendly attitude to all to whom He manifests such an attitude, and to serve as best we can all whom He serves.

He expects us to cooperate in Christianizing the whole world. "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." We must go or send. We must go or die. An anti-missionary spirit is anti-Christian.

He expects us to help Him change the social and economic condition of the world.

He expects us to help Him give every man in the world a fair chance and a square deal.

Do You Know Some Things Money Cannot Buy?

1. Do you know you can buy a book of poems, but you cannot buy a poem.
2. You can buy a house, but you cannot buy a home.
3. You can buy admiration, but you cannot buy love.
4. You can buy a political job, but you cannot buy a character.
5. You can buy medicine at the drug store that will purify the blood, but you cannot buy medicine that will purify your heart.
6. You can buy clothing that will make you look good, but you cannot buy goodness.
7. You can buy the praise of men, but God's commendation is not on the market for money.
8. You can buy the title to a piece of land, but you cannot buy

CHRISTIANS TO REVAMP KOREA'S SCHOOLS

Six prominent Koreans, leaders in cultural and social affairs in their native land, are now in the United States, guests of the American government, chosen by the U. S. Military Government in Korea, to study American schools and related institutions so as to outline a program for Korea's schools. It is of note that all six have been students at one time or another in Christian schools in their own land or in America.

Lee Wook Chang is a graduate of a Northern Presbyterian Mission school in Pyongyang, and of the University of Dubuke and Columbia University; Hoon Lincoln Kim studied at Asbury College, DePauw University, and Northwestern University; Miss Whang Kyung Koh has degrees from Doshisha Women's College (Japan) and from the University of Michigan, and has taught at Ewha (Christian) College; Byron R. S. Koo was educated at Pyongyang Christian School, and Emory University (M.D. degree), and was dean of Severance Union Christian Medical College, Seoul; Ki Ho Lah studied at Mount Herman (Mass.) School and Columbia University; and Chang Wook Moon was graduated from Chosen Christian College, Simpson College (Iowa), and Columbia University, and taught in the Methodist Theological Seminary in Seoul.

SAYS MISSIONS AND FAO HAVE JOINT AIM

The aims of the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations is broadly the same as that of the agricultural missionaries sent into many neglected corners of the world, Dr. H. R. Tolley, chief of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, recently told a meeting of Agricultural Missions, Inc., a foundation promoting this type of missionary work among all Christian churches. "First," said Dr. Tolley, "the FAO aims at better diets for all the world's people, two-thirds of whom never have had enough of the right things to eat. Better diets for families now undernourished will mean longer life spans, greater freedom from disease, and the will and energy to lead better rounded and more productive lives. Secondly, the FAO is especially concerned with the general level of living of food producers—of rural families. This concern is not confined to increasing the output of farmers who still use primitive methods and to making it possible for them to receive better incomes for their labor; it extends to all important aspects of family living, such as medical care, education and communications."

a title to a mansion in the sky.

9. You can buy fame with money, but you get eternal life by another process.

10. You can buy toleration for your sins, if you have the necessary wealth, but God's toleration cannot be had for filthy lucre. A broken and a contrite heart, repentance toward God and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ bring absolution from our sins.

What worthwhile and satisfying things can money buy, anyway?

Christianity is a commitment to the highest ideals that we know, and a search for strength to be true to them.