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*Serving One Hundred and Sixty Thousand Methodists in Arkansas*

"The World is My Parish" — John Wesley

"Go ye into all the world" — Mark 16:15

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## North Arkansas Conference Holds 112th Session

THE 112th session of The North Arkansas Conference opened at 1:30 p. m. last Wednesday, October 22, at the Methodist Church in Forrest City with Bishop Paul E. Martin presiding, and closed with the reading of the appointments by the Bishop at the close of the morning preaching service Sunday, October 26.

Our church at Forrest City, under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. W. J. Spicer and the district superintendent, Rev. G. C. Johnson, made such careful, painstaking plans for the entertainment of the conference that every need of delegates and the Conference sessions was met.

In addition to the unusually fine manner in which the business of the Conference was conducted by our Bishop, other highlights of the Conference were the sermons by our Conference preacher, Bishop J. Ralph Magee; the morning devotional services conducted by Dr. Paul V. Galloway, in which he discussed his recent travels through Europe; the ordination sermon preached by Dr. Aubrey G. Walton, pastor of 1st Methodist Church, Little Rock; the Crusade Hour in which Dr. Walter Towner of the General Board of Education spoke; the Laymen's Hour in which Mr. Ray H. Nichols, president of the General Board of Lay Activities, addressed the Conference and a great Youth Rally, Saturday evening, led by Conference officers of Youth Fellowship. The Conference reached a climax in the sermon Sunday morning by Bishop Martin, followed by the reading of the appointments.

The general spirit of our day was in some sense reflected in the number of changes made in appointing of preachers to their charges for the new year. No one could doubt the care with which these appointments were made. The Bishop and his cabinet spent an unusual number of hours before the work of making the appointments was complete.

To crowd the amount of business transacted in an Annual Conference into the comparatively few hours the Conference is in session is little short of a miracle and it is further evidence of the methodical efficiency with which Methodism does its work.

## Methodism And Its Crusade

AT last year's session of the Little Rock Conference, Bishop Fred P. Corson, as Conference preacher, made two statements the significance of which is becoming all the more apparent with the passing of time.

Bishop Corson, speaking with reference to Methodism's Crusade for Christ, pointed out that the Crusade program has revealed the extent to which The Methodist Church had lagged, in recent years, in its emphasis on some of the basic interests of the church. Secondly, the Bishop suggested that the Crusade program has shown The Methodist Church just what it can do when it has marshaled its forces around such a church-wide program.

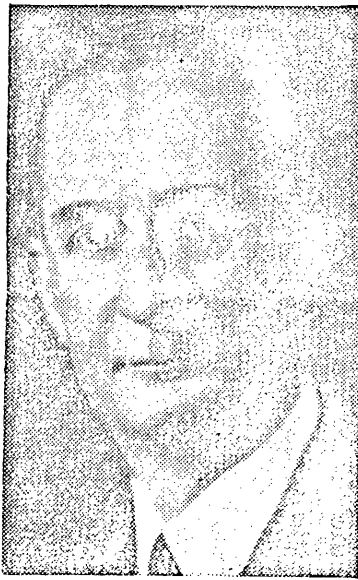
This raises the question as to just what might have been accomplished this quadrennium had Methodism not undertaken the Crusade program. Let it be said that Methodism is stronger today than ever before in its history. It is to be hoped that the greatest accomplishments of our church for the Kingdom are yet to be.

## Bishop Paul B. Kern At Little Rock Conference

BISHOP Paul E. Martin has rendered Arkansas Methodism a distinct service by bringing to each of our Annual Conference sessions this year, as Conference preacher, an outstanding Bishop of our church.

Bishop J. Ralph Magee, Bishop of the Chicago Area, and national director of the Crusade for Christ, was the guest preacher at the North Arkansas Conference where his ministry delighted all who heard him.

Bishop Paul B. Kern, President of the Council of Bishops, is the Conference



preacher at the Little Rock Conference this week. Bishop Kern was pastor of Travis Park Methodist Church in San Antonio, Texas, at the time he was elected Bishop in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in 1930. Since 1944, he has been the Presiding Bishop of the Nashville Area in the South Eastern Jurisdiction.

Bishop Kern, the author of "Methodism Has a Message," does himself have a message which will inspire the hearts of members and visitors in the Little Rock Conference. Bishop Kern knows the problems as well as the possibilities of this section of our church. Although a Professor of Ministerial Efficiency for eleven years in Southern Methodist University, and during that time also Dean of the School of Theology for six years, he speaks a language easily understood by the rank and file of our people.

Bishop Kern is no stranger to Methodist preachers in Arkansas. The strength of his leadership has been felt here as it has elsewhere throughout our church. He pioneered in the idea of the Crusade for Christ and possibly had as much or more to do with the plans for projecting that campaign than any other leader in our church.

We welcome Bishop Kern in our midst and take pride in the fact that he is a product of the South.

## Group Insurance In The North Arkansas Conference

A PLAN for Group Insurance, which would include all regularly appointed pastors in the North Arkansas Conference, was adopted by the Conference. A committee, which included the special committee set up to give pre-conference study to the plan, together with the district superintendents, was set up to promote the plan throughout the Conference.

The plan, as adopted, will become effective when a minimum of seventy-five per cent of the ministers of the Conference, working under appointment by the Bishop, have joined the group of insured.

One feature of the plan, as is common of most group insurance plans, is that the employer, which in this case is the church, will pay part of the premium and the minister a part of it.

All ministers receiving an appointment by the Bishop will be eligible for the insurance without a physical examination and regardless of age. Taken as a whole this Group Insurance Plan will be a real blessing to a large group of our ministers. Ministers love their families, but the very nature of the work they do generally prevents most of them from making the provisions for their loved ones that they deserve.

By the rule of the insurance company, for this plan of group insurance, the minister is not allowed to pay the entire premium even if he desired to do so. For that reason the success of the plan will depend on the cooperation of the various churches in order that the minister may become eligible for the insurance. The amount the church will be asked to pay will be such a small matter, compared to the benefit it will be to the minister, that we feel sure that the cooperation on the part of churches will be unanimous.

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## Hot Springs, The City Of Promise

EVERY good citizen of Arkansas rejoices with the better citizenship of Hot Springs because of the hopeful outlook for this internationally famous city. Politically and morally Hot Springs seems to have entered a new day of freedom.

Seldom, if ever, is it wholesome for any political unit to be dominated by one man or by a small group of men. Never is it wholesome for a crowd of professional gamblers to be able to defy or in any other manner evade the penalty the law prescribes for such high-handed grafters.

The present administration in Hot Springs and in Garland County is demonstrating the fact that the development and progress of Hot Springs is in no sense dependent on the promotion of questionable, illegal practices.

Hot Springs is primarily a health resort of international fame. There is certainly no inseparable, inherent tie-up between good health and bad morals. There are proved values in the healing waters of Hot Springs that guarantee the future of that thriving city. People who will mean the most to Hot Springs are much more concerned about regaining their health than they are about an opportunity to wager a bet where there is no real chance to win. Methodism of the Little Rock Conference, now assembled in Hot Springs, wants to congratulate the city on the political, moral and spiritual progress it is making.

# An Evaluation Of Visual Aids

By ALFRED KNOX

(Last month I shared with you something of the first week of the Visual Education Seminar at Los Angeles. In a few brief words here I would like to tell you some of the high spots of the second week and try to estimate where we came out. In my opinion, the two high points of the general seminar groups during the second week were the sessions on "film production" led by Dr. Harris Moore, head of the Cinema Department of the University of Southern California, and the address by Andrew Marton, one of the directors at Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Studios. The lectures by Dr. Moore led us in the direction of an appreciation of the technical and financial problems involved in the production of all films in particular and church films in particular. As evidence of difficulties in educational production, he pointed out that in the last year 300 producers of educational pictures in this country have gone out of business. Dr. Moore challenged the church to make a large enough investment in both time and consecrated personnel so that it can eventually be freed from depending on non-Christian groups for materials to be used in teaching Christianity. To the religious educators in the seminar there came this two-fold challenge: (1) Do some really objective testing to discover which visual medium is actually the best for teaching specific things, and (2) Dare to visualize completely one unit of curriculum and let printed materials be used only when needed to supplement that.

On the next to the last day of the seminar when we had all just about reached the point of asking, "Can any good thing come out of Hollywood?", Andrew Marton, MGH director, came before us confessing that "unchecked greed" was the driving force in the motion picture industry and explained the technical subterfuge by which the highly censurable "Duel in the Sun" had gotten by the Johnson office. Mr. Marton came before us speaking on "The Confusion in the Modern Mind" and saying that this confusion will be eased only through education largely through visual means. He called on the Methodist visualists to work for pressure on Congress that OWI educational films produced during the war be released for general educational use. His speech and the group's visit with Joe E. Brown on the set where he is making a picture in which he portrays a minister, sent us from California with the conviction that there is at least a little "leaven" amidst the "dough" of Hollywood.—A. K.)

**A WOMAN TO REMEMBER**, 16 mm sound, Cathedral Films, running time 30 minutes, rental \$8, Methodist Publishing House.

This apocalyptic tale of a certain widow Miriam, the woman who appointed Jesus' feet with precious ointment, has the finest quality of action and audience appeal of any of the Cathedral Films I have seen. Showing how a mother's love is deteriorated by love for money and position, and how finally she is joined to her daughter after all her property has been lost, the picture is an effective message both on stewardship and family ties.

The excellent acting of the child makes this one of the best for use with children. I feel that there is one weakness in the film in that Miriam's brief meeting with Jesus' makes too simple and vague the way in which Jesus changes lives.

**JAIKUS' DAUGHTER**, 16 mm sound, Ca-

thedral Films, running time 30 minutes, rental \$8, Methodist Publishing House.

I have been a strong supporter of most of the Cathedral Films, but I find it impossible to say any good things about this film, which seems to run counter to everything I understand as important in religious education. Rev. Mr. Freiderich, the producer, although an Episcopalian, is almost an ultra-fundamentalist in his love for showing the miraculous in the ministry of Jesus. This tops them all in being the story of the sickness and death and mirac-



REV. ALFRED KNOX

ulous raising from the dead of a little girl. Not for children and I see no reason why adults would want to see it either.

**THE HOME**, 16 mm sound, Religious Film Society of Great Britain, running time 19 minutes, rental \$6, Religious Film Association through Methodist Publishing House.

This J. Arthur Rank production of life in Palestine in the life of Christ is one in a series of detailed studies of life "Two Thousand Years Ago" is unquestionably authentic, but the speed of movement and the slow British-accented commentary is apt to make this a very "dull dish" for you. I would recommend it for a study group of adults only, where authentic detail is more the concern than sustained audience interest. The same can be said for the other pictures in this series.

**WE THE PEOPLE**, 16 mm sound, Young America Films, running time 10 minutes, rental \$2.50, Democrat Printing and Lithographing Co., Little Rock.

A brief, sketchy outline of the machinery and purposes of the United Nations, this film should have wide use among the women during the period of their study. Done in documentary style it makes wide use of charts and some cartoons. This will introduce you to the excellent quality of teaching films in the Young America Series.

**THE CHRISTIAN HOME**, 35 mm filmstrip, Church Screen Productions, 40 frames, \$2.50, order from producer, 5622 Enright Ave., St. Louis 12, Mo.

This is an example of one of the new producers of religious filmstrips who was in too big a hurry to get on the market. An excellent

message on the balance and democracy needed in a well-rounded home is marred by mediocre photography. But if you keep this in mind and do not expect too much, I think this filmstrip is worth the money as a part of your church library.

**THE CRUSADE FOR CHRIST IN THE CHURCH SCHOOL**, 2x2 Kodachrome slides, Methodist Board of Education, 57 slides with narrator's guide, rental \$1, Methodist Publishing House.

Here is a "hot" item just from the cameras for use in your church school crusade emphasis. These slides give visualization to the promotional materials you have been seeing and give you the means of transferring the content of these materials to every member of your church and church school. If you're having the training course, get a projector somewhere and use this set of slides.

## Coming Events

The first thing of which I would like to remind you is that Christmas is only two months away. In the field of visual education this engage any rental films for the Christmas season. Many of the best Christmas pictures are booked as far as a year in advance. But filmstrip and slide materials are still in stock for sale, and it won't hurt to try if you want to book Christmas movie like "Child of Bethlehem" or "A Savior is Born". But don't wait any longer — contact your film library today.

The Protestant visual education world waits almost breathlessly for the preview and release of "Beyond Our Own", the first production of the Protestant Film Commission. It is made with the highest caliber of Hollywood talent for use in the "World Evangelism" mission emmeans that it's practically already too late to phasis of the winter, and its locale of China makes it good for that study too. It will not be released until November, but if I were you I'd book it for January and February usage right now. Tuckerman already has it for January 11th.

J. Arthur Rank, famous Methodist film producer of Great Britain, is building a large movie studio which will be available to any religious group for the making of religious and educational films. Maybe we'll have to go to England with a pocket full of dollars to get the films we need.

## Equipment Notes

The latest news in the equipment field is the drastic reduction in the price of the DeVry 16 mm sound projector by Methodist Publishing House. This reduction of more than \$100 is a break for any church in the market right now. But you should know that this presages a new day of more reasonably priced 16 mm sound projectors and my advice would be wait a little while if you can.

If you are shopping for a slide and filmstrip projector, I would urge you by all means to spend fifty more dollars and get the type of projector adapted for sound filmstrips, since an abundance of teaching materials are being produced in this very effective medium.

If you have a sound projector in your church, don't overlook the fact that you have within its amplifier a public address system too, and get more usage from your equipment by planning some "audio" programs in addition to visual ones.

When your moving picture image grows fuzzy on the screen during projection, let the running film pass between your two moistened fingers as it enters the machine, and your "bug" will jump right out.

## HOW CHILDHOOD IS DEGRADED

"Recently, I was passing a cocktail bar. Looking in, through the open door I saw a little girl apparently about three years old. Her little face was very dirty, and the young mother was drunk. The child was looking up into the mother's face in fear, and the mother had taken off her shoes and stockings and was

trying to dance, while an old man (also drunk) was leering into her face.

"The child looked hungry. I wish I could have snapped a picture of that scene and passed out prints of the picture to our church members. —From letter in The National Voice.

Many of our cares are but a morbid way of looking at our privileges.

## DO YOU?

Do you tell with pride of relatives and friends who are hard drinkers? If not, why not?

Do you encourage your wife to drink intoxicating beverages? If not, why not?

Do you desire your children to become fond of alcoholic liquors? If not, why not?

Do you favor the opening of a

public house or saloon next to your home? If not, why not?

Do you wish to see politics controlled by the liquor people? If not, why not?—Forward—Official organ of Nova Scotia Sons of Temperance.

Every person has two educations, one which he receives from others, and one, more important, which he gives to himself.—Gibbon.

# THE DEVOTIONAL PAGE

REV. H. O. BOLIN, Editor

## YOUR FUTURE IS AT STAKE

In every school and college are required courses in government. Lecture groups and organizations for the study of government abound. Newspapers and magazines furnish up-to-the-minute news of every phase of government. Every student is nurtured on government and every adult has abundant means of accurate information. Clergymen have been known to have definite political convictions.

Our government is a government by political parties but too often the young man just out of college and his parents have very little, if anything, to do with political parties. Government is the responsibility of all good people. It has much to do with moral conditions.

Your city government determines how many houses of prostitution you shall have in your municipality; whether or not laws against drunkenness and other crimes shall be enforced. Your state government regulates the sale of liquor and determines what care shall be given unfortunates. Your Federal Government, consisting at the top of 534 men and women, determines how heavy the tax burden shall be, what shall be done to preserve peace among nations and the general welfare of our people.

These factors are vital for every Christian. Mankind, through its indifference, makes most of its troubles. When Christian influence is felt in government, then and then alone may we know that America is on the right road. Political parties will get better only when forced to do so by the power of the Christian people. God blesses a nation which reveres Him. The future of our country depends upon its Christians.—Protestant Voice.

## UNIQUE IDEA OF RELIGION

Col. E. R. Bradley, Palm Beach gambler and horseman, died last month. He had led a glamorous life—so they say—and his death rated a front page story in much of the secular press of America.

The thing that interested this editor, however, was the colonel's idea of religion. He formulated for a friend what he termed the four principles on which he believed a boy should be educated:

1. "...his mother should teach him religion from the age of two to twelve so that the fear of God would be instilled..."

2. "...he should learn to box... and not have to be afraid of anyone..."

3. "...He should never lie or steal..."

4. "...he should learn arithmetic so that he can think in terms of figures and percentages..."

These principles are not bad. The difficulty with the whole situation seems to lie in the motives behind them. What kind of religion should be taught at mother's knee? Apparently the colonel did not hold with the religion of Jesus, or the precepts of the Prophets. Certainly "thou shalt not steal" or "love thy neighbor" could hardly be applied at the Palm Beach casino. Or it may be that one just learns that kind of religion like one learns Bible

## CHURCH SPIRE AT TWILIGHT

O Golden Cross!  
Against a twilight sky  
Of soft dull blue,  
Pierced by a single star  
Whose poignant light  
Reminds of Bethlehem;  
O Golden Cross!  
You draw my thoughts  
Upward and outward  
At this even hour;  
Upward to Him  
Whose symbol you've become  
Because He bore  
Your counterpart in pain and woe;  
Outward to untold throngs  
Who crosses bear  
Of pallid poverty  
And sordid loss  
Unwillingly, unwittingly,  
Without the radiant light  
Which led Him on.  
O Golden Cross!  
O emblem true!  
I too, will bear a cross  
For Him and them.

—Florence R. Jardine, in  
The Union Signal.

## REAL RELIGION

Christ is not only the Saviour of the world and the Son of God but he is also the world's greatest religious genius. Being what he is, we would naturally expect this of him. The Sermon on the Mount is the greatest treatise on religious character ever produced. It will never be exceeded for the goal is set as high as the imagination can possibly go. Little wonder the officers sent to arrest him came back saying, "Never man spoke like this man." We agree with Daniel Webster who after he had read this Sermon, with much feeling said, "More than any mere man has spoken here." After a study of this great message, Napoleon remarked, "I understand men. I can handle men. But Christ is more than man."

In our study of this Sermon we have come to the latter part of the fifth chapter of Matthew. There we find the Lord saying, "Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbor, and hate thine enemy. But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them that despitefully use you, and persecute you: That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the unjust. For if ye love them which hate you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans so? And if you salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others? do not even the publicans so? Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect."

In this statement Christ makes it very plain that he expects his followers to be different from others

verses—just to learn and not to apply.—Zions Herald.

and to do more than outsiders who make no profession of saving faith in him. He is setting forth here the standard of real religion. This type of religion will solve the problems of the world. Nothing else will do. Christianity has not really failed, as some contend; it has not sincerely been tried. The word "therefore" in the above passage refers us back to what he had already said up to this point in his message. To get his standard of religious excellence, one has only to glance back at what had already been said. It will be noted that the thoughts set forth there are largely a description of his own character.

A real Christian is one who is humble in spirit, an individual who is sad over his own shortcomings and the sins and failures of others about him. He is meek and patient under persecution. He realizes he is not everything he ought to be but he longs to be better. He is always ready to lend a helping hand to both friend and foe and is plentiful in his mercy toward others. He realizes that one of the great needs of the world is peace—peace in the individual's own heart; peace toward God and fellowman; peace between nations, institutions, and organizations. He is not contented with merely being at peace himself. He is a peacemaker as well as a peacekeeper. He takes his persecution in good grace realizing that those who have amounted to much in a religious way in the past have been thus treated. The preserving quality of his life is everywhere felt and the illumination of his influence makes known the will of God.

A real Christian keeps the moral law. He does not expect salvation from so doing. He has already been saved by grace through faith. He does God's will not to make him

## THE NEUTRAL

The force of evil in the world does not arise from the number of people who have enlisted on the side of unrighteousness. It arises from the number of people who have simply refused to enlist. It is not the sinner who is the devil's chief ally. It is the neutral.—Stanley High, in The Union Signal.

the Father's child, but because he is already his child. His righteousness, therefore, comes from a regenerated nature and is not mere outward conformity of a sinful heart to the divine command. Little wonder his righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, it comes from a deeper source. He is not content with merely refraining from committing murder as an outward act. He permits Christ to remove from his heart anger, jealousy, prejudice, and hatred which leads to murder. He is not content to merely refrain from the outward act of immorality. He permits Christ to remove from his heart the lust that leads to this sin.

A person seeking real religion knows that he cannot get right with God while he is wrong with some one else. Therefore, before he comes to offer his life for salvation and in service upon the altar of God, he first makes sure that he has exhausted every effort to get right with fellowman. He also realizes that he is to be saved from rather than in sin. This leads to some spiritual amputation. He cuts himself loose from evil companionships and even sources of livelihood which may be as dear to him as a right hand or a right eye. His veracity becomes such that there is no need of putting him under oath. His mere word is as good as his bond.

A real Christian will go further than strict justice in balancing off his accounts with his enemies. He does not seek an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. He rather practices the non-resistance of evil. He turns the other cheek, goes the second mile, and gives more than that which is required by the civil courts of the land. Until individuals and nations become big enough to do this, war will continue in the world.

An out and out child of God will love his enemies. This love will be a matter of goodwill and helpful service toward them and not a mere sentimental affair. This is probably the hardest thing in the world for a person to do. But Christ did it and he calls us to follow him. If we contend that it is impossible to fully follow Christ since he is God's only begotten Son, the answer is that Stephen, the first Christian martyr, followed him to the letter at this very point.

As Christians, we must do more than others. We will not be perfect in our judgment. In this life we will always be subject to making mistakes. But we can be perfect in our motives. We can always intend to do right. Then our misdoings will be of the head and not of the heart. We can also be perfect in our love, that is, we can

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## Individual Reports Of Pastors--North Arkansas Conference

**GRAVELLY:** Dr. Harley Crawford, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 7. Amount paid for building purposes \$86.43. Per cent of increase on Church School enrollment 37; and on Church School attendance 43 per cent.

**SALEM:** Luther K. Wilson, pastor. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for building purposes \$4098. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**STANFORD:** Alvin Gibbs, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 13, otherwise 1. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**ALMA:** A. L. Riggs, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 9; otherwise 23. All finances paid in full. An increase in Church School enrollment of 21. Raised for improvements \$525.00. Building funds, \$1117.00. Total finances raised this year \$5775.00.

**CALICO ROCK-NORFORK:** W. T. Watson, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 12; otherwise 12. Amount paid for improvements on parsonage \$250.00. A 5 per cent increase in Church School enrollment and in attendance. World Service Askings paid in full.

**SWIFTON-ALICIA:** J. C. Wilcox, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 3, otherwise 5. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for parsonage improvements \$1000.00. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**UMSTED MEMORIAL:** W. L. Dillon, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 11, otherwise 3. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full. Hendrix Quota paid in full.

**WELDON-TUPELO:** Woodrow Woods, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 3, otherwise 5. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for parsonage improvements \$600.00. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**BEEBE:** O. L. Cole, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 16, otherwise 21. Salaries and World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for improvements on church \$112.00; paid for improvements on parsonage \$167.00. World Service Askings paid in full. Paid Hendrix quota of \$2000.00 in full.

**MARMADUKE:** C. E. Gray, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 6. Per cent paid on salaries 80 per cent; per cent paid for

World Service 75 per cent. Amount paid for improvement on church \$500.00. Per cent of increase on Church School enrollment 15 per cent; 30 per cent increase on Church attendance.

**MARIANNA:** S. G. Watson, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 17, otherwise 16. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for building purposes \$5500.00. The charge paid World Service Askings in full. They now have \$16,000.00 in a building fund.

**TRUMANN:** O. M. Campbell, pastor. Salaries and World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for improvement on parsonage \$545.00. An 11 per cent increase in Church School enrollment and an 18 per cent increase in Church School attendance. World Service Askings paid 107 per cent plus. Sent to Overseas Relief \$400.00.

**TURRELL-GILMORE:** Raymond Krutz, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 20, otherwise 8. Per cent paid on salaries, on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for improvements on church \$282.00. Per cent of increase of Church School attendance 17 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**CAVE CITY CT.:** W. H. Trotter, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 27. Salaries 100 per cent; World Service 65 per cent. Amount paid for improvements on church \$425.00. A 10 per cent increase in Church School enrollment and a 10 per cent increase in Church School attendance.

**GREENBRIER:** R. B. Howerton, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 14, otherwise 6. 100 per cent paid on salaries and on World Service. Amount paid for building purposes \$700.00, on church improvements \$400.00 and for improvements on parsonage \$325.00. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**MANSFIELD:** James R. Chandler, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 8, otherwise 8. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for church improvements \$750.00, and for the parsonage \$75.00. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**MARMADUKE CT.:** Gus Evans, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 6. Salaries paid 95 per cent and World Service 75 per cent. Amount paid for improvements on parsonage \$2500.00. A 20 per cent increase in Church School enrollment and a 25 per cent increase in Church School attendance.

**WELCOME HOME:** R. A. Bevis, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 5; otherwise 4. Salaries paid 80 per cent and World Service 90 per cent. Amount raised for building purposes \$750.00. An 18 per cent increase in Church School enrollment and a 10 per cent increase in Church School attendance. This is a new charge.

**LUXORA:** Charles W. Lewis, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 3, otherwise 5. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. Paid for improvements on church \$1000.00. Amount paid on parsonage \$300.00. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**CHARLOTTE:** Claudie McLeod, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 21, otherwise 7. Salaries paid 96 per cent and World Service 75 per cent. Amount raised for building purposes \$150.00. An increase of 10 per cent in Church School enrollment and an increase of 15 per cent in Church School attendance.

**CLINTON:** W. W. Allbright, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 11, otherwise 11. Salaries and World Service 100 per cent. Amount raised for building purposes \$2000.00. Amount paid for improvement on church \$200.00. Amount paid for improvement on parsonage \$1800.00. Amount paid on debt retirement \$165.00. World Service Askings paid in full.

**COTTER:** C. Everett Patton, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 12, otherwise 9. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid on debt retirement \$600.00. Per cent of increase on Church School enrollment 24 per cent and on Church School attendance 10 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**BROOKLAND:** Arvill L. Brannon, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 19, and otherwise 5. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for church improvements \$373.00 and for building purposes \$6200. The charge paid World Service Askings in full. Built one new church building.

**CONWAY FIRST CHURCH:** C. M. Reves, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 24, otherwise 55. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid on church improvements \$117.00. The charge paid World Service Askings in full. Raised for Hendrix College \$38,654.00. There was raised \$286.00 for repairs on a rural church.

**EARLE:** J. M. Barnett, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 4, otherwise 12. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid on church improvements \$2700.00. Per cent of increase on Church School enrollment 12 per cent, and on Church School attendance 10 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**GODDARD MEMORIAL:** E. B. Williams, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 47, otherwise 49. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent; on World Service 105 per cent. Per cent of increase on Church School enrollment 3 per cent; increase in Church School attendance 10 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**NEWARK:** J. M. Hughes, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 7, otherwise 2. Salaries and World Service 100 per cent. Amount raised for building purposes \$3000.00. Amount paid for improvements on church \$2400.00. A 20 per cent increase in Church School enrollment and a 15 per cent increase in Church School attendance. World Service Askings paid in full.

**HEBER SPRINGS:** Ralph Hillis, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 8, otherwise 12. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for building \$3300.00, and improvement on church \$2860.00, for improvement on parsonage \$960.00. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**ST. FRANCIS:** Albert Gibbs, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 2, otherwise 13. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for improvements on church \$65.00. Per cent of increase on Church School enrollment 20 per cent, and on Church School attendance 25 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**DANVILLE:** Raymond A. Dorman, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 14; otherwise 10. Salaries and World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for improvement on church \$100.00. Amount paid for improvement on parsonage \$250.00. A 5 per cent increase in Church School enrollment and a 3 per cent increase in Church School attendance.

**MORNING STAR:** B. W. Stalling, pastor. Percentage paid on salaries 100 per cent, World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for improvements on parsonage \$700.00. Per cent of increase in Church School enrollment 10 per cent; per cent of increase on Church School attendance 20 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**TYRONZA:** L. F. LeFevers, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 37, otherwise 6. Salaries and World Service 100 per cent. Amount

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raised for building purpose \$1300.00. Amount paid for improvement on church \$300.00. A 10 per cent increase in Church School enrollment and a 5 per cent increase in Church School attendance. World Service Askings paid in full.

**ELM SPRINGS:** C. H. Harvison, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 15, otherwise 5. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid on church improvements \$75.00, and on parsonage improvements \$1200.00. Per cent of increase on Church School enrollment 30 per cent, and on Church School attendance 10 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**MORRILTON:** G. C. Taylor, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 18, otherwise 47. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for improvement on church \$490.00, and for improvements on parsonage \$270.00. Per cent of increase on Church School enrollment 20 per cent, and on Church School attendance 18 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**ATKINS:** H. C. Minnis, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 12, otherwise 8. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid on improvements on parsonage \$1000.00, and on the church \$300.00. Per cent of increase on Church School enrollment 12 per cent, and on Church School attendance 18 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**PARKIN:** A. W. Harris, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 11, otherwise 17. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for church improvements \$550.00, and for improvements on parsonage \$200.00. Per cent of increase on Church School enrollment 11 per cent, and on Church School attendance 10 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**DESHA:** T. O. Love, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 7, otherwise 3. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for improvements \$4100.00, and on amount paid on church buildings \$4100.00. Per cent of increase on Church School enrollment 15 per cent and on Church School attendance 20 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**AUBREY:** F. M. Stage Jr., pastor. Additions on profession of faith 27, otherwise 6. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid on improvements of church \$210.00, and on improvements on parsonage \$250.00. Per cent of increase on Church School enrollment 5 per cent and on Church School attendance 10 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**PARAGOULD CT.:** W. T. Lingo, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 22, otherwise 6. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent. Per cent paid on World Service 110 per cent. Amount paid for improvements on church \$15.00. Per cent of increase on Church School enrollment 40 per cent, on Church School attendance 20 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**FIRST CHURCH, FT. SMITH:** Fred G. Roebuck, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 84; otherwise 136. Amounts raised for Golden Cross \$200.00; Fellowship of Suffering \$757.00; Orphanage \$785.00; Hendrix College \$16,055.00. General and Conference Benevolences \$4100.00. Other items for Conference and local work bring the amount raised to the grand total of \$60,179.00.

**FIFTH STREET, FT. SMITH:** Bates Sturdy, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 18, otherwise 14. Salaries and World Service 100 per cent. Amount raised for building purposes \$600.000. A 5 per cent increase in Church School enrollment. Askings for World Service in full. Church was awarded and purchased a lovely Navy chapel and it is now being moved to present site.

**SMITHVILLE:** Bill L. Odom, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 10; otherwise 4. Percentage paid on salaries 100 per cent, World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for improvements on church \$50.00. Percentage of increase on Church School enrollment 30 per cent. Percentage on Church School attendance 30 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**IMBODEN - BLACK ROCK:** LeRoy Henry, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 10, otherwise 7. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent; on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for church improvement \$8000.00. Amount paid on new parsonage \$3000.00. Per cent of increase in Church School enrollment 20 per cent; on Church School attendance 10 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**MOOREFIELD-EAST BATESVILLE:** M. L. Kaylor, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 24; otherwise 6. Salaries and World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for improvements on church \$400.00. World Service Askings paid in full. Pastor and wife given an old-fashioned pounding along with nice useful gifts. Pastor has served charge only six weeks. Is happy in new work.

**WEONA:** Elvis Wright, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 30. Per cent paid on salaries 97 per cent, and paid on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for church improvements \$280.00, and improvements of parsonage \$150.00. Per cent of increase on Church School enrollment 15 per cent, and on Church School attendance 7 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**GRIFFITHVILLE:** J. M. Talkington, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 2. Salaries and World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for improvements on church \$200.00. Amount paid for improvement on parsonage \$100.00. Amount paid on debt retirement \$100.00. A 10 per cent increase in Church School enrollment and in attendance. World Service Askings paid in full.

**LAKE CITY:** J. C. Riggins, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 14, otherwise 6. Salaries and World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for improvements on church \$1136.00. Amount paid for improvements on parsonage \$155.00. A 20 per cent increase in Church School enrollment and a 15 per cent increase in Church School attendance. World Service Askings paid in full.

**PIGGOTT:** Geo. L. McGhehey, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 6; otherwise 6. Salaries and World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for improvement on church \$500.00. Amount paid for improvement on parsonage \$200.00. A 40 per cent increase in Church School enrollment and a 20 per cent increase in Church School attendance. World Service Askings paid in full. \$2500.00 raised for organ.

**YARBRO-PROMISED LAND:** Ray L. McLester, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 27, otherwise 5. Salaries and World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for improvements on church \$300.00. Amount paid for improvements on parsonage \$300.00. A 1 per cent increase in Church School enrollment and a 5 per cent increase in Church School attendance. World Service Askings paid in full.

**MASSARD:** J. E. Linam, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 4; otherwise 3. Salaries and World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for improvements on church \$300.00. Amount paid for improvement on parsonage \$1398.00. An increase of 5 per cent in Church School enrollment and a 10 per cent increase in Church School attendance. World Service Askings paid in full.

**ROGERS:** James T. Randle, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 14, otherwise 39. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent; on World Service Askings 100 per cent. Amount paid for church improvements \$3000.00. Per cent of increase on Church School attendance 10 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full. The charge has nearly \$13,000.00 in building fund for educational building. Work carried

on by District Superintendent E. H. Hook, Rev. Wm. Sherman, Chaplain Gilbert Hyde and others during the pastor's illness. Charles McDonald was associate pastor for the summer.

**OLA:** Byron McSpadden, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 6, otherwise 7. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for improvement on church \$490.00, and amount paid for parsonage improvements \$400.00. Per cent of increase on Church School enrollment 50 per cent, and on Church School attendance 50 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**PLUMMERVILLE:** W. M. Womack, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 1, otherwise 10. Percentage paid on salaries 100 per cent, World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for improvements on church \$300.00. Percentage of increase on church attendance 10 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full. Church led in a Local Option election that voted Howard Township dry in Conway County by a vote of 209 to 39 in August.

**LAVACA:** M. L. Edgington, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 4; otherwise 4. Salaries and World Service 100 per cent. Amount raised for building purposes \$65.00. Amount paid for improvement on church \$250.00. Amount paid for improvement on parsonage \$400.00. A 10 per cent increase in Church School enrollment and an 18 per cent increase in Church School attendance. World Service Askings paid in full.

**BATESVILLE FIRST CHURCH:** H. Lynn Wade, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 32; otherwise 26. Salaries and World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for improvements on church \$1500.00; amount paid for improvements on parsonage \$200.00. A 10 per cent increase in Church School enrollment. Askings for World Service paid in full plus. Church sponsored organization of East Batesville Church.

**BEECH GROVE:** L. L. Langston, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 13, otherwise 1. Salaries and World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for improvements on church \$500.00. Amount paid for improvements on parsonage \$175.00. World Service Askings paid in full. Have re-roofed parsonage and decorated it inside. Beech Grove put in a new attic fan. Campground painted their church inside and out. Church hopes soon to have a hardwood floor and new pews.

**CENTRAL AVE., BATESVILLE:** H. C. Couchman, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 18, otherwise 16. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, on World Service 100 per cent. Amount paid for building purposes \$2125.00 and for church improvements \$1725, and for improvement of parsonage \$500.00. Per cent of increase of Church School enrollment 10 per cent, and increase in Church School attendance 10 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

**VILONIA:** A. H. Dulaney, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 7, otherwise 6. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. Per cent of increase on Church School, 2 per cent and Church School attendance 3 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full. The Hendrix College quota of \$300.00 is paid in full. World Communion Service was observed with an offering of \$23.00 for Overseas Relief and an offering of \$35.00 for Methodist Childrens Home.

**McRAE:** E. C. Hance, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 108, and otherwise 34. Per cent paid on salaries 100 per cent, and on World Service 100 per cent. Amount raised for building \$2000.00. Amount paid for church improvements \$2000.00, and for parsonage \$400.00. Amount paid on church debt retirement \$1500.00. Per cent of increase on Church School enrollment 20 per cent, and on Church School attendance 20 per cent. The charge paid World Service Askings in full.

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# THE CHILDREN'S PAGE

ANNIE WINBURNE, Editor



## IN STORYLAND

### SELLING HIMSELF

From the office window Dr. Lepley noticed the boy drive his wagon-load of corn upon the old-fashioned weigh-scales directly opposite. He watched him idly as he stepped down from the platform and then while the near-sighted weighmaster was adjusting the scales, the boy put one foot back upon the hub of the wheel and, seizing the back of the seat swung himself free of the platform, thus adding his full weight to that of the corn.

"Ho, ho! Selling himself, eh?" exclaimed the doctor, adjusting his far-sighted glasses to be sure that his near-sighted eyes were not deceiving him.

"Bless my heart, if it isn't Squire Giles' son, Jack!" he exclaimed in astonishment. "The young rogue, to disgrace his good, honest old father by such juggling! But he'll square the deal with me, or I'll know why," he chuckled as he hurried across the back lot to the corn-crib, where Jack was already shoveling the big yellow ears into the huge old-fashioned bin.

"Hello, chappie," he called out in his jolly fashion. "Want me to give you a lift?"

"No thank you," replied Jack politely.

"It's a fine lot of corn certainly," he added good-naturedly.

With the last shovel of corn Jack sprang down into the crib to gather up the "nubbins," scattered on the floor; and while he was at work, the doctor stepped forward and, closing the door, locked it and put the key in his pocket.

"Doctor! Doctor Lepley!" called Jack, thinking the absent-minded man had shut him in by mistake. "Please, sir, you have locked me in the crib," he explained.

"Yes, I know," was the reply. "Isn't that right? I bought you, you know."

"Bought me?" cried Jack not certain whether the grave man peering in through the bars was joking or crazy.

"Yes, to be sure!" returned the doctor. "I bought you and shall settle with your father in accordance with your weight. How much do you weigh?"

"Ninety-two pounds," answered Jack sheepishly, beginning to see through the doctor's queer actions.

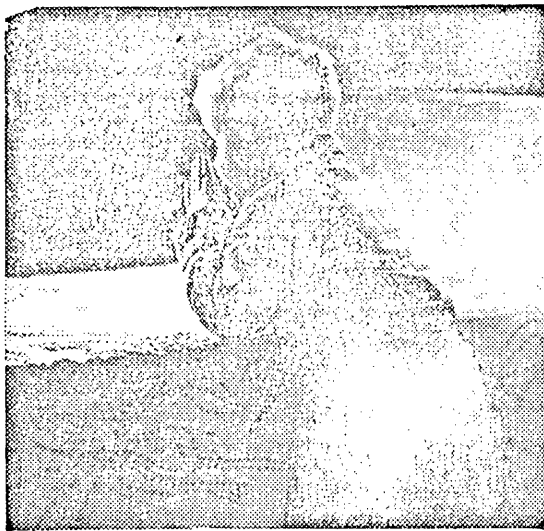
"Ninety-two pounds — a little more than a bushel and a half of corn. At eighty cents a bushel you are worth about one dollar and twenty-five cents," mused the doctor. "A cheap boy certainly! You have not put a high price on yourself, Jack."

"I didn't—didn't mean to sell myself," insisted Jack.

"You didn't?" exclaimed the doctor. "Then why were you so careful to have yourself weighed with the corn? I thought at the time that you were discounting yourself, but a boy who will stoop to such low trickery is not worth much at best."

"I didn't think of it in that light," pleaded Jack, ready to cry. "It's the first time I ever did such a thing, and I am sorry that I acted so mean."

"Sorry for the wrongdoing, Jack, or sorry that you've been found out?"



## BEDTIME

By Beulah Ruth Boyenga

*Another day is ended,  
Another prayer is said,  
And a tired little laddie  
Has been tucked into his bed.*

*Softly down the stair-steps  
His mother's foot-tread falls,  
But scarcely is it silenced  
Before her laddie calls:*

*"Mother, put the light on.  
Don't leave me very long!  
How soon 'fore you'll come up to bed?  
—Time I finish with my song?"*

*"I'll come in a few minutes, dear.  
Just shut your peepers tight."  
These words like magic calm all fear.  
Bring back a faint "All right."*

*Another day is ended,  
Another prayer is said,  
And this tired little laddie  
Is sleeping in his bed.—In Ex.*

Which is it, my boy?" urged the doctor.

"Both," answered Jack quickly. "I am sorry that you know of my meanness."

"Then if I let you go back on your deal will you give me your word of honor that you will never attempt such crookedness again?" said the doctor. "Will you promise?"

"Yes," answered Jack eagerly. "And doctor, I hope you will not tell my father of my dishonesty," he added.

"I should be sorry to be the bearer of such news to your father, Jack," returned the doctor. "But my dear boy, do not let the fear of exposure overshadow the higher and important one of going right for its own sake. Remember always that if you are to retain your own self-respect you must put the highest valuation upon your honor. Never under any circumstances cheapen yourself by a sale to bidders."—Young Churchman.

Junior was invited to his friend's house for supper, but refused. When his mother asked him why, he sneered: "He just wants me to help him eat up his cereal so he can have the box tops!"—Washington Post.

## IN THE WORLD OF BOYS AND GIRLS

### MAGIC FLUID

By Revah Summersgill

Many everyday articles have fascinating stories behind them. Have you reached the grade in school where you are learning to write with ink? If so, what do you think about it? Do you think of it as a useful liquid, but one that is very messy if you happen to upset the bottle, likely to make ugly blots on the paper, if you get the pen too full, or on your hands if you dip too far? Think "behind the bottle for awhile."

Do you know where ink comes from? Well, any number of amazing places. There is an ink made from lice! The first red ink was made from a little red insect that feeds on cactus. Much of the red dye used for all purposes was made from it too. Since those early days, science has discovered other materials for dye, but the plant lice still are the source of red ink. They feed on the juices of the cactus, so probably the juices are important in the red coloring. But the juices alone won't do.

There is another ink made from cuttlefish. In one respect this is the very best ink we have, for it lasts the longest of all. It is called sepia ink. The cuttlefish carries a dark brown liquor in a bag beneath its body and uses it as a kind of smoke screen. Whenever the animal is frightened, it sends out a cloud of the liquid which blackens the water. This makes it easier for the cuttlefish to escape unseen. But someone discovered the lasting qualities of the black liquid, and presto, the cuttlefish became a commercial asset.

The ancient Egyptians, who were perhaps the first ink makers of all, used soot mixed with glue to make their ink. This strange-sounding combination is better than it sounds to us, for the writing of the Egyptians can still be read. Our own commercial printers today use something very similar. They mix lampblack or boneblack or any very black soot with various oils and other materials.

Of course nowadays there are artificial dyes and we have grown away from many of the earlier natural methods of making ink. But not entirely. The best ink we have still is made from the eggs of a female gallfly lays in the bark of a tree. The tree she chooses most often is the oak. She pierces the bark and makes a hole in which to deposit the eggs. Then the tree tries to cover the wound by growing a lump over the eggs. The little swelling is called a nutgall, and you must have seen many of them. The next time you are taking a walk in the woods and see a tall oak with nutgalls on its trunk, think of the smooth ink that last for hundreds of years, that indeed grows darker with age.

There are some so-called metallic inks which make gold and silver writing. These are expensive, of course, and are made by actually suspending some of the metal or an imitation of it into the ink fluid.

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## JUST FOR FUN

Wife (after accident): "Where am I? Am I in heaven?"

Husband: "No, dear, I'm still with you."

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A visitor at the asylum saw a man sitting at a desk writing. Wishing to be friendly, he remarked. "What are you doing?" Writing," replied the inmate without looking up. "To whom are you writing?" "To myself." "Writing to yourself!" said the visitor smiling. "Well, what are you telling yourself?" The inmate looked up with an annoyed air and exclaimed "How do I know? I won't get the letter until tomorrow."—Hoosier Motorist.

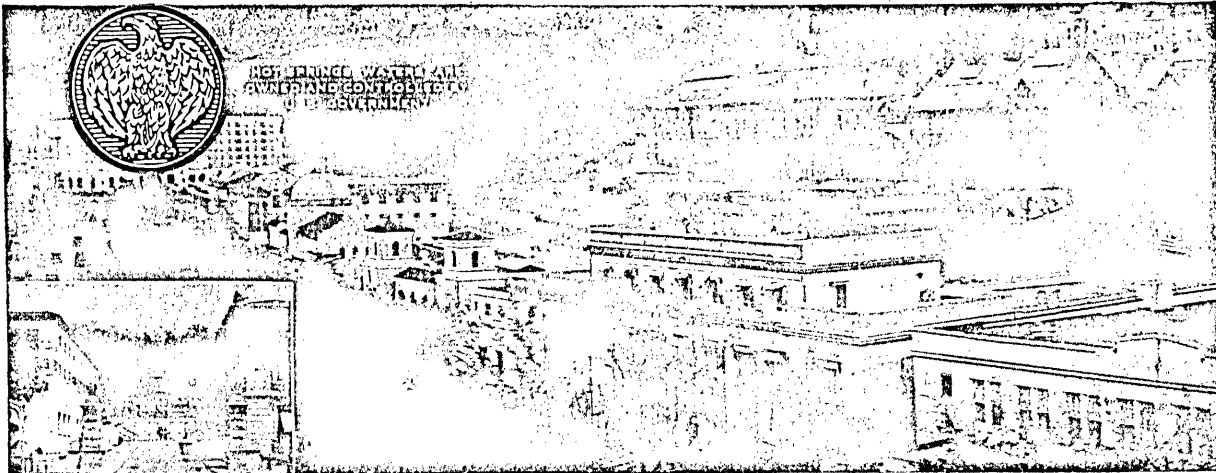
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The young husband eyed the greyish concoction with misgiving. Bravely he dug a spoon into the mystery and began to eat. After a few moments he straightened himself, eased his collar a little and asked, "What do you call this, darling?"

"Date pudding," beamed his wife.

"Oh yes," he breathed, "but—er—what date?"—Tit-Bits.(London)

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## Joint Report Of District Superintendents



When it is left to one person to read and chronicle the events of a whole conference, that person approaches the task in humility, thankfulness and gratitude. If I had the tongue of men and of angels; if I had the imagination of all men who have ever lived; if I had the vocabulary of all men who have ever spoken, it would still be impossible to adequately describe the accomplishments of over 90,000 Methodist members, over 200 pastors, of 3 district superintendents and one bishop.

Jesus said it is customary to serve good wine at the beginning of a feast; later that which is not so good is served. In this report I am going to recite the unpleasant facts first; afterward recite the pleasant ones.

In spite of the fact that all things considered this is one of the best years in the history of the North Arkansas Conference, in some instances we lost ground. Last year we had 11,256 additions to the church; this year we had only 7,251. That represents a loss of over 35 per cent, and as Caesar would say, "this is the most unkindest cut of all". Though last year was the year of Evangelism, that still does not wipe out the blot nor lessen the sting of the hurt. Twenty-two, or 30 per cent more churches have contracted debts this year than last. We have also organized 13 less Church Schools this year than last. We have established 17 fewer preaching places this year than last. However, in only these three in-

stances did we show a loss over last year.

From here on the margins over last year begin to grow and the percentages to sing. It starts very humbly and rises with a musical crescendo. We gained 2 per cent in Church School enrollment; 3 per cent in the number licensed to preach; 6 per cent in the number of Women's Societies; 7 per cent in the amount of the Church School rally day offering; 8 per cent in combined membership of women's societies and guilds; also 11 per cent in the amount raised by the women's societies and guilds. Salaries are up 12 per cent over last year. The increase in membership in the Wesleyan Guild is up 15 per cent.

The increase in Vacation Church Schools was 17 per cent. A 26 per cent increase in training credits; a 30 per cent increase in giving to the orphanage; a 31 per cent increase in enrollment in Vacation Church Schools and 33 per cent increase in amount spent on buildings and repairs. New parsonages built represent a 66 per cent increase and new churches built represent a 70 per cent increase over last year. The organization of new churches represents the highest percentage of all—100 per cent! Thus taking an over all picture, including both losses and gains, the Conference gained in every department an average of 10 per cent.

One of the aspects of the fourth or stewardship phase of the Crusade was the strengthening of Hendrix College. Again this was a rising crescendo. The financial effort of the Crusade had seemed heavy, but was over-subscribed and overpaid. We were asked for over three times as much for Hendrix as was raised for the Crusade. The Hendrix campaign was over-subscribed and will also be overpaid. Two thirds of our goal has already been attained. The treasurer of the fund, Mr. E. W. Martin of Hendrix, says he cannot strike an accurate balance because each mail brings additional payments. The latest information sets the total payments for the Conference at \$319,555.97. Giving credit to whom credit is due would include all the givers, all the pastors and all the district superintendents in the Conference. However, a large share of the credit should go to our bishop, to Dr. Reves and to Dr. Ellis. All pledges to this campaign must and will be paid on or before the deadline of January 31, 1948.

The poet asks "Why should the spirit of mortal be proud?" and we answer "Because under God we have done great things and will by His help do even greater." The fact that two out of every three families in America do not even say grace at meals, that three out of five persons in this country drink; that 76 out of every 100 public school pupils in Arkansas do not attend anybody's Church School, gives us the ground on which to base the Crusade for increased attendance and enrollment in Church School. With four of the five phases of

the Crusade completed successfully, we will go on to victory in the last. The challenge to enroll 80,410 in Church School has been answered by an acceptance of 74,389, leaving a balance of only 6,021 to be made up. We firmly believe that this will be done, for this phase of the Crusade is a MUST.

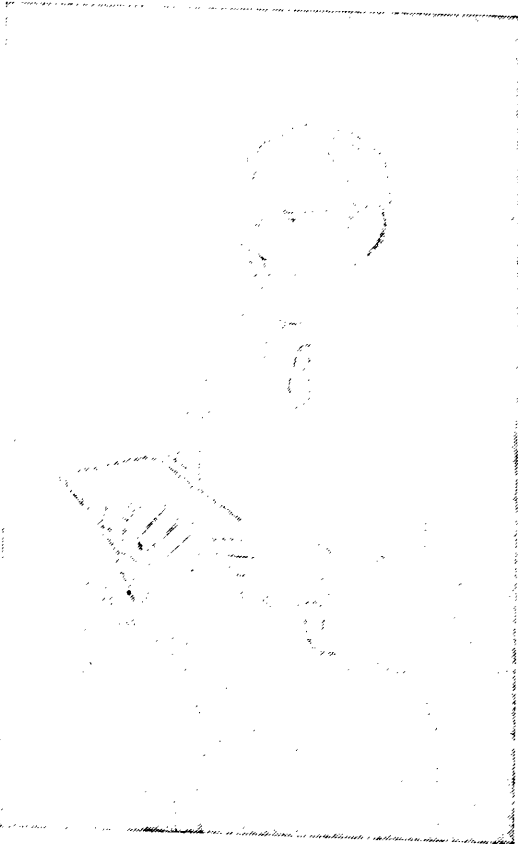
When we look at the accomplishments of the people called Methodists in North Arkansas we are inclined to say "Thanks be to God which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." — H. M. Lewis, Secretary.

### OBSERVANCE OF WORLD COMMUNITY DAY

World Community Day will be observed around the world on November 7 by the United Council of Church Women. Each of the twenty five local councils in Arkansas is planning an appropriate observance. At these meetings the kits for the school children of Europe will be dedicated. Each kit will contain warm clothing and school supplies for children from six to twelve years of age. Last year the kits sent were for infants and small children and the Greater Little Rock Council sent one hundred.

In Greater Little Rock, World Community Day will be observed at Christ Church with Mrs. S. F. Freeman, the president, presiding, and Dr. Marion Biggs will be the luncheon speaker.

We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.—Construction Digest.



## "Christ for the World!" We Sing But do we mean it?

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## THE CHURCH TRAINS LEADERS

There are many ways in which a local Methodist Church may meet the problem of securing better trained leaders. One way is to take advantage of standard leadership training courses that are available for workers in the church school. The General Board of Education offers 87 First Series courses and 97 Second Series courses in its leadership education curriculum. These courses cover a variety of subjects in the fields of Christian belief and action, Bible, the work of the church, psychology and teaching methods, missions and Christian homemaking.

The Methodist Church now has 6,870 instructors certified by the General Board to teach one or more of these many courses. During the past three and a half years of the Crusade for Christ, the department of Leadership Education has held 70 coaching conferences to help prepare many of these instructors to teach. Eleven of these coaching conferences consecrated in the field of evangelism, twenty-seven in the field of stewardship, twenty were of a general nature—preparing instructors in a variety of courses—and twelve for the Crusade for Christ in the Church School.

Attendance at these coaching conferences ranged from 25 to 125, with an average of about sixty. Simple arithmetic will indicate approximately the number of people who have prepared themselves to help the workers in the local church by teaching these study courses.

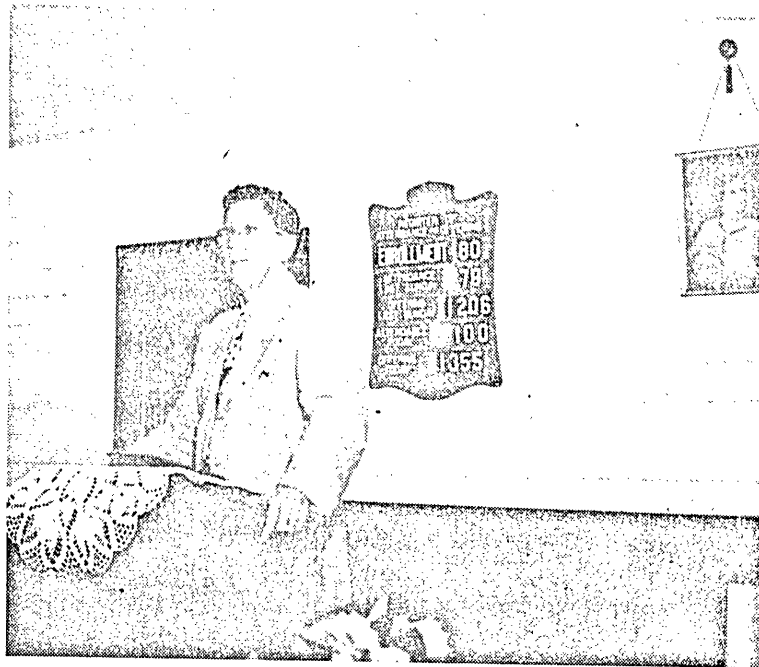
Local church people are increasingly availing themselves of the opportunity found in these courses, as indicated by the figures for 1946, when over 1400 schools were held and over 80,000 people enrolled. In 1944 approximately 1500 schools were held with over 67,326 enrolled. These figures do not include the large number of folks who take these courses in interdenominational schools.—Bulletin Board of Education.

## PHILANDER SMITH COLLEGE OFFERS TRAINING IN AVIATION

The first class graduated from the Philander Smith College department of aeronautics and flight instruction last month. Philander Smith holds the unique distinction of being the only one of our Methodist Colleges operated for Negroes with a classroom and office building located in the Municipal Airport and full access to all runways. The building was furnished and equipped by the federal government. The city of Little Rock leased the property to the College. The Government pays the educational expenses of all veterans, and the ex-G. I.'s are able to earn their civilian pilot's license while carrying a regular load of college work. Milton A. Crenshaw, former instructor at Tuskegee Institute, Alabama, is head of the department.

In announcing this addition to the curriculum, President Harris stated that plans for training men for the Commercial Pilot's license are underway. He further stated that in this growing Air Age, flying offers new vocational opportunities. — Campus News.

## LAST OFFICIAL ACT AS SUPERINTENDENT



The last official act of Rev. H. H. Griffin as District Superintendent of the Searcy District was the dedication of the newly completed church at Stony Point on the Cabot charge, Sunday, October 19th. Brother Griffin retired at the recent session of the North Arkansas Conference.

ference.

The above picture of Brother Griffin was made at the conclusion of the dedicatory service. Rev. Thomas R. Whiddon was pastor of the Cabot Charge at the time of the dedication. Brother Griffin will reside in Paragould.

## SIXTY-NINTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF ARKANSAS W. C. T. U.

The Sixty-ninth Annual Convention of the Arkansas Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held October 7-9 in the First Christian Church of Jonesboro. The theme of the meeting was "Safeguarding Arkansas". At noon on Tuesday the Woman's Society of the Methodist Church entertained the executive board with a luncheon which preceded a business meeting of the board. Mrs. Lewis S. Talley of Russellville, president, presided over the meeting of the board.

At the first session the host pastor, Rev. Cecil Berry, the mayor, Mr. Roy Penix, and the president of the local union, Miss Antoinette Anthony, extended greetings which were responded to by Mrs. Richard Nelsen of Little Rock. The officers of the state made their reports showing how each was helping to safeguard our state through the work of her office. At the close of the business session the women

of the host church gave a lovely tea to the guests and friends.

At the evening session held in the Methodist Church, William McMahon, senior student at Hendrix College, gave the youth viewpoint. A group of Jonesboro women presented the playlet, "What the Ads Say", a clever production. Rev. Glenn Sanford of the Town and Country Commission of the Methodist Church spoke on the work being done for temperance in northwest rural Arkansas and showed the movie, "Where Does It Get You?"

Wednesday morning the directors of state departments gave their reports showing the efforts to safeguard Arkansas through education and organization. Charles A. Stuck, a leading business man of Jonesboro, spoke on "Temperance in Our County". Clyde C. Coulter, superintendent of the Arkansas Anti-Saloon League, told of his experiences in the Arkansas legislature, stressing the idea that any government and the liquor business is an unholy alliance. Miss Mae Wilhelm, teacher of Narcotic Education, who

is being sponsored by the church women and the W. C. T. U. of Arkansas, told of the work she is doing in the schools of the state.

On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Geneva Long, clerk of the Juvenile Court of Pulaski County, told of the things she sees among juveniles and the part alcohol plays. Much interest was shown in the movement to recognize Outstanding Girls and Stalwart Youth, which was explained by Mrs. Lurline Heath. Mrs. Tally gave the president's address on "Safeguarding Arkansas".

The First Baptist Church was host to the dinner for the convention Wednesday night, when Mrs. May Crouse, director of Scientific Instruction, presided as toastmaster. A pageant, "Wind the Ribbon Around the Wonder State" written by Mrs. Talley, was presented by a group of women. Rev. H. J. Couchman, pastor of Central Avenue Methodist Church, Batesville, gave the address of the evening, using as his theme, "Advance and Be Recognized". The movie, "Drunk Driving" was shown.

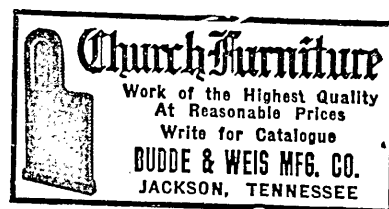
The convention closed Thursday morning after adopting the resolution of which the following are especially notable:

The State Legislature is urged to abolish "block buying" of poll tax receipts, to pass laws to protect dry counties, to investigate persons buying federal licenses and to curb amusements on Sunday.

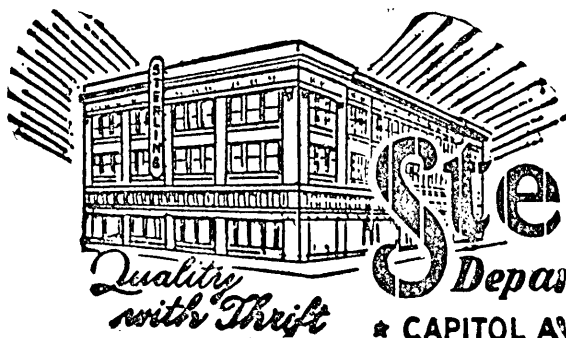
The W. C. T. U. is opposed to peacetime military conscription and to liquor advertising.

Though this was not election year, Mrs. Ward Harris of Stuttgart was elected vice-president, to take the place of Mrs. A. F. Knoll, resigned, and Mrs. E. Allen Rogers of Jonesboro became leader of the Loyal Temperance Legion.—Mrs. Mildred Wilkerson, State Publicity.

Believe not half you hear, and repeat not half you believe. My uncles used to say: "When you hear an ill report about any one, halve it and quarter it and then say nothing about the rest."—Spurgeon.



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### MINISTERS' WIVES OF LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT MEET

The Parsonettes organization of the wives of the ministers of the Little Rock District, met in the home of Mrs. Kenneth L. Spore, Little Rock, and Mrs. Louis W. Averitt, co-hostess, on Thursday, October 8, at 2 o'clock.

The ladies were given a handkerchief on which to embroider their names as an entertainment feature during the social hour. Sixteen members enjoyed delightful halloween motif refreshments.

The next meeting will be at the annual luncheon to be held at Annual Conference.—Reporter.

### MRS. JACK TAYLOR HONORED ON BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Robert S. Smith, Jr., of Malvern, writes: "I feel sure many Methodists in our Conference will be glad to know that Mrs. Jack Taylor is improving. She is able to sit up now most of the day and her doctor assures me that she will gradually learn to walk. She wishes to express thanks to the many friends who visited and carried flowers to her while she was in the Methodist Hospital. She is still receiving cards and letters and it means so much to her. Her address is 611 East Page Ave., Malvern, Arkansas."

Mrs. Smith sends the following account of the observance of Mrs. Taylor's 78th birthday which was run in the Meteor Journal, Malvern:

Mrs. Jack Taylor was honored on her 78th birthday Tuesday, October 6 with an informal surprise party given by Mrs. Callie Eason who makes her home with Mrs. Taylor. A delightful hour was spent in conversation and singing of favorite hymns of the honoree.

While enjoying a refreshing drink and cookies, a lovely birthday cake and numerous gifts were given to Mrs. Taylor.

The following friends and neighbors called during the afternoon: Mesdames Velma Bailey, A. T. Ivey, S. B. Baker, George B. Cox, Nelia Clardy, Robert S. Smith, Jr., Agee Finley, R. Farmer Tackett, Herman Cunningham, Ovie Jones, Sr., Thomas E. Toler, Thomas Toler, Sr., Mrs. Lee Eason, Miss Geneva Alexander, Four children, Bobbie Joe and Bettie Eason and Ivy Sisters came in and brought the gifts. Mrs. Eason was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. Henry McLain, Mrs. Tackett and Mrs. Smith.

Your own good is wrapped up in your efforts to promote the good of others.—Religious Telescope.

### BUFFALO ISLAND M. Y. F. MEETS

The Buffalo Island M. Y. F. met at Monette Monday night, October 13, for the monthly sub-district meeting. The opening program consisted of a musical number from each place represented. The history of the hymn and something about the author was given.

In the business session which followed it was decided to postpone the election of officers. The roll was called as follows: Monette 17; Delfour 14; Black Oak 6; Manila 5; St. John 12. An offering of \$5.83 was received.

The meeting was adjourned for a social hour which was held in Mr. and Mrs. Luther Gipson's back yard. Games were played and refreshments were served. It was decided to have a halloween party at Manila.

The next meeting will be at Leachville on the second Monday night in November.—Reporter.

### SUB-DISTRICT OF YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP ORGANIZED

The first meeting of the Sub-district of the Young Adult Fellowship of the Methodist Church was held in Green Forest on Monday night, October 13 at 8:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting was to organize a Sub-district of the Young Adult Fellowship of the Fayetteville District.

Rev. Lee Cate, pastor of the Eureka Springs Methodist Church and assistant district director of this group, had charge of the meeting. Congressman Jim Trimble was the guest speaker at this time.

The nominating committee met to submit names to the group for the officers for the coming year. The names which they submitted were accepted by the group and were elected by acclamation. They were as follows: President, John Davis, Green Forest; Vice-President, Eldon Robb, Huntsville; Secretary-Treasurer, Myrtle Young, Eureka Springs, and Reporter, Tommie Chafin, Berryville.

A recreational hour directed by Mr. and Mrs. John Davis was enjoyed by all. Refreshments were then served to 31 members.

The next meeting will be held in the Eureka Springs Methodist Church at 7:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday night. All members are urged to attend.—Tommie Chafin, Reporter.

It is not the fact that a man has riches which keeps him from the kingdom of heaven, but the fact that riches have him.—Caird.

### METHODIST HOSPITAL AND BATH HOUSE NEWS

The "Methodists are One People" was strikingly illustrated one day last week when two groups of visitors came by to "look our hospital over" as they put it. One group was from Buffalo, New York and the other from Florida. They both happened to be visiting Hot Springs in 1944 when we were arranging to purchase the hospital. They just called to see what progress had been made. They were agreeably surprised and said upon leaving—"We want to think of this hospital as our, too." That expression may be prophetic of the future for we are strategically located as well as possessing the hot waters to make such a realization possible. This Hospital may become a great National Institution of the Church.

Miss Patricia Reynard of Port Arthur, Ontario, is our new laboratory technician. She is a Methodist and received her training in the States, at Minneapolis, Minnesota. She is also able to work in the X-Ray department, thus assuring service there as well. We have added an electrocardiograph machine to our X-Ray department and are that much more prepared to render efficient service to the doctor's patients.

We are looking forward to our Open House on October 31, Friday of Conference Week from 2 - 4 p.m. We hope our many friends will come by and see what we have and are trying to do.

The equipment has arrived for our orthopedic room and the plaque on the door reveals our generous friends, the Boyd brothers and sister, John, Marvin, Pink and Miss Lucia, of Emmett, Arkansas. We are proud of this equipment and most grateful for such wonderful thoughtfulness of kind friends. This room is a memorial to their parents.

We will be seeing you at our Conference session. — R. E. Simpson, Superintendent.

An honest man has nothing to fear.—Proverb.

We must undergird Christian family life and recapture the home as the primary agency of religious nurture.—Dr. Nevin C. Harner.

Experience shows that success is due less to ability than to zeal. The winner is he who gives himself to his work body and soul.—Charles Buxton.

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MRS. SUE M. WAYLAND, Editor

## SOME VISUAL AIDS FOR THE STUDY OF "THE UNITED NATIONS"

(Bro. Knox sends this list hoping it will be helpful to the study leaders on this course.)

**WE THE PEOPLE**, 12 minutes outline presentation of the basic idea and machinery of UN, 16 mm sound film, Young America Series, Arkansas State Teachers College Film Library, Conway, rental \$1.

**NOW THE PEACE**, 20 minutes presentation through charts and animation of the plan and purpose of UN, Brandon Films, Inc., 1600 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y., rental \$2.50, 16mm sound film.

**THE PEOPLES' CHARTER**, 17 minute production by the United Nations Film Board, Ideal Pictures, 18 S. 3rd St., Memphis, Tenn., 16 mm sound film, rental \$2.50.

**ATOMIC POWER**, 20 minutes March of Time presentation of the development of atomic energy and its potentialities, Association Films, 1700 Patterson Ave., Dallas 1, Tex., rental \$3.50.

**PALESTINE**, March of Time, 20 minutes, discusses progress that has been made with this problem and obstacles still to be overcome, 16 mm sound film, Association Films, 1700 Patterson Ave., Dallas 1, Tex., rental \$3.50.

**FOOD—SECRET OF THE PEACE**, Canadian Production, showing the plight of impoverished peoples and carrying a discussion - starting trailer, 17 minutes, 16 mm sound film, Brandon Films, Inc., 1600 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y., rental \$2.50.

**PEOPLES OF THE SOVIET UNION**, Julien Bryan Production picturing the many racial groups making up the Soviet Union, 40 minute sound film, Arkansas State Teachers College Film Library, Conway, rental \$2.50.

**THE BROTHERHOOD OF MAN**, animated cartoon in color packing a message with quite a punch on need for brotherhood in our shrinking world, 10 minute sound film, Visual Education Inc., Twelfth and Lamar, Austin, Tex., rental \$3.

**BOUNDARY LINES**, Julien Bryan Production, color cartoon showing imaginary lines of fear, possession, color and greed which divide peoples, 10 minute sound film, Visual Education Inc., Twelfth at Lamar, Austin, Tex.

**OUR BILL OF RIGHTS**, Picturing the struggles incident to the adoption of these amendments to our constitution, 20 minute sound film, State Teachers College Film Library, rental \$2.50. There is also a similar production, **OUR DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE**.

**MAN—ONE FAMILY**, The effective answer to all the master-race theories, 16 mm sound film running for 16 minutes rents for \$4, and a slidefilm presenting the same material in still pictures sells for \$3, Association Films, 1700 Patterson Ave., Dallas 1, Tex.

**ONE WORLD OR NONE**, Dramatic animated film showing the sound film running for 9 minutes, rents for \$2, and slidefilm with same material sells for \$3, while a

## ALONG THE WAY

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

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

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

sound filmstrip rents for \$2.50, Methodist Publishing House.

**THE WORLD WE WANT TO LIVE IN**, stresses racial intolerance and the problem it poses on the international scene, 10 minutes sound film, Methodist Publishing House, rental \$1.50.

**HOW TO CONQUER WAR**, 110 slide-film pictures showing all the methods which men have used to settle their disputes, up through the League of Nations, Religious Film Association, order through Methodist Publishing House, Purchase Price \$3.

**HOW TO LIVE WITH THE ATOM**, 62 frame filmstrip, produced in cooperation with the National Committee on Atomic Information, same address as above, Price \$2.50.

**UP AND ATOM**, 67 frame filmstrip, humorous drawings illustrating how communities can arouse public sentiment and influence legislation, Same ordering directions as above, Price \$2.50.

**GOD'S CHILDREN IN A BEAUTIFUL WORLD**, 35 Kodachrome 2 x 2 slides, dealing with brotherhood as related to the beauties of the world, Rental \$1.50, Methodist Publishing House.

**THE CHURCH IN GOD'S WORLD**, 35 Kodachrome 2 x 2 slides, dealing with the potentialities of the Church in working God's program in the world, rental 1.50, Methodist Publishing House.

**LIVING TOGETHER IN GOD'S WORLD**, 34 Kodachrome 2 x 2 slides, picturing the suffering of peoples over the earth, ending with a plea for world brotherhood, rental \$1.50, Methodist Publishing House.—Alfred Knox.

I dread the white man's drink more than all the assegais of my enemies, which kill men's bodies. That is quickly over; but drink puts devils into men, and destroys both body and soul forever.—Khamma, African Chief.

## THE MISSIONARY RE-ENTERS HIROSHIMA

When Miss Mary McMillan, of Mulat, Florida, returned from the United States to Hiroshima, Japan, to resume missionary service among girls of the badly-wrecked Frazer Institute of the Methodist Church, she was warmly welcomed by the Japanese. Her present home is a five-room Japanese-style house, near the present school site in the mountains outside Hiroshima. This home she shares with two Japanese teachers. She wrote this account of her homecoming:

Mrs. Motoyoshi, wife of one of our teachers, living next door, brought over food when I began to move into the new house. Another neighbor loaned her push cart to wheel my trunks and boxes from the main road up the narrow path up to the house. Teachers and students lent a hand.

That first evening we went over to talk with the Motoyoshis about going around to pay respects to the neighbors, a nice custom over here. Mrs. Motoyoshi offered to go with us, and the subject of what we should take to each home in the place of the noodles, which used to be taken by the newcomer to the neighborhood, came up. It was agreed that a bar of soap would be most welcome. So the next morning, with her little grandson on her back, she took us around to ten other houses. We gave them our bars of soap, wrapped in nice white paper, on which one of the other teachers had written my name in Japanese. Nearly all of the homes were small shacks into which the families had moved after their homes had been destroyed by the atomic bomb. Most of them had lost children, fathers, other relatives in the bombing.

That evening, the little boy next door, who lost two small brothers in the bombing, came over when he saw us working in our garden and

## DISTRICT GUILD MEETING

The Little Rock District Wesleyan Service Guild met for a banquet in the social room of Pulaski Heights Methodist Church on Wednesday evening, October 15, with covers being laid for 120. The guests were seated at long tables which were attractive with arrangements of pink and blue carnations and lighted with white tapers in crystal holders. The invocation was offered by the host pastor, Rev. E. D. Galloway. Miss Sue Medlock served master of ceremonies, and introduced the following guests: Mrs. E. D. Galloway, President, Little Rock Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service; Mrs. O. D. Longstreth, District Treasurer; Miss Maud Hammock, Secretary of the Little Rock District Wesleyan Guild; Mrs. W. H. Lyon, President of Pulaski Heights Methodist Church Woman's Society of Christian Service; Mrs. John Streepy, Co-ordinator of Pulaski Heights Church Guild Number 1; Mrs. Fred Burnett, Co-ordinator of Pulaski Heights Guild No. 2, and the Presidents of the two Guilds of the host Church, Mrs. Ursul Jackson and Miss Jessie Ehlers, who served as hostesses for the evening. Deaconess Ary Shough was introduced by Miss Hanna Kelley, and gave an interesting talk on her work in the Prescott District.

A business session was conducted by Miss Hammock, at which time the following new officers were elected: Miss Medlock, Program Chairman; Miss Louise Mulkey, Publicity Chairman, and Miss Alice Rody, a member of the Program Committee.

Following the business session a worship service was led by Miss Medlock, which included the prayer of dedication by Mrs. Streepy, an address "The Challenge to go Forth" by Mrs. Galloway, and music under the direction of Mrs. Clinton M. Owen, which included an organ call to worship, group singing of hymns "Day is Dying in the West" (Lathbury) and "Lead on O King Eternal" (Shurtleff), organ offertory "Poeme" (Fibich) and anthem "The King of Love my Shepherd Is" (Shelley) by the Sanctuary Ladies Chorus.

The Program Committee of the Little Rock District Wesleyan Guild is composed of Miss Sue Medlock, Miss Hanna Kelly, Mrs. Lois Buxton, Miss Fay Rollins and Miss Alice Rody.

The next regular quarterly meeting of the Guild will be held at First Methodist Church.—Sue Medlock.

helped us to weed it. Then he helped us to make a fire under our Japanese bath. We have had guests every hour — students, teachers, neighbors, parents of students coming by to express their appreciation.

We had over four hundred applicants for our high school department but could take only half that number. For various reasons, including the one that so many girls who would now be entering college died in the bombing, applicants for entrance into the college department have been comparatively few. —World Outlook.



# Appointments Of The North Arkansas Conference



## Special Appointments

E. T. Wayland, Editor, Arkansas Methodist.

Ewing T. Wayland, Associate Editor, Arkansas Methodist.

Glenn F. Sanford, Secretary, Town and Country Commission, N. Ark. Conf.

Ira A. Brumley, Exec. Secretary North Arkansas Conference Board of Education.

A. W. Wasson, Asso. Secretary Department Foreign Missions General Board of Missions and Church Extension.

James S. Seneker, Professor, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University.

A. W. Martin, Professor, Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University.

Harry King, Professor, Arkansas College.

James S. Upton, Professor of Religion, Hendrix College.

J. Q. Schisler, Secretary Department of Local Church, General Board of Education.

Sam M. Yancey, Superintendent Western Methodist Assembly.

Archie M. Boyd, Chaplain, Attached to First Church, Ft. Smith Quarterly Conference.

Ray D. Seals, Chaplain, Attached to Central Church, Fayetteville, Quarterly Conference.

Gilbert F. Hyde, Chaplain, Attached to Central Church, Fayetteville, Quarterly Conference.

## Left Without Appointment to Attend School

Virgil R. Hanks, Perkins School of Theology, S. M. U.

Lindley E. Vowell, Perkins School of Theology, S. M. U.

Gaither A. McKelvey, Perkins School of Theology, S. M. U.

Raymond V. Holt, Perkins School of Theology, S. M. U.

Robert T. McMasters, Perkins School of Theology, S. M. U.

William A. Stewart, Perkins School of Theology, S. M. U.

Charles P. McDonald, Perkins School of Theology, S. M. U.

J. W. Workman, Jr., Perkins School of Theology, S. M. U.

Nat R. Griswell, Columbia University.

Harold Spence, Garrett Biblical Institute, Northwestern University.

James Rudolph Woodruff, Edinburgh University.

## Transferred Out

Winifred L. Diggs, Texas Conference.

Harold Spence, Rock River Conference.

## Transferred In

Harold Spence, Rock River.

Wayne Banks, Little Rock Conf.

Gilbert F. Hyde, Missouri Conf.

Floyd G. Williams, North Carolina Conference.

James Rudolph Woodruff, North Texas.

W. O. Scroggin, N. Texas.

Carl Keightley, Rock River.

## Batesville District

S. B. Wilford, district superintendent.

Batesville, Central Avenue, J. H. Hoggard.

Batesville, First Church, H. Lynn Wade.

Bethesda-Cushman, Vann Hooker.

Calico Rock Circuit, W. T. Watson.

Cave City-Sidney, R. E. Lee.

Charlotte Circuit, Claudie McLeod.

Cotter, E. W. Faulkner.

Desha Circuit, T. O. Love.

Elmo-Oil Trough, To Be Supplied.

Evening Shade Circuit, M. B. Short.

Grange, B. M. Sullivan.

Melbourne Circuit, J. H. Richardson.

Moorefield-East Batesville, M. L. Kaylor.

Mountain Home, Joel Cooper.

Mt. Home Parish, Byron McSpadden.

Mountain View, Grover Sutherland.

Newark, J. M. Hughes.

Newport, First Church, Roy I. Bagley.

Newport, Umsted Memorial, Walter L. Dillon.

Pleasant Plains, A. O. Hays.

Salem, L. K. Wilson.

Swifton-Alicia, J. C. Wilcox.

Tuckerman, Alfred A. Knox.

Viola Circuit, R. L. Hanks.

Weldon-Tupelo, Harold S. Bailey.

Yellville, Glenn Brunner.

Yellville Parish, C. E. Rasey, Jr. Preacher.

Director Arkansas Methodist, H. Lynn Wade.

District Missionary Secretary, J. H. Hoggard.

## Conway District

R. E. Connell, district superintendent.

Atkins, H. C. Minnis.

Belleville-Havana, Billy Dennis.

Bethel-Cato, Harley Crawford.

Bigelow-Houston, J. M. Kitchens.

Conway, 1st Church, C. M. Reeves;

Associate pastor, Carl Keightley.

Conway Circuit, A. E. Goode;

Associate pastor, Randolph Kerr.

Conway-Wesley Memorial, A. H. Dulaney.

Danville, R. A. Dorman.

Dardanelle, C. E. Patton.

East Dardanelle Circuit, James Smith.

Dover-London, Uriah Smith.

Gravelly, Thomas C. Kinslow.

Greenbrier, Harry W. Huntsman.

Lamar-Knoxville, Sherman Ragsdale.

Morrilton, 1st Church, G. C. Taylor.

Morrilton, Cir. No. 1, J. G. Gieck;

Associate pastor, George Wayne Martin.

Morrilton, Cir. No. 2, Mrs. John G. Gieck.

Naylor, Fred Thompson.

North Little Rock, 1st, J. W. Workman.

Gardner Memorial, N. L. R., V. E. Chalfant.

Washington Avenue, N. L. R., A. N. Story.

Levy, R. E. Wilson.

Sylvan Hills, N. L. R., William Wilder.

Ola, J. F. Weatherford.

Oppelo, R. B. Howerton, Jr.

Perry-Perryville, George Stewart.

Plainview, W. O. Scroggin, Jr.

Plummerville, W. M. Womack.

Pottsville, Frank Shell.

Russellville, W. F. Cooley.

Vilonia, A. Wall.

Waltreak, To be supplied.

District Evangelist, L. F. Huggins.

District Director, Arkansas Methodist, J. W. Workman.

District Missionary Secretary, A. N. Story.

## Fayetteville District

Elmer H. Hook, district superintendent.

Alpena, Charles Wages.

Bentonville, Alf A. Eason.

Berryville, Elmus C. Brown.

Centerton-Oakley Chapel, Cathryn Ferrell; John Polson, Asso.

Decatur, G. G. Davidson.

Falling Springs, Murray Shofner.

Cincinnati, Walter Pennel.

Asso.

Elm Springs, C. H. Harvison.

Eureka Springs, A. L. Riggs.

Farmington-Goshen, Carl Whillock.

Fayetteville, Central, Paul V. Galloway; Richard H. Whitman, Asso.

Fayetteville-Wiggins Memorial, Paul M. Bumpers.

Gentry, Alvin C. Murray.

Grove, Arnold Simpson.

Green Forrest, J. J. Clark.

Lincoln, N. Lee Cate.

Madison County, J. Kermit Vanzant; E. J. Reaves, Winslow Brown, Associates.

Pea-Ridge-Bright Water, C. R. Nance.

Prairie Grove, H. D. Womack.

Rogers, James T. Randle.

Rogers Circuit, E. O. Houser.

Siloam Springs, J. T. Boyd.

Springdale, E. G. Kaetzel.

Springtown-Highfill, Albert Prentice; Kenneth Griffith, Asso.

Sulphur Springs, Olin R. Findley.

Viney Grove, Ivan R. Wilson;

Hiley A. Rainer, Asso.

Winslow, W. C. Hutton.

Zion, Richard H. Whitman.

Arkansas Methodist Director, Harold D. Womack.

District Missionary Secretary, J. T. Byrd.

## Fort Smith District

Cecil R. Culver, district superintendent.

Alix Ct., Edward Coley.

Altus, Roy Poyner.

Alma-Mulberry, Thomas R. Whiddon.

Bethel-Dyer, William Steagal.

Booneville, I. L. Claud.

Branch, J. O. Davis.

Charleston, W. W. Peterson.

Clarksville, Hubert E. Pearce.

Fort Smith, First Church, Fred G. Roebuck; Associate pastor, Wayne Banks.

Fort Smith, Goddard Memorial, R. E. L. Bearden, Jr.

Fort Smith, Fifth Street, Bates Sturdy.

Fort Smith, Barling, M. E. Marchbanks.

Fort Smith, Massard, J. E. Linam.

Fort Smith, Midland Heights, W. A. Downum.

Fort Smith, Pine Street, Felix Holland.

Fort Smith, Second Church, John Bayliss.

South Fort Smith, Lester Weaver.

Greenwood, O. D. Peters.

Hackett, Doyle Telaar.

Hartford, Clyde Crozier.

Hartman, B. E. Robertson.

Huntington, To Be Supplied.

Kibler-Mt. View, Woodrow Wood.

Lavaca, M. L. Edgington.

Magazine, L. R. Ruble.

Mansfield, James Chandler.

Ozark, David P. Conyers.

Paris, Earle Cravens.

Prairie View-Scranton, Earl Carter.

Van Buren, First Church, Raymond L. Franks.

East Van Buren, Floyd G. Villines, Jr.

Waldron, John Glover.

Waldron Ct., C. L. Martin.

Scott County Rural Worker, Miss Estelle McIntosh, Deaconess.

Director Arkansas Methodist, Earle Cravens.

District Missionary Secretary, R. E. L. Bearden, Jr.

## Helena District

Ethan Dodgen, district superintendent.

Aubrey, W. W. Warrington.

Brinkley, B. L. Wilford.

Clarendon, E. E. Stevenson.

Colt, Y. D. Whitehurst.

Cotton Plant, J. L. Pruitt.

Crawfordsville-Blackfish Lake, Lyman Barger.

Earle, J. M. Barnett.

Elaine, R. O. McRae.

Forrest City, Horace M. Lewis.

Helena, Golder Lawrence.

Holly Grove, J. M. Harrison.

Hughes, A. W. Harris.

Marianna, Sam G. Watson.

Marion, G. C. Johnson.

Marvell, J. W. Glass.

Parkin, Ben C. Few.

Vanndale, Floyd G. Villines.

West Helena, J. W. Watson.

West Memphis, Harold Eggen-sperger.

Wheatley, D. G. Hindman; Mrs. D. G. Hindman, Asso.

Widener-Round Pond, Edwin B. Dodson.

Wynne, Oscar J. Evanson.

Director Arkansas Methodist, A. W. Harris.

District Missionary Secretary, Lyman Barger.

## Jonesboro District

J. Albert Gatlin, District Superintendent.

Black Oak-Carraway, Wade H. Harrison.

Blytheville, First Church, Allen D. Stewart; Associate Rural Pastor in charge, H. Lynwood Robinson.

West Blytheville Parish.

Blytheville, Lake Street, H. H. Elevins.

Bono-Trinity, M. A. Graves.

Brookland Ct., Arvil Brannon.

Dell, Carl C. Burton.

Dyess-Whitten, W. B. Yount.

Harrisburg, W. A. Lindsey.

Joiner, H. M. Sanford.

Jonesboro, First Church, W. Henry Goodloe; Associate Rural Pastor in charge, Lorado Ct., William Odom.

Jonesboro, Huntington Ave., Jefferson Sherman.

Jonesboro, Fisher Street, Thurston Masters.

Keiser-Victoria, Pharis J. Hollifield.

Lake City Ct., J. C. Riggins.

Leachville-Delfore, E. H. Hall; Associate Rural Pastor in Charge of Delfore, Norris Greer.

Lepanto-Garden Point, Irl Brindenthal.

Luxora - Rosa - Tomato, Charles Lewis.

Manila, Martin A. Bierbaum, Associate Rural Pastor in charge St. John's Ct., Robert Sykes.

Marked Tree, John A. Womack.

Monette, Theron McKisson.

Mt. Carmel-Forrest Home, William C. Hightower.

Nettleton-Bay, J. H. Holt.

Osceola, Herschelle Couchman.

Truman, O. M. Campbell; Associate Rural Pastor in charge of McCormick Ct., Gail G. Anderson.

Riverside-Simpson Memorial, R. B. Craig.

Turrell-Gillmore Raymond Krutz.

Tyroneza-West Black Oak, L. F. LaFevers.

Wilson-Marie, S. O. Patty.

Weona-Center View, Lee Anderson; Associate, Mrs. Lee Anderson.

Weiner-Hickory Ridge, Porter Weaver.

Yarbo-Promise Land, Ray McLester.

Director Arkansas Methodist, W. Henry Goodloe.

District Missionary Secretary, O.

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# Condensed Minutes Of The North Arkansas Conference

The Minutes of the North Arkansas Annual Conference of The Methodist Church, held in Forrest City, Arkansas from October 22, 1947, to October 26, 1947, Bishop Paul E. Martin, Presiding.

## Part I. Organization and General Business

1. Who are elected  
Secretary? James Upton, P. O., Conway, Arkansas.  
Treasurer? James T. Wilcoxon, 17 North 34th St., Ft. Smith, Arkansas.  
Statistician? Joe A. Goetz, 305 Broadway, Rose City, North Little Rock, Ark.
2. Is the Annual Conference incorporated? No.
3. (a) What officers handling funds of the conference have been bonded and in what amounts? S. G. Watson, \$1,000; E. B. Williams, \$10,000; E. G. Kactzell, \$2,000; James T. Wilcoxon, \$50,000; Joe Goetz, \$2,000; E. J. Holifield, \$7,000; E. W. Martin, \$2,000; Raymond L. Franks, \$10,000; C. D. Metcalf, \$10,000.  
(b) Have the books of said officers been audited? Yes.
4. Have the boards, commissions, or committees been appointed or elected [answer Yes or No]:  
(a) Board of Ministerial Training? Yes.  
(b) Committee on Conference Relations and Ministerial Qualifications? Yes.  
(c) Committee on Accepted Supply Pastors? Yes.  
(d) Committee of Investigation? Yes.  
(e) District Boards of Location and Building? Yes.  
(f) Board of Trustees of the Annual Conference? Yes.  
(g) Annual Conference Commission on World Service and Finance? Yes.  
(h) Town and Country Commission? Yes.  
(i) Annual Conference Deaconess Board? Yes.  
(j) Annual Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension? Yes.  
(k) Annual Conference Board of Education? Yes.  
(l) Annual Conference Board of Temperance? Yes.  
(m) Annual Conference Board of Lay Activities? Yes.  
(n) Annual Conference Board of Hospitals and Homes? Yes.  
(o) Annual Conference Board of Evangelism? Yes.  
(p) Distributing Committee?  
(q) Annual Conference Board of Conference Claimants? Yes.

(r) Committee on Proportional Payment of Ministerial Support? No.

(s) Other committees, Commissions, or boards? None.

5. Have the secretaries, treasurers, and statisticians kept their respective records upon and according to the forms prescribed by The Methodist Church? Yes.

6. What are the reports of the district superintendents as to the status of the work within their districts? See reports.

7. What is the schedule for minimum support for pastors? \$1,400.00.

8. What is the plan and what are the approved claims for the support of the district superintendents for the ensuing year? An amount equal to 11% of the pastor's salaries with each District Superintendent receiving \$6,000.00.

9. What amount has been apportioned to the pastoral charges within the conference to be raised for the support of conference claimants? An amount equal to 12% of the amount paid for pastor's salary.

10. What are the apportionments transmitted by the General Commission on World Service and Finance to this conference

(a) For World Service? \$40,621.00.

(b) For Episcopal Fund? 1½% pastor's salary for current year.

(c) For General Administration Fund? \$1,336.00.

11. What amount is apportioned to this conference for the Jurisdictional Administration Fund? \$1,830.00.

12. What are the reports, recommendations, and plans of the boards of conference:

(a) What is the report of the Board of Conference Claimants, and what appropriations for conference claimants are reported and approved? See Report.

(b) What is the report of the Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension of disbursements of missionary aid within the conference? See Report.

(c) What is the report of the Commission on World Service and Finance? See Report.

(d) What are the other reports? See Report.

13. What date is determined for Golden Cross enrollment? To be announced later.

14. (a) Who is elected conference lay leader? Dr. Matt L. Ellis.

(b) What is his report? See Report.

(c) Who are elected district lay leaders? Cledice T. Jones, Joe A. Goetz, Karl Greenhaw, A. P. Mc-

Keithen, Marvin E. Bird, Carrol W. Watson, J. A. Walden, W. E. Boyer.

## Part II. Pertaining to Ministerial Relations

15. Who constitute the Conference Committee of Investigation? C. Norman Guice, Ethan Dodgen, E. W. Faulkner, J. M. Harrison, A. L. Riggs, Cecil R. Culver. Reserves: Lloyd Conyers, C. C. Burton, M. A. Graves.

16. Are there formulated complaints against any ministerial member of the conference? None.

17. Who are the accepted supply pastors? J. A. Bailey, J. H. Brown, W. L. Dillon, Aubra O. Hayes, Vann Hooker, Clyde W. Hughes, R. E. Lee, A. Luther Love, T. O. Love, Arvest Lawson, Claudie McLeod, R. A. Porter, C. E. Rasey, J. H. Richardson, T. J. Seay, Robert Paul Sessions, M. B. Short, B. M. Sullivan, Henry Trotter, W. C. Toliver, W. T. Watson, Edward Coley, Harley Crawford, Pryor Reid Cruce, Billy Dennis, James Fleming, Mrs. John G. Geick, R. B. Howerton, Jr., Thomas Kinslow, Randolph Kerr, Henry Lee, James Smith, Uriah Smith, Fred M. Thompson, Mrs. Fred M. Thompson, George A. Trobaugh, A. Wall, W. M. Womack, Robert Eugene Brown, Mrs. Cathryn Ferrell, Olin R. Findley, Kenneth R. Griffin, E. O. Houser, Harold L. Johnston, Walter Pennel, Albert Prentice, Murray M. Shofner, Otis Sutton, Ernest G. Walton, T. H. Whiteman, Carl Whillock, Ivan R. Wilson, John Polson, Hiley A. Rainer, Jr., W. C. Hutton, Harold S. Bailey, J. O. Davis, Felix Holland, M. E. Marchbanks, C. L. Martin, Charles Pachel, Roy Poynor, L. R. Ruble, William Steagal, Doyle Telaar, Lee Anderson, Mrs. Ella Anderson, Gail Anderson, Arvill Brannon, R. B. Craig, William Hightower, Raymond Krutz, R. L. Hanks, H. L. Robinson, J. C. Riggins, Robert Sikes, Calvin Smith, Gerald Brannon, Lanerl Brannon, W. G. Conner, Henry Carpenter, Eugene Dudley, Dale Dorsey, Gus Evans, James Harmon Holt, Jr., L. F. Huggins, Alvin Gibbs, Albert Gibbs, L. L. Langston, Robert Montgomery, William Odom, M. J. Pollard, Sherman Ragsdale, E. W. Stallcup, Norris Steele, Guy Patterson, Miss Reabel Childers, E. C. Hance, Harry Wayne Hunteman, Bennie F. Jordan, M. L. Kaylor, A. A. Noggle, Silias L. Russell, J. W. Sandage, J. M. Talkington, Loyd Turner, Y. D. Whitehurst, Mrs. Y. D. Whitehurst, W. W. Warrington, Carl F.

Wood, James Humphrey Hartsell.

18. What accepted supply pastors now under full-time appointment are taking the conference course of study

(a) In the first year? Albert Lee Anderson, J. A. Bailey, W. G. Conner, Harley Crawford, Dale Dorsey, Eugene Dudley, Gus Evans, Mrs. John G. Geick, Albert Gibbs, Felix Holland, L. F. Huggins, Harry W. Huntsman, Bennie Jordan, Randolph Kerr, Raymond Krutz, L. L. Langston, R. E. Lee, C. L. Martin, Claud J. McLeod, Robert Montgomery, A. A. Noggle, Billy Odom, M. J. Pollard, R. M. Porter, Sherman Ragsdale, J. H. Richardson, H. L. Robinson, J. W. Sandage, B. M. Sullivan, Robert Sykes, J. E. Thomas, Fred Thompson, Mrs. Fred Thompson, Henry Trotter, W. T. Watson, Ivan R. Wilson, Carl W. Wood.

(b) In the second year: Uriah Smith, M. B. Short.

(c) In the third year: O. R. Findley, M. L. Kaylor, James Smith.

(d) In the fourth year? W. W. Warrington.

19. Who are received on trial

(a) In studies of the first year? Winford Lee Diggs, Charles W. McDonald, Jr., Robert T. McMasters, Raymond Victor Holt, James Warthen Workman, Jr., James Farris Weatherford, Elvis D. Wright.

(b) In studies of the third year under the seminary rule? None.

(c) Exempt from course of study under the seminary rule? None.

20. Who remain on trial

(a) Continued in studies of the first year? Clyde Emerson Crozier, William Maurice Lanier, Harold H. Spence, William Allen Stewart, Jr.

(b) Advanced to studies of the second year? William Tillman Lingo, Arnold Melvin Simpson, Byron McSpaddin, Woodrow Woods, Clyde Emerson Crozier.

(c) Continued in studies of the second year? None.

21. Who on trial are discontinued? None.

22. Who are admitted into full connection? Charles Wayne Banks, Gaither Amos McKelvey, Francis Marion Stage, William Miles Wilder.

23. What full members are in studies

(a) Of the third year? Gaither Amos McKelvey, Francis Marion Stage, Jr., Charles Wayne Banks, William Miles Wilder, William Rodney Shaw.

(b) Of the fourth year? Edwin Bland Dodson, Farris McDonald, Paul

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## APPOINTMENTS OF THE NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

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M. Campbell.

### Paragould District

E. B. Williams, District Superintendent.  
Beech Grove, J. C. Richey.  
Biggers Circuit, Eugene Dudley.  
Corning, H. F. McDonal.  
Gainsville Circuit, Martin Thompson.  
Greenway Circuit, John W. Simons.  
Hardy, Miss Fern Cook.  
Hoxie, J. W. Moore.  
Imboden, Leroy Henry.  
Knobel Circuit, James H. Holt Jr.  
Leonard Circuit, Elvis Wright.  
Mammoth Springs, Robert Montgomery.

Marmaduke, C. E. Gray.  
Marmaduke Circuit, Gus Evans.  
Maynard Circuit, W. G. Conner.  
Morning Star, B. W. Stallcup.  
Paragould, 1st Church, Guy C. Ames.

Paragould, Griffin Memorial, T. C. Chambliss.

Paragould Circuit, W. T. Lingo.

Piggott, George McGhehey.

Pocahontas, W. J. Spicer.

Ravenden Springs, W. G. Conner.

Rector, 1st Church, J. J. Decker.

Rector, 4th Street, Elmo Thomasson.

Rector Circuit, Alvin Gibbs.

St. Francis Circuit, Gerald Brannon.

Smithville, Albert Gibbs.

Stanford, M. J. Pollard.

Strangers Home, Dale Dorsey.

Walnut Ridge, Lloyd Conyers.

Walnut Ridge Circuit, Norris Steele.

Richwood-Elnora, Guy Patterson.  
Director Arkansas Methodist,  
Guy C. Ames.  
District Missionary Secretary, W. J. Spicer.

### Searcy District

Antioch, Silas L. Russell.  
Augusta, W. V. Womack.  
Bald Knob-Bradford, Verlie F. Harris.

Beebe, O. L. Cole.

Cabot, C. W. Good.

Clinton, W. W. Allbright.

DeView, J. W. Sandage.

Friendship, R. A. Bevis.

Griffithville, J. M. Talkington.

Harrison, E. J. Holifield.

Heber Springs, First Church, J. Ralph Hillis.

Heber Springs, Central, Maurice Lanier.

Hunter, L. L. Langston.

Jacksonville, H. A. Stroup.

Judsonia, J. Otis Sutton.  
Kensett, Francis M. Stage.  
Leslie, Farris McDonald.  
Marshall, Reabel Childers.  
McCrory, Jesse L. Johnson.  
McRae, E. C. Hance; J. H. Hartsell, associate.

Newton County, Thomas C. Huff;

Carl Wood, associate.

Pangburn, W. C. Smith.

Quitman, R. B. Howerton.

Rosebud, Lloyd L. Turner.

Searcy, C. Norman Guice.

Valley Springs-Bellfonte, C. J. Wade.

Van Buren Co. No. 1, Bennie Jordan.

Van Buren Co. No. 2, A. A. Noggle.

Van Buren Co. Rural Worker,

Miss Grace Badgett, Deaconess.

Director Arkansas Methodist, W. W. Allbright.

District Missionary Secretary, J. Ralph Hillis.

## The Sunday School Lesson

By DR. O. E. GODDARD



### THE CALL TO RIGHT LIVING (Temperance Lesson)

LESSON FOR NOVEMBER 9, 1947

SCRIPTURE TEXT: I. Peter; I. Daniel.

GOLDEN TEXT: Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God. I Corinthians 10:31.

It is interesting to note the different emphasis that the great early leaders put on the different phases of the Gospel. James might be called the Apostle of common sense; Peter, the apostle of hope; John the apostle of love; Paul, we long since learned, was the apostle of salvation by faith. We thus see the wisdom of God in speaking to us through these different personalities. By this method we get a fuller and more complete Bible than we likely would have gotten had God used only one man to impart all these lessons. The more one studies the Bible, the more he discovers God's wisdom, goodness, love and power over sin. How wonderful Thou art, O God; "O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!"

#### The Author

Many scholars think that the Peter who preached the famous sermon on the day of Pentecost is not the same Peter who wrote I. Peter. One reason they assign is that Peter was a rugged fisherman who could not have written the classic Greek in which this book is written. Peter virtuously tells us that he had a secretary or scribe to write his message. "By Silvanus, a faithful brother unto you, as I suppose, I have written briefly, exhorting, and testifying that this is the true grace of God wherein ye stand." (I Peter 5:12)

Paul no doubt had a scribe to write most of his letters. He probably had defective eyes that rendered it difficult and tedious for him to write. Peter used Silvanus because Silvanus was probably a polished Greek scholar.

Another argument against Peter's having written this book, is that it has so much of the Pauline vocabulary. I say that after the sharp alienation between Paul and Peter, Peter would not have adopted so much of Paul's terminology. Now Silas and Silvanus is the same name and used interchangeably in the New Testament. One Silas traveled with Paul as a co-writer.

There is no proof that the same Silas or Silvanus is not the man who took this dictation for Peter. Peter gave Silvanus the thought and Silvanus used his own words to express the thoughts he received from Peter. Silvanus' association with Paul had something to do with Silvanus' using Paul's vocabulary. To me, the Peter who preached on Pentecost, who was the spokesman for the early church, who was the bold impetuous preacher, was the writer of I. Peter.

#### To Whom Written

It was a message of hope to a severely persecuted and prosecuted young church. It is surprising to note how much of the New Testament was written to persecuted Christians. We have just studied Hebrews, written for and to persecuted Christians. Later in these

studies we shall come to the book of Revelation. This book also was written to Christians suffering persecution. We have not yet visualized how intensely and extensively the early Christians suffered for Christ's sake.

Letters from the provincial governor of Bythynis, written in 110 A. D. show the attitude of the persecutors toward the Christians.

In these letters are the records of the means of persecution in order to make the Christians recant. One woman makes affidavit that she had made sacrifice to all the gods and had partaken of the sacrifice. This was exhorting from her in order to escape the horrible tortures usually perpetrated upon the Christians. History records nothing so inconceivably horrible as the crimes against the early Christians by the pagan rulers and the savage agent of those governments.

#### The Five Chapters of I Peter

This book is divided properly into five chapters. There seems to be a leading thought in each chapter around which the thought of each chapter centers.

##### Chapter One

If you will read the book you will discover, readily, how the author is trying to encourage these Christians in hope, faith, and obedience. He urges them to be hopeful, faithful, and obedient, in spite of the unjust sufferings thrust upon them. He intimates that they should be strengthened by the prophets of olden times who foretold of their sufferings. He exhorts them to be obedient unto holiness. Peter was a whole-hearted kind of a man. His zeal was boundless.

##### Chapter II

The Kind of New Life Christians Ought to Live.

A good Christian woman read this chapter and then made appropriate vows something like the following:

I shall make my living in daily accord with the profession of my religion. I shall join in the World Fellowship of prayer and endeavor thereby to keep my vision clear and my strength fortified.

I shall write down once every week what I have done in the name of the religion I profess.

I shall make my religion permeate my whole life.

I shall give myself to active service, not through any agency but through my own efforts.

I shall try earnestly to get a daily blessing in my experience of sorrow, sickness, or misfortune.

I shall be diligent in exemplifying before my family, friends, and all people whose lives touch mine in any way whatsoever the principles and ethics of the religion I profess.

##### Chapter III

The Christian life is a happy life despite the sufferings of the saints. Jesus confirmed this in saying:

"Blessed are ye when men shall revile ye and persecute you and say all manner of evil against you. Rejoice and be exceeding glad, for great is your reward in heaven."

#### Chapters IV and V

##### The Wisdom of Living Soberly.

"Be ye therefore sober and watch unto prayer." "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary, the devil, is a roaring lion, walking about seeking whom he may devour."

##### Only Sober People Are Needed

SOBRIETY IS indispensable to usefulness. We need sober preachers, teachers, doctors, engineers, electricians, plumbers, federal officers, state officers, municipal officers — only sober people are needed in any and all positions of responsibility.

No addicts to the use of liquor are needed or desired in any position at any time or place. Every moderate drinker is a tremendous risk. A man with one drink is a liability too grave to be risked. Never trust any drinking person with any serious responsibility.

##### Daniel In Babylon

Those old, old stories still have lessons for all of us, especially the youth of our day. Those brave young Hebrews requested that they be not required to eat the meats and drink the liquors, thought by all to be indispensable to good health. They asked to be allowed to eat pulse (We would call it succotash). They were soon stronger and wiser than those who ate and drank the King's prescribed diet of meat and intoxicating drinks.

##### Daniel Purposed In His Heart

A fixed purpose stabilizes character. A purposeless life is as a ship without a rudder. Our young married couples need purpose, strength of will, and courage to say no to drinking associates. Our young people more than at any time in history, need today the courage and purpose to refuse to drink with their groups. The Lord give you that

strength and courage to say, NO. Let us go back again to our Golden Text of today, "Therefore whether ye eat or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all for the glory of God." A man can eat beefsteak and bread moderately, for the glory of God. But no one can take a dram of intoxicant for the glory of God. The Methodist Church forbids its members to sell, buy, or drink intoxicating beverages. This law written by Wesley for his societies has not been abrogated, modified, or softened.

The Methodist Church is now, and always has been, and I pray always will be the unrelenting enemy of the liquor business, legal or illegal. Do be a brave, valiant fighter against this monstrous foe of humanity and fight until the armed foe expires! AMEN.

Some people have a veneer that comes off easily with a little alcohol.—Judge.

True religion and virtue give a cheerful and happy turn to the mind, admit of all true pleasures, and even procure for us the highest.—Addison.



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