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Recommended Change In Date Of Annual Conference

T the meeting of the North Arkansas Conference in Fort Smith last week, the conference adopted a resolution requesting Bishop Paul E. Martin to fix the date for the next annual meeting of the conference as near to June 1st as practical.

While the adoption of this resolution in no legal way binds our presiding bishop, since the law of the church specifically says, "The bishops shall appoint the times for holding the Annual Conference," nevertheless, Bishop Martin has indicated his willingness to accede to the wish of the majority vote of the conference. In accord with that action it is expected that the next session of the North Arkansas Conference will be held in June of next year, the conference voting to meet on Mt. Sequoyah if arrangements

can be made.

Thus, after some years of private and group discussion of the matter, the growing sentiment for a change in the time for holding the conference session brought the question to a vote on the conference floor. In that vote the sentiment for a "spring conference" provided.

ment for a "spring conference" prevailed.

While the North Arkansas Conference has pride in pioneering in some important adventures in kingdom building, the recommendation to change the date for the conference session from a fall to a spring conference is not a pioneering movement. Already a substantial majority of the Annual Conferences of American Methodism are holding their Annual Conference sessions in the spring.

The trend throughout the church is now decidedly in the direction of spring conferences. One effective argument on the conference floor, when the question was being discussed, was that the adoption of such a resolution would simply bring the North Arkansas Conference in step with a church-wide movement already well under way.

It is our understanding that this question of changing the date of the conference from fall to spring will be presented at the Little Rock Conference which will be in session this week. The vote there will also come after some years of discussion in group meetings and in private conversation.

Ninety-Fifth Session Of Little Rock Conference

T 10:00 a. m. on Wednesday of this week the Little Rock Annual Conference had the opening session of its ninety-fifth annual meeting. The sessions of the conference are being held at The First Methodist Church in Little Rock, Bishop Paul E. Martin presiding. All of the Methodist Churches in Little Rock are helping in the entertainment.

In 1854 the Ouachita Conference was organized by a division of The Arkansas Conference which at that time covered the entire state. The Ouachita Conference covered approximately the area now included in the Little Rock Conference. At the General Conference of 1866 the name of the Ouachita Conference was changed to The Little Rock Conference.

The history of the Ouachita-Little Rock Conference has been one of remarkable progress. It has produced ministers of church-wide renown and among its laymen have been men of vision and unusual powers of leadership. Its loyalty to the general program of Methodism has never been questioned.

Guest Minister For The Little Rock Conference

The guest preacher at the Little Rock Conference this week is Dr. Kenneth Pope, pastor of The First Methodist Church in Austin, Texas.

Dr. Pope is a Texan and has received his training for the ministry at the Southern Methodist University at Dallas and in the graduate school of Yale University. All of his appointments, as a minister, have been in Texas with one exception; he served as pastor of St. Paul Methodist Church in Spring-



DR. KENNETH POPE

field, Missouri for four years beginning in 1936. In 1940 he returned to Texas and, since that time, has been pastor of First Methodist Church in Austin, Texas.

This is not Dr. Pope's first visit to Arkansas for special services. Many of our people have heard him on former visits and are delighted to have him return.

Methodist ministers have comparatively few opportunities to hear others preach. It is one of the wonderful experiences of our Annual Conference sessions, as now conducted, for our ministers to be permitted to hear through the conference session some Methodist minister who has distinguished himself by his pulpit work in his charge and elsewhere.

There are times in our Annual Conferences when we are in danger of becoming so engrossed with plans, programs, reports and the ever-present speculation about appointments that we miss the spiritual uplift an Annual Conference offers. At the North Arkansas Conference in Ft. Smith, we were blessed by the inspiring ministry of Bishop A. Frank Smith. It is our feeling that the service Dr. Pope will render in the Little Rock Conference will also be of inestimable value to those attending the conference. Our people are indebted to Bishop Paul E. Martin for bringing to our state such outstanding leaders of Methodism as those who have been addressing our Annual Conferences since he has been our presiding bishop.

Danger Evident Regarding Act Number Two

NE evidence of the danger in the proposed change in our local option law, as embodied in Act No. 2, is found in the difficulties our prohibition leaders are having in arousing our people to sense those dangers.

We may be sure that the liquor forces have not proposed this change in our local option laws without, at the same time, going all out with money and votes in an effort to secure its adoption. Dangerous as the proposal is to the prohibition movement in our state we will be foolish indeed if we assume that the full prohibition vote in Arkansas will be registered against it unless our people are awakened to an all out fight to inform people of its insidious provisions.

Practically every retail liquor outlet in central Arkansas is also an outlet for the sale of poll tax receipts. There has been a studied, well planned effort over a period of months to supply the patrons of liquor houses with a poll tax receipt in order that they may be qualified to vote when measures of this character are before us. It is likely that this is true throughout the state. If so, we may expect the liquor vote to approach one hundred per cent in strength in the coming election. It will also be necessary for the soberminded citizenship of Arkansas to turn out in mass if this measure is to be decisively defeated.

Our present local option law, voted on as Act Number 1 some years ago, was conclusively adopted at that time. Liquor forces resorted to every trick of the trade to prevent the vote on the matter and desperately attempted to defeat it when the vote came. If we allow the adoption of Act Number 2, which will be voted on at the coming election, it will be a repudiation of all of the better features of the present local option law under which such striking progress has been made in drying up the state of Arkansas. Act Number 2 must be defeated unless the prohibition movement in Arkansas is to be seriously crippled.

North Arkansas Conference Enjoys Great Session

N every side one could hear the expression "a truly great conference" as the session of the North Arkansas Conference in Ft. Smith approached the hour of adjournment.

Many things combined to add to the spirit and helpful nature of the conference. Bishop Martin was at his best as a presiding officer; Bishop A. Frank Smith was every inch a Bishop in the masterful sermons he delivered. The work of the Boards, Committees and Commissions, old and new, seemed to be marked by unusual harmony and efficiency.

The other Methodist Churches of Ft. Smith joined with First Church in providing entertainment par excellent for those in attendance. The wonderful church plant at First Church provided ample room for all interests and activities of the conference. The appointments for the new year were worked out by the bishop and his cabinet in such a manner as to reduce to a minimum any cause for dissatisfaction on the part of either churches or ministers.

Methodism of The North Arkansas Conference is again on the march in a new conference year with an undergirding faith that the new year is one of great promise.



An Evaluation Of Visual Aids



By ALFRED KNOX



T was the writer's privilege to attend the Fifth International Workshop on Visual Education conducted at Green Lake, Wisconsin, September 6-11 under the sponsorship of the International Council of Religious Education.

Miss Margaret Mar-

shall, deaconess of Little Rock, was also in attendance at this workshop. This workshop was attended by laymen and ministers of all the churches affiliated with the ICRE and by quite a number of producers of materials in the field and by dealers handling practically every type of equipment. Here was the evidence that every denomination is alert to the possibilities in this field and all have some type of organization in the church planning and directing the program.

The most significant feature of the entire workshop to me was the report of Rev. S. F. Mack of Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, USA, and Rev. Everett Parker, Director of the Joint Religious Radio Committee, and a round-the -world survey which they made last winter in the interest of an extension of the use of audiovisual materials to the mission fields. The materials which they gathered will direct the planning of all the churches concerned for years to come.

Since the field of radio also comes within the scope of the work of this group, the magic word which was on everyone's lips was "television." There was widespread confession of ignorance of this medium, but unanimous feeling that the church needed quickly to start entering the field before it becomes entirely dominated by the "tavern trade" and its programs shaped by it. One group, headed by Everett Parker, gave special study to television during the workshop.

More than fifty-five Methodists were in attendance at the workshop, including about a dozen from the General Board of Education. Each afternoon, on their own time, more than thirty of these met under the leadership of Dr. N. F. Forsyth planning workshops for Methodists

in the conferences of the church which have not yet been reached by the teams which in the past two years have been in thirty-five conferences. Resource persons in these Methodist meetings included Harry Spencer of the Board of Missions, Howard Tower of the Board of Education and Harry Williams of the Board of Evangelism. These three with Dr. Forsyth will have the most important responsibilities on the new Joint Commission on Audio-Visual Education authorized by the General Conference.

During the days of the workshop I was a part of the work group on "Setting Up and Conducting Audio-Visual Institutes, Conferences and Workshops." This group was directed by Mrs. Josephine Kyles of the Washington, D. C. Federation of Churches.

This was my first visit to the Green Lake Workshop, but I could sense the feeling that year after year the eyes of the church will look to Green Lake to discover what is new in audio-visual.—A. K.

THE STORY OF RUTH, 16 mm sound film, J. Arthur Rank production, running time 25 minutes, rental \$8.00, United World Films, 6959 North Clark Street, Chigaco.

In my mind this is the "film of the month" for many months, and I say this for two reasons: 1) It achieves an authenticity of the Biblical scene which few of our pictures have been doing, and 2) It is the first in a new wave of religious pictures to be produced by J. Arthur Rank. As evidence of the first of these contentions I call your attention to the fact that when it was previewed at Green Lake, Mr. John Coyle, director of Cathedral Films was the first on his feet to praise its authenticity. This is achieved by the shooting of the scenes in Palestine amid the shooting guns in the war there.

The picture has captured the tender love and emotion of the Book of Ruth in a way which will move any congregation young or old. It follows the narrative in the book very closely and handles with good taste the wooing of Boaz by Ruth.

Yeu will want to use this picture in your church, but do not expect to see it soon, because the print which was previewed at Green Lake was flown from London and arrived just a few minutes before the showing time. But since all good booking is done months in advance, it would not hurt to get on the waiting list.

STEPHEN, FIRST CHRISTIAN MARTYR, 16 mm sound film, Cathedral Films, running time 25 minutes, rental \$8.00, Methodist Publishing House.

This is another brand new film which will not be released for some time, but which we had the privilege of seeing "first" at Green Lake. It marks the beginning of a cycle by Cathedral on the book of Acts, and may be prelude to a full length feature by Cathedral on the Life of Paul.

The story is of Stephen as he realizes that he has never done anything heroic as a Christian and seeks a way to really "give himself" for his faith. The Jewish officials have ordered the disciples to quit preaching on the streets and so Stephen feels led to violate this order. He is led before the High Priest, but before evidence in his trial may be heard, a meb led by Saul of Tarus invades the courtroom and seizes Stephen and leads him away to be stoned to death.

As in the story of the storing of Stephen in Acts, so one feels in seeing this picture that the real character at the center of the story is Saul, whose part is played in this picture by Nelson Leigh, who has played Christ in the other Cathedral Films.

The brutality of the stoning scene might limit the lower age range for this picture to Intermediates.

THE CHURCH AND THE ATOMIC AGE, 16 mm sound film, "Through the Eyes of the Church" Production by RKO Pictures, running time 18 minutes, rental \$4.00.

This picture is summed up quickly as an attempt to use the name of the church to justify America's use of the atomic bomb in World War II, and gives very little of its time to a fair presentation of the role which the church is actually taking in presenting the challenges of the atomic age to its members. The picture is strongly pro-militar-

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panding program and is appreciated by our people, as evidenced by the 2,525 persons who have received credit for study completed in this phase of our church life.

There are 276 societies with 9,806 members of the Woman's Society of Christian Service. The Wesleyan Service Guild is organized in 69 churches with a total membership of 1,877 gainfully employed young women. This group of women has raised \$115,659 for a program that reached around the world and touches millions of lives at home and in foreign fields with the message of Christian love and service. They are in earnest study all through the year about matters of Christian ideals and world-wide needs and opportunities.

Six new churches have been organized, three in the Batesville District, two in the Jonesboro District, and one in the Paragould District. Thirty-four new churches and three educational buildings have been built or are in the process of construction. Eight new parsonages have been built, or are being built. Nine new preaching places have been established, and seven new church schools organized.

Through World Service and Conference Benevolences the pastors report \$94,469.00 paid on an apportionment of \$81,242. We have reported almost 18% above the apportionments. \$496,978 was paid in salaries to the pastors.

The significant contribution to the life of our society from the sons and daughters of the parsonage homes has often been noted. Our hearts are tender with affection as we recognize these babies who have come to life in our homes and our hearts. Twelve have been born in our Methodist parsonages this year. And in addition to the tenderness we feel there is a glow of hope as we realize they will go out from our homes some day to give expression to our highest ideals and most unselfish impulses in so far as we have convinced them of our love for man, for the Church of Christ, and for God.

The call to service in the Christian Ministry has been answered by forty-three persons who, during the year, have been licensed to preach the Gospel.

In the sacred relationship between parents, infants, and the Church, 1,023 babies have been dedicated to God in Holy Baptism. The membership of our churches has been increased by 6,752 additions. More than half of these, 3,595 to be exact, have stood at the Altar of The Church to profess faith in Jesus Christ as their Savior and Lord, and pledge their loyalty to the Methodist Church and promise to uphold it with their prayers, their presence, their gifts, and their services.

We face the new year, a new quadrennium, with the challenge of The Advance for Christ and His Church. It brings to us a sense of Divine Mission and a realization that in attempting to undergird our faith and understanding through a farreaching teaching and preaching endeavor, and by reaching out to grapple with world-wide needs and opportunities, we can call our people to a larger investment of self and substance in spreading the Kingdom of Christ, until Christ shall be King of Kings, and Lord of all.

People may forget how fast you did a job—but they'll remember how well you did it.—Salesmaker, hm, Hardwick & Magee Co.

Report Of District Superintendents, North Arkansas Conference

Pastors, people, churches, district superintendents have labored together another year, under the direction of Bishop Paul E. Martin, in seeking to advance the Kingdom of God in the North Arkansas Conference. There have been disappointments, baffling problems, and heartaches. But more important than this there are joys beyond the telling, victories that stimulate courage and devotion, and an evidence of the goodness and power of God that brings the hope of a new day to a world torn by strife, plagued by secularism vet hungry for the Bread of Life. We have discovered something of the power of God. There are yet greater achievements ahead as we learn to trust and use these Divine Resources.

Here are some of the assets of our church in which we glory. Our College, Hendrix, has been strengthened by a determination of our leaders and people for the task of being, in a large measure, the Church in the lives of our youth in a critical period of their development. The North Arkansas Conference has raised its quota in full on the Hendrix Million Dollar Campaign. Already more than \$405,000.00 has been received from the churches of our Conference. We treasure our investment in Hendrix College and continue to seek ways of developing its use to the highest possible point in ennobling the lives of our young people and making effective the teachings of Christ through College

When we total our investment in buildings, churches, parsonages, and lands we find material assets in the sum of more than seven and three quarter millions of dollars. The value of our district parsonages represent \$107,000.00 of this amount. On these properties is an indebted-

ness of \$158,024.00, shared by fortytwo congregations. During the year debts were reduced in the amount of \$22,458.00, and \$755,061.00 was expended on upkeep and repairs of property.

We have added to our investment in the Arkansas Children's Home more than \$15,000.00 through our Christmas offerings this year. We are humbly grateful for this opportunity to minister to homeless children in our State and take pride in the improvements that are now in progress in our buildings for the New Home.

Through the medium of Christian Educations we are carrying forward church school programs in 520 schools, with an enrollment of 71,572 children, youth and adults. 201 Vacation Church Schools are reported reaching more than 9,000 children and youth. Trained leadership is increasingly important in this ex-

DEVOTIONAL PAGE REV. H. O. BOLIN, Editor



WORLD SERVICE IS ONLY MEANS OF SURVIVAL

Two ways of living ("philosophies of life," some call them) are in bitter conflict in the hearts and minds of men everywhere today. What the world of tomorrow will be like depends entirely upon which of these ways of living becomes the dominant ideal and controlling motive of the human race.

One way of living is that of struggle. Men struggle to control, to dominate, to compete. They struggle for power, for possession, for place. The victor few become the ruch; the loser millions become the serf, the slaves, the poor, the havenots.

The other way of living is that of co-operation. Men share, men serve, men live and help others to live. Here there are no fabulously rich, no poor: men find that God has placed in the world and in man's care enough for every need—and all are rich.

One is the way that must lead to fear, and hate, and war; the other to understanding, and justice, and peace. One is the way of enmity; the other the way of brotherhood. One is the old story of the jungle; the other is the New Story of Jesus Christ.

No modern nation or people is as yet committed to one or the other of these ways of life. Even so-called Christian peoples have never yet accepted the full import of Christ's teachings: love, service to others, stewardship by man for God.

The all-time task of the Christian Church is to work so that the way of living proclaimed by Christ becomes the way of living for all mankind.

That is first exemplified in our individual sharing and giving, and serving with all our fellowmen: these constitute practical love: anything less is less than the love Christ taught.

Then it is exemplified in society and in the nation by sharing, and giving, and serving: sharing our wealth of corn and wheat with Asia's hungry; sharing the Gospel, and science, and literacy with the world's less-privileged people; granting generous justice to the nation that wronged us; helping a striken people attain honorable nationhood; building the sure Christian foundation of a world order leading to peace, justice, and righteousness.

This is the only way of livingthe world service—that can save mankind from self-destruction. — W. W. Reid.

THE TRUE PURPOSE

In keeping with obligations that belong to man's high rank in creation, it is imperative, in using his natural endowments, that his conduct, endeavors, and achievements ought to be designed to glorify Almighty God; for His Spirit giveth life, and in Him we live, and have our being.-Edwin Dummer.

STRENGTH IN IDEALISM

The stability of a strong nation can not be undermined for destruction if the people are vigilant and diligently sustain their artistic, moral, and religious ideals. — Edwin Dummer.

THE HAVEN

Dear Lord, within the haven of Thy love May I find shelter from the storms of life; From all the earthly trials and the strife May safely hide as in Thy courts above. When grief and loss would tear my soul apart And bitter falling tear the eyelids smart, O hold me close within Thy loving care. But let me touch the robe that Thou dost wear And healing find for sin and sorrow known. Grant that I may within Thy temple stand And find my name engraven on Thy hand.

-Inez Brasier, The War Cry

Consecration And Our Church Program

The last General Conference set up a very challenging program for the Methodist Church. In a recent nation-wide meeting of the bishops and the district superintendents, the program was further outlined. This is a program of which the Church can well be proud. Carrying out these plans will require greater sacrifice than we have ever before practiced. But after all the pure essence of Christianity is love and the acid test of love is sacrifice.

One thing we need to bear in mind is the fact that the Church is not now and never has asked as much of the preachers and lay people as it should. The Jews, under the law, practiced tithing. Some try to dodge the issue by calling attention to the fact that the church and state were so closely affiliated in that day that the tithe included the taxes. It is a well-known fact, however, that these people were paying the tithe when Jesus was here in the flesh and at the same time paying a much greater portion of their income in taxes to the Roman Government than we are paying to our Government. We all remember the advice of Jesus: "Render to Ceasar the things that are Ceasar's and to God the things that are God's." Christ never criticized the tithe. He did, however, condemn the Pharisees for being over particular about the tithe while they neglected the more important matters of religion, namely, judgement, or righteousness, and mercy. He closed his constructive criticism with this statement: "This"--that is the paying of the tithe-"ye ought to do, but not leave the other"that is right living and mercy toward all—"undone."

All are agreed that Christ never tried to make religion easy. He challenged people with the difficult things. He insisted that those who follow him will have to bear a cross. The cross above all things stands for love tested and proven by sacrifice. God loved the world and gave his Son; Christ loved the world and gave his life. If you and I love as we should, we will also give until it hurts. When that is done the program of our Church will be more than met. Not much was said in the early church about the tithe for the people then were doing far more. They realized that Christianity had lifted the standard all along the line-not only in the matter of higher living but also in that of greater and more sacrificial giving.

It cannot be proved by the Scripture that the tithe is binding upon us today, but at the same time it cannot be denied that it puts system into our giving and removes it from the realm of a haphazard inclination of any given moment. It is a good place to start but many should never stop with it. What a person has left after his gift is made should be taken into consideration as well as the amount of his gift. A man who has an income of fifty thousand dollars a year can give half with far less sacrifice than another who has an income of only a thousand dollars can pay the tenth. And remember, the said test is the sacrifice made in giving rather than the amount given. Jesus insisted that the widow who dropped in two mites gave more than all. Some prosperous individuals make themselves ridiculous by talking, in a spirit of false humility, of their widow's mite. Let them face the question of the amount they have left after their contribution is made.

Let us say again, the Church is not now and never has asked as much of its members as it should but the response to our increased financial program will be determined largely by the depth of consecration attained by our membership. John Wesley insisted that Christian perfection is not sinless perfection but rather love. When we come, honestly and in reality, to love God with all of our soul, mind and strength and our fellowmen as we do ourselves, we will sacrifice for the cause of God and good of others until it hurts; we will put first things first. This leads the writer to say that along with our more sacrificial program for the good of others we must have a more vital spiritual program for ourselves. In fact these two items are complementary to each other. When deeper consecration is reached a greater sacrifice for others is naturally made, and when a greater sacrifice for others is made a still higher spiritual level is attained. Shame on us, if we complain about this great program. We should rather rejoice in it it is only through doing of it that we can reach a

higher spiritual goal for ourselves. The great Apostle Paul paid a high compliment to the Corinthian Church (II Cor. 8:1-5): "Moreover, brethren, we do you to wit of the grace of God bestowed on the churches of Macedonia; how that in great trial of affliction the abund-

IT SHALL BE GIVEN

By prayer the soul is brought into contact with God. In this fact is its real and chief power.

As men, did when Jesus moved about among them, we pray in the hour of calamity, for physical help. Then in His light, and by His mercy, the true state of the heart is revealed -its exceeding sinfulness and its deep need for cleasing is realized.

"Against Thee, Thee only have I sinned" was the cry of anguish such a revelation wrung from the heart of David. For his sinfulness, forgiveness was not enough. A clean heart and a right spirit—mysterious and miraculous work of Godthese were the demands of a soul on which the searchlight of eternity had played.

It is when we are fortified by an inner consciousness of rightness with God that the joy of the Lord can be eur strength. Then, blessing added to blessing, there comes with these gifts of Heaven, power to teach transgressors His ways and to lead sinners to His feet.

The Son of Man who has power on earth to forgive sins—has power also to fulfill the promise that he that hungers and thirsts after righteousness shall be filled.

"Ask and it shall be given unto you; knock and it shall be opened unto you."—War Cry.

ance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded unto the riches cf their liberality. For to their power, I bear record, yea, and beyond their power they were willing of themselves: Praying us with much intreaty that we would receive the gift, and take upon us the fellowship of the ministering to the saints. And this they did, not as we hoped, but first gave their own selves to the Lord, and to us by the will of God."

St. Paul started out here to take up a collection to help the needy and it culminated in a spirit of deeper consecration. They literally impoverished themselves in their sacrifice to help others. They greatly surprised the Apostle in their Liberality. They went far out beyond his greatest dream. What was the secret of all this sacrifice? "They first gave their cwn selves to the Lord." The love of God had been shed abroad in their hearts by the Hcly Spirit which was given unto them. It was a sacrifice motivated by love. That same love in our hearts will lead us to follow their example.

With all the strength of our being, let us say, "Thank God for this great challenge of our Church." We have here another collection which will be certain to lead to a deeper spirit of consecration.—H. O. B.

When things don't jell as fast as we sometimes think they ought to, we are reminded of a favorite quotation of an eld friend: do anything if you have patience. You can even carry water in a sieve if you wait until it freezes."-K V P Philosopher, hm, Kalamazoo Vegetable Parchment Co.

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor. - Exodus

Individual Reports Of Pastors---North Arkansas Conference

VAN BUREN COUNTY NUMBER TWO: Rev. A. A. Noggle, pastor. Salaries paid in full. World Service Askings paid 93%.

WEONA: Rev. Lee Anderson, pastor. Members received by transfer 3 and on profession of faith 20. Salaries and World Service paid in full.

PLEASANT PLAINS: Rev. A. O. Hays, pastor. Members received by transfer 5 and on profession of faith 5. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Raised for improvements on Church \$700.00 and on Parsonage \$10.00.

RARLE—Rev. J. M. Barnett, pastor. Members received by transfer 8, and on profession of faith 11. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Increase in church school enrollment 25 per cent and church school attendance 12 per cent.

MOOREFIELD-ASBURY: Rev. M. L. Kaylor, pastor. Members received by transfer 12 and on profession of faith 23. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Raised for Building purposes \$4000.00.

CRIFFITHVILLE: Rev. J. M. Tarkington, pastor. Members received by transfer 2 and on profession of faith 11. Salary in full, acceptances for World Service 150% and it paid in full. Raised for improvements on parsonage \$100. Increase in Church School enrollment 10%.

NEWARK: Rev. J. M. Hughes, pastor. Members received by transfer 4 and on profession of faith 3. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Raised for building purposes \$18.00. Increase in Church School enrollment 15% and in Church School attendance 25%.

MARION: Rev. G. C. Johnson, pastor. Members received by transfer 8 and on profession of faith 9: Salaries and World Service paid in full. Raised for emprovements on church \$75.00 and on parsonage \$15.00. Raised for building fund \$6000.00.

WALDRON STATION: Rev. John Glover, pastor. Members received by transfer 8, and by profession of faith 9. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Raised for improvements on Church \$1500.00 and on Parsonage \$162.00. Increase in Church School Enrollment 30%.

WILSON: Rev. S. O. Patty, pastor. Members received by transfer 29 and on profession of faith 48. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Raised for improvements on church \$1500 and on Parsonage \$500. For debt retirement \$2800. Increase on Church School enrollment 40% and Church School attendance 32%.

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MORRILTON FIRST CHURCH: Rev. G. C. Taylor, pastor. Members received by transfer 17 and on profession of faith 20. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Raised for improvements on Church \$400.00 and on Parsonage \$200.00. Increase in Church School enrollment 12% and Church School attendance 12%.

DESHA: Rev. T. O. Love, pastor. Members recieved by transfer 6 and on profession of faith 7. Salaries paid in full. World Service accepted 200% and paid in full. Raised for improvements on Church \$1336. Increase in Church School enrollment 10% and increase on Church School attendance 10%.

WIGGINS MEMORIAL: Rev. Paul Bumpers, pastor. Members received by transfer 23 and on profession of faith 30. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Debt retirement \$2400. Increase in Church enrollment 35% and in Church School attendance 10%. Harvest Day with offering on \$1000.00.

VALLEY SPRINGS-BELLEFONTE: Rev. C. J. Wade, pastor. Members received by transfer 5, on profession of faith 17. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Raised for building purposes \$2100.00, and for debt retirement \$62.00. Increase in Church enrollment 10% and in Church attendance 15%.

CLINTON: Rev. W. W. Allbright, pastor. Members received by transfer 12 and on profession of faith 17. Salaries paid in full. Acceptances on World Service 375% and paid in full. Raised for improvements on church \$500.00 and on Parsonage \$800.00 and for debt retirement \$900.00.

DELL—Rev. C. C. Burton, pastor. Members received by transfer 2 and on profession of faith 6. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Raised for improvements on parsonage \$600. Raised for building fund \$4000. Increase in Church School enrollment 20 per cent, and for church school attendance 30 per cent.

OPPELO: Rev. R. B. Howerton, pastor. Members received by transfer 4 and on profession of faith 23. Salaries paid 25%. World Service askings paid in full. Paid on church improvements \$500.00 on the Parsonage \$200.00. Increase in Church School enrollment 30% and in Church School attendance 30%. Average attendance on Mens' Club 35.

DLYTHEVILLE FIRST CHURCH—Rev. Allen D. Stewart, pastor. Members received by transfer 41, and on profession of faith 41. Salaries paid in full. Acceptances for World Service 115 per cent and paid in full. Amount raised for building purposes \$12000. Increase in church school enrollment 50 per cent, and church school attendance 55 per cent.

SILOAM SPRINGS: Rev. J. T. Byrd, pastor. Members received by transfer 63 and on profession of faith 52. Paid on financies: Salaries and World Service paid in full. Raised for improvements on parsonage \$300.00. Increase in Church School enrollment 20%, and increase in Church School attendance 15%. Bought an organ at the cost of \$10,000.00.

ACKSONVILLE—Rev. H. A. Stroup, pastor. Members received by transfer 26 and on profession of faith 15. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Raised for church improvements \$375, and on the parsonage \$125. Raised for building purposes \$900. Increase in Church School enrollment 15 per cent and in church school attendance 25 per cent. Planning for a new educational Building in the near future.

PANGBURN: Rev. W. C. Smith, pastor. Members received by transfer 6 and on profession of faith 21. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Raised this year on the Church building \$60.00 and on the parsonage \$111.00. Increase in Church School enrollment 5% and in Church School attendance 10%. The church has paid

their quota of \$150.00 on the District Parsonage fund.

PARIS—Rev. Earl Cravens, pastor. Members bers received by transfer 37, and on profession of faith 45. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Raised for improvements of church \$14302. Increase in Church School attendance 20 per cent. Repainted and repaired the exterior on the church and repaired and redecorated the interior of the church, and bought a new Wicks Organ.

OSCEOLA—Rev. H. J. Couchman, pastor. Members received by transfer 25, and on profession of faith 10. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Amount raised on parsonage \$1500. amount raised for building fund \$65,000. Increase in church school enrollment 25 per cent, and the increase in church school attendance 24 per cent. Total amount expended during the year for all purposes \$79,839.

HUNTINGTON AVE.—Rev. Jefferson Sherman, pastor. Members received by transfer 19 and on profession of faith 16. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Amount raised for church improvements \$1150 and on the parsonage \$250. Increase in church school enrollment 20 per cent and in church attendance 12 per cent. A number of additional class rooms have been provided for church school classes.

TUCKERMAN: Rev. Alfred Knox, pastor. Members received by transfer 16 and on profession of faith 8. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Raised for improvements on Church \$5000.00 and on Parsonage \$4000.00 this completes a \$9000.00 parsonage. Increase in Church School enrollment 5% and in Church School attendance 2%. The Church is in the process of building a \$75000.00 Church.

HUNTER: Rev. L. L. Langston, pastor. Members received on profession of faith 10. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Raised on improvement on Church \$200.00 and on Parsonage \$300.00 and on debt retirement \$400.00. Increase in Church School enrollment 25% and in Church School attendance 40%. There was an enrollment of 75 in Vacation Church School. There are 12 enrolled in the Cradle Roll.

DLUMERVILLE: Rev. W. M. Womack, pastor.
Members received by transfer 4, on profession of faith 2. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Paid for improvements on Church \$800.00. Increase in Church School Enrollment 10% and in Church School attendance 10%. The church has been completely refinished on the inside and carpets have been placed on the church floors.

WELDON-TUPELO: Rev. Harold Bailey, pastor. Members received by transfer 11 and on profession of faith 5. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Raised for Building purposes \$3000.00. For Debt retirement \$300.00. The church at Auvergne burned eight years ago. There were only four members at the beginning of this year at his church. The salary was increased and many new members added, and a \$3000 Church built.

PIGGOTT—Rev. Geo. L. McGhehey, pastor. Members received by transfer 23, and on profession of faith 6. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Amount raised for church improvements \$3250, and raised on parsonage \$200. Increase in church school enrollment 200 per cent and increase in church school attendance 200 per cent. Men's Bible class organized with 135 enrolled. Have bought an organ for church, and installed gas in Educational Building.

MCCRORY—Rev. Jesse Johnson, pastor. Members received by transfer 25 and on profession of faith 35. Salaries and World Service paid in full. Raised for church improvements \$325, on parsonage \$375, and for Building fund \$600. Increase in Church School enrollment 10 per cent and for Church school attendance 10 per cent. The total paid for all purposes this year is \$4070, more than was paid for all purposes two years ago.

AN EVALUATION OF VISUAL AIDS

(Continued from Page 2) istic and presents the church as a weak and passive organization. Although produced at the request of an Episcopalian elergyman on the west coast, it is hard to believe that he kept a very close check on how his money was being spent in the production of this film. It is definitely not recommended for use with any group.

WARSAW — CAPITAL CITY OF POLAND, 2 x 2 Kodachrome slides, Methodist Board of Education Production, 70 slides with script, rental \$1.00, Methodist Publishing House.

Here is a dramatic set of slides taken on the seene in wartorn Warsaw by an amateur, Dr. N. F. Forsyth of the General Board of Education. Never have I seen a set of pictures which seems to move as effectively into the suffering of a people as these do. Dr. Forsyth did a marvelous job of photography here as he also did with the script which accompanies. To present the destruction of war, or the need for continued overseas relief, no visual resource will better serve you than this set of slides.

Questions and Answers

There are two questions that have been asked several times concerning the Green Lake Workshop and I would like to discuss these. 1) What's the big news in the audio-visual field? and 2) How does the audiovisual program of the Methodist Church compare with the programs of the other denominations?

First, I would say that the big news in the field is that the leaders in the field would like nothing better than for audio-visual to cease to be big news. In other words, most of the people with whom I talked would like to see this medium become the normal thing in the churches and not a novelty. It will be fine when the use of these materials become as natural with our people as the use of Sunday School literature. Having said this, let me say that there is an answer to the question in that the big news is the great number of pictures which. are now ready for us and never again can one say there is a shortage of good usable materials.

Second, Methodism's position in the field of audio-visual can perhaps best be summed up by saying that we have an outstanding array of leadership in the personnel which is guilding general developments in the field, but we are far behind several denominations in putting enough money into this program to produce the materials we want and need for our own program. The various branches of Lutheranism, the Episcopalian Church, the Congregational-Christian Church, the Moody Bible Institute and other fundamental groups are spending hundreds of thousands of dollars for the productions they want while we are still spending in the hundreds. Pictures cost money-lots of money-and the powers that be in our church should realize that we are suffering here both from the standpoint of good teaching materials, and from the stance public relations. I personally believe that the money being spent by Methodist Information for public relations could better be channeled at this time into audio-visual resources, and in the end more of the world would know what Mothodists Gre doing.

WHAT TIME IS IT?

Nowadays, there isn't anything very complicated about the time of day. Most of the year the country runs on Standard Time, and during the summer a large section of it moves the hands ahead an hour and switches to Daylight Saving Time. As we cross the nation, the time zones change at established intervals, and in all cases the change is one hour. It's simple enough.

But it wasn't always that wayand it might not be that way yet if it hadn't been for the railroads. Sixty-five years ago Standard Time didn't exist. Every town had its own time, and so, even, did many

business concerns. Railroad stations held a confusing series of clockseach line used the time in effect where its home office was located. Matters went to such lengths, as an example, that in Pittsburgh there were six different times in use. Few people knew what time it really was. You couldn't be sure when an appointment was scheduled unless, by lucky chance, the person you were to meet used the same time you did!

The railroads realized that something had to be done to bring order out of this chaos. The hundreds of different times in effect throughout the country were a constant and

to standardize time began in 1872. And eleven years later, on November 18, 1883, every railroad clock was stopped at a given hour. When they started again, Standard Time, with its four time zones, was a going concern in the United States. It was gradually accepted by the people, and 35 years later Congress recognized Standard Time and made it official. The railroads had foreseen an important national need, and through voluntary agreements they furnished a workable solution. —Industrial News Review.

Drinking does not drown sorrow; growing headache. The movement it only irrigates it.—Denver Post.

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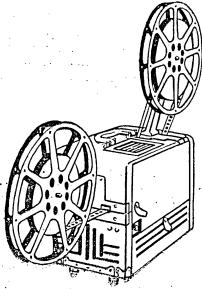
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ELSIE'S SCARE

Elsie sat with eyes opened wide in amazement. "Oh, I guess Indians don't ever scalp folks," she exclaimed. "My teacher was telling us a story about Indians. They are good, I know.'

Teddy laughed boisterously. "Oh, 'course your teacher wouldn't tell you anything scary. But the only good Indians are dead ones. You bet they do scalp folks. I read it, all right."

Well, if Teddy had read things like that, it must be true. But Elsie hated to think about it. So she didn't ask any questions, but she did think about it for many days.

A few weeks later, she and Mother were all excited over Daddy's coming home. He was gone from home so long, it was nearly a party when he came. Daddy was a wonderful being.

When he got off the street car, Elsie was so excited that she didn't see the half-grown boy beside him. After Daddy kissed them both and been nearly suffocated with Elsie's bear hugs, he said, "Well, I nearly forgot somebody I brought along. This is Tim, Elsie. I'm going to help him out a bit.'

They walked up the walk and into the house. The boy remained outside on the porch but Elsie took time now to look him over. Why! what a brown little fellow! He wasn't a Negro, but oh! he was awful dark! Where did Daddy find him and why did be bring him here, she wondered. But pretty soon she had to go to bed and didn't ask about the

The next day, in answer to her question, Mother said Daddy was going to put the boy in school and have him work in the garden and do the chores.

"What makes him so brown, Mother—is he sunburned?" asked.

Mother smiled. "Looks something like that," was all she said.

The next evening Elsie was playing on the porch with her basketful of kittens.

"You're just the dearest kitties in the world," she said as she hugged each one. "When you get bigger we

And then she sprang up in terror. Around the corner of the house came an awful, dreadful-something. Oh! An Indian! Teddy had shown her a picture, and this was just like it. Oh! Oh! What could she do and where could she go? She seemed glued to her tracks and couldn't take a step. And In-di-ans sc-al-ped fo-lk-s!

A piercing shriek brought Mother quickly to the door. "Mother, oh Mether! look-he'll scalp us! Oh! Oh! Take-me away quick!" and a series of screams followed quickly.

ing little Mother carried the trembl figure into the house and held her

"Elsie, where did you hear such things as that?" she asked. "Now listen. That is Tim. He is a poor little Indian lad whom Daddy wants to educate. We didn't tell you because we thought it would be funny for him to dress up in his native



THE REASON WHY

I said "Good Night" and went to bed The moment Mom peeped round the door; I did not hide from her instead Or beg for "just five minutes more."

I did my lessons every one With no mistakes at all next day, And asked for more when they were done, Instead of going out to play!

I would not eat iced cake for tea, Said "No" to strawberries and cream-And then I woke up suddenly. Because, of course, it was a dream!

-The Children's Newspaper

clothes for you. Elsie-Elsie, you must stop crying"

The sobs grew fainter, but Elsie was shaking all over.

"But Mother, don't they sometimes scalp folks?" she whispered.

Mother patted her gently.

"Years ago in battle, some of them did that awful thing. But they did not think it was any worse than shooting and maiming, as the white men did. They have learned better now, and we should feel sorry for the children. How can they learn, unless we teach them? I hope you will be very kind to Tim.'

Elsie raised her head and turned her eyes toward the door.
"I—I, oh. I'm nearly 'fraid yet,

Mother," she said fimidly.

Mother led her out on the porch where a huddled-up bunch of feathers and beads met their gaze. The bright feathers had fallen from the headpiece of the boy, and the brilliantly colored coat fell apart loosely.

Mother spoke kindly. "Come here, boy." Elsie held Mother's hand tight-

but of course mothers knew. Tim came over with slow step and

drooping eyes.

"Me not know" he said humbly Then Mother told why Elsie was

<u> Опининичниничниничниничниничнинични</u> JUST FOR FUN

Five-year-old Susan was taking her bath. Her mother called her attention to a couple of black and blue spots on her legs, and inquired how she happened to get them.

Susan replied: "Mother, you said I was spoiled. These are just some

frightened-that she had never seen Indian clothes—and added that she would never be afraid again.

A look of relief came to the brown face and a little smile hovered over his lips.

"Me no want scare anybody," he said simply.

Suddenly Elsie went over to the boy.

"I'm sorry I acted that way," said. "I like your bright feathers and the lovely beads. And I want to help you lots of ways."

From a deep pocket somewhere, Tim slowly brought forth a pair of pretty beaded moccasins.

"I bring for you," he said as he put them in her hand, "me want to learn all thing."—Alla M. Foster in

IN THE WORLD OF BOYS AND GIRLS

AN OLD SONG

By Margaret A. Fassitt

"Kind words will never die, never die, never die; kind words will nev—, Bill Stone, I wish you'd stop slamming doors that way; here you've made me all jittery, and I needed this practice. I wish-" but Bill had disappeared with a grin on his freckled face.

Janet Stone had a sweet voice. She sang in the Sunday School choir, and was practicing now to sing at a concert of old fashioned songs, the young people's missionary society was giving.

The next time Bill saw-or rather heard—her, she was scolding Davie, the five-year-old brother, for catching hold of her pretty blue voile dress with sticky fingers, made so from bread and jelly Molly had given him in the kitchen.

"Oh, you bad Davie! Just see how you've spoiled my new dress! Go out and get Molly to wash your dirty little hands, and don't come back here."

"Kind words can never die, never die, never die,--"

Janet didn't see the pucker of Davie's little mouth, or the two tears that rolled down his cheeks, but Bill did and he picked up the small lad and set him on his shoulders, as he ran out with him to wash his hands, giving the living room door an unnecessary slam as he said, "That was something worth jittering over, wasn't it, Sonny?"

Davie giggled as ne said, "Nice

big noise. That afternoon they had a talk

in Janet's home room at school, on "Practice and Pretense." A worthwhile talk it was, too, and although not intended to have personal application for any particular boy or girl, it fitted Janet so well she could not shut her eyes to the fact For Janet was really a good girl, when not too self-absorbed. So when Bill said that evening, "And how are the 'kind words' coming on, Jan?" Janet blushed out red, but she said bravely, "You know, Bill, I'm going to practice them after this, instead of just singing them. I had an eye opener this afternoon.

But all Bill said was "Now imagine that!"-The Presbyterian.

rotten spots, showing already."-Capper's Weekly.

The subject of the 1st grade language class was "The Horse."

"Children," asked the teacher, "what is a horse?"

The youngsters variously described the creature as "an animal," "a steed," and "it has four legs and a tail."

"But suppose," said the teacher. "I were a little Eskimo boy who had never seen a horse? How could you describe a horse so I could tell it from other animals?"

The children struggled with the answer, until one little boy, impatient of slowness and inadequacy of the replies, blurted out, "I'd just say. 'Come out here, Eskimo boy. and I'll show you a horse!' "-Christian Science Monitor.

Some Methodist Churches In Little Rock

TWENTY-EIGHTH STREET CHURCH

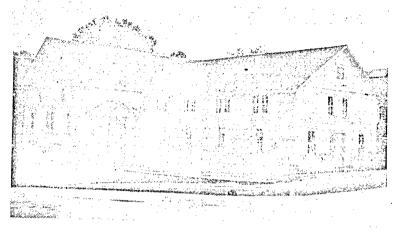
The Twenty-eighth Street Methodist Church was organized on March 14, 1909, with Rev. W. D. Mitchell as pastor and with 62 charter

HIGHLAND METHODIST **CHURCH**

Highland Methodist Church, located at 12th and Cedar streets, was organized with 23 charter members February 12th, 110, by Rev. S. W.

45 training certificates received in our training courses.

More than \$20,000 of the \$30,000 in cash, bonds and pledges now in A church secretary has been employed. All connectional items were paid in full for the year at District Conference in May.



TWENTY-EIGHTH STREET CHURCH

members. For some time before its organization it was a Sunday School run by several interested persons for children in the neighborhood who could not very well go down town. It has continued to minister in this way through the years. Chil-



REV. W. R. BURKS, Pastor of 28th Street

dren of all denominations are being taught in the Church School. This is a loyal and consecrated group of workers who stand by the pastor. The motto is, "The Friendly Church."
The church has enjoyed a steady growth. During the past year the sanctuary and educational building were redecorated and air-condition-

The following pastors have served as follows: W. D. Mitchell, March 1909 to May 1910; Marian S. Monk, June 1910 to December 1912; James B. Evans, year of 1912-13; J. Wayne Mann, 1913-14; J. D. Baker, 1914 to 1917; Clarence D. Meux, 1917-18; John P. Lowery, 1918-19; J. M. Crenshaw. 1919-20; W. R. Harrison, 1920 to 1924; Clarence D. Meux, 1924 to 1928; E. T. Miller, 1928 to 1933; R. W. Manard, 1933 to 1934; C. B. Wyatt. 1934 to 1938; J. W. Thomas, 1938 to 1939; B. F. Fitzhugh, 1939 to 1943; C. H. Farmer, 1943 to 1947; W. R. Burks, 1947-48.

And the prophet came to the king of Israel, and said unto him, Go. strengthen thyself, and mark, and see what thou doest.—I Kings 20:22.

Rainey, pastor, and Dr. A. C. Millar, presiding elder. Through the years there has been a steady and substantial growth until there is now an enrollment of around 1200 members, some 900 of whom are local and active. C. M. Dhonau is chairman of the Board of Stewards, of which there are 48 members. Luther Farmer is superintendent of the Church School that has a total enrollment of 815. Mrs. H. D. Clark is president of the W. S. C. S. which is made up of circles and 150 members. Mrs. George Major is president of the Wesleyan Service Guild of 45 members.

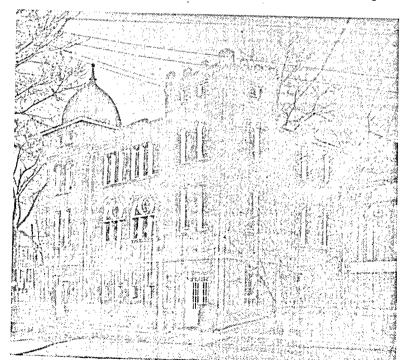
The present pastor has served two years, during which time the following has been accomplished: There have been 200 new members added to the church; of this number 75 were on profession of faith, and 125 came by certificate. The pastor has preached to a total attendance at the worship services of 35,953 per-



REV. J. L. TUCKER, Pastor of Highland

hand towards a new \$100,000 church sanctuary was received the past two





sons, of whom 2,278 were visitors. There have been made 700 sick and hospital calls and 500 pastoral calls. During the two years some 40 youths attended the summer assemblies. One youth volunteered for life service; one for part-time service, and one youth attended the Cleveland Youth Conference. There have been

years. Benevolences were increased from \$600 to \$750. On World Communion Sunday \$45.00 for World Relief was laid on the altar. A new \$750 00 RCA Public Speaking System has been installed in the sanctuary. \$2,500 has been raised for Hendrix College. The pastor's salary has been increased from \$3,300 to \$4,000.

CAPITOL VIEW METHODIST CHURCH Capitol View Methodist Church

was founded in 1906, the fruits of a little Mission Sunday School of which Mrs. Robert Herriot was superintendent. Dr. C. M. Chapman was the first assigned pastor. There were twenty-three charter members of this newly organized Mission Church. A three-room cottage at 209 Pulaski Street was the first place of worship. The pastor's family lived in the two back rooms of the building used for worship services, with some classes of the Sunday School meeting in the pastor's living quarters. Both pastor and congregation were faithful to their tasks and the little church began to grow. During the succeeding years, other pastors were assigned and they in turn labored most ardously in the building of a church which during the years has filled a distinct place in the community.

During these years various types of buildings were used as places of



REV. A. C. CARRAWAY, Pastor of Capitol View

worship. A cottage at 1222 West Third was used at one time. At another a building at 4th and Victory formerly a laundry, was renovated and became the place of worship. It was in 1912 that the present building was erected under the ministry and leadership of Rev. H F. Buhler.

Capitol View has had a very in-(Continued on Page 9)



Little Rock Methodism Enterta

ASBURY CHURCH

Asbury Methodist Church, 12th and Schiller Street, was organized 60 years ago. The year closing

was awarded, and work was begun on a two story, fireproof, building, containing 12,000 square feet of floor space to house the Childrens and Youth Divisions of

the church school. There will

and a kitchen on the first floor.

Funds for this project were start-

ed during the pastorate of Rev. Fred G. Roebuck and vigorously continued while Rev. W. Neill

Hart was pastor. It is planned to be able to dedicate the building

when it is occupied in the early

The most remarkable thing

about Asbury is her spirit. These

achievements this year, and

across the years, have been at-

tainable because "the people have

a mind to work." This church

carries on a large program with a minimum staff because so many of her members render volunteer service. The sanctuary has been crowded at almost every morning service and two services have been necessary on all special days. The night congregations

have been excellent and are

growing. When the frame buildings were razed to make way for

the new educational building all

but four classes were changed. But not one word of complaint

has been heard and the largest

succeeded next year by Paul Y. Griffin. Roland M. Shelton is superintendent of the church school. J. G. Bowman is active vice chairman of the building committee. Mrs. M. E. Couch is president of the W. S. C. S. Rev. Arthur Terry is the present pastor.

FOREST PARK CHURCH

Forest Park Methodist Church was organized at McKinley and "R" Street, March 6, 1910, by Dr. A. C. Millar, presiding elder and Rev. D. P. Forsythe, preacher in charge. The Board of Stewards was composed of R. S. Martin, Burt L. Cutting, Mark E. Cutting and S. C. Grooms. President of the Ladies Aid (Now Woman's Society of Christian Service) was Mrs. S. C. Grooms. Mark E. Cutting was Church School Superintendent.



REV. RALPH SEWELL, Pastor Forest Park

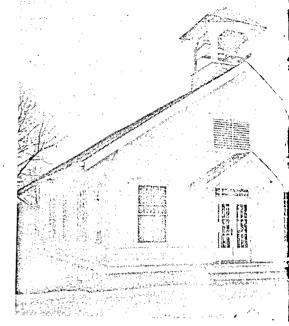
Change in location was accomplished through the purchase of the property of the First Congregational Church of Pulaski Heights, Cantrell Road at N. Pierce St., April 10, 1914. This continues to be the present church location. Only two of the charter members, Mr. and Mrs. Burt L. Cutting remain in this church to-The inspiration in serving the church is the very active work of Mrs. J. R. Smart who is now in her eighty-sixth year. She came by certificate from the Congregational Church above mentioned. She sets the example of Christian service in W. S. C. S., Church School and church attendance and in Training Credits

Forest Park has made progress as statistics reveal. From a membership of seventeen and a salary of \$48 it now has 268 members and a \$3000 salary in a \$7000 budget of which the past two vears show an increase of \$2000.

Two preachers wives, Mrs. Louis Averitt (deceased) and Mrs. J. B. Hefley; also, two ministers, Carl E. Keightley and Bill Elder came from its ranks to enrish Godis Kingdom with their

Ministers having served this charge are: D. P. Forsythe, W. D. Mitchell, L. C. Beasley, Marion Monk, Mr. Rainey, Alex Craw-

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FOREST PARK CHURCH

ford, J. L. Leonard, E. Byron Harrell, A. C. Graham, B. F Musser, W. F. Wilson, John B. Lowry, C. R. Andrews, Edwin Bruce, E. D. Galloway, J. H. Crossett, D. T. Rowe, R. G. Rowland, M. W. Miller, W. R. Burks, Louis Averitt, W. R. Adams, J. B. Hefley, A. J. Shirey, J. T. Thompson,

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PROPOSED CHURCH

Claude R. Roy, W. D. Golden, L. E. N. Hundley, and James R.

OAK FOREST CHURCH

The church which held its first services under the trees in Oak Forest has been enjoying a substantial and consistent growth. All who have been a part of the

ship warrants it The building under construc Fair Park Bod est. Attempting ily an act of Ar but surely, Ga a miracle. Right are about to 🛠 Many in Arkans local church his the building of m



ASBURY CHURCH

spring.

is one of the best in her glorious history. 157 members have been in excess of any previous year. The church school has had the largest average attendance in its



REV. ARTHUR TERRY Pastor Asbury

history. -157 members have been received to date this year bringing the present total membership of the church to 1933.

In June of this year a contract

average attendance of any year was attained. H. L. Shannon is closing four years of successful and capable leadership as chairman of the Board of Stewards. He will be

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have done this because of this church's relationship to The Methodist Children's Home which is now under construction in Oak Forest. In several months, the children of the Home will be worshipping here, providing additional space is imperative. Without the help of devout Methodists over the State, we would not have as much done toward the completion of this commanding structure as is now completed.

H. H. Fink is beginning his second year as the general superintendent of the Church School. W. I. McClure is the chairman of the Official Board. Choir Director: W. L. McDowell. Finance chairman: J. A. Griffey; Mrs. T. V. Allen, W. S. C. S. president; Charge Lay Leaders, E. E. Harri-

In addition to the hope of additional growth, the completion of the new edifice within 12 months, we have been assured of the gift of an organ, to be installed in the new Church. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Holmes and family are doing his for the Church.

Much praise is lifted to the Father for what He has done in this new Church. With His continued guidance and grace, and the support of those of the community, the work of God shall be on the increase.

HUNTER MEMORIAL CHURCH

Hunter Memorial Church was

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organized in April, 1897, as a mission of Winfield Church. It was located then in a residence near 10th and Welch Streets. Later services were held in a building near 9th and Rector Streets, then a building was used at 12th and Barber till about 1910 when the present building located at 10th and McAlmont first pasters were Dr. W. C. Wat- property is men at debt.

son, Dr. Forney Hutchinson and Dr. J. D. Hammonds.

Under the ministry of Rev. J. E. Major on June 1947 the church celebrated its 50th anniversary. In August of the same year, Bro. and Mrs. Major were commissioned missionaries and left for Santiago, Chile to serve the Master. Last year the present pastor, Rev. C. H. Farmer was appointed to this church and is giving a most active ministry.

During the year there have been 60 additions to the church, 22 on profession of faith and 38 ctherwise, making a total membership of 587, giving Hunter the fifth largest membership in Little Rock Methodist churches. Ten infants have been baptized and the Church School enrollment has increased nearly 10% with an average attendance on Promotion Day of 71%. Jas. H. Johnson is the general Superintendent. The W. S. C. S. with Mrs. Rich-



REV. D. MOUZON MANN. Pastor Oak Forest

ard Nelson as president has 6 circles. They have raised more than twice their budget and have added furnishings to the parsonage costing more than \$200. They have also by the help of the laymen refinished the church kitchen and have bought needed equipment.

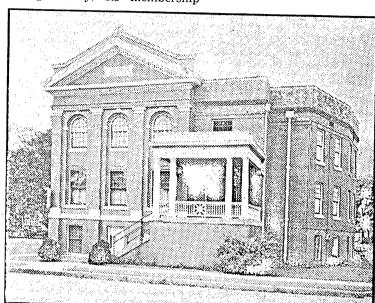
The Wesleyan Service Guild with Mrs. D. R. Crawford as president has 20 members and is doing an outstanding piece of work. They have assisted the W. S. C. S. with the above mentioned local work. This organization is one of the great Guilds of the District.

A. M. Corley, a member of the City Council is chairman of the Official Board, and Church Lay Leader. A new Hammond organ has recently been installed in the sanctuary and is a memorial to Dr. Watson. All askings have been paid in full and the church has asked for the return of Brother Farmer.

P. S. Biddy is Chairman of the Board of Trustees which has overseen to more than \$1500 spent on repairs and remodeling to the Streets was erected. Among the church property. The church

SOME METHODIST CHURCHES IN LITTLE ROCK

(Continued from Page 7) teresting history. Its membership



HUNTER MEMORIAL CHURCH

and roll of pastors have included men and women of deep consecration to the work of the Master. A striking characteristic of the church has been its deep and abiding faith in God. It is impossible to name those who have labored and wrought so well in the carrying on of a great program at Capitol View through the years. Many of the charter members and others who cast their lot with the little church during these 42 years of the church's existence have gone on to the other world. One of the early pastors who served this small congregation in its infancy, Rev. P. R. Eaglebarger, went to his heavenly home just a few months ago.

The present pastor, Rev. A. C. Carraway, came to Capitol View in November 1945, fresh from the service, having served as a Chaplain in the army, twenty-eight months overseas, from July 1942 to November 1945. He succeeded Rev. H. O. Bolin, who had had a very fruitful ministry at Capitol View. The present pastorate, now coming to the close of its third year, has likewise proven to be a period of progress in the (Continued on Page 16)



REV. C. H. FARMER, Pastor Hunter Memorial

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Condensed Minutes Of North Arkansas Conference

The Business of the Annual Conference

The Minutes of the North Arkansas Annual Conference of The Methodist Church, held in Fort Smith, Arkansas from October 13, 1948 through October 17, 1948. Bishop Paul E. Martin, Presiding.

Part I. Organization and General Business

1. Who are elected for the quadrennium (No. 630 sec. 3, No. 790): Secretary? Ewing T. Wayland, P. O. 1136 Donaghey Bldg., Little Rock, Ark. Statistician? Joe A. Goetz, P. O. 315 Broadway, Rose City, N. Little Rock, Ark. Treasurer? P. E. Cooley, P. O. Blytheville, Ark,

2. Is the Annual Conference incorporated? (No. 625): No.

3) What officers handling funds of the conference have been bonded. and in what amounts? (No. 637 sec. 3) S. G. Watson, \$1,000; Charles A. Stuck, \$20,000; E. G. Kaetzell, \$2,000; James T. Wilcoxon, \$50,000; E. J. Holifield, \$10,000; E. W. Martin, \$3,000; Raymond L. Franks, \$20,000; C. D. Metcalf, \$10,000; Joe Goetz,

b) Have the books of said officers or persons been audited? (No. 637 sec. 3) Yes.

4. Have the boards, commissions, or committees been appointed or elected? (630)

a) Board of Ministerial Training

and Qualifications? Yes. b) Committee on Conference Re-

lations? Yes. c) Committee on Accepted Supply

Pastors? Yes. d) Committee of Investigation?

e) District Boards of Location and

Building? Yes. . f) Board of Trustees of the An-

nual Conference? Yes. Conference Commission on

World Service and Finance? Yes. h) Town and Country Commis-

i) Conference Deaconess Board?

Yes. j) Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension? Yes.

k) Conference Board of Education? Yes.

1) Conference Board of Temperance? Yes. m) Conference Board of Lay Ac-

tivities? Yes. n) Conference Board of Hospitals

and Homes? Yes. o) Conference Board of Evangel-

ism? Yes. p) Board of Conference Claima-

p) Commission on Christian Vo-

cations? Yes. r) Conference Woman's Society of Christian Service? Yes.

s) Committee on Proportional Payment of Ministerial Support? Yes.

t) Other committees, commissions, or boards? Yes.

5. Have the secretaries, treasurers, and statisticians kept their respective records upon and according to the forms prescribed by The Methodist Church? (No. 637 sec. 2) Yes.

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

7. What is the schedule for minimum support for pastors? (No. 806) \$1400.

8. What is the plan and what are the approved claims for the support of the district superintendents for the ensuing year? (No. 788-89) Amount equal to 11% each calary

paid pastor for equalized salary of E. J. Holifield, D. G. Hindman, H.

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 14% of cash salary paid pastor.

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

to this conference:

a) For World Service? \$54 161 00 b) For Episcopal Fund? An amount equal to 1% of pastor's cash salary

c) For General Administration Fund? \$2,861.00.

11. What amount is apportioned to this conference for the Jurisdictional Administration Fund? \$3,-

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

a) What is the report of the Board of Conference Claimants, and what appropriations for conference claimants are reported and approved? (1623). See reports.

b) What is the report of the Conference Board of Missions and Church Extension of disbursements of missionary aid within the conference? (No. 1295-99). See reports.

c) What is the report of the Conference Commission on World Service and Finance? (No. 778-96) See

d) What is the report of the Commission on Christian Vocations? (No. 643). No report.

13. What Methodist institutions or organizations are approved by the conference for annuity responsibility? (No. 1618 sec. 2c, 12). See appointments - with Annuity Claim.

14. What date is determined for Golden Cross enrollment? (No. 1529) Week following second Sunday in

15. a) Who is elected conference lay leader? (No. 1494.) Matt L. Ellis.

b) What is his report? See report. c) Who are elected district and associate district lay leaders? (No. 1499).

Batesville District: Lay Leader, Cledice T. Jones; Associate Lay Leaders: Nels Barnett, Fred Pickens, and Carl Keys.

Conway District: Lay Leader: Joe A. Goetz; Associate Lay Leaders: John G. Moore, E. W. Martin, and J. Frank Warden.

Fayetteville District: Lay Leader, Virgil Blossom; Associate Lay Leaders: Radus Rice, Logan Stafford, and J. H. Carnahan.

Fort Smith District: Lay Leader, B. A. McConnell; Associate Lay Leaders: A. P. McKeithen, C. C. Coley, and R. W. Lynch.

Helena District: Lay Leader: Marvin E. Bird; Associate Lay Leaders: Elton A. Rieves, Jr., E. Clay Eumpers, and G. E. Dooley.

Jonesboro District: Lay Leader, Carrol W. Watson; Associate Lay Leaders: Charles A. Stuck, Gus Eberdt, and W. R. Willis.

Paragould District: Lay Leader, J. A. Walden; Associate Lay Leaders: Lee Ward, Morgan Prince, and L. L. Swindle.

Scarcy District: Lay Leaders, Joe S. Pierce; Associate Lay Leaders: Ben F. Clark, Marvin Hathcoat, and W. E. Boyer.

Part II. Pertaining to Ministerial Relations

16. Who constitute the Conference Committee of Investigation? (No. 931). John A. Womack, J. F. Linam,

Lynn Wade. Reserves: N. Lee Cate, Elmo Thomason, H. C. Minnis.

17. Who are the accepted supply pastors? (No. 315.) Virgil Bramblett, Harold S. Bailey, Harold Brent, Walter L. Dillon, R. L. Hanks, A. O. Hays, Vann Hooker, M. L. Kaylor, T. O. Love, Claudie McLeod, Marvin Reves, J. H. Richardson, M. B. Short, Maxie Spurlock, B. M. Sullivan, W. T. Watson, Sam Covington, Harley Crawford, Paul Dean Davis, Billy Dennis, Eugene Gillam, R. B. Howerton, Harry W. Huntsman, A. E. Johannes, Thomas G. Kinslow, J. M. Kitchens, Arvest Lawson, George Wayne Martin, Sherman Ragsdell, James Smith, Uriah Smith, Norris Steele, Fred Thompson, Mrs. Fred Thompson, John Workman, Wendell Barbaree, Winslow Brown, Cathryn Ferrell, W. D. Gray, Amos Howard, H. W. Jinske, Edward Phillips, Walter Pennel, Albert Prentice, Hiley Rainer, Jr., J. P. Roberts, Mrs. E. J. Reves, Ivan R. Wilson, Earl B. Carter, Edward Coley, J. O. Davis, Charles Hall, Felix Holland, Paul Kelley, Orville Knapp, M. E. Marchbanks, C. S. Martin, J. F. Owen, Charles Pachl, Roy Povner, L. R. Ruble, W. S. Stegall, Doyle Telaar, R. O. McRae, Y. D. Whitehurst, Mrs. Y. D. Whitehurst, Lee Anderson, Mrs. Lee Anderson, Gail G. Anderson, Arvil Brannon, Paul Stewart Craig, W. C. Hightower, Clifford King, William Odom, H. L. Robinson, Calvin Smith, Dave Smitherman, Robert Sykes, W. A. Abee, Henry Carpenter, W. G. Conner, Dale Dorsey, Gus Evans, Albert Gibbs, Alvin Gibbs, Paul Gene Johnston, Robert Montgomery, T. R. Parmenter, Guy Patterson, M. J. Pollard, B. W. Stallcup, Marvin A. Thompson, W. H. Trotter, Lester J. Trout, J. M. Williams, Miss Reabel Childers, Odis Leon Cleaver, J. H. Hartsell, Vernon Moore, William Roy Moyers, A. A. Noggle, S. L. Russell, J. W. Sandage, J. H. Smith, J. M. Talkington, and Carl Wood.

19. What preachers, coming from other churches, have had their orders recognized (No. 411): None.

20. Who have been received from other churches as traveling preachers: None.

21. Who are received on trial:

a) In the studies of the first year? William M. Womack, Raymond Krutz. Luther Loyd Turner, Ernie Carmel Hance.

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

c) Exempt from course of study under the seminary rule? Guy Chitwood Ames, Jr., Robert Paul Ses-

22. Who are continued on trial: a) Continued in studies of the first

year? Elvis D. Wright.

b) Advanced to studies of the second year? Winford Lee Diggs, Raymond Victor Holt, William Maurice Lanier, Robert McMasters, Charles P. McDonald, James Faris Weatherford, James W. Workman, Jr.

c) Continued in studies of the second year? Linza Harrison, James Rudolph Woodruff, Clyde Emerson

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

23. Who on trial are discontinued?

24. Who are admitted into full connection? Woodrow Woods, William Allen Stewart, Arnold Melvin Simpson, William Tillman Linge, Byron Luster McSpadden.

25. What full members are in stu-

a) Of the third year? William T. Linge, Byron Luster McSpadden, William Allen Stewart, Arnold Melvin Simpson, Woodrow Woods, Harold Spence.

26. What full members have failed to complete the studies (No. 346) a) Of the third year? William Rod-

ney Shaw. b) Of the fourth year? None.

27. What full members have completed the studies of the fourth (Continued on Page 11)

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year? Glenn Bruner, Paul McConnell Bumpers, Newton Lee Cate. Edwin Bland Dodson, Pharis Holifield, Alvin Curtis Murray.

28. Who have been elected deacons?

a) As local preachers? None.

b) As members on trial in the course of study? Shelby Woodrow Woods, Arnold Melvin Simpson, Charles Paul McDonald, James Warthen Workman, Jr., Arville Clarence Brannon, William Tillman Linge, Byron Luster McSpadden.

c) Under the seminary rule? None. d) Under the missionary rule?

None.

29. Who have been ordained deacons?

Shelby Woodrow Woods, Arnold Melvin Simpson, Charles Paul Mc-Donald, James Warthen Workman, Jr., Arvill Clarence Brannon, William Tillman Linge, Byron Luster McSpadden.

30. Who have been elected elders? a) As local preachers: Olen R. Findley.

b) As local deacons who have been received on trial? None.

c) As conference members in the course of study? William Allen Stewart, Jr., Harold Herman Spence, Lindley Everette Vowell, Pharis William Miles Jerome Holifield, Wilder, Charles Wayne Banks.

d) Under the seminary rule? None. e) Under the missionary rule? None.

31. Who have been ordained elders? William Allen Stewart, Jr., Harold Herman Spence, Lindley Everette Vowell, Pharis Jerome Holifield, William Miles Wilder, Olen R. Findley, Charles Wayne

32. Relative to accommodation transfers for ordination and reception:

a) What members of this conference have been transferred out for purposes of ordination only: Robert L. McMasters, June, 1948, North

b) Who have been transferred in, having been ordained elsewhere as deacon? Robert L. McMasters, October 13, 1948. North Texas.

c) Who are transferred in, and from what conferences, for purposes of ordination only, such ordination voted by this conference?

d) Who have been ordained here, such ordination having been voted by another conference? None.

e) Who have been transferred out, and to what conference, after ordination? None.

33. Who are re-admitted: None.

34. Who have been received by transfer? D. L. Dykes, Jr., Louisiana Conference, September 1, 1948; Robert L. McMasters, North Texas Conference, October 13, 1948; Coy E. Whitten, Little Rock Conference, October 17, 1948; L. J. Stevenson, Virginia Conference, November,

35. Who have been transferred out? Carl Keightley, North Texas Conference, October 17, 1948; Robert L. McMasters, North Texas Conference, Moy. 1948; Nat R. Griswold. New York Conference, May. 1948; John G. Gicek, Louisiana Conference, August, 1948; Paul V. Galloway, Little Rock Conference, September, 19.3; H. M. Sanford, Louisiana Conference, August, 1948; Chavles W. Louis, Texas Conference. October, 1940; J. Kenneth Shamblin, Little Rock Conference, October 17,

36. Who have had their conference REPORT OF THE BOARD OF membership terminated:

a) By Voluntary location? Farris McDonald.

b) By involuntary location? None. c) By withdrawal? Thomas C. Huff, Wade H. Harrison.

d) By judicial procedure? None. What ministerial members have died during the year? James R. Nelson, Charles Franklin, Fred R. Hamilton, Hilary H. Blevins, Hubert Henry Hunt, and John B. Andrews.

38. Who are the supernumerary ministers, and for what number of years consecutively has each held this relation? (365). None.

393. Who are granted sabbatical leave? (No. 364). None.

40. What ministers have been re-

tired: a) This year? Grover Sutherland, James M. Hughes, B. E. Robertson, B. L. Wilford, W. A. Lindsey, L. R.

b) Previously? S. N. Adams, R. E. L. Bearden, Sr., R. A. Bevis, W. E. Bishop, C. H. Bumpers, George A. Burr, A. L. Cline, M. A. Cherry, Eli Craig, P. W. Emrah, James B. Evans, L. W. Fair, Walker Julius Faust, J. J. Galloway, J. F. Glover, O. E. Goddard, A. E. Goode, Norris Greer, Henry H. Griffin, James Wesley Harger, C. E. Holifield, J. W. Howard, James M. Hughey, M. N. Johnson, Fred A. Lark, Byron Augustus McKnight, W. J. LeRoy, L. E. Mann, E. Marlar, E. K. Means, Guy Murphey, E. W. Nelson, W. L. Oliver, W. A. Patty, George Edward Patchell, E. M. Peters, E. W. Potter, James Anderson Reynolds, J. D. Roberts, R. A. Robertson, J. L. Roland, A. W. Russell, W. L. Russell, J. Abner Sage, Jr., E. K. Sewell, William Sherman, T. W. Shipley, Mrs. Ora Sidewell, Joseph Howell Smith, J. B. Stewart, F. M. Sweet, D. N. Weaver, W. P. Whaley, W. J. Williams, C. F. Wilson, James Tur-pin Willcoxon, J. W. York and F. M. Tolleson.

41. Who are left without appointment to attend school? Lindley E. Vowell, Perkins School of Theology; Gaither A. McKelvey, Perkins School of Theology; Charles R. McDonald, Perkins School of Theology; James W. Workman, Jr., Perkins School of Theology; Robert Paul Sessions. Perkins School of Theology; Guy C. Ames, Jr., Perkins School of Theology; James Rudolph Woodruff, Northwestern University; William Rodney Shaw, Northwestern

42. What is the number of:

a) Pastoral charges? 229; Accepted supply pastors? 114; Received on trial? 6; Received into full connection? 5; Transfers in? 4; Transfers out? 8; Received from other church es? None; Readmitted? 1; Discontinued? none; Withdrawn? 2; Expelled None; Located? 1; Deceased?

b) Ministers:

1) On trial: a) As pastors?

b) Under special appointment? 0 c) Left without appointment to

attend school? Total on Trial ? 2) In full connection:

a) Effective:

1) As pastors and district superintendents?

. 148 Under special appointment? 15 3) Left without appointment

to attend school? 3 4) On Sabbatical leave?

Total Effective 166

b) Retired?

c) Supernumerary? c) Total of All Ministers?

43. What other personal notations

should be made? Readmitted; Linza

HOSPITALS AND HOMES

The reports of the Methodist Hospital and the Children's Home have been before us and show that they are both in a very excellent condition. The work of the Superintendents has been of the highest order and the institutions are in a most prosperous condition. The employment of a full-time chaplain at the Hospital is filling a long-felt need, and the Rev. Wm. M. O'Donnell is rendering excellent service and providing spiritual leadership to the staff and patients.

For many years the pastors of North Arkansas Conference have recognized the need for a Chapel at our Hospital; this need is now urgent. Therefore, we ask approval, by the acceptance of this report, of a quiet campaign by a Chapel Building Committee from the Board of Trustees and Managers to secure funds for his Chapel from individuals, asking such assistance from Pastors as will secure proper personal contacts and solicitations. The sum needed shall be determined by that Committee.

Your Board takes note of the fact that Golden Cross contributions from all three Conferences furnish less than ONE EIGHTH of the amount we have been asking the Hospital to spend on our charity. patients.

Therefore, we wish to urge upon our pastors this pressing need. The Hospital asks that each pastor devote one Sunday morning to a sermon on the ministry of healing which was practiced by our Lord so magnificently, distribute the Golden Cross envelopes, explain to the people the need, and accept their offerings.

There has just been organized in Arkansas the Blue Cross which offers a hospitalization and surgical benefit insurance. We ask that this Board to designated a committee to study this form of protection for our pastors and report to the next session of the Conference.

A. HOSPITALS:

(1) We recommend that J. Frank Fogleman (Marion), Mrs. Tom Tucker (Hughes), James H. Crain (Wilson), H. K. Berwick (Wynne), Rev. J. W. Watson, and Rev. -John A. Womack be named Trustees from the North Arkansas Conference.

(2) That \$2,700 be apportioned for the Hospital.

That Golden Cross week be that following the second Sunday in May, and that Rev. H. M. Lewis be Conference Golden Cross Di-

Harrison, Class of Second Year.

Part III. Concluding Business

44. What is the report of the Conference Treasurer? See report.

45. What is the report of the Conference Statistician? See report.

46. What are the detailed objectives of this Conference for the coming year? See reports of various boards and commissions.

47. Where shall the next sessions of the conference be held? Mt. Sequoyah, Fayetteville, Arkansas.

48. Is there any further business? None.

49. What changes have been made in appointments since the last Annual Conference Session? See Appointments.

50. Where are the preachers stationed for the ensuing year? See List of Appointments.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(Continued from Page 16) quantity, anywhere, any time. I believe it better for a boy or girl to have no mother than to have a

cocktail drinking mother. I also believe it would be better for a boy to have no living father and grow up in an orphanage than to have a drinking father.

The Methodist Church Is Right

Our church has always been squarely, uncompromising in its attitude against liquor. We forbid our members to sell, buy, or drink intoxicants. We have taught always total abstinence for the individual and prohibition for the state.

Shortly after this lesson appears, the state and national elections will have been held. This writer will be voting for sober candidates who oppose legalizing the sale of intoxicants by the state, or the Federal Government—if any of the tickets have such men running.

Questions

Do you ever drink intoxicants? Why?

Do you want your husband or your wife to drink intoxicants?

Do you approve of your children's drinking?

Did you ever vote to legalize the sale of liquor?

Are you loyal to the church which has done so much for your home, your family, your country?

VISION

A man once found a shiny new dime in the road. From then on his mind was focused on small things and he never lifted his eyes from the ground while walking. At the end of 40 years, he accumulated 34,947 buttons, 54,712 pins, 11 pennies, a bent back and a bad disposition. He lost the glories of the light, the smiles of friends, the beauties of nature, and opportunity to serve his fellow men and spread happiness. — Alexander Co-operator, hm, Alexander Film Co.

> rector, and be given authority to name his two assistants. We recommend further that the whole amount collected for Golden Cross be given to the Hospital since an accumulation of funds in the Treasurer's hands will provide for all expenses.

METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME, Inc., of The Methodist Church of Arkansas.

(1) We recommend that Alf A. Eason be elected for a term of three (3) years.

(2) We recommend that the apportionment of \$2,000 be made.

(3) That December be the month of special gifts to the Home with the offerings to be taken as near Christmas as possible.

The audits are clear and we recommend the publication of these reports in the Arkansas Methodist.

—C. Norman Gulce, Secretary

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CURRENT NEWS IN ARKANSAS METHODISM

PASTOR HAS BIRTHDAY SURPRISE

Rev. A. C. Carraway, pastor of Capitol View Methodist Church, Little Rock, was given a birthday surprise immediately following the Wednesday evening prayer service at his church last week. The basement was beautifully decorated and the crowd sang, "Happy Birthday" and "For He's A Jolly Good Fellow" as Brother Carraway entered the room.

Mrs. Carraway and Paul joined the pastor in the opening of the many gifts. This minister will not need shirts, socks, soaps, lotions, billfolds, handkerchiefs and ties for Christmas.

Appearing on the program were W. P. Spotts, chairman of the Board of Stewards; Mrs. T. O. Sparks, speaker; Mrs. A. T. Dodd, soloist, accompanied by Mrs. Joyce Smith; Mrs. T. W. Tyer, pianist; Mrs. Grace Bounds, song leader. The Junior-youth choir sang for the occasion.

Mrs. Goodwin, hostess, assisted by Mrs. G. O. Harper, Mrs. Thelma Greenwood, Mrs. Marie Soffel served coffee and cake. Mrs. Huss was in charge of the beautifully decorated table.

A great spirit of fellowship prevailed throughout the evening.—Mrs. Phyllis Dodd, Reporter.

RICE BELT JUNIOR HIGH SUB-DISTRICT

With the gathering of 65 Methodist Youth, representing six churches in Arkansas County, the Rice Belt Junior High Sub-district held its October meeting at Grand Avenue Methodist Church last Tuesday night, October 5.

The Junior High group from Grand Avenue Church presented an interesting program. New and unusual methods of Bible study was the theme of the program. Miss Patsy Grant was in charge of the worship. Methods shown for Bible study included, verse choir, shadow pictures of Bible scenes, scripture interpreted in moving pictures and in songs.

The business meeting was presided over by the president, Miss Meredith Miller. It was voted that each member is to bring one wool garment to the November meeting, to be used for overseas relief. The group also decided to have the meeting date changed to the first Tuesday night of each month.

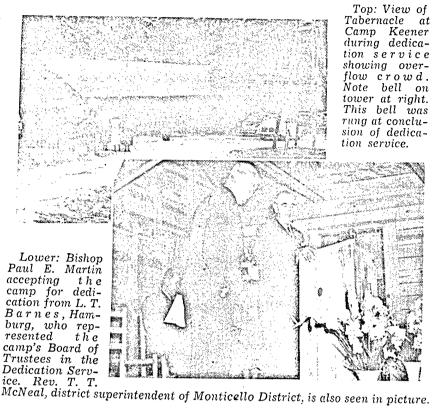
Following the business meeting, a scavenger hunt was held. Circle One of the Grand Avenue Methodist Church served the group hot dogs and cokes.—Mrs. B. J. Burkett, Counselor.

REV. AND MRS. F. A. LARK RETURN TO LITTLE ROCK

Rev. and Mrs. F. A. Lark who spent some months in Judsonia completing the work of J. Otis Sutton who moved during the year, have returned to their home in Little Rock.

Brother and Mrs. Lark graciously consented to come to the Judsonia passorate and have spent several happy and successful months here. Not only the charch but the whola fever appreciates the verie, friend-linear and federaline of the Lark.

CAMP KEENER DEDICATED



Bishop Paul E. Martin dedicated the Monticello District Camp Keener, October 10th, in dedication services which attracted a crowd of more than four hundred visitors. Using as his theme "On The Morrow" Bishop Martin said in the dedication sermon that "Camp Keener will serve the generations of today and tomorrow even as it has served the generations of yesterday."

District Superintendent Rev. T. T. McNeal of Monticello presided in the Dedication Worship Service and was assisted by Rev. Ralph J. Clayton, Lake Village, and Dr. Clem Baker, Portland. L. T. Barnes, Hamburg, one of the many laymen interested in the district camp propect, represented the Camp Keener Board of Trustees in the Dedication Service and presented the camp to Bishop Martin for dedication.

Camp Keener, the first permanent district camp in Arkansas Methodism has been in use the last two summers by the Monticello District. Rev. Mr. McNeal and the ministers

in the district did much of the actual construction work of the camp project. Several "surplus" buildings from a nearby governmental agency were bought, dismantled, and either erected on the site or the building material was used in erecting other buildings. The camp now has two dormitories, two bath houses, small store, dining hall with fully equipped kitchen, tabernacle, two cottages, and spacious grounds with all weather roads. Located on Highway 62 between Montrose and Snyder, the camp has also been used by nearby districts for camping programs.

The Camp Keener Board of Trustees includes Rev. T. T. McNeal, Monticello; Fred Blanks, Parkdale; L. T. Barnes, Hamburg; Dr. Clem Baker, Portland; Gus Pugh, Portland; Dr. Robert L. Long, Hamburg; Sam Wilson, Montrose; E. D. Gregory, Parkdale, and Ezell Moyer. Mr. Moyer is also the caretaker of the grounds and resides at Camp Keener.

NEW ORGAN AT FIRST CHURCH, ARKADELPHIA

A new Kilgen two manual electrical pneumatic pipe organ has been installed recently at the First Methodist Church of Arkadelphia. The organ has 17 stops with 1214 pipes. A 21 Deagan Grade 'A' Chimes are also a part of the organ. Special organ chambers were erected to house the organ pipes and equipment. Pipes range from the large 16-foot Sub Bass to the small two feet Flautina. The top notes are only a fraction of an inch in length. This organ was planned by Mrs. H. Grady Smith, organist and choirmaster of the church, and was built by the Kilgen Organ Company of The Kilgen Company built it first organ in 1640. Seven generations of the Kilgen family have followed in this business.

The church confracted for the new gran on June 11, 1946. It cost sixteen thousand dollars. A representative of the company stated that the

same organ would cost us \$20,700 today. The total cost of the project which will include the Chimes, the grille, the erection of the organ chambers, and some redecorating of the church, will amount to approximately \$24,000. The installation of the organ was made by A. J. Kangers of Houston, Texas, He was assisted by Ben H. Ballard of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

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DELTA SUB-DISTRICT M. Y. F.

On Monday evening, October 4, the Delta Sub-district of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, Monticello District, met in its first fall session at the First Methodist Church in McGehee. The young people of McGehee presented the program of the evening. The subject of the program was: Youth and Alcohol. Marvin Loyd, local M. Y. F. president, presided and the discussions were led by Joline Tiner and Dickey Pearson. The Scripture lesson was read by Myrtle Biggs.

After the program Raymond Ragan, retiring president, presided over the business meeting. On roll call it was found that the following churches were represented: Dermott with 15; Dumas with 19; McGehee with 18; and Tillar with 15. The following officers were elected for 1948-49: President, James Constable of Dumas; vice-president, Mary Nell Clayton of Dermott; Secretary, Patsy Lawn of Tillar; Treasurer, V. V. Thomas of McGehee; and Publicity Chairman, Marvin Loyd, McGehee.

At the conclusion of the business session the group retired to the recreation hall for a period of recreation under the direction of Brother Miller, McGehee pastor. After "Cleveland" won over "Boston" in a Bible baseball game, the young people of McGehee, directed by their Conuselor, Mr. Frank Ross, served refreshments.

The next meeting of the Sub-district will be in Dermott on November 1, 1948.—Marvin Loyd, Publicity Chairman.

two years where she studied music under Mrs. H. Grady Smith. Last August she received her B. M. Degree, majoring in sacred music, at the University of Texas. At the present Miss Ross is doing graduate work at the University of Texas, studying organ under Dean E. Williams Doty, the Dean of the School of Music. She is specializing in Sacred Music, majoring in organ. Her program included numbers from the works of Bach, Granck, Sowerby, and Dupre.

Bishop Paul E. Martin will officially dedicate the organ some time in the near future.—Reporter.

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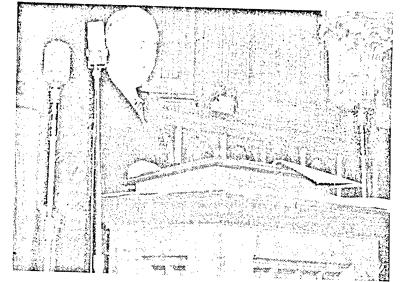
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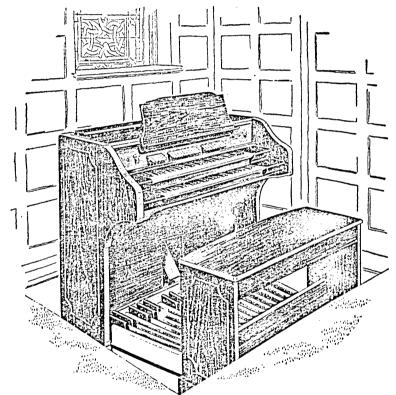
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SOME METHODIST

CHURCHES IN

The Woman's Society of Christian Service has been quite active during all these years and under the efficient leadership of Mrs. W. E. Tyer, new president, has enjoyed a gratifying growth. The Wesleyan Service Guild is also making a distinct contribution to the growth of the church. Its present president is Mrs. Lester Snell. Capitol View has an unusually strong Official Board. W. P. Spotts has just been elected to succeed himself as Chaiman of the Board. Mrs. E. A. Marlar has been one of the mainstays of the church and Board, having served many years as treasurer of the Board. H. R. Coffman, one of the Councilmen of Little Rock, is chairman of the Board of Trustees, with R. M. Sullivan, a charter member of the Church as secretary of the Board of Trustees. A resume of Capitol View would not be complete without mentioning the name of Mrs. Hattie Rice, more popularly known as Mother Rice, who through the years has been and still is the inspiration of the entire church and

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BATESVILLE SUB-DISTRICT YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The Batesville Methodist Sub-district Youth Fellowship meeting was held at the Cushman Methodist Church on Monday, October 11 with 105 present from the following churches: First Methodist, Central Ave. Methodist, Asbury Methodist, Moorefield, Cave City and Cushman. The meeting was opened by Janice Searcy of Cushman and the following program was given: Scripture by Clydene Stroud, prayer by Rev. Claudia McCloud, reading by Freeda Campbell and piano solo by Hassel Kimbrough. Mrs. Nolan Jackson, District Advisor resigned her position and Miss Oza Baker of Central Ave. Methodist Church was elected to fill the vacancy.

At the close of the session an informal social hour was held in the church basement.

The next meeting will be held in the Asbury Methodist Church of Batesville, November 8. — Marita Burks, Reporter.

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The financial report for this year will show the largest gross total in the history of the church, with this year's finances in full as in other years. During this year a new Hammond organ has been installed and paid for in full and will be dedicated by our Bishop in the near future. A Building Fund was started some few years ago and it is hoped that in the very near future a beautiful auditorium will be in process of erection.

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WISDOM LITERATURE IN THE BIBLE (TEMPERANCE)

LESSON FOR OCTOBER 31, 1948

SCRIPTURE TEXT: Proverbs 1:8; 3:3; 4:1; 6:27-28; 8:1-11; 10:1-9; 15:1; 18:9; 22:1; 25:13; Ecclesiastes 1:3; James 3:13-18.

GOLDEN TEXT: He that walketh uprightly walketh surely.. Proverbs 10:9.

All literate nations have produced smart sayings, aphorisms, adages, proverbs. The Greeks, Romans, Assyrians, the Babylonians, all nations who left a written literature, left the short sayings that express wisdom. But the Hebrews surpassed all the other nations in wisdom literature. It is perhaps safe to say that the Hebrews produced more than all nations combined.

England and the United States of America produced a reasonable amount but in no sense rivaled the Hebrews. "A rolling stone gathers no moss," "A stitch in time saves nine," "He laughs best who laughs last," "An idle brain is the devil's workshop," "A fool and his money are soon parted," are a few or the ordinary proverbs of American origin.

Hebrew Wisdom Books

Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Job, are the major wisdom books of the Bible. Solomon is credited with the authorship of the major part of the Proverbs. Psalms 19, 37, 104, 137, and 148 are the great wisdom Psalms. David probably is the author of these Psalms. Solomon perhaps wrote Ecclesiastes after he had backslidden. Many of the proverbs in the book bearing this name, give evidence of having been written by a man whose heart was not defiled as was Solomon's in his later days.

Jesus Taught Wisdom In Parables

Jesus no doubt uttered some rich proverbs, but the writers seized on to his abundantly rich parables. I would class the parables of Jesus as the wisest and richest of all wisdom literature.

Substance Of The Old Testament Proverbs

They are mainly ethical. They pertain to human conduct. They are a kind of manual telling us how to behave in life's relationships. They are a manual for moral conduct. They teach thrift, honesty, truthtelling, and kindness.

A City Without Walls

"He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls." (Proverbs 25:28). This may seem strange to the modern mind not accustomed to think of a city's needing a wall. All ancient cities had walls. They could not exist without walls. It took me a long time in China to call a big city without a wall, a village, and any walled town, a city. All ancient cities had to have a few gates which were heavily guarded. Otherwise the marauding bands would come in, kill the people, and carry off all the food stuff. So Solomon said, "He that hath no control of his own spirit is like a city with the walls broken down." In other words, self-control is the best police protection.

The Folly Of Trusting In Things
Please read Ecclesiastes 2:1-10.

"Then I looked on all the works that my hands had wrought, and on the labour that I had labored to do: and, behold, all was vanity and vexation of spirit and there was no profit under the sun." (Ecclesiastes 2:11) Solomon had unlimited opportunities to see whether happiness could be had in things. His verdict was, "All is vanity and vexation of spirit."

True Wisdom

"Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom. But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts glory not, and lie not against the truth. This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish. For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work. But wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated. full of mercy and good fruits. without partiality, and without hyprocrisy. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace." (James 3:13-18).

What Saith The Word About Liquor?

"Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." (Proverbs 20:1) "Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath babbling? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes? They that tarry long at the wine: they that go to seek mixed wine. Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his colour in the cup, when it moveth itself aright. At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder." (Proverbs 23:29-32).

"Hear thou, my son, and be wise, and guide thine heart in the way. Be not among winebibbers among riotous eater of flesh: For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags." (Proverbs 23:19-21).

"And they shall say unto the elders of his city, This our son is stubborn and rebellious, he will not obey our voice; he is a glutton and a drunkard." (Deuteronomy 21:

"For while they be folden together as thorns, and while they are drunken as drunkards, they shall be devoured as stubble." (Nahum 1:10).

"Woe to the crown of pride, to the drunkards of Ephraim, whose glorious beauty is a fading flower, which are on the head of the fat valleys of them that are overcome with wine! Behold the Lord hath a mighty and strong one, which as a tempest of hail and a destroying storm, as a flood of mighty waters overflowing, shall cast down to the earth with the hand. The crown of pride, the drunkards of Ephraim, shall be trodden under feet." (Isaiah 28:1-3).

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because of the new winc; for it is cut off from your mouth. For a nation is come up upon my land streng, and without number whose teeth are the teeth of a lion, and he hath the cheek teeth of a great lion." (Joel 1:5-6).

"Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God." (I Cor. 6:10).

"And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares." (St. Luke 21:34).

"Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanliness, lasciviousness, idolatry, with witcheraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, of such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God." (Galatians 5:19-21).

"And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit." (Ephesians 5:18).

The Verdict From The Bible

Touch not, taste not, handle not, tolerate not, condone not, permit not. It is evil, only evil, and that continually.

What Saith History?

So far as I know the two sources of death to ancient civilization, were liquer and licentiousness. These two vices are twin sisters, not frequently found separately, usually co-existent and co-extensive. Men and women under the influence of liquor, lose their self restraint, become daring and venturesome. They do things they would not do for their right arm, were they sober.

So far as I know no ancient civilization ever collapsed when it was sober. Drunkenness and wantonness were the cause of death and decay of all ancient countries. Let not our country destroy itself. It cannot long live as a drunken, licentious nation.

Any Harm In A Little Cocktail Party?

Any harm in just a little tiger? Any harm in just a little serpent? Any harm in just a little mad dog? Any harm in just a little outbreak of typhoid fever? Any harm in a little epidemic of polio.

I am so intolerant toward liquor, so utterly opposed to drinking intoxicants, and have seen so much wreck and ruin and damnation from the last stages of intoxication, that I cannot speak or write with any tolerance for intoxicants in any

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