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"The World is My Parish" — John Wesley

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

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There Are No Rain Checks In Football

WE are now in the midst of the football season. While the church has much to offer to the football player and football fan that is of eternal value, it is true also that the church could learn a valuable lesson from football. There is a saying in the show business that "the show must go on." By this the showman means that no minor or even major handicap should stop a performance if it is humanly possible to continue.

Football has adopted this same attitude with emphasis. No allowances are made in football for a failure to finish the game. In baseball and some other activities one gets a rain check when one buys a ticket. In football there are no rain checks. The game once begun is played to the end come what may. If players are crippled with minor or major injuries, substitutes take their places and the game goes on. Torrential rains, high winds, snow storms and freezing blizzards ply their powers in vain when the hour set for a football game has arrived.

It should be said, also, that the will to see the game through, when the hour for play has arrived, is not confined to the young, healthy, well-trained athletes on the football field. Almost any football fan, who has followed the game very long, has seen great crowds of football fans of both sexes and practically all ages as they have watched a game through with hardly a break in the ranks of the grandstand, in the midst of a siege of weather that would make almost any other kind of outdoor activities impossible.

In this will of the spirit of football to carry whether conditions be fair or foul is a helpful lesson that even the church may learn. In the high and holy tasks of the church if, as in the spirit of football, we would discontinue our generous use of mental rain checks and trivial excuses; if we would set ourselves to the serious task of kingdom building without any allowance being made for a failure to do the job at hand; if we would add to such holy enthusiasm the conscious presence and leadership of the Holy Spirit, we would find that the church militant is able to do anything that God calls it to do in its hour of testing. Dare we do less in such a cause?

Political Prophets Almost Lose Their Shirts

IT is not an uncommon thing, in this day of religious confusion, to hear some religious-minded, and apparently self-appointed prophet announcing with confidence the turn of events of the future will take. Especially is this true of the crises prophet.

The big advantage that such prophets have over the political prophet is that they can fix a date for the fulfillment of their prophecies such a distant time as to cause them no personal embarrassment. They do not have to be specific and generally there is no way to check up on them.

As recent experiences testify, the political prophet enjoys no such advantage or protection. Election day is his judgement day. In the white light of election statistics the wisdom or folly of prophecy is revealed.

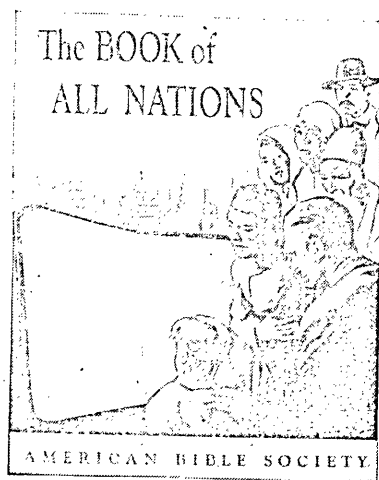
There will likely be a thinning of the ranks of political prophets in the days before us. Those who survive will in all probability be much less dramatic in their pronouncements than in recent months.

The Book Of All Nations

As it has for many years, the American Bible Society is sponsoring again this year the observance of Universal Bible Sunday. The Sunday designated as Universal Bible Sunday, this year is Sunday, December 12th.

For the fifth year the American Bible Society is also sponsoring a World-wide Bible Reading with a list of suggested Bible passages to be read. A scripture passage has been selected for each day from Thanksgiving through Christmas Day. Beginning as a national movement, it now has a world-wide emphasis.

The American Bible Society is rendering an inestimable service to the world in this critical hour of world history. This



Bible distributing agency is the only hope we have of furnishing the broken countries of Europe and Asia with the Bible in time for the "Book of All Nations" to play the part it should have in world-reconstruction.

In recent year the feeling has often been expressed by world leaders, in the church and out, that only a practical application of the basic truths of the Christian religion regarding human relationships can save the world from the irretrievable disaster that now threatens.

Regardless of what these world leaders think about the Bible, as a Divine revelation, the fact remains that many of them now realize that it does offer a plan for human relationships that would solve the world's problems if the nations of the world would only adopt it. Furthermore, after long years of experimentation with numerous "trial and error methods," they now realize that no other plan has been conceived, or is in the process of development, that offers any real hope of a permanent solution of the world's difficulties.

Fortunately the Bible is now being printed complete in one hundred eighty-five languages. Some portions of the Bible have been translated into more than nine hundred additional languages and dialects. The Bible, with its plan for peace, should have a multiplied distribution among the earth's people today. This can be done more quickly and more cheaply through the American Bible Society than in any other way.

Methodism Reverts To Type

METHODISM began as a lay movement. In one sense the Wesleyan Movement was initiated as a reaction against the minor role to which the laymen had been relegated. The Church did not challenge its laymen with an opportunity to serve. Neither did the clergy offer to share its duties with a laity spiritually starved from inactivity. The established Church received its financial support largely through its share of the state's taxes. Thus, even the joy of giving was all but lost to the churchman.

The Church and the clergy of Wesley's day had little sympathy with any movement which proposed to put laymen to work. But, both in England and in America, laymen working under the direction of their spiritual father, John Wesley, shouldered the brunt of the responsibilities of the Wesleyan Movement. It was because these unordained laymen were unable to administer the sacraments that, through Wesley, the request was made of the Church for ordination. This request the Church of England refused.

During the two centuries of Methodist history the pendulum of lay activities swung to the other extreme. In our opinion, it has now begun the swing back toward increased lay activity. Methodism had reached a period, not many years ago, when its laymen were not being used very extensively. The clergy again carried the big end of the work of the Church and they were not too enthusiastic about putting the "secularized and materialistic laymen" to work.

But once again increased lay activity is to be found. This time the impetus for lay activity comes from within the Church and not from without. Witness the rapid growth of men's organizations within the Church. See the many projects sponsored by local churches in which laymen actually take the lead. The recent Crusade for Christ program of The Methodist Church could never have meant what it did without wholesale endorsement and support by Methodist laymen. In Arkansas, district and conference organizations enjoy the counsel and leadership of consecrated laymen who find joy in their opportunity to serve on these levels. The recent General Conference made provision for "Lay Speakers," Paragraph 150 (4) 1948 Discipline, which legislation incidentally was sponsored by an Arkansas member of the General Conference.

A healthy sign for any denomination, or a local church, is laymen busy at the job. Let Methodism revert to type and give its laymen larger places of leadership in its program and activities.

Act Number Two Trailing To Date

AS we write on Monday of this week, the question of the adoption or defeat of Act Number 2 has not been finally decided. Considering the large number of ballots cast on the question, the vote has been close and only a complete tabulation of the votes cast will give the final answer.

The opponents of Act Number 2 have been encouraged by the fact that the count practically all the way has shown a majority against the adoption of this liquor supported measure. For some days now the majority against adoption has continued to be about two thousand.

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The World Situation: The Church's World Responsibility

By DR. RALPH E. DIFFENDORFER

IN speaking of the present world situation and the world responsibility of the church, our first duty is to understand the revolutionary character of the world movements today. Three-fourths of the people of the world are living in chaotic conditions that affect not only political, but social, and what is more important, the economic life of whole nations. There is no possibility of the church undertaking any responsibility in this situation without first trying to understand the revolution and its meaning to ourselves.

Its background is in the oft repeated but seldom heeded facts that in an increasingly interdependent world one-half of its people in normal days—not war or postwar days—go hungry; one-half cannot read or write; one-half are racked with pain and disease.

The industrial revolution of 100 and more years ago did not help these conditions, not even in western Europe where that revolution was born. Indeed, the conditions of the working class of peasants in western Europe were the background of the Marxian doctrines of Communism. In the Far East, the ground was laid in exploiting of the masses of people and of natural resources with only slight compensation to the nations concerned. The wealth went elsewhere. When World War II burst on this disturbed world the good news of the Atlantic Charter was carried to the ends of the earth and the Four Freedoms brought new hope to waiting millions.

Now the great military campaign is over and a military victory has been won. But to what avail? Most of the issues over which we fought are aggravated rather than settled. The objectives have been thwarted, not attained. There is victory, but no peace. Our ideals are non-existent; and, what is most important, Stalin and Soviet Russia have now assumed the power of defeated Hitler.

What then, is the opportunity of the church? First, to understand and to make known the powerful new forces loosed upon the world, especially by Soviet Russia. What is the meaning of Communism's apocalyptic appeal? Its vision of classless society, its cry of brotherhood, its



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claim to offer a society based not on exploitation but on justice. So long as Communism offers Asia, Africa, Latin America a new society based not on exploitation, and so long as it stands at the very gates of our western civilization, there is no respite from its challenges.

Knowledge and understanding, however, are only getting ready to meet our responsibilities. Our next policy is to be positive in approach.

The missionary movement by and large has offered to the millions a new hope and has backed up its proclamation with love and mercy. The Assembly at Amsterdam was aware of this. The World Council found itself, not in Europe or the United States, but in a meeting where the whole world was on the doorstep of Amsterdam's Concert Hall. The voices of the oppressed millions were heard and, thank God, heeded. Amsterdam's finding was clear at this point. It sounded no uncertain note as the right and duty of the church to be the Christian conscience of any political, social or economic system.

The church must also be aggressive. A world in revolution is a world in flux, and it calls for action, pioneering once more, penetrating swiftly with modern techniques the sure note of salvation. It calls for concrete plans offering the world all the hope of a new society but cast in the molds of freedom and security—with not a shred of totalitarianism to dog the lives of men.

The missionary advance offered by the church today calls for just this program.

Then, our response must be immediate. There is no time to wait. We may have ten years or we may have less in China. We have five years in Japan. In Africa there is still a chance. In Africa the word is "now." The job in western Europe is immediate.

These facts must give us a new orientation, a new picture of America's role in the modern world, and a realization that our first line of defense is to tolerate nothing in our own society that makes a mockery of the values and principles of our Christian faith—the foundation of our democracy. Then and only then will our wealth, our know-how, our new instruments of power be vital factors in peace. A new sense of Christian stewardship of our possibilities and power will make America to be used of God in the new world now being born.

New Churches Are Needed In U.S.A.

By DR. EARL R. BROWN

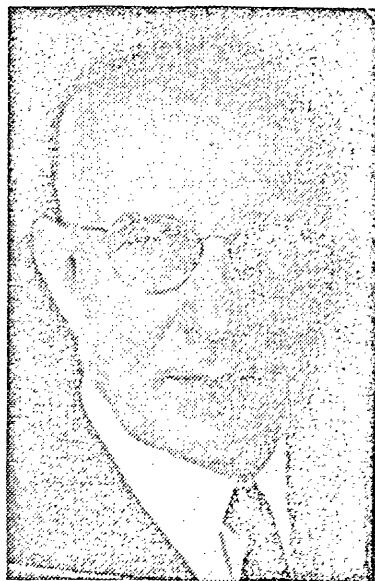
THE mission of the church in America depends upon our ability to move into areas of great need.

Unless the church enters the new communities of our nation and into older localities where the mission of the gospel is needed, we shall not be fulfilling Jesus' directive to go into all the world. The United States, where secularism is on the increase and spiritual tides at low ebb, is a strategic point of our world mission.

Opportunities facing us today require action far beyond the funds and personnel resources now available in Home Missions and Church Extensions. At present, Church Extension funds are woefully inadequate to meet the pressure of need. With help from gifts in the Crusade for Christ, we were able to place donations of \$3,748,374 in building projects for one quadrennium. Requests for help totaling twice that amount could not be answered. Loans in the amount of \$5,697,308 were placed for the same period with the result that our loan funds now are nearly depleted. These new congregations also require help from Home Missions funds for pastors salaries during their first years of working toward self-support. We look to the program and Advance for Christ and His Church for assistance with this work.

Our great cities have grown like vines from

their rooting in the older sections to the newest suburbs. We recognize that the most luscious



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fruit is found on the outer branches, but we

cannot forget the destructive dry rot in the older sections requiring the mission of the church. Industrial maps of rural sections indicate further change. Great companies are building factories in small towns in their steady decentralization of industry. We who have been working with hundreds of rural churches in setting up more adequate programs now must step up this program due to changing populations. The government's reclamation projects contribute to this.

We must increase our effort in the most challenging field of all, our sharing of the Gospel with those of many racial and national backgrounds. Home Mission and Church Extension leaders work with ten Provisional and Mission Conferences within our continental boundaries and in the outpost territory, and in a jurisdiction made up entirely of one racial group. We can turn the tide for world brotherhood as a church by acting right now in these situations. Our missionaries and workers in the Outpost Missions—Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and Alaska—are doing their utmost with the investments we have made possible. Funds and personnel must be increased to move into the fields. Without the advance program, Home Missions and Church Extension face a dead-end street. With it, we shall move out with our people on the broad highways of our land.

INFLATION CAUSES CRISIS IN CHINA'S CHRISTIAN COLLEGES

NEW YORK—(RNS)—Postwar inflation has caused "the gravest financial crisis" in the history of China's thirteen Christian colleges, according to the annual report of the United Board for Christian Colleges in China made public here.

More than 50,000 students sought admission to freshman classes last fall, the reported stated, despite inflation tuition fees and war-crippled

libraries, laboratories, and inadequate dormitory space. But only 4,000 could be admitted, making a total enrollment of 12,000.

The report disclosed that total spring fees at Fukien Christian University in Foochow amounted to "the staggering sum of from 3,000,000 to 4,000,000 Chinese dollars per student." At Cheeloo University in Tsinan, students were allowed to pay their tuition with two 50-lb. bags of third-grade flour, while two additional bags

were accepted as payment for dormitory and other fees.

"Because of the soaring cost of living," the report said, "both teachers and students lived on only subsistence diets. As a result malnutrition at some of the colleges became so serious that some of the professors found it difficult to keep their work up to par, and many of the undergraduates could not endure the fatigue of required gym work."

THE DEVOTIONAL PAGE

REV. H. O. BOLIN, Editor

IN ATONEMENT

Who killed Jesus? Cruel soldiers, careless crowds, proud Romans, resentful priests, false friends—these people, we say, killed Jesus. And because we are different from them we feel conscience-free and blameless.

But what killed Jesus? The ugly might of violence used to stamp out uncomfortable ideas; the indifference of people who had no time or thought for human anguish; the scornful resentment of vested power that could permit no defiance of its orders; the grim glacial unwillingness of pious minds to change under the impact of fresh truth; the superficial hypocrisy of treacherous cowards who wilted under attack.

These things are all around us. They are within us. The shadow of the cross is still in our lives. We know, with a shudder of horror, that "we do crucify Him afresh." There are two ways to atone for His death. Kill within our own hearts the terrible things that killed Jesus; build a world in which such life as His need not be snuffed out by blind forces. — New Zealand Christian.

LIFE IS FOR HAPPINESS

Certainly I believe that God gave us life for happiness, not misery.

Humanity, I am sure, will never be made lazy or indifferent by an excess of happiness.

The order of nature will always necessitate pain, failure, separation, death; and these probably will become more menacing as the complexities and dangerous experiments of a vast world civilization increase. The delicate task will remain ours to insure God's gifts of joy to His children.

Many persons have a wrong idea of what constitutes true happiness. It is not attained through self-gratification, but through fidelity to a worthy purpose. Happiness should be a means of accomplishment, like health—not an end.

Every human being has undeniable rights, which respected, render happiness possible—the right to live his own life so far as may be, to choose his own creed, to develop his capabilities; but no one has a right to consume happiness without producing it or to lay his burden upon other shoulders merely to fulfill a personal desire.—Helen Keller, In Union Signal.

EFFECTIVE UNION

God answers prayer. Prayer is God and man joining hands to secure some high end. He joins with us through the communication of prayer in accomplishing certain great results. This is the main drive of prayer. Our asking and expecting and God's doing jointly bring to pass things that otherwise would not come to pass. Prayer changes things. This is the great fact of prayer.—A. J. Gordon, In Exchange.

If having a good time is all there is to life, a monkey has a man outdistanced completely, both in amusing others and in being amused.—Watchman-Examiner.

A LORD'S PRAYER

by Thomas T. Johnston

*Our Father who in heaven art;
Hallowed by Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, here as in heaven,
Thy will be done the same.*

*Give us this day our daily bread.
Our trespasses we pray
Forgive, as we ourselves forgive
Those trespassing our way.*

*Into temptation lead us not:
From evil set us free.
For Thine the kingdom, and the power,
And glory, e'er shall be. Amen.—Selected*

THE OBLIGATION OF PRAYER

Life has many obligations; many duties. Some one has said that "ought" is the mightiest word in the English language. There is nothing that should weigh so heavily on the soul of man as the things he ought to do. The word "ought" was constantly on the lips of Jesus. He was very anxious that people realize their duty and do it at any cost or sacrifice. In quoting him along this line, Luke said: "And he spake a parable unto them to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not faint." The parable goes on to relate the account of a widow pleading her case before an unjust judge. Through her continued asking she finally received her petition. Jesus pointed out the fact that if an unjust judge would do a righteous act because of the perseverance of a widow surely a loving heavenly Father will hear the prayers of his children who bombard heaven with their petitions.

To come immediately to grips with the subject, suppose someone raised the question, "Why ought men to pray?" In the first place, men ought to pray for their own sakes. Some seem to take the attitude that they are doing God a great favor by praying. God can get along without men's prayers. If every praying voice in the whole universe were silenced, God would continue to exist and the planets would continue to move on about as they now do. The only favor men do God in praying is occasioned by his love for them and his great anxiety to confer certain blessings on them that they can never have until they pray. Men are free moral agents and God cannot give them his greatest blessings until they desire them. Prayer is the sincere desire of the heart whether expressed in words or only held in the mind.

Men ought to pray because they constantly meet with problems they cannot solve in their own strength alone. Prayer brings men into conscious, harmonious contact with God. Men cannot live life at its fullest and best without such contact with God. It was Jesus himself who said, "Man cannot live by bread alone." The lower animals can live by the material things of life alone, but man is more than animal. On one side of his nature he is akin to the lower animals, but on the other side he is akin to God. He must take two worlds into con-

sideration—the material and the spiritual. Like the beasts of the field he must meet his physical needs, but like the angels of heaven, to live life at its best, he must have harmonious fellowship with God. Prayer brings him into such fellowship. He meets the problems and hardships of life, such as disease, infirmities, old age, disappointments, losses, sorrows, temptations, and finally death, just like others, but he does so while in harmonious fellowship with God. God and even one man is always in the majority. The combination, God and man, can overcome any difficulty and solve any problem. They who wait in prayer on the Lord shall renew their strength. Christians have wings. They shall mount up on them like eagles and soar above the difficulties of life. They shall run life's race without weariness laying aside every weight and besetting sin. They shall walk through the fiery furnaces of every difficulty, in company with God, and not faint. If such benefits as these really come from prayer, and they do; surely, at a time like this when the future is so uncertain and the whole world is in such a nervous strain, men ought to pray. If they don't they will be certain to faint by the wayside of life.

Men ought to pray for the sake of others. "No man lives unto himself, and no man dies unto himself." No human can sneak in through the back door of life and pass through some blind alley into an unknown future. Every person either leaves the world better or worse than he found it. No man can escape the damnation of his evil influence and no man will miss a reward for the good he radiates in life. Even the handing of a cup of cold water does not escape the notice of God. When men pray they live better lives and thus leave footprints on the sands of time which prove a blessing to others.

Men ought to pray because they have the assurance from God that all prayers of faith are answered. Sometimes the answer is different from what the petitioner expects, but if he is completely submitted to the will of God the answer is always that which is best for him. A little child may cry for the father's open razor but because of his love for the child the request is not granted. The very best answer to the child's prayer in that case is

PRAYER

God of all ages, before whom men have come and gone in endless procession, we bow seeking the humility of students before a great teacher. Our hearts are heavy with the failures of civilized men to lift themselves above the monotony of strife. Our minds are cluttered with a thousand details that cloud Thy noble purposes. Awaken our desire to be enlightened followers. Kindle in us a sense of urgency which will compel us to renounce our foolish complacency. We would replace inertia with energy and passiveness with enthusiasm. Help us to find the time to think upward through books of enduring worth. Increase our vision of the importance of new ways of expressing old ideas. We would turn our souls outward to feel the chastisement of responsibility for lynchings, murders, and intolerance. God of the ages, make us living followers in the procession which began with Jesus and ended then as now with a cross at the end of the line. Amen.—John W. Abbott, in Advance.

"no". Sometimes the specific request is not granted but something better is given. A man may ask for the earth and find heaven thrust upon him. Again, the answer may be "wait." In our impatience the hardest thing on earth is for us to wait. A woman dreamed she died and went to heaven and there she found a large number of neatly wrapped packages with her name upon them. On asking what it meant she was informed that the packages had been prepared in answer to her prayers, but when the delivery was attempted she was gone.

All people, whether believers or non-believers, have their burdens. We cannot possibly get through life without them. Sorrows, temptations, disease, disappointments and losses are on every hand. Jesus gave a great invitation when he said, "Come unto me for my yoke is easy and my burdens are light." The Bible gives some wonderful instructions when it insists that we "cast all of our cares on him for he cares for us."

The prayer of faith with regards to burdens is always answered. Again, the answer may be "wait." On the other hand, the burden may be removed. It often happens that way. Sorrow is often turned into joy and mourning into laughter. But more often the answer comes in added strength rather than the removal of the burden. So it was with Jesus in Gethsemane. So it was with Paul with his thorn in the flesh. But nonetheless their prayers were answered. God's grace was sufficient for Paul and the angel came to strengthen Jesus. Man ought always to pray; it is earth's greatest privilege.—H. O. B.

Peace will be found only in understanding. Harmony within a nation will come only with understanding. The great job that this country has—the great job that the world has—is for each race, religion, and group to understand, appreciate, and respect the other.—Glos Narodu. (Polish wkly, Jersey City)

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A WEEKLY MESSAGE

By FORNEY HUTCHINSON

DANIEL C. ROPER

When I was appointed to our Mount Vernon Place Church, in Washington, D. C., I knew only a very few persons living in Washington who belonged to that church. However, prominent among them was Mr. Daniel C. Roper, whom I had met frequently in General Conferences and other gatherings of our Methodism. Like my father, he was a South Carolinian.

It had just become known that he was to be a member of Mr. Roosevelt's cabinet. He had just been named Secretary of Commerce and was familiarly known, as many will remember, as "Uncle Dan." From a political point of view, he was altogether the most prominent man in the membership of Mount Vernon Place Church. On the occasions when I had met him he had impressed me very favorably and I soon grew to be very fond of him.

Immediately upon my arrival in Washington, he invited me to his home, introduced me to his family, bade me welcome to Washington City in general, and Mount Vernon Place Church in particular. As one would expect, he was a very busy man, but he always had time for his pastor and frequently had us as his guests in his lovely home. No man was more regular in his church attendance. He was the largest contributor to the support of the church. As a church member and friend, he was most satisfactory in every way, devoted and faithful to all of his obligations.

On the morning of the President's Inaugural, Mr. Roper, at the President's request, arranged for an early morning service at the President's church for the entire cabinet before they went to the Capitol for the Inaugural. From that service they walked under the burden of directing the life and destiny of our great nation.

I had not been gone from Washington very long until he passed to his reward. His loved ones will ever have a warm place in my heart. We need more men like D. C. Roper in the public life of this nation.

BISHOP TISSOYO

Probably not even its owner would be quick to answer, were someone to call out "Tissoyo," but that is the name given Bishop W. Angie Smith of Oklahoma City, as part of a formal ceremony of adoption into the Comanche tribe.

The honor was paid the Bishop during the Indian Mission Conference at Idabel, Okla. The name means "Dependable." The Chief presented Bishop Smith with a hand-made Indian flute for his collection of Indian art and handicraft.

NEWS AND NOTES ABOUT FACTS AND FOLKS

REV. WILLIAM SHERMAN, of Fayetteville, is in St. Vincent's Infirmary, Little Rock, for treatment.

BISHOP DANA DAWSON of Kansas-Nebraska Area, has announced the appointment of Dr. Frank Court, minister of the First Methodist Church in Duluth, Minn., for the past ten years, to the pastorate of St. Paul Church, Lincoln, Nebraska. He succeeds Bishop Gerald Kennedy, now of the Portland Area.

AS a matter of information for treasurers of local churches the names and addresses of the Little Rock and North Arkansas Conference treasurers are given as follows: Treasurer, Little Rock Conference, C. E. Hayes, 417 Donaghey Building, Little Rock; Treasurer, North Arkansas Conference, P. E. Cooley, Box 26, Blytheville.

REV. R. E. CONNELL, district superintendent of the Conway District, announces that the Conway District has now over-subscribed the Askings for World Service by \$2,500.00. Brother Connell is of the opinion that the Askings will be over-subscribed by \$3,000.00 when he has completed the work of the first round of conferences.

DR. TIMOTHY B. ECHOLS of Austin, Texas, has joined the staff of the Board of Pensions, Illinois Corporation, of the Methodist Church, Dr. T. A. Stafford, executive secretary, has announced. A member of West Texas Conference, Dr. Echols will serve in the Central Jurisdiction on behalf of the Board of Pensions and will live in New Orleans. From 1924 to 1932 Dr. Echols was on the faculty of Samuel Houston College. Since 1933 he has served as director and executive secretary of Christian Education for the New Orleans Area.

THE SOUTHWESTERN ADVOCATE, Dallas, Texas, carries the following item which is of especial interest to Miss Smith's friends in Arkansas: "Dr. L. F. Sensabaugh, director of education of the Highland Park Church, Dallas, will retire, February 1, 1948, and will be succeeded by Miss Olive Smith, who has been assistant to Miss Mary Skinner, director of the Children's Division of the General Board of Education of The Methodist Church." Miss Smith formerly lived in Little Rock where she was a member of Winfield Church.

PLEADING that the evangelical churches of the United States send more missionaries to Korea, Dr. Hyunki J. Lew, noted Christian author and educator, now visiting in the United States, says: "Today we in Korea are faced by two opposing ideologies, one totalitarian communism, and the other Christian democracy. Which is to triumph in Asia? We Christians believe that only as we present a united front can we prove that the more abundant life, the really good life, comes from Christianity and not from communism. . . . Please send us more missionaries. They have been the true friends of the Korean people."

ACCORDING to Rev. Everett W. Thompson, a missionary who has been serving in Japan and Okinawa, the latter island is "one great slum 100 miles long," and about the only relief to the situation is the food and clothing sent in through Church World Service by American churches. "Several shipments came from Okinawans in Los Angeles and in Honolulu and in Argentina," he reports. "These included pencils, notebooks, chalk and dictionaries for the destitute schools; food, clothes, sewing machines, bicycles, children's toys; and serum flown in to stop a cholera epidemic among the pitifully small herds of hogs. Christian friends helped send New Testaments and hymnals in Japanese for the churches. Fishnets, incubators for chickens, and 1,000 hogs were next on our list. . . . Some local churches in Okinawa are banded together in one Protestant Association, with twenty pastors. Buildings are few. They meet in schools, hospitals, town offices, homes. Many are reaching out to village youth and women's societies, and new churches are led by teachers, doctors, pastor's widows."

Ashdown, Ark.
Nov. 5, 1948

Mr. C. E. Hayes
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Mr. Hayes:

You will find enclosed a check for \$500.00, which is the amount that Ashdown Church has accepted on Benevolences for the short year. This pays us out in full for the year.

This is more than 40% increase over last year.

Sincerely,
W. D. Golden.

Treasurer's Note: With this report from Brother Golden, the credit goes to Ashdown for being the first charge in the Little Rock Conference to pay its acceptance on benevolences in full.—C. E. Hayes.

NORTH ARKANSAS HAS 86 TRAINING FOR THE METHODIST MINISTRY

CONWAY, ARK.—The North Arkansas Conference of the Methodist Church has an enviable record in its large number of young men—86 to be exact—in college or university studying for the ministry.

The list of candidates for the ministry appears in the current issue of the *Christian Education Bulletin*, published by the conference Board of Education.

As might be expected, Hendrix College here leads the list with 39 of the total enrolled. Southern Methodist University claims 15 of the prospective preachers. The rest are divided among twelve other colleges and seminaries.

Rev. Ira A. Brumley, conference executive secretary, credits the unusually large number of recruits for the ministry to a long-range program of Christian education and recruitment.

In commenting on the record, Dr. J. Richard Spann of Nashville, Tenn., executive director of the Commission on Ministerial Training, said, "I do not know of another conference in Methodism that has a like proportion of ministers in training."—Chicago office of Methodist Information.

JOHN WESLEY MEMENTO FORMS CORNERSTONE

BOSTON, MASS.—A stone from the historic rectory of the Church in Epworth, England, has become the cornerstone of what is to be the new building of Boston University School of Theology, the oldest and largest Methodist divinity school.

In laying the stone, President Daniel L. Marsh referred to the rectory as the house in which John and Charles Wesley were born and lived during the early and formative years of their epochal lives. "This stone," he said, "entailing loving search and careful packing and shipping, is the generous gift of the Rev. C. Provah Bardsley of Wesley Manse, Epworth, England."

Bishop John Wesley Lord of Boston assisted in the ceremonies which took place October 20.

Among the interesting deposits in the cornerstone, which included the Bible, the Methodist Discipline and Hymnal historical data pertaining to Boston University and current religious periodicals published in Boston, was an account of the recent organization of the World Council of Churches in Amsterdam.

ACT NUMBER TWO TRAILING TO DATE

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the experience of the poll takers and political prognosticators in the week just past, be it far from us to make a "prediction" as to the final count.

One thing we will "prophecy," and that is that it will be a long time before the wets again minimize the strength of the dry sentiment in Arkansas.

Executive Secretary's Report, Board Of Education, Little Rock Conference

By ROY E. FAWCETT

(The following report of the executive secretary of the Board of Education of the Little Rock Conference was given at the annual meeting of the Conference in Little Rock, Wednesday, October 20.)

The Crusade For Christ

In the early part of the year primary emphasis was given to the Crusade for Christ, with attention directed to ways and means of increasing Church School enrollment and building up of attendance. We have had encouraging reports from individual churches over the Conference, but until pastors' reports have been tabulated, we cannot know the results of our enlistment efforts for the year but we are hopeful that we will be found moving in the right direction.

Leadership Training

Another of our major interests has been leadership training. Convinced that one of the vital needs of the Church School program is the improving of the quality of work, we have sought to make some type of training opportunity available to every church in the Conference. Early in the year, we gave special attention to the course on the Crusade for Christ, with helpful results wherever it was offered.

We cooperated with the North Arkansas Conference in the promotion of the Pastors' School and had a goodly number in attendance on the Mount Sequoyah Leadership School.

Our records indicate that we have had 1,844 enrolled in formal training classes, with 1,317 receiving credit. These enrollees represent more than 100 local churches over the Conference. Some effective informal training work has been done on a non-credit basis. On the whole, we feel that this has been one of the best training programs of recent years.

Children's Work

Under the excellent leadership of Mrs. W. F. Bates, children's workers have cooperated in the Crusade emphasis on increasing Church School enrollment and attendance, and leading the older children to a commitment to Christ and to Church membership.

Several children's workers have taught the general Crusade course, while twenty units of study have been offered specifically for children's workers. These classes had an enrollment of 364 from which 274 credits were given.

A general coaching conference for Vacation School workers was held early in the year, followed by district and sub-district institutes for the training of local church workers. One of these was a meeting of older youth who are preparing to assist in Vacation Schools in the Little Rock District. There were 170 schools reported with a total enrollment of 7,351. Of these 360 were not attending any Church School. This represents an increase over last year.

The first camp for Juniors to be held in the Little Rock Conference was at Camp Keener in the Monticello District, with excellent results reported. There were 137 children enrolled.

There have been a number of conferences and camps for children's workers. One of these was a state-wide conference at Conway, a joint enterprise with the North Arkansas Conference. A conference-wide camp has recently been held with representatives from all the districts in attendance to plan the work for the coming year.

Youth Work

Under the direction of the Conference Di-



REV. ROY E. FAWCETT

rector, Rev. C. Ray Hozendorf and Conference President, Miss Eloise Nelson, we have had a good year in Youth Work. Our young people have been active in their local church, sub-district and district programs. The Conference organization is in the hands of capable and trusted leaders. The Council has met and planned the work for months ahead.

A week at Camp Couchdale, on Lake Catherine, was a new venture for our Conference Youth. An attendance of 314 was reported from over a hundred churches. It proved to be a helpful and profitable week.

Six camps for Intermediates were held during the summer months. Reports indicate that there was a total attendance of 348 from a little less than 100 churches represented. Work of lasting value was done for this younger group.

We have sought to encourage and support the student program promoted by the work of the Wesley Foundation in which we are sharing with the General Board, and with the local churches at the seat of State-supported schools and of our own Hendrix College.

A strong emphasis has been placed on vocational guidance in which we have sought to lead our youth to apply Christian standards to their choice of vocation and to challenge them for full-time Christian service.

Our youth leaders are greatly encouraged by the prospect of having a full-time Youth Director for next year. If these plans materialize,

we will be in position to do a much more thorough and effective work through our youth organization and program.

Adult Work

With Mr. Roland Shelton as Conference Director of Adult Work, we have made progress in this area, also. During the spring, we had Dr. D. M. Maynard for a series of district meetings over the Conference. In these meetings we reached a goodly number of local church leaders, and their response was encouraging.

It is an interesting fact that during the quadrennium the Adult Division has given the largest increase in enrollment of any of the three age groups. But the fact remains that we have yet to work out a more effective organization through which to reach more of the mature membership of our local churches and to build a better program for them. With a sense of obligation to do more than we have been doing, and encouraged by the opportunity this older group presents, we are planning for a more effective program for the year ahead.

New Buildings

Many of our churches over the Conference for Christ because they had reached the limit were hampered in the promotion of the Crusade in Church School enrollment due to lack of space. A number of churches have solved this problem by either building an educational building or by remodeling or re-building the entire church plant. We have had reported the following buildings, either completed or now in the process of construction: *Little Rock District*—Bauxite, Scott Street, Henderson, Salem, Primrose, Asbury, Oak Forest and Lonoke; *Monticello District*—Lake Village and Crossett; *Prescott District*—Mount Ida; *Texarkana District*—Mena, Lewisville, Kingree's Chapel, Shady Grove and Fairview. There are probably other building enterprises carried on during the year that have not been reported.

Of General Interest

The staff has had a busy year. We have taught in training schools, attended district and group meetings in the promotion of the various phases of the Board's program, and looked after the correspondence and other duties connected with the running of the Board's office.

We have promoted the Church School Day Program and the February Special for ministerial education and have received and administered these funds.

We have distributed the Fourth Sunday Missionary materials and have otherwise sought to promote the missionary interest and cause.

Considerable time and work have been given to the purchase of the Conference Camp Site and to organizing the program of development and operations. While this enterprise has required considerable time and effort, we believe that its value will well justify the investment made.

On the whole, we feel that it has been a good year and we wish to extend our thanks to all who have helped to make these good results possible.

INDIVIDUAL REPORTS OF PASTORS, NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE

WESLEY MEMORIAL CONWAY—Rev. A. H. DuLaney, pastor. Members received by transfer 52 and on profession of faith 15. Salaries and World Service Askings 100 per cent. Raised for building purposes \$4000.00. Percentage of increase in Church School enrollment 42 per cent. Percentage of increase in Church School attendance 20 per cent. In addition to the building of a new church the walls of which have been completed and is now ready for the roof, entire program of church has been carried on. Have met every financial obligation and increased our membership from 38 charter members to 105. New building will be occupied during next 30 days.

EUREKA SPRINGS—Rev. A. L. Riggs, pastor. Additions on profession of faith 4, otherwise,

24, total 28. Pastoral calls 950. Contacts by correspondence 750. Communion administered to shut-ins 40 times. All finances in full. The W. S. C. has put an electric range in the church kitchen and hot water tank in parsonage. They are in the process of putting gas in church, will have stoves for Sunday and later heat the auditorium with gas furnace. Total finances raised this Conference year will be around \$5000. Have organized a nice class of young Adults. They meet once a month the first Tuesday. They have purchased the Gas Detroit Jewel range for parsonage. They have the gas in the parsonage now. Five Intermediates attended camp. Seven enrolled in training school, three made credits.

LEPANTO—Rev. Irl Bridenthal, pastor. Members received by transfer 23 and on profession of faith 18. Salaries and World Service Askings 100 per cent. Raised for improvements on church \$5600.00 and on parsonage \$100.00.

Raised for building purposes \$9000.00. A 15 per cent increase in Church School enrollment and a 12 per cent increase in Church School attendance. A \$4,700.00 organ installed this year. Through enlarged program of the parish the pastor's salary for coming year will be 175 per cent of what it was three years ago. New educational building built during year which when equipped as planned will have value of \$20,000.00 and it is planned to clear it of all debt by the end of this calendar year. New carpet has been laid in sanctuary during past month.

Twenty-five years ago, a drunken woman was a social scandal. Today, drinking women constitute one of the greatest problems of the nation. There are at least 150,000 women alcoholics.—The Voice.

Life magazine received a cool \$8,000,000 for its liquor advertisements in 1946.—The Voice.



THE CHILDREN'S PAGE

ANNIE WINBURNE, Editor



IN STORYLAND

TO EACH HER OWN— BUT SHARED

By Mary Howard Constable

Morning chores were done; Ruth Waters ran out into the radiant autumn sunshine. It was Saturday. She had nothing more to do. She could spend the rest of the day with her new friend, Shirley Jacobs. All week they had chummed together. How they talked! They discussed teachers, movies, books and boys and seemed to agree on everything.

Shirley looked longingly at the velvet blue sky behind clouds of golden autumn leaves: "Yes, it is lovely today; but I have to go to *schul* at the synagogue this morning."

"Saturday morning?"

"Yes, you have Sunday School on Sunday morning," Shirley explained. "Ours is on Saturdays. The Jewish Sabbath lasts from Friday evening till Saturday evening, you know."

Nothing would stump Ruth. "All right, then let me come with you. I would like to see your *schul*."

She was so eager, Shirley could hardly say "No".

The *schul* was held in the basement room of the synagogue. When the girls arrived, the Succoth decorations were being made. Shirley explained to Ruth that Succoth was a harvest festival reminding the Jewish people how much they had to be thankful for. For centuries they had been making little rustic booths reminiscent of the tents that were used while the children of Israel were wandering in the desert. They sang hymns of thanksgiving and harvest joy.

When she left Shirley, Ruth ran home to her mother joyously exclaiming: "I love Shirley's *schul*. I would like to go every Saturday morning with her."

Mrs. Waters explained that *schul* and Sunday School are both schools in the same way that week-day schools are. They have a definite purpose and Shirley's *schul* is to teach little Jewish girls and boys the tradition of their religious background, and the Protestant and Catholic Sunday Schools teach the Christian faith. So, while it was fine for Ruth to visit Shirley's *schul* and sometime invite Shirley to her Sunday School, each little girl should go regularly to her own religious school.

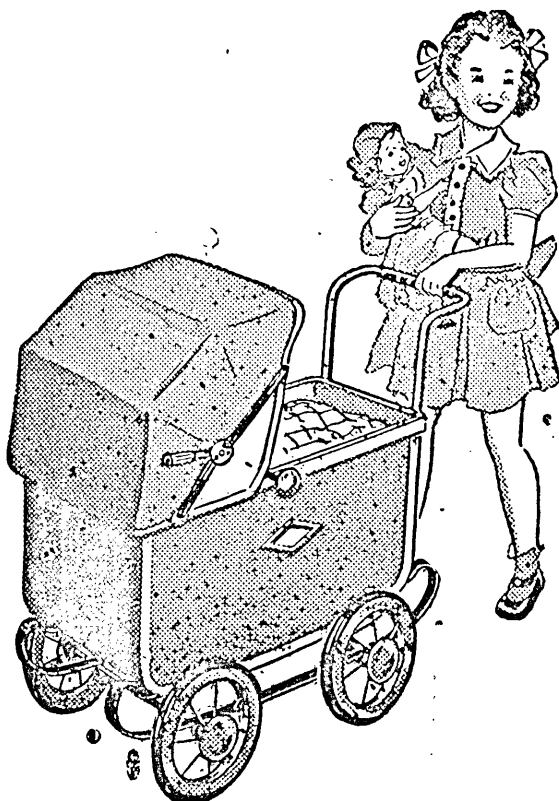
That night, Dr. Kingdon, the minister, came to dinner and the Waters discussed the matter with him. "You are right, Mrs. Waters. For regular attendance each child should go to the church of his fathers; but as a matter of interest, this gives me an idea. In other towns Jewish and Christian children have already visited one another's place of worship and shared religious customs and experiences. I'd like to see that in our parish. Rabbi Levy is on the Community Council with me and I shall suggest this project."

The next Sunday, Rabbi Levy came with a group of boys and girls from the synagogue to visit Dr. Kingdon's Sunday School and dur-

ing Thanksgiving special services were held at the synagogue for both congregations. Shirley and Ruth sang from the same mimeographed song sheet, full of hymns and Bible psalms of thanksgiving. Citron and palm branches decorated the pulpit where Dr. Kingdon and Rabbi Levy stood. Mr. and Mrs. Waters and Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs also stood side by side. They smiled at each other.

"This is a beautiful sight," said Mrs. Jacobs.

"Yes, and our daughters helped make it come true," answered Mrs. Waters and gently pressed her hand. —NCCJ.



TOO MANY DOLLS

*I have a little pussy cat;
I have a doggie, too;
And so many, many dollies
I scarce know what to do.*

*But—say! a little girl I know
Has not a single one;
I'm going to give her two of them—
Oh, it will be such fun*

*To see how happy she will be
With these two dolls of mine.
I'll go right now and dress them up
So they will look just fine.*

—Jennie M. Tuttle.—In The
Alabama Christian Advocate.

WHOM ARE YOU LIKE?

By Lucy Cabot

*I hope you don't behave like Willie,
Who acts just like a silly Billy,
He pouts and sulks, when out at
play,
Because he cannot have his way.*

*While young John Henry is polite
To other children, which is right;
He takes his turn, he's fair at play,
All like John Henry and his way.—*

—In The Christian Advocate.

JUST FOR FUN

"Oh, dear," said a young bride,
"I wish these recipes would be more
definite!"

"What's the trouble, my dear?"
asked the young husband.

"Well," she pouted, "this one tells
how to use up old potatoes, but it
does not say how old the potatoes
must be."—Sunshine Magazine.

A mother was playing with her
child, who had recently learned the
alphabet. Raising her arm straight
above her head, she asked: "What
letter is this?"

"An I," Karl gleefully responded.
"Now make a W!" — Christian
Science Monitor.

One of the younger Sunday School
classes was being examined by the
pastor. "What are the sins of omis-
sion?" he asked.

After a perplexed silence, one lit-
tle girl timidly raised her hand. "I
think they're the sins we should
have committed and didn't sir."—
Nat'l Safety News.

Mrs. Jones was spending a day in
bed with a severe cough, and her

IN THE WORLD OF BOYS AND GIRLS

THANKSGIVING

Every year the people who live in
United States have a holiday on the
last Thursday of November. It is
known as Thanksgiving Day.

This holiday started over three
hundred years ago. A group of
people, called "Pilgrims," came to
live in United States and then no-
body lived there but Indians. These
Pilgrims had to cut down trees and
make their own houses before the
cold winter set in and so they had
little food to set aside for the cold,
snowy winter months. That first
winter in the United States was a
hard, hard season and many of the
Pilgrims died.

However, the very next spring
they planted seeds. All spring and
summer they worked in their gar-
dens. Then in the autumn they gath-
ered in their harvest and they knew
God had been good to them. They
knew that during the coming cold
weather they would have plenty to
eat and they would not suffer as
they had done the year before.

They were so happy and so grate-
ful to God for his blessing that they
had a big holiday and went to
church. There they celebrated by
singing and praying and giving
thanks to God.

Every year now the American
people do the same thing as the
Pilgrims did three hundred years
ago.

All over the United States the
people this year will have a holiday.
Their harvest is in and they have
food and grain stored for winter use.
In many homes all the members of
the family will get together and
have a big feast of turkey and
pumpkin pie.

But more important than the
feasting is that many of them will
go to church and sing and pray and
give thanks to Him for their bounti-
ful harvest. — The United Church
Observer of Canada.

ABANDONED

By Claude Weimer

*You are crying, wee kitty,
And only half grown.
Did they throw you away
By the roadside alone?*

*You have nothing to sleep on
But sticks and stones,
And your lank body feels
Like a bag full of bones.*

*You are hungry and chilly
And afraid, little cat.
Why did they throw you
Away like that?*

*Do they ever kneel down
By the bedside and pray
To God not to throw them
Unwanted away?*

—Our Dumb Animals.

husband was working in the back
yard, hammering nails into some
boards. Presently a neighbor came
over to the yard.

"How's the wife?" he asked.

"Not very well," asked Jones.

"Is that her coughing?"

"No," replied Jones, "It's a chicken
house."—Philnews, hm. Phillips Pe-
troleum Co.

BOARD OF PUBLICATIONS AUTHORIZES BUILDING PROGRAM, NAMES EDITOR

CHICAGO—A \$1,500,000 construction program at the Nashville plant of The Methodist Publishing House will get under way soon. This was determined by action of the church's Board of Publication meeting here Oct. 27-28. The Board also voted to continue Dr. T. Otto Nall, as acting editor of The Christian Advocate and named Dr. Prince Albert Taylor, Jr., editor of The Central Christian Advocate.

Expenditure of approximately \$1,500,000 will be involved in the first two units of an expansion program of building facilities and extensive improvements to the present property at Nashville. Construction will begin as soon as detailed architect's drawings can be completed and bids received, a spokesman for the board said.

The two new units are to be production, warehousing and shipping buildings adjoining and connecting with the present Publishing House manufacturing plant on Demonbreun street. Improvements in the present plant include a new concrete roof and necessary ramp for off-the-street parking.

All the buildings will be air-conditioned. Heating and air-conditioning units which will serve The Methodist Publishing House office building scheduled for erection at Demonbreun and Eighth avenues at some future date will be installed in the present program.

The over-all building program contemplated by the Board for the Nashville publishing units totals approximately \$3,000,000. The phase now being launched calls for some interior alterations at 810 Broadway, the present office building.

The Board voted unanimously to continue Dr. Nall as acting editor of The Christian Advocate until its next meeting. The nominating committee explained that there had been no opportunity for the members to meet since the election on Sept. 16 of Dr. Roy L. Smith, former editor, as one of the church's two publishing agents. The report praised Dr. Nall for his editorship during the interim and he was voted full editorial powers and responsibilities.

Dr. Prince Albert Taylor, Jr., a member of the faculty of Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, was chosen by the Board as editor of The Central Christian Advocate, official paper of the church for its Central Jurisdiction. He fills a vacancy which has existed since the election of the former editor, J. W. E. Bowen, as a bishop of the church and his assignment to the Atlantic Coast Area.

There are time when minds need to turn to simple things. Perhaps for a few of these nights all of us might do well to leave the briefcases at the office and to read again the pages of the Bible, and re-read the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States. We might do well to stay home a few days and walk over the fields, or to stand in the shelter of the barn door and reflect upon the relentless and yet benevolent forces of Mother Nature. The laws of nature are relentless. They can never be disobeyed without exacting a penalty. Yet they are benevolent, for when they are understood and obeyed, nature yields up the abundance that blesses those who understand and obey. — Wheeler McMillen.

PRESIDENT ENDORSES UNIVERSAL BIBLE STUDY



THE WHITE HOUSE, WASHINGTON

October 4, 1948

TO THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY:

I am glad to note that in addition to the observance of Universal Bible Sunday on December twelfth next, the American Bible Society is again this year urging worldwide Bible reading during the period between Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

This new activity bears eloquent witness to the determination of your venerable Society to go forward with progress. Bible reading could therefore be made to tie together two great Christian days—one of them, Thanksgiving Day, as indigenous to America as Plymouth Rock on the rugged Massachusetts coast or Independence Hall in Philadelphia.

The age in which we live is a troubled one and one beset with perplexing problems, domestic and international. But above the din of discord and ill will is heard a still small voice, saying: "... what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?"

Again when the sages and the scientists, the philosophers and the statesmen have exhausted their studies of atomic energy, one solution and one alone will be left. That solution lies in the application to twentieth century life of the plain teaching of the Sermon on the Mount—the substitution of conscience for force in the government of man.

May God bless and prosper your purpose to make knowledge of His Word worldwide.

(Signed) HARRY TRUMAN

THE "JEEP" HELPS EVANGELIZE IN INDIA

"I recently returned from my most extensive and most exciting village tour: fourteen days, sixteen villages, and 182 miles by jeep," reports missionary David A. Seamands from Bidar, Deccan, India. "I had waited until now, when the water in the big Manjara River is low enough to ford. During the 1937 Kentucky river floods I learned a trick which helped the jeep across, though the water was quite high. I hooked a rubber hose to the exhaust pipe, and holding it above the water we crossed in flying style."

"Across the river there isn't much of what one would call 'civilization'; the roads are almost null and void, and the camel largely takes the place of even the trusty bullock-cart. Only a jeep can go in this kind of terrain, and I must say it behaved beautifully. We have about 4,000 Christians in this primitive area, and I wanted to visit as many of them as possible. Also what an opportunity this area presents! The people are hungry, and eager to hear the Gospel."

"The first afternoon out I stopped just outside a village and in five minutes about fifty people gathered, and I had a grand time preaching

to them. It was then that their leader told me something which I heard almost every day on that tour: 'We are ignorant people, we don't know anything, we don't know in which way to walk. But you are a guru (spiritual teacher). If you will come, or send someone to us, and show us the way, we will walk in it. We don't know what to do; tell us and we will do it!'

"Everywhere we went we visited each Christian home, had bhajana and prayer with them; then at night we held a public service for the entire village (mostly non-Christians) at which we preached and showed stereopticon slides of the life of Christ. Huge crowds attended, and always asked intelligent questions. In this area there are almost no schools or medical dispensaries, with the result that the people are terribly ignorant and diseased. In every village, as soon as the people discovered that we had some medicine, they crowded about seeking treatment. I'm no doctor, but I'm sure learning fast!"

A man said he could be just as good a Christian and not go to church, and the other replied, "Coal in that mountain is as good as that in your coal bin, but it is doing no one any good."—Origin unknown.

METHODIST INSTITUTIONS IN BUILDING PROGRAMS

CHICAGO, Oct. 26—Building programs are under way or have been completed at a number of Methodist hospitals and homes, according to an announcement made here by the denomination's Board of Hospitals and Homes.

On October 23 the Methodist Hospital at Sioux City, Iowa, opened a new residence for nurses. The new building has three floors and new furnishings have been provided.

This week patients are occupying for the first time a new 32-bed wing at Bryan Memorial Hospital, Lincoln, Nebraska. Work has not been entirely completed but when finished it will also house nurses' classrooms, a physician's library, two solariums, and interns, quarters. The late William Jennings Bryan made possible the initial hospital by a gift and his residence is still being used as a nurses' home.

A new laboratory-lobby-chapel unit is under construction at Nebraska Methodist Hospital, Omaha. This will be on the front of the present hospital. A new boiler and laundry are in use.

Since October 1 a new nurses' residence has been occupied by the nurses of West Nebraska Methodist Hospital, Scottsbluff. A two-story brick building was acquired by the hospital and has been rehabilitated at an approximate cost of \$20,000. It has 47 rooms for nurses.

The new 84-bed maternity wing to Wesley Hospital, Wichita, Kansas, is in full operation. It is air-conditioned and well equipped with the latest furnishings and hospital equipment. Completed this summer, it stands as a credit to Methodism's healing ministry.

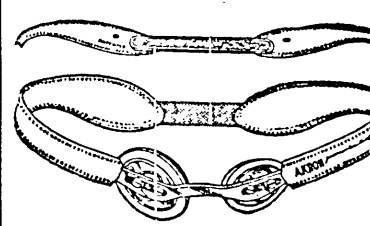
Construction is under way at Bronson Methodist Hospital, Kalamazoo, Michigan, of an addition which will house doctors' and hospital offices.

On October 22 Bishop Paul E. Martin dedicated the first cottage of the Methodist Children's Home, Little Rock, Arkansas. Dr. Karl P. Meister, executive secretary of the Board of Hospitals and Homes, was the principal speaker. The home cares for forty children. The new cottage will increase the capacity of the home and is part of a larger building project. — Methodist Information.

VALUES

If all the gold in the world were melted down into a solid cube it would be about the size of an 8-room house. If a man got possession of all that gold—billions of dollars worth, he could not buy a friend, character, peace of mind, clear conscience, or a sense of eternity—Chas. F. Banning.

The chains of habit are too weak to be felt till they are too strong to be broken.—Dr. Johnson.



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On A Wide Circuit

By W. W. REID

HOW'S YOUR PARSONAGE?

MA N Y a "new" minister's family has become dejected and discouraged by one look through the window of what was to be their new home—even before the key was put in the door. And it's a pretty poor introduction to a parish to enter an unattractive, illy designed, run down, and poorly furnished parsonage on the Friday before the first sermon. . . .

In an effort to see what rural parsonages—or rectories or manse—are like, and to suggest improvements, Dr. Ralph A. Felton and ten graduate students of Drew Theological Seminary recently completed a study of 1,171 parsonages, of twelve denominations, in 47 states; they were all parsonages in communities of 2,500 population or less. The published results ("The Home of the Rural Pastor"; Board of Missions and Church Extension, Methodist Church, 150 Fifth Ave., New York City; 112 pages; price, 40 cents) we commend to every official board, rural or urban, that wants to so house the parsonage family that the most effective service may be given by them to congregation and community.

The volume is a factual study that cannot be summarized here. But a few figures will indicate its scope: 88% of the pastors study in their homes—few have adequate studies but take unused bedrooms instead; many committee and other meetings are held in the parsonage—the living room and its furniture are adequate for meetings in half the houses; personal counselling and interviews are becoming more and more important in pastoral ministry—few parsonages have private entrance to the study from the porch or the hall; 40% of the parsonages

needed paint; 40% were not adequately insured; few had play rooms for the children.

It is still true that the pastor's wife is among the best-educated women in the community, and that she has a major contribution to make to education, club work, music, conferences and visitation in parish and community. Yet she is handicapped in what she can do outside the home in the parsonage is not equipped with such labor-and-time-saving machines as electric refrigerator, washing machine, electric range, etc.; and if she has to shovel coal, wash and iron by hand, scrub ancient floors, has poor equipment and fixtures in the bathroom and kitchen, and must spend long hours with broom, dish-cloth, and dust-cloth. The trustees who do not surround the pastor's wife with rapid tools for her routine work are limiting the services the church receives from her mind and hand.

Minimum "standards" for a parsonage home are thus listed by the Board of Missions and Church Extension: three bedrooms and one equipped inside bathroom—the bedrooms might contain complete beds, springs, and mattresses with mattress covers; a living room and a dining room so located that they might be used for weddings and social groups—the heavy furniture to be permanent; a cheerful kitchen with hot and cold water, a good range, a standard sink, a mechanical refrigerator, and cupboards or storage closets; laundry space and mechanical devices; adequate hallways and closets; a pastor's study (unless provided elsewhere); a centrally located and automatically controlled heating plant; curtain rods and shades provided for windows; finished floors; a complete convenient garage.

Have you checked the adequacy of the parsonage of your church lately?

Dr. Quillian Chairman Of Jurisdictional Council

KANSAS CITY, MO.—Dr. Paul D. Womeldorf of Oklahoma City was re-elected executive secretary and Dr. Paul W. Quillian of Houston, Texas was named chairman as the South Central Jurisdictional Council of the Methodist Church organized here Oct. 29 and mapped its strategy for the new quadrennium. Dr. Quillian succeeds Dr. Charles E. Schofield of Nashville, Tenn.

One of the significant new developments projected by the Council, in keeping with General Conference legislation on Christian vocational guidance, is a recruitment program to be actively promoted by a Jurisdictional Committee on Recruitment. Plans call for the intensification of such work in each annual conference of the jurisdiction.

Among the jurisdictional meetings authorized for promotional purposes in the coming months are rural life seminars, radio-film workshops and meetings of annual conference secretaries and statisticians and those charged with promoting World Service and the new Advance program.

Other officers named by the Council are: vice-chairman, Dr. H. Bas-

com Watts, Tulsa, Okla.; secretary, T. Russell Reitz, Manhattan, Kansas. Milton F. Steinfeld, manager of the Publishing House here, serves as treasurer of the Council, having been elected at the Jurisdictional Conference in El Paso, Texas last June. Bishop Ivan Lee Holt of St. Louis presided at the Council meeting.

Named to head the Commission on Finance, which held its organization meeting here the same day, was Dr. L. L. Evans of El Paso. Dr. J. Russell Throckmorton of Dodge City, Kansas, was named vice-chairman and Rev. D. L. Landrum of Galveston, Texas, secretary.

Following its organization, the Commission on Finance shared in the meetings of the Council and listened to the executive secretary outline additional services now provided by the Oklahoma City office. These include files of certified lay speakers, qualified missionary lecturers, ministers with special evangelistic training and other directories calculated to give specific help to the local churches.

The Advance for Christ and His Church was outlined by its chairman, Bishop William C. Martin of Dallas while The Methodist Radio

\$100,000 FLOOD LOSS TO METHODIST PROPERTY IN INDIA

More than \$100,000 of damage and destruction has been caused to properties of the Methodist Church in the United Provinces of North India by six weeks of floods and torrential rains during August and September, it is revealed by the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church, based on reports coming to its New York City headquarters from missionaries in the stricken area. The loss includes churches, schools, and homes completely destroyed, and some larger institutions badly damaged.

The flood is in the Ganges Valley area, and at Bareilly the river reached the highest water mark recorded in over a century of control efforts. In the city 18 inches of rain fell in 48 hours. Besides Bareilly, the principal affected centers where the Methodist Church has workers and institutions are Budaun, Moradabad, Shahjahanpur and Amroha, and in hundreds of outlying villages; together with other villages near Delhi, Lucknow and Naini Tal. In Bareilly, Budaun and Moradabad, about 3,000 houses fell, many of these homes of Methodist church members, for it is in this region that the Methodist Church has its largest numbers of converts from Hinduism.

In Budaun City one Methodist church has collapsed and others are damaged, while in communities nearby five parsonages are in ruins, according to cabled advices. Eleven homes of Indian pastors that had stood for several decades and through other floods in Bareilly district are down; and in Moradabad

Hour was represented by Bishop Paul E. Martin of Little Rock, Ark. Bishop Wilbur E. Hammaker of the Board of Temperance in Washington, D. C., was present and spoke of the Board's efforts on behalf of the pre-election dry campaign in Kansas. Dr. J. Wilson Crichtlow of St. Louis represented the Board of Pensions.

Reports from the chairmen of the jurisdictional boards, showing that the various departments are projecting intensive programs of activity, were presented as follows: education, Dr. L. F. Sensabaugh, Dallas; evangelism, Dr. Dawson C. Bryan, Nashville, Tenn.; hospitals and homes, Dr. Caradine R. Hooten, Oklahoma City; lay activities, President Matt L. Ellis of Hendrix College, Conway, Ark.; missions, Dr. A. W. Martin of Perkins School of Theology, Dallas; W. S. C. S., Mrs. C. A. Barr, Austin, Texas.

a dozen homes of Indian pastors and teachers have collapsed, while throughout the area hundreds of other buildings are so damaged that most of them have been abandoned until repairs can be made. In Amroha, 26 miles from Moradabad, the brick and cement church and the pastor's home are both flat. In other circuit centers, most of the residences have collapsed, and services can no longer be continued in damaged churches and schools. Further down the Ganges, at the Allahabad Agricultural Institute, which the Methodist Church operates, the brick and stone buildings of that institution were damaged to the extent of \$16,000.

In addition to this damage to Methodist property, most of the season's grain crops are a total loss because of the floods, and Methodist church members, who depend largely upon agriculture, face with others the probability of famine conditions this winter. Between Budaun and Bareilly, one missionary reports there is a "lake" covering the fine agricultural land on either side of the high railroad tracks for a distance of thirty miles.

"This disaster which has overtaken the United Provinces this year is a major case of devastation as real and baffling as some of the disasters which befell the war-torn areas of Europe and Asia," reports Dr. Murray T. Titus, missionary in Budaun. "These floods have wrought disaster to our mission property and to our Methodist people, most of whom live close to the soil, on a scale never before known in mission history since work was established here nearly a century ago."

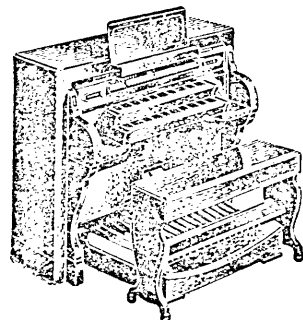
Dr. James K. Mathews, the Board of Missions' secretary for India, said today that he and his associates hope to be able to raise relief money in America to care for the most urgent cases of Christian families suffering from lack of homes, and also to assist Christian groups in India in providing for new homes and repair of damaged institutions.

Know therefore that the Lord thy God, he is God, the faithful God, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love Him and keep His commandments to a thousand generations. — Deuteronomy 7:29.

If you can think of yourself in relation to life, instead of thinking of life in relation to you, you'll get somewhere and be happy. Happiness is mental adjustment to whatever circumstances surround you.—Armine von Tempski, Born in Paradise.

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Methodist Youth Caravaners Serve European Centers

FROM METHODIST INFORMATION

THE Methodist Youth Caravans, so successful in this country for several years that national magazines have conspicuously illustrated and described their activities, during the past summer further extended operations into a number of European countries. With a beginning made last year by some delegates to the Oslo Youth Conference, who stayed over to caravan in Europe, and with Caravan history previously written in Latin America and Hawaii, the movement has clearly reached international proportions.

Nine choice college students and three adult counselors, representing twelve different states and as many colleges, assembled in the Port of New York, received briefing from leaders familiar with the European churches, then embarked on the S. S. Marine Marlin for such European points as Poland, Czechoslovakia, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, and Belgium. One of the three teams dipped into North Africa, serving in Algeria.

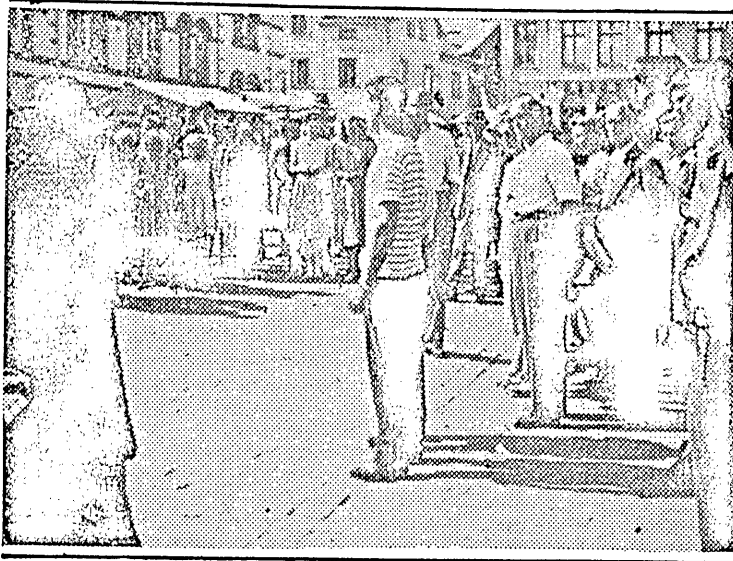
Here are some of the purposes which prompted the Board of Education of The Methodist Church to extend its Caravan movement overseas and which inspired this summer's European emissaries in their work among their fellow young people of different languages and traditions:

1. The creation of better understanding.
2. Providing leadership in camps.
3. The sharing of new ideas.
4. Rendering evangelistic service.
5. Reporting back to American youth.
6. Aiding in the organization and strengthening of Methodist Youth Fellowship groups abroad.

The Scandinavian group arrived on June 25 in time for the Annual Conference of the Norwegian church

in Helden where a parade and flags greeted Methodists. Heading this Caravan was the Rev. Walter Foster, Executive Secretary of the Wisconsin Conference, Oshkosh, Wis. With him were Nellie Howard, Montgomery, Ala.; Mildred Smith,

while visiting 11 of the 15 Methodist centers in Belgium were frequently moved by the courage and devotion of the small body of 1200 Methodists. In spite of their desperate need of funds, food and clothing they were holding tenaciously to



A Methodist youth caravaner bears witness to his faith in the market place in Vastervik, Sweden.

Greenville, S. C.; Bob Breihan, Kerrville, Texas. During the next seven weeks they visited many communities, sometimes holding two sessions a day and often preaching in the streets to enthusiastic listeners. In many places they were the first American youth ever to have visited these churches. Everywhere they met the growing youth organizations of these countries and exchanged ideas and programs for future work.

Caravaners of the second team,

their faith. To do this in a country where Protestants compose but a tiny fraction of the population is far from easy. The Caravaners found Belgium Methodists are victims of frequent petty but unpleasant persecution. This team, which also visited Algeria, was composed of the Rev. John M. Huebner, Minneapolis, Minn.; James Sanders, Memphis, Tenn.; Margaret Briggs, Newton, Iowa; and Ruth Taylor, Ashville, N. C. In El Matten, Africa they witnessed the Methodist mercy mission

at work administering to the natives of nearby villages. One of the great projects being carried on in Africa is the children's home through which the church is able to reach the young natives.

For four weeks the third Caravan traveled across Czechoslovakia accompanied by MYF young people acting as interpreters. On this team were the Rev. Milo J. Vonoracek, Arlington Heights, Ill.; Jeanne Bartlett, Haddonfield, N. J.; Helener Kane Currier, Lawrence, Kansas; and David Rodgers, Norman, Oklahoma.

Seldom were these youth in the same church more than one evening. They brought greetings from America, led discussions, occasionally preached, directed recreation, held worship services, gave information concerning the MYF in America and tried to leave inspiration for more wholesome Christian living.

After a month of one-night stands in Czechoslovakia, the team moved into Poland for a two-week camp in the country with the leaders of the MYF. Here they had the advantage of a period of continuous, intimate contact with a single group of young people. They swam and boated with the young people, hiked, harvested grain, sang, played volley ball, and during this companionship shared methods, ideals and worship experiences.

David Rodgers expressed the Caravaners' summer experience in Europe: "We had come to Europe to give of ourselves, but left richer than we came. We of the Caravans, perhaps, learned best the lessons we are trying to teach; that regardless of the tragic, confused circumstances of the era, Christianity diligently studied, sincerely interpreted, and fearlessly applied is the solution of the individual problems and the hope of the world."

METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT

Since our last report, the first of our new cottages has been completed, dedicated, and occupied. Part of our children and our offices are now located in the new building at 2002 South Fillmore. Thirty-six other children are still occupying the old building at 1610 Elm Street, where they are rather impatiently awaiting the completion of additional buildings so that they, too, can move out to our new location.

A large crowd of people from all sections of the state attended the formal dedication of our first new cottage, which took place on October 22nd. There is a growing interest being shown in our work, and we believe this increased interest will eventuate in the completion of our building plans at an early date.

We list below the contributions and gifts received during the months of September and October. We want to express our thanks again to our many friends over the state for their kindness and generosity.

Memorials

In memory of:
Mr. Richard C. Bradford, given by Mrs. Lucy Glover Bradford.
Mrs. Julia F. Hersperger, given by Cecil B. Nance.
Mrs. Jane Lang, given by Foreman W. S. C. S.

Mrs. Jane Lang, given by Mr. and Mrs. Worth Matteson, Jr.
Mr. Jim Purtle, given by Mrs. J. L. Booe and Family.

Rev. John Andrews, given by Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Smith.

Mr. J. I. Kelley, given by Mrs. Mary G. Thach.

Dr. John R. Loftis given by Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Martin.

Mrs. O. B. Armstrong, given by Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Martin.

Mrs. C. P. Fagan, given by Foreman W. S. C. S.

Mrs. French, given by Marion Wesleyan Service Guild.

Mrs. Laura Anne Epperson, given by Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Gladden and Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Langley.

Mrs. Laura Anne Epperson, given by Mrs. George W. Clark.

Mrs. W. C. Murphy, given by Mr. S. T. Frank.

Mrs. Theo Constable, given by Mr. S. T. Frank.

Mrs. Alice Mae Adams, given by Nora Webb.

Mr. Ballew, given by Men's Bible Class, Wynne Methodist Church.

Mrs. W. S. Rogers, given by Dorcas Bible Class, Forest Park Church, Little Rock.

Mrs. M. E. Tilghman, given by Lodges Corner Church and W. S. C. S.

Mr. Cornelius Moore, given by Lodges Corner Church and W. S. C. S.

Mrs. J. V. Satterfield, Sr., given by Mr. C. B. Nance.

Mr. Newton Killough, given by

Brewster Bible Class, Wynne Methodist Church.

Mrs. Jane Lang, given by Mrs. Esther Dante.

Mr. Will W. Coffman, given by "A Friend."

Individual Gifts

Dottie H. Eaton, Magnolia\$ 5.00

Rev. H. C. Adams 1.00

Mr. O. G. Robinson, Des Arc 4.00

J. A. Ledbetter 1.00

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Smith, Little Rock, for furnishing a room 150.00

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Crumpler, Magnolia 20.00

Miscellaneous Gifts

Harvester's Class, Goddard Memorial Church, Fort Smith, to care for a child \$ 20.00

Princeton Charge 6.00

First Year Junior Girls, Goddard Memorial Church

Circle No. 6, Winfield Church, Little Rock 6.00

Magnolia Circuit 28.43

Bethel Methodist Church 6.10

St. Paul Church, Mineral Springs Ct. 5.00

Circle No. 1, Asbury Church DeWitt Wesleyan Guild, for Friend's Home 25.00

DeWitt Wesleyan Guild for clothing for a child 10.00

Susanna Wesley Class, First Church, Texarkana 10.00

Turner Methodist Church, Marvell Charge 5.00

Brinkley Methodist Church 50.15

First Church, Batesville 50.00

Weona Church 10.00

Centerview Church, Weona Charge 5.00

Scott Street Church, Little Rock 6.25

Hickory Plains 40.00

First Church, Van Buren 90.00

Bauxite W. S. C., for shoes for a child 7.00

Little Rock Conference Treasurer 488.23

North Arkansas Conference Treasurer 791.60

For other sources 764.05

Other Gifts

Circle No. 12, First Church, Little Rock, clothing; Mrs. W. S. Couch, Magnolia, clothing; Mrs. Clyde Dawson, Little Rock, games; Mrs. Harvey Crumpler, clothing; Mrs. C. Tabur, El Dorado, clothing; Mrs. O. C. Oliver, and Mrs. Albert Goacher, Little Rock, clothing; Sally Ann McFarland, Sylvia Milwee, Joyce Lee Reinhardt, Little Rock, books and clothing; Young People's Department, First Church, North Little Rock, popcorn and peanuts; George E. Mathews Brokerage Co., Little Rock, four cases peanut butter; Mrs. C. C. Collie, Little Rock, clothing; Mrs. Fleming, Little Rock, clothing; Mabel Crawford Class, Lakeside Church, Pine Bluff, Halloween candy and favors; Girls of the Vacation Bible School, Oppelo Methodist Church, box of embroidered pillow cases; Mrs. Shade Rushing, El Dorado, clothing; Long-Bell Lumber Co., Little Rock, doughnuts and cookies.

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NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE NOTES

By Ira A. Brumley

Training Courses for "Advance" Program

While the stated period for the teaching and preaching mission on Christian Beliefs will not begin for almost a year the time of preparation is now upon us. The North Arkansas Conference now has a large number of certified instructors who can give help to Church School teachers and officers, and even to ministers, in this period of preparation. Now is the time to give your officers and teachers the training they will need in order that they may do a better teaching job when the challenge comes to them.

The following courses are the type courses badly needed at this time: CHRISTIAN BELIEFS, First and Second Series; PERSONAL RELIGIOUS LIVING, Second Series; WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A CHRISTIAN, First Series; ENRICHING THE SPIRITUAL LIFE, First Series; and practically all of the First and Second Series Bible units.

There are many certified instructors in these various courses. The Board of Education and the various district leaders will be glad to cooperate with local churches in their plans to develop leaders.

Such courses as CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN THE LOCAL CHURCH, EDUCATIONAL WORK IN THE SMALL CHURCH, HOW TO TEACH IN THE CHURCH SCHOOL, WAYS OF TEACHING, and many other such courses will prepare leaders for the Advance program in the church.

Should your church not be able to secure a certified instructor, or desire a longer period of training than can be provided by an outside instructor, the home study plan is an excellent method of carrying on the training of your leaders. Rev. M. L. Kaylor, a student in Arkansas College and serving Moorefield, and Asbury Church in Batesville, is planning such a training class at an early date.

Rev. A. W. Harris, Hughes, is the first to be certified on another course this Conference year, being certified for CHRISTIAN BELIEFS, First and Second Series.

Miss Sanders In Conference

Miss Mary Shipp Sanders of Denton, Texas is in a series of ten training schools in the North Arkansas Conference. The following schools have been held or will be held soon:

Cabot, October 30-November 2.

Beebe, November 3-5.

Kensett, November 7-9.

Clinton, November 10-12.

Morrilton, November 14-16.

Heber Springs, November 21-23.

Other schools will be announced at an early date, as the schedule is not quite complete on the other four schools.

Any church within reach of one of these schools should take advantage of the opportunity.

Dr. Carlyon Coming

Dr. J. T. Carlyon of Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, is returning to the North
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THE ADVANCE DIRECTOR



DR. HAROLD E. MOHN

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REV. DR. E. HAROLD MOHN, new executive director of THE ADVANCE FOR CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH, Methodist's quadrennial program emphasizing a world-wide teaching and preaching mission and an overall increase in giving to missions and overseas relief. Called to the leadership of the Advance from the pastorate of the First Methodist Church in Warren, Ohio, Dr. Mohn opens national headquarters of The Advance on Oct. 19 at the Methodist Building, 740 Rush street, Chicago, Ill. Bishop William C. Martin of Dallas, Texas, chairman of The Advance Committee, characterizes Dr. Mohn as "a creative organizer with enthusiastic commitment to the cause of world evangelization."

NEW BOARD TREASURER

James H. Johnson has been elected treasurer of the Little Rock Conference Board of Education, succeeding J. S. M. Cannon who has so efficiently served in this capacity for the past several years. Mr. Johnson's address is Worthen Bank and Trust Company, Little Rock. Payments should be made to him on the February Special and on Church School Day offerings.—Roy E. Fawcett.

S. M. U. PROFESSORS IN LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE

Dr. J. T. Carlyon of the Perkins School of Theology spent a week in the Little Rock Conference during the month of October. He offered the Series One course on "Religion in the Bible" at Crossett and at Malvern, meeting with a cordial reception at both places. The pastors, Rev. O. E. Holmes and Rev. Dan R. Robinson are to be commended for the careful preparation they made and for the splendid response they had from their people.

Dr. A. W. Martin, also of the Perkins School of Theology is spending the most of November in the Conference, offering the course on, "Christian Beliefs." Beginning at Stuttgart, his itinerary included Magnolia, Arkadelphia, Nashville, Texarkana, Mena and Hope. The series of studies began well, and we are confidently expecting that Dr. Martin will continue to receive a like response from the pastors and people to whom he will be ministering.—Roy E. Fawcett.

He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?—Micah 6:8.

"For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost."—Luke 19:10.

If a man die, shall he live again? For I know that my Redeemer liveth, and yet in my flesh I shall see God.—Job 14:14 and 19:25-26.

YEARLY REPORT OF NURSERY HOME VISITOR

Number of babies enrolled during year, 29; number of babies transferred to Nursery Dept., 10; number of babies moved out of town, 2; total enrollment to date, 17.

Number of visits made during year, 154; number of Christian Home Magazines delivered, 160; number of "My Church Book" delivered, 10.

Other material delivered: Prayers for Children, A Prayer for Parents, The Baptism of Babies, Helping Your Child to Know the Bible, Helping Your Children to Form Christian Standards.

Home Nursery Visitor

The fine report given above is indicative of the splendid work being done by the Nursery Home Visitors in many of our churches. At least one Nursery worker is needed in every church. If your church does not have such a worker, will you see that a capable person is elected immediately. If your Nursery worker desires help in starting her work, write: Mrs. W. F. Bates, 326 Exchange Building, Little Rock, Arkansas.

THE LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE CAMP

Friends of the Little Rock Conference camping program will be glad to know that we are making progress toward the development of the site, located on Lake Catherine, west of Malvern. In addition to the purchase of the land and considerable amounts of equipment and materials, we have had the land surveyed and lines run determining property boundaries.

A board of trustees was elected at the recent session of Conference and authority was given to proceed with the necessary steps for the filing of articles of incorporation. The Board was organized as follows: Kenneth L. Spore, Chairman; Edward Dunlap, Vice-chairman; J. S. M. Cannon, Treasurer; and Roy E. Fawcett, Resident Agent and Secretary.

The following were named as members of the Board of Trustees:
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WITH THE CHILDREN WORKERS

By Mrs. W. F. Bates

Missionary Education Institutes

Miss Fay McRae, District Director of Children's Work, reports that four institutes on the Missionary Education of Children will be held in the Little Rock District in November. These institutes are specifically planned to help Primary and Junior workers to prepare for the units on China which the children will be studying during the winter or early spring. Workers are urged to attend the institute nearest them. Places and dates of the institutes are as follows:

Nov. 7, England, 2:00 p. m.; Nov. 14, Mabelvale, 2:00 p. m.; Nov. 17, Little Rock, 1:30 p. m.; Nov. 21, Carlisle, 2:00 p. m.

Panel Discussion On The Faith Of Our Children

Miss Mary Shipp Sanders, of Denton, Texas, led a Panel Discussion on the Faith Of Our Children, at First Methodist Church, Little Rock, October 29th. Other members of the panel were: Mrs. Maude Monday, Mrs. H. O. Sims, Miss Katherine Brodie, Rev. Rufus Sorrells and Mrs. W. F. Bates. Much interest was evidenced in the subject by the fine group attending and many stayed to ask questions long after the panel was officially over. Miss Sanders will teach a course dealing with this subject in the Little Rock Training School, February 14-18.

Nursery Laboratory Class Camden First Church

A Nursery Laboratory Class will be held for the churches of Camden and the nearby territory, during the week of November 15th. The class will begin at 9:30 a. m. on Monday morning. Those desiring to attend should contact Miss Olivia Broadley, First Methodist Church, Camden, Arkansas. All Nursery workers, parents of pre-school children and ministers are urged to attend.

The Sioux Indians had a prayer: "Great Spirit, help me never to judge another until I have walked two weeks in his moccasins."—Democracy in Action.

While we often grumble because we can't have what we want, we should be thankful that oftentimes we don't get what we deserve.—Canning Trade.

Half the secret of getting along with people is consideration of their views; the other half is tolerance in one's own views.—Daniel Frohman.



WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

MRS. SUE M. WAYLAND, Editor

WEEK OF PRAYER PROGRAM AT WALDO

The Week of Prayer program of the Woman's Society of Christian Service was observed with an all day program at the Waldo Church, October 18th. The meeting was called to order at 10 a. m. by Mrs. J. W. Rhea, president of the Waldo W. S. C. S. Miss Delilah Burke gave several organ selections as a prelude after which Mrs. R. H. Cole of Magnolia, Chairman of Literature and Publications of the South Central Jurisdiction led the assemblage in prayer. "Sweet Hour of Prayer" was sung, after which Mrs. Glen Boswell of Waldo led the scriptural responsive reading.

Mrs. J. T. Dodson of Smackover, president of Camden District W. S. C. S., gave a very inspirational devotional using as her subject "The Quiet Time—Its Value." At the conclusion "Be Still My Soul" was sung softly.

The following officers were introduced and welcomed: Mrs. Neill Hart of Camden, Secretary of Children's Work of the Little Rock Conference, W. S. C. S.; Mrs. Leland Primm, Smackover, Secretary of Status of Women of the Little Rock Conference; Mrs. M. E. Scott of Camden, Recording Secretary of Camden District; Mrs. Ernest Glaze of Camden, Secretary of Organization and Promotion, Camden District; Mrs. Otis Fincher, Waldo, Treasurer, Camden District; Mrs. Will Moseley, Camden, Secretary of Student Work, Camden District; Miss Lalla Thornton, Camden, Spiritual Life Chairman, Camden District; Mrs. J. G. Brown, Magnolia, Secretary Status of Women, Camden District.

During the luncheon program Miss Ruby Cook presented the A Capella Choir of Waldo School in two vocal numbers. Rev. and Mrs. Kirvin Hale greeted the guests. The invocation was given by Mrs. C. L. O'Daniel of Waldo.

The afternoon session was opened with organ numbers by Mrs. J. W. Rhea after which Miss Lalla Thornton gave a very impressive Spiritual Meditation. Miss Sue Strong of Waldo explained the various projects of the Week of Prayer offerings.

Mrs. R. H. Cole of Magnolia gave an interesting report of the recent Foreign Missionary Assembly held at Columbus, Ohio. Miss Bernice Dickson conducted the presentation and consecration of the offering. Mrs. George Kitchens of Waldo gave the benediction.

FOUNTAIN HILL WSCS

The W. S. C. S. met in the home of Mrs. Claud Goddard, Friday, October 29 for an all day service to observe the Week of Prayer and Self Denial. Mrs. Goddard, chairman of Spiritual Life was leader for the program. The subject of the morning program was "Be Still and Know that I am God."

There were eight persons present including two new members. All present took part in the service. The new members were Mrs. J. P. Edge and Mrs. Jack Seamons. Potluck lunch was served at the noon hour.

The afternoon service began at 1:30, and the subject for this service was "A light set on a hill." The

entire group took part in this service which proved to be a wonderful experience of prayer and dedication. It was truly a profitable day for the ladies present. The meeting was dismissed by Mrs. J. H. Simmons. The next meeting will be held November 17, at the church.—Mrs. Claud Goddard.

PRAYER

Henry Van Dyke

*These are the gifts I ask of thee, Spirit serene—
Strength for the daily task;
Courage to face the road;
Good cheer to help me bear the traveller's load;
And for the hour's rest that comes between,
And inward joy in all things heard and seen.*

*These are the sins I fain would have thee take away—
Malice and cold disdain;
Hot anger, sullen hate;
Scorn of the lowly, envy of the great;
And discontent that casts a shadow gray
On all the brightness of a common day.*

NAYLOR CHARGE WOMAN'S SOCIETY

The Woman's Society at Oakland sponsored a very nice program at the church October 29. The program was on Prayer and Self Denial.

Various topics were discussed by different members of the group. Several prayers were offered, and at the close a message on Self Denial was given by Mrs. Thompson. There was a dedication service, in which each lady promised to let God direct her life in the future in a more complete way than in the past.

The Society meets twice each month with devotionals and program meetings. They are making a "Friendship Quilt" which is to be

sold to aid the funds for the society.

The Self Denial offering for China amounted to \$5.55.

The Naylor Society meets once each month for its program meetings.

They are planning a Thanksgiving Supper and program for November 26th. Rev. R. E. Connell will bring the Thanksgiving message. A quartet from Hendrix will bring a few specials in songs in a song service, and there will be other numbers on the program. Everybody is invited to attend. They are trying to raise enough money to finish their new church and it will be beautiful when it is finished.—Reporter.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE THIRD QUARTER, 1948

Receipts:		
Undirected Pledge	\$ 7,314.96	
Lenten	10.00	
Bible Women	53.25	
Miss Orlene McKimmey	361.95	
Booneville Sanatorium Project	110.35	
Little Rock Methodist Council	371.97	
Other Projects	30.00	
Special Memberships:		
Hon. Baby (6)	30.00	
Adult Life (11)	375.00	
Total Adult Credit	8,657.48	
W. S. G. Pledge	840.58	
W. S. G. Project	47.95	
Total Conference Credit	9,546.01	
Youth Fund	479.86	
Children's Service Fund	70.86	
Student Loan Fund	122.25	
Alcohol Education	177.30	
Elizabeth T. Workman Fund	86.00	
Cash for Supplies:		
W. S. C. S.	339.96	
W. S. G.	221.46	
Cultivation Fund:		
W. S. C. S.	79.35	
W. S. G.	20.00	
Conference Rural Work	58.50	
Other receipts	100.81	
Total Receipts from Districts	\$11,242.36	
Refund from Division on Travel		
Pool for Treasurer's Conference, Greensboro, N. C.	39.33	
Grand Total	\$11,281.69	
Christian Social Relations and Local Church Activities, Reported		\$ 8,455.81
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Woman's Division:		
Undirected Pledge	\$ 7,021.72	
Missionary Projects	1,032.25	
Special Memberships	400.00	
Conference Work	62.50	
Total Adult Credit	8,516.47	
W. S. G. Pledge	840.58	
W. S. G. Projects	42.95	
Total Credit on Pledge	9,400.00	
Youth Fund	479.86	
Children's Service Fund	70.86	
Total Credit on Appropriations	9,950.72	
Cash For Supplies:		
Foreign	7.50	
Home	326.96	
Conference	153.85	
Supplementary Gifts	27.50	
Total to Division	\$10,466.53	
Other Disbursements:		
Officers' Regular Expense	\$ 179.16	
District Cultivation Fund	79.35	
Elizabeth T. Workman Special	225.00	
Alcohol Education	117.30	
Student Loan Fund	122.25	
Printing and Mailing of Conference Journals	712.67	
Mt. Sequoyah School of Missions	197.09	
Hendrix School of Missions	109.63	
Guild Conference	15.83	
Christian Service Retreat	24.91	
Little Rock Methodist Council	469.41	
Supplementary Gift to Virginia Guffey	12.50	
Methodist Committee for European Children's relief	74.78	
Treasurer's Bonds	15.19	
National Worker for Youth Camp	20.00	
Hope Training School (2 workers)	27.30	
Gift for Miss Theresa Hoover	10.00	
Dues, Ark. Legislative Council	26.00	
District Seminars	41.03	
Total Disbursements	\$12,945.93	
Bank Balance	\$ 2,421.37	

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That pleasure which is at once the most pure, the most elevating and the most intense, is derived, I maintain, from the contemplation of the beautiful.—Edgar Allen Poe.

MAGNOLIA FIRST CHURCH WSCS

Monday afternoon, October 25th, the sanctuary of the First Methodist Church of Magnolia, Arkansas was filled with women who had been invited to "Meet Mrs. Yu." Miss Jewell Stevens, well-known dramatic reader, a former teacher of Speech at Magnolia A & M College and the public schools, reviewed the book bearing that title. Originally, the review had been planned as the closing session of the study on China in the Woman's Society of Christian Service, but because the meeting came during a campaign to arouse church-wide interest in the program of the Society, it was decided to urge every woman who was a member of the church, but not of the Society, to attend.

At the conclusion of the review, Mrs. M. E. Peace, chairman of the Fellowship Committee, invited the guests into the annex, where tea was served from a beautifully appointed table. A large and most attractive display of Chinese articles had been arranged by Mrs. H. L. Taylor, from gifts sent to her by her husband during his recent years of service in China. The handsome embroidered linen cloth on the tea table, and the beautiful Chinese costumes worn by Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. C. B. Lyle, who poured, and Mrs. Wilborn Smith, who assisted them, were also part of Major Taylor's collection.

It was noted with interest that Miss Florence Whiteside, Deaconess Emeritus, who is president of the Magnolia Woman's Society of Christian Service, had been at Scarritt with one of the daughters of Mrs. Yu, and that one of the guests, Mrs. M. C. Simms, a newcomer to Magnolia, was a native of the Georgia town from which the author of the book, Miss Mary Cullen White, missionary to China, came.

OKOLONA WSCS HAS STUDY

The W. S. C. S. of Okolona has completed a study class in the course "Bible and Human Rights." This being the first time the ladies took the course for credit. All the ladies of the town were invited to take part in the study, beginning October 20th.

The devotional was based on Luke 2-52. The right to education. The following subjects were discussed: Mrs. Bernard Phelps gave "The Rights to Freedom of Conscience and Experience"; Mrs. Dewitt McElhannon gave "The Rights to Safety and Security of Person," and at the close the leader, Mrs. Shackelford led in a general discussion on the subjects that had been discussed.

At the noon hour a covered dish luncheon was served, and with singing and a general feeling of fellowship the hour was enjoyed by all present.

The afternoon session was opened by reading of the 95th Psalm and singing. Mrs. Phelps and Mrs. McElhannon discussed "The conditions on our Rights," and "And How to Secure These Rights." Mrs. Luther Osborne gave examples of conditions of the day. A general discussion followed, led by Mrs. Ethel Park, in which 18 ladies took part. (Continued on Page 15)

CURRENT NEWS IN ARKANSAS METHODISM

MEETING OF POLK COUNTY METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

The Polk County Methodist Youth Fellowship met at the Wickes Methodist Church on Monday evening, November 1, at 7:30.

The Wickes Fellowship gave the following inspirational program by candlelight:

Song, "In Christ There is no East nor West"; Scripture, Galatians 6:1-10, Phyllis Parker; Prayer, Charles Easterwood; Poem, "Opportunity" Vernon Fields; Talk, "Whence Cometh Our Opportunity", O. L. Childs; Song, "Living for Jesus"; Talk, "Opportunity in the Church and School", Allie Jo Nichols; Duet, "Ivory Palaces", Joy Fern Robison and Ann Tunnell. Mary Jo Stemple was pianist and Jimmy Parker was candlelighter.

In the absence of the county president, the vice-president, Mary Jo Stemple of Wickes, presided over the business session. The minutes were read by Marie Dagenhart of Cove, county secretary.

There were 129 present with Shady Grove winning in miles traveled. Other fellowships represented were: Mena, Hatfield, Cove and Gilham. We were happy to welcome the Fellowship from Gilham who attended for the first time.

Miss Holly Harshman of Mena told about the new Methodist Camp located on Lake Catherine near Malvern. Miss Harshman said there will be no district or charge quotas, but each church is urged to present the cause and take freewill offerings. She stressed the need for funds for the development program. Since the Methodist youth will share in the use of the camp, Miss Harshman urged the different Fellowships present to enter into the raising of funds by freewill offerings in their own individual meetings.

The business meeting was then adjourned until the next regular meeting which will be held at the Cove Methodist Church, Monday, December 6, at 7:30 p. m.

Delicious refreshment were served by the Wickes group.—Mrs. Ralph Edwards, Reporter.

MEETING OF BEN FEW SUB-DISTRICT

The Ben Few Sub-district of the Methodist Youth Fellowship met at the Manchester Methodist Church on November 1. The subject of the program was "Missions a Panacea for War."

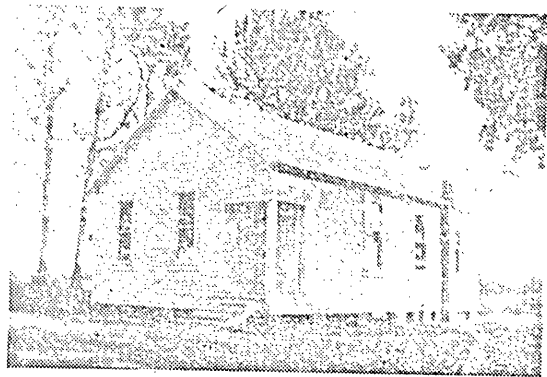
The winning talk was given by Mary Louise McGuire of Carthage. Her expenses will be paid to Camp Couchdale next summer. She will compete with other contestants at the watchnight service on New Year's Eve at Malvern for a trip to Mt. Sequoyah.

Carthage won the loving cup for having the winning talk.

The count was taken and 64 were present including sponsors. The next meeting will be at Sparkman on December 6. Manchester will be in charge of the program.

After refreshments were served Miss Dunlap led the group in several songs.—Sobbie Jane Hunter, Reporter.

DEDICATION OF WADE'S CHAPEL



The new building of the Wade's Chapel Church of the Richmond Circuit was dedicated Sunday, October 10, with Rev. George Bailey, pastor, and Rev. Clinton Atchley, pastor at Ashdown, in charge.

The program for the day included Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. and sermon at 11:00 by the pastor. In the afternoon there was a good song session with the dedication at 2:00 p. m.

Lunch was served at the church to a large crowd including many

who grew up in this little church making this a home-coming day for many.

This day climaxed a week's revival by Brother Atchley with ten additions.

We are looking forward to a good year with the following officers: S. Davis, superintendent of Church School; Ernestine Withem, secretary of Church School; Claud Cobb, Mrs. H. S. Davis, Mrs. Claud Cobb and Mrs. Buster Scott as teachers and Mary Frances Sample as pianist.—Reporter.

MINISTERS' WIVES FELLOWSHIP CLUB

The Ministers' Wives Fellowship Club of the Helena District met at the district parsonage in Forrest City on Wednesday, November 3, with the president, Mrs. O. J. Evanson, presiding. Mrs. Ethan Dodgen led in the opening prayer. The roll call showed eighteen present.

New officers elected are Mrs. Edwin Dodson, president, and Mrs. Jessie Johnson, secretary-treasurer. A Christmas party is planned for sometime in December.

The club has enjoyed the past year very much, and is planning for a more active Fellowship in the future.—Reporter.

A LIGHTED WINDOW AT SCOTT STREET CHURCH

In these days of disturbance and uncertainty if you come to feel that you need something to strengthen your faith in mankind the writer would like to suggest that you get into your car some evening after dark and drive down Scott Street between 13th and 14th and view the illuminated window of the Scott Street Methodist Church, Little Rock. There one will see standing out in the darkness the illuminated likeness of Christ the Good Shepherd caring for his sheep.

We feel that this window is one of the more beautiful windows to be found among the churches of our state. It is now automatically lighted from sundown until midnight for whatever ministry it may have to those who pass in the darkness.

One thing that gives the window added significance is the fact that it seemed to have been so miraculously saved from destruction during the fire which swept through the church in June of last year. All of the art glass above the figure of Christ was destroyed by the fire and only the outline of his figure was left untouched. At quite an expense the church has had this window rebuilt and it now stands illuminated in the evenings saying

to all who may pass and see that while fire, disturbance, or uncertainty may come to any church or life none of these things can prevail against Him and his way if we will only have it so.—R. F. Sorrells.

LATE SUMMER AND FALL ACTIVITIES OF BUTTERFIELD M. Y. F.

The late summer and early fall activities of the Butterfield M.Y.F. have been varied. In early August Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wallace entertained the group with a lawn party and ice cream supper. As a climax everyone gathered around the piano and sang a number of songs.

In late August Mr. and Mrs. Howard entertained with a lawn party and a watermelon feast at their home.

The fourth Sunday evening of that month our World Friendship Commission had charge of a most interesting program on our missionary work in Japan. At the close of the service many useful gifts were placed on the altar to be sent to Miss Mary McMillan in Hiroshima.

Special emphasis has been placed on the paying of personal pledges and already \$8.32 has been sent to the Conference treasurer for the M.Y.F. Munda on a pledge of \$20.00 made by the group.

In September, our "back to school" month, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dammans entertained the Fellowship group with a weiner roast.

The sub-district meeting also met with us in September with around 125 attending. Malvern had charge of a most interesting program in the form of a radio broadcast.

The election of officers was an important feature of the September program. The following were elected and installed the following Sunday evening: President, Melvin Foster, Vice-president, Betty Howard; Secretary-treasurer, Merle Smith; co-chairman, Worship and Evangelism, Fay Rusher and Beverly Wallace; chairman of community service, Ray Rusher; recreation chairman, Betty Byrd; World Friendship chairman, Lamont Byrd; counselor, Mrs. Frank Spurlin.

We are expecting our young people's work to move forward with these newly elected officers.—Mrs. Frank Spurlin, youth counselor.

BRADLEY PARSONAGE HAS OPEN HOUSE

Our lovely Methodist parsonage has been completed, and the pastor, Rev. Edwin Keith and family are now occupying it.

On Sunday, October 17th, open house was held there between the hours of 4 and 7 p. m.

Besides the people of our community, there were guests from Texarkana, Garland City, Lewisville, Stamps and Plain Dealing. Altogether Rev. and Mrs. Keith greeted one hundred and thirty guests. The ladies of Woman's Society of Christian Service served cake, punch and sandwiches.

A great deal of credit for the completion of the parsonage is due our pastor, and we are happy to have him and family with us for another year.—Mrs. Aletha Hamiter.

A missionary in Africa was seeking to translate the gospel of John into Sango. He couldn't find a word in Sango to express "believe."

He took his problem to a native Christian. The dark man thought a few minutes and then suggested, "Doesn't it mean to 'hear in my heart?'"—Sunday School World.



Fifth Annual Worldwide Bible Reading



THE daily reading of the Bible is urged in the promotion of the Fifth Annual Worldwide Bible Reading program, which will be sponsored by the American Bible Society from Thanksgiving to Christmas.

"This program is a plan to get

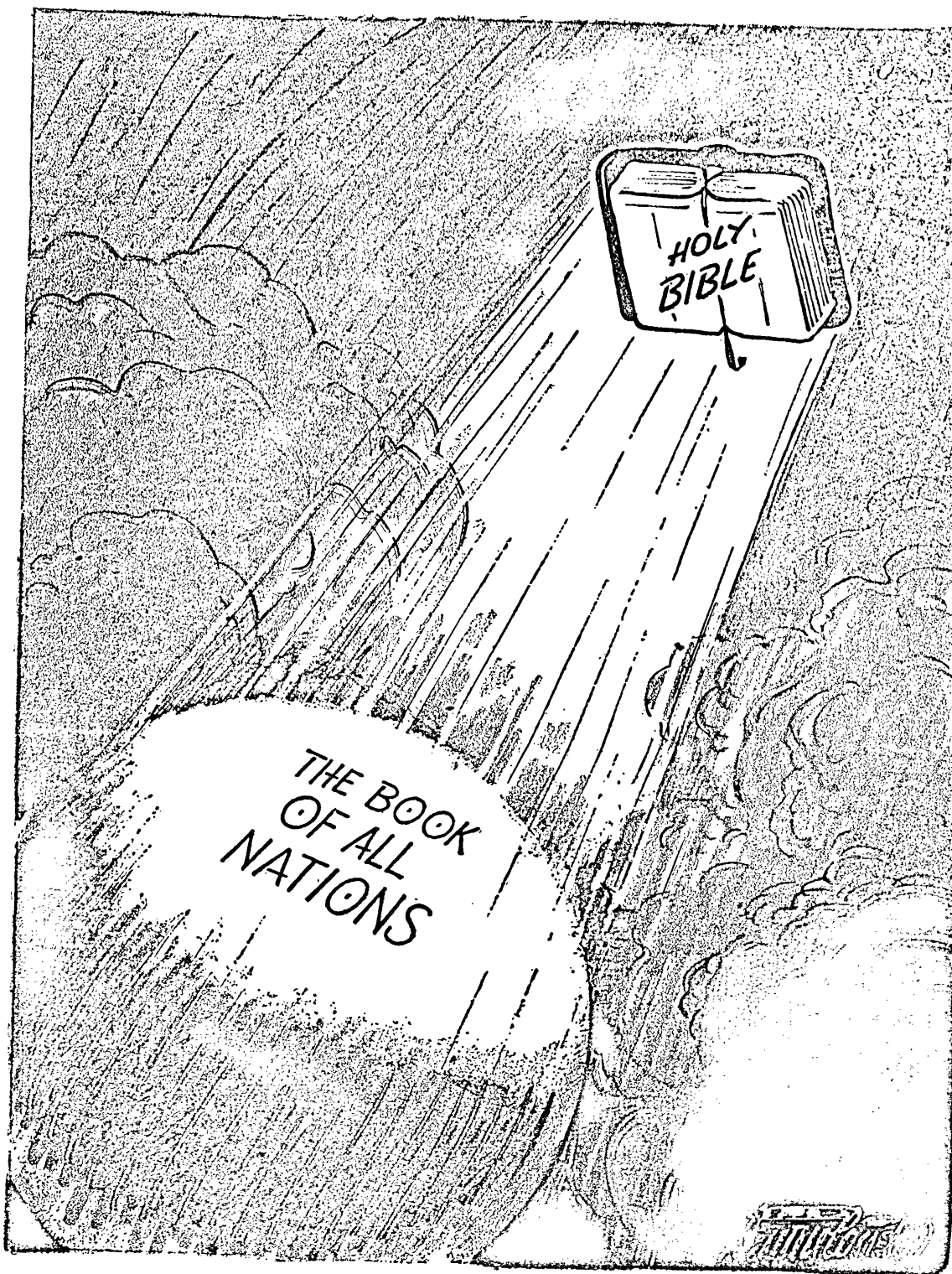
this year, when more and more people, both at home and abroad, according to reports are turning to the Bible as a source of help and hope."

Among the eight rules the Bible Society has compiled for the effective reading of the Scripture pas-

program last year. Chaplains, serving with various branches of the Armed Forces in all parts of the world, also secured material.

A National Sponsoring Committee of laymen, of which President Harry S. Truman is honorary chairman, assists the Bible Society in the pro-

Adm. Ernest J. King, Alf M. Landon, Miss Marjorie Lawrence, R. G. Le-Tourneau, Kirtley F. Mather, Robert A. Millikan, John R. Mott, Adm. C. W. Nimitz, Drew Pearson, J. Howard Pew, Capt. Edw. V. Rickenbacker, Branch Richey, Hon. Francis B. Sayre, Amos Alenzo Stagg, Har-



millions of people in America and all over the world to read the same Bible selections daily for the 31 days in this period," according to Dr. James V. Claypool of the American Bible Society, who is director of the program. "Last year 15,000,000 of the little booklets, that contain the list of suggested Scripture passages, were distributed and the list of selections was reprinted about 20,000,000 times. We expect to have an even larger response

sages are "Set aside and keep a definite daily time for reading;" "Read slowly and prayerfully. 'No snap shots but time exposures' should be the rule;" "Memorize one key verse daily."

Outside of the United States the program is under the supervision of the Society's 12 foreign agencies, which will produce the reading lists in the languages spoken in those nations which they serve. Thirty-four countries participated in the

motion of the program.

Members of the committee this year include:

Eugene E. Barnett, Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, Karl T. Compton, Norman Corwin, Glenn Cunningham, Hon. Joseph E. Davies, Lloyd C. Douglas, John Foster Dulles, Dwight D. Eisenhower, Harvey S. Firestone, Jr., Douglas Southall Freeman, Albert S. Goss, Frank P. Graham, William Green, Hon. Herbert Hoover, Miss Helen Keller,

old E. Stassen, Charles P. Taft, Channing H. Tobias, Sumner Welles, A. F. Whitney.

The theme for 1948 is "The Book of All Nations." The reading program has as its central day Universal Bible Sunday which falls on December 12. To assist the pastors in the observance of this day the American Bible Society has mailed over 130,000 packets of material to churches of more than 80 different denominations.

OVERCOMING HANDICAPS

It's an error to think of any person as handicapped. The correct way is to think of him as having a certain limitation in relation to one job, but none whatsoever as regards the others. If a worker only uses

one hand in his job, the fact that he has only one is no handicap. A deaf riveter, actually has an advantage over a man with hearing. The blind perform many operations better than workers with sight. . . . Out of the 20,000 jobs listed in the dictionary of jobs there is a suitable job for

every handicapped person—Marie Beynon Ray, How to Conquer Your Handicaps. (Bobbs-Merrill)

Truth is one trade-mark that does not require registration.—Alexander Animator, hm, Alexander Film Co.

When saving for old age, be sure to lay up a few pleasant thoughts.—Sales-Maker, hm, Hardwick and Magee Co.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.—Psalm 100:5.

NEWS ABOUT HENDRIX COLLEGE

Memorial Service

Hendrix alumni lost in World War I and II were honored with a memorial service at the college November 10. Featured on the program was a presentation of Gabriel Faure's "Requiem" by the Choristers.

Color guard ceremonies and the reading of the gold star list preceded the concert.

The 88-voice Chorister group, accompanied by an instrumental ensemble, was under the direction of J. Glenn Metcalf of the Music Department.

Special invitations to the memorial service were extended, wherever addresses were available, to the next of kin of the fallen alumni.

The following names of alumni lost in the two wars was read by President Matt L. Ellis:

World War I: Tabor Bevens, Booneville; J. L. Craddock, England; J. A. Dowdy, Jr., Clarksville; William A. McGuire, Mt. Home; J. Watson Reynolds, El Dorado; Robert W. Young, Okolona.

World War II: Leslie H. Anderson, Stuttgart; Emmett Edward Baker, Brinkley; Caruth A. Barker, Jr., Atkins; James Louis Brown, Malvern; Seaton Douglas, Hot Springs; John H. Harp, Blytheville; Robert Fletcher Henington, Memphis, Tenn.; Warren K. Hetrich, Conway, and Stony Creek Mills, Penn.; Lawrence C. Honeycutt, Jr., Nashville; Solon Humphreys, North Little Rock; George M. Jones, Conway; James Mabry, Conway; William Paul Owen, Stamps; Thomas Leland Payne, Paragould; Daniel H. Proctor, Little Rock and Detroit; Harrel H. Rule, Pine Bluff; Jefferson Sherman, Pine Bluff; William E. Stephens, Pine Bluff; William F. Stevenson, North Little Rock; James W. Stroh, Stuttgart; Robert I. Wheat, Conway and Lonoke; Hugh L. Williams, Jr., McGehee.

Miss Love Sweetheart and Queen

Senior Martha Love of Jonesboro will reign as Homecoming Queen during the November 13 celebrations and also as campus sweetheart for the 1948-49 school year.

Miss Love was selected queen by members of the football team and as campus sweetheart in an all-student poll conducted by the Troubadour, student yearbook.

Serving Miss Love in the Homecoming court will be Jean McAnaly, senior from Jonesboro, maid of honor; Elizabeth Brown, Wilmet; and Melba McKeen, Paris, senior maids; Wadena Scott, North Little Rock; and Charlotte Smith, Kansas City, Mo., junior maids; Margaret Jean Ellis, Conway and Frances Martin, Pine Bluff, sophomore maids; Helen Childs, Warren, and Dorinda Harper, El Dorado, freshman maids. Jackie Upton and Lynn Roebuck of Conway will also be attendants in the court.

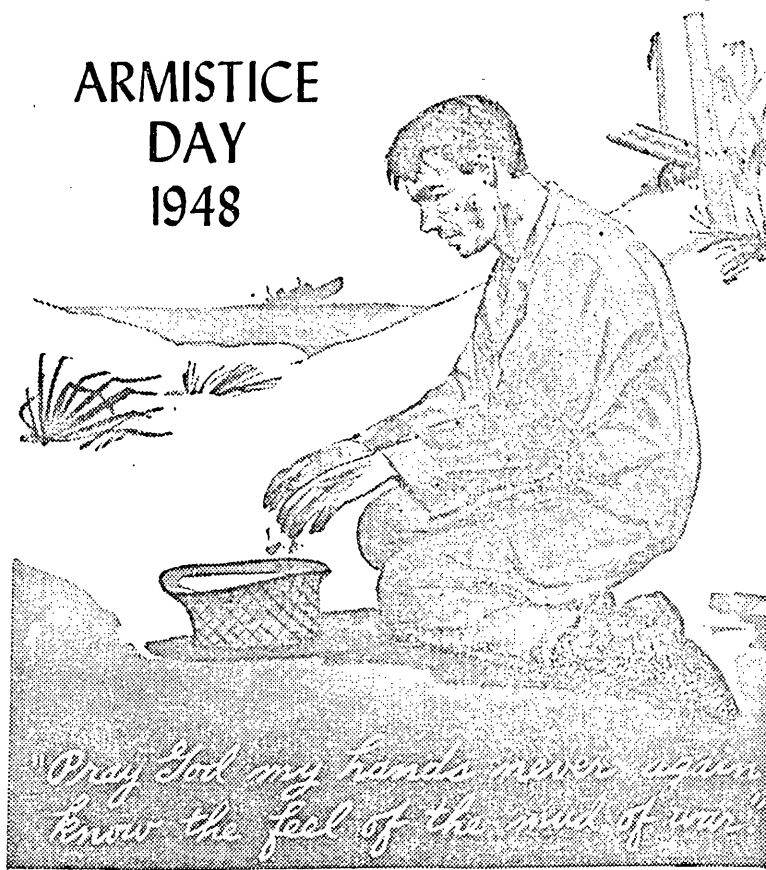
Beauties also selected by the student poll to be featured in the 1949 Troubadour with Miss Love are Buddy Ann Hampton, senior from Conway; Charlotte Smith, junior from Kansas City, Mo.; Frances Martin, sophomore from Pine Bluff; and Dorinda Harper, freshman from El Dorado.

Art Exhibit Opens

Two prize-winners in the fourth annual Exhibition of Arkansas Art which opened here last week are associated with the college. They

Another Armistice Day

ARMISTICE DAY 1948



are Carol Beth Cade, senior student from Pine Bluff, and Elsie Bates Freund of Eureka Springs, formerly of the Art Department.

Miss Cade won the Emma Longley Derrick prize for water color with "Beach Midafternoon." "Horses" in the graphic arts division, won by Mrs. Freund the Hendrix College Purchase prize.

Number of entries was the largest of any of the four years and entries were generally of higher quality, according to Frank Govan of the Art Department, who has been in charge of assembling the show.

Judges for the show were Adrian Brewer, professional painter of Little Rock, David Durst of the University of Arkansas art faculty, and Mrs. Griffin Smith, past president of the Little Rock Fine Arts Club.

The exhibit will remain at Hendrix till November 14 and then a select group of works will be sent throughout the state. Last year's traveling exhibition went to more than 20 Arkansas cities.

Rev. I. A. Brumley Holds National Offices

Rev. Ira A. Brumley of Conway was elected to two important national committees of the Methodist Church at a meeting of the church's General Board of Education in Chicago last week.

Rev. Mr. Brumley was elected to the Inter-Board Committee on Evangelism, which helps correlate work of the Boards of Education and Evangelism, and to the Joint Committee on Public Relations which helps correlate educational public relations activities of the board of education and Methodist colleges. Also elected to the Joint Committee was Dr. M. Lafayette Harris, president of Philander Smith College, Methodist institution for Negroes in Little Rock.

Rev. Mr. Brumley, executive secretary of the North Arkansas Con-

WHAT IS CHARITY?

"And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity." Why is charity the greatest of the three? Charity "Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth." "Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up."

Charity in reality is Christian love. If we love the Lord our God with all our hearts, with all our souls, with all our minds, with all our strength, we will love our neighbor as ourselves. Then godliness will be a reality in both individual and group life.

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4. Do not want any worthy person to be denied life, liberty, or the pursuit of happiness for the good or welfare of the group in such practices as warfare and get rich quick

ference Board of Education, has offices on the Hendrix campus.

College to Get Hammons Picture

Lt. Commander John W. Hammons of Little Rock, U. S. Navy chaplain and a graduate of Hendrix, has one-man art show of oils and water colors, appearing at the State Museum in Little Rock until November 16.

After the Little Rock show a portrait of his father, Dr. J. D. Hammons, field vice-president of Hendrix about ten years ago, will be presented to the college.—Margaret Pullig.

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE NOTES

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Arkansas Conference for another series of training programs. He is to be in three or four districts of the conference. Watch for the schedule of the places where he is to be. He will be at Tuckerman, December 1-3, and at Helena, December 5-10.

The Helena church is planning two First Series courses for this period. One course will be offered during the day, one hour a day for this five days, and the other one hour each evening for the five evenings. This will be a new approach to the training program. We believe that it has real possibilities in that some can attend during the day who cannot attend at night. Persons finding it possible to attend both series will be permitted to take two units of credit.

Watch for the announcement of the total series of schools and take advantage of any one of the schools near your church.

State Methodist Adult Planning Conference

A two-day planning conference for the North Arkansas and Little Rock Conferences is to be held at Conway, November 22-23, under the leadership of the two boards of education.

Bishop Paul E. Martin and the district superintendents from the two conferences are to be in attendance together with district and sub-district directors of adult work.

Rev. Robert Clemmons, director of Young Adult Work for the Methodist Church in the General Board Staff, is to be present as a resource person for this planning session. He will lead in plans for developing sub-district work and in the promotion of Young Adult program.

The program will begin at one o'clock on Monday, November 22 and close in the afternoon of November 23.

The North Arkansas Conference has had a gain of 9,237 in the adult divisions of the conference during the past four years. We should make even as great gains in adult program in the next four years.

Christmas Worship In Home

The General Board of Education has prepared an attractive and effective worship program to be used in the homes of our people during the Christmas period. Copies of this worship service have been sent to the pastors of the conference with the hope that the local churches would secure sufficient copies to be used by their people at the Christmas season. These are to be ordered from the Service Department, General Board of Education, 810 Broadway, Nashville 2, Tennessee. They sell at \$2.00 per hundred, or 30 cents per dozen. Money should be sent with the order.

The First Methodist Church, Conway is completing a training course under the leadership of Mrs. Ira A. Brumley; plans to have another course, November 21-26, under the leadership of Miss Lucy Foreman of Nashville, Tennessee.

schemes by gangsters and criminals. In reality such practices are as cruel as cannibalism and slavery.

5. Are concerned with people who are troubled and bothered about something. We help people sometimes even with little things such as a real smile, sincere sympathy, or a kind word when a person is in distress.—Mayme Bobbitt.

THE LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE CAMP

(Continued from page 10)

Bishop Paul E. Martin, T. W. McCoy, J. S. M. Cannon, Henry Gingles, Edward Harris, Mrs. E. D. Galloway, D. T. Rowe, Roland Darrow, W. A. G. Woodward, B. F. Fitzhugh, Gordon Wilson, Bryan Stephens, Eloise Nelson, Mrs. T. S. Lovett, J. M. Spicer, Earl Frizzell, and K. H. Skinner.

Rev. B. F. Fitzhugh was assigned as pastor to Keith Memorial at Malvern and to serve as superintendent of construction under the direction of the building committee and the camp architect. Brother Fitzhugh has had wide experience in building programs over the Conference, and it is to be expected that his aggressive leadership will bring about the same excellent results as in the past.

Mr. Charles Carter, an active laymen of one of the Little Rock churches, has been employed as landscape architect. As soon as the overall plans can be worked out, it is the plan to get busy with the construction of roads into the building site in order that materials may be placed and construction gotten under way early in the new year.

It is hoped that the building program may be far enough along to permit the use of the camp next summer. If this is to be possible, it will be necessary to have water, a dining room and kitchen, and a chapel or assembly hall for general meeting purposes. Tents have been purchased for living quarters until permanent cabins can be constructed.

Churches and individuals making offerings and gifts to the camp program are asked to make the checks payable to Mr. J. S. M. Cannon whose new address is 20th and Fillmore, Little Rock, Arkansas.—Roy E. Fawcett.

OKOLONA W. S. C. S. HAS STUDY

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On Sunday, October 24th, the study was directed by leader with the following subjects discussed: "The Government's Responsibility securing these Rights," and "The Time to Act" with Mrs. Ross McElhannon, Mrs. Pat McElhannon, Mrs. Phelps and Mrs. Dewitt McElhannon bringing examples before the group of 36 men and women, sitting in on a two-hour discussion. The group left with a new insight into our responsibility toward the New Bill of Rights.—Mrs. Ethel Park.

Thou shalt neither vex a stranger, nor oppress him: for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.—Exodus 22:21.

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RECOVERY AND CHURCH ATTENDANCE

Carlisle, Pa., Nov.—Frank W. Abrams, chairman of the board of the Standard Oil Company (N.J.), believes there is a definite relation in Europe between recovery and church attendance.

Speaking at Dickinson College concerning a recent tour of Europe, the widely-known business executive said he found church attendance

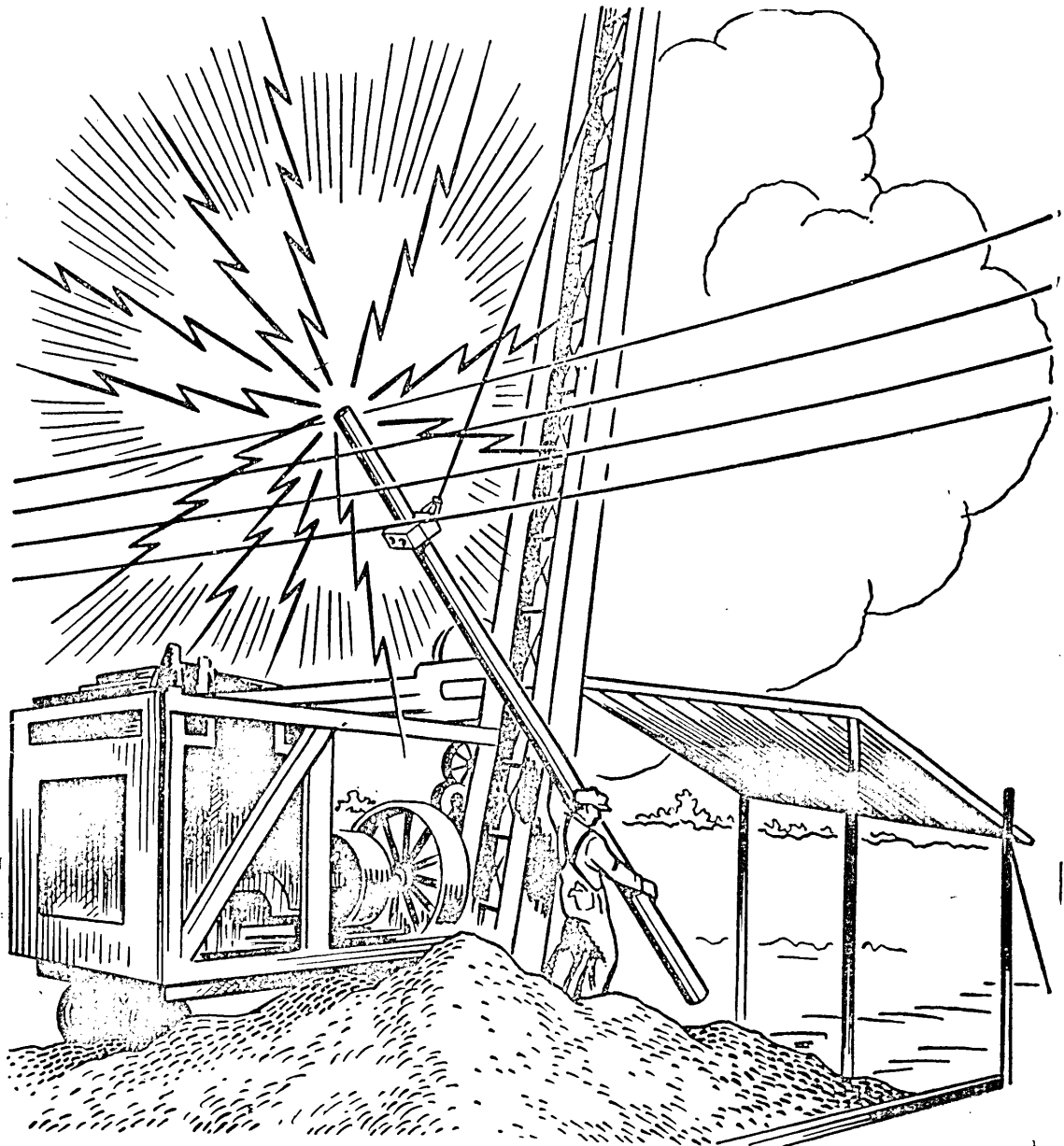
greatest in those countries which appear to have progressed toward recovery, namely England, Holland and Belgium.

Church attendance was poorest in France, Mr. Abrams said. In that country there appeared to be a lack of direction to recovery efforts and an unwillingness to cooperate in a common cause.

Time wasted is existence; used it's life.—Specialty Salesman.

To pray to be delivered from temptations, and at the same time blindly rush into occasions, is like sticking one's fingers into the fire and praying that they may not be burned.—Wm. Forney Hovis, Sentinel, hm, Sentinel Printing Co., Inc.

Some people must think the Sunday service is like a convention; many families just send one delegate.—Pastor's Wife.



HOW TO DIG AN *Early* GRAVE!

The disaster pictured above actually happened in our territory early this year, when two men unthinkingly pulled a piece of pipe out of a well, the upper end of the pipe making contact with a 7,620-volt line. This particular accident was not fatal—but hundreds of similar accidents occur yearly throughout the country when the booms of cranes, shovels, pile drivers and drilling equipment contact high voltage power lines.

So we say to all contractors and crane operators: play safe by maintaining plenty of room between rigging and electric wires. Inspect carefully every condition where cranes, booms or cables are to be used. If it is necessary to use equipment near power lines, get in touch with Arkansas Power & Light Company FIRST. We'll gladly cooperate with you to prevent an accident.

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POETRY IN THE BIBLE

LESSON FOR NOVEMBER 21, 1948

SCRIPTURE TEXT: I Samuel 2:1-10; II Samuel 1:19-27; Psalms 23 and 24; 103; 136:1-9; Lamentations 3:19-39; Habakkuk 3:17-19; Luke 1:46-55.

GOLDEN TEXT: He hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God. Psalm 40:3.

Some young people are surprised to find that there is poetry in the Bible. They think of poetry as always written in rhyme. Much of the English poetry is written in blank verse. But Hebrew poetry has no rhymes, but repeats the same thought in two lines. The second line expresses the same thought as the first line, but in different words. "The heavens declare the glory of God,

The firmament showeth his handiwork."

This is a sample of the form of Hebrew poetry.

A Great Misfortune

It is unfortunate that the King James version does not recognize the poetry in the Bible and put it in the mechanical form that would indicate that it is poetry. Nearly all the revised versions show this mechanical arrangement.

Poetry is impressed thought expressed in emotional terms. When a writer gets surcharged with a thought he is writing poetry. Paul, in writing to the Corinthians, (13th Chapter I. Corinthians) was seized with such a passion as to what Christian love is that he rose to higher and higher realms until he wrote one of the famous poems on Christian love. (When you read it in the King James versions, always change the word "charity" to love.)

Five Poetic Books

Job, Psalms, Proverbs, Lamentations, and Solomon's Songs are all in the form of Hebrew poetry. But writers in nearly all the books of the Bible occasionally rose to such emotional heights as to be poetic.

The Psalms have expressions of nearly all the emotions of the human soul. Some of them are petitions, some confessions, some penitence, some communion with God. Differ as they may, and they do differ, in one particular they are all alike — they point Godward. Every florist knows that in every bulb there is an upward tendency. No doubt of any flower's growing downward into the earth. They call this tendency of plants, heliotropic. We call this Godward tendency in the Psalms, theotropic.

To illustrate how poetry is distributed throughout the Bible, insert some of the poems which you may have read without discerning that they were poems.

Miriam's song. "And Miriam answered them, sing ye to the Lord, for he hath triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea." (Exodus 15:21).

Hannah's prayer. "And Hannah prayed, and said, My heart rejoiceth in the Lord, mine horn is exalted in the Lord: My mouth is enlarged over mine enemies; because I rejoice in thy salvation. There is none holy as the Lord: for there is none beside thee: neither is there any rock like our God. Talk no more so exceeding proudly; let not arrogancy come out of your mouth: for

the Lord is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed. The bows of the mighty men are broken, and they that stumbled are girded with strength. They that were full have hired out themselves and for bread; and they that were hungry ceased: so that the barren hath born seven; and she that hath many children is waxed feeble. The Lord killeth, and maketh alive: he bringeth down to the grave and bringeth up. The Lord maketh poor, and maketh rich: he bringeth low, and lifteth up. He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth up the beggar from the dunghill, to set them among princes, and to make them inherit the throne of glory: for the pillars of the earth are the Lord's, and he hath set the world upon them. He will keep the feet of his saints, and the wicked shall be silent in darkness; for by strength shall no man prevail. The adversaries of the Lord shall be broken in pieces; out of heaven shall he thunder upon them: the Lord shall judge the ends of the earth; and he shall give strength unto his king, and exalt the horn of his anointed." (I Samuel 2:1-10)

David's Lament Over Jonathan. II Samuel 1:19-27:

19 The beauty of Israel is slain upon thy high places: how are the mighty fallen!

20 Tell it not in Gath, publish it not in the streets of Askelon; lest the daughters of the Philistines rejoice, lest the daughters of the uncircumcised triumph.

21 We mountains of Gilboa, let there be no dew, neither let there be rain, upon you, nor fields of offerings: for there the shield of the mighty is vilely cast away, the shield of Saul, as though he had not been anointed with oil.

22 From the blood of the slain, from the fat of the mighty, the bow of Jonathan turned not back, and the sword of Saul returned not empty.

23 Saul and Jonathan were lovely and pleasant in their lives, and in their death they were not divided: they were swifter than eagles, they were stronger than lions.

24 Ye daughters of Israel, weep over Saul, who clothed you in scarlet, with other delights, who put on ornaments of gold upon your apparel.

25 How are the mighty fallen in the midst of the battle! O Jonathan, thou wast slain in thine high places.

26 I am distressed for thee, my brother Jonathan: very pleasant hast thou been unto me: thy love to me was wonderful, passing the love of women.

27 How are the mighty fallen, and the weapons of war perished!

A Thanksgiving Psalm. Psalm 103

Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

2 Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits:

3 Who forgiveth all thine ini-

quities; who healeth all thy diseases;

4 Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies; 5 Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

6 The Lord executeth righteousness and judgment for all that are oppressed.

7 He made known his ways unto Moses, his acts unto the children of Israel.

8 The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.

9 He will not always chide: neither will he keep his anger for ever.

10 He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

11 For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him.

12 As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.

13 Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear him.

14 For he knoweth our frame; he remembereth that we are dust.

15 As for man, his days are as grass: as a flower of the field, so he flourisheth.

16 For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more.

17 But the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, and his righteousness unto children's children;

18 To such as keep his covenant, and to those that remember his commandments to do them.

19 The Lord hath prepared his throne in the heavens; and his kingdom ruleth over all.

20 Bless the Lord, ye his angles, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word.

21 Bless ye the Lord, all ye his hosts; ye ministers of his, that do his pleasure.

22 Bless the Lord, all his works in all places of his dominion: bless the Lord, O my soul.

For Suffering People Lamentations 3:19-39

19 Remembering mine affliction and my misery, the wormwood and the gall.

20 My soul hath them still in remembrance, and is humbled in me.

21 This I recall to my mind, therefore have I hope.

22 It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not.

23 They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness.

24 The Lord is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him.

25 The Lord is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him.

26 It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the Lord.

27 It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth.

28 He sitteth alone and keepeth silence, because he hath borne it upon him.

29 He putteth his mouth in the dust; if so be there may be hope.

30 He giveth his cheek to him that smiteth him: he is filled full with reproach.

31 For the Lord will not cast off for ever:

32 But though he cause grief, yet will he have compassion according to the multitude of his mercies.

33 For he doth not afflict willing-

ly nor grieve the children of men.

34 To crush under his feet all the prisoners of the earth.

35 To turn aside the right of a man before the face of the most High,

36 To subvert a man in his cause, the Lord approveth not.

37 Who is he that saith, and it cometh to pass, when the Lord commandeth it not?

38 Out of the mouth of the most High proceedeth not evil and good?

A Cry Of Faith

Habakkuk 3:17-19

17 Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls:

18 Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation.

19 The Lord God is my strength, and he will make my feet like hinds' feet, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places. To the chief singer on my stringed instruments.

Mary's Cry of Adoration

Luke 1:46-55

46 And Mary said, My soul doth magnify the Lord,

47 And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

48 For he hath regarded the low estate of his handmaiden: for, behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.

49 For he that is mighty hath done to me great things; and holy is his name.

50 And his mercy is on them that fear him from generation to generation.

51 He hath shewed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

52 He hath put down the mighty from their seats, and exalted them of low degree.

53 He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty away.

54 He hath holpen his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy; 55 As he spake to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his seed for ever.

Please commit to memory: Psalm 23; I Corinthians 13; Luke 4:18-19.

The purpose of giving all these quotations is to show how replete the Bible is with poetry. This list is by no means exhaustive. What I have given is only a few out of many. Some of you read Shakespeare, other read Tennyson and a few number read Browning, others have their favorite poets. But remember the good old Book is full of poetry.

I may have suggested it before, but it is wise to buy a copy of The Standard Revised Version of the New Testament. You will see at a glance which is prose and which is poetry. You interpret poetry differently from prose.

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