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The Folks Back Home

There is always, more or less tenseness and restlessness at Annual Conferences among preachers who are expecting a change in appointments. The same condition exists with those who are uncertain as to whether they are to move.

In this day of the "open cabinet" the preacher at the seat of the conference at least has the advantage of knowing the developments day by day. The real nervous strain of anxiety and uncertainty, prolonged, is felt by the folks back home who often have their first word about their place of residence for the new year when the appointments are read—sometimes they get the word when the preacher-father and husband gets home from conference.

The preacher accepted the fact of an itinerant ministry when he joined the conference. It is a part of his call to the Methodist ministry. It is often more difficult for the family to make the adjustments necessary in frequent moves. Everybody concerned in the matter of making appointments should always keep this fact in mind.

China's Twelve Years Of War

The United States entered the second World War on December 8th, 1941 and passed through the most trying, critical period of its history until the signing of the articles of surrender by Japan, September 1, 1945, a little less than four years later. Almost four years have passed since Japan surrendered, yet the demoralizing effect of our four years at war is still keenly felt in the political, the economic and the spiritual life of our nation. We know now, also, that many more years will pass before the direct hurt of that brief war period will pass, if it ever entirely passes.

Before we become too critical of the demoralized situation in China let us remember that war for China began in July 1937 and had been going on more than four years when we entered the conflict. China fought with us through the war. Immediately after the surrender of Japan in September, 1945, the Communist-inspired civil war broke out on China, with all of the ruinous, devastating effects of civil war. It has continued until now, and still continues.

Already China has been in a continuous state of war for twelve years. It would stagger the imagination to attempt to picture the situation that would exist in our nation today had our war with foreign nations lasted eight years instead of four, to be followed immediately by four years of civil war in which our national government suffered defeat at the hands of a Communist-inspired, American rebellion. In such a situation it is almost certain that our present smug sense of self-sufficiency would be entirely lacking.

No other nation among the victors of the late war has suffered like China. Remembering all we have done for friendly nations in Western Europe, it is to our lasting shame that we have been unable to work out some plan that would help stricken China to find herself after these years of indescribable suffering.

China, the oldest civilized nation on earth by thousands of years, has survived greater crises than the present one. It is our conviction that the real China will not lose her soul before the false altars of a Communist mirage. America's failure in the present crisis in China may ultimately hurt us more than it is now hurting China.

Conference Preacher At Little Rock Conference

It is the good fortune of the members and visitors attending the Little Rock Conference this week to hear, as the conference preacher Bishop W. Angie Smith, presiding Bishop of the Oklahoma-New Mexico Episcopal Area. Bishop Smith is a native Texan, having been born at Elgin, Texas. He was admitted on trial in 1921.

The Bishop did his undergraduate work at Southwestern University in Texas. He received an M. A. Degree at Columbia University. He also did graduate work at Southern Methodist University, School of Religion, Vanderbilt Univer-



W. ANGIE SMITH

sity, School of Religion and Union Theological Seminary. He has received honorary degrees from Southwestern University, McMurry College and Centenary College.

Bishop Smith has served the following charges: Kerrville, Texas, Midland, Texas; Tulip Street Church, Nashville, Tennessee; Trinity Church, El Paso, Texas; 1st Methodist Church, Shreveport, Louisiana; Mount Vernon Place, Washington, D. C.; 1st Methodist Church, Birmingham, Alabama and 1st Methodist Church, Dallas, Texas.

He was elected Bishop in 1944 at the South Central Jurisdiction Conference which met at Boston Avenue Methodist Church in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He and our president officer, Bishop Martin, were both elected Bishop at this conference. He has served the Oklahoma-New Mexico area since being elected Bishop.

Bishop W. Angie Smith and Bishop A. Frank Smith, who was our conference preacher at the session of the North Arkansas Conference in Ft. Smith last fall, are brothers. They are the only brothers who ever served in the Council of Bishops from the south. They are both great preachers as well as great administrators. They were both pastors at the time of their election as Bishop.

Methodist Student Day, June 12

By General Conference action a Sunday each year is designated Methodist Student Day in Methodism's calendar, at which time the importance and place of higher education in today's world is studied, and an offering is received to make possible loans and scholarships to deserving Methodist youth.

Elsewhere in this issue of the *Arkansas Methodist* is an article concerning the relation of this observance with Hendrix College. We commend this article to you for its revelation of the practical aspects of the observance of Methodist Student Day. Work of this sort can be extended and expanded just to the extent that Methodism makes it possible on Methodist Student Day.

This date of this "special day" coincides with Conference Sunday in the Little Rock Conference, and comes on the last Sunday of the Conference year in the North Arkansas Conference. Many of our churches have already held this observance or have postponed it until after the Annual Conference session. Other churches will find that Conference Sunday is a good time for a service by or for the college-age youth just returned from the college or university. Invest in some Christian youth's education today and insure Christian citizenship and leadership for tomorrow.

Former Galloway President Succumbs

Dr. JOHN MILFORD WILLIAMS, former president of Galloway College, died last week at the age of seventy-five. An educator of considerable ability, Dr. Williams headed the former Methodist school for girls from 1907 until the year 1932, when Galloway was consolidated with Henderson-Brown College and Hendrix College at Conway. Dr. Williams had lived in Conway since 1935 and for several years was connected with Hendrix College as extension professor.

Dr. Williams was widely known and loved throughout Arkansas, enjoying a wide acquaintance especially through former students and alumnae of Galloway College. Only last May 15 he was honored by the alumnae of Galloway at a reunion held in Searcy at which time former students planned a campaign to raise funds to establish a scholarship in his honor.

A layman, Dr. Williams served his church well. During his long administration at Galloway he rendered a quality of service which was a credit to his church, the college, and the field of education. Whenever and wherever Galloway alumnae gather Dr. Williams is a part of the tradition remembered. Yet he labored not for personal gain or glory. He found life for others and himself by completely giving himself to his accepted responsibility.

In the merger of Arkansas Methodism's colleges, Dr. Williams, who had given of himself so thoroughly for more than a quarter of a century to Galloway, was called upon to make a difficult adjustment personally. This he did gracefully.

Arkansas Methodism's school today is a living monument to those who gave so fully of themselves in developing the institutions which continue in Hendrix College. There are homes in Arkansas now which are Christian because of the noble influence of this Christian educator, Dr. J. M. Williams.



What Is Going On In Korea



By MARGARET BILLINGSLEY, Executive Secretary,
Woman's Division of Christian Service

KOREA was formally annexed to the Japanese Empire in 1910.

Liberated at the close of World War II (in which she was compelled to help Japan), and after forty years of suffering, oppression,



The hope of free Korea is in boys who have a chance in Christian schools.

and military domination, Korea now finds her country divided, with two governments ruling the thirty million people of this small land.

Under the supervision of Russia the "Democratic People's Republic of Korea," claiming jurisdiction over the entire country, was established north of the 38th parallel on September 9, 1948. South of the 38th parallel the formal inauguration of the "Republic of Korea" on August 15, 1948, marked the culmination of American and United Nations efforts to aid the Korean people in preparing themselves for self-government. . . . All efforts with a view to the re-establishment of Korea as an independent state has failed. The Joint U. S.-U. S. S. R. Commission set up to co-ordinate administrative and economic matters between the Russian Army and the U. S. Army broke up in a deadlock.

In December 1948, the United Nations in Paris recognized the government established in Southern Korea, as the only legitimate government in Korea. A permanent United Nations Commission was set up, to return to Korea to observe the general elections throughout North Korea and report back to the United Nations.

The freedom of speech and actions which came with the liberation resulted in the formation of many political parties. Those who had never been allowed a share in the government or even the privilege of exercising any initiative now want to express their new found freedom by becoming leaders. "Everyone wants to be president," reported one Korean. With the establishment of the new government, many of the smaller groups seem to have disintegrated. The present struggle is mainly between the government in control and the communists.

Economics

The end of the war brought liberation from Japanese rule, but it

also presented grave economic problems. While there is an abundant labor supply, technicians and managers are scarce. Under the Japanese, Koreans were denied opportunities to acquire the skills that would have enabled them to administer their own affairs and to operate their industries, mines and transportation facilities. It was the policy of the Japanese to keep the key positions in government, industry, and trade in the hands of the Japanese. This lack of skilled personnel will hamper the recovery of the country for many years to come.

Agriculture, with rice as the main crop, was, and still is, the basic eco-

been estimated at slightly less than one million.

Education

The Japanese educational policy in Korea was directed toward supplanting the indigenous culture by that of Japan, but it contributed to educational development nevertheless by supplying a basic course of instruction to an increasingly larger percentage of the Korean people. The Japanese policy, however, neglected the education of Koreans above the primary level, with the result that secondary and higher education has been inadequate even though private institutions have

is a movement to revive the old cultures—music, dances, plays and all kinds of games and sports. Many Koreans feel their highest achievement and contribution to the world's culture can be in the arts. Now that they are free from the domination of Japan, students have a sense of responsibility and relatedness to the world.

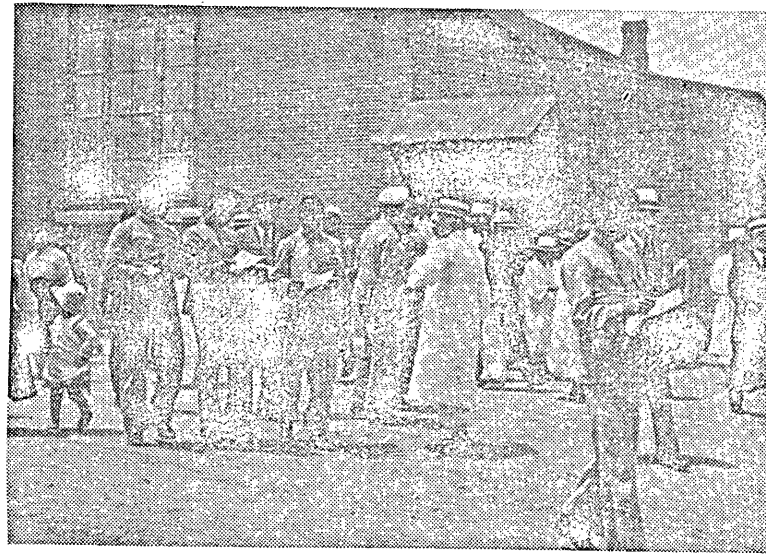
Religion

Confucianism, Buddhism and Christianity are the major religions in Korea. In addition, Shamanism, and a native cult, Chondo-Kyo, are widely practiced. Adherents of all these faiths are scattered throughout the country. An attitude of tolerance prevails.

The Japanese attempted to impose Shintoism on the Koreans, by requiring all Koreans in public positions as well as all teachers and students to worship at its shrines on Japanese holidays. That policy of the Japanese was resented by the Koreans who attempted to circumvent the regulations by all possible means. Shintoism has now left Korea in company with the Japanese.

Christianity, having a registered membership of only about 500,000, is Korea's most active religion. The first Catholic missionaries entered Korea from China in 1833, the first Protestant in 1885. Since that time missionary activity has been predominantly American. The Protestant churches in Korea, however, are supported, administered and controlled entirely by Koreans.

Christian organizations, particularly in the Protestant churches, was one of the very few fields in which Koreans could obtain administrative experience during Japanese domination. The Christian churches also proved to be centers of non-Japanese education. The churches and church-schools continually resisted Japanese efforts to destroy



Worshippers still crowd the Christian churches of Korea.

nomic factor in Korea. The farm lands were acquired by the Japanese. In 1942 sixty per cent of the entire farming population owned no land at all. Under land reforms which were started by the United States military government by the middle of 1948 the number of owner-operators had risen 126 per cent, while the number of tenants had decreased fifty-six per cent.

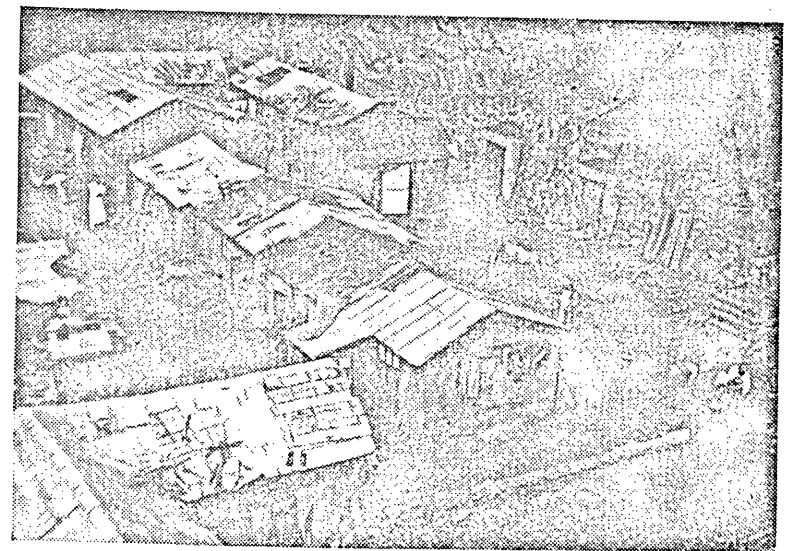
The division of the country has imposed additional obstacles to economic recovery. South Korea is the rice and grain producing region, while North Korea is the industrial producer. Southern agriculture depended upon the chemical fertilizer produced in the north. The electrical power and coal came from the north, so when the northern power was cut off on May 14, 1948, southern industrial production slumped to less than fifty per cent of the level it had attained after the war.

Then, too, the influx of refugees from North Korea and repatriates from other parts of Asia have placed an increased burden upon the economy of the south. The twenty millions now living south of the 38 degree parallel can live and work only if industries are developed and foreign trade conducted.

During the period October, 1945, and May, 1948, almost two and a half million Koreans officially entered South Korea as refugees or repatriates from North Korea, Manchuria, Japan, China and other Pacific areas. There are indications of a considerable number of unrecorded entries, almost entirely of refugees from the north who failed to pass through control points. The number of unrecorded entries has

somewhat mitigated the shortage of facilities.

Today southern Korea is rapidly developing a free democratic system of education on the primary school level with the expectation of extending it to the high schools. All pre-war text books being written in the Japanese language have been



Houses for refugees installed by the City of Seoul, Korea.

discarded so the problem of providing an entirely new series of text books in the Korean language is gigantic.

The number of private secondary schools has increased greatly and all schools have an enrollment double that of pre-war years. Colleges are becoming universities. Boys schools are opening their doors to girls for the first time—everybody is anxious for an education. There

Korean culture while at the same time they educated Koreans in modern ideas and techniques. Christian agencies of America were the major non-governmental agencies that kept up friendship with the Koreans during the Japanese occupation. Missionary teachers, doctors and nurses established schools and hospitals, proving themselves to be friends in need. The Koreans

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THE DEVOTIONAL PAGE

REV. H. O. BOLIN, Editor

THE "NEW" MAN

A movement is on foot to transform husbands into parents. Too many men, through the years, have felt that they were discharging their complete duty in the home by paying the bills and asking their wives, "Why did you let the child do it?" or "Have you told him the facts of life?"

As playmates for children, men are wonderful; they share the electric trains, enjoy amusement parks together, and delight in visits to zoos. But, on the whole, they shun unpleasant responsibilities where children are concerned.

Now, however, men are entering a new day. Hospitals and social agencies over the country are giving courses in child care to expectant fathers. Adult education is including men. Mothers whose work in the maidless house has increased during the last years need to shift some of the burdens. We hear less about division of labor and more about cooperation and mergers.

Not only will children's lives be improved and enriched by these new relations with their fathers, but fathers will become really educated. Once they have developed into parents, they will never want to go back to the wee bit role of breadwinners.—In The Union Signal.

HOPE IS VIRTUE OF CHRISTIANITY ALONE

Dr. Kai Zung Loh, secretary of the Shanghai (China) YMCA, in addressing the congregation, in First Methodist Church, Frankfurt, Germany, spoke an extremely discerning word when he said, "I was persuaded to become a Christian because it is the only religion in the world that makes a religious virtue out of hope."

Going on with his discussion of the theme he said further, "The Apostle Paul set hope between faith and love as one of the three great Christian identifications, and there can be no real Christian message which does not include hope along with these other two virtues."

More than a score of years ago Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick, in one of his volumes of sermons, pointed out that Christianity is the only religion in the world that looks to the future. Every other world religion looks to the past for its golden age and attempts to move men back to the great spiritual and moral achievements of yesterday. Jesus alone, of all the great religious teachers the world has ever had, came proclaiming the initiation of the kingdom of God on earth which was to reach its triumphant fulfillment sometime in the future.

Christians have something to look forward to; paganism has only the past to look back upon.

The confusion of the day in which we live is very hard on hope, and the preacher of the good news of Christ who stands in his pulpit and proclaims the gospel of hope is very likely to be called a dreamer, a visionary, and an idealist by some of the "hard-headed realists" in the audience. But that is exactly the mission of the Christian preacher in such an hour.—In Christian Advocate.

A TRYSTING PLACE

*There is a place where thou canst touch the eyes
Of blinded man to instant perfect sight;
There is a place where thou canst say, "Arise"
To dying captives bound in chains of might;
There is a place where thou canst reach the store
Of hoarded gold and free it for the Lord;
There is a place upon some distant shore
Where thou canst send the worker or the Word.
There is a place where God's resistless power
Responsive moves to thine insistent plea.
There is a place—a simple trysting place—
Where God Himself descends and fights for thee.
Where is that blessed place? Dost thou ask where?
O Soul, it is the secret place of prayer.—War Cry.*

A SERIOUS QUESTION

James, the brother of our Lord, raised a very serious question. He went on to say, "Go to now, ye that say, Today or tomorrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain: Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away."

Many things come in pairs or greater numbers. If one is lost, the possessor still has another, but such is not the case with life. Each person has but one life on this earth. He may save it by dedicating it to Christ and unselfish service to others, or he may lose it by attempting to keep it for himself. Therefore, the question of James is very serious—"What is your life?"

James was thinking primarily of the brevity of life. "It is even a vapour," said he, "that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away." He would warn us to act quickly. Most people have great ambitions in life. They plan to accomplish something that is really worth while. They are not willing to pass through the world like a tramp and leave it no better than they found it. Their trouble is not lack of ambition or good intentions. It is rather procrastination; the putting off until tomorrow what ought to be done today. Finally, they come to the end of the way. They are stricken with disease, old age, or even death itself. One may realize his mistake when it is too late. He may stand on the brink of an empty tomb and weep bitter tears. He may long for an opportunity to live his life over again, but his prayer will be in vain.

Suppose we take this question of James—"What is your life?" and apply it to the different phase of life, remembering always that Christianity covers all attitudes, activities and responsibilities of life.

What is your life in your home? No phase of life is more important than this. The political, the social, the economic, the school, and the church life never soars above the general level of the home life. In the past, nations, empires, and civilizations have arisen through the force of good home life and have fallen when that life failed. This nation has been made great by good homes. It will fall if the homes ever completely fail. In speaking to Madam Chapman, Na-

poleon Bonaparte once raised the question, "What is France's greatest need?" She replied, "Good homes." He was impressed by her statement and went on to say, "You are right; civilization itself is expressed in those two words—'good homes'—Be it your duty to see that France has such homes." France failed and dropped into the role of a third rate nation, and it was at this point more than any other that she failed.

What is your life in your home? Are you living peaceably, helpfully, and sacrificially with other members of your family? Have you come to fully realize that family life is a give and take proposition? Above all, is the influence of your home conducive to the building of strong Christian character in the lives of the children who grow up under your roof? There are three problems that are striking at the heart of our nation today and two of them center squarely in home. One of these problems is the liquor evil. The two which stem wholly from the home are the divorce evil and juvenile delinquency.

Again, what is your life in your community? Do you bear your responsibilities as a citizen? The Philosopher Plato once said, "The penalty that good men pay for their indifference toward politics is to be ruled by bad men." Jesus said, "Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." No person can possibly be a Christian in the fullest sense unless he is community minded. He has got to think of and be interested in the welfare of his neighbor as well as his own. Paul once said, "Let each man bear his own burdens," but he didn't stop there. He further admonished, "Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ." There are burdens that each individual must bear. No one else can get under them with him. Then there are also burdens and responsibilities that the whole community must get under.

Last and very important, what is your life in the Church? The Church in its various branches is the greatest public institution in the world. The whole active ministry of Christ was spent in preaching on one theme—the coming of the Kingdom of God on earth. He insisted that all good would come to men through this Kingdom. He said that people could well afford to make any kind of sacrifice in or-

BEER INVADERS THE HOME

The liquor traffic sometimes acts as if it wanted to be curbed by law. The brewers for instance are enlarging their advertising drive to bring beer into the home. Their aim, as described by the United States Brewers Foundation itself, is to raise the social standing of beer by associating it with nice surroundings and with nice people.

Many fathers and mothers, however, will object to having their children educated into an attraction for liquor through finding beer pictured in the most attractive scenes. But many young people may be won by the brewers to accepting beer without their elders ever knowing it. The liquor trade's glimpses of domestic life with beer worked in as a desirable feature are painted by leading artists and carried into the homes of millions of boys and girls, young men and women, by high-class magazines.

The home life series of the brewing industry was referred to during the recent Congressional hearing on bills to restrict liquor advertising. Some kind of regulation is needed to protect both homes and youths from this vicious allurements.—Christian Science Monitor.

der to enter the Kingdom. Habits that are as dear to one as a right hand or a right eye must be cut off and plucked out if they hinder in entering the Kingdom. The Church is the only institution in the world that exists for the sole purpose of establishing the Kingdom of God on earth. In fact the task of the Church and the Kingdom are so identical that many feel they are synonymous terms. At the time of the Reformation, however, the idea arose that the Kingdom coincides with the invisible Church rather than the visible. This came about through the fact that the visible Church is divided.

What is your life in the Church? Are you a member of some branch of it? Are you living according to its teachings? Are you pooling your efforts and treasure along with others to accomplish a big task in the world?

Remember, each has but one life, and it is brief at best. Each of us should be careful to live right in the home, in the community, and in the Church. The hope of the world lies in these three institutions. Are you doing your part toward the making of a better world? The coming of the Kingdom of God is retarded through the indifference of those who are not working at the task.—H. O. B.

"Radio for the Family" is a 16 page pamphlet prepared by Pearl Rosser, director of radio education for the International Council of Religious Education, to help parents make radio a welcome guest rather than an invader in the home. The pamphlet is available for 10 cents from the International Council of Religious Education, 203 N. Wabash Avenue, Chicago 1, Ill.

But now he is dead, wherefore shall I fast? Can I bring him back again. I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me.—2 Sam. 12:23.

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A WEEKLY MESSAGE

By FORNEY HUTCHINSON

THE THREE SONS

In Matthew 21:28-32 Jesus tells the story of "The Two Sons," but I am going to enlarge upon it and give you the story of The "Three Sons."

To the first of these sons, Jesus said, "Go work today in my vineyard." He answered and said, "I will not," but afterward he repented and went. I am so glad for that lesson. It makes room for a sinner to repent. He may have broken God's law, failed to obey His commands, gone on his way regardless of God's will, but to the very last there is room for repentance. After all, he may repent and go, Thank God, many do!

To the second son the Father used the same words that he had used in addressing the first son. Likewise he answered and said, "I go, sir," but went not. Then Jesus asked, "Which of them did the will of his Father?" It is easy to see that the one who repented and went was more nearly in line with the will of his Father than the one who said, "I go, sir," and went not. If he ever repented of his unwillingness to do his Father's will, there is no record of it. His case was hopeless, and so far as we know, until this day he is out somewhere in the universe living in rebellion against the will of God.

The third son, whom I am creating for the occasion, in reply to his Father's command, said, "I go, sir," and went. He went cheerfully and immediately, made a faithful servant in the vineyard of the Lord, and at the end received a rich reward.

Repentance is better than stubborn rebellion, but how much better than either is the unwillingness to know and do the will of God. Blessed is the man who, hearing God's command, without hesitation and without refusal, promptly obeys. He says, "I go, sir," and cheerfully and immediately he went.

NOTICE NORTH ARKANSAS BOARD OF MINISTERIAL TRAINING AND QUALIFICATIONS

All who are required to appear before the North Arkansas Conference Board of Ministerial Training and Qualifications are advised that the Board will meet on Mount Sequoyah at 10:00 a. m., Wednesday, June 15th. It is wise to meet the Board as soon as it is conveniently possible after that hour.—Allen D. Stewart, Chairman.

NEWS AND NOTES ABOUT FACTS AND FOLKS

REV. J. WILLIAM WATSON, pastor of the Methodist Church at Siloam Springs, delivered the commencement address for the 1949 graduating class of the Siloam Springs High School.

IN last week's issue of the *Arkansas Methodist* we ran an item asking for copies of the paper of May 5. We thank our many friends who supplied us with papers and we are glad to report that we have a sufficient number and will not have need for more copies.

THE following item appears in the church bulletin of the First Methodist Church of Jonesboro: "Miss SuElla Anderson, our director of Religious Education in the Youth Area, was chosen by the faculty of Little Rock Junior College as one of the upper ten per cent of the class of graduates who contributed most toward the success of the college."

DR. JOHN W. CLINE, longtime missionary in China, but now retired and back in the states, writes from Benton: "Bishop Ralph A. Ward cabled May 27: 'Gratefully report all Methodist missionaries safe. Several Chinese members reported wounded. Civic order excellent. Spirit fine.' I desire to remark that the closing sentences are particularly encouraging for all who have healthy interest and hope for China."

REV. AND MRS. JAMES MAJOR of Santiago, Chile, announce the birth of a son, James Victor, on May 27. Brother Major writes: "I have hopes that Raney, the first boy will be a Methodist preacher because he was born on Sunday. Perhaps Jimmy will be a missionary because he kept me from attending a missionary meeting, but let me arrive there in time to announce his birth first to the missionary group of Santiago." Mrs. Major is in the Presbyterian Hospital in Madre e Hijo and she and baby are doing fine. Brother and Mrs. Major's address is Casilla 7029, Santiago, Chile.

THE Rt. Hon. Lord Mackintosh of Halifax, and Dean Luther A. Weigle of Yale University Divinity School, president and chairman respectively of the World Council of Christian Education, have issued the official "Call" to the Thirteenth Quadrennial World Convention on Christian Education to be held in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, on August 10-16, 1950. It is expected that 5,000 delegates from 75 countries will attend the mid-century sessions on the campus of the University of Toronto and in neighboring churches. This will be the first such World Convention to be held since that of 1936 in Oslo, Norway.

THE NATIONAL LUTHERAN COUNCIL, serving the major Lutheran communions in the United States, has sent more than 1,146,000 books to Europe since the close of World War II. The shipments in 1948 included 315 packages of books sent to pastors and theologians in prisoner-of-war camps in France, England and Egypt; 535 packages to pastors, schools, institutions, congregations and refugee and displaced persons camps in Germany, Italy, Austria, Africa and Yugoslavia; 308 cartons to U. S. Army chaplains in Germany and Austria, and to Lutheran agents in Germany for distribution among congregations, schools, refugees and displaced persons camps; and 26 cases, mostly Bibles and hymnals, to "Hilfswerk" for Germany.

DR. ALBERT SCHWEITZER, regarded by many as the world's most noted Christian missionary, famed also as a Bach recitalist on the organ, as an organ builder, as a theologian, and as builder and physician of the Lambarene Hospital, Africa, will be in the United States for a brief visit this summer, according to Dr. Emory Ross of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, a personal friend. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Ross. The Alsatian-born genius, who at thirty-five held four doctorates (philosophy, theology, music, and medicine), is now 73 years of age, and is reported physically fatigued. Because of this, he will make only one

speaking engagement on this trip: at Aspen, Colorado, early in July, where he will take part in a Goethe anniversary service.

DR. WALTER C. LOWDERMILK, of Berkeley, Cal., internationally famous agricultural economist, and former assistant chief of the Soil Conservation Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, is visiting central, west and south Africa this year under the auspices of Agricultural Missions, Inc. Dr. Lowdermilk will advise African governments and Christian missions in six countries on methods and techniques in making modern scientific knowledge available to the native peoples "in line with the missionary tradition of making scientific knowledge available to so-called backward nations." Dr. Lowdermilk was formerly an agricultural missionary in China; and later the creator of the Jordan Valley Authority for the redeeming of lands for agricultural use in Palestine. He is the author of "Palestine, Land of Promise," and of many scientific treatises.

LEADING evangelical churchmen of many communions across the world will be in Chichester, England, from July 9 to 15, to endeavor to start some "actions" in the field of international relations, based on Christian principles pointed up by the recent assembly of the World Council of Churches. The meeting will be of the Council's central committee of 75 members. The "east-west cleavage" of ideologies, aims, and principles will be before the group. Among Americans attending will be: Dr. Angue Dun, Protestant Episcopal bishop of Washington, D. C.; Dr. Franklin Clark Fry, president of the United Lutheran Church; Dr. Douglas Horton, head of the Congregational Christian Churches; Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, Methodist bishop of the New York Area; Mrs. Anna C. Swain, president of the Women's American Baptist Society; and Dr. Henry P. Van Dusen, president of Union Theological Seminary, New York.

DR. RALPH E. DIFFENDORFER, president of the Japan Christian University Foundation, Inc., and executive secretary of the Division of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Church, sailed from San Francisco on April 29, to spend seven weeks in Japan consulting with Japanese educators, Christian churchmen, and government officials on plans for the proposed Japan Christian University for which a campus has already been purchased outside Tokyo. Dr. Diffendorfer was accompanied by Professor Maurice E. Troyer, noted educational counsellor and director of the Evaluation Service Center of Syracuse University. They will give special attention to the ties to be established between the new University and existing Christian colleges and special schools now carrying on in Japan. It is expected that a College of Education, for the training of teachers for Japan's secondary schools, will be the first unit of the University. Upon the return of Drs. Diffendorfer and Troyer in July, further plans will be made in a campaign to raise a fund of \$10,000,000 in America to erect and partly endow the University.

NOTICE TO PASTORS

There will be a table set up in the Conference Treasurer's room at the Little Rock Conference in Hot Springs and a representative to receive funds on 2% Personal and Endowment for the Board of Conference Claimants.—Otto W. Teague, Treasurer.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Commission on World Service and Finance will meet at 10:00 a. m. on Wednesday, June 15, on Mt. Sequoyah.

District superintendents are requested to check with the statistical secretary and the Conference treasurer to see that records are in agreement.—J. Albert Gatlin, Chairman.

Methodist Student Day And Hendrix

By GEORGE H. STROUD

SIX Hendrix College students have been able to attend college this year because of the advantages offered by the Methodist Student Movement.

These students are only a few of five hundred over the country who have been able to hold their scholarship rating up and profit by the Methodist Student Movement. The movement is a program of the Division of Educational Institutions, offering to students who are recommended by college authorities and who maintain the necessary high academic average.

On Sunday, June 12, Methodist Churches of Arkansas will have the opportunity to contribute to this program through special offerings. This day has been designated as "Methodist Student Day" and special programs will be presented in the local Churches. As a result of collections made on this day in years before, more than five hundred scholarships have been awarded to students in American colleges and universities.

The Methodist Scholarships have contributed greatly to the students at Hendrix who receive them. In the words of Dr. T. S. Staples, retiring dean of the college, "they have encouraged sound scholarship and active religious leadership on the campus and in the local church. Scholarships have been of very distinct value to the students at Hendrix College. The beneficiaries of these aids show promise of being outstanding leaders in the Church of the future. They have borne with becoming humility the distinction implied in these grants and have shown their appreciation in well-sustained support of religious activities of the campus."

The students themselves testify to

the nicety and succor of the scholarships:

Betty Jo Teeter, perpetual "Dean's

really realize the difference."

Martha Rilley, also perennially on the "Dean's List," says: "The Meth-

has proved an incentive for me to keep my grades up so the scholarship can be renewed."

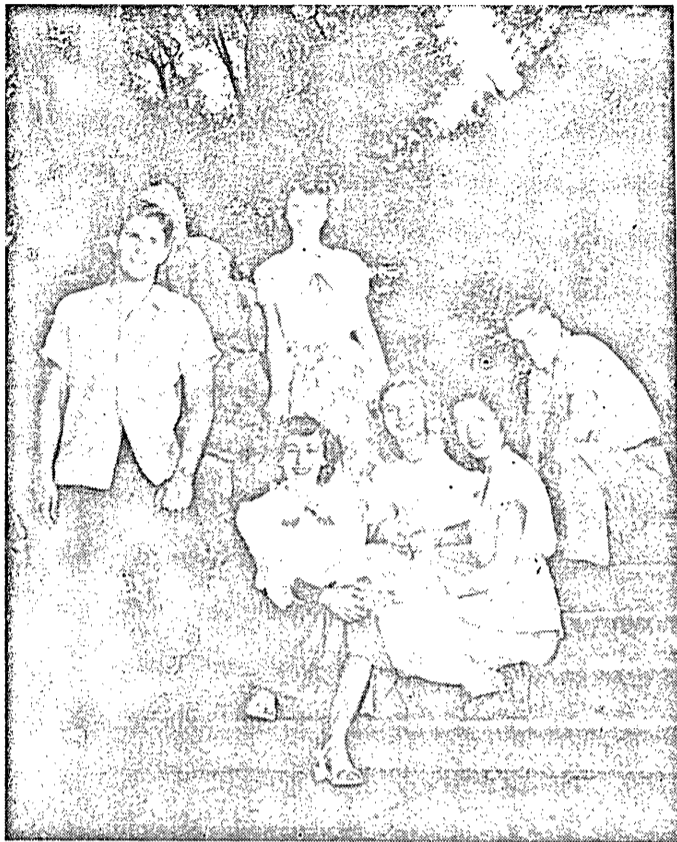
Mary Margaret Holmes, who will graduate with honors in August, avows that "Keeping my grades up was a lot easier when I knew I had to if I was to keep my scholarship. And I certainly appreciate the honor that such a reward represents—that the board thought me a worthy investment."

Two of the recipients of the scholarship, Stanley Reed of Jonesboro and Elizabeth Teague of Pine Bluff, are active members of the Hendrix Pre-Theolog Fellowship, organization for students preparing for the ministry or other full-time religious work.

Charles Miller of Texarkana is a music student, majoring in voice. He tells us "I owe this opportunity to the Methodist Church, for making it possible through the gift of a scholarship. I sincerely hope that I can repay the Church, not in words, but through service in Christian work."

Each year Hendrix is allocated a proportionable amount for scholarship funds by the Division of Educational Institutions. The scholarships are for an amount equal to the regularly established tuition and fees of the institution up to \$400.00 per academic year. They may be renewed, but not for more than one year, and must be used within the year specified.

These students are the pillars of tomorrow's America and the fathers and mothers of the next day's children. They will be the church people who take over when we are gone. A religiously inclined education is one of the most valuable things we can bestow on anyone. Whatever we may do to help them is the best insurance we can endow.



Hendrix College winners of Methodist Scholarships this year are, counterclockwise, starting at extreme left, Charles Miller of Texarkana, Elizabeth Teague of Pine Bluff, Betty Jo Teeter of Fordyce, Martha Rilley of Little Rock, Stanley Reed of Jonesboro, and Mary Margaret Holmes of Crossett.

List" student from Fordyce, says: "My Methodist Scholarship is fine! Since it was offered to me, I can

Methodist Scholarship has enabled me to take some music courses that I would have been unable to take. It



Week Of Dedication

By E. HAROLD MOHN



FROM every point of view our recent Week of Dedication was a significant success. The blessed experience of this one week, set aside to deepen the spiritual life of all Methodists, was sought by only one-half of our churches. The other half permitted various programs to crowd it out. These facts brings to all of us the determination next year to make this high hour really church-wide and universally observed.

Wherever congregations were called to dedicate self and substance during the week of March 13th to 20th, reports from pastors and district superintendents glow with enthusiasm. Such reported experiences leave in the heart of the reader one deep regret, that every Methodist did not have opportunity to participate. Naturally our crowded life requires a choice between not only the good and bad, but between the better and best. We cannot escape the conviction that there are very few interests of the church worthy of taking precedence over a carefully planned observance of the Week of Dedication each year during Lent.

At this writing, May 4th, 13,073

churches have reported to 395 district superintendents that they observed the Week in some manner. Free will offerings were received from 12,878 of these churches in the amount of \$704,227. Remittances in cash amount to \$496,253.70. We hope and pray that at least 20,000 churches have observed the Week and received offerings. What if that number were 41,000 churches?

More important than the figures above, are reports coming to the Chicago office about impressive communion services conducted throughout some one day or evening of Dedication Week, of crowded churches at week night services, of persons converted at the altar, of members received during the Week, of family nights and youth nights observed, of the re-dedication of congregations and a new spirit of devotion to Christ and fellowship among the people. These matters were the chief concern of the Week of Dedication Committee and they received major emphasis in the excellent literature made available to every pastor or church in Methodism that made request.

The above general picture is highlighted by some very important and

sparkling records:

The Jackson Area, Bishop Marvin A. Franklin, reported the largest number of churches contributing to the Week of Dedication, 814. Every district superintendent in that area sent reports almost immediately following March 20th. They reported one of the largest offerings, \$37,535, due not only to complete organization but also to faithful cooperation of pastors and local churches.

The largest total amount reported was from the Ohio Area, Bishop Hazen Werner, \$42,379. All Area reports are incomplete.

The two prize districts in offerings received were in Bishop Dana Dawson's area, Kansas-Nebraska. The Hutchinson District, Dr. J. S. Ploughe, Superintendent, reported \$8,786, and Dodge City District, Dr. Russell Throckmorton, Superintendent, reported \$7,341.* The area total was \$39,091.

Five other districts have exceeded \$6,500. They are: Jackson, Mississippi, Dr. B. M. Munt; Pasadena, California, Dr. J. L. Lyons; Chattanooga, Tennessee, Dr. L. E. Hoppe; Canton, Ohio, Dr. W. W. Dieterich; Youngstown, Ohio, Dr. Edwin R. Romig.

Returning to the Kansas-Nebraska Area, we quote from a letter received from Dr. Ploughe: "The observance of the Week of Dedication in the Hutchinson District did not major in financial promotion, but in spiritual renewal. Our pastors followed the Work Book of our Conference." The remainder of his letter reads like some of St. Paul's descriptions of the devotion and generosity of the churches of Asia Minor.

We lift just one paragraph out of this modern epistle from the Hutchinson District: "First Church, Hutchinson, gave \$1,681 on the Day of Dedication. They gave on Easter \$665 to an Advance Special in a Foreign field. They have given \$1,150 to a Home Mission Special. Other smaller Specials are coming in all the time. This is done in the face of a very heavy building program which they are just ready to launch. The pastor is Dr. E. W. Freeman."

Other churches that have reported dedication offerings in excess of \$1,000 are Central Church, Detroit, Michigan; First Church, Evanston, Illinois; Belmont Church, Nashville, Tennessee; Epworth-Euclid, Cleve-

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THE CHILDREN'S PAGE

ANNIE WINBURN, Editor



IN STORYLAND

THE PRINCESS' GARDEN

By Edith M. Larrabee

Once upon a time there was a little princess named Viola who wanted a garden all her own, and because she wanted it very much she ran expectantly to the head gardener to ask if he would give her one. He listened kindly, but replied: "I am so busy caring for the great grounds that I have not time to tend a little garden, so I can't give you one."

"My father, the king, will give it to me," declared the princess, haughtily, but when she asked him he only echoed the gardener's words.

"Go to the little man in the forest," sang a bird from a tree top.

"Oh!" exclaimed Viola, "will he give me a garden?"

"Try it and see," was the reply.

The princess ran into the forest until she came to the cave where the little man lived. She told him how much she wanted just a little garden of her very own.

"You shall have one," he promised, "but you must make it yourself."

"How?" asked the princess, in surprise.

"You shall learn. Now come with me."

Viola followed to an open space in the woods. The little man marked on a small plot.

"This is your garden," he told Viola. "Come every day and see what you find in it."

The little princess ran wonderingly back to the palace. On the way she spied the little lame son of the butler sitting under a tree. His face was sorrowful and his eyes red as if he had been crying.

"What is the matter, Fritz?" asked the princess.

"My kitten is dead," answered the boy. "It was the only pet I had."

"Oh, I'm sorry," sympathized Viola.

She thought very hard on her way home, and decided how she could make the poor little boy happy again. Taking two of her young rabbits, she carried them to the cottage where Fritz lived.

"I've brought you some more pets," she said to him.

The lame boy was delighted. He caught the little creatures in his arms and pressed them close to him as he said tremulously, "It is more than kind of Your Highness."

The next day, on going to her garden, Viola found that one corner was filled with lovely velvety pansies. "Something has grown already," she cried. "How beautiful they are!"

That afternoon she played in the big garden while her nurse wrote letters under the shade of some trees. She enjoyed this for a time, but when she grew tired of it she asked, "May I go over there by the pond?"

"No," replied the nurse. "You must not go there alone. You might fall in."

Princess Viola was much displeased with the refusal. Presently the nurse rose, saying, "I must leave you for a few moments. I want you

to stay right here until I return."

"I will," promised the princess, but as soon as the nurse was gone she looked longingly toward the pond.

"I'll just run down and back before she comes back," she thought. "She won't know."

When Viola reached the pond she stopped to throw into it several stones. These splashed the water splendidly, but alas! the sparkling drops wet her dress.

"Oh, I must go back," she exclaimed in alarm, and ran to her place beneath the trees, where she was once more at play when the nurse returned.

"You have been a good girl," was the nurse's comment. Then noticing the wet dress she asked, "How did it happen?"

Viola did not know what to answer.

"Have you been to the pond?" was the next stern question, and the princess was obliged to confess that she had.

The following morning, when Viola looked at her garden, she saw an unsightly toadstool beside the pansies.

"I don't want that," she declared, and tried to pull it up, but it remained firm. She pulled and pulled, but it was of no use, and she ran back to the palace in tears.

Later in the day she wanted to take a long ride.

"No," answered her mother, the queen, when she made her request. "You are to be allowed to attend the musicale this evening, and I do not want you to be too tired. You must rest now."

Princess Viola began to pout and cry, but she soon determined to make the best of her disappointment, and settled down to a quiet game, happily singing.

The next morning, when she ran again to the garden, she found to her delight one side aglow with brilliant poppies. She clapped her hands and jumped up and down, crying, "Oh! oh! They are so cheer-

ful, I love to look at them."

The next day it stormed, and the next and the next, until a week had gone by. Every morning the princess went to the window, only to find clouds and drizzling rain.

"I can see my flowers today," she sighed, "but the sun will shine tomorrow, I am sure."

Throughout all this time Viola made no complaint, but waited patiently for the return of pleasant weather. At last one morning when she awoke the sunlight was streaming into her room. She could hardly wait to be out of doors. Running to her garden she saw with delight that one end was filled with a large plant of blue heliotrope. "This is the sweetest of all," she exclaimed, smelling the fragrant blossoms.

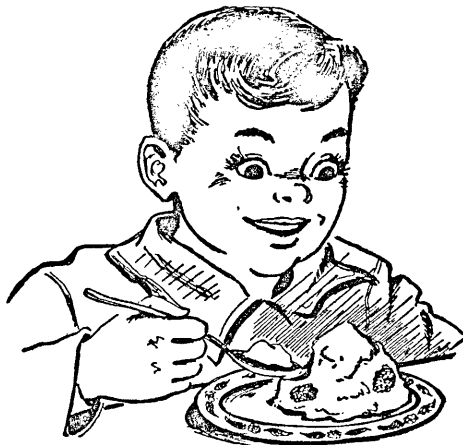
It was too bad her happiness could not have helped her to do right all day. When she reached home she found that her brother, the baby prince, had left his own toys and was playing with her favorite doll. Viola was so angry that she struck him and made him cry. When she next visited her garden she saw a tall weed among the flowers. Like the toadstool, it would not come up.

Then Viola made a discovery. "When I do something good I have flowers, and when I do wrong I find weeds and mushrooms."

After this she tried very hard to do always the right things and was greatly pleased as her little plot became covered with bright spots of bloom. At length one day, when she saw that it was filled, she ran to tell the little man about it.

"Did I not say that you must make it yourself?" he asked. "Keep on doing good deeds and everywhere there will spring up for you beautiful and fragrant flowers, but every wrong act will bring forth a worthless weed."

Years after Viola became queen of a great country, and was dearly loved by her people because she was so thoughtful and kind to every one. She had planted so many fra-



A BIRTHDAY PARTY

You want to know why I celebrate
I'll tell you the reason, today I'm eight.
It's fun to share all of my joys
With some of the other girls and boys.

So if you're having a birthday soon
Just take a little advice,
Do something for somebody else,
You'll find it's twice as nice.—A.E.W.

IN THE WORLD OF BOYS AND GIRLS

GOODNIGHT PRAYER

Thou hast guarded me all day;
Father, unto Thee I pray—
Safe I am while in Thy sight;
Safely let me sleep tonight.

Bless my friends, the whole world
bless;
Help me to learn helpfulness;
Keep me ever in Thy sight—
So to all I say goodnight.

—Henry Johnson in Ex.

COOKIE THOUGHTS

By Annie M. Hallaway

When we eat a cookie, let's
Think what cookies mean—
Wheatfields waving in the wind,
Nodding heads of green.

Sugar cane in tall stiff rows,
Grapes from swinging vine
Dried to make raisins sweet
In your bite and mine.

Spice brought in giant ships
Far across the sea,
Eggs from off the hayloft high,
Laid for you and me.

In the milk sweet clover scent
Helps to all remind
That the gentle bossy cow
Does not lag behind;

All this in the cookie bite
That we ate for tea.
Many things that bite could tell
To you, my dear, and me.

—The Evangelical Messenger.

JUST FOR FUN

A lady checking over her grocery bill, found this item: "One tom cat—fifteen cents." Indignant, she called up her grocer and demanded an explanation. "Oh, that's all right, Mrs. Jones," explained the grocer, "that's an abbreviation for tomato catsup."

An Englishman was visiting this country for the first time, and as he was driving along the highway, saw a large sign:

"Drive slow. This means you."
The Englishman stopped in surprise, and exclaimed: "My word; how did they know I was here?"

Hubby (after an airplane trip):
"As I contemplated the wonders of nature from high in the sky, I realized how insignificant is man."

Wifey: "Humph! A woman can see that without going up in a plane."

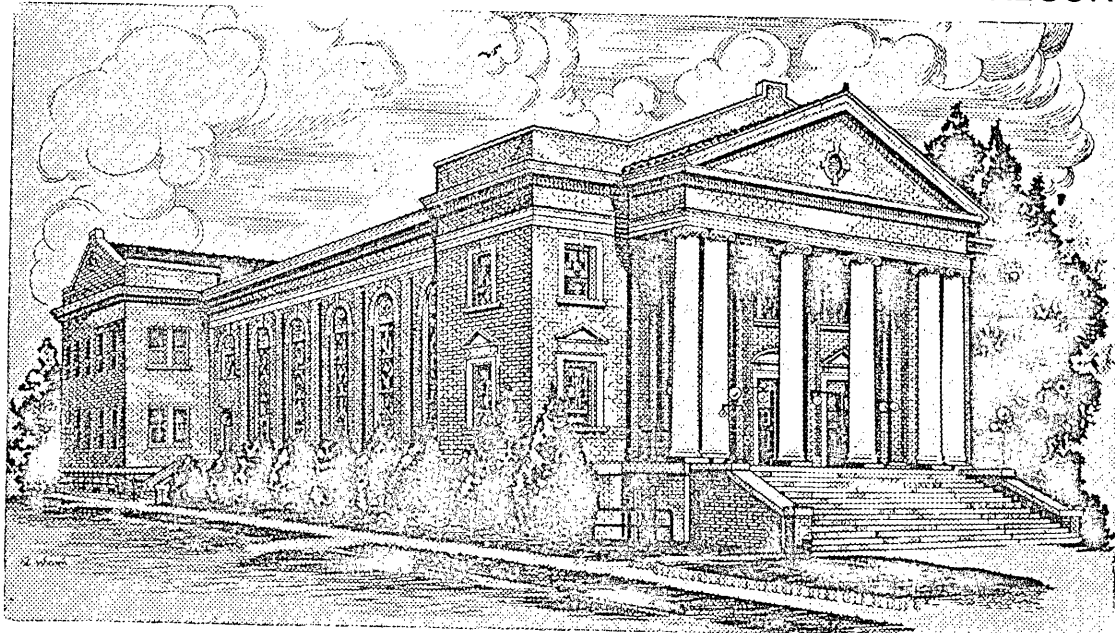
A bellboy passed through the foyer of the hotel, whistling loudly.

"Young man," said the manager sternly, "you know it's against the rules to whistle while on duty."

"I am not whistling sir," replied the boy with dignity. "I'm paging Mrs. Vandercook's dog."

grant seeds in her heart that there was no room for the weeds of unkindness.—Storytellers Magazine.

FIRST CHURCH, EL DORADO, MAKES REMARKABLE RECORD



FIRST METHODIST CHURCH, EL DORADO

FIRST CHURCH, El Dorado, of which Dr. R. Connor Morehead is pastor, has made a very remarkable record in the Advance Special in the Advance For Christ movement. On a four year quota of \$6,035.00 El Dorado First Church has already raised in cash and reported to Treasurer \$4,378.00. This amount is undirected and practically covers the quota for the first three years of the Advance Special.

A very unusual thing about this fine response to the Advance is the fact that the church has not taken credit on its quota for a Mission Special which it has been carrying for some years. El Dorado has a Mission Special of \$1,200—the Jim Waters Memorial—which supports Miss Mary McSwain, a missionary to Brazil. This in effect makes a total acceptance for First Church, El Dorado, of \$10,835.00 for Advance Specials for the four year period.

The enviable record First Church has made in Advance Specials is in accord with the response this church has made to practically every

call of the church. In the Endowment Campaign for retired ministers in the Little Rock Conference First Church had a quota for the four years of \$7,428.00. It has raised in cash, on that quota, \$6,750.00 or more than six-sevenths of the amount due in the four year period.

In the Christmas offering for the Methodist Children's Home First Church raised for that purpose \$3,600.00 which was much the largest contribution in the state for that cause. \$1,200.00 was raised for the February special for Hendrix College and Ministerial Training. \$200.00 was raised on Race Relations Day for Philander Smith College and \$400.00 as a Dedication Day offering. The Golden Cross Offering for The Methodist Hospital in Hot Springs amounted to \$1,375.00. Only recently \$3,000.00 has been raised as a Special Gift to the General Board of Evangelism for use in its enlarged program.

Last week the Board of First Church bought a parsonage at a value of \$27,500.00. It was a valuable

METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME

Among the visitors at the Home this week were the Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Cazort. Brother Cazort is the pastor of the Methodist Church at Mt. Ida, Arkansas. They brought with them a quantity of canned fruit, honey, and molasses. These were contributed by Mrs. Showalter, R. F. D. Norman Road, Mt. Ida. When we speak of great preachers, we ordinarily think of those serving the large city churches. If any pastor is deserving of that title, however, Brother Cazort certainly deserves that distinction. He has served the Mt. Ida Church for nine consecutive years, and the Mt. Ida congregation is finishing a beautiful new church that will be a credit to the Methodist Churches of the Little Rock Conference.

We were also happy to have Mrs. Allan Mulkey, of Little Rock, and her mother, Mrs. Tinney, visit the Home this week. We are proud of our new buildings, and we always welcome an opportunity to show them to visitors. We hope that all of our friends who have not yet visited the new Home will do so at the first opportunity.—J. S. M. Cannon.

SCOTT STREET M. Y. F. ELECTS OFFICERS

The M. Y. F. of Scott Street Methodist Church has elected the following officers to serve for the ensuing church year: Paul Thomas, president; Jack Ernst, vice-president; Leroy Rackley, secretary-treasurer; Helen Glenn, Worship and Evangelism chairman; Nancy Goleonor, Missions and World Friendship chairman; Edward Dixon, Community Service chairman; Gene Dixon, Recreation chairman; Leroy Rackley, Publicity chairman.

building is being planned. The church has begun to raise a fund for that purpose. \$16,000.00 is now in hand.—E. T. Wayland.



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Pastor

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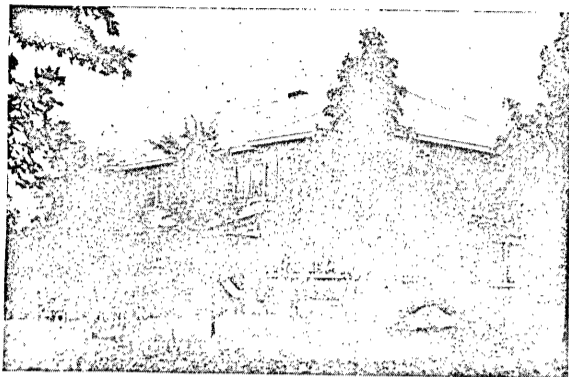
Fayetteville

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North Arkansas Conference Meets

The Western Methodist Assembly

In the summer of 1920 a group of church leaders from the Southwest ern Assembly. The General Boards, interested in



PARKER HALL

were attending the Leadership Conference at Lake Junaluska. These leaders, realizing the values of the work of that Assembly, and feeling that the churches west of the Mississippi River should have access to equal opportunities, recommended to the conferences of this territory that a commission be set up to select a location and create such agencies as might be needed to establish a West-

this type of work, agreed to give proper cooperation. The matter was thoroughly advertised and a number of bids for location was made to the commission. After careful investigation and consideration of the interests involved, East Mountain near Fayetteville was selected. This site, while not in the city, was near enough to have city advantages; yet far enough away not to be dominated by city influences or interests.

The name was changed from East Mountain to Mt. Sequoyah out of reverence for historical fact and traditions concerning the tribe of Indians which once occupied the surrounding territory. The Assembly has been under the management and direction of a Board of Trustees elected by the various patronizing conferences. It

lowed Dr. Millar as chairman of the board. The present chairman is Bishop Paul E. Martin, presiding Bishop of this area.

have been improved in recent years. With the installation of heating facilities, the cottages are now usable all year. About one hundred



BISHOP PAUL E. MARTIN
Presiding Bishop

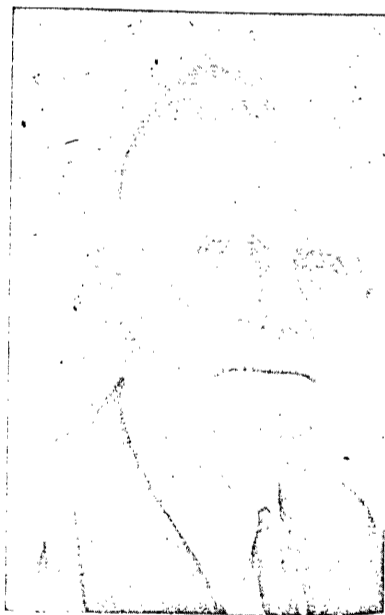
There have been only three superintendents of the Assembly during its twenty-six years: J. L. Bond for three and a half years; Dr. J. W. Workman for six months, filling out the year of Mr. Bond, and Rev. Sam M. Yancey who for twenty-one years has so successfully managed the affairs of the institution.

Brother Yancey became superintendent in September 1927. None of the few buildings that had been erected up to that time were entirely completed. The Assembly had already incurred an indebtedness of \$40,000.00. From this small beginning the Assembly, under the present management has had a marvelous growth in physical development and in meeting the needs of a constantly growing and expanding program.

All debts have been paid and a substantial balance in bonds is now held in reserve for emergencies and for continued development. The Assembly now has fifty-six buildings which, with the grounds and other improvements, have a value approaching half a million dollars.

The open-air auditorium will seat approximately twelve hundred people. The Woman's Building, controlled by the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Parker Hall controlled by the Board of Education, the administration building and the superintendent's home are some of the very substantial improvements on the mountain. Recently there have been added some new cottages of excellent construction. The Barnett cottage, the new cottage just being completed and the cottage resulting from the remodeling of the former office building are examples of this new construction which is a needed addition to the housing facilities.

All other cottages and dormitories



REV. SAM M. YANCEY
Superintendent, Mt. Sequoyah

is interesting to note the chairmen of this board from the beginning. To Dr. A. C. Millar, the first chairman is due major credit for its early development. He gave of his prayers, his time, his thought, and his means to make the Assembly what it is now. Bishop Paul B. Kern and Bishop Charles C. Seaceman in order fol-

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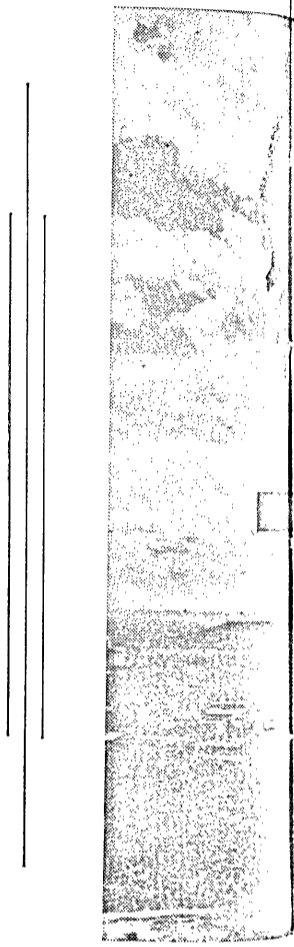
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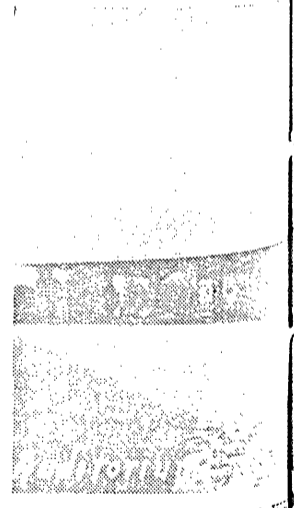
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THE CROSS SEQUOYAH

ple, university students and families, now spend the winter at Mt. Sequoyah.

A friend of the Western Methodist Assembly, who for the present



AUDITORIUM, MT. SEQUOYAH

to remain anonymous, recently presented the Assembly with a Hammond Organ which will probably be used for the first time during the session of the North Arkansas Conference. All who enjoy

Mt. Sequoyah, June 15th - 19th

es of Mt. Sequoyah will be grateful to this friend of on who has made this or their enjoyment.

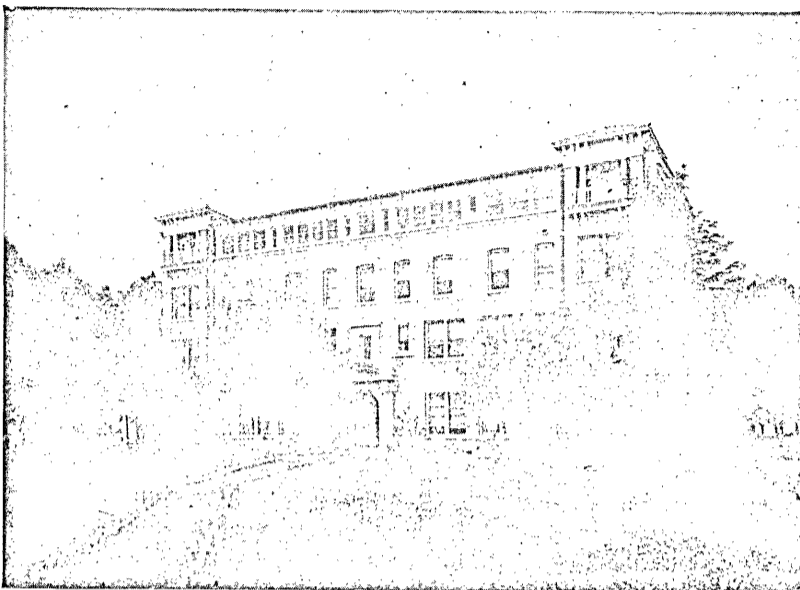
the summer schedule which begins in June and usually runs until late August. Each year the Methodist Publishing House opens a Book Store on

Five persons have been licensed to preach this year, making a total of thirty for the four years. Four young ministerial students are in Hendrix

and laymen throughout the district have been faithful and cooperative. We are looking forward with much pleasure to having the Annual Con-



DR. ROBERT E. GOODRICH
Conference Preacher



WOMAN'S BUILDING

the Mountain and carries a rather large selection of books and other Methodist publications, together with supplies of various kinds.

This year the Western Methodist Assembly, assisted by Central Methodist Church and Wiggins Memorial in Fayetteville, and our churches in Springdale and Prairie Grove, is host to the annual session of the North Arkansas Conference for the first time. Its cottages and buildings on the mountain will house many of the ministers and delegates. Others will be entertained in the city of Fayetteville and nearby. The session of the conference will be held in the open-air auditorium on Mt. Sequoyah. Meals may be had at the near-by cafeteria.

College, four are in S. M. U., from this district. Six young men have been recommended for Admission on Trial at the conference at Mount Sequoyah and two local preachers have been recommended for local Deacon's Orders. All the undergraduate pastors have completed their work for the year. Two Sub-District Metho-

ference in our district at Mount Sequoyah.



REV. E. H. HOOK
Dist. Supt. Fayetteville District

The Fayetteville District

The work of the church in the Fayetteville District has made progress in every phase. Notwithstanding the short year, about as many people have united with the church as last year. All finances have been paid in full. The district paid \$1471.00 on The Week of Dedication. The largest offering every made in the district to The Methodist Children's Home, in Little Rock, was made Christmas. About 125% of our quota for the Arkansas Methodist was secured. More than the quota was secured the first week of the campaign. New pews have been purchased and paid for at Goshen, Lincoln, Huntsville and Highfill. Springdale is completing a remodeling building program to the amount of \$17,500.00. Centerton has built a new parsonage, modern in every way. Rogers has plans for a new educational building to begin shortly after conference. Bentonville plans for a complete new church and educational plant to begin this next year. Much of the funds for both enterprizes has been collected already.

dist Youths Fellowships and Two Young Adult Fellowships have done fine work throughout the year. The Woman's Society of Christian Service, under the leadership of Mrs. Sam McNair and Mrs. Denver Misinimer, has made the usual fine contribution to the Kingdom. The reports to be made on June 8th will indicate a healthy growth in the work of Christian Education. The pastors

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VACATION SCHOOL INSTITUTES IN PRESCOTT DISTRICT

The following report was received from Mrs. John Rushing District Director of Children's Work in the Prescott District.

"I had a very thrilling and inspiring three days last week in our Vacation Church School Institutes. We had a total of 102 persons present and we had definite commitments for 21 schools. I am sure there will be more.

The workers in the Institutes were: Mrs. Osborne White, Delight; Mrs. H. C. Wiley, Dierks; Miss Ary Shough and myself. The charges represented were: Amity, Bingen (2) Caddo Ct. (2), Delight, Dierks, Emmet (2), Forester, Mt. Ida, Washington (2) Glenwood, Gurdon, Blevins (2), Hope, Mineral Springs (2) Murfreesboro, Prescott, Prescott Ct., Springhill. The number behind the charge represents the number of churches attending from that charge. The Kindergarten, Primary, Junior and Intermediate work was presented.

The 1948 statistical summary shows 529,703 nursery children in our church schools: an increase from the year before of 54,403. That sounds good until we realize that the birth rate for 1948 exceeded 3,000,000. Surely the Methodist Church could easily reach at least 100,000 more babies a year if every church were alert to this pressing opportunity.

The total enrollment of the children's division (including nursery children) for 1948 was 2,044,758: an increase of 143,175 for the year. That, too, sounds good and increases our concern about their parents, their teachers, and the provision their churches make for their religious training. But the Methodist Church should be reaching twice as many of the child population of the country. An increase of 500,000 is a reasonable goal to expect during the next four years, which calls for at least an increase of 25,000 teachers and a great increase in buildings and equipment.

Children's Work Bulletin

The above report helps us again to pause and consider the responsibility which our church has for the thousands of babies within the bounds of our two Conferences. How many babies are there in your community which should be enrolled in your church and are not? What provisions are you making for guiding parents in the creating of Christian Homes for the babies who are enrolled in our church schools? Do you realize that when an infant is baptized, or dedicated in a Methodist Church that the Church assumes responsibility, with the parents for, "the Christian training of their children," and that "We regard all children who have been baptized as being under the special care and supervision of the Church. All children who are baptized by a Methodist minister and other baptized children under the care of a

Dr. Magnuson To Teach In Pastors' School

DR. RAY F. MAGNUSON will offer the course on the Rural Church in the Arkansas Pastors' School, July 4-8. He is the Executive Secretary of the Town and Country Commission of the Nebraska Conference.

A native of Kansas, Dr. Magnuson has studied in a number of institutions of learning, taking his degree from the Nebraska University College of Agriculture. He has done graduate work at Garrett Biblical Institute and at the University of Nebraska.

He has had a number of years of pastoral experience before coming to his present position in which he is now serving his second year. He attended the General Conferences of 1944 and 1948 as a delegate from the Nebraska Conference. He was president of the Methodist Rural Fellowship from 1944-48, and is now serving as the interim editor of the Rural Fellowship Bulletin. Previous to his assignment as Secretary of Town and Country Work, he was chairman of the Conference Commission of Town and Country Work for two quadrenniums.

He has this to say about his course: "I should like to say a word about the course which I am to offer. I shall deal in the five lectures with the 'Religious Backgrounds of the Rural Life Movement.' However, in withdrawal, or transfer to another

into full membership, or by death, evangelical denomination." Par. 120, Discipline of the Methodist Church, 1948. What is your church doing to provide the special "care and supervision" called for by our Discipline? Study the work of the Nursery Department in your church. What can be done to enlarge and improve the work now being done? Write your Conference Director of Children's Work for suggestion on improving the work of the Nursery Department in your church.—Mrs. W. F. Bates.



DR. RAY F. MAGNUSON

addition to these lectures, I would be happy to conduct two or three workshop periods in which some very practical matters affecting the program of the small rural church might be discussed. In fact, I would feel somewhat guilty of short-changing my rural brethren if we did not get down to some very practical matters in the school."—Roy E. Fawcett.

NEW ELECTIVES FOR YOUTH

Nashville, Tennessee—Youth and youth leaders have a new, rich source for guidance in their work in a series of six program electives just issued by the Editorial Division of the Board of Education, and published by Abington-Cokesbury Press.

The new electives replace the study content in the old commission manuals. Organizational guidance for the departments and commissions will now be found in a new

YOUTH AND OVERSEAS RELIEF

Nashville, Tenn.—The Youth Department of the General Board of Education has recently issued a sheet of suggestions as to how offerings for Overseas Relief at summer assemblies, camps and institutes may be taken so as to make sure that the experience has some spiritual meaning for those contributing. "Be certain that every youth understands what will be accomplished through the offering," says a staff committee composed of Miss May L. Titus, the Rev. Joseph W. Bell and A. Argyle Knight.

Among the suggestions are the following:

A Brotherhood Meal—of very simple food such as rice, milk, and bread. This is very effective when eaten in silence and followed by a worship service with offering.

A Worship Service—remembering those who suffer. For an assembly period, morning watch, vespers, or any other suitable time.

Communion Service. For many youth a special offering for people in need is a regular part of the Communion Service.

Nick-Nackless Day. The group may agree to have the store at the camp or assembly closed for one day and to give to the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief what they would have spent during that period for candy, cold drinks, ice cream, etc. Similar to this is the plan to urge youth to give to MCOR the equivalent of what they spend for refreshments. For this purpose a special receptacle might be placed on the candy counter.

All contributions should be sent to the Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, New York.

Handbook of the Methodist Youth Fellowship. The new electives are *Youth and Worship*, by Clarice M. Bowman, *Youth and Evangelism*, *Youth and Stewardship*, both by Hoover Rupert, *Youth and Com-*
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PRESIDENTS OF ARKANSAS CONFERENCES ON SCHOOL OF MISSION PROGRAM

Mrs. J. E. Critz, President of the North Arkansas Conference, and Mrs. E. D. Galloway, President of the Little Rock Conference, will present Devotional periods at the Arkansas School of Missions June 20-24. Mrs. Critz will lead the Morning Watch devotionals on two mornings; Mrs. Galloway will present the Noon-Day Devotionals. The topics of Mrs. Galloway's talks are: The Church; The Christian; The Task. The topics of Mrs. Critz's talks have not been announced as yet. The other two Morning Watch Devotionals will be lead by Mrs. B. B. Lipe and Miss Mildred Osment of Jonesboro.

The Conway Methodist Church W. S. C. S. will entertain the faculty and members of the School with a Social Hour following the Platform Hour on Tuesday evening.

Interesting and worthwhile evening Platform Hours have been planned. These talks will be a development of and correlation with the Approved Studies. On Tuesday evening Miss Holland will use as her topic "Japan." "Methodist Women Cooperating to Build a Christian Nation"—through working with other Church and Community Agencies, will be the topic of Wednesday evening's address. And on Thursday evening the topic will be "Methodist Women Working in Town and Country to Build a Christian Nation."

Leaders of the Workshops and Departmental Clinics are as follows: Teaching the Approved Study Courses—Mrs. J. Russell Henderson; Program Building—to be announced later; Missionary, Education and Service—Mrs. Erik F. Jensen; Christian S. R. and L. C. A.—Miss Ethel Miller; Spiritual Life—Mrs. Oscar Evanson; Youth—Mrs. Hamlin Conditt; Children—Mrs. Neill Hart; Promotion—Mrs. T. S. Lovett.

The time for Registration is here; the fee is \$2.50. This fee should be sent with the registration. Mrs. Glenn Sanford, Conway, Ark., is the registrar. (The above does not apply to member of the Staff. The School of Missions Committee will take care of their registration.)—Mrs. Erik F. Jensen, Mrs. W. Henry Goodloe.

CAMDEN DISTRICT EXECUTIVE MEETING

The Executive Committee of the W. S. C. S. of the Camden District met at 2 o'clock, Friday, May 27, at the First Methodist Church, Camden, with the newly elected president, Mrs. N. S. Thornton, presiding. In the business meeting, plans were made for a Caravan to go to each local society in the district who had not already been visited by a Caravan.

Following the business meeting, there was a period of fellowship when refreshments were served by Mrs. Thornton and Mrs. Ernest Glaze.

Quiet minds cannot be perplexed or frightened but go on in fortune or misfortune at their own private pace, like a clock during a thunderstorm.—Robert Louis Stevenson.

I SHALL BE GLAD

By Grace Noll Crowell

*If I can put new hope within the heart
Of one who has lost hope,
If I can help a brother up
Some difficult long slope
That seems too steep for tired feet to go,
If I can help him climb
Into the light upon the hill's far crest,
I shall begrudge no time
Or strength that I can spend, for well I know
How great may be his need.
If I can help through any darkened hour,
I shall be glad indeed.*

*For I recall how often I have been
Distressed, distraught, dismayed,
And hands have reached to help, and voices called
That kept me unafraid.
If I can share this help that I have had,
God knows I shall be glad.*

TYRONZA AND MARKED TREE HAVE ADVANCE CARAVANS

Members of the Marked Tree and Tyronza W. S. C. S. organizations entertained at the Marked Tree Methodist Church last Wednesday with a pot luck dinner for the members of the Caravan of District and Conference officers, who were here to present a program explaining the Advance program of the church.

At 11 o'clock preceding the dinner, Miss Mildred Osment of Jonesboro, presented a short devotional.

The delicious dinner menu included ham, potato salad, beans, corn, pickles, olives, hot rolls, fruit salad, caramel tarts and iced tea.

In the afternoon the group met in the church sanctuary for the Caravan's program.

First feature of the program was a recorded message from the President of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, Mrs. Brooks.

The four points of the Advance Program were set forth in talks by the Caravan members. They were, "Increased Membership," Mrs. Harry Mills of Harrisburg; "Study and Action," by Mrs. J. T. Byrd of Harrisburg; "Increase In Trained Workers," by Mrs. C. O. Wofford of Weiner and "Increase Giving," by Mrs. Claude Heeb of Harrisburg.

Approximately 40 members of the combined groups attended the meeting and dinner. Mrs. T. C. Brigance presided at the meeting. Mrs. Frank Brunner and Mrs. C. A. Dawson were in charge of arrangements for the dinner.

CAMDEN DISTRICT SCORES AGAIN

Camden District now has its third Society with 100% membership. It is Buena Vista, Arkansas. The Society is about one year old and the President is Mrs. Earl McGaughy. Mrs. Ernest Glaze is the Promotion Secretary of this District.—Reporter.

Whatever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely . . . think on these things.—Phil. 4:8.

CARAVAN IN THE ARKADDELPHIA DISTRICT

The Caravan work is getting under way in the Arkadelphia District. Wednesday, May 25, Mrs. W. G. Harrington, district president, Mrs. C. D. Matthews, Promotion Secretary, and Mrs. Robert Smith Jr., Secretary of Supplies, with Mrs. T. W. McCoy, Conference Vice-president, went to Holly Springs where they helped the women there to reorganize their society which has been inactive for some time.

The meeting was opened with a short devotional by the pastor, Rev. C. V. Holliman. The business meeting followed in which the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. W. J. Proctor; Vice-President, Mrs. C. V. Holliman; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Cleo Alexander; Secretary Missionary Education and Service, Mrs. Horace Looney; Secretary Christian-Social Relations, Mrs. L. C. Hern.

Mrs. McCoy gave a talk on the four-point program in the Quadrennium of Advance and discussed general organization and working plans of the society.

Much enthusiasm was shown by the pastor and women of this group and we feel sure their will be a society that will grow and serve. At noon a lovely lunch was served by women of the society.

In the afternoon the caravan went to Carthage and visited the society there.

Mrs. Wesley Crowder, president, called the meeting to order and gave a very beautiful devotional. Mrs. C. C. Cox led the group in prayer. Mrs. Frank Griffin, former president, introduced the members of the caravan. An informal discussion followed in which duties of each officer in their relation to the advance were emphasized. Following the meeting, refreshments were served in the dining hall of the new church. This group is doing good work and can take just pride in the large part they have had in the building and furnishing of the beautiful new church which is almost completed. Rev. Curtis Williams is their pastor.

The fine spirit of hospitality of these two groups of women and the warm fellowship with them made the day a very pleasant and memorable one for the workers. Trips to other rural churches in the district are planned for the near future.

MRS. HORTON HEADS CHINA CHRISTIAN COLLEGES BOARD

By Religious News Service

NEW YORK—Mrs. Mildred McAfee Horton, former president of Wellesley College, has been elected president of the United Board for Christian Colleges in China, it was announced here. She succeeds Dr. Henry P. Van Dusen of New York.

Mrs. Horton, who has long been a vice-president of the agency, was commanding officer of the WAVES during World War 11. Last December she became the first woman ever elected vice-president of the Federal Council of Churches. She is the wife of Dr. Douglas Horton, director of the General Council of the Congregational-Christian Churches.

HARMONY GROVE W. S. C. S. INSTALLS OFFICERS

The ladies of Harmony Grove on the Texarkana Circuit met in the home of the pastor Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Gilliam for a business and installation service. Bro. Gilliam installed the following officers: President, Mrs. G. C. Phillips; Vice President, Mrs. A. D. Goss; Recording secretary, Mrs. W. G. Wardlow; Promotion Secretary, Mrs. R. R. Woolard; Treasurer, Mrs. F. W. Wardlow; Missionary Education, Mrs. W. H. Drumheller; Christian Social Relations, Mrs. Abner Pierce; Children and Youth Work, Mrs. A. K. Davis; Spiritual Life, Mrs. Edd Turner; Literature and Publications, Mrs. W. A. Yates; Supply Work, Mrs. Leon Davis; Membership and Finance, Mrs. Clyde Sewell.

The Society has had a very good short year. They are in a building program for a new church and are already in part of the building and hope to have it completely finished in the near future.—Mrs. R. R. Woolard.

GODDARD MEMORIAL INSTALLS OFFICERS

The new officers of the Woman's Society of Goddard Memorial were installed at the May luncheon meeting on May 10th. Rev. Robert Bearden the pastor officiated at the installation service. The following officers were installed: President, Mrs. George Shamlin; Vice President, Mrs. Louis Joyce; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Dwight Leming; Promotion Secretary, Mrs. R. E. Hambric; Treasurer, Mrs. Lynn Bennett; Spiritual Life, Mrs. T. L. Roberts; Missionary Education, Mrs. Hiram Walker; Christian Social Relation, Mrs. R. W. Lynch; Literature and Publications, Mrs. Durden Dawson; Student Work, Mrs. Thomas Watkins; Youth Work, Mrs. M. L. Goldsworth; Children's Work, Mrs. Frances Winters; Supply Work, Mrs. Edward Hahn; Status of Women, Mrs. Robert Bearden; Fellowship chairman, Mrs. J. A. Armbrust; Membership Chairman, Mrs. J. Neal Jones.—Reporter.

"Behold, God will not cast away a perfect man, neither will He help the evil doers."—Job 8:20.

CURRENT NEWS IN ARKANSAS METHODISM

TEXARKANA CIRCUIT YOUNG PEOPLE MEET

The Texarkana Circuit Young People met Friday evening, May 27, at Harmony Grove Church. Mr. Bill O'Neal was in charge of the business meeting. Mary Frances Perry read the minutes of the last meeting. A treasurer's report was given by Mrs. Bill O'Neal. Plans were made for a picnic at Queen City. Charlene Jones was chosen to represent the circuit at Camp Couchdale. A. L. Crawford was in charge of the singing, accompanied by Pearl Crawford at the piano.

Officers elected for the new year are: Secretary, Betty Phillips; Publicity chairman, Martha Davis; Treasurer, Mrs. Bill O'Neal, and ushers Pearl Crawford, Lena Nell Davis, Marieta Davis. Refreshment chairmen from the various churches are Barbara Jones, Pleasant Hill; Lewis Sewell, Harmony Grove; Carol Joyce Jones, Few Memorial; Billy Phillips, Rondo. Mr. Bill O'Neal was re-elected as counselor.—Martha Davis, Publicity Chairman.

RECTOR FOURTH STREET CHURCH NEWS

This has been a good year at the Fourth Street Charge, even if it has been our shortest. We are one of the many testimonies to the fact that a rural church can get along without its "fall of the year financial drive." Of course, we're not out in the open country or on a circuit, but our town is dependent upon rural trade.

We accepted our askings for World Service in full at the beginning of the conference year, and we rejoice now that everything is paid for the year. Most people cannot understand so much ado over what appears to be so little, but "getting over the hump" by spring has done my people some good. Plans are now being made to make the most of the fall when it gets here. The board of stewards feels that it can have most, if not all, of its payments to the conference treasurer made by Christmas. Of course, they may be "over shooting," but the odds are in their favor with such an attitude.

Among other things we have accomplished this year have been the following: 1. an addition of 100 new Methodist Hymnals, 2. the parsonage completed (ceiling, hot water fixtures, etc.) 3. work on the basement resumed (kitchen remodeled, doors to Church School rooms installed, walls painted, etc.), 4. the establishment of a nursery for care of babies during the church hour. 5. the reception of twenty-one new members into the church (most of them in the past two months), and others are to be received shortly, 6. an attendance campaign for five Sundays preceding Easter which proved to be highly successful. Ten team-captains were responsible for ten persons each Sunday. This added considerably to the morale of our little group, and we are still reaping results. Even our Sunday evening congregations have increased: Last Sunday we witnessed our largest such attendance this conference year.

I have several faithful readers of the Arkansas Methodist in our group, and I felt that they deserve to read a little something about themselves.—Harold H. Spence, pastor.

ALMYRA METHODIST CHURCH

The Almyra Methodist Church has moved forward in the short conference year under the leadership of its young pastor, Rev. H. B. Bailey, who closed his year and a half with our church Sunday morning, May 29, with all salaries and claims paid in full, including pastor's salary until conference time.

Brother Bailey conducted the pre-Easter services which were well attended and which were a spiritual blessing to the church. Sunrise services were held at the church at 7:00 o'clock a. m. Easter Sunday and was an impressive and beautiful service. Rev. R. J. Rail, a retired minister and former pastor of this charge gave the Easter message at that service. At the 11:00 o'clock service, Brother Bailey baptized two babies, and at the close of the service, nine members were taken into the church. The attendance at the church school has improved. The nursery, under the leadership of Mrs. H. A. Vos, is a great help to mothers who wish to attend the services. A rest room, sponsored by Circle No. 2 of the W. S. C. S., with Mrs. Henry Neukam as chairman, has been added to the church, and all along the front of the church grounds have been filled in and blacktopped, which is quite an improvement.

A successful Daily Vacation Bible School, with about 40 children in attendance, closed Saturday afternoon, May 28. After the morning service May 29, a pot luck dinner was enjoyed by a large crowd, honoring Brother Bailey and his parents and a friend from Sheridan. Austin Grandgeorge, in behalf of the church, presented Brother Bailey with a handsome traveling bag.

Brother Bailey goes to Southern Methodist University at Dallas, Texas, to enter school June 1st, followed by the best wishes, not only of his church, but by the entire community, who will miss his friendly smile and cheery greeting.—Mrs. Sam P. Boswell.—Reporter.

INSTALLATION SERVICE AT WESLEY FOUNDATION

An installation service was held Sunday, May 29, for the officers of the Wesley Foundation for the coming year at Central Methodist Church, Fayetteville. Mrs. J. E. Harris was in charge of the service. Those installed include Worth Gibson, president; Retha Thompson, vice-president; Nelle Curry, secretary; Carolyn Moore, assistant secretary; Bill Stahley, treasurer, and Eddie Anderson, assistant treasurer.

Those appointed to serve on the governing council included Bobbie Lois Kelley, song leader, Hershel McClurkin, Wesley Stewards, Mary Gay Greer, music, Tom Clark, social, Rosemary Callahan, recreation, Wadene Foreman, deputations, Mildred Bruce, world friendship, Jonnie Wallace, Student Christian Council, Leroy Middleton, ushers, Delbert Bright, student center board of trustees, Larry Gracia, Arkansas Wesleyan, Gene Tucker, Wesley Players, Gene King, intramurals, and Louise Davis, Coffee hour. Two committees have co-chairmen: Mack Poe and Kathryn Rodgers are chairman of the Dine-A-Mite Committee; Bob Bork and Bob Pitts are co-

LITTLE ROCK SUBDISTRICT M. Y. F. NEWS

The Little Rock Sub-district Methodist Youth Fellowship installed their new officers at a candlelight ceremony May 10th. This brought to a close a very successful church year for the young people. Miss Margaret Marshall, who was head counselor and will now be District Director of Youth Work, was presented Sallman's "Head of Christ" in recognition of her work with the group. Mrs. J. B. Brown, who was the counselor for the commission Missions and World Friendship and former counselor at Highland Church, is moving to Abilene, Texas, was presented with an electric clock by her group. The new officers are: Counselor, Mrs. Walter Newton; Paul Speirer, president; Bob Hale, vice-president; James Sewell, secretary; James Spradley, treasurer; community service chairman, Pat Wilson, counselor, Rev. Bob McCammon; recreation chairman, Patricia Couch, counselor, Miss Ruby Galloway; Missions and World friendship chairman, Clarie Thomas; counselor, Mrs. Duane Brothers; worship and evangelism chairman, Mable Neely, counselor, Mrs. V. B. Story; publicity, Paul Thomas.

Last year's programs were interesting and varied. Aldersgate was the setting for a picnic last July. Miss Orlene McKimmey, missionary to Mexico, was the guest speaker and told of many of her own personal experiences as a missionary. We went back to Aldersgate October 8-9, for a district, sub-district and church leaders' workshop. Here each

chairmen of the publicity committee.—Bob Pitts, Publicity Committee, Wesley Foundation.

person became acquainted with what his own particular office entailed, and learned how to fulfill it to the best of his ability. Projects and programs for the coming year were discussed and worked on. There was also instructions for adult workers with youth. In October we also held the annual recreation party at the YMCA. Games, skits, refreshments and a picture show were enjoyed by a large crowd.

November 5th was World Community Day, sponsored by the United Council of Church Women; and we joined them in "Packing-A-Towel For A Teen-Ager" in Displaced Persons Camps in Europe and in Refugee Camps in Asia. It was a particular interesting project for our group, as the gifts went to less fortunate boys and girls of their own age overseas. Later in the same month we held the annual Booth Festival. Each Methodist Church in the city collected canned goods for the Southwest Conference Youth Camp at Aldersgate, and money to go to the Jim Majors, missionaries in Chile. A total of 1000 cans and \$200.00 in cash was received. Each church group built a booth depicting the theme "Give Joyously."

In February we had an interesting interracial panel discussion on the topic "Youth Advance With The Church." Mrs. E. D. Galloway explained the Advance Program to the group.

On March 21st we had the privilege of sponsoring Dr. Takuo Matsumoto, principal of the Hiroshima Girls' College in Hiroshima, Japan, which was destroyed by the atom bomb. \$205.34 was collected to help them in their work. As an outgrowth of his visit we are now carrying on a project of collecting new and used books to aid the Japanese govern-

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Here And There In Arkansas Methodism



By The Editors

The big news in Arkansas Methodism this week is the convening of the Little Rock Conference in annual session at Hot Springs. Several matters of unusual significance other than the routine business of an Annual Conference will contribute to the making of a most interesting session, not soon to be forgotten. The disposition of these matters is eagerly awaited by Methodism throughout the state.

Generally speaking, reports to the Annual Conference, meeting after a short conference year for the first time in the spring, will be unusually good. It is our opinion that all concerned have cooperated to the uttermost to make the short year count for the very most. Of course, the major tests of the spring conference session and fall conference year are yet before us, and these periods are deserving of the same spirit of cooperation that has prevailed during the past seven and one half months.

The North Arkansas Conference meets on beautiful Mt. Sequoyah next week for its annual session. The conference is being entertained jointly by the Western Methodist Assembly, South Central Jurisdictional Conference's Assembly, Rev. S. M. Yancey, Superintendent; Fayetteville's two Methodist Churches, Central Methodist Church, Rev. D. L. Dykes, Jr., pastor, and Wiggins Memorial Methodist Church, Rev. Paul M. Bumpers, pastor, the Wesleyan Methodist Church, Prairie Grove, Rev. Harold Womack, pastor; and the First Methodist Church, Springdale, Rev. E. J. Kaetzell, pastor. Advance reports indicate that a record attendance will be on hand for the sessions. This is the first time in

several years that visitors other than clerical and lay delegates have been able to attend due to lack of accommodations. While accommodations for visitors cannot be had this year on the assembly grounds, we understand they are available in and around Fayetteville.

Dr. John W. Cline, who for more a half century was a missionary in China, was a recent visitor in the office of the **Arkansas Methodist**. Dr. Cline recently retired from the active service and at the present is visiting friends in Benton. He plans to attend the Little Rock Conference this week in Hot Springs. This hero of the cross joined the Little Rock Annual Conference in 1887. Although his Annual Conference membership is now in a China Annual Conference, he is the oldest living minister among those who have joined the Little Rock Conference. Dr. Cline will speak at the First Methodist Church, Little Rock, next Sunday, June 12. This church contributed to Dr. Cline's support for a number of years as a missionary special.

Two more churches report significant achievements in the Advance for Christ and His Church. Elsewhere in this issue is an account of the financial advance made by the First Methodist Church, El Dorado, Dr. Connor Morehead, pastor. The First Methodist Church, Osceola, Rev. Herchalle Couchman, pastor reports that the Advance quota assigned it for this quadrennium, \$1,680.00, has been raised in full. This accomplishment is all the more noteworthy when it is remembered that this church is in the midst of a building program. The pastor reports that some \$35,000.00 has been raised and expended during the period since the October Annual Conference.

WEEK OF DEDICATION

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land; Canfield, Ohio. This last is a small town church of 400 members which had just raised \$35,000 for a building addition, yet had a dedication offering on March 20 of \$1,123.94. The pastor is Paul J.

Acker.

(Editor's Note: The First Methodist Church, Hope, Rev. J. E. Cooper, Pastor, should be included in the above list of those churches that reported an offering of over one thousand dollars. This church gave \$1,075.00 on Day of Dedication. See **ARKANSAS METHODIST**, May 12, page 13.)

All of these have kept the faith. Time and space do not permit the recounting of the dedication and deeds of hundreds of others, who though they may not have received public acclaim, their achievements are recorded in heaven and deserve our profound gratitude.

We have begun the observance annually of a Week of Dedication. May its place become fixed in the calendar of Methodism and cherished in the hearts of all of us, all eight and one-half millions of us.

* Since the above was written, Dr. B. M. Hunt, Jackson District, Mississippi Conference, reports \$7,403.17.

LITTLE ROCK SUBDISTRICT M. Y. F. NEWS

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ment.

April was a busy month. A group of the young people spent part of two days and one night at Aldersgate, doing a great deal toward completing the cleaning up of the camp grounds. The same month a dramatic team was formed. They presented the play, "Were You There When They Crucified My Lord," throughout the Lenten season, at various churches throughout the district.

Other programs we had featured Echoes from Camp Couchdale, the General Conference, and Mount Sequoyah. Also we had our Christmas worship service and a pastors' night. All in all we were quite busy and hope to have an even more successful season this coming church year. —Mrs. J. B. Brown.

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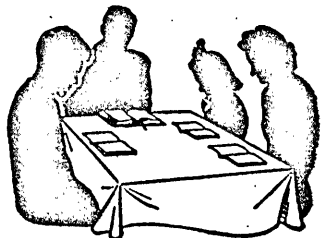
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NEWS ABOUT HENDRIX COLLEGE

Largest Class Graduates

Commencement exercises for the record 1949 graduating class at Hendrix College were held May 29. Baccalaureate exercises for the more than 130 graduates were held at the First Methodist Church of Conway. Dr. Fred G. Roebuck, pastor of the First Methodist Church, Fort Smith, delivered the baccalaureate sermon, "Finding One's Self."

Rev. Mr. Roebuck called on the graduates to strive toward a "unified life."

"To do this," he said, "you must be absolutely honest" and "every instinctive impulse must be brought under control."

The Fort Smith minister declared that life would be unbearable if everyone gave vent to all impulses. "There is a higher power than law and social standards," he said,—"There is one's self."

Ben. H. Wooten, vice-president of the Republic National Bank of Dallas, Texas, delivered the address at commencement exercises, which were held in Axley Gymnasium at four o'clock in the afternoon. The gymnasium was filled to capacity for the program.

Mr. Wooten told the class that the basis of success consists of ambition, thrift, character, and a willingness to accept responsibility. He said that opportunity is a four letter word—work—and it's better that you fall down than to lie down on the job, whatever it may be. "Success," the banker stated, "is a favorable result of any honorable undertaking."

The big class entered the gymnasium to the strains of the processional, "Allegro," by Galbraith, played by J. Glenn Metcalf of the Hendrix music department, and the invocation was pronounced by Dr. Roebuck. Miss Doris Nell Darby of Fort Smith, played a piano solo, "Ballade in G Minor," by Brahms, and Mr. Wooten's address followed.

Misses Jean McAnally, soprano, and Blanche Foreman, piano, and Doyle Grogan, organist, and Abe Tipton, violinist, played "Panis Angelicus" by Franck.

Degrees were conferred by Dr. Matt L. Ellis, president of the college, as retiring Dean Thomas S. Staples read the names of the graduates.

Dr. Ellis announced the names of those who were nominated to graduate membership of Alpha Chi, national honorary scholastic society, and asked the audience to stand in a minute of silent prayer in tribute to the late Charles E. Ferguson of Nashville, Ark., who died unexpectedly in a Conway hospital Sunday, May 29. Mr. Ferguson was the father of Charles E. Ferguson, Jr., one of the two who graduated with high honors with the 1949 class.

A beautifully bound volume of letters from friends, alumni and Hendrix College staff members was presented to Dr. Thomas S. Staples, who retired at the end of this spring's semester. Dr. Ellis made the presentation.

The program closed with the singing of the Hendrix "Alma Mater" by the graduates and audience and a benediction by Dr. Roebuck.

Scholarship Society

The following members were elected graduate members of Alpha Chi honor society: Charles Allbright of Bald Knob, Burvin C. Alread of Atkins, Harry R. Buchanan of Paragould, Doris Nell Darby of Fort Smith, Charles E. Day of Conway,

Charles E. Ferguson, Jr., of Nashville, Alfred G. Garrett of El Dorado, James R. Grant of Little Rock, Norman E. Goodwin of Salem, Mary Margaret Holmes of Crossett, Lawrence E. Mobley of Little Rock, Ira Lee Morgan of El Dorado, J. Oliver Powell, Jr., of Camden, Margaret Pulling of Stuttgart, Lon D. Roth of Stuttgart, Purcell Smith, Jr., of Little Rock, Alfred E. Stabler of Blytheville, Elmous L. Stanley of Atkins, and Richard D. Worley of Little Rock.

Honor Graduates

Announcement was made at commencement exercises of "honors" graduates.

Norman E. Goodwin of Salem, graduated with "high honors", and Charles E. Ferguson will receive his diploma with "high honors" upon satisfactory completion of requirements in August.

Other honor graduates were: Tom Allbright of Bald Knob, Burvin Alread and E. L. Stanley of Atkins; Dick Worley and Janis Dillaha of Little Rock; Doris Nell Darby of Fort Smith; Alfred Stabler of Blytheville; Margaret Pulling of

Stuttgart, and J. Oliver Powell, Jr., of Camden.

Purcell Smith of Little Rock, Mary Margaret Holmes of Crossett, and Charles E. Day of Conway will graduate with "honors" upon satisfactory completion of work in August.

Students Awarded Prizes

Dr. Ellis awarded the following prizes:

McCouston English prize, offered by Fred E. McCouston of New York City, to the English major ranking highest in senior comprehensive examinations: J. Oliver Powell, Jr., of Camden.

M. L. Schisler history prize—offered by Dr. J. Q. Schisler of Nashville, Tenn., to the student doing the best work in six hours of history: Charles Hamilton of Little Rock and Robert Louis Jones of Conway.

Hogan mathematics prize, offered by the family of the late Dr. W. E. Hogan of Nashville, Tenn., for the best work in mathematics: Richard D. Worley of Little Rock.

Mosley economics prize, offered by Ellis G. Mosley of Mayflower, for

the best work in economics: Charles E. Ferguson, Jr., of Nashville.

Dr. and Mrs. F. Marion Tolleson Medal, offered by Dr. and Mrs. F. Marion Tolleson of Fort Smith for outstanding achievements in debating, oratory, extemporaneous speaking and dramatics: Oather Ray King of Perry.

Scholarship prize, offered by the Arkansas Alpha Chapter of Alpha Chi scholarship society for best general scholarship in all courses during the year: Charles E. Ferguson, Jr., of Nashville.

J. P. Farris service and leadership key, offered by Dr. L. P. Farris of Oakland Calif.: Harry Buchanan of Paragould.

Hugh W. Robertson athletic medal, (Continued on Page 15)

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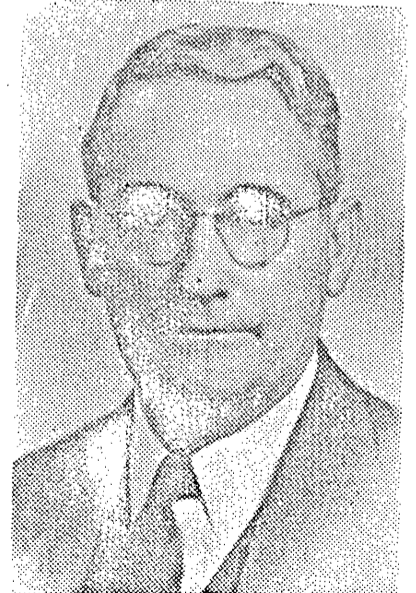
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WHAT IS GOING ON IN KOREA

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carried over to the American Army the friendly, kindly feeling and experiences associated with the missionaries.

Problems Galore

In spite of the fact that communism and other ideologies are bidding for followers, the hearts and minds of Korean youth are open to Christian teachings as never before. Young people are flocking to Bible classes, to the missionary, and to the church seeking an interpretation of the Christian religion and its meaning for them. Government schools as well as missionary schools are anxious to have missionaries on their staff and to have Christian organizations among the students. This challenge and opportunity must be met now.

The double occupation of Korean territory, Korea's extreme poverty,

the collapse of the war-time industries, the lack of technically trained experts and workers along with the fact that most of the well trained leaders are obsessed with the problems of trying to set up a modern democratic state in an unprepared society, have held up real progress in reconstruction. Then, too, millions of refugee Koreans repatriated from China, Japan and

Manchuria have posed a problem of relief and re-establishment which is too much for the inexperienced Korean government. Put on top of this the "fear" of communist control, and it can be easily determined that Korea today is in desperate need of "HELP," protection and friendly supervision from the United States. And, more than that, Korea is in desperate need of the hope

and encouragement which the individual Koreans can get only from missionaries who have dedicated themselves to preaching and teaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

But now he is dead, wherefore shall I fast? Can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me.—II Sam. 12:38.

NEW ELECTIVES FOR YOUTH

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Community Service, by George Harper, Youth and Recreation, by E. O. Harbin, and Youth and Missions and World Friendship, by May L. Titus. They will be valuable for guidance of commission chairmen and also for study in class sessions in local churches, summer assemblies and institutes, and so forth. Each contain 48 pages, and sells for 35 cents.

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offered by Hugh W. Robertson of White Plains, N. Y., for the best all-round athlete: Troy Deverne Bledsoe of North Little Rock.

Art prize, offered by Frank H. Govan of the Hendrix faculty for marked development and conscientious endeavor in art: Alice Pearle McCray of Malvern.

Christian citizenship award, presented by anonymous donors for the first time this year to the senior most outstanding in Christian leadership: Martha Lee Love of Jonesboro.

Additions To Staff

Three additions to next year's staff at Hendrix have been announced by President Ellis.

They are V. Earle Copes, who will be choral director, and teacher of organ and counterpoint, Charles S. James, Jr., who will teach political science, and William S. Montgomery, who will be an assistant in the department of health and physical education.

Mr. Copes will replace J. Glenn Metcalf, who is leaving the college for other work, and Mr. James is being added as a result of the retirement of Dean T. S. Staples.

Mr. Montgomery will teach some courses in physical education and will assist in football.—George H. Stroud.

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JESUS RISES FROM THE DEAD

LESSON FOR JUNE 19, 1949

SCRIPTURE TEXT: Mark 16:1-8; John 21:1-17; I Corinthians 15:12-19.

GOLDEN TEXT: Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. I Corinthians 15:57.

The resurrection of Jesus is not only a glorious fact, but one essential to Christian faith. If Jesus did not rise from the dead the whole Christian system collapses. His virgin birth, His sermon on the mount, and His crucifixion would not establish Christianity. A savior who could conquer death was indispensable.

Jesus Did Rise From The Dead

His death was a terrific blow to His followers. His resurrection revived their dying hopes and intensified their faith in Jesus as their redeemer. The first announcement of Jesus' resurrection was made by an angel to the women who came early Sunday morning with spices and perfume to anoint the body of their Lord.

The angel told them plainly that Jesus was not there—that He was risen. The angel advised them to go tell the disciples and Peter that Jesus was alive. When the women told Peter and John they ran with all their might to the tomb. John was younger than Peter, so he outran Peter, and was first at the tomb. He hesitated to enter the tomb. But when the impetuous Peter arrived, he rushed right into the tomb. (Joseph of Arimathea laid Jesus' body in his new made tomb just before sundown on Friday. The next day—Saturday—was the Jewish Sabbath and no work was permitted on the Sabbath, not even the burying of the dead. The resurrection of Jesus was such a glorious fact, that His followers celebrated it every seventh day. Thus for a time there were two consecutive days observed by the Christian Jews. All the Jews, including the Christian Jews were extremely punctilious in observing the Sabbath according to the law and traditions. The Jewish Christians commemorated the resurrection of Jesus on the next day. When the Christians became numerous and observed the first day of the week, they gradually ceased to observe the seventh day and, thus, the Jewish sabbath was superseded by the Lord's day, or Sunday. So far as I know, there never was any formal change, but the Lord's day became the one day in seven which was observed by the Christians. If we desire absolutely to be exact, we should call our day, the Lord's day or Sunday. However we designate the day, it is the Christian's day which must be kept holy. This means only works of necessity are permissible on Sunday.

The Risen Christ Meets The Disciples

Late Saturday evening, Peter said, "I go fishing." The other disciples said, "We go, too." I think this means; that in their despair over Jesus' death and burial these disciples decided to resume their former occupation. They rented a boat, fished all night and caught nothing. Jesus, suddenly arriving on the sea shore, called to them and

asked if they had caught any fish. They replied that they had toiled all night and caught nothing. Jesus told them to cast their nets on the other side. They reluctantly did this and immediately they caught a great draught of fish which when counted was 153 fish. John, with more spiritual discernment than the other disciples, cried out, "This is the Lord." Impulsive Peter threw off his coat and swam to the shore; the others followed in the boat. The Savior had prepared a good meal for them, and invited them to break their fast, and enjoy the morning meal.

Then followed that very interesting colloquy between Jesus and Peter, Jesus asked Peter if he loved Him more than these—probably referring to the fishing occupation. Peter declared that he did love Jesus more than he loved these. Then Jesus said, "Fed my sheep." Or in other words, "Go on with your work as an apostle of Jesus." This same question was repeated by Jesus to Peter twice more and each time the answer was the same. Peter was grieved that his Lord should ask him the third time, "Lovest thou me more than these?" and said with great emotion, "Lord thou knowest that I love thee!" That triple questioning brought Peter back and realigned him as one of the apostles.

Doubting Thomas Convinced

You will recall that the disciples were together before Thomas declared that he would not believe Jesus had risen from the dead unless he could see the nail prints in His hands and His riven side. Later the Master appeared and spoke first to Thomas asking him to behold the nail prints in His hands and to thrust his hands into Jesus' side. This overwhelmed Thomas and he lifted up his hands and said, "My Lord and my God!" This was the most complete identification of the risen Lord. Jesus appeared to ten different persons or groups during the forty days intervening between His resurrection and ascension. But the identification to Thomas was so unmistakable that no person could doubt it. This turned doubting Thomas into the first apostle who called Jesus, God.

Jesus Appeared To Five Hundred Brethren

"And that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve: After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep." (I Corinthians 15:5-6)

We have no particulars as to the time and place of His appearance to the five hundred brethren. You will note that Paul said more than half of these brethren were living when he wrote this first letter to the Corinthians. Had anyone doubted this statement, Paul reminded him that more than half of these five

hundred brethren were living and could give their testimony of having seen the risen Lord. These nine appearances of Jesus are sufficient to convince any sane, reasonable person that Jesus was seen alive repeatedly after His crucifixion. And yet we have another appearance of Jesus.

Saint Paul Sees And Hears Jesus

"And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven; And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? And he said, who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, "I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: It is hard for thee to kick against the pricks." (Acts 9:3-5) Jesus identified himself to Paul by saying that He was Jesus when Paul was persecuting Him. So far as we know, Paul never doubted that he had seen and heard the risen Christ. This experience changed Paul from the most furious persecutor to the greatest proponent of Christianity ever had.

Our Resurrected Bodies

"So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: It is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power. It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body." (I Corinthians 15:42-44).

It is interesting and comforting to know that our bodies in heaven will be spiritual bodies. There will

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be no sickness there—such as cancer, tuberculosis, arthritis, neuritis, or any other of the numerous maladies to which our bodies are subject. There will be no blind or halt, or maimed or deformed, or deficient people in heaven. There will be no senility, eyes will never grow dim, steps never grow feeble, hands never will lose their cunning, but perpetual youth shall bloom and last throughout the eternities.

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Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
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