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Wind Of Deorgion Banders 18-25 1951



THE CHRISTIAN "REMNANT" IN KOREA. The following Article by Dr. Thoburn T. Brumbaugh, Associate Secretary, Foreign Division, Board of Missions, is an authortative account of present conditions in Korea. It is presented that our readers may know of the tragedy, suffering and need that exist among Koreans. The first \$100,000.00 of the Week of Dedication offering will be used to help to alleviate this condition.

HAT General MacArthur called "a new war in Korea" meant a new and far more serious situation for the Korean Christians and the small group of missionaries remaining there.

Before Christmas, the need throughout South Korea, and as far up in North Korea as the U.N. forces had penetrated, was for relief and rehabilitation, as the dispossessed returned to their war-ravaged homes and communities. This in itself, for a nation of 30,000,000 people, was a stupendous task. It involved both those to whom America and the United Nations must give aid, and also those of the Christian community in Korea for whom we in the churches of America feel a special responsibility.

With the year-end invasion by the Red armies of China, these tasks and responsibilities were greatly changed and became far more difficult.

From mid-December on there began another great evacuation southward from northern and central Korea. In the United Nations retreat of July and August, 1950, only a small proportion of the Korean population withdrew from Seoul and other cities; but the recent evacuation has been much larger. In addition, many thousands

from North Korea have seized the opportunity to escape communism. It is gratifying that of the 90,000 Koreans evacuated by the Navy from the Hambeung area in the northeast, several thousand were Christians.

One such Christian group, as reported by Chaplain Harold Voelkel, was at a Holiness church on their knees in prayer with their Bibles before them, when deliverance came. They thought they had no way of escape and had "decided to pray together and then die." When their rescuer opened the door and was recognized, the leader of the prayer group dramatically announced, "Moses has come to deliver his people!"

The accounts of the evacuation of Seoul are tragic. Missionaries of the Methodist, Presbyterian and other denominations have been giving all possible aid to the distracted public, and special attention to the Christian community. All letters from Seoul during these fateful days tell of frenzied efforts to get the Christian leaders and their families out of the path of the slaughter which would most certainly have befallen them if found there again on the communists' return. Thus the wives of Bishop Yu Soon Kim, Dr. J. S. Ryang, Dr. Hyungki Lew (now acting bishop of the Korean Methodist Church), along with Christians of other denominations, were loaded onto trucks, railway cars and boats, and sent to the South.

A letter from Dr. Edward Adams reports that "on an interdenominational basis . . . over 700 Christians were evacuated" on one train from Seoul, and 1,400 on one boat and 600 on another from Inchon. Adams' story of how the children of a Christian orphange were given priority in loading one such boat is a classic of

human character when crisis is faced:

"Children First"

"The quota for the boat was already filled (when) we found that the orphans were not included and that about twenty of the sixty-odd kiddies were babies with all sorts of supplies and baggage. There was no man accompanying them and only about three women to handle all the children. It seemed most important that they accompany the 225 pastors and families scheduled for that day, so that the men could give a helping hand. The Korean marine officer agreed to try to get them on. They arrived after all the others had filled the waterfront waiting to be taken on barges to the waiting steamer. Baggage was loaded first, everyone else's baggage, the orphans and their baggage still in the background! A word was spoken to the officer; another word to the mob milling on the wharf. A line was open; willing hands first passed the baggage down the line; mattresses were spread out on top. The children were next handed along until every orphan was aboard and on a mattress. Then the crowd closed in again to see who would be the first to get on. It was a heart-warming experience. A little over fourteen hundred Christians got on that boat. As we drove back to Seoul that Christmas eve, we felt that the Lord had given us a very wonderful Christmas present in the evacuation of so many.'

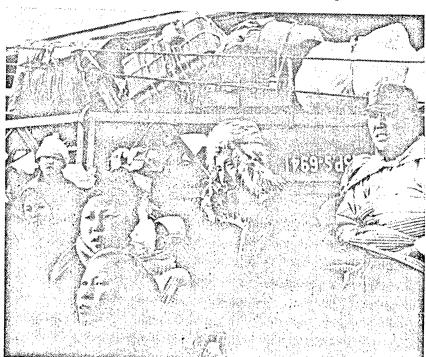
Adams then adds: "As the days passed, more and more refugees poured in. These too we have shipped to Inchon harbor as fast as we could, until now there are about 750 of them there. We have had quite a time getting space for them; if we cannot do so, they may have to start walk-

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New Subscriptions Entered, The Unrenewed Are Pulled

THE office force caught up with the Circulation Campaign before the mailing list was pulled this week. This means that all new subscribers reported to our office by Saturday of last week should receive the Arkansas Methodist this week. It means that all subscriptions expiring in January of this year and not renewed have been pulled, unless special requests have been received that they be continued through February.

We feel that our readers understand that the re-writing of a mailing list of about twenty-two thousand names within three weeks, with a small office force, is quite an undertaking. It is possible because we have worked out, over the years, the most efficient method we could devise for the purpose. In that system we have aimed at perfection but despite our "aim" we make some

mistakes.

After we have done our work here as carefully as possible, about the only chance we have to discover and correct the mistakes we have made is for the subscribers to report to our office if the paper does not reach them properly addressed. We are always glad to enter the name of a new subscriber who has been overlooked by mistake or re-enter the name of a regular subscriber who has been pulled by mistake if we are notified of the oversight. If there are errors in addresses, initials or the spelling of a name our office would like, also, to make these corrections.

In correspondence regarding a subscription, please give the name, the address and the name of the pastor.

Making The "Week Of Dedication" Meaningful

HE week of February 18-25 is the Week of Dedication in the Advance program of our church. If the observance of this week brings to Methodism the well-rounded, spiritual experience possible, the total program must have a well-balanced emphasis.

Some may feel that the week of Dedication has been properly observed if the people of the church are gathered about the altar of the church for a prayer of consecration and dedication. If so they often stop there. Others may think of the Week of Dedication in terms of the offering that is to be taken. Since the offering is the thing, in the Week of Dedication, that can be tabulated and will appear in the church statistics these may have a tendency to stop there.

In a helpful, well-planned observance of the Week of Dedication the spiritual consecration and the material contribution should both have a balanced emphasis. They are both vital to the deep religious experience that the Week of Dedication can bring to the individual and to the church. The fact is, we can no more make a consecration of our lives that is pleasing to God and deliberately leave our money out of the consecration than we can make a consecration of our money that is pleasing to God and deliberately leave our lives out. What we are and what we possess are so completely a part of our real selves that they are inseparable in the decisions we make about life. Life and material possessions are so completely entangled and entwined in the character we possess that any attempt to separate them must of itself be artificial.

The words, "Week of Dedication" so aptly describe what should take place throughout Methodism in the lives of our people during this period that no one should fail to see its real purpose. In the opening verses of the 8th chapter of II Corinthians Paul tells us of the liberality of the poverty stricken Corinthians that went even beyond their means. Paul explained their actions by saying that they "first gave their own selves to the Lord." That is the important thing in the Week of Dedication because such a gift sincerely made is all-inclusive. The church need no longer worry about the character of service or the amount of the contribution of one who has first given himself to the Lord.

The first \$100,000 of the money raised in the Week of Dedication offering will be used in helping to relieve the extreme cases of need in Korea of which there are many.

Whoever Wins, Korea Loses

HEN the Northern Koreans crossed the 38th parallel in an aggressive war against South Korea, they marched, with little opposition, deep into Southern Korea before aid could arrive.

After the United Nations branded North Korea as an aggressor, the troops of the United Nations were hurried into the battle to aid South Korea. While their troops were being gathered in force, the Northern Koreans marched across Southern Korea until its defenders were crowded into the Pusan beach head. When sufficient re-enforcements had arrived, the Southern Koreans, with their allies, broke out of the beach head and drove the invaders back the full length of Korea until only a small strip of Korea along the Manchurian border remained in the hands of the enemy.

The armies of China then entered the war



with such numbers that the South Korean armies and the armies of the United Nations were again driven back across Korea until much of Korea was again in the hands of the Northern Koreans and their Chinese allies. Only a short time ago the tide of battle turned again and the defenders of Southern Korea again marched north until at the present writing they have again approached the 38th parallel which has already been crossed three times since war began. The enemy is falling back with little real show of resistance. Seoul, the capitol of South Korea, has now changed hands four times since the war started, with attending destruction each time.

No one can yet foresee what the final outcome of the Korean struggle may be. There is one thing, however, that can plainly be seen now; it is that, whoever wins, Korea has already lost. Four times in a few months the war in Korea has moved forward and backward across the heart of Korea. Twice these opposing armies have moved across the upper and lower ends of Korea. There is no part of that ill-fated nation that has escaped the destruction of war. If war stopped today and rehabilitation started tomorrow, it would take more than a generation of labor to rebuild physical properties destroyed and land wasted, to say nothing of the hundreds of thousands of lives lost and the millions displaced.

It is possible that no nation has suffered so much in modern times as Korea. For more than a quarter of a century before the late war it had been enslaved and exploited by Japan. The present war has just about disposed of what was left. Whoever wins the war, Korea has suffered irreparable loss.

Investing In Abundant Living

HURSDAY, February 8, 1951, will long be a day remembered in the history of the educational institutions of The Methodist Church, for on that day a completely new quadrangle of buildings was formally opened for use and dedicated at the Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University, Dallas. Four dormitories, a chapel, and an administration building were the gifts of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Perkins, Wichita Falls, Texas, and the seventh building, the library, was the gift of J. S. Bridwell, also of Wichita Falls. These buildings were formally presented by the donors and dedicated in appropriate services held on Thursday of last week.

Hundreds of Methodists and friends from over the southwest, were on hand for the dedicatory services which came as a climax to the Annual Ministers Week held on the Southern Methodist University campus. An announcement indicated that never before had a Methodist theological school moved into a completely new plant with facilities for classroom, offices, worship, a library and living quarters. Incidentally, two of the four dormitories are for married couples, with and without children. One of the dormitories has been named the Paul E. Martin Hall, in honor of Bishop Martin. A portrait of Bishop Martin hangs on one of the walls of the parlor of this dormitory. On page five of this issue of the Arkansas Methodist is an aerial view of the new quadrangle.

The Perkins School of Theology, renamed several years ago for Mr. and Mrs. Perkins because of their generous interest in the school, has come to be a great influence in the life of Methodism in the South Central Jurisdiction. Most young men entering the Methodist ministry from this Jurisdiction of Methodism receive their theological training in this school. Each year finds a larger per cent of the ministerial membership of the Annual Conferences in the South Central Jurisdiction made up of Perkins graduates. The gifts of these buildings and endowments funds (the latter \$3 million) will mean that the school will be in a position to be of even greater influence in Methodism. While the Perkins School of Theology has at present a faculty of no little means and ability, new endowment funds will permit other faculty additions that will strengthen the position and program of the school.

This school already means much to Arkansas Methodism, contributing richly in leadership in ministerial training and in local church training programs. This step just taken and made possible by the generous benevolence of Mr. and Mrs. Perkins, Mr. Bridwell, and others, will serve to further increase Arkansas Methodism's sense of indebtedness to the Perkins School of Theology. We have no hesitancy whatever in expressing in behalf of Arkansas Methodism its sincere appreciation to these unselfish benefactors. Their gifts to the cause of theological education will be multiplied a thousandfold in terms of lives dedicated and trained to be preachers, pastors, teachers, missionaries and other servants of Christ

We should like to add our word to that of the Daily Times Herald of Dallas which said editorially on February 8: "At a time when sinister forces throughout the world are rising up to defy the churches in their mission, the completion of this institution for training young ministers, not only of those of The Methodist Church, but of other denominations, is a signal triumph of faith and enlightment. It is good to know that while the nation is arming to defend all its precious institutions, it is also strengthening these institutions by providing such agencies as the Perkins School of Theology."

THE DEVOTIONAL PAGE REV. ROY I. BAGLEY, Editor

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FROM THE BOOKSHELF

Christianity is a historical religion. That is true in a sense which cannot be said of any of the other great faiths of mankind except Judaism.

Christianity cannot be divorced from the historical milieu in which it appeared, for it gives central significance to a belief about those events in history . . .

There is no such thing as a bare event; there is only an event which is interpreted through the eyes of someone...

An "objective" view of religious experience is often simply a non-religious view . . .

The Christian belief in revelation is based on a conviction of the divine initiative. It is God who has spoken, and it is God who has acted . . .

Though it is God who acts, it is man's vision which traces the course of that activity . . .

Revelation is experienced and is subject to interpretation . . .

From THE BEGINNING OF CHRISTIANITY, by Clarence Tucker Craig

PERSON TO PERSON

And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.—St. John 12:32

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

For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich.—II. Corinthians 8:9

Read Romans 8:14-21

For our own great encouragement we ought to remember that two truths of immense importance follow from the fact that God's deepest interest is in human personality.

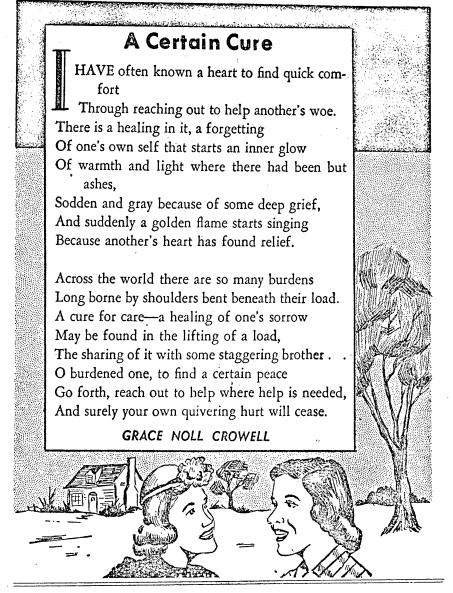
In the first place it means that He has given us freedom to choose, and that He never forces His will upon us. He could have made us things by a word of command, but He can make us sons only by persuasion and education. Therefore He has left us free to accept Him or to reject Him.

Whatever we decide, we shall have to take the consequences, but the choice will be our own. For God to give us this liberty of action shows, on His part, the most marvelous self-restraint. With all the power in the universe at His disposal, He decides to treat us as sons with wills of our own, and in the person of His Son, He humbles Himself to take our nature upon Him and to win our loyal obedience not by force, but by the attraction of self-sacrifice.

So it was that the Lord Jesus Christ, though He was rich, yet for our sakes He became poor that we through His poverty might be rich.

—In Forward

We are morally responsible for every wrong we have the power to prevent.—J. D. Jones.



OVERTAKEN IN A FAULT

"Brethern, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted." (Galatians 6:1)

ERHAPS if we were writing Paul's letter to the churches of Galatia or to any other part of the country we would want to change a word or two. Instead of saying "if" a man is overtaken in a fault we would out of our own experience and the experiences of others would say "when". There is not a sincere person but what is painfully conscious of faults that are in his life. If he has a hard time discovering this read these words and then humility and repentance will come, "Be ye perfect even as your Father in heaven is perfect." There is small consolation here in our spiritual arrogance!

While faults in our lives are not to be taken lightly, neither are they grounds for complete surrender. It takes courage to face a fault in our lives but it takes more courage to go to work to correct that fault. Then we come to a common experience of spiritually-minded people; in their own shortcomings they can help bear the burdens of others who are failing. "Ye which are spiritual" leaves little room for guesswork as to what the truly spiritual person will do. A spiritual-minded person cannot turn his head in complacency when he sees another do wrong. His responsibility is far deeper than

Restoration is a difficult task in our lives and in the lives of those about us. We do not simply overlook the fault and go on as if nothing had ever happened; this attitude aggravates guilt. Neither does compromise with evil bring restoration; nothing less than God's demands upon us and nothing short of God's unfailing grace to restore.

When we face up to our wrong doing and get others to do the same we have made a stride forward in the restoration of our souls. In whatever manner we feel that we must make our confession, it is a necessity in the restoration of our soul.

Merely to face up to our faults is not enough, we must go farther. We must repent. Our minds must be turned from the wrong to the right. We may have once desired to do that which was wrong but now that we have faced it we desire to do what is right with our whole mind. This requires an exercise of will-power on our part but we find our wills strengthened as we surrender them to God.

Restoration is never negative; it must be positive. In the place of the fault there must be something that is right put in the place. Take one simple thought; we have been convinced that it is a fault not to

WHEN TO PRAY—IN THE MORNING

Be ready by morning, and in the morning ascend . . . and present yourself there to me on the top of the mountain. No one is to ascend with you.—Exodus 34:2, 3

Read Exodus 34:2, 3 and Matthew 6:5-15.

The morning watch is essential. You must neither face the day until you have faced God, nor look into the face of the people you meet until you have looked into his.

You cannot expect to be victorious if the day begins only in your own strength. When you get up in the morning, spend a few thoughtful, quiet moments with your inner self and God. The influence of those moments will go with you all the day. Every day live as though you had met Jesus in the morning early and he was with you as your friend all day.

Meet him alone as Moses did, as all the great religious men and women have done. Meet him regularly, so that meeting and living with him becomes habitual for you. Take time in the morning to spend some time reading his story in the Bible until his personality and enthusiasm become a part of you.

Take time to ask yourself each morning, "How would Jesus have me live this day?" Ask him to keep you from trivial things and wasted time.

God has a message for each one of us just as surely as he had for Moses on the mountain. If we listen soon enough for it, we can begin to make a difference in the life of our people as he did.

Be ready by morning, and in the morning ascend . . . —Power .

attend church services. We confess that fault and determine that we will be a regular attendant. There is a positive decision that will give power to our choice. There is another step in this power and that comes as we strive to get others to attend church services also. Raise this to the many other alternatives that are ours and the importance of positive action becomes increasingly clear.

Our concern for others must not be from a selfish motive. "I will help you in your fault so when I am tempted you will help me," is a poor basis to act from. There is an element of personal concern that we cannot and do not want to escape, but to place our desire to help others just so they may help us defeats us at every turn. It is in the spirit of complete unselfishness that we seek to lift a fallen brother. Our efforts are not turned merely to those who can help in return but to all who may come within our influence.

We do bear each other's burdens. In so doing we find that love captures our hearts and we find the assurance in our own soul that we are fulfilling the law of Christ.—R. B.

If we had a special course for every cause called for by popular demand, Johnnie would not get out of school in time to celebrate his 30th birthday. — Katie Sue Echols, Jnl. of Fla. Education Ass'n.

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RELATION OF WEEK OF DEDICATION TO OTHER OBSERVANCES

Confusion exists in some quarters about the relation of Methodism's Week of Dedication and Church World Service, One Great Time of Sharing, Laymen's Day and other dates in the calendar of the Church.

Many letters of inquiry raise the question, "Why does Laymen's Day come on the same Sunday as Week of Dedication offering, Febru-

The answer is very simple. Laymen's Day is a fixed date—the fourth Sunday of February, which this year falls on the 25th. But the Week of Dedication date changes each year. General Conference declared: "The Week of Dedication will be climaxed each year on the third Sunday in Lent, when the Dedication offering is received in all of our churches." Thus in 1951 that date coincides with Laymen's Sunday. (In 1952 they will not come together when the Week of Dedication will be observed, March 16 to 23.)

However, both the Board of Lay Activities and the Week of Dedication Committee regard the situation this year as fortunate. Dr. Clinton Bennett, Executive Secretary of the Board of Lay Activities, is a member of that Committee. Bishop Paul B. Kern, Chairman of the Committee, and all of its members acclaimed the fact that February 25, 1951 provides a fne opportunity for pastors and laymen to work together in a united observance of the Laymen's Day program with its theme "When a Layman Worships" and the Week of Dedication with its slogan "We Have an Altar." The Laymen's organization is most cooperative in this united observance and has sent special Week of Dedication literature to all lay leaders urging participation in the entire program.

In this year of tragic need, especially in view of the desperate call for Korean relief, Methodist laymen are ready and eager to cooperate with their pastors in asking for a Dedication Offering on February 25th. And more important still, Methodist congregations, without exception, have the right to be given an opportunity to help "the least of these their brethren" by making free-will gifts on that day.

Another question that causes confusion in some quarters is the relation between Methodism's Week of Dedication and Church World Service. Perplexity here is readily resolved if we remember that this relationship continues as in the past but that "One Great Time of Sharing" is simply a CWS device used by some denominations to secure gifts for CWS which Methodists and other denominations receive by other and more effective methods.

One Methodist Committee for Overseas Relief is the Advance agency that is itimately associated with Church World Service, both administratively and in distributing relief. Therefore it may be stated that our annual Week of Dedication represents Methodism's participation in the "One Great Hour of Sharing" in 1950 as it will represent a similar participation in the

NEWS AND NOTES ABOUT FACTS AND FOLKS

THE WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILDS of Little Rock have purchased a typewriter for Aldersgate Camp near Little Rock.

A NNOUNCEMENT comes of the wedding of Mrs. W. S. Anderson and Wilbur F. White, both of Monticello, at the Methodist parsonage in Monticello on January 28, at 5:15 p. m., Rev. Roland E. Darrow officiating.

ARRIED at the First Methodist Church, Little Rock, on Saturday, February 10, at 3:30 p. m., Dr. W. P. Whaley of Conway and Mrs. Belle Hogg Sligh of Pine Bluff, Dr. Aubrey G. Walton, pastor, officiating.

MRS. ROY I. BAGLEY, wife of Rev. Roy I. Bagley, pastor of the First Methodist Church, Blytheville, underwent a major operation at the Methodist Hospital, Memphis, on Monday, February 12.

WORD comes that Rev. E. D. Hanna, 112 Summer St., Hot Springs, suffered a fall about three weeks ago and has been confined to his bed since. He would appreciate hearing from his friends. Brother Hanna is a retired member of the Little Rock Conference.

PEV. D. L. DYKES, JR., pastor of the Central Methodist Church, Fayetteville, is the preacher for Religious Emphasis Week at Henderson State Teachers College at Arkadelphia this week. He is speaking twice daily Monday through Friday.

A special "Family Night" will be observed by members of the El Paso, Texas, Trinity Methodist Church, during the national Week of Dedication, February 18-25. As a Lenten season observance, all families have agreed to "stay together, play together and pray together" one night during that week, said the Rev. Walter R. Willis, Trinity pastor.

THE CHANCEL CHOIR of the First Methodist Church, Little Rock, will sing the sacred oratorio, "Elijah," by Mendelssohn, on Sunday, February 18, at 4:30 p. m., with direction and accompaniment by John H. Summers, organist and choirmaster of the church. The highly dramatic story of the prophet Elijah, his conflict with the priests of Baal and ultimate triumph in the name of Jehovah finds a most inspiring interpretation in the music of Mendelssohn.

Rogers, Rev. James T. Randle, pastor, formally opened a new Educational Building on Sunday morning, February 10. Participating in the opening services were the pastor, the Chairman of the Board of Stewards, J. L. Eggleston, Church School Superintendent, Edwin Huenefeld, Fayetteville District Superintendent, Rev. W. F. Cooley, and a former Fayetteville District Superintendent, Rev. Elmer H. Hook. An article on this building enterprise will be published in an early issue of the Arkansas Methodist.

PEV. J. A. WADE, pastor of Fountain Lake Church, Hot Springs, writes: "In spite of the ice and snow the Fountain Lake Methodist Church had a wonderful service last Sunday. Six members were received into the church, three on confession of faith and baptism, two by vows and one by certificate. This is a total of sixteen received since conference. Five babies have been baptized. The Sunday School and church attendance have both increased since Conference. Much interest is being manifested in a study of the book of Revelation. The attendance in the class has increased to thirty. The Bible class finished the study of the gospel of Luke just before Christmas. Five months were devoted to this study. Twenty lessons are planned for the book of Revelation."

"One Great Time of Sharing" during Lent in 1951.

All denominations that receive relief offerings during Lent this year will distribute their (Continued on page 9)

WEEK OF DEDICATION AT HOPE

Rev. J. M. Hamilton, pastor at Hope, announces the following series of sermons by former pastors during the Week of Dedication: Sunday, Feb. 18, sermon by Dr. Francis A.

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Monday, Feb. 19, sermon by Rev. J. E. Cooper.

Tuesday, Feb. 20, sermon by Rev. E. D. Galloway.

Wednesday, Feb. 21, sermon by Rev. R. B.

Thursday, Feb. 22, sermon by Dr. E. Clifton

Friday, Feb. 23, sermon by Rev. Fred R. Harrison.

NOTE OF THANKS

I have been at home more than a week after an operation and a month's stay in the Methodist Hospital, Memphis. I am regaining my strength rapidly. I want to express my deep appreciation to the hospital and its excellent staff, to the many friends and relatives who sent flowers and messages and otherwise expressed their concern, to my district superintendent, Dr. Goodloe, my fellow ministers and the laymen of my own church who have performed every type of work, including carrying on a full schedule of services.—Charles B. Wyatt, Pastor, Grand Avenue Church, Ft. Smith.

NEWSFLASH ON KOREA

Five hundred Methodist pastors with families, Christian teachers, Bible women concentrated with thousands other Christian evacuees in southern Korea. Many orphans and other minors removed to nearby island. Severance hospital staff and equipment salvaged from Seoul. Also relocated there Methodist missionaries Sauer, Stokes, Appenzeller, Shaw, rendering all possible help in administering funds. Week of Dedication offering needed for those without livelihood.—T. T. Brumbaugh

ANNOUNCEMENT

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This to certify that Reabel Childers no longer has authority to preach in The Methodist Church.
Signed,

C. E. Whitten
District Superintendent
Searcy District of The Methodist Church
Searcy, Arkansas
February 10, 1951

CHAPLAIN PICTURES KOREAN POW'S AND CHRISTIAN REFUGEES

(Continued from page 7) some money, some candy bars, and a can of milk—all I had.

It is now December 12 . . . Well, we had a busy day yesterday. Sunday at 10 a. m. the Colonel said, "Have the clergy and families at the railway station Seoul, in twenty-four hours." We did-615 strong; Catholic and Protestantsall denominations—bag and baggage—and how! By 2 p. m. we were loading them into boxcars, babies, bundles and kimchi. The more crowded they were the better they liked it-warmer! By 3:20 they were all nicely settled; didn't want to move into other freight cars where there was more room; wanted to stay with the clan. We reserved one coach till all were placed, one-half former diner, the rest seats. To it we moved the sick, the pregnant women, and the aged. We located a Korean army doctor in a freight car, and charged him with checking on that group and others who might become ill on the train. And so, at 3:30 p. m., preachers and priests, nuns, wives, children, and a few grandmothers moved off over the rude low-slung railroad bridge over the Han River-and to what? God alone knows. They are His and we had to entrust them to Him.

CURRENT NEWS IN THE RELIGIOUS WORLD

Selected from Religious News Service Releases

Churches Not Seriously Affected By Construction Controls

Churches and other religious, educational, and non-profit institutions are not being seriously affected thus far by construction controls imposed by the National Production Administration. However, any religious body contemplating the erection of a building would be well advised, officials said, to clear it with Washington in order to be certain that they may proceed.

Warn Against Using Food Gifts As Political Weapon

Concern was voiced by the American Friends Service Committee in Philadelphia that "the spirit of American generousity is in danger of being lost in the present political struggle." The statement by Lewis M. Hoskins, executive secretary, and Clarence E. Pickett, honoary secretary, accompanied a message to President Truman in which the Nobel prize-winning Quaker organization said it supports a gift of 2,000,000 tons of grain to India.

Ohio Pastors Warn Against Growing Militarization

A "grave and patriotic concern for the growing militarization of our country" was voiced in Columbus, Ohio by the annual Ohio Pastors' Convention. The clergymen called on the government to "stem and to curtail the authority and the control of the military establishment over the civilian affairs of our life." The Convention also urged support of the United Nations, but suggested that the body's charter be revised to eliminate China as a permanent member of the Security Council, replacing it by an elective member.

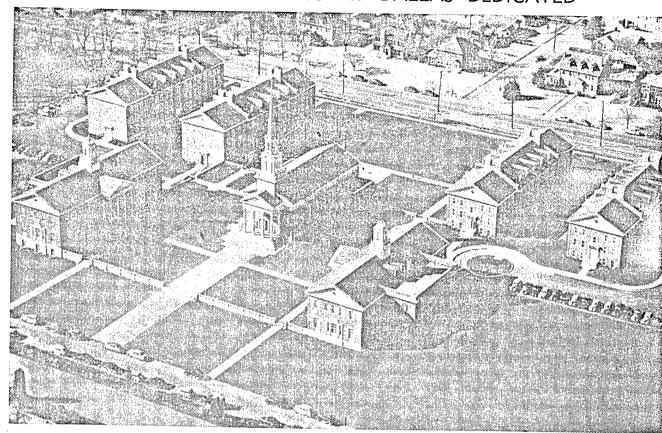
Truman Honors Memory Of Heroic Chaplains

President Truman, dedicating a chapel in Philadelphia to the memory of the four chaplains who sacrificed their lives on the sinking troopship Dorchester during World War II, said that if Americans live by their faith in God as their forefathers did, they need have no fear for the future. "We must never forget," he said, "that this country was founded by men who came to these shores to worship God as they pleased. Catholics, Jews, and Protestants, all came here for this great purpose. They did not come here to do as they pleased—but to worship God as they pleased," the President emphasized. He extolled the heroism of the two Protestant ministers, Roman Catholic priest, and Jewish rabbi that is commeorated by the new Chapel of the Four Chaplains in Grace Baptist temple here. "They gave their lives without being asked," he said.

Praises 'Christian Character' Of American Occupation Policy

The people of Hiroshima do not bear ill will against the United States for using the atomic bomb because the "subsequent Christian character of occupation policy" has convinced them that America is a friend of Japan. This is the message given members of Congress by the Rev. Kiyoshi Tanimoto, pastor of Naragawa Christian church, Hiroshima, and survivor of the atomic bomb. Mr. Tanimoto addressed

SEMINARY BUILDINGS AT DALLAS DEDICATED



Aerial view of the Perkins School of Theology Quadrangle which was formally opened and dedicated February 8. The theological center is located in the southwest section of the Southern Methodist University campus, between Hillcrest and Bishop Streets and just north of the Highland Park Methodist Church. In the front row is Kirby Hall, new administration building; Perkins Chapel; and Bridwell Library. In the back row is Eugene B. Hawk Hall, dormitory for married students with children; Paul E. Martin Hall, dormitory for married students; S. B. Perkins Hall, and A. Frank Smith Hall, dormitories for men students.

Southern Methodist University's new \$3,500,000 Perkins School of Theology was dedicated at ceremonies in Dallas, Texas. During the ceremonies it was disclosed that Mr. and Mrs. Joe J. Perkins of Wichita Falls, Tex., who have contributed at last \$2,000,000 for six

of the seven buildings in the quadrangle, also have endowed the seminary with approximately \$3,000,000. The dedication address was given by Dr. Ernest C. Colwell, president of the University of Chicago. He said that Methodist seminaries and others had made the mistake of be-

coming isolated from universities. "Isolation is the great curse of any professional school," he said. Dr. Colwell said that seminaries should seek to evangelize the entire faculty and student body of a university or school to which they are related.

members of the House Foreign Affairs Committee and other ranking guests at a luncheon given in his honor. He also addressed capacity crowds in six Washington churches and was invited to serve as guest chaplain of the United States Senate, the first Japanese clergyman upon whom that honor has been conferred since the war. "The people of Hiroshima have accepted the atomic bomb as God's judgment upon them," Mr. Tanimoto declared. There is no bitterness in their hearts because they realize that war itself is the great tragedy."

Truman Talks To Ministers On Foreign Policy

President Truman told a group of 50 Illinois Methodist ministers in Washington that it would be better to spend immense sums for human welfare than for engines of destruction. However, he said, "under the conditions with which we are now faced, we have got to have these engines of destruction in order to maintain our place in the world." Mr. Truman said that the United States has only one ambition: to give the people of the world the things that are necessary to make life worthwhile and to lead them to live by the "moral code in which we believe."

Church Group Dries Up Military Camp Area

Sale of hard liquors and wines around a huge Louisiana military camp was banned as the result of local option elections sponsored by a church group. The elections, held at "gold coast" areas adjacent to Camp Polk, were sponsored by the Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation, which represents Protestant churches of the state. Dr. Earl W. Hotalen, director, said the Foundation believes the vote was the first in the nation to dry up areas around Army camps.

Congressional Resolution Expresses Friendship For Russian People

A bi-partisan group of Senators from the three major faiths have introduced a resolution expressing friendship for the Russion people. Sen. Brien McMahon (D.-Conn.) led the group of 22 Senators introducing the resolution in the House. The resolution affirmed that the goal of the American people "is now, and ever has been, a just and lasting peace. The deepest wish of our nation," it said, "is to join with all other nations in preserving the dignity of man, and in observing those moral principles which alone lend meaning to his existence. The American people desire neither war with the Soviet Union nor the terrible consequences of such a war. Although they are firmly determined to defend their freedom and security, the American people welcome all honorable efforts to compose the differences standing between them and the Soviet government."

Episcopalians Ask Passage Of Marriage Bills

The Episcopal Diocese of Arkansas, in 79th annual convention in Little Rock, voted to recommend to the Arkansas General Assembly the passage of three proposals concerning the state's marriage and divorce laws. The convention urged favorable action on a House bill restricting the practice of waiving the three-day waiting period necessary to obtain marriage licenses. The Episcopalians charge that this practice was fostering many "ill-advised marriages." Also recommended by the convention was the passage of a Senate bill which would require a 30-day waiting period before a divorce decree could be entered. Such a proposal might allow a reconciliation between the couples, said the Rev. Shelton David, Forrest City, chairman of the committee submitting the resolution. Adoption of a third measure, to require a blood test for couples asking marriage licenses, was urged by the convention.



THE CHILDREN'S PAGE

ANNIE WINBURNE, Editor



IN STORYLAND

PICNICKING IN THE SNOW

"A picnic in the winter time! I never heard of such a thing!" Marjie Mack opened her eyes wide and looked from one to another of her cousins.

"Oh, we have them often. We carry hot milk or soup in a thermos bottle and take sandwiches and cookies. Hannah made a whole batch for us to take today. Come on Marjie; we'll put on our rubber boots, for the snow may be deep in places.'

"Oh, what fun!" cried Marjie, as she ran upstairs to get ready.

Henry carried a basket and Marjie and Lou pulled the hand-sled, "just for fun," said Marjie.

Under the trees in the woods they found the snow marked all over with tiny footmarks.

"Oh! Oh!" cried Marjie, "what made these marks? Was it squirrels?'

"Yes, and rabbits," said Henry.
"There goes Admiral. He lives up in that old tree. I've seen his nest. When he comes out we might get a chance to peep in, but he must not catch us at it, or he might get frightened and move away."

"Last winter" said Lou, "a squirrel had his nest in that tree, right in that crotch over our heads."

"Why, I did not know that squir-rels built nests like birds," said Marjie.

"They do, and they sometimes take possession of an old bird's nest, making it a little bigger to suit themselves," said Lou.

"Let's picnic right here," said Henry. "Then Marjie can watch the Admiral. Maybe he will come over for crumbs; he is quite tame."

So they brushed off a fallen log, spread the shawl they had brought and sat down to watch. They had not been waiting long when two little rabbits scampered over the snow and disappeared among the bushes. Marjie was delighted.

As the children ate they threw crumbs to the birds and counted how many kinds came. There were only five or six, but Lou said she had often counted as many as eight or nine kinds in one afternoon.

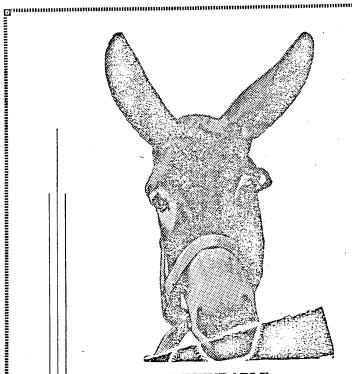
Then Admiral came near. Marjie had a cup of soup in her hand and got so excited as he came near her that she almost spilled it.

Henry spoke quietly to her: "Do not make a noise, Marjie. Just stoop down, and he will come to your

Marjie trembled with excitement. The little bright eyes watched her, as he darted so quickly from crumb to crumb. Then she held out a crust and the brave Admiral actually came and took it out of her hand and sat up, nibbling it as if he was one of the picnic party.

"We are quite used to them," said Lou. "Sometimes one runs up on Henry's shoulders when we sit very quietly under the trees in the suinmertime."

"We must take something home on the sleigh," said Henry. "Let's pretend we are wood gatherers, and take a big bundle of sticks."



DEPENDABLE

Some say that mules are stubborn And hard-headed as can be, But the ones we have on our place Don't seem that way to me.

It seems they're always ready To pull a heavy load, You never see them looking To find a smoother road.

They're always so dependable, I don't know what we'd do If it were not for friends who can Be counted on, do you?-A. E. W.

The girls agreed. So they ran about picking up sticks until they had a great pile, as much as the sleigh would hold. They had no rope to bind the sticks in place, so they piled them up as high as they could. Before they got well started the pile tumbled over.

"I know what to do," cried Marjie. "I'll sit on top of the sticks and keep them in place."

Henry and Lou laughed and helped their cousin onto the pile; then they started off again. Marjie thought she was having the best of it, when over she went into a snowdrift.

They shouted with glee, brushed the snow off, and Lou took a turn. She held on tight and watched carefully, but mischievous Marjie gave a jerk on the rope and back fell Lou, sticks on top of her.

"Oh" said Henry, "you girls don't know how to balance the thing. When you feel it going to one side you must lean to the other side, don't you see?"

"Very well; you ride, Henry, and we will pull," said Marjie with a ikle in her eve.

Picking up the sticks again, Henry took his place cross-legged on the top of the pile. For a while everything went smoothly.

"You see, that's the way to do it," said vain-glorious Henry, and, with the word, over went the rider into the softest snowdrift they could find. Henry was good natured about it. He suspected mischief.

JUST FOR FUN

An agitated young man ran frantically down the ferry slip, leaped across a strip of water and landed with a crash on the deck of

the boat.
"Well," he gasped, as he picked himself up, "I made it!"

"What's your hurry?" asked a deck hand. "This boat's coming in."

"What do you know about the installment plan?"

"All I know is that, if it wasn't for the installment plan, a lot of animals could wear their own furs next winter."

"You say Bill is pretty cocky and sure of himself?"

"I'll say he is. He does crossword puzzles with a pen."

The family had overslept, and Mrs. Smith woke with a start at the down the street clanking of cans She remembered that the garbage

Then they did the sensible thing. Henry pulled the sled and the girls walked, one on each side, with a hand on the sticks to steady them.

They left the wood at Widow Train's and ran home delighted.-Pittsburgh Christian Advocate

IN THE WORLD OF BOYS AND GIRLS

BECKY LOU'S BIRTHDAY

It was Becky Lou's fourth birthday and she was very happy. At lunch time, everybody had a gingerbread boy cookie for dessert and for dinner they had ice cream and a piece of Becky Lou's birthday cake. But better than all of these things her Mother and Daddy gave her a real, live, yellow canary with little black eyes.

The little bird must have been happy, too, because he sang all day "Now, Becky Lou," said her long. Mother, "it is almost eight o'clock. It is your bed-time, too. We shall put this cover over his cage and let him rest and tomorrow I will let you fill his dishes with seeds and water."

"You said seed, Mother," said Becky Lou. "Seeds—you plant seeds. Wouldn't it be funny if we gave Dickie seeds and little flowers began to grow inside him," laughed Becky Lou.

"Well," said her Mother, "but we do give Dickie seed to eat and what would you say if I told you that you eat seeds, too."

"I Mother? I never ate seeds, really, I didn't," answered Becky

"Yes dear, you did. You ate seeds for your dinner tonight. Now you tell me what we had for dinner and I will tell you what seeds we had," replied her Mother.

So Becky Lou started, "Tomato juice, potatoes, peas, meat, ice cream, cake and a glass of milk.

"That's right," said her mother. "Now potatoes are seeds and peas are seeds. We had walnuts on top of the cake and they are seeds, too.'

"Potatoes are seeds! What big seeds! I thought seeds were little things. Do we cook all the seeds we eat mother?" asked Becky Lou.

"No, we cook some, but not all. The nuts on the cake weren't cooked and you see they are seeds, too." Becky Lou laughed. "Aren't

seeds funny, 'cause you put them in the dirty ground and they grow. Birds eat seeds and we eat seeds. Dickie eats seeds and we eat seeds. Dickie eats seeds and I eat seeds. Isn't that funny, Mother!" - The United Christian Observer.

had not been put out, and raced down to the front door, struggling into a robe, with her hair in curlers, and looking rather sleepy-eyed. "Yoo hoo," she called. "Am I too late for the garbage?"

the collector, "No," shouted "Jump right in."

4-year-old Donna Jean that some people are Catholics, some are Protestants and some are Jews. "You are a Catholic," she told Donna Jean.

Donna turned to her little brother Mark, better known as "Sparky," and asked, "What are you?"
"Me?" asked Sparky. "I'm a character."—Milwaukee Jnl.

THE CHRISTIAN "REMNANT" IN KOREA

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ing south. At least they are across the Han River, which is the big worry in getting out of Seoul. Only this morning a pastor from the extreme north came walking in. He had walked for fifty days. The Chinese army first passed him, and then somehow he passed them."

The concentration of so many thousands of refugees in the southern-most tip of the peninsula has created very serious problems. The military authorities have, therefore, insisted that they be allocated to the least populous regions and even to nearby islands. Promptly American Methodist and Presbyterian, together with Australian Presbyterian, missionaries prevailed upon the Korean governor to designate a place in a quiet country community, not too far away, for the families of Christian pastors. Our daily newspapers and radio broadcasts have also been reporting the location of many widows, children and others on certain islands sufficiently removed from the mainland to assure naval protection if the worst of military disasters should occur.

Of conditions in the vicinity of Pusan, the Rev. Charles A. Sauer writes: "I visited the churches where pastors and their families are being temporarily quartered. Crowded conditions! In one school building six to eight families are packed into one classroom. In some cases each family has a space of twenty by twenty, in some cases ten by ten, while others are living $\tilde{\text{o}}\tilde{\text{n}}$ the stair landings or even on the steps . . It is impossible to estimate the number of refugees. They come riding on the top of boxcars and usually spend the night in the station grounds. The churches are crowded to the doors and cannot take more . . . A pastor has just come saying his wife was delivered of a son along the road and he could find no room available except at a price of one hundred thousand won (forty American dollars) which he did not have. The pitiful cases stagger the imagination . . . I brought in over 700 pounds of relief packages from Japan, and have just opened them. The first went to ten children in arms and to fifty others under ten years of age housed in the church across the street . . . I just sent a pastor away with a big smile, and an overcoat and a suit. He came from North Korea in overalls and had not even a blanket. The Reds had taken all his other clothing. Very few Americans would have worn that outfit I gave him; but to him, freezing, it was heavenly.'

As to the gigantic scale of the "operation," Mr. Sauer says, "We hear reports of from 40,000 to 70,000 landed on an island near here, all from North Korea. Two boatloads came in from Inchon yesterday, carrying several hundred refugees,

including one orphanage. Two or three box-cars carrying Severance Hospital staff of seventy and all the equipment they could evacuate from Seoul are due today." (This means that this union Protestant hospital is now functioning in some fashion in or near Pusan.)

400,000 Refugees in Pusan

Concerning the manner in which American and allied military authorities are attempting to meet the physical needs of this vast crowd of refugees, we read in a dispatch from Washington, "Soldiers, police and government officials draw rice rations monthly with which they must feed their families. The Korean government gives individual refugees a daily ration of one pound of rice and 50 won (about one cent U.S.) . . . President Syngman Rhee reports in an appeal for additional United Nations relief, that there were then (January 9) 400,000 refugees in Pusan alone, with 6,000 more coming daily . . . The cities are full of frail and barefoot children, some of them little more than infants. They are clad in rags and shivering with cold, many of them with no shelter of any kind. They beg by signs for food and other help to relieve a misery they cannot understand. Their eyes entreating, they stand silently, not knowing which way to turn, the most pathetic wreckage of the war that has engulfed their homeland."

To supplement the meager ration from the authorities, our missionaries give aid on a fixed basis as funds and supplies are available. Dr. Adams of the Presbyterian mission, says he and the Church World Service committee have tried to provide each pastor's family with fifty thousand won (\$20) to help secure needed supplies after leaving everything in Seoul. He is convinced, however, that such fine Christian people should not be spoiled by a weekly or monthly dole. Sooner or later productive employment must be provided for them. This, too, becomes a Christian responsibility, if the church has a social obligation beyond bringing other worldly relief to the sick and dying. Certainly, if they can remain in this area, we must provide suitable shelters for these who are the "remnant" of the Christian movement in Korea. In their present plight, Mr. Sauer reports that "Dr. Lew and Mr. Chang of the (Seoul) Seminary have the use of two trucks and with the relief funds that come from America, are buying rice and charcoal for distribution to Methodist workers. Most of the surviving pastors from south of the 38th parallel and many from the North have now arrived with their families. We estimate there are about 70 Methodist and 180 Presbyterian pastors here, and scores of other Christian teachers, Bible women and the like, with no attempt yet to count the number of church members."

Of the headquarters of the Central Relief Committee in Pusan, Chaplain Voelkel writes:

"This past week a Bible conference was held under the leadership of Seoul South Gate Pastor Kim. I try to drop around each morning at about 10:30 when the pastors have a get-together; but any time of the day will find the people gathered in prayer groups. And what prayer! Everybody praying aloud! It is a moving sight. Refugees overflow the place; the hallways and stairways are filled with people who are making their homes there. All around the outside of the building are the braziers of these families cooking their daily food."

The People Will Need Air

Here then are the facts concerning human need and Christian responsibility in Korea as it exists today (January 22). What the future will disclose is quite unknown. Conditions may improve somewhat if assurance can be restored that the United Nations, and particularly the United States, can and will remain in Korea to guarantee Korean national rights and human values. In that case, the needs for relief and rehabilitation, eventually for reconstruction of all that is near and dear to our fellow-Christians, in Korea, will be great. Again, the meeting of these needs among a destitute and confused people will be very important.

If, however, worse comes to worse, and there must be further evacuation from Korea, there will be many thousands of Christians and other refugees from Korea, in Japan, the Pacific Islands, and elsewhere who will need the help which our American churches can and must give.

To meet these challenges and responsibilities the Methodist Church has given assurance that certain funds are available and more will be forthcoming as prompt relief for the suffering evacuees and for further assistance if and as some more definite form of rehabilitation is proposed. Four experienced Methodist missionaries are now in South Korea to give aid and leadership in cooperation with the military authorities, the Korean government and the Korean Christian churches. To aid further in such coordination and to serve as liaison between Korea and Japan in all future devolpments, Dr. Henry D. Appenzeller has recently gone out from New York and San Francisco as director of the interdenominational activities of Church World Service.

It is for such reasons and purposes that the Council of Bishops, together with all the commissions and committees of the *Advance* for *Christ and His Church* have decided to put a \$100,000 priority for the emergency in Korea in the February 25th Week of Dedication offering of the Methodist Church. All this and more will be needed for whatever the future may demand of us in Korea.

Let American Methodists everywhere demonstrate a heart of compassion and a desire to help!

Chaplain Pictures Korean POW's And Christian Refugees

By WILLIAM E. SHAW, Seoul, Korea

(Editor's Note: Dr. Shaw, veteran Methodist missionary to Korea, has been named by the U. S. Army as a chaplain to the Korean people and their armies. In these paragraphs from his diary he pictures something of life in Korea today.)

was out again today (Dec. 1) to the Inchon prisoner-of-war camp, and had an interesting experience distributing Gospels of John in the Korean language. Fourteen thousand POW's from the North Korean army are in this one camp.

The procedure, as I went among large groups seated on the cold ground in rows, was as follows: "All Christians raise their hands" (Seeing the pamphlets under my arm, practically all hands went up.)

Then they practically mobbed me, ready to fight each other for a copy of the Gospels; so I developed new tactics. "Only those seated will get a copy and only those who can recite John 3:16 will get a copy even then."

Scores could reel it right off so they got their copy; I only had about 200 to distribute at the time. Then the bluffers tried to repeat John 3:16 after hearing it a few times. No copy! Then a lad came up out of another line, squatted down,

repeated it perfectly; but got caught. I said, "Didn't I give you a copy a few minutes ago?"

"Yes," he said, "but I want one for someone else."

"I replied, "Don't be a deceiver, or you can't be a Christian."

As a man or boy in a group would repeat

As a man or boy in a group would repeat the verse perfectly, I'd ask, "Who is the Only Begotten Son?"

"Jesus," came the answer.

"Who is Jesus?"

"The Son of God," came the answer.

"Who is God?" "Our Father," they said.
"Why, I thought the communists say there

is no God."

"O, but there is!" came the vehement response.

Thus I let the Christian POW preach to the others as I went from group to group. It was

a unique opportunity . . .

I sat in with the Korean district superintendents yesterday in the morning. I told them my confidence was in God who has control over all these events. I used Jeremiah's message, "God's people have paid him no attention; now God will pay them none. But, if you repent I will take you back." So reads the Word, and so

is the fact as I see it. I said, among other things, God is not pleased with Korea with its revenge against civilians, nor is He pleased with America with our "burning incense to vanity" (Jer. 18:15). O, the unspeakable waste in America, reckless spending, finery, luxury, in the midst of the world's vast need! We have sown the wind, we may have to reap the whirlwind . . .

I've been pretty busy today (Dec. 8) helping people financially and getting them on their way. They don't know where to go, and I don't either. Only our Father knows the outcome. These poor people need our prayers as never before. They don't feel that they can take it again. Many of the women and children have started south by truck. Keep praying. Tell all the friends to keep their chins up. Personally, we are unafraid, though greatly distressed by the suffering the Koreans may have to take.

Our helper and daughter got off on a train headed for Inchon; she thinks she can get a boat for Mokpo. Anyway, she is across the Han River. At the last minute she said, "I'm staying till you go." "That," I said, "you cannot do; I'll have no way to help you then; it's now or never." It then took her just five minutes to pack. I gave her

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BISHOP KERN, CHAIRMAN OF "WEEK OF DEDICATION" OBSERVANCE

A highlight of the Lenten season for 41,000 Methodist churches throughout the nation will be the third annual "Week of Dedication," February 18-25.

Bishop Paul B. Kern, Nashville, Tenn., chairman of the special observance, said "our aim is to make that week the high-water mark in the spiritual life of Methodists—a time when all of us will seek personal reconsecration and renewal of Christian commitments."

Climaxing the week will be a sacrificial offering on Laymen's Day, February 25. Bishop Kern said no fund goal has been set, but that the offering is expected to total over \$1,000,000. The first \$100,000 will be used to provide "emergency relief for the hungry and homcless millions of Koreans," he said.

He explained that 55 per cent of the offering will be used to help support special missions and the rest for home missions and certain educational projects. Included will be \$200,000 for bringing displaced persons to the United States. Previous offerings have enabled the church to resettle more than 2,000 families and 5,000 others are on the waiting list, Bishop Kern stated.

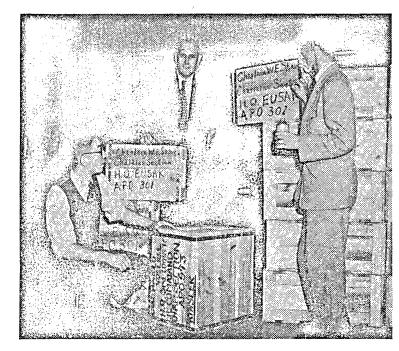
Another project dependent upon the Dedication Week is the church's Cursade Scholarships award to needy foreign scholars in the field of Christian education. They will return to their native countries as missionaries, ministers and teachers, Bishop Kern said.

THIS SEMINARY HAS NO BOOKS... YET

Do you have one or more good books—in English, French, Dutch or German—that could be read to advantage by students or faculty of a theological school? . . .

The Rev. Dr. Ralph E. Dodge, associate secretary of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, Methodist Church, says that the New

JAPAN PRINTS BIBLES FOR KOREA



Korea, and vicinity resulted in the complete destruction of the Bible House and all its equipment in that city. It was owned and conducted by the Korean Bible Society, an offspring of the American Bible Society. News comes, however, that the Rev. Young Bin Im, the secretary of the Korean Bible Society, personally survived the three months of occupation of the city. Because of the destruction of the Korean presses, the Japan Bible Society is now publishing scriptures in the Korean

language; and in Tokyo, London, and New York copies of the Korean Bible the plates of which were lost in Seoul—have been photographed and will be reproduced by the offset process.

The photograph shows the first cases of the Korean Reference New Testaments, printed in Tokyo, being prepared for shipping to Korea in care of Chaplain William E. Shaw (Methodist missionary on leave). Center is James C. F. Robertson who is now in Tokyo representing the interests of the Seoul, New York, and London societies.

Union Theological Seminary in Brussels, Belgium, is seeking such volumes to stock its library—which at the moment is non-existant. The books may be in any of the fields in which theologs should do their reading; they may be modern books or the older classics, but they should be in at least fair physical condition. They are probably the books that are in a pastor's library at the pres-

ent time, but may be of more service in Brussels than in the U. S. A.

If you have one of more such books, will you not send them, postpaid please, to Dr. Harold W. Olson, Transportation Department, Board of Missions, Methodist Church, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y. Mr. Olson will see that they get to Brussels. If they are being sent to Mr. Olson in quantity, it is suggested

CBS TO HELP LAUNCH WEEK OF DEDICATION

One sermon among those to be preached by 25,000 Methodist pastors on February 18 to launch the denomination's Week of Dedication, will, through the cooperation of the Columbia Broadcasting System, be more widely heard than any other. It is to be preached by the Rev. Dr. Kenneth W. Copeland of San Antonio on the subject "Disciplined Dedication."

The mersage will originate in the studios of KTSA and will be carried over the CBS network from 9:30 to 10:00 Central Standard Time as the second of its two regular Sunday morning "Church of the Air" services.

Music for the program will be furnished by the Festival Choir of sixty voices of the Travis Park Methodist Church, under the direction of Mr. Artells Dickson, minister of music.

Dr. Copeland, one of Methodisms younger ministers, came into national prominence two years ago when he was made minister of Travis Park Church, San Antonio, one of the five largest churches in the denomination. He had previously been pastor of the church in Stillwater, Oklahoma, which ministers to 3,000 Methodist students in A. and M. College. Dr. Copeland's earlier pastorates were in Texas.

The Week of Dedication is a special Methodist Lenten observance devoted to deepening faith and encouraging self sacrifice. Its final phase will be an offering for benevolent purposes. The first \$100,000 of what is hoped will total a million dollars, is earmarked for Korean sufferers.

This Week of Dedication service, being a sustaining program, is not heard on all CBS stations, so local newspapers should be consulted. Copies of Dr. Copeland's sermon may be obtained by postcard request to any CBS station or by addressing Methodist Information, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y.

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Charleston, D. G. Hindman	2	72**
Clarksville, C. Norman Guice	1	110**
Ft. Smith: First Ch., Fred G. Roebuck		234
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. A Great Missionary Leader



EV. RALPH EUGENE DIFFENDORFER. D.D., LL.D., retired executive secretary of the Methodist Board of Mission's Division of Foreign Missions, and active executive vice-president of the Japan International Christian University Foundation, New York City, whose death occurred on Wednesday afternoon, January 31, at 44 East 23rd Street, retired from the leadership of the Division of Foreign Missions on reaching his 70th birthday in 1949, after twenty-five years in that post. Since that time he had given himself to the promotion of the Christian University in Mitaka, near Tokyo, Japan, travelling and organizing fund-raising committees across the United States. For a while he was president of the Foundation, but a few weeks ago he became executive vice-president and assumed active control of the organization's activities. In 1949 he was in Japan in the interests of the proposed university.

Dr. Diffendorfer's home was at 48 Green Village Road, Madison, N. J. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. M. Edna Saylor Diffendorfer, whom he married while he was a student at

Drew Theological Seminary.

Born on a farm in Hayesville, Ohio, on August 15, 1879, Dr. Diffendorfer was educated in the local elementary and high school, and then entered Ohio Wesleyan University. There his life was deeply influenced by President James W. Bashford and Prof. William F. Oldham, both of whom later became Methodist bishops. He worked his way through Ohio Wesleyan selling missionary books, and this whetted an earlier interest he had in missions by reading the life of David Livingstone. From OWU he went to Drew Thelogical Seminary, and while there became a missionary officer of the former Epworth League.

Throughout the remainder of his life he was active in missionary service. In 1902 he became an assistant secretary of the Epworth League. Two years later he became secretary of the Missionary Education Movement of the United States and Canada, a position he held twelve years.

In 1916, Dr. Diffendorfer was named educational secretary of the Board of Home Missions and during the ensuing eight years held a wide variety of administrative posts in the education and mission work of the Methodist Church. He



DR. RALPH E. DIFFENDORFER

was director of the Home Missions Survey of the Inter-Church World Movement for two years and secretary of the department of education of the Church's committee on conservation and advance at Chicago for four years.

He became executive of the former Board of Foreign Missions in 1924. For twenty-five years he held this post. During this time he was intimately related to national and international missionary movements—including the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, and the International Missionary Council—and was recognized as possibly the outstanding missionary

leader of American Protestantism. He was an American delegate to the meetings of the International Missionary Council in Jerusalem in 1928, in Madras in 1938, to the interchurch conference in Oxford, England, in 1937, and in 1948 the assembly of the World Council of Churches in Holland. For several years prior to this Assembly he was active in plans for its formation.

In 1946 Dr. Diffendorfer was in England and on the continent of Europe where extensive plans were made for the share of the Methodist Church in the programs of relief, rehabilitation and religious service in the war-torn countries. In 1940 he was one of the last American churchmen to visit Japan. Realizing that war between America and Japan was imminent, he urged the withdrawal of Methodist missionaries from Japan at that time, thus saving many of them from concentration camps and possibly death when war came a few months later. During the years he visited most of the republics of South America, and travelled and studied conditions in India, Africa, Malaya and the Philippines. He was active as a member of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, of the Committee on Cooperation in Latin America, and in many other interdenominational Christian bodies.

Dr. Diffendorfer was president of the board of founders of the Nanking Theological Seminary on the Wendell-Swope Foundation; president of the board of trustees of the Santiago College for Women in Chile, and a member of the board of trustees of Ward College at Buenos Aires. He was a founder and president for six years of the Associated Boards of the Christian Colleges in China. Dr. Hu Shih, former Chinese Ambassador to this country, decorated him as a member of the Order of the Jade in recognition of the part he play in organizing the group.

Dr. Diffendorfer was the author of "Child Life in Mission Lands," "Studies in the Life of Christ," "A Modern Disciple—David Livingstone," "Thy Kingdom Come," "Missionary Education in Home and School," "The Church and the Community," and "China and Japan."

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Mission Board Asks Aid For Korea and India



RESOLUTIONS concerning U. N. control of weapons of war, the use of food surpluses for hungry India, and the providing of aid for Korea's needy were among the proposals adopted at the annual meeting of the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church. The resolutions follow:

"The United States of America has assumed its responsibility as a member of the United Nations, to which our nation looks for guidance in decisions regarding procedures involving the welfare of the family of nations. We urge those who are responsible for our nation's decisions to delegate to the authorities of the United Nations organizations decisions which are of such vital importance as the use of all weapons of war, remembering that we continue to look hopefully toward that day of international harmony when the use of destructive weapons will be unnecessary as a means of settling international problems.

Surplus Food and India

"We are concerned about enormous food surpluses in the United States at a time when there is hunger in our own country and a desperate need of the masses of India's people for food,—need intensified by floods, by earthquake, and drought in some areas.

"We recommend that ways and means be devised by the United States government to make available quantities of this food to the government of India on mutually agreeable terms; and that the Executive Secretary of the Division of Foreign Missions and the Secretary for India of the Department of Work in Foreign Fields of the Woman's Division of Christian Service be requested to arrange, in connection with the officers of the Division of Foreign Missions of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U. S. A., a consultation with government

officials looking toward that end.

"We also recommend support of the principles of the Granger Bill H. R. 9313, authorizing the Commodity Credit Corporation to package and pay inland transportation costs of surplus foods for distribution by public and private relief agencies to needy persons in the United States and in other nations. (This bill was passed by the House, and approved by the Senate Agriculture Committee, and awaits Senate action.)

Relief For Korea

"Whereas, if and as the United Nations and our American government in cooperation therewith have opportunity to be of aid to Korea, there will be need both for officially designated and distributed relief measures, and at the same time for such funds and supplies as may be provided and dispensed through private or voluntary agencies (such as church and other religious bodies),

"Be it resolved, that the Board of Missions and Church Extension of The Methodist Church in annual meeting at Buck Hill Falls, Pa., December 1950, recommends through the Division of Foreign Missions of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., the United Nations, to its United Command in the Field, to the Department of Defense, and to the Department of State of the United States government, that immediate and adequate channels be authorized the sending to Korea for responsible voluntary relief agencies, of provisions and of personnel for the supervision and distribution of them; it being understood that these agencies will be ready to accept such limitations as the Command in the Field, out of regard for military needs may deem wise and necessary as to areas and scope of operations, and that all such agencies shall be willing to cooperate with the officially designated relief bodies of the United Nations

and of our American authorities in Korea.

Aid For Korean Students

"We urge both governmental and religious authorities of our nation to give prompt consideration to the establishment of a training program whereby young Koreans of promise may be brought to this country or to other member-nations in the United Nations who may be willing to receive them for such purposes.

"We urge that our government make accessible to Korea students now in this country, and to others who may come during this crisis, the same type of funds as are available for Chinese students who are here for study for leadership in their homeland, and that our own Church and other Protestant bodies with which we are interdenominationally associated make all possible provision for the training of especially chosen Korean young people for specific services within the Christian church."

The Board also voted to "assume its full responsibility for constructive implementation of the Findings of the White House Conference", and to give its support to the planning and promotion of the National Conference on Family Life to be conducted by The Methodist Church in Chicago, October 12 to 14, 1951.

RELATION OF WEEK OF DEDICATION TO OTHER OBSERVANCES (Continued from page 4)

reccipts as usual according to their respective denominational formulae. In the same manner Methodist receipts from the Week of Dedication offerings are distributed according to our denominational plan, namely: 20% to MCOR, 25% to Home Missionary emergency projects, 55% to Foreign Missionary projects.

E. Harold Mohn, Executive Director The Advance for Christ and His Church Contributing Editors: Roy E. Fawcett Mrs. W. F. Bates

Contributing Editors: Ira A. Brumley Mrs. Ira A. Brumley

HENDRIX COLLEGE NEWS

Cardinal Key National Honor Sorority has issued invitations of membership to six Hendrix women, according to Dot Wilson of Huttig, president of the organization. They are Nona Eagle of Prescott, Martha Ann Elkins of Pine Bluff, Ann Machen of Portland, Linda Smith of Gurdon, Peggy Thomason of Rison, and Marion Ware of Little Rock.

Members are chosen for their outstanding leadership, character, and personality. A scholarship, formal induction service and banquet will be held soon, Miss Wilson

The only chapter of the national service sorority in Arkansas, Cardinal Key is a sister organization to Blue Key Fraternity.

Varsity Band Makes Tour

The 49-member Varsity Band under the direction of Ashley R. Coffman, is today presenting hour concerts at Beebe, Searcy, Newport and Paragould. Appearances tomorrow are scheduled for Rector, Piggot, Jonesboro, and Batesville. This is the second of four concert tours members of the select band will make.

The programs include miscellaneous informal numbers and feature some of the most recently published compositions. Along with more serious numbers, a parody on hillbilly radio programs is presented by several members of the band. John Cooper of Paragould, student director of the band, conducts one overture on the program.

The concerts, meals, and lodging have been arranged through cooperation with the schools and Methodist churches in the eight cities.

Professor Receives Service Call

M. R. Everhart, assistant professor of business and economics, has received his call to active service in the Navy, but authorities have deferred his date for reporting until June 11, President Matt L. Ellis said. Deferment, which was given at the college's request, will enable him to complete the present semester of instruction.

Mr. Everhart holds a lieutenant's commission in the organized Naval Reserve. He was commissioned as an ensign in September 1942 and had received his lieutenant's commission prior to his separation in January 1946.

Choristers Practice For Spring Presentation

The Choristers, 100-voice vocal group, are beginning practice on the famous "Requiem" by Verdi. The "Requiem" will be presented in Little Rock on Sunday, April 29, and in Conway the following evening. Both performances are incommemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the death of the great Italian composer.

The presentation of the "Reuiem" in Conway will be the opering event of the college's annual music and drama festival. Outstanding guest soloists are being secured for both performances. — Cynthia Brown.

The people you call cranks are the only ones who take an interest in anything but themselves .-- June

NORTH ARKANSAS CON-FERENCE NOTES

By Ira A. Brumley

Outstanding Programs Ahead

The North Arkansas Conference program of education will have some very important activities during the five months, February-June.



MISS VIRGINIA S. HENRY

Five persons from outside our Conference will contribute to this program, besides the persons who come in for a single training school

Miss Virginia S. Henry is in the Conference this week in a series of institutes on the work of adults who work with young people.

Dr. J. T. Carlyon is coming to the North Arkansas Conference for the Supply School in April and coming back to the Conference for a series of programs during the month of June.

Dr. John H. Hicks is coming to the Conference for a series of programs in local churches and for the Supply School. He is to be in the Conference during the month of April, spending one week in the Forrest City District and one in the Favetteville District, along with the Supply School program. The places for these programs have been selected and will be announced at a later date.

Miss Willie Frances Coleman of Tupelo, Mississippi, is coming to the North Arkansas Conference for a series of three-day training schools on the Methodist Youth Fellowship. She is to be in the Forrest City District and some other sections.

Miss Lucy Foreman of Nashville, Tennessee, is to be in the Conference for the month of April, conducting a series of one-unit training schools in the Jonesboro and Batesville Districts.

These programs, along with a number of training schools, and institutes on vacation church school work, and the enlistment program church bership and attendance, will give us a full emphasis on Christian education in the North Arkansas Conference.

North Little Rock Training School

The North Little Rock Area of the Conway District will have a sixunit training school the period of March 26, 27, 28, 30-April 2. The following courses are to be offered:

Christian Homemaking, Mrs. James W. Workman Preparation for Marriage, Rev.

Harold Spence Recreational Leadership, Rev.

Raymond A. Dorman Helping Adults Learn, Rev. I. L.

Claud Music in Christian Education,

Rev. V. Earl Copes Christian Education in the Local

Church, Ira A. Brumley. This school is open not only to the churches of the North Little Rock Area but to any other church that desires to participate in the program. The Jacksonville Church will be participating and the pastor is on the faculty.

The Paris Training School has been set for the period of February 18, 20, 21. The course on The New Testament in the Life of Today will be offered in this school by Ira A. Brumley.

The Pocahontas School, which was brought to an untimely end by the storm of week before last has been reset for the date of April 18-20. The same courses are to be offered in the school as were started in the school for the date of January 29-31. Those who attended part of the school will be credited for the time they attended and can complete their work for credit.

SMU Ministers' Week

The North Arkansas Conference had perhaps the largest attendance of ministers on what proved to be the greatest Ministers' Week ever held at SMU. The Ministers' Week in itself was a rich experience. Added to this the Dedication of Perkins School of Religion Quadrangle made it a historic occasion: The addresses by Drs Ferre, Craig, and Bosley were most stimulating and held the attention of the tôtal group better than any former three lecturers for Ministers' Week.

The Day of Dedication of the Perkins Quadrangle Was the kind of event that had never taken place before in the history of schools of theology of the Methodist Church in America. The address of Dr. Coldwell was challenging and inspiring. The great crowd of visitors, friends of the institution, revealed interest in the program of Christian training being provided for future ministers of the Southwest.

We are not certain that we secured a complete list of the ministers from the North Arkansas Conference, but the following were present, with perhaps others which we did not know were there: Robert Bearden, Jr., Robert Sessions, W. Henry Goodloe, Alfred Knox, Olin Findley, O. L. Cole, Charles Wages, Woodrow Woods, Arnold Simpson, H. W. Jinske, C. H. Harvison, N. Lee Cate, J. Kermit VanZant, George Kleeb, W. F. Cooley, E. H. Hook, Harold Womack, Ethan Dodgen, Paul Bumpers, Raymond Dor-William Wilder, James W Workman, James W. Workman, Jr., Ralph Hillis, Coy Whitten, A. N. Storey, S. B. Wilford, J. J. Clark, Raymond Franks, Luther K. Wilson, Jesse Johnson, H. M. Lewis, Lindley Vowel, Elmus Brown, D. L. Dykes, Fred Roebuck, Martin A. Bierbaum, John McCormack, Roy I. Bagley, Ewing T. Wayland, J. H. Holt, E. B. Williams, John Bayliss, James S. Upton, Claudie McLeod,

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A CHURCH MEMBER

Nashville, Tennessee - A new pamphlet elective unit entitled What It Means to Be a Church Member has just been issued by the Editorial Division and Abingdon-Cokesbury Press for use by intermediates in the church. Writer is Rev. Warner M. Hubbard, pastor of the Methodist Church at Clearlake, Iowa. The unit contains material for pupils and also for adult leaders. The chapter headings are: Why We Have So Many Churches, What a Church Member Believes, The Sacraments, Important Work of the Church, and Becoming a Church Member. It contains thirty-two pages and sells for twenty-five cents. Mr. Hubbard is also the author of some of the material in the new closely graded courses for Intermediates.

MINISTER PÖRTRAYS KOREA'S PLIGHT

The human tragedy and need in Korea-for some of which Methodists are planning to give relief funds on the Day of Dedication, Sunday, February 25—was vividly portrayed recently by Ben C. Limb, Korea's Minister of Foreign Affairs, in an address to the U. N. Security Council:

"Few nations have ever suffered such devastation as has been visited uben Kerea. Millions of men, women and children have been driven from their homes and are without food, clothing, or shelter. Practically every major city in Korea has been smashed to pieces. Hundreds of villages are completely destroyed.

'I lêft Korea two months ago. I have repeatedly visited the front line of battle as well as some of the major refugee camps. In some of them I saw as many as 300 persons in one place. In such a place I saw 121 babies born one morning.

"These people had left their homes in the middle of June in summer clothes. They did not have time or space to carry any other clothing: There is now winter sub-zero weather in Korea. They are in thin summer garb. They do not have any blankets. They do not have any shelter. Millions of these people who have been driven from their homes and their communities are roaming the hills and fields and the destroyed streets of destroyed cities.

"These are the consequences of the attack by the communist forces, and this is the price of freedom and democracy which the Koreans cherish, and, because they cherish these priceless principles, they are willing to pay the price of their lives."

E. J. Holifield, Van Hooker, and Ira A. Brumley. Several wives of ministers were in attendance, but not having a list of those attending it seemed unwise to try to list them



- WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE -

MRS. SUE M. WAYLAND, Editor

EL DORADO FIRST CHURCH STUDIES "NEAR EAST PANORAMA"

"The Near Easterner Believes" was the topic of study for Monday's session of the study course, "Near East Panorama," presented by the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the First Methodist Church by circles six and eight, with Mrs. Ruby Mayfield serving as leader. This program was both interesting and enlightening and dealt with Islam and religions of the Near East.

The worship center was completely in accord with the theme of the program, featuring a table centered by an open Bible in front of the cross, the symbol of the Christians. On the right was a copy of the Koran, the sacred scripture of the Islams and on the left was a partially unrolled scroll, significant of the Torah, with the Oral and Written Laws of Judaism.

Mrs. Tom Russell led the devotional, from Philippians 2:5-11, dealing with Paul's exhortation to unity, and led the group in prayer. Mrs. Mayfield introduced Mrs. Jabe Hoggard who discussed Judaism, the religion maintained by the Jews; Mrs. T. L. Griffin's topic was Islam, the religion of the Mohammedans, outlining the five religious practices obligatory on the believer, (i) the recital of the creed; (ii) the performance of divine worship five times a day; (iii) the fast in the month of Ramadan; (iv) payment of legal alms; (v) the pilgrimage to Mecca. Mrs. W. C. Farley gave an interesting discourse on Christianity, touching on the Coptic Church, Roman Catholicism, Eastern Orthodox and Protestantism and their places among the religions of the Near East.

Mrs. Mayfield announced that the highly significant feature of the afternoon was a 'television' broadcast from Iran. When the lights were lowered and the curtains parted there was disclosed a perfect little replica of a broadcasting booth. Mrs. John Gaffney served as the 'roving reporter' and gave an up-to-theminute news cast. A Moslem woman walked by the radio booth and was stopped and interviewed. This turned out to be Mrs. Charles Dunlap portraying the part of a converted Moslem who had become a Christian Worker. Another Moslem woman came by and when interviewed stated that she was Mrs. Worth Camp and she, too, was a converted Moslem who had become a Missionary Worker.

Mrs. Farley gave an interesting map talk, pointing out the towns and cities of the Near East where Christian schools, missions, hospitals and missionary workers have been established.

The creed of the W. S. C. S. was repeated in unison as the prayer of dismissal.

The concluding program on the study "Near East Panorama" was presented Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. J. A. Temple, chairman, and members of her circle number five, with Mrs. J. T. McQuade, as leader, offered the interesting programs, using the topic "The Near East Quest," dealing with the educational, medical and social activities of the Near

"TYPICAL METHODIST WOMAN"

7HEN "Methodist Woman" official publication of the Woman's Society of Christian Service - sought "a typical Methodist woman" for publication on the magazine cover recently, a large number of photographs were submitted by conferences in all parts of the country. The judges—three men—chose Mrs. Robert C. Armstrong, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, as the "most typical." Mrs. Armstrong is the mother of four daughters, two of them of college age. She is active in St. Paul's Methodist Church, Cedar Rapids, where she is a W. S. C. S. officer. Last summer the entire Armstrong family visited Methodist work in Alaska.



MRS. ROBERT C. ARMSTRONG

Eastern area

The worship center was simple but impressive, featuring an open Bible placed in front of the beautiful painting of Sallman's Head of Christ.

The devotional was given by Mrs. Howard Elder on the justification of faith in Christ, from Gal. 3:26-29. During this devotional a pantomine was given, entitled "In Christ There Is No East Or West" and Mrs. W. C. Farley sang the song of the same name. Mrs. Glen Rucker and Mrs. Aaron Morgan acted out the pantomine

Mrs. Temple introduced Mrs. McQuade, the program leader. A clever playlet was presented with Mrs. J. S. Williamson taking the part of a Christian educator, Mrs. Frank Rogers, as a Christian nurse and Mrs. Grover Zinn as the wife of a missionary in the Near East, carrying out Christ's assignment of: "Go ye therefore and make disciples of all nations." Ike Raymond Lacefield portrayed an Arab student.

The climax of the afternoon was a lovely silver tea, offered by circle number five. The tea table was covered by an exquisite cream linen cloth centered by a colorful and attractive arrangement of pussy willow and double ranunculus in an oriental brass container. Mrs. Bruce Anthony was responsible for this lovely flower arrangement. Mrs. Harry Wadsworth, president of the W. S. C. S., poured from the tea service at one end of the table. The offering table was lovely, covered by an oriental cloth and centered by a tall brass candelabra with yellow tapers burning and a beautiful silver bowl for the offering. This offering will be sent to the Jurisdiction project, The Lucie Harrison Girls' School in Lahore, Pakistan, and amounted to \$43.06.

Six young women have been chosen as the first short-term (2-years) U. S. missionaries under the new program sponsored by the Woman's Division of Christian Service of the Methodist Church. Of this group (the first of 50 being selected), two—a dietitian and a nurse—have been assigned to Alaska. They are Miss Helen Margaret Priebe of

CHRISTIAN VOCATION STUDIED BY BENTON SOCIETY

Mrs. Henry Gingles, chairman of mission study of the Methodist W. S. C. S., invited the members and guests of the four circles to meet in her spacious home Monday, January 22, to attend the study course

The meeting was opened by Mrs. W. H. Crockett giving a beautiful devotion, "Using Our Talents" and "Stewardship."

At 10:30 a. m. the study of Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam's wonderful book, "The Christian's Vocation," was begun. This book gives a complete picture and resume of the trying times our nation and its people are undergoing, in regards to the conflicts a Christian may encounter to maintain his obligations to work, right to income, duty as a consumer, duty as a citizen, the Christian's place in world affairs and last but not least, the "Christian's Source of Guidance and Power."

The seven chapters were ably given by Mesdames Henry Gingles, Frank Shanks, Hubert Blakley, Lee Tucker and Henry Caldwell. Between each chapter humorous quotations and anecdotes, closely related to the discussions set forth in the book, were given by Mesdames Harold Baker, H. O. Bolin, Lonnie Tull, W. A. Utley, Robert Carrick, John Smith, John L. Hughes, N. D. Couch and Walter Hughes. Mrs. Herbert Monday, a worker among rural churches for the Little Rock Conference, was a guest.

Mrs. John L. Hughes delighted the ladies with her rendition of an humorous reading describing the annual ordeal of making out the income tax returns. Her reading was titled "Form 1040."

During the noon hour, Mrs. Gingles served lunch to thirty-four members and three guests.—Reporter

Lubbock, Texas, dietitan, B. S., from Texas Technological College; Miss Martine Shirley, Syracuse, N. Y., B. S. from Syracuse University School of Nursing; and two graduate teachers.

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD MEETS

The Danville Wesleyan Service Guild met in the home of Mrs. Arvie Scisson Thursday Evening, January 25 at 7:30 with Mrs. Irene McCarroll and Miss Robbie Thomas as hostesses.

Miss Sarah Freeman led an interesting discussion on Stewardship and Its Benefits to the individual, Church and Government. Those participating in the discussion were Helen Pound, Robbie Thomas, Ethelyn Dow, Lucile Wilson, Ruth Cowger, and Mrs. W. C. Landers.

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses to 16 members and the two guests, Mrs. Arvie Scisson and Mrs. Norvalle Keathley.

The February meeting will be in the home of Mrs. Selma Gatlin.

LETTER FROM EDITH MARTIN

Tunda Station January 21, 1951

Dear Friends and Co-workers in the North Arkansas Conference:

I have waited and waited thinking that someone might write me giving me the names of those societies which have given me "love gifts" in order that I may write a personal letter to thank you for them. I am deeply and humbly grateful to you for this and other gifts which you have given for our work. These gifts and others are being used to buy equipment for a reading room and library and for an opaque projector. Your gifts will continue to enlighten, inform, and make many lives happy.

I have found a very interesting and needy field here. The workers have been most cooperative and many are really sacrificing that their people may know Him. The light is dawning but more young people are needed that it may shine brightly in this land of superstition, fear and darkness. Continue to pray for

Thank you again for helping us to do what we could not do without your help.

May God richly bless you this year.

Yours and His, Edith

Three women missionaries of the Methodist Church sailed recently for Monrovia, Liberia, to open a social service center. This marks the first entrance of the Methodist Woman's Dvision of Christian Service into the Republic which was the first foreign mission field of that Church more than a century ago. Their project will be a Christian hostel for women students at the College of West Africa. The college is Methodism's oldest educational center overseas. The women undertaking this social-educational servce are Miss Sallie Lewis Browne, social worker from Charlottesville, Va., who has been a missionary in Manchuria and in Poland for more than twenty years; Miss Carrie V. Peat, school teacher from Baltimore, Md.; and Miss Dora Lee Allen, youth worker from Garrett, Ind.

CURRENT NEWS IN ARKANSAS METHODISM

REVIVAL AT FAIRVIEW CHURCH, CAMDEN

The new year 1951 marked the beginning of a revival meeting for the Fairview Methodist Church. The revival really began with watch-night services on the night of December 31. At the regular preaching hour at 7:30 a great congregation that filled the sanctuary to overflowing joined in the devotional and song service. This was followed at 8 p. m. with the showing of the sound film, "Salt of the Earth" which inspired the entire group to a fuller meaning of the stewardship of life. Youth of the church enjoyed recreation between the hours of 9 and 11 p. m. The service of dedication at exactly 12 midnight found a large group of youth and adults gathered around the altar of the church dedicating their lives to larger Christian serv-

On Monday and Tuesday evenings at the church the laymen had charge of the services which were an inspiration to all who attended. During these days twelve cottage prayer metings were organized in various parts of the community meeting at the most convenient hours for the persons involved. These prayer meetings continued throughout the duration of the meeting and some of them are continuing on a regular weekly basis as a part of the evangelistic effort of the church.

Beginning on Wednesday night through Sunday night the following visiting preachers preached for us: Rev. R. L. Diffie of Chidester, Rev. Robert Core of Parkers Chapel, Rev. Alfred I. Doss of Stephens, Rev. M. E. Scott of Stamps, and Dr. Connor Morehead of Camden District. Monday night, January 8, Rev. J. Albert Gatlin of Conway, the North Arkansas Conference Secretary of Town and Country Work, arrived and preached for us daily at 7:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. and spoke over the local radio station KAMD at 9:15-9:30 each day throughout the week. Rev. Alfred Doss led the congregational singing throughout the meeting and directed the children's booster club each evening at 7 p. m. Prayer groups were held each evening prior to the evening service at 7 p. m. for Intermediates, young people, men, and women. Large crowds attended every service in the evening and while the morning attendance was not as great as at night the attendance was good and the spirit was wonderful. Ten were baptised, five received by vows and five by certificate, making a total of twenty received into the church during the meeting. Fine spirit prevailed throughout and the church membership will long remember the great blessings that were bestowed upon them. Fairview is a stronger church, a growing church, and a more spiritual church because of this great revival in our hearts

We are grateful to God for sending all these godly men our way and for his leadership among us during these days.—Chas. H. Giessen.

The best kind of leadership is that which produces fellowship.—Christian Advocate.

CHRISTMAS AT FAIRVIEW— TIMOTHY CHARGE

Christmas 1950 at the Fairview Methodist Church in Camden was a time of much activity and Christmas cheer. Besides the many social meetings which totaled nearly 20 for the various classes and groups of the church during the week previous and the week following Christmas, about 20 baskets and boxes of food and clothing were given to needy families during the same period. The entire church through the adult council and under the leadership of Mr. Homer Anderson acting as chairman, invited ten children of the Arkansas Methodist Children's Home to spend the Christmas holidays in the homes of our church and be our special guests at services on Sunday. These children ranging in age from 6 to 18 years were an inspiration to the entire church. More than thirty families joined in the entertainment and care of these children during the week and more, that they stayed among us.

On Christmas Eve night at the church a group of the church under the direction of Mrs. Eugene Hart, presented a Christmas drama, whose inspiring message was appreciated by a great congregation which filled the sanctuary.

Our guests from the Children's Home attended the Christmas tree at Timothy Church as did a large group of our people at Fairview. Timothy Church sent a large box of candy to Rev. Robert Scott in England to be distributed to the children in England, some of whom tasted candy for the first time this year. Our people here enjoyed a great Christmas by sharing in a wonderful way the blessings that God has given to us. Our Christmas offering for the Children's Home amounted to \$247.00. We thank God for his wonderful blessings upon us and the privileges that have been ours during the Christmas season.—Chas. H. Giessen, Pastor.

FORREST CITY DISTRICT MINISTERS' WIVES FELLOWSHIP CLUB

The Forrest City District Ministers' Wives Fellowship Club met with the ministers of the District in the Forrest City Methodist Church on January 22.

Rev. Ethan Dodgen, district superintendent, led a very inspirational devotional service. Mrs. Ben Few was pianist.

The Ministers' Wives adjourned to another room for a business meeting. Mrs. Ethan Dodgen, vice-president, presided in the absence of the president, Mrs. Harold Womack. Mrs. M. N. Johnston acted as secretary in the absence of Mrs. Alfred Knox. Two new parsonage children were present, the McMaster daughter and the McDonald son. A gift was sent to the baby daughter of Rev. and Mrs. F. M. Stage who is still in the Methodist Hospital in Memphis with her mother.

Thirty-four enjoyed the noon hour potluck which was served by the wives

This was the fourth meeting of the year.—Mrs. Jack W. Glass, Re-

METHODIST WORKERS AMONG INDIANS TO MEET

The workers in thirty-two Methodist Indian projects and the Oklahoma Indian Mission Conference will meet for their first national convention at the Southern Hotel, Columbus, Ohio, February 21-23, Dr. Elliott L. Fisher, executive secretary of the Home Division of the Board of Missions and Church Extension, announces.

"Methodist workers among the Indians are doing an excellent job," says Dr. Fisher, "but they have had too little opportunity to discuss their common problems with their fellow missionaries. This national conference is being held in order that we can discuss techniques and develop procedures for more effective work with the Indians."

Dr. Mark A. Dawber, who was for more than twenty-five years executive secretary of the Home Missions Council of North America, is one of the principal speakers. The widely-known missions expert gained national recognition as an authority on problems of the American Indian. He serves on the Advisory Committee to the United States Bureau of Indian Affairs.

A statement of purposes will be given by Dr. Fisher. An account of the Indian project by E. Kent Brown, who visited twenty-five of them in an extensive survey of Methodist work among Indians, is slated for the opening day. Arts and crafts for Indians will be discussed by the Rev. Alexander Eckert of the Pottawatomie Reservation in Kansas. Mrs. Eckert is to talk on "The Pastor's wife and the Missions Program."

Dr. Edward R. Bartlett, Iliff School of Theology, has been selected to lead the discussion on a training program for Indian pastors. Indian and white relationships is the topic for the Rev. Ernest DeFord of Round Valley Mission in California. Highlights of Oklahoma Indian Mission are to be presented by the D. D. Etchieson, superintendent of that conference. Most important, the conference planners feel, is the individual reports from workers and discussion of projects. The three-day session is to conclude with the report of the Findings Committee on Friday.

Devotions will be lead by the Rev. D. F. Lowry, Pembroke Indian Parish, North Carolina; the Rev. Amos Kahgee, native Indian minister at Kewadin Indian Mission, Michigan; the Rev. Charles W. Browne, Odanah Indian Mission, West Wisconsin; and the B. V. Bradshaw, Schurz-Yerington Mission, Nevada, a veteran of nearly forty years in the Indian missions. Mr. Bradshaw's record is longest in point of service in the American Indian mission field.

Indian reservations are located in states scattered from Washington to North Carolina and from Minnesota to Mississippi. The Methodist mis-

REVIVAL AT BRANCH

During the week of January 9-19 the pastor engaged Rev. Van Hooker of Fort Smith to help in an evangelism visitation campaign. We canvassed from house to house and enjoyed the fine spirit of fellowship in many different homes. Bro. Hooker brought us a good message Wednesday night at our prayer meeting.

Following the week of visitations

Following the week of visitations Rev. J. Albert Gatlin arrived Monday evening, January 15 to preach for us through Friday night of that week. Bro. Gatlin is a dynamic preacher. He preached hard and straight to the point on such subjects as "The Bible", "Anchors of the Soul," and "The Church."

The effect of such sermons will be felt for many weeks to come. It is true that we had only one conversion with no additions, but the flock was fed with some solid food, and it was not given out on a silver platter either.

The last night after many of us had gathered at the altar for a prayer service following that wonderful sermon on "The Church" there was shouting and praising the Lord, with many more bathing their cheeks with tears of joy.

Truly we had a good revival.—Rev. and Mrs. Fred M. Thompson, Pastors.

NEW FILM ON KOREAN TRAGEDY

A new filmstrip on Korea, "A Nation Caught in World Conflict," is a commentary on the struggle for existence in that nation before and after the North Korean troops crossed the 38th parallel. The matrix of past and present contrasts the hopes of Koreans for peaceful, independent living with what they have instead. It is not a pretty picture. Christians who see it will want to send immediate aid for the suffering; they will want to do something later, after the fighting ceases, to help surviving victims of the war to return to decent living.

The script for "A Nation Caught in World Conflict" was written by Dr. T. T. Brumbaugh, secretary in charge of Methodist missionary work in Korea. The filmstrip was produced jointly by the Board of Missions and Church Extension of the Methodist Church and the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church.

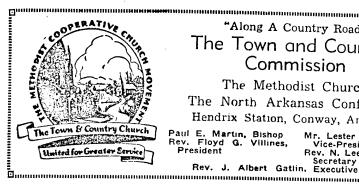
Copies of the filmstrip with recording may be purchased for \$10 or rented for \$2.50 from depositories of the Methodist Publishing House or through the Presbyterian Distribution System.

sions minister to more than 5,000 Indians. The problem of the exodus of Indian from reservation to city is to receive special attention at the conference.

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A RURAL LIFE CONFERENCE

A great Rural Life Conference is planned for Fourche Valley Saturday, March 31. Bishop Paul E. Martin is to be platform speaker at worship hour.

In cooperation with all agencies of the conference working in rural areas, a most outstanding meeting is being planned in the Fourche Valley Section for Saturday, March 31, 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The conference will be held at Faurche Valley High School between Plainand Bluffton. Paul Dean Davis, Hendrix student, is the pastor; Dr. C. M. Reves is the district superintendent. The program will be published in the next few days. The theme of the program will be "Toward a Better Community Life." Invitations have been extended to prominent leaders of the different phases of community life to appear on the program. For the worship hour Bishop Martin will preach and the music will be furnished by the youth of Fourche Valley. This will be the one great conference meeting of this nature for this annual conference year. It is hoped that we may have a great number of people in attendance including the district superintendents and other district and conference leaders. Plans will be perfected at this meeting, we hope, for the attendance of a large and representative delegation to the National Methodist Rural Life Conference to be held at Sioux City, Iowa, in July.

NOTES FROM THE FIELD Waldron and Scott County

For the past week it has been the writer's privilege to work in Waldron in Scott County. As is true of many other beauty spots in Arkansas, God has adorned this great section of our state with the glory of nature in full array. The services at the church have been well attended in spite of the severest weather conditions ever experienced by the people of this area. In cooperation with the splendid pastor, Elmo Thomason, the rural pastor, Felix Holland, associate rural

pastor, R. M. Holland, and song leader, Earl Wood, of Waco, Texas, the special services have grown in interest every day. The hospitality of the parsonage home under the gracious direction of Irma Thomason, has been indeed uplifting. During the pastorate of the

Thomasons and the Hollands great strides have been made in Methodism in Scott County. From the lips of Brother Thomason and Brother Holland we relate the unusual and outstanding accomplishments.

A new parsonage has been built at Waldron and a residence purchased for the rural churches. The cost of parsonage and furnishing at Waldron exceeded \$9000.00. The church has been redecorated and Butane gas installed in Educational units at a cost of more than \$6000.00. Two Church School classes have been organized, one new W. S. C. S. circle has been organized, also a new Methodist Brotherhood has been organized at Waldron. A layspeaking program is going forward. Brother Thomason has reopened two abandoned churches which are being serviced by Rev. R. M. Holland, retired, and by lay speakers. The attendance and budget of Waldron have been increased to a great degree.

In addition to the residence purchased by the rural churches, at a cost of \$3000.00, redecoration and repairs to the churches have been accomplished at a cost of more than \$3500.00. Four new units of the W. S. C. S. have been organized in the rural churches. Lay speakers are assisting in the carrying out of the worship services over the charge.

Here at Waldron and Scott County is a splendid example of a Cooperative Program among Town and County Churches. The fine spirit between pastors and among people is manifested everywhere. This approach to the administration of the churches in Town and Country will go far in the meeting of the many acute problems that we face across the nation. — J. Albert Gatlin.

AFRICAN ROYALTY NOW AT N. Y. U.

young student from West Africa, who was graduated last May with honors from Bethune-Cookman College in Daytona Beach. Fla., is now enrolled in the New York University School of Education. He is A. Babs Fafunwa, of Lagos, Nigeria, whose father is a member of the Chief Omikoyi family.

Mr. Fafunwa is president of the African Students' Union of America. Following his graduation, he was a member of the faculty of Bethune-Cookman in the division of humanities. He was founder and first moderator of the College's World Affairs Group, and is a member of the national honor society, Alpha Kappa Mu.

Bethune-Cookman, a coeducational junior and senior college for Negroes, receives part of its support from the Board of Education of the Methodist Church.

Our emotional weather is made up of hurricanes and tornadoes and gay smiling days . . . It is hard to rmeember the sun when the storm rages but "This too will pass away" -the sun will smile again.-Joshua Loth Liebman.

Kindness is not a passive acceptance of wrong and stupidity; it is paying hate with love, and greed with the joy of giving; it is turning fear into caution, resistance into co-operation, ignorance, intel-

Laymen Back Town and Country Conference



Methodist laymen are greatly concerned about the National Town and Country Conference to be held at Sioux City, Ia., July 21-24, and many of them will be there as delegates. That's what Executive Secretary Chilton G. Bennett (right) of the General Board of Lay Activities is telling the Rev. Glenn F. Sanford of New York City, secretary of the Town and Country department of the church's Board of Missions and Church Extension, as they confer upon the significance of the gathering which is expected to attract 2,500 delegates. Annual Conference Commissions on Town and Country Work are responsible for pro-

moting attendance from their territory. Lay delegates will include lay 2,500 delegates. Annual Conference and a representative of Methodist Men from a town and country situation; national, jurisdictional and conference presidents of the W. S. C. S.; one farm woman from each annual conference appointed by the W. S. C. S.; one adult man or woman or member of the Youth Fellowship from each district; and one rural young person nominated by each conference Youth Fellowship. All bishops and district superintendents and pastors from several categories are expected to represent the clergy at the conference.

THESE PRISONERS NEED CHRISTIAN BOOKS

In a report concerning recent Protestant activities in Sugamo Prison, in Tokyo, where most of the war criminals are serving sentences, it is noted that there are 136 baptized Christians, 121 who are called "seekers"—a total of 257 who are now definitely of the Christian persuasion.

This represents a great deal of Christian work in the prison during the months since the ending of hostilities and sentencing of these prisoners; for they are postwar converts to Christianity. In twentyeight different meetings for worship and study, an average of thirtythree were present at each such gathering. A Japanese Christian pastor, the Rev. Yoshiaki Nakada, has been assigned to chaplaincy duties among these prisoners, while American chaplain likewise gives aid and direction.

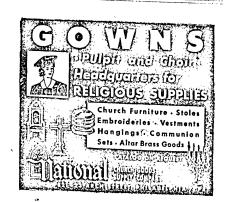
Since many of these prisoners read English freely, there is need for devotional and other suitable reading material. The Christian organization at Sugamo is called the "Shinyu-ki." New or used Christian literature may be sent direct to this organization in care of Sugamo Prison, Tokyo, Japan, at the usual international parcel post rate. One prisoner, of Methodist background, Michio Kuriyama, is especially desirous eceiving for his own study and for distribution, recentlypublished books on Christian theology, church history, and other subjects relating to the application of Christian thought and inspiration to today's world.

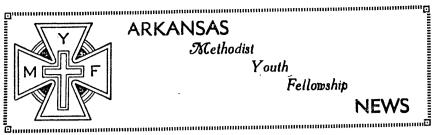
ligence, irritation into benediction. -Origin unknown.

KOREAN NOSTALGIA

A recent letter from the Rev. Young Bin Im, Secretary of the Korean Bible Society with headquarters formerly in Seoul, contains a paragraph which is of interest to many Methodist friends which he made in the United States during his visit to this country before the Korean war:

"My dream and my sense of humor are both utterly broken by the draining effect of communism. I never laughed heartily during the Red occupation. When Mr. Robertson came from Tokyo, he brought a can of coffee and gave it to me. When I smelled the smell of coffee and tasted the taste of coffee, I felt that my dream and my sense of humor were reviving! My fancy could mount on the smell of coffee, and go to New York, and take a meal in the Automat at 36th Street. I often went to that Automat last summer. I sometimes read recipes and enjoyed western food in imagination, but (alas!) the recipe book was burned by the communists-not only the recipe book but also several books that I loved were all burned."





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SUB-DISTRICT MEETING AT LOCKESBURG

The M. Y. F. Sub-District meeting was held at the Methodist Church in Lockesburg on Wednesday night, January 17.

The newly-elected officers took office. They are: President, James Hubbard, DeQueen; Vice-president, Betty Coulter, Lockesburg; Secretary-Treasurer, Amanda Black, Foreman; Sub-District Counselor, Mrs. John Tucker, DeQueen.

An offering for the Cabin Fund was taken. Our Cabin Fund is for the building of housing units at one of the Methodist Youth summer. camps.

During the business meeting it was suggested that all members think of an appropriate name for the Sub-District.

The following chairmen of Comchosen: World missions were Friendship, Dorothy Graves, De-Queen; Community Service, Bill Thrasher, Foreman; Recreation, Bet-

ty Sue Brinker, Wilton.
There were about sixty present from the following churches: Wilton, Lockesburg, DeQueen and Foreman. The banner went to De-Queen for having the largest number present.

Miss Betty Coulter sang "My Cathedral" and the guest speaker for the evening was Rev. Howard

Williams from Foreman. Refreshments were served following the meeting.

The next meeting will be held at Foreman in April.—Amanda Black.

M. Y. F. ENTERTAINS OLDER PEOPLE

The Methodist Youth Fellowship of the Marysville and Bethel Churches entertained the older people of the community with a party at the Marysville Church on Sunday afternoon. There were seven honor guests present with ages ranging from seventy to eightyeight. They were Mesdames Luther Davis, I. N. Braswell, Nora Giles, Janie White, and Mr. T. I. Ainsworth, and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Click.

Harold Braswell was in charge of the program with Misses Melba Roberson and Ann Williams participating. Mesdames Leon Click, A. L. Davis, and K. K. Carithers sang a trio with Mrs. L. H. Perritt accompanying on the piano.

The following committee was responsible for the transportation of the guests: Mrs. Leon Click, Miss Ruth Hazel Davis, and Harold Braswell. Mesdames A. B. Braswell, Dale Tompkins and Z. I. Perritt baked cakes for the occasion.

Those present besides the honor guests were Misses Ann Williams. Ruth Hazel Davis, Wilma Jean Tis-Melba Roberson, Kethleen and Carolyn Braswell, and Shirley Tompkins and Harold Braswell, Joe Perritt, Isaiah Perritt, J. W. Futrell and I. N. Braswell; Mesdames Dale Tompkins, A. L. Davis, Leon Click, L. H. Perritt, and Rev. and Mrs. K. K. Carithers.—Reporter.

There is only one kind of speech people tolerate—those they make themselves.—Curieux. (Geneva)

EVANGELISM EMPHASIS KEY THEME IN YOUTH RALLIES

The Little Rock Conference Methodist Youth Fellowship is sponsoring a series of rallies in the conference in cooperation with the special evangelism emphasis throughout



REV. GEORGE HARPER

the Methodist Church this year. The meetings for the various districts are as follows:

Pine Bluff and Little Rock Districts - First Church, Pine Bluff, Thursday, March 8, at 5:30 p. m.

Camden and Monticello Districts -First Church, Fordyce, Friday, March 9 at 5:30 p. m.

Arkadelphia and Hope Districts-First Church, Prescott, Saturday, March 10 at 5:30.

Under the direction of Rev. George Harper of Nashville, Tennessee, a team of young people will have various responsibilities at the rallies, after which Mr. Harper will make the inspirational address. George, as he is known by youth throughout Methodism, is administrative secretary of the National Conference of Methodist Youth; is editor of CONCERN, National Methodist Youth Newspaper, and also of POWER, the youth devotional booklet; and he is also a member of the Youth Staff of the General Board of Education.

Other members of the team will be Howard Childs, president of the Little Rock Conference MYF, Carr Dec Recop, conference MYF chairman of Evangelism and also president of the Pine Bluff District Hendrix College, and Mary Pearl MYF, Ed Hollenbeck, junior at Harbuck, sophomore at TSCW. Denton, Texas.

Youth officers, youth members, adult workers with youth, pastors, secretaries of youth work in the WSCS and other interested adults should make it a point to attend the rally in their particular area. The goal in the youth campaign for the conference is one thousand new members, not only in the MYF but in full church membership also.

There'll be fun, food, fellowship, instruction and inspiration for all. so make your plans now to be there!-Emogene Dunlap.

BELCANOR-NORTH LITTLE ROCK SUB-DISTRICT

The Belcanor-North Little Rock Sub-District met in the home of Rev. Raymond Dorman, January 25.

The main purpose of the meeting was to discuss and reach a more thorough understanding of our constitution. Many questions have been brought up in the past which were answered in the meeting. Through this discussion the representatives will be able to help the local church have a better understanding of the functions of a Sub-District. Copies of the constitution have been made to distribute to every member.

Mary Lou Stanley, through virtue of her office, is to inquire about a project to begin in the near future. The importance of the Methodist Youth Fund was brought out and each local church is to encourage payment to and arouse interest in this fund.

The plans for a district rally were brought before our council by Brother Dorman to determine the most convenient time for our district. This information will be carried by our representative to the Council meeting on February 3 at which time plans for the gathering will be completed. It is hoped that the film "Crossroads" will be obtained for the rally.

Those attending the meeting were Rev. and Mrs. Dorman, Wendell Dorman, Barbara Beavers, secretary; James Merkel, Worship Chairman; Mary Lou Stanley, World Friendship Chairman; Bill Black-burn, Vice-president; John Allen Pierce, Recreation Chairman; Ora Lee Morden, Treasurer; Betty Walker, Reporter. Bill Nesbit, Washington Ave., and Don Johnson, Levy, two local M. Y. F. presidents, were in attendance.—Betty Walker, Reporter.

AUSTIN CIRCUIT ORGANIZES SUB-DISTRICT

The M. Y. F. members of Austin Circuit met at Mt. Tabor, Wednesday, January 10, for the purpose of organizing a Sub-District. The fellowships of Concord, Mt. Zion, and Mt. Tabor were represented.

A recreational period was held preceding the business meeting, under the direction of members from Concord and Mt. Zion. Refreshments of hot chocolate and cookies were served by Mt. Tabor's

Two officers were elected from each church represented and installed as follows: President, Judy Clement; reporter, Anna Finch, Concord; vice-president, Anita Morris; secretary, Lorene Eagle, Mt. Zion; treasurer, James Fields and Mission World Service chairman, Joan Mc-Millian, Mt. Tabor.

It was agreed to meet the second Wednesday evening of each month. The meeting was adjourned after a very enjoyable movie by Miss M. Marshall.—Reporter.

CONWAY-PERRY COUNTY SUB-DISTRICT

The Conway-Perry County Sub-District was held February 5th at Oppelo Methodist Church. The young people of the church gave a very inspiring worship program on Youth. After the business meeting two of the young people led us in recreation. Ladies of the church served refreshments.

Miss Bobbie Sue Tarvern, president, presided over the business meeting. There were 45 present. The next meeting will be held March 5th at Morrilton Methodist Church.—Reporter.

BUFFALO ISLAND SUB-DISTRICT

The Buffalo Island Sub-District Methodist Youth Fellowship met at Lakeview Methodist Church, Monday night, January 15. Churches represented were Black Oak, Caraway, Delfore, Lake City, Lakeview, and Monette.

The theme of the worship service was "Take My Life and Let It Be." The leader was Joan Watson. An outstanding part of the devotional service was the solo sung by Ruth Ann Carpenter.

The business session was presided over by Audrey McKisson, president. The banner was presented to Caraway. Rev. Gail Anderson, of Black Oak, gave a report on the improvements at the Wayland Spring Camp. The secretary, Judy Hargrove, asked that each local M. Y. F. send the names of all the members enrolled.

The group enjoyed group singing which was directed by Rev. Gail Anderson, and then adjourned to the recreation room for delicious refreshments.

The next meeting will be at Monette, February 19, at 7:30. — Lura Wheeler, Reporter.

THE VALUE OF POWER

What is Power and for what is it used? Power is the daily devotional book for youth of all denominations. It is written by youth for youth. Young people from all over the world write the different articles in Power. They write of true Christian experiences they have had and they want to tell others about them. They write down their thoughts about God and the Christian way of life, hoping that someone will gain a small part of the inspiration they received from the experiences which they tell us.

Power is a means to an end. The end being a richer, fuller life. By reading and studying Power, we learn more about the Bible. It lists scriptures to read that pertain to the thought for the day. It helps and teaches us how to pray, how to talk to God which is one of the characteristics of a true Christian. We must be able to talk to God to get the Christian inspiration and Power can help us do that.

If we read Power everyday, I'm sure we will gain valuable lessons and experiences. Put God in your heart and life through Power --Freda Wilson.

KEITH MEMORIAL M. Y. F.

On Sunday, January 28, the M. Y. F. of Keith Memorial Church, Malvern, observed the birthdays of two of its members and workers in a very enjoyable manner. The workers thus honored were Rev. Hursel Richert and Doris Roberts.

Immediately after the preaching hour, the young people went to the Methodist camp on Lake Catherine where a most bountiful feast was spread. It takes more than a cold, chilling wind to dampen the spirit of youth, so this group had a most enjoyable time.

Birthdays are the time-honored occasions for the presente gifts so that part of the celebration was duly remembered and celebrated.

A large number of members and friends and guests enjoyed the occasion.—Carolyn Williams.

Worry is interest paid on trouble before it is due.—Highway of Hap-

OBITUARIES

GRAY-Dr. C. R. Gray was born in Independence County, Arkansas, June 13, 1883, and died in Newport, Arkansas, January 5, 1951. He was the son of a Methodist minister, Rev. H. B. Gray. Four of five sons born in this parsonage home were physicians.

Dr. Gray came to Newport in the year 1911, and for more than forty years devoted his life to all worthy causes and to the practice of his

chosen profession.

The beloved physician was a member of the First Methodist Church and a member of the Official Board for many years. His acts of charity were many, his benevolences manifold. He loved by all who knew him,

It was my sad duty to conduct his funeral in the midst of sorrowing relatives and friends, and to lay him at rest in the midst of his labors to await the certain welcome, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thee into the joys of thy Lord."-Guy C. Ames.

DOAK-Rev. Franklin Paul Doak, aged 89, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. N. Johnson, Nashville, Arkansas, on November 30, 1950

Born July 16, 1861 in Selma, Alabama, he was the son of Dr. and Mrs. S. Doak. When 19 he moved to Arkansas, living near Benton. In 1888 he was licensed to preach. He joined the Little Rock Conference in 1890. As well as I can remember he served the following charges: Oak Hill Circuit, Hickory Circuit, Bryant Circuit. Plains Circuit, Dalark Circuit. Berear Okolona Circuit, Mena, Texas Avenue, Shreveport, La., Lake Village, Hamburg, Bearden, Ashdown, Amity, DeWitt, Waldo, Henderson, Little Rock, Murfreesboro, DeQueen, Nashville, Stevens, Grand Avenue, Hot Springs, and Sparkman-Sardis. These charges may not be in order, but they are the ones he served during his 47 years of active ministry.

In 1882, he married Miss Mary Jane Wilson, and to them were born three sons and two daughters. Harvey Watson died in infancy. W. W. and H. M. Doak live in Little Rock. Mrs. Edgar Noyes lives in Shreveport, La., and Mrs. A. N. Johnson, with whom he made his home since the death of his wife, fifteen years ago, lives in Nashville. He had eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Bro. Doak and I were the warmest of friends. Our friendship began when he came to the Bryant Circuit as my pastor. Later he was my wife's pastor on the Dalark Circuit. He introduced me to her. He performed the marriage ceremony for us June 26, 1901. Our friendship lasted for 55 years and there never was the slightest ill feeling between us. I felt almost like I was holding my own brother's funeral.

Bro. Doak was a fine Christian gentleman, a good preacher, and one of the best pastors I ever knew. He loved all the people he served and held no ill will against anyone. He left every charge he served than he found it. He did not build the church around himself but around Christ.

I think Bro. Doak could well have said with Paul (II Tim. 4:6-8) "I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of

righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day; and not only to me but unto all them that love his appear-

Funeral services were at the First Methodist Church, Nashville, Arkansas with Rev. George Meyer, pastor, assisted by the writer of this memorial. He has gone to his well deserved reward, but his ministry will still live on through the large number he has led to the Christian way of life.

May the blessings of our Good Heavenly Father be upon those left behind is my prayer.—S. K. Bur-

WADE—Ira Nettie Wade, daughter of Hugh Smith and Allie Torbet, was born October 5, 1886, near Homer, Louisiana. She was converted at the age of twelve and united with the Missionary Baptist Church.

She was a graduate of the Metropolitan Business College of Dallas, Texas, and also took special training in a Bible school for Christian workers in Nashville, Tennessee. This training prepared her in an unusual way to become the wife and helpmeet of a minister.

On May 2, 1912, she was united in marriage to Rev. Junius A. Wade, who had been admitted into the Louisiana Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church in 1908. To this union five children were born, four boys and one girl. It gave her great joy to teach these children the wonderful things of the Bible and to lead them into a knowledge of the Savior. Her precept and example inspired them to devote their lives to the cause of Christ.

Throughout the more than 38 years of her married life, she proved herself a faithful and devoted wife and helpmeet to her husband. She stood by him in all his trials, encouraging and comforting, sustaining and upholding him with her prayers and words of encouragement. Her keen insight, thrift, and frugality, coupled with good business judgment, qualified her for the management of the parsonage. She knew how to stretch the small salary so as to meet the necessary expenses of life and lay aside a little for the education of the children.

Mrs. Wade was a faithful and efficient worker in the Methodist Church, with which she united soon after her marriage. She was a trained and excellent teacher of Junior boys and girls. Her special business and Bible training fitted her for leadership in the Woman's Auxiliary, which she served many years a president. She was a charter member of the W. S. C. S. of Jackson Street Methodist Church, Magnolia, and a life member in the Stamps Society. She never missed an opportunity to do something for her church. Few women have made more articles of embroidery and crochet and other needle work and given to the church than she. Her zeal for the church was an inspiration to her comrades. Wherever her husband was sent, in Louisiana, Texas, or Arkansas, she labored

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faithfully by his side, and was dearly loved by all.

For some time before her departure to be with the Lord, she realized that she could not recover from her illness, but she never became discouraged or blue. She was cheerful always, even in the midst of her sufferings. She bore her lot patiently as if for her Lord's sake. Her prayer was, "Lord, thy will be done." The evening before she went to be with the Lord, she joined the family in the evening devotion and prayed a beautiful prayer. The next evening before time for the family devotions here, she slipped away to be with the Lord and with her loved ones who had gone on before, ready for worship there with them.

Her funeral service was held at Jackson Street Methodist Church, where she labored so faithfully with her husband for twenty years. Rev. Robert B. Moore, district superintendent of the Arkadelphia District, and Rev. W. R. Boyd, pastor of the church, conducted the services. It was a beautiful service, a testimony of the beautiful life she lived. Her body was laid to rest in the Magnolia Cemetery by the side of her oldest son, Winston, who died at the age of six.

SIGHT TO THE BLIND

By H. G. Conger

"He giveth sight to the blind"... I saw Him do it through one of His

chosen disciples. . . . It was in the Eye Department of the Christian Medical Hospital of Vellore, India. The corridor was full of patients waiting for the physicians. Dr. Rambo, with breezy cordiality, asked if I would like to see a cataract operation. Of course I would!

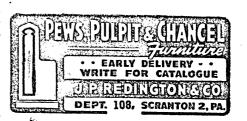
So I donned the usual mask and white cap and entered a room where there were operating tables. I stood on a stool in one corner that I might see better. Assistants filled the tables with three patients and gave the preliminary local injection to the first one. The doctor scrubbed and then said-quite naturally —"We will begin with prayer, and we will ask the visitor with us to-day to lead us." Thus it was my privilege to invoke God's guidance and blessing on the work before

It was only a matter of a few minutes before skilled actions removed the lens which no longer served for sight, the small incision was sewed up, and the eyes bandaged. At the proper time, correct glasses will be fitted and the patient will see again.

Throughout the short operation Doctor Rambo spoke quiet words of faith, such as "God is with us in this." It was all natural and sincere.

As he left that table to go to the next, the Doctor turned to me and asked, "Don't you think there are 10,000 people in America who would each give \$10 to pay for the removal of a cataract and so give sight to blind?"

With faith I answered "Yes, and more if they only knew.'





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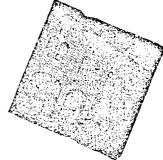
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WHAT IS THE GLORY OF THE CHRISTIAN LIFE?

LESSON FOR FEBRUARY 25, 1951

READ THE ENTIRE LESSON FROM YOUR BIBLE:

GOLDEN TEXT: "If any one would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all." (Mark 9:35)

A Look At The Scriptures

It will be remembered that Christ grew up at Nazareth. He went there as a child with Mary and Joseph when they returned from Egypt and lived there until he was thirty years old. It is said that while there he worked as a carpenter. Pretty soon after beginning his active ministry he went back to his home town and preached in the synagogue. When he began his message his old-time friends were elated over him, but as he progressed with it he stung them to the heart. They became so angry that they tried to kill him. As a result of this enmity Jesus left Nazareth never to live there again. He spent the remainder of his life going out on preaching, teaching and healing tours. He made Capernaum, a town of considerable importance, located on the northwest shore of the Sea of Galilee, his headquarters during his Galilean ministry. Many of the greatest events of his ministry took place around the shores of this area.

Our last lesson pictures Christ as going to Caesarea Philippi which was a town some forty miles north of Capernaum on the upper reaches of the Jordan River, near its source. There Peter, speaking for the entire group of disciples, made his great confession - "You are the Christ." (Goodspeed). Jesus charged them to tell no man who he was. He began immediately to teach them concerning his death and resurrection. This was a great disappointment to the disciples, for to their minds a dead Messiah was a contradiction of terms. They had not vet come to realize that he would conquer-death and come back from the tomb.

Six days after this confession Jesus took Peter, James and John and climbed Mt. Hermon and was there transfigured before them.

The object of the transfiguration, so far as these three leading diswas concerned, was to strengthen their faith in Christ. They greatly needed this to prepare them for the death of Christ which was soon to take place. The transfiguration enabled them to see the true greatness of Christ. As good Jews these men had a great admiration for Elijah and Moses. To them one of these men represented the prophets and the other the law. Jesus outshone both of these men. Matthew tells us that on this occasion his face shone like the sun and his garments were as white as the light. He outshone both of these two great representative men. This proved to the disciples that Christ was the Divine Son of God. He was a prophet but more than a prophet. He fulfilled the law but was greater than the law. He summed it up both in his teaching and in his life as love to God and love to fellowmen. When Jesus was baptized the

Father addressed him with these words: "You are my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased." At the time of the transfiguration God the Father addressed the disciples—"This is my beloved Son; hear him."

As Christ and the three disciples came down from the mountain he charged them to tell no man what they had seen until after his resurrection. In reply to their question concerning the coming of Elijah to prepare the way for the Messiah, he informed them that John the Baptist had done this. He was really and truly a second Elijah. The similarity between these two men is very striking.

Next we have the case of the healing of the epileptic boy. The father of the child brought him to Jesus for healing. When he found the Lord absent, he turned him over to the nine disciples who did not go up the mountain with the Lord. They could not heal him. When the Lord arrived there was a great argument going on between them and the scribes. The Lord rebuked the whole group for their lack of faith, and when the father finally expressed his faith, healed the child.

Immediately following the healing of the boy Christ again taught his disciples concerning his approaching death and resurrection. This was the third time he had emphasized this teaching, and yet we are told that they did not understand and were afraid to ask him to further explain the matter. They had come to firmly believe in him as the promised Messiah and fully expected him to establish a material kingdom. When he spoke of his death they thought he spoke in parables or figures.

Pretty soon the group was back in Capernaum. There Christ asked them the question: "What were you discussing on the way?" They had selfishly been talking about who would be greatest in the coming kingdom. They realized this did not jibe with the Spirit of Christ and therefore hesitated to tell him. He went on to tell them that greatness in the kingdom would be measured by humility and service. He illustrated his thought by putting a little child in the midst of them.

We next have John, the beloved Apostle, informing Jesus they had seen one healing people in his name. They forbad him because he was not of their particular group. Jesus rebuked John for narrowness. He went on to say "For he that is not against us is for us."

Christ then warned against causing individuals to sin. He thoroughly believed that each individual was responsible for the influence he had over others. It is better for one to have a millstone tied about his neck and cast into the sea than

to cause another to sin.

According to Jesus sin was not only a reality but the greatest of all evils. One could well afford to suffer any kind of inconvenience in order to be free from it. There must be spiritual amputation. One should cut loose, from any evil association, though it might be as dear to him as a right eye or right hand, in order to be free from the bondage of sin. Sin continued in will finally lead to eternal destruction in hell. The saving power of Christian influence must operate as salt in the life of the individual and in society.

Lessons From The Events

There is much help for us in the events recorded in this lesson. This is especially true of the transfiguration.

The first help comes from the idea of the inner circle. While here in the flesh Christ had an inner circle of friends. It will be remembered that on three occasions (this one, the raising of Jairus' daughter and in the Garden of Gethsemane) Peter, James and John were permitted to be with the Lord when the other disciples were excluded. Christ showed no partiality. Even Judas could have belonged to this inner circle of friends of Jesus had he paid the price to do so. The remaining nine, as well as these three, could have been with the Lord in this mountain-top experience had they been close enough to him. It will be noted that only one-third of the Apostles were able to be with the Lord on this occasion. The same condition obtains today. There are a lot of nominal church members for every person who belongs to the inner circle now. As you read these words may God help you to have the ambition to belong to this group. The Church has two great tasks; first, the getting of people to accept Christ as Lord and Master, and second, getting them to become members of the inner circle. All of our Christian education and evangelism look toward these ends.

A second great lesson is that of prayer. We are told that Christ led the mountain to these men up pray. It was while he was engaged in prayer that this great event took place. The Apostles who remained at the foot of the mountain were powerless because they failed to pray. They could not heal the epileptic boy. On asking Jesus the reason for their failure he informed them that it was lack of prayer. Let us never forget that there is a close connection between spiritual power and prayer. This was even true in the life of Christ, the only begotten Son of God.

The third great lesson is that service should follow all spiritual elation. We climb the mountain, so to speak, to get our batteries charged but we return to the valley to let our light shine. Peter wanted to remain on the mountain. He wanted to build three tents—one for Christ. one for Moses and one for Elijah. He meant well but he was mistaken. Work should always follow worship, and there is a sense in which work becomes the highest form of worship. In one of Dwight Moody's meetings a man stood up and testified that he had been a Christian and on the mountain top with Jesus for thirty years. Moody insisted that he tell them how many souls he had won for Christ during that time. He finally admitted that he had won none. Moody informed him that such mountain-top experiences as that were not genuinely Christian. In a well-rounded Christianity it is necessary for people both to climb to the mountain-top of elation and return to the valley of service. Those who never climb to the mountain top lack power; while those who remain on the mountain top lack practicality. They never bring the power received on the mountain top into contact with the work that needs to be done in the valley.

Yet another lesson that comes from this event is the all-sufficiency of Christ. Some years ago when Hitler and Mussolini had their famous (or infamous) meeting at Brenner Pass cold chills ran up and down the spinal column of the world. Up to that time they had been successful on every hand. The meeting was intended to settle the history of the world for the next thousand years. years. From a certain standpoint that was a great meeting, but the greatest meeting in all the world took place on Mount Hermon. The men (one the God-Man) met there on that occasion. Elijah represented prophesy; Moses the law and Christ the age of grace. All of the first ages of the world are fulfilled in Christ. Peter wanted to blend the three ages. He offered to build a dwelling place for each. A cloud overshadowed the group. The voice of God said, "This is my beloved Son; listen to him." When the cloud was gone they saw no man save Jesus only. Christ alone is the answer to all the trying problems of every age of the world. More and more people are coming to realize this great fact.

Still another lesson is that of the passion. Immediately following the transfiguration Christ began to teach them that he must die and rise again. He was powerful in meeting the problems of life while here in the flesh, but he was to become even more powerful through his death. It was after the resurrection that he said to his disciples "All power, both in heaven and in earth, is given into my hands."

This was power which brought victory over the bondage of sin. It made one's influence lift up in the place of pulling down. There was no necessity for one to so live that he caused some weak disciple of Christ to stumble.

This was power for one to separate himself from all evil association and self-indulging practices that destroy the soul. To receive this power some spiritual amputation must take place. Here for example, is an individual who makes his living selling liquor, narcotics, indulging in gambling, white slavery, etc. From these practices he makes his bread and butter. They are as dear to him as a right hand or a right eye, but nonetheless he must cut loose from them. Then, again, here is an evil association. One is connected with another in such a way that he cannot be a Christian and keep up the association. He must cut loose from it though it seem as dear as a right hand or right eye.

The last lesson we would call attention to is the power of faith. Nine of the Apostles failed to heal the epileptic boy. The father then brought him to Jesus saying "If you can do anything, have pity on us and help us." The one thing that hurt Christ most was to find doubting. He replied, "If you can! All things are possible to him who believes." Immediately the man believed, prayed for more faith and the work was done. John tells us that "Faith is the victory that overcomes the world."