

It Could Happen Across The World

ACCORDING to a Religious News Service report from Vienna, the Budapest radio has announced that a Catholic Church, The Church of Mary, in communist Hungary is to be torn down to make room for a monument to Premier Stalin. The church to be wrecked was damaged some during the war but, according to Hungarian refugees in Vienna, the damage was not enough to prevent it from being reconstructed.

The thing that is happening in Hungary could, and likely would happen in some form across the world if communism is successful in its bid for world conquest. Wherever communism rules, the Christian church disappears altogether or it sells its soul to communism and becomes the willing handmaid of the state.

Communism and Christianity are diametrically opposed to each other in their estimate of the value of human personality and in the plans they promote for the common man. Pictures and monuments of Lenin and Stalin would displace the cross and Christ wherever found in the world if the dark day ever comes when communism has its way on earth. Against that day we must pledge our all if we are to continue to have a world that is worth living in, either for ourselves or our children. There are some things worse than death. One of them is a communist-dominated world.

National Convocation Of Methodist Youth

THE fifth quadrennial National Convocation of Methodist Youth will be held at Purdue University, Lafayette, Indiana, August 27-31. Those who have planned the meeting are expecting an attendance of about five thousand youth, students and Adult leaders.

This quadrennial meeting of our Young People is a project of the National Conference of Methodist Youth in cooperation with the Board of Education, Board of Missions and Church Extension, Board of Temperance, Board of Evangelism, Commission on World Peace and the Interboard Committee on Christian Vocations, all of The Methodist Church.

In the past these church-wide convocations of our Methodist Youth have been notable milestones in the expanding growth and vision of our young people. No young person can ever be the same after being present in a meeting of this character and feeling the strength and inspiration of five thousand young people of kindred minds and working for a common cause, together with the help which comes from national and world-wide religious leaders who address the meeting.

One of the most interesting characters and speakers to be present for the platform work this year is Dr. Donald O. Soper of West London Mission, London, England. Dr. Kirby Page, writer and minister, and Dr. W. Aiken Smart of Emory University will also be platform speakers. Following the speakers, delegates will meet in small discussion groups to consider the convocation program and its meaning for themselves, their MYF and MSM.

Arkansas will be represented at Purdue by a large group of our choice young people from both of our Annual Conferences. This is a delegated body and it will be a rare privilege for those fortunate enough to have a place in the delegation. The group from Arkansas will leave Little Rock on a special train at 3:30 p. m. on August 26th.

The Christian Home In A Changing World

MANY changes have been necessary as the Christian home has attempted to adjust itself to life in a changing world. Nevertheless, there is one point at which the Christian home cannot afford to change a basic custom in the Christian family life. **THE CHRISTIAN HOME SHOULD CONTINUE TO HAVE A FAMILY DEVOTION IN SOME FORM.**

Amid the press and stress of modern life we are not likely to take the time in our homes for the character of family devotions which were often a part of a Christian home in earlier days. One of the sacred, impressive memories of our



childhood home was the time for family devotions, usually just before retiring at night. Each of our family of seven had a Bible or New Testament. Each, in turn, would read a verse of the lesson selected. The family then knelt in prayer, while each in turn led a brief prayer, our father leading the closing prayer. One cannot forget and cannot but be influenced by such devotional periods in the home.

Perhaps there are not so many homes now, especially in cities and towns, that give as much time to family devotions as did our childhood home. However, regardless of changing conditions, a "must" in every Christian home is some form of family devotions. For those who do not care to plan their own family devotions, THE UPPER ROOM fills a real need. A daily service is prepared by religious leaders throughout the world. The service is brief, expressive and inspirational. It offers an opportunity in the busiest of homes for a joint family recognition of God and the Christian religion in the family life.

When most of us remember how near we came to missing the way religiously, despite the impressive influences of a praying home, we cannot but wonder what are the chances for children who go out into a godless world from a prayerless home. It is a responsibility of parenthood to give their children the best chance possible in life's grueling contest. Family devotions have a deathless influence on a child's life.

Our Space Limited Through The Month Of August

ALONG with the necessity for having eight-page issues of *The Arkansas Methodist* during August comes also the necessity of delaying, temporarily, the publication of some materials that should be published.

We hope that our readers and our correspondents will be patient and realize that the continuous increase in the cost of operation makes it difficult to plan an annual budget and at times more difficult to balance the budget planned.

The Arkansas Methodist is not in financial difficulties. It does not owe a dollar other than regular monthly bills. We are simply trying to conduct the affairs of the paper so that it will not become involved in debt and at the same time render the largest service possible to the church under the circumstances.

We make this statement by way of explanation. We are happy to say, however, that there has not, as yet, reached our office one word of complaint because of the necessity of reducing the size of the paper through this month. We sincerely appreciate such cooperation.

Communist Propaganda Pricks Our "Achilles Heel"

MUCH communistic, anti-American propaganda is so patently false and some so utterly ridiculous that it defeats its own purpose. It discredits communism in the eyes of the world and thereby indirectly strengthens the position of America among the nations of earth.

Russia will not hurt us with her unreasonable, unbelievable lies. However, America does have its "Achilles Heel" and communism is delivering some of its most telling blows to our influence and prestige as it gives world-wide emphasis to that weakness. According to *The Washington Religious Review*, a news letter published weekly by Church News Service, The United States Advisory Commission on Educational Exchange, set up by Congress, has submitted a quarterly report to the Secretary of State in which it calls for a "counter offensive against the communist attack on the moral and religious aspects of life in America."

The damaging hurt of it all is that in making its attack at this point it is not necessary for communism to resort to lies. While posing as the great Christian nation of earth, America has so many soft spots in its moral character that it is not surprising that communism, in its propaganda, is making merchandise of this glaring weakness. Corruption in government; nation-wide crime syndicates that often mock at law; scandal in high places in our boasted national sports; the making of some motion pictures of such a character that some foreign countries will not allow them to be shown; a divorce system without a conscience and in places almost without a limit; a national liquor bill of more than eight and a half billions of dollars in twelve months, with the greatest per capita consumption in Washington, our seat of government, these and other hurtful aspects of our American life make damaging reading especially when given the twist characteristic of communist propaganda.

How are we to meet such injurious propaganda? The simple fact is, in answer to this form of communist propaganda, we do not so much need a "counter offensive" as we need a moral and spiritual revival that would destroy the basis for the effectiveness of such propaganda.

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A WEEKLY MESSAGE

By FORNEY HUTCHINSON

WHAT CAN AN OLD PREACHER DO?

When I first came back to Tulsa a little over two years ago, I was in a serious condition physically. My nerves were badly shattered and I was not able to do any real work.

All through my active ministry I had thought that when I could no longer study and preach, I could still continue my work as pastor in some capacity. After giving up my pulpit in Shawnee, Oklahoma, I was appointed superintendent of the Home Department of the church school. That gave me an open field in which I revelled for a time. I had about ninety members, made up largely of elderly people and shut-ins. I organized a group of ten classes and appointed a leader for each class, who made quarterly distributions of literature to his or her group. As superintendent, I felt free to visit any and all of them at any time.

For a time I thoroughly enjoyed my work. Then I developed arthritis and kindred ills, which made it impossible for me to get about with any degree of satisfaction.

Furthermore, I had always reasoned that when I could no longer serve as pastor, I could give myself to reading good books and other literature which my activities along other lines in my active ministry had made impossible. I soon discovered, however, that my eyes were no longer equal to that task. With my wife's help, I kept up with the *Shawnee news*, but was not able to enter into new fields.

So, we moved back to Tulsa, and for a time my general health improved. In the meantime, at the counsel of my physicians, it was thought best that I give up driving my car. With my vision impaired as a result of cataracts, I was seriously handicapped, but I could still read.

I knew many people in Tulsa as a result of my five years pastorate at our great Boston Avenue Church, but as I was no longer driving my own car, I was not able to reach many friends without help. Providentially, Mrs. W. C. Byers, an old friend of mine, is the church visitor at Boston Avenue. She invited me to join her in visiting the old, the sick, and the shut-ins of our congregation. I readily agreed and Wednesday afternoon was set apart for our weekly visitations. The experience was a great uplift to me. I not only enjoyed it greatly, but felt that I was doing something to help other people. The welcome I received on these visits warmed and gladdened my heart, and I was quite persuaded that it meant as much to me as it did to them.

This visiting was in addition to those I made in "My Block," as self-appointed pastor, referred

NEWS AND NOTES ABOUT FACTS AND FOLKS

A home-coming was held at the Timothy Church on the Fairview Charge, Camden District, on Sunday, August 12. Rev. Alfred DeBlack is pastor.

An anonymous gift of sixteen small chairs and three tables has been received for the Kindergarten Department of the First Methodist Church, Warren.

REV. J. E. COOPER, pastor of the First Methodist Church, Warren, preached at the First Presbyterian Church, Sunday evening, August 12. His subject was "God in Search of an Audience."

THE METHODIST MEN'S CLUB of the Jonesboro area met Friday evening, August 10 at Fisher Street Church, Jonesboro. This organization includes men of the Jonesboro, Nettleton and Bay churches.

REV. JOHN A. WOMACK, retired member of the North Arkansas Conference, who makes his home in Jonesboro, preached at the 11:00 o'clock hour on Sunday, August 12, at Huntington Ave., Jonesboro. Rev. Elmus Brown is pastor.

MRS. J. N. SUTHERLAND, Camp, Arkansas, writes that they would like information as to where they might find used church pews for sale. Mrs. Sutherland may be contacted at the above address or the pastor, Rev. Maurice Lanier may be reached at Salem, Arkansas.

A "Thousand Dollar Dinner" will be held at the Methodist Church, Berryville, on August 19. The goal is "At Least One Ticket for Every Methodist Adult." The dinner is to bring in funds for a re-modeling program. Rev. Edwin B. Dodson is pastor.

THE following boys from the First Methodist Church, Little Rock, received awards at the recent Boys Scout Camp at Camp Quapaw: John Gill and Leland Kitts received the "Order of the Arrow" and Robert Murray was awarded the "Brotherhood." John and Robert are members of the Explorer Post 30 and Leland belongs to Troop 24.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES WEEK at the First Methodist Church, West Memphis, is being observed this week. Rev. W. L. Underwood, associate minister of the First Methodist Church, Memphis, is the inspirational speaker and Rev. Frank Smith, theology student at Boston Seminary is leading the discussion group on the topic, "Jesus' Way—Our Mission in World Order." Rev. Alfred Knox, pastor, and Jim Clemons are leading the other discussion group on "Jesus' Way—Our Mission in Facing Life's Problems."

A plea that Christian churches "go into the difficult places and stay there" so as to give guidance to youth, teach them right from wrong, and help them develop enough backbone to say "No!" when temptation comes, is made by Dr. Kenneth D. Miller, president of the New York City Mission Society. There will be less drug addiction and fewer basketball scandals and less crime delinquency if the church will step up its ministry to youth, Dr. Miller believes. "We too often think of churches as only for respectable people of our own kind," he says.

THE Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Methodist Church, North Georgia, recently passed resolutions calling for the "immediate termination of the use of racial prejudice in political campaigns," and urging the "end of every discrimination by the state against a fellow human being." The delegates also expressed themselves as "shocked by the findings of the Kefauver committee and by grand juries in our own state" and asked local societies to "go before grand juries and ask for indictments against local gamblers."

to in an article a short time ago. Yes, there are some avenues of service for a preacher after he is retired.

THE American Bible Society reports its circulation of 718,977 volumes of the Scriptures in China during 1950. "To those who take for granted that the 'turnover' accomplished in China just before the year 1950 began would spell the immediate cessation of all Scripture distribution there," the Society says, "it comes as a grateful surprise that the Society's circulation in China fell only from 965,480 volumes in 1940 to 718,977 in 1950; and that the distribution of whole Bibles actually advanced from 31,579 to 33,245." Translation and publication work in five Chinese dialects was carried on during the past year. This included the revision of the Mongolian New Testament and the manufacturing of type for its printing in 1951.

MRS. S. G. SMITH, member of the First Methodist Church, Conway, passed away at a Conway hospital on Sunday, August 12, after a short illness. Mrs. Smith was a leader in church and civic affairs for more than half a century. She was president of the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Methodist Church from 1897 to 1936 and was president emerita of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, successor to the Woman's Missionary Society at the time of her death. She was an honorary member of the Board of Stewards and was a member of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church, South, in the early 1920's. She served on the Conway School Board and was the first woman to serve on the Board. She was a charter member of the Memorial Hospital Board and served in that capacity for twenty years. She was chairman of the Hospital Board when she retired in 1944. Funeral services were held on Monday at the First Methodist Church by Rev. Joel A. Cooper and Dr. C. M. Reves.

CHURCH women of more than eighty Protestant denominations, organized in some 1800 state and local councils, United Church Women of the National Council of the Churches, are preparing to observe their annual "World Community Day" on Friday, November 2. In preparation for the Day, some hundreds of thousands of church women across the nation—and some in foreign lands—are working on two projects, the results of which will be placed on the altars of thousands of churches on November 2. One is the raising of an "Ecumenical Scholarship Fund" to bring to the United States young Christian people from overseas for specialized training for leadership in their home communities. The other is the making or collecting of blankets and warm clothing to be sent overseas for refugees and homeless people in Europe and Asia. The women are also "saving their pennies" to send the blankets overseas at a cost of 8 cents per pound, through Church World Service. Still other councils of church women are holding study and discussion groups on international relations, human rights, the needs of churches and communities in the U. S. A., and the work of missionary and UN agencies in meeting human needs of all kinds. "Live thy faith" is the watchword of the Day," says Mrs. H. B. Marx of Muncie, Ind., planning chairman.

GROUND BREAKING CEREMONY AT UMSTED MEMORIAL

On August 26 Umsted Memorial Methodist Church, Newport, is having a Home Coming with a ground-breaking ceremony for the new Fellowship Hall.

All former pastors and former members and friends of the church are extended a cordial invitation to be with us on that date.

The worship will begin at 10:45 a. m., with Rev. S. B. Wilford, district superintendent of the Batesville District, bringing the message. A basket dinner will be served at 12:30 and the ground-breaking ceremony will be held at 1:30. —M. L. Kaylor, Pastor

There are twice as many deaths in the U. S. from alcoholism as from infantile paralysis.—Highways of Happiness.

THE CHILDREN'S PAGE

ANNIE WINBURNE, Editor

IN STORYLAND

TOMMY TAKE-A-CHANCE

"Take-a-Chance" was not Tommy's real name—not the one his chums used when they called him. This odd name had been given him by the older ones because he was always taking chances. In crossing a street, if a car was not exactly in front of him, he would dash in ahead or behind it, even when he was not in any special hurry.

Officer Murphy, the nice traffic officer on the corner, had told him time and again, "Use your eyes, ears, and head, before stepping off the curb," Tommy Take-A-Chance would forget the warning almost at once.

One day when he forgot and rushed into the street, too near a car, he was suddenly lifted right off his feet, carried to the parkway between the curb and sidewalk, and firmly seated on the grass. In astonishment he looked up into the stern eyes of Officer Murphy.

"You sit there for fifteen minutes until I get off traffic duty, then you are to go with me," the blue-coated man ordered, in a tone of authority.

Tommy was scared. Officer Murphy always had been so jolly. He had been nice to him and to all his schoolmates and Tommy could hardly believe this stern voice of authority could come from the same person. But it had, and here he was under arrest, he guessed. He wondered if they would put him in jail. Tommy was very unhappy.

After what seemed a long, long time, the fifteen minutes were up and Officer Murphy, with a gruff, "Come along, Tommy," started down the street.

Tommy had to run at times to keep up with the officer's long strides, but in the next block the big man opened the door of his parked car and told Tommy to get in.

It was all Tommy could do to keep the tears back, not only because he knew he was in the wrong, but because he liked Officer Murphy and felt sure that now he was disgraced forever in his eyes.

When the car stopped a short time later, Tommy was surprised to find they were getting out in front of a neat white house instead of the police station. Officer Murphy, without a word, walked to the door, unlocked it with a key he had, and opening the door motioned Tommy to enter.

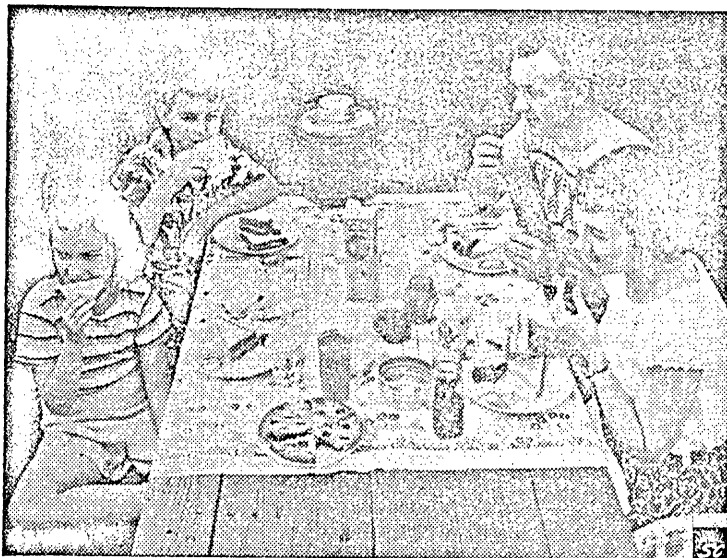
"That you, Dad?" a voice called from somewhere.

"Yes, Hal! I've brought someone to see you."

In the living room on a couch lay a boy about Tommy's age. As Officer Murphy introduced them, Tommy noticed the boy's leg was in a cast, and crutches lay on the floor beside the couch.

"Now you boys get acquainted while I go and telephone Tommy's mother that he is our guest," Hal's father said, and Tommy's heart leaped for joy when he noticed the broad smile on the officer's face as he left the room.

It did not take the boys long to get



A HAPPY DAY

*A family picnic is just lots of fun,
Dad enjoys it as much as anyone.*

*When the lunch is spread, my, how he can eat,
He says it's not often he gets such a treat.*

*Our family has found this a happy way
To bring to a close an August day.—A.E.W.*

THE CURIOUS CASE OF BETSY BURR

*The curious case of Betsy Burr
Is known throughout the city,
And other girls all speak of her
With mingled praise and pity.*

*You see, it seems to be the height
Of all her daily wishes
To lend a hand at morn and night
When mother washes dishes.*

*Before she starts away to school—
So well does mother trust her—
It is her fast, unfailing rule
To use the broom and duster.*

*And in her little room upstairs,
Her ribbons, shoes and laces,
And all the things that Betsy wears,
Are always in their places.*

*You must agree that Betsy Burr
Is not a common maiden.
Yet every day that comes to her
With happiness is laden.*

—Virginia Bowden, in Ex.

acquainted, and soon they were having an exciting game of checkers. Hal did not mention the cast on his leg, and of course Tommy was too polite to mention it.

It was much later, when Officer Murphy was taking Tommy home in his car, that the boy heard the story of how Hal received the broken leg, and almost lost his life, bravely saving the life of another boy who, like Tommy, should have been named "Take-a-Chance."

"I'm not going to deserve that name any longer," Tommy promised Officer Murphy. "Before I take a chance, I'll think of what that other boy cost Hal, and what I might have cost you."

Tommy, true to his promise, now tells the story of Hal to all the other boys he knows, who are tempted to take a chance.—Story World

JUST FOR FUN

A clergyman was spending the afternoon at a house in the English village where he had preached. After tea he was sitting in the garden with his hostess. Out rushed her little boy holding a rat above his head.

"Don't be afraid, mother," he cried, "It's dead. We beat him and bashed him and thumped him until"—and then catching sight of the clergyman, he said, in a lowered voice—"until God called him home."—Northwestern Jeweler

A small boy was being sent to summer camp much against his will, and was making no bones about it.

"Why, you'll just love camp" his aunt said soothingly. "You'll have a simply wonderful vacation."

"I won't," was the acid retort, "but my mother will."—N.Y. News

A woman on trial for murdering her husband was acquitted because of the efforts of one little old lady on the jury. After the trial, she explained her attitude: "Well, I guess I just felt sorry for her. After all she was a widow."—Townsend National Weekly

Pat, a truck driver, stopped suddenly on the highway. The car behind crashed into the truck and its owner sued the Irishman. "Why didn't you hold out your hand?" the judge asked Pat. "Well," he said indignantly, "if he couldn't see the truck, how in hivin's name could he see my hand?"—Automotive Dealer News

Housewife: "How much is your hamburger steak?"

Butcher: "Forty cents a pound."

Housewife: "But the price at the

IN THE WORLD OF BOYS AND GIRLS

GOODNIGHT PRAYER

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

*Bless my friends, the whole world
bless;*

*Help me to learn helpfulness;
Keep me ever in Thy sight—
So to all I say good night.*

—Henry Johnson, in Ex.

I WONDER

*I wonder—I wonder
If anyone knows
On a cloudy day
Where the sun goes.
I've been told it chooses
The queerest of places—
The hearts of good children—
And shines on their faces;
On their lips it lingers
A loving smile,
In their eyes it dances
All the while.—Scarpbook*

BEST HOME OF ALL

By Vivien Howell Winn

*I think that my home
Is the best home in town,
So cozy and white
With the roof painted brown,*

*With a porch where I play
Wild West with the boys;
My mom never scolds
When we whoop and make noise,*

*When we sometimes forget
And slam-bang the back door
When we leave bats and balls
In a heap on the floor.*

*Not the looks of my home
Makes it seem the best one,
But because it's a place
Where we all have such fun.
—The Christian Advocate*

WHEN I LISTEN

By J. Lillian Vandever

*They say God does not speak today
As in the long ago,
But sometimes, when I stop my play
I hear his voice I know.
For raindrops surely talk to me,
When rustling leaves are stirred;
I know that something sings to me,
I know what Samuel heard.
He calls in winds that touch my
cheek,*

*In bird notes, high and clear.
I'm very sure God speaks to us
If we take time to hear.*

—Story World


corner store is only thirty cents!"

Butcher: "Why don't you buy it there, then?"

Housewife: "They haven't any."

Butcher: "Oh, I see! Well, when I haven't any, I sell it for twenty cents a pound."

If a dog can make friends why can't you without taking a course of lectures at \$250?—Information.



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SUNDAY ON THE PARAGOULD CIRCUIT

Last Sunday was a day of great joy and interest to me as I had the privilege of conducting services on the Paragould Circuit in the absence of the pastor, Robert Montgomery, who is attending the School for Accepted Supplies at S. M. U. The first service was held at 10 a. m. at Pruitt's Chapel. Then we went to Shiloh for the 11 o'clock service. At six o'clock my nephew, James M. Gatlin, preached his first sermon at Pruitt's Chapel. Then we went again to Shiloh for the 7:30 service. After this service at a called quarterly conference James was recommended for license to preach. On Monday morning at 10 o'clock he met the Ad Interim committee of the Paragould District which passed upon the recommendation of the quarterly conference. It is a source of great joy to see young men naturally one is touched a little answer the call to the ministry, but deeper when one of his own family makes the great decision in answer to the call of the Spirit of God to go out and serve his fellow men.

The Paragould Circuit is one of those charges selected by Brother Storey where more churches are added in order to bring the salary up to a point where the pastor can have more financial support. Though it means a pastor must preach more times on Sunday and travel more it also means that he is able to render a better service with the added income. With the cooperation of the laymen in the matter of change of hours for services and more real participation on their part it will mean the strengthening of the charge as the pastor is strengthened.

The Growing Awareness Regarding Rural America

There is a growing awareness on the part of many agencies in the matter of Rural America. This is indeed a good omen. It is not merely the cheap political propaganda so often involved through self-seeking people. The interest is genuine and deep. The greatest blessing that has come to the open country commu-

ities is the electrification program. There are now few rural churches without the great boon of electric lights. This is indeed a wonderful step forward. There are more and more homes being blessed with this benefactor of humanity. Soon all homes will have the privilege of power to make home life more enjoyable. The emphasis now being placed upon a good secondary road system will add to the contentment in rural communities.

The medical profession is now making great strides in extending its interest to the open country and small villages. As this interest grows it will become action as well as discussion. Already there are fine men in the field and others will follow. The school program has been working at the job of adjustment and much has been accomplished. In many instances there has been disappointment and upsetting of minds in communities in this matter. Community lines have been changed which will have its bearing upon the future. There have been mistakes made and at some points further adjustment will have to be made.

The next great need of our rural people is a good telephone service. That is on the way. In all of the change and in all of the growing pains upon the American community life the church has a most important part to play. It can be the rallying place of community life. It can be the influence to keep a good spirit among the people. It can be the great moulding power to fashion the moral and spiritual life of the people. It must be the serving and saving institution among the people. Better roads, better schools, better transportation, better communication, better material living is, of course, of little consequence without Christian character. This is truly the day of the Church. What a great challenge is offered to all who have eyes to see with and really see. May we Methodists rise to the challenge and the opportunity.—J. Albert Gatlin.

BISHOP MOORE IN GERMANY AND ENGLAND

Bishop Aruthr J. Moore, of Atlanta, Ga., president of the Council of Bishops of the Methodist Church in the United States, sailed for Europe July 28 for a series of speaking engagements in German before attending the Methodist Ecumenical Conference in London, August 28 to September 7. He led a party of 34 laymen and preachers who sailed on the "Queen Elizabeth." They will return on the same ship Sept. 11.

Bishop Moore will address the Ecumenical Conference on August 29 on "Methodist Traditions in the U. S." He will preach in Central Hall Methodist Church, London, the denomination's largest church in England, on September 7. His schedule in Germany includes an address at a meeting of the combined mili-

tary services in Heidelberg on August 17, and an address at a gathering of Protestant chaplains the next day. He will preach in the Methodist Church in Frankfurt on August 19.

In addition to Bishop and Mrs. Moore, the party includes: Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hood, Jr., Newnan, Ga.; Mr. and Mrs. Dan T. Manget, Newnan, Ga.; the Rev. and Mrs. Ed Fain, Columbus; Mr. and Mrs. D. Abbott Turner, Columbus; Mr. and Mrs. S. L. McCreless and daughter, Frances Jean, San Antonio, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Richard, Atlanta; Mr. and Mrs. William N. Banks, Grantville, Ga.; Dr. and Mrs. Lester Rumble, Augusta; Dr. and Mrs. Nat G. Long, Atlanta; Dr. and Mrs. William F. Quillian, Atlanta; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Phelps, Pittsburgh; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Turnley, Nashville, Tenn.; Bishop and Mrs. Fred

NEW MISSION RISING IN SOUTH INDIA

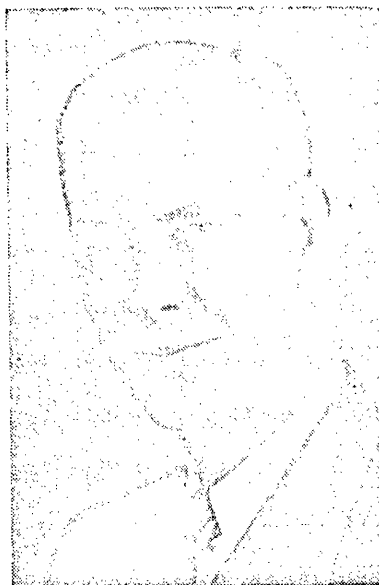
A pastor's house — three rooms built of stone and mud for \$1,200—is the first unit to be completed in the Advance program of the Gulbarga District of India. The house is the beginning of a Village Center at Saradigi, fifteen miles west of Gulbarga in the South India Conference. The conference village center program is part of the Advance program of the North Dakota Conference.

The residence is in sharp contrast to the former home of the pastor. One is dark, without ventilation, without a chimney. The other has several windows and a fireplace.

The people of the community are eager to complete other buildings in the center, particularly the school (where worship services also will be held) and a dispensary and health center. Native rock is abundant in the area; the road runs for half a mile on solid rock which crops out there. A lot of ground adjacent to the pastor's house has been bought for the other buildings in the center.

P. Corson, Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. Asa G. Candler, Jr., Misses Nancy Candler and Helen Candler, Atlanta; and Mrs. Addison Maupin, Atlanta.

PREACHER AT BEN FEW CAMPGROUND



REV. H. R. HOLLAND

Rev. H. R. Holland, pastor of Pullman Heights Methodist Church, will be the preacher at the Ben Few Camp at its 52nd annual encampment beginning on August 24 and running through the first Sunday in September. Rev. Bruce H. Bean is pastor of the Princeton Circuit in which the campground is located.

A LETTER FROM JIM MAJOR

Institution Sweet
 Casilla 7029
 Santiago, Chile
 June 20, 1951

Dear Friends:

If someone asked me "What is the outstanding recent development in the Methodist work in Chile?", I would answer that it was not in its institutions nor in the work of the ministry, but rather it is the work of laymen in our churches. The Chilean Methodist layman takes seriously his Christian discipleship. When properly directed and inspired by his pastor he is willing to work, and pray whenever called upon. The office of local preacher in our Conference is exactly what the Discipline says it is and does not mean that one who is local preacher is starting his career into the ministry. In the church of which I am pastor there are four local preachers and six exhorters. I can call upon any of them to help in any part of the service.

Up until four years ago there were only two or three organized societies of Methodist men, but since that time the movement has spread rapidly. In January of this year at the meeting of the Annual Conference, the organized societies formed a National Federation.

The lay leader of the Annual Conference is one of the finest Christian men I have ever known. His name is Enrique Zurita. He is a teacher of metal work in the School of Arts and Crafts of the Industrial University of Chile, and the President of the Association of Technical Teachers of Chile. Senor Zurita's parents were in agreement with the Evangelical Church, but he did not join a church until in his youth. He came to know the Methodist Church through a class in English at Sweet Memorial Institute. Later he joined the Youth Fellowship of Second Methodist Church and afterwards he joined the church, and since then he has been one of our faithful workers. Now he is one of our local preachers.

It was under his leadership that

our laymen established the preaching place that we called "The Manger of Bethlehem," and it was also under his leadership that we came to build a little adobe chapel in which the congregation now worships. Enrique is a layman to inspire any pastor. He is loyal in attendance and is a tither, but perhaps his best quality is that he rejoices in seeing others develop and take responsibility. He does not think he holds offices in the church for life. Under his leadership I know the lay movement will flourish.

In our own particular work we have been thrilled at the sight of the first unit of the new buildings at Sweet Memorial becoming a reality. One hundred and fifty thousand was made available from the Week of Dedication offering for the purpose of rebuilding the Institution. The first unit will house the day nursery and kindergarten. We will be able to receive 130 children each day instead of 70, and there will be larger facilities for the medical work. Next year the unit for the club work and training school will be built.

Last summer (your summer, our winter) the Board of Missions sent out 50 young people to serve three years in Latin America. Five of them came to Chile, and we were fortunate in having one of them come to work at Sweet. Miles Acker, our LA-3, arrived here in October and already has begun to preach in Spanish and will begin some classes in the Training School in August. He and the other LA-3's have made a fine impression on the Methodist young people of Chile. Their Christian witness will do a great deal to strengthen our work among the youth and university students.

As to our personal lives, we have had perhaps more than the usual run of illness and problems during the past year. But through them has come new blessings and a deeper spiritual life. God has become more real as we learn to trust him more for guidance and strength.

The visit of Bishop and Mrs. (Continued on page 7)

Methodist Youth**Fellowship News:****IMPRESSIVE GALILEAN SERVICE**

The Senior MYF of the First Methodist Church, Newport, held a very impressive Galilean Service on the lake in Rammel Park, Sunday, July 22 at 7:00 p. m.

A large group of parents and friends sat quietly on the ground and in cars as the boats came slowly around the bend of the lake carrying a choir of young people dressed in white robes. In the stillness we could hear faint tones of "Jesus Calls Us" which became increasingly louder as the boats came into sight.

As they were rowed near shore Paul Webb sang "Others." In another boat came the speaker, Bill Huddleston who spoke on "Being a Christian Makes a Difference" after which the boats left the shore. As they made their way around the bend and out of sight the choir was singing "Jesus, Saviour Pilot Me."

The Worship Commission was in charge of the program and it proved to be one of the most spiritual of any that we have had. Miss Regenia Watson is Youth Director at First Church.—Reporter

METHODIST YOUTH ACTIVITIES WEEK

The Methodist young people sponsored Youth Activities Week July 16 through July 20, using "Thy Will, My Will" as their theme. Young people from Oppelo, Perry-Perryville, Plumerville, and Atkins Methodist churches attended. Members from the Morrilton Presbyterian and Baptist churches were present.

Rev. George Stewart, pastor at Atkins, was the inspirational speaker and each evening stressed the theme "Thy Will, My Will."

Presiding at the inspirational hour were: Monday, Jimmy Hardin; Tuesday, Sara Massey; Wednesday, Edmund Massey; Thursday, Doyleene Scroggin; Friday, Dwayne Couchman.

There were four discussion groups and the young people attended a different one each evening. The topics discussed and leaders were: "Thy Will, My Will in the Church," Ann Williams and Rev. H. J. Couchman; "Thy Will My Will in Stewardship," Charles Reid Moose and W. A. Hardin; "Thy Will, My Will in Social Life," Johnnie Byrd and Rev. James Beale; "Thy Will, My Will in School," Jimmy Hardin and Mrs. Custer Poteet.

Each evening one of the visiting churches had charge of a fifteen-minute devotional service carrying out the theme of one of the discussion topics.

Special music was provided by the youth choir under the direction of Mrs. Earl Bentley.

Horace Brinkley was organist for the week. Mary Dean Rankin was in charge of the recreation. Sara Jane Massey was publicity chairman. Mary Jane Kennedy had charge of the favors and worship centers.

The W. S. C. S. and Guilds of the Morrilton First Church served supper each evening.

Two young women committed themselves for the first time for full time Christian service at the Consecration Service Friday evening.

There was an average attendance of sixty for the week. — Horace Brinkley, Reporter

FORT SMITH DISTRICT SENIOR CAMP

The Fort Smith District Senior Camp was held at Shore's Lake the week of July 23-27. Forty-four young people and 12 members of the staff enjoyed the inspiring Ozark scenery, the worship and the good fellowship.

Rev. Robert E. L. Bearden was dean of the camp. Three courses were offered by Rev. J. H. Hoggard, Rev. O. D. Peters, and Rev. Mr. Bearden. Other members of the staff were Rev. M. L. Edgington, Rev. O. M. Campbell, Mrs. Ella Young, Mrs. Alice Maestri, Mrs. Arthur Safreed, Mrs. Emory Farris, Mr. John Tellar, Miss Mary Virginia Wakefield and Miss Marilyn Herbert. Churches represented were Paris, New Hope, Kibler, Huntington, Booneville, Cove's Chapel, Waldron, Charleston, Alma, and the following churches in Fort Smith: Midland Heights, Fifth Street, St. Paul's, Goddard Memorial and First Methodist.

Wednesday night was fellowship and fun night when each cabin presented a stunt and a watermelon feast closed the evening activities. On Thursday night a beautiful consecration service was conducted under the leadership of Bro. Edgington.—Reporter

WEONA METHODIST YOUNG PEOPLE

The Weona Methodist young people held their meeting on Sunday night, July 29, at Harrisburg Corner. Recreation was in charge of Virginia James.

Jane Parks was in charge of the devotional service. Rev. Mr. McSpinkin was the speaker.

There were 23 young people present.—Reporter

YOUNG ADULT CLASS ELECTS OFFICERS

The newly-elected officers of the Young Adult Class of Forest Park Methodist Church in Little Rock are as follows:

President, Mrs. Emil Eastham; Vice President, Mrs. Wm. Reinhardt; Secretary, Mrs. H. E. Whitehorn, Jr.; Treasurer, Mrs. C. R. Imbeau; Visitation chairmen, Walter Jones, L. A. Beasley; Telephone chairmen, Mrs. Kenneth Sharp, Mrs. Chas. Reaves; Recreation chairmen, Mrs. J. A. Sherlin, Mrs. James Ables; Worship chairmen, Mrs. Iber Herrin, Mrs. J. A. Sherlin and Mrs. H. W. Whitehorn, Jr.—Mrs. L. A. Beasley.

Back when organs were pumped by hand, a famous organist, leaving the platform after a program said to himself, "I really did some beautiful work this evening. I don't know when I ever played better." The boy who had pumped the wind scowled at the artist.

The next evening, the artist placed his hands on the keys, but there was no sound. He tried again. No response. Scowling fiercely at the pumper the artist indicated wind was needed.

The boy grinned and admonished, "Say 'we,' mister."—Toastmaster.

Many men possess a hundred acres of possibilities but keep only about one-half acre under cultivation.—Ind. Issue, hm, Ind. Temperance League.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES WEEK

Youth Activities Week at the Clinton Methodist Church was held August 13-17 with the Rev. Frank Jones student pastor from Hendrix College as the inspirational speaker. The theme for the week was "Jesus Way—Our Mission."

The program included a fellowship supper, group singing, group discussion, recreation and a worship service. The group discussions were led by Calvin Rootzell, Intermediate; Mrs. Lillian Hall, Seniors; and Miss Elsie Kruger, Older Youth. Subject chosen to be discussed was "Understanding Oneself."

Recreation was led by Polly Lefler, and Travis Williams. The supper was served by the Woman's Society of Christian Service. At the end of the week on Friday night, a communion service was held on Pinnacle Mountain, four miles north overlooking Clinton.—Reporter

SOUTHWESTERN SUB-DISTRICT

The Southwestern Sub-District met at Douglasville Methodist Church, Monday, August 6, with Douglasville in charge of the evening's activities.

It was Date Night, four dates for the night. First was recreation, second was a movie, third was a watermelon feast and fourth was Vesper Service.

Jack McDaniel, president of the Sub-District, presided. There were 150 present with Benton having the largest number present. The Sub-District has given \$152.00 toward the Cabin Fund for the cabins at the Conference Camp. The next meeting will be at Mabelvale Methodist Church, Monday, September 10.

Valine Boswell, Caroline Clardy and Ruby Green led the group in the Vesper Service.

The next Council meeting of the Sub-district will be at Primrose Methodist Church, August 20, at 7:30 p. m. All officers and the president of each local church are urged to attend.—Publicity Chairman

BATESVILLE SUB-DISTRICT

The Batesville Sub-District met Monday, July 30 at Blanchard Springs. There were 79 present. A recreation period was followed by a picnic supper after which a business session was held.

Mountain View presented an interesting program on "Where Do M. Y. F. Funds Go?"—Barbara Low.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES WEEK AT DeWITT

An average attendance of 28 was "chalked up" by the DeWitt M. Y. F. during Youth Activities Week, July 30 through August 2, during which time two courses were taught—"Christian Beliefs" by Rev. Mark Vaught of Stuttgart, and "Christian Vocations" by R. H. Brotherton, superintendent of DeWitt schools. The 45-minute lesson sessions began each evening at 7:30, following "supper hour" at seven. Immediately after classes inspiring devotional periods were conducted, in charge of Howard Childs, Youth Worker with the DeWitt church for summer months. A recreation hour was enjoyed after study hours, and a Friendship Circle and the M. Y. F. benediction closed evenings of effective work and inspiration. Groups of the young workers, accompanied by their counselors, made calls in the afternoon in the nature of "hymn sings" and all taking part reported that the hymn sings were one of the most enjoyable activities planned.—Mrs. H. E. Hampton.

SUB-DISTRICT MEETS AT FORDYCE

The Tri-County Sub-District Methodist Youth Fellowship met at the Fordyce Methodist Church August 6.

Charles Hunter was in charge of the devotional service. He spoke on "The Challenging Voice of God." Twenty-five young people under the direction of Mrs. Mary Welch, sang.

At the close of the service a consecration service was led by Robert Gray in which all of the young people took part.

The following officers for Sub-District were elected for the year 1951-52:

President, Barbara Childs, Hampton; Vice-President, Julia Ann Marks, Thornton; Secretary, Winona Nutt, Fordyce; Treasurer, Margaret Bird, Fordyce; Chairman of Worship and Evangelism, Joyce Ann Johnston, Hampton; Chairman of Missions Dorothy Tomlinson, Thornton; Chairman of Recreation, Larry Barton, Fordyce; Chairman of Community Service, Morrison Henry, Thornton.

The group was invited to the recreation room where they enjoyed ice cold watermelon. A song service followed with Jacqueline Russell, from Fordyce, at the piano and led by James Cathy of Thornton.—Winona Nutt.

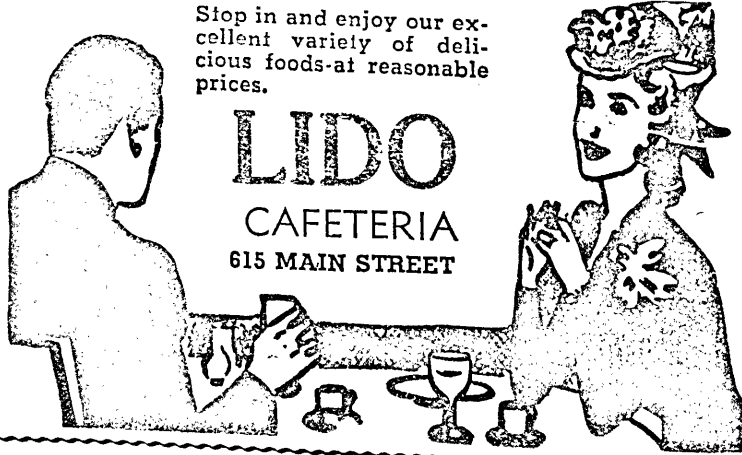
Success is a journey and not a destination.—Jas. J. Booth, Adv. Age

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OUR PART IN GOD'S PLAN

By HAROLD D. WOMACK

TEXT: "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and they that dwell therein." (Psalm 24:1)

INTERMEDIATES of the Forrest City District camped recently for a week at a point about four miles southwest of Imboden near the cool mountain springs known as Wayland Springs. About a hundred and twenty-five years ago Rev. Jonathan Wayland, the grandfather of Rev. E. T. Wayland and great-grandfather of Rev. Ewing T. Wayland, co-editors of our church paper, the *Arkansas Methodist*, settled near the springs and building a dam across the stream below the springs installed a mill race and a mill for grinding corn and other grain. Bro. Wayland, a local preacher in addition to his farming and milling, quite evidently knew "the earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof," and made good provision for the greatest utilization of natural resources which were at his disposal, agricultural products and water power to process them.

During the week while we camped we utilized several resource persons. Several of us climbed to the summit of one of the nearby mountain ridges and ascended to the top of a 110 foot Forest Tower where the Ranger explained to us his part in the Forest Conservation plan.

A representative of the Soil Conservation Service, a college classmate, R. J. Barnett, talked to some of the young people on Soil Conservation and the conservation of other of God's products.

Mr. Jack Dyer, of the State Game and Fish Commission showed us films on Conservation of Wild-life and Game.

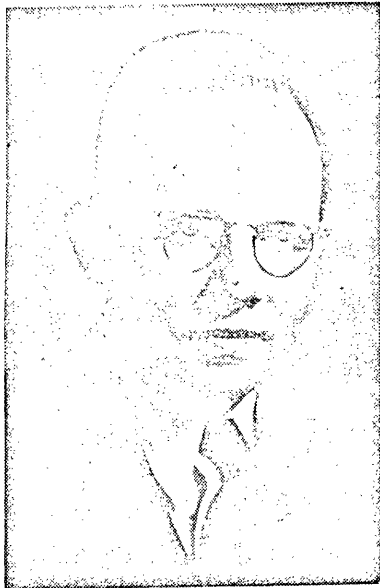
We saw other films on the magnificent Tennessee Valley project of control and development.

Each of these resource persons showed us in his own field how to conserve and to utilize our resources. On Friday afternoon we left this comparatively new yet to me historic campsite. It is historic in that from these hills of Lawrence County there came a wavy-haired young preacher who was to also conserve and develop God-given resources of his grandfather's family, his father's family and his own family. For four generations in Arkansas the name Wayland has been associated with the church and the ministry and the conservation of spiritual values, men's souls.

Surely, I said to myself as we drove home, people everywhere need to know more about their part in God's plan and to plan to do more about it. For so many are content to be on and remain on the receiving end of this relationship with God and their fellowmen. Too often we allow our selfish natures to dominate our actions. We ravage the forests, we deplete the soil, we destroy certain species of wild life and game. Then with small sense of guilt we turn to other fields to provide pleasure and economic benefit.

It is a grave sin to so recklessly destroy our resources. Take as an example our forests. One morning the Quest Group I was trying to help listed more than forty uses for wood products and I am certain they had scarcely begun. We are an age of steel and alloys. But wood remains a very essential element in our pattern of life and will be so for many years to come. It takes

from ten to a hundred years to grow sizable timbers from which satisfactory lumber may be cut. Some new forests cannot possibly be regrown within a lifetime. Until quite recent years men cut timber indiscriminately and without regard for any future day or need. Forests that



REV. HAROLD D. WOMACK
Pastor at Hughes

caught on fire were permitted to burn. Frequently they were set on fire in the erroneous belief that the grazing was thereby improved. Even today millions of feet of usable timbers are destroyed annually while seedling trees not yet half-grown and in all stages are destroyed or stunted forever by preventable forest fires. Where, if we continue or permit selfish and wanton destruction of so valuable an asset as our forests, will we find usable timber unless we conserve, unless we replant, unless we make our plan a part of God's plan?

Or, consider our soil. When lands were cheap and acreage plentiful men did not worry about what happened to the woods or the fields. If the land washed away they simply moved further west, cleared a new space and settled down until that new place became unsatisfactory. They plowed straight furrows over the hills because that was the easiest way to plow. Water found its way down hillsides with increasing rapidity so that much fertile top soil found its way to the creeks and rivers and settled far, far away, much of it in the mouth of the Mississippi River at the Gulf. Our Department of Agriculture has discovered that in a corn field with a six percent slope as much as 10.7 tons of top soil per acre will be carried away in a year's time while the same area and slope covered with Bermuda Grass will lose practically no top soil. An acre of land of only three percent slope planted in cotton will lose up to ten tons of top soil. If you did not know this and I were to tell you that someone was stealing ten tons of your top soil per acre each year you might get your gun and start out after him. You should be deeply concerned about this top soil for the layer covering the earth averages less than two-thirds of a foot in depth. When that soil is gone there will be no more. It must be conserved. It is a grave sin against yourself and those who will follow for you or me to secure an easy living from the soil without caring for it.

The same could be said about our wild life, birds and fish. No man ought ever kill a single specimen of wild life without being certain that he is conforming to the highest standards of conservation.

And then, finally, as I drove along I thought of spiritual conservation. Men and women who would never think of permitting the destruction of our forests, our wild life, or our soil, are sometimes found guilty of not filling their place in the plan of God. They have allowed their self-development self-concern personal pleasures, private business and a hundred other selfish interests to separate them from God's plan for them and their lives. They contribute moderately of their financial means and perhaps mildly hope that someone will look after the spiritual interests of their children. But if it is going to take their time and their efforts away from club activities, fishing, hunting, Sunday business or pleasure trips, then their interest in spiritual conservation ceases.

Many years ago now the elder Brother Waylands passed beyond. The care of the dam, the mill race and the mill was forgotten. Now it remains as evidence of their once efficient utilization of that part of God's plan which calls for harnessing water power to process grain.

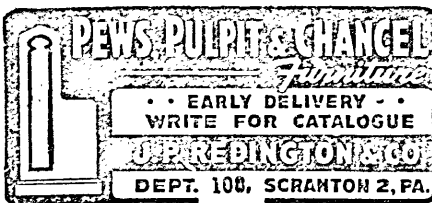
As certainly as failure to conserve material and physical things brings destruction, so also failure to conserve and develop the spiritual brings spiritual calamity—if not a hell on earth then wherever God planned it.

God's plan provides an eternal resting place in heaven. But we will not reach it, that is not unless we live lives in accord with His plan.

Our part in God's plan therefore is to know that "the earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof," in every aspect, is His, and to accept Christ's way as our way of living that plan.

YOUNG ARKANSAS
MINISTER HONORED

Last spring James Robert Scott, son of Rev. and Mrs. M. E. Scott of Stamps, was selected from the graduating class of Yale Divinity School by the Congregational Service Club of New England for service in England and Europe for a year with all expenses paid. Since the end of the war this club has selected two young men from Yale and two from Columbia for this work. Part of the work is under the World Council of Churches. Bob left New York on



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September 10, 1950, for England, where he was assigned to work at Albion Congregational Church, Ashton-Under-Lyne, an industrial city of 50,000 adjoining Manchester. He has preached there and in many other churches in England and Scotland.

In March he preached in Glasgow and Edinburgh, Scotland, preaching from the pulpit of John Knox. He has also preached at Warwick and attended the Easter Conference at Bangor, Wales. At Christmas he visited in the home of friends in Oslo and Bergen, Norway. His ministry at Albion was completed June 25. He went with friends to London to the festival and to visit Aldersgate and Wesley's house. From here he went to Paris, France for a week and then to Camp "Agape" in Turin, Italy, a Christian work camp, where he was given work and service for four weeks in July, with eighty other young people from Italy, Germany, England, Ethiopia, Egypt, Denmark, Holland, Sweden and the United States, all working together to build a permanent camp for Protestant young people.

James Robert has recently received an appointment from the World Council of Churches to attend the Faith and Order meeting in Geneva, Switzerland, from August 14 to 18, representing Methodist young people. This is a meeting in preparation for the meeting of the World Council of Churches in Sweden in 1952. He left Camp "Agape" August 5 to go to Rome and then to Switzerland. After visiting several other European countries he will return to England in time for the Methodist Ecumenical Conference at Oxford. He will then return home and take up his work in the ministry at Bearden where he was appointed for this year.

Every new year is a new sunrise, making the way golden with new opportunities, new adventures, new heights to attain, new beginnings.—Ex.

EVANGELISTS



Brady and Irene Cook

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

Union Grove (Leonard Ct.), August 17-26
Rev. Robert Sykes
Leslie, August 27-September 2
Rev. W. A. Lindsey
Clinton, September 3-12
Rev. Verlia F. Harris
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CURRENT NEWS IN ARKANSAS METHODISM

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE CALENDAR 1951-52

Adopted By Interboard Council,
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- AUGUST**
17-19 Young Adult Conference at Camp Tanako
- SEPTEMBER**
4 Board of Ministerial Training meets in Little Rock
15-30 W. S. C. S. Educational Seminars District Seminars for Town and Country Commission
16-22 District Seminars on Home and Family Life
30 Church School Rally Day
30-Oct. 4 Texarkana Leadership School
30-Oct. 7 Christian Education Week
- OCTOBER**
7 World Wide Communion Sunday
15- Conference Board of Temperance meets
12-14 National Family Life Conference in Chicago
21 Veterans' Day (special offering for Conference Claimants)
21-25 Little Rock Leadership School
28-Nov. 1 Pine Bluff District Leadership Program
- NOVEMBER**
W. S. C. S. Executive Board meeting in Little Rock
13 Monticello District Evangelism Retreat
14 Camden District Evangelism Retreat
15 Hope District Evangelism Retreat
18-24 Hendrix College—Ministerial Education Special
30-Dec. 9 Area "A" Evangelism Mission (Hope, Camden, Monticello Districts, and the Louisiana Conference.)

WORLD FELLOWSHIP WORKSHOP AT CAMP ALDERSGATE

About 30 representatives of the Methodist Youth Fellowship and Woman's Society of Christian Service in the Little Rock and Arkadelphia Districts spent five fruitful days at the World Friendship Workshop at Camp Aldersgate, July 31 to August 3. One youth and one adult interested in the missionary program of youth were invited from each church.

The group made intensive studies of the home and foreign missions programs for the coming year and worked out suggestions on how to make the problem of world friendship come alive in the local youth groups. In a final evaluation session the group worked out an understanding of the relation between the Methodist Youth Fellowship and the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and planned ways in which the two organizations might work together in the cause of Christian missions.

Through study, creative activities, play, and worship, as well as through contacts with visitors of other races and nationalities all attending the workshop reported that they had gained a vision of what it means to "love one's neighbor as oneself."

The workshop was directed by Mrs. Ed McLean and Miss Margaret Marshall aided by Mrs. James D. Boyack, Miss Emogene Dunlap, and Rev. and Mrs. M. W. Willis.—Mrs. J. D. Boyack

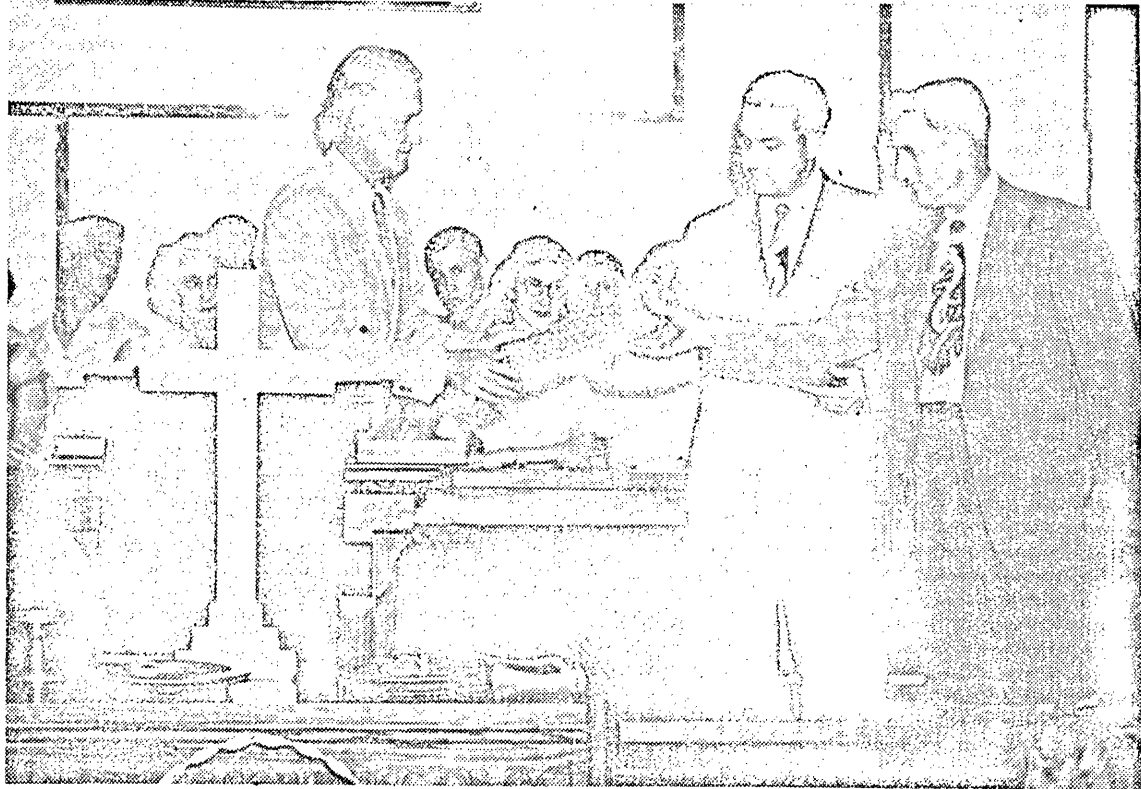
A LETTER FROM JIM MAJOR

(Continued from page 4)

Angia Smith and Dr. Harold Bosley, First Methodist Church, Evanston, Ill., Dr. and Mrs. Henry Sprinkle of World Outlook, left with us blessings and inspiration.

Susan is now a student at Santiago College and wears the green and brown uniform of her school, that is so famous in the city. Raney and Jimmy enjoy one another's company except when they disagree and fight as all brothers are bound to do when they are four and two years old.—James E. Major.

NATIONAL AWARD PRESENTED TO MONETTE CHURCHES



Rev. G. A. McKelvey, pastor of the Methodist Church and Rev. Lehman Rorex, pastor of the Assembly of God Church are shown receiving the award from Dr. Raymond C. Rankin of Memphis. Rev. G. W. Smith, pastor of the Baptist Church, was out of the city when the picture was made.

Monette was chosen as one of seven communities in the United States to receive a national award for outstanding action in a "Go-To-Church" campaign last November.

The choice was made out of more than 2,500 communities. The award was given by an organization of church-minded, leading business men in America known as "Religion in America Life," with headquarters in New York.

Late last summer the three churches of Monette, Methodist, Baptist and Assembly of God, met together and decided to enter into a "Go to Church" campaign for November. We used the Religion in America Life program as our guide and pattern. We really entered into the campaign thoroughly. After the campaign ended, I filled out a report blank and sent it to Dr. Earle B.

Pleasant, National Director of RIAL, in New York.

To our surprise a letter came two months or more later saying that Monette had been chosen out of more than 2500 communities in the U. S. to be awarded a plaque. It was therefore a national award. There were seven other communities in the U. S. who received such awards. So it made us feel humbly proud. We had worked very hard, but the award came as a total surprise.

I think perhaps the best part of the campaign is that much of the beneficial results are still with us.

We, the three churches and merchants, raised and expended \$250 during the campaign. We had street services each Saturday. During November everywhere a citizen of Monette looked, even in his mail

box, he was reminded of the church, and I do mean everywhere—homes, windows, show windows, theatre screen, lodge and star halls, HDC clubs, automobiles, newspaper, personal letters, street banner, large placards, etc.—It helped too.—G. A. McKelvey, Pastor, Methodist Church

We stamp our own value upon ourselves and we cannot expect to pass for more.—Ex.

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