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## Industrial Discord Is The Way To Disaster

It would certainly be presumption for the average layman to attempt to fix the blame for the industrial difficulties that have resulted in the series of strikes that have disturbed our economic life. Even those who know the inside story of these problems differ in placing the blame and differ in their suggested solution of the problems they have created.

Regardless of whether the blame lies with capital, or labor, or government, or all three, the fact remains that our present economic balance is such that it is dangerous for anyone of influence to "rock the boat." Our national indebtedness, our international commitments and our international dangers are such that an economic up-set at this time could quite conceivably be disastrous.

Certainly no group should, at times like these, assume an "everything-or-nothing" attitude. It would appear that a reasonable, practical give-and-take attitude might save us from an economic "tail-spin" that might result in a nasty wreck.

### Confusion And Disorder Deliberately Planned

HERE is little, if any, doubt in the mind of the allied world powers that Russia and her satellites deliberately plan, wherever possible, to create confusion and disorder in all countries outside the Iron Curtain.

It seems quite evident, now, that Russia wants neither war nor peace. If Russia plans world conquest by war it is not possible to explain why she has not already struck with force. There was a time when allied forces could have offered little more than a token resistance in Europe. They are not ready yet to drive back a full scale attack by Russia but there is now sufficient force to fight a delaying action until adequate force could be mustered.

While Russia is apparently unwilling to take the chances involved in another World War, her plans for extending the influences of communism are best served by fostering disorder and confusion which pave the way in many places for the spread of communism.

The stalemate in the discussions in Korea are of this pattern. No sane person would believe that a basis for an armistice and even full scale peace could not have been found long ago in Korea if the Reds desired peace as United Nations forces do.

The May Day disturbances in different parts of the world are added evidence of the purpose of communism to stir up trouble wherever and whenever it is possible. It is

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#### Radio And Television A Challenge To Church

HE last fifty years have brought to the world more revolutionary changes than all of the years from 1900 back to the birth of Christ. Except the automobile, possibly none of these changes have affected American life more than the radio. Television will likely affect us even more in the near future.

Along with every other institution of our American life the church has felt the influence of radio. In general that influence has been good. At times,



however, it has hurt rather than helped. The radio has made it possible for some, who should and could attend church, to salve their conscience by hearing Sunday services over radio rather than at church. Thus both the church and the hearer are weakened by this process.

The radio brings into our homes the best of music, but it also brings, if we permit, the trashiest music permitted in public. If we permit, it makes of our homes billboards for tobacco advertising and beer commercials.

Radio makes possible the teaching of religion at its best in sermon and song. However, it also brings into our homes religion taught at its worst by some fringe irresponsibles who present religion in a very unfavorable light and at times in a disgusting form. Unfortunately, these are the people who seem to use radio most in the name of religion.

The balanced, stable churches of today must recognize the challenge radio and television presents and use these mediums for a nation-wide presentation of religion at its best to the unchurched about us. Otherwise many unchurched people will have a perverted view of religion.

## General Conference Concludes Its Sessions

HE Methodist Church concluded on May 6 a two weeks' session of its quadrennial General Conference after having considered upwards of two thousand "memorials" having to do with proposed changes in Methodist laws and program. The Conference was pronounced highly successful by those in attendance, and it will be remembered not only for what it did but for what it did not do.

Perhaps the most signal achievement of the deliberation was the adoption into church law of a compromise version of the reorganization plan which had been recommended by the Church's Survey Commission, set up by the 1948 General Conference to study ways and means of improving the organization and program of Methodism. It is our hope to present in an early issue a rather complete account of this legislation, as adopted. But briefly, the Conference set up a Coordinating Council to consider and make recommendations for eliminating overlapping and duplication of program among the Church's Boards and Agencies; set up inter-Board Commissions between two groups of Boards which are intended to streamline the work of these Boards; took significant steps to eliminate some printed materials and set in motion machinery which may make possible the combining of other printed matter; established a new agency, the Board of Social and Economic Welfare which will officially cultivate and stimulate the social conscience of the Church (as the Commission on World Peace and the Board of Temperance do in their respective fields); and reduced the size of the Boards and Agencies. In other actions the Conference adopted a strong statement concerning the Church and War, patterned rather largely on such former church statements; denounced and repudiated the Methodist (unofficial) Federation for Social Action; granted unordained Methodist ministers (local and On Trial) who are pursuing a required course of study for ordination the right to administer the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper; adopted a quadrennial program which provides for a continuation of the "Advance Specials", and an expanded World Service program (35% increase in Arkansas and Louisiana) and which further provides that other features of the program will be left to the Episcopal Areas and Annual Conferences for their own initiation (Christian Education, Evangelism, Home Missions, development of invitations, etc.); adopted a whole new pattern of organization for the Local Church which will provide for a more understandable and workable program; and adopted legislation which will make possible the absorption by any Jurisdictional Conference of any Central Jurisdiction local Church, provided all

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## Faith Brings The Victory

By A. D. ST. AMANT, JR., Pastor of Zwolle Methodist Church

HEN I was a child I learned to give names to various parts of the Bible. The 23rd Psalm was the Shepherd's Psalm. The 121st Psalm was the Traveler's Psalm. The 13th, chapter of 1st Corinthians was the Love Chapter. The 11th chapter of Hebrews was the Faith

I am sure that you learned to do the same thing. No doubt your Sunday School teacher taught you that the 11th chapter of Hebrew is the Faith Chapter. It is a wonderful chapter as it reaches back into history and shows how each of the great characters of the past were persons of faith, and how faith was the key to their greatness. The writer mentions Abel, Enoch, Neah, Abraham, Sarah, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, Moses and others who lived great lives and wrought wonders in God's service through faith.

After giving the names of so many of the great saints of early days the author seems to despair of being able to mention all the worthy examples of faith found in this Faith Chapter and attempts to sum it up in these all-inclusive and sweeping phrases. "And all-inclusive and sweeping phrases. what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawed in two, they were killed with the sword, they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated — of whom the world was not worthy — wandering over deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth."

We have long been familiar with that wonderful chapter on faith. But do we realize that in all that, the author is simply building up to a higher climax? — He continues in the 12th chapter with this statement: "Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay

Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us.-Hebrews 12:1

aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us win with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God." That, to me is one of the greatest passages in all the Bible. The author tells of the exploits of the great heroes of the past, showing how they were able by faith to accomplish apparently impossible things, and then he says that all those heroes of faith are surrounding us, watching while we carry on our battles against sin, and cheering us on to

My wife has a very peculiar notion about death which I have never found in anyone else. She thinks that when good people die, God permits them to stay around, invisibly, and encourage their friends and loved ones. Ask her if she expects to go to heaven when she dies and she will say, "No, not immediately. Rather, I expect to stay around to encourage others in the Christian way of

Well I don't know where she got that idea, but it fits in perfectly with the message of Hebrews which pictures the good people of the past as forming a great cloud of witnesses, backing us up and cheering us on. They have already run their race, and are eager for us to run ours. Having finished the race themselves, they have not retired to eternal bliss in the comfort of their own victory. They are anxiously urging us on to run well the race before us.

When I was in school I was taught that games are won by the cheering section as well as by the players. When a team is fighting an uphill battle aga opponent, it can fight all th the stands are full of cheerin eagerly pulling for them to

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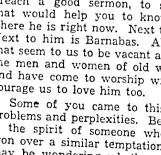
And think what it will do to have the faith to perceive There is Paul sitting over then pew. A few minutes ago I loo and the pew was empty. At like it was empty, but it was was sitting there, eagerly liste preach a good sermon, to that would help you to kno There he is right now. Next Next to him is Barnabas. A that seem to us to be vacant a the men and women of old v and have come to worship w courage us to love him too.

problems and perplexities. Be is the spirit of someone wh won over a similar temptation may be wondering whether with that business deal of d If only you could see him, A on the pew beside you — Amo ed so strongly for integrity in ings. One of you may be faci temptation that touches your Beside you sits Daniel, who temptations offered by the k One of you may have suddenl

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## WOULD YOU VISIT THE SOUTHWEST?

Missions in the Southwest will be visited by Methodist young adults on a vacation tour, July 5-13, sponsored by the Boards of Education and Missions and the oint Department of Missionary Education.

The "Go and Know" tour features visits to Methodist work conducted by the Division of Home Missions among Latin Americans in Texas. A visit to Monterrey, Mexico, where the youp will spend the night at the social center of the Methodist mission and be entertained by Mexican young adults will be included on the itinerary.

The Rev. Edwin F. Tewksbury, missionary education department, says the purpose of the tour is "to become acquainted with our fellow Christians, especially young adults, as they work in churches, settlement houses, schools, and clinics in the home missions programs in the Southwest."

The young adults who make the tour are to "travel with other

young adults in a worthwhile vacation experience" and see evidence of brotherhood among people of different cultural backgrounds.

Those interested in the tour which begins in San Antonio, Texas, July 5, should write Mr. Tewksbury, P. O. Box 871, Nashville, Tenn. The Rio Grade Valley, King Rranch, and the young assembly of the Rio Grande and Southwest Texas Conferences are among the places to be visited.

## RETIRED—HE WILL BUILD A HOSPITAL

The Rev. Carl H. Conley, retired missionary of the Methodist Church to India, is returning to that country soon on special assignment in conservation work and business management at Nadiad Hospital, in the Gujarat Conference. Mrs. Conley, who retired with him in 1950, will accompany him to India.

Mr. Conley will supervise construction of a nurses' home and training school, financed by Week (Continued on page 15)

#### METHODIST HOUR SPEAKER

NE of the South's most influential editors will be the guest speaker for Rural Life Sunday on the 180 station radio network program — The Methodist Series of the Protestant Hour, Sunday morning, May 18th.

Featured on this thirty minute worship service will be a lay sermon by Mr. Alexander Nunn, executive editor of The Progressive Farmer, Birmingham, Alabama. Mr. Nunn will speak on "Crops the Church Should Plant".

Mr. Nunn was born and reared on a farm in central Alabama and now owns a farm in his home community of Loachapoka. For years as a writer, managing editor and now executive editor of one of America's greatest farm magazines, Mr. Nunn has been close to the rural life of the South.

As Sunday School superintendent in a church on a four point circuit he is thoroughly familiar with the problems of the small



ALEXANDER NUNN

church, and as a member of the Survey Commission of The Methodist Church, which was appointed by the 1948 General Conference of The Methodist Church to restudy the organization of the church, he became thoroughly familiar with the problems of (Continued on page 14)

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self caught in an awkward position, with great pressure brought to bear to cause you to do. You have three companions sitting beside you.— Shadrack, Meshach and Abcdnego, the three friends of Daniel who went through the fiery furnace rather than submit to the royal pressure to do wrong. And so on we could go. Not one of you came to church alone. Every one of you has accompanied by the invisible presence of some person from the past who has himself faced your particular situation and has been victorious over your special problem.

Someone says, "Preacher, that is strange doctrine, and I won't believe it." No one has to believe it, but I have the authority of scripture to back it up. The author of Rebrews mentions the wonderful victories won by men and women already dead. And then, he says to his readers, "Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfector of our faith."

You know, our generation has many sins, but I think that one of its greatest is the sin of refusing to believe what we cannot see. We are worse than Thomas. We call him doubting Thomas, and rather feel sorry for him because he did not have enough 3ith to believe in the resurrection until he with his own eyes had seen Jesus alive. Thomas was one of these practical boys. He had to see for himself. When the other disciples said, "We have seen the Lord", he said, "Unless I see in his hands the print of the nails, and place my hand in his side, I will not believe." And so, eight days later, esus appeared to the disciples again, Thomas being present, and speaking to Thomas, Jesus said, "Put, your finger here, and see my hands, and put out your hand and place it in my side; do not be faithless, but believing". Then seeing that Thomas was convinced that he had really risen from

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the dead, Jesus added, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe."

I say one of the greatest sins of our generation is that of refusing to believe what we cannot see. And yet, in this scientific age, it has been amply demonstrated that just because a thing cannot be seen does not mean it is any less real. Who has seen electricity? No one. We may see its effects, as when it runs machinery or lights our houses. We may even see a spark. But electricity itself has never been seen. It cannot be seen, for it is not substance, but energy.

We cannot see radio waves. Does that mean they do not exist? This room is literally full of them. If you do not believe it, bring a radio into this room. Set it anywhere. Hang it from the ceiling, set it in the corner. Put it anywhere at all. It can pick up the waves, because they are in every part of this room.

Who can say Paul and Silas and Barnabas are not sitting down there on that front pew? Who can say Daniel and his three friends are not sitting beside you? Who can say that we are not surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, the hosts of spiritual-minded people of the past who are anxiously urging us on in our battle against sin and temptation. Regardless of who says they are not here, the author of Hebrews says they are. And he says that in view of their presence, we ought to do certain things.

There are certain phases of exhortation that deserve special emphasis. "Let us also lay aside every weight." Remember that he is speaking in terms of running a race. I have been told that one of the secrets in racing is to reduce the weight as much as possible. Every ounce of excess weight that can be removed is taken away, so that the racer — whether human or animal — can run the faster.

Now, follow that figure of speech into the realm of the Christian life. What are some of the extra weights by which we are slowed down? One is the weight of doubt. I think God wants me to do a certain thing for Him. But I am not sure. Maybe it would

be the wrong thing, and so I toss it back and forth in my mind for days, weeks, years. If I had the faith to see Him as He is and to trust Him as the illustrious dead of the past did, I would go ahead and do the thing He wants me to do.

Another useless weight that holds us back in our Christian living is fear. I know that a certain pattern of living is right. But what will be the outcome? Perhaps I might strike out on a course, and fail to accomplish my purpose. Hence because the outcome is uncertain, I hold back.

Another weight that hinders our running the race of the Christian life is loneliness. I may know that a certain attitude is right but no one else agrees with me. If I press that idea my friends may think me queer, I will lose my friends and make some enemies. I do not care to be left alone in the matter. If there were others willing to stand with me, I would take my stand too. But until such others come forward, I am tempted to lie low, on this particular issue.

Not only are there weights holding us back but there are sins slowing us down. Notice the figure of speech when the author of Hebrews says, "Let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely." Did you ever see a runner wearing a long flowing robe? I dare say you have not. Such a garment would hinder his running. Sin has the same effect on our race in the Christian life that a long flowing robe would have on one running a foot race. To put it another way, instead of running a 100 yard dash, we really appear to be in a sack race. I know you have seen sack races. Try running one sometime. Put both feet in a gunny sack gather the top of the sack around your waist, and go as fast as you can to the other side of the yard.

We must put aside every weight, and the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race that is set before us. If only we can be conscious of the wonderful cheering section we have, consisting of the souls of those who have already run the race set before them, we too will run a good race.

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EV. JOHN A. WOMACK of Jonesboro was  $oldsymbol{\hat{h}}$  the guest preacher at the Sunday morning service at Tyronza on May 11.

LMO HANEY of Atkins was installed as president of the Russellville Area Sub-District on Monday night, May 5.

EV. SAM B. WATSON, pastor at Wilson, K will preach the commencement sermon for the Wilson High School on Sunday evening, May 11.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP has been organ $m{A}$  ized at Wilson with a membership of 30. The organization meets monthly on the second Thursday.

>EV. E. J. HOLIFIELD, pastor of the First Methodist Church, Helena, was the speaker at the meeting of the Methodist Men's Club of the Brinkley Methodist Church on Wednesday evening, April 24.

**P**EV. JESSE L. JOHNSON, pastor at Brinkley, preached the commencement sermon for the DeValls Bluff Senior Class in the high school gymnasium on Sunday evening, April 24.

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m EV.}$  ETHAN DODGEN, district superintendent of the Forrest City District, will preach the commencement sermon for the West Memphis High School on Sunday evening, May 18, in the First Methodist Church.

MR. AND MRS. JACK GRIFFIN have accepted the position as counselors for the Intermediate Department of the First Methodist Church, Little Rock. They began their duties on Sunday evening, May 4.

**P**EV. AND MRS. W. M. WOMACK of Jonesboro held open house at the Fisher Street parsonage on Sunday afternoon, May 4, the beginning of Family Week. Forty-five families of the church called during the hours from 3:00 to 5:00.

R. J. W. WORKMAN, chaplain at Ft. Roots P. J. W. WOLLEN, Little Rock, was the Hospital, North Little Rock, was the speaker at the meeting of the Methodist Men of the First Methodist Church, Camden, on Wednesday, April 30. Dr. Workman spoke on "Pathways to Peace."

TISHOP JOHN A. SUBHAN of Bombay,  $oldsymbol{b}$  India, spoke at Winfield Church, Little Rock, on Monday evening, May 12, at a district rally. Bishop Subhan is speaking in the Little Rock and North Arkansas Conferences during May. His schedule by districts was given in last week's paper.

'T the meeting of the Fourth Quarter Con-A ference at Eudora on April 27 it was voted to enter a building program for expansion of church facilities. An annex 30x45 will be built to the church which will be of frame construction with asphalt shingle siding. Rev. C. E. Patton is pastor,

AS a part of the observance of National Family Week, the First Methodist Church of Searcy, had Childhood Recognition Day on Sunday, May 4. Members of the Children's Department had leading parts in the morning service, and Rev. Ralph Hillis, pastor, spoke on "Our Responsibility for Our Children."

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PRIMARY AND JUNIOR FIESTA was  $m{A}$  held in the education building of the First Methodist Church, Magnolia, on Friday, May 2, with Mrs. Ben Grimes, Mrs. Joy Couch and twenty-five boys and girls sharing something of their missionary unit, "Latin America" with their parents.

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN PRACTICE A is being held each Sunday evening at the First Methodist Church, Little Rock, under the direction of John H. Summers, organist and choirmaster, before the sermon of the evening. A new hymn is practiced each week and selections of old hymns by the congregation are sung.

ST. PAUL METHODIST CHURCH, Little Rock, has formally opened its campaign for a minimum of \$50,000 to erect the first unit of the new church building on Durwood Road. Vincent W. Robinson is general chairman of the campaign and Rev. Charles W. Richards is pastor. A church loyalty dinner was given on May 10 for church members and guests. The campaign is scheduled to be completed on May 24.

EV. ETHAN DODGEN, District Superintendent of the Forrest City District and head of the delegation from the North Arkansas' Conference to the recent Methodist General Conference at San Francisco, was named by the General Conference as a member of the Coordinating Council, a new church agency set up to improve the organization and efficiency of The Methodist Church's program.

PULPIT BIBLE has been given to the  $oldsymbol{A}$  Osceola Methodist Church by Mrs. J. A. Pigg of Osceola, Mrs. George Rolland Green of Blytheville and other brothers and sisters in memory of their father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Mathew B. Maxwell. The pastor, Rev. G. C. Taylor, writes: "It is a beautiful Bible and blends in with our new sanctuary which is a thing of beauty. The sanctuary will be complete with the laying of the carpet in the choir loft which will be done soon.'

BAPTISMAL FONT was presented to  $\Lambda$  the Brinkley Church on April 6, Palm Sunday, by David Mendeville Kell, of Tallulah, La., as a memorial to his wife, Carolyn Brown Kell. Mrs. Kell was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Brown, lifelong members of the Brinkley Church. The font was presented by Mr. Brown to E. E. Whitehurst. chairman of the Memorials Committee, who accepted it on behalf of the church. A brief dedicatory service followed, led by the pastor, Rev. Jesse L. Johnson.

DISHOP ROBERT N. BROOKS of the New D Orleans Area, Central Jurisdiction, was presented a Certificate of Merit by Mayor deLesse S. Morrison of New Orleans in appreciation of his outstanding service to the city of New Orleans. The presentation was made during public re-opening ceremonies of the Peoples Methodist Community Center. The bishop, it was brought out, was instrumental in building the Lafon Protestant Old Folks Home at a cost of \$125,000 to care for the aged and a \$65,000 Community Center.

ORTH GIBSON of the Fayetteville Disworth Gibson of the University of trict, a graduate of the University of the Arkansas, has been elected president of the

student body at Perkins School of Theology at S.M.U. for the school year 1952-53. He succeeds Kelly Williams, also from the Fayetteville District and a graduate of the University of Arkansas. Both are former members of Central Church, Fayetteville, and both decided to enter the ministry as a result of the ministry of this church's pastor Rev. D. L. Dykes, Jr. While attending the U. of A., Worth served as president of Wesley Foundation. Last summer he served as the director of that Wesley Foundation and as associate pastor at Central Methodist Church. He will be a senior at Perkins next

#### METHODIST PRESS ASSOCIATION **ELECTS OFFICERS**

The Rev. Clinton T. Howell, editor of the Mississippi Advocate, Jackson, Miss., was elected president of the Methodist Press Association at a meeting of the group hela; in San Francisco in conjunction with the Methodist General Conference, April 23-May

Other new officers are: the Rev. Prince Albert Taylor, Jr., New Orleans, editor of the Central Christian Advocate, vice president; Mrs. C. A. Meeker, New York, editor of the Methodist Woman, secretary; Dr. Henry C. Sprinkle, New York, associate editor of the World Outlook, treasurer, and the Rev. Emory S. Bucke, Boston, Mass., editor of Zions Herald, sergeant-at-arms.

The outgoing president is the Rev. John E. Marvin, Adrian, Mich., editor of the Michigan Advocate.

Members of the association were guests of the World Outlook, Methodist Board of Missions periodical, at a dinner in San Francisco's Chinatown.

"Success in our churches will depend on ministers and lay workers who are themselves deeply committed and who know how to influence others for Christian living and Christian action. We must therefore have a leadership fully equipped for this task."-M. Earl Cunningham, director, Department of Leadership Education, General Board of Education.

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#### CONTINUING REFUGEE NEEDS STRESSED TO CHURCHES

New York — Lack of funds is swelling the ranks of western the only major obstacle preventing an early solution of the J. van Heuven Goedhart, Inited Nations High Commisioner for Refugees, told American Protestant and Eastern Orthodox resettlement leaders and workers herg.

Speaking at a Church World ervice "resettlement dinner" Service bllowing his arrival from Europe, Dr. Goedhart said the refugee problem could be solved in three years if the necessary financial aid were available.

The commissioner came here to eek support from governmental and inter-governmental agencies for the UN refugee work. He said 'everal European nations have alleady pledged such support, which is being solicited by authorization of the United Naions General Assembly.

Europe's unassimilated millions, Dr. Goedhart expressed the conproblem of Europe's refugees, Dr. viction that "the problem of world refugees can be solved." He proposed three ways of achieving this:

(1) Migration to other countries, especially to those of the Western Hemisphere.

(2) Material assistance for those who cannot migrate or support themselves where they now live. (3) Assimilation of refugees by

the countries of their present residence.

While in past years migration has been the major solution to the refugee problem in Europe, the UN official said, this will not be possible for many who still remain in camps, and other solutions must be applied.

Other messages at the dinnerheld to celebrate the resettlement of more than 55,000 displaced persons by CWS since 1948—stressed Although acknowledging that that the Churches need to recognize the ongoing nature of the hrough the Iron Curtain and refugee problem. refugee problem.

#### **VOLCANIC ERUPTION** OCCURS ON BIBLICAL MOUNT

Jerusalem — An eruption of volcanic origin was reported here to have occurred on Mount Ebal, midway between Jerusalem and Nazareth. It is the first known volvanic activity on the Biblical mount, although the area has been the center of earth tremors.

Mount Ebal rises some 3.092 feet above the ancient city of Nablue, known as Shechem in Biblical times, which lies in the ertile valley between Mount Ebal and Mount Gerizim.

On Mount Ebal's summit are the ruins of a thick-walled fortress, called El-Kala, dating back Riverside Church, N. Y. C.

to the Crusaders or earlier, and on its western slope is a Moslem shrine containing what is claimed to be the skull of John the Baptist.

Abraham and, later, Jacob and his sons camped at Shechem (Nablus) and in 993 B. C. Rehoboam chose it as his capital when the Northern tribes separated from the Kingdom of David.

A man's life is made by the hours when great ideas lay hold upon him. And, except by way of living persons, there is no channel down which great ideas come oftener into human lives than by way of books.—Harry Emerson Fosdick, pastor emeritus,

#### OIIIO GOATS FOR PUERTO RICO

Methodist young people who attend Epworth Euclid Children's Church, Cleveland, Ohio, had as their Lenten project collection of funds for goats for the children of Puerto Rico. They have already raised \$80 and expect to be able to provide two or three goats when the season is over.

Miss Isabel Kennedy, field representative for the Division of Home Missions and Church Extension, presented "Goats for Puerto Rico" in story and pictures at Children's Church. She recently visited Puerto Rico.

The Methodist goat project began under the leadership of the Rev. Wenceslae Marrero Torres at Mayemes where Methodists have one of the largest rural congregations and church schools in the mountains. Most of the people are employed as coffee harvesters only three to five months in the year. Before the beginning of the goat project it was estimated that probably half never had milk or meat on their tables.

Eight of the poorest families were given goats to care for. Many children received milk for the first time. To expand the goat project for children of rural Puerto Rico, the Cleveland youngsters have dedicated their Lenten gifts.

Most of all the other beautiful things in life come by twos and threes, by doz's and hundreds. Plenty of roses, stars, sunsets, rainbows, brothers and sisters, aunts and cousins, but only one mother in the whole world.—Kate Douglas Wiggins, quoted in Indiana Parent-Teacher

Religion is not a means of making use of God; it is the means by which you put yourself in a position to be used by God .--Patricia Strong, Christian Advo-

#### HENDRIX COLLEGE NEWS

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athletics, belonging to the Women's Athletie Association, the Booster Club, and serving as homecoming maid. She is president-elect of the Hendrix Christian Association.

Brewer is also prominent in sports. An outstanding figure in intramural sports, he is sports editor of the College Profile and president-elect of the Booster Club. He was recently chosen vice-president of the student body for the coming year.

#### Bettie Harton Wins Carnegie Fellowship

Betty Harton, Hendrix College senior, has been named recipient of one of 20 Carnegie Southern Fellowships in teaching, Hendrix Dean W. C. Buthman announced.

The fellowships, valued at \$1000, make possible graduate study in teaching at the George Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville, Tenn. Another Hendrix senior, Peggy Thomasson of Rison, was awarded one of the fellowships in an earlier announcement.

The fellowships, given to students in southern colleges, are made possible under a plan begun last year by the Carnegie Corporation. The program's long-run goal is to interest outstanding southern students in the secondary school teaching field, thereby improving the standards of instruction in the area's schools.

Miss Harton, the daughter of Marcus W. Harton of Conway, served this year as co-editor of the Troubadour, Hendrix yearbook, as president of the French Club and chairman of the student activities committee. She is also a member of Alpha Chi, national scholastic honor society, and of Cardinal Key, national leadership sorority.—Reporter

#### GENERAL CONFERENCE CONCLUDES ITS SESSIONS

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church or churches concerned.

We heard the expression of opinion by those who had had considerable General Conference experience that this conference was less dominated by special interests than any for a long time. The Conference delegates seemed to have a mind of their own, more than once expressing the willingness and desire to act on matters before it rather than refer for further study. On several important matters the Conference delegates reversed a Committee's or Commission's recommendation and voted to take a different course than that being recommended.

This Conference was a busy conference. A full schedule of extra-legislative sessions had been planned, all of which served to cound out a most comprehensive program. The number of legislative memorials submited by individuals and church groups was a

record number providing plenty of fuel for debate, both in committee sessions and on the Conference floor.

As stated before the quadrennial program set forth for the next four years leaves rather largely the matter of initiation of special program emphases up to the Episcopal Area and the Annual Conferences. This is a rather marked contrast when compared to the 1944-48 and 1948-52 Crusade for Christ and the Advance for Christ programs. Except for the financial aspects heretofore mentioned, goals and points of emphasis will be determined by the conferences themselves. We emphasize this point because we think that this is one of the most marked departures in recent years from the Methodist way. Methodism continues to pioneer. The program this quadrennium will come from the bottom up and not from the top down.

Interest in connectional Methodism now turns to Annual Conferences and the Jurisdictional Conferences. Legislation adopted at the General Conference will make possible the election of an additional Bishop

in the South Central Jurisdictional Conference which convenes in Wichita, Kansas, June 23. That fact together with the regular program considerations will undoubtedly make for an interesting session.

#### CONFUSION AND DISORDER

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in such a climate that communism has its best chance to grow. If it is possible for Allied patience to hold out against this studied, planned attempts at disorder and confusion in the world until Allied strength is sufficiently developed to demand that such tactics end, it is very likely that the threat of a Third World War will pass.

#### DOCTORS NEEDED IN KOREA

Two experienced doctors are needed for immediate medical service with The Methodist Church in Korea. Work will involve general practice and public health, with unlimited opportunity to meet human need and witness to the Christian faith.

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## North Arkansas Conference Treasurer's Report

JUNE 1, 1951, TO MAY 4, 1952

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GOLDEN CROSS: Springdale, First \$35.00; Wesley \$12.40.

METHODIST YOUTH: Sub-District \$11.26; Harmon \$10.00; Farmington \$7.00; Partie Grove \$2.00; Fayetteville, Central \$77.30; Gentry \$5.00; Lincoln \$10.00; Farmington \$10.00; Springs \$15.00; Springtown \$10.00; Sulphur Springs

RACE RELATIONS: Bentonville \$25.00; Centerton \$7.00; Elm Springs \$10.00; Harmon \$17.57; Farmington \$5.00; Fayetteville Central \$275.00; Wiggins Mem. \$33.10; Goshen \$7.00; Green Forest, \$5.00; Lincoln \$13.00; Presley Chapel \$5.00; Pea Ridge \$3.80; Brightwater \$6.70; Prairie Grove \$25.00; Rogers \$150.00; Springdale, First \$25.00; Wesley \$7.35; Sulphur Springs \$12.78; Winslow \$5.00; Cincinnati \$2.50; Morrow \$5.00.

WESLEY FOUNDATION (See Note): Omaha \$15.00; Avoca \$10.00; Tuck's Chapel \$5.00; Bentonville \$225.00; New Home \$5.00; Berryville \$100.00; Shiloh \$15.00; Centerton \$55.00; Decatur \$55.00; Elm Springs \$60.00; Harmon \$75.00; Eureka Springs \$10.00; Farmington \$35.00; Fayetteville, Central \$1000.00; Wiggins Mem. \$150.00; Gentry \$115.00; Goshen \$35.00; Gravette \$90.00; Green Forest \$10.00; Delaney \$10.00; Summers \$20.00; Huntsville \$65.00; Brannon Chapel \$10.00; Delaney \$10.00; Elkins \$5.00; Nickell's Mem. \$5.00; Brightwater \$50.00; Prairie Grove \$150.00; Rogers \$250.00; Siloam Springs \$300.00; Springdale, First \$300.00; Wesley \$10.00; Springtown \$12.00; Highfill \$34.80; Sulphur Springs \$85.00; Vincy Grove \$25.00; Morrow \$20.00.

WEEK OF DEDICATION: Oakley's Chapel \$7.50; Council Grove \$19.00; Berryville \$25.00; Centerton \$12.50; Elm Springs \$20.00; Harmon \$33.85; Illinois Chapel \$12.81; Fayetteville Central \$175.34; Wiggins Memorial \$27.20; Gentry \$15.00; Goshen \$6.00; Gravette \$25.00; Presley Chapel \$10.00; Pea Ridge \$13.75; Brightwater \$11.06; Siloam Springs \$166.25; Springdale First \$78.00; Springtown \$10.00; Winslow \$17.35; Morrow 9.75; Evansville 2.50.

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METHODIST YOUTH: Brinkley \$27.00; Cotton Plant \$2.00; Blackfish Lake \$10.99; Earle \$33.00; Forrest City \$32.50; Helena \$4.03; Marianna \$20.00; Marvell \$10.00; Cherry Valley \$22.00; West Helena \$10.00; West Memphis \$46.66; Wheatley \$12.35; Round Pond \$4.83; Wynne \$10.00.

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WESLEY FOUNDATION (See Note): Aubrey \$10.00; Moro \$10.00; Brinkley \$150.00; Clarendon \$25.00; Wesley Chapel \$5.00; Smith Chapel \$5.00; McElroy \$5.00; Forrest Chapel \$5.00; Cotton Plant \$125.00; Blackfish Lake \$30.00; Earle Helena \$450.00; Holly Grove \$100.00; Hughes \$150.00; Hunter \$18.75; Whitehall Helena \$450.00; Marianna \$200.00; Marion \$200.00; Marvell \$110.00; West Helena \$109.00; Wheatley \$44.00; Salem \$4.00; Widener \$100.00; Wynne \$250.00.

RACE RELATIONS: Brinkley \$32.50; Cotton Plant \$20.00; Crawfordsville \$8.80; Blackfish Lake \$4.00; Elaine \$5.70; Mellwood \$2.00; Wabash \$10.90; Forrest City \$150.00; LaGrange \$6.90; Helena \$150.00; Holly Grove \$10.00; Marvell \$7.60; Lexa \$7.50; West Helena \$11.76; Wheatley \$11.85; Widener \$21.65; Wynne \$150.00.

WEEK OF DEDICATION: Aubrey \$5.00; Brinkley \$85.61; Clarendon \$25.00; Elaine \$23.11; Mellwood \$15.00; Helena \$15.00; Holly Grove \$40.00; Witchall Vanndale \$20.00; Cherry Valley \$16.50; West Helena \$32.72; Wheatley \$20.00; Wynne \$50.00;

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METHODIST YOUTH: Booneville \$9.00; Branch \$12.00; Midland Heights \$10.00; St. Paul's \$13.42; Huntington \$5.00; Mt. Olive \$14.86; Lavaca \$23.50; New Hope \$14.75; St. Johns \$50.00.

RACE RELATIONS: Alma \$11.00; Mountain View \$3.14; Charleston \$20.00; Fort Smith, First \$150.00; Goddard Mem. \$150.00; Grand Ave. \$5.00; Midland \$3.00; Bethel \$3.00; Huntington \$3.25; Kibler \$8.00; Dyer \$3.00; Mansfield \$20.00; Paris \$35.00; Prairie View \$1.37; Pioneer Memorial \$2.00; New Blaine \$2.00; McKendree \$2.00; Van Buren, First \$25.00; St. Johns \$15.00.

WESLEY FOUNDATION (See Note): Goddard Memorial \$100.00.

WEEK OF DEDICATION: Alma \$15.00; Clarksville \$124.00; Fort Smith Heights \$60.50; St. Luke \$27.00; Bonanza \$11.25; Bethel \$7.00; Hartford \$23.00; \$130.50.

NOTE: Figures for Wesley Foundation Building, Fayetteville, includes all receipts to date for two years. (Continued next week)

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#### NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE NOTES

By Ira A. Brumley

#### Batesville Training and Supply School

April 21-29 was the date for the Annual Supply School this year, this being held again in connection with the Batesville Training School Central Ave. Methodist Church, which was April 21-25.

This program was made possible by the cooperation of the District Superintendent of the Batesville District, S. B. Wilford; the local pastors, E. G. Kaetzell and David Conyers and their churches; the Boards of Ministerial Training, Evangelism, and Education.

The following courses were offered in the Batesville Training School, these courses being open to the ministers in the Supply School:

Teaching Children, Mrs. Ira A. Brumley, Conway.

Interpreting the Bible to Youth, James S. Upton, Conway.

Christian Beliefs, Alf A. Eeason, Marion.

The New Testament: Content and Value, Miss Rhoda E. Edmes-

ton, Nashville, Tenn. The Meaning of Methodism, Ira

A. Brumley. The additional courses were offered in the day sessions:

Preparation and Preaching of Sermons, S. B. Wilford.

Christian Beliefs, Alf A. Eason. Old Testament. Content and

Value, James S. Upton. We were fortunate in the leadership given in the special discussion groups each morning, under the general leadership of Brother Wilford. Discussion Wilford. Discussion groups were led by S. B. Wilford, Allen D. Stewart (Chairman of Board of Ministerial Training), E. G. Katezell, 'David Conyers, Guy Ames. We had a great message by Dr. J. H. Hicks, as the opening address on Monday afternoon, April 21. Dr. Hicks was in a series of messages at First Church Newport and came over to render this special service for our school.

our leaders in the school in 1951. The ministers attending the school were provided rooms in the homes of members of Central Ave. a n d First Methodist Churches. They were provided funds by the Board of Ministerial Training for their food.

He was high in his praise of this

type of program. He was one of

A total of twenty-five Supply Undergraduate ministers and came in for the school.

#### Gilmore School

We have had a report of a First Series of Training School held at Gilmore, the course on The Book trict.

CHILDREN'S WORK IN THE Jesus (Brumley) — Mrs. Charles NORTH ARKANSAS **CONFERENCE** 

By Mrs. Ira A. Brumley

#### Batesville District

Rev. S. B. Wilford, district superintendent of the Batesville7 District, and Mrs. Paul Jamison, District Director of Children's Work, led a Vacation Church School clinic to train local church children's workers, in Batesville First Church, April 24 from 10 a. M. to 12 noon.

Mr. Brumley presented two film strips, "Planning the Vacation Church School" and "Some Experiences in the Vacation Church School."

Mrs. T. L. Norton of Batesville led the Kindergarten workers in a study of "Stories About Jesus."

Miss Regenia Watson of Newport led the Primary workers in the study of "Outdoors in Pales-

Mrs. Brumley led the Junior workers in the study of "People Who Lived in Jesus' Day."

About sixty persons were in attendance at the meeting.

#### Forrest City District

Rev. Ethan Dodgen, district superintendent of the Forrest City District, and Mrs. W. P. Gibbs, District Director of Children's Work, provided a Vacation Church School clinic at Forrest City, May 1st., 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. A luncheon was served at noon by the ladies of the Forrest City Church.

Following are the courses used and the leaders who taught them: Kindergarten: Stories About

of Acts being taught by Lester Weaver, the pastor. Seventeen persons were enrolled and thirteen completed the work for

Recently there was held a one unit First Series Training School at Oakland on the Naylor Charge in the Conway District. This was the first training school at Oakland in a number of years. This church hopes to rebuild their church in the near future.

#### Decatur Training School

A three unit First Series Training School was held at Decatur, May 5-7, with the following courses being offered:

The Meaning of the Christian Religion, H. M. Lewis.

Church and Home Cooperating in Children's Work, Miss Betty Letzig.

How to Improve the Church School, Ira A. Brumley.

This school was for the western section of the Fayetteville Dis-

Upton, West Memphis Primary: Outdoors in Palestine (Rauschenberg) - Mrs. Charles Johnson, Forrest City; Junior: People Who Lived in Jesus' Day (Smith) ---Mrs. Hugh Mixon, Marianna; Intermediate: Our Living Bible (Flynt)— Rev. E. J. Holifield, Helena.

Sixty workers were present for the day.

#### HENDRIX COLLEGE NEWS

#### Student Officers Named

Tom DuPree of England was chosen this week to head the Hendrix College student body for 1952-53, according to Dick Farr of Wynne, present student body head.

After a spirited week-long campaign, campus politics reached a climax with a political rally and picnic followed by elections for student body and class officers.

DuPree is outstanding in extracurricular activities and is president-elect of Blue Key, national honorary leadership fraternity. His brother, Jim DePree, was Hendrix student body president two years ago.

Vice-president of the student association is Bo Brewer of Pine Bluff, now president of the sophomore class. Sports editor of the Profile and an all-star intramural sportsman, Brewer is presidentelect of the Booster Club and president of this year's sophomore class.

Heading the Hendrix Class of 1953 will be Richard Moose of Heber Springs, while Mary Buthman of Conway won the senior senator post.

Bill Steel of Dallas, Texas, was named junior class president and Joe Bates of Little Rock will be iunior senator.

Chosen to represent the sophomore class for the coming school year are L. K. Austin of Little Rock, president, and Joe Loudermilk of Clinton, senator.

Outstanding Sophomores Named Outstanding sophomores at Hendrix College have been chosen by the campus chapters of Blue Key and Cardinal Key, national honorary leadership fraternity and sorority, according to Wade Scott of North Little Rock and Ann Tennyson of Smackover, respective presidents of the organizations.

Freda Wilson of Greenbrier and Bo Brewer of Pine Bluff were named 1952 outstanding sophomores on the basis of their leadership, character, and participation in extra-curricular activities. Both will automatically become members of Blue Key and Cardinal Key, respectively.

Miss Wilson is interested in (Continued on page 5)

#### SIXTH ANNUAL WORK-SHOP ON MUSIC

Nashville, Tenn. — What is the function of music in the church? This and questions of equal importance will be discussed and perhaps answered at the Sixth Annual Workshop on Music in the Church to be held at Scarritt College, August 10-15.

The workshop is a cooperative project of Scarritt and the Division of the Local Church of the General Board of Education, as it has been for the past two years. Prior to 1950 a workshop had been held at Scarritt for three summers.

The Committee on Music of the Local Church Division, of which the Rev. Walter Towner is chairman and Miss Emeline Crane is secretary, is greatly concerned that a large number of Christian educators attend the workshop not only to gain help for themselves but to get suggestions as to how to help others to become more efficient in leading music in informal situations; for one of the purposes of the workshop is to reach persons who will in turn teach many others, thus insuring a wide outreach for the project. Last year those attending the workshop included persons who were working in church music and public school music, as well as persons who were not particularly trained in music but who were interested in the use of music in the church.

A new emphasic for the workshop this year will be an effort to deal adequately with the basic Christian concepts of God, man, Jesus, brotherhood, service, etc., that appear in our hymns and music for all age groups.

The relationship of music to Christian education is often an untouched field, it was said. Many do not as yet see the necessity for an integration of these two fields. However, members of the Music Committee feel that considerable progress has been made in that direction since the inauguration of the Workshop on Music in the Church.

The Workshop is unique in that it deals with the use of music in the entire program of the church and not with just formal services of worship, and in developing Christian ideas and promoting Christian experiences.

Some time will be given to discussions of music in the church as it relates to the Chrstian education for all age groups.

Definite information as to leaders for the workshop will be announced later.

Registration fee will be \$15.00 and total cost to registrants will be \$31.25.

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### FROM THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

#### Methodists Strengthen Local Church Government

San Francisco — With only minor amendments, The Methodist Church's General Conference voted here to adopt the recommendations of a special commission which are intended to strengthen the government of the local church and its ties with connectional Methodism.

As adopted, the report requires that every local church be organized with an official board and four basic commissions (evangelism, missions, education and finance) and, if desired, additional commissions on worship and recreation. There also would be as many committees as desired. General oversight of all the commissions and the boards would be in the hands of the general board, serving as the administrative body. It would be composed of trustees, stewards and other of-

The report also requires that the quarterly conference (a meeting at which the district superintendent presides and reports are given) function as the basic body of control in every local church. It also would serve as the hub connecting the church with connectional Methodism.

Every local church is required to maintain two standard membership rolls: a permanent church register and a card-index or looseleaf book.

#### Methodists Set New Crusade For World Order

San Francisco — A new "crusade for world order," which, it hopes, may mobilize support for revising the United Nations' charter, was authorized by the General Conference of The Methodist Church, meeting here where the UN came into existence.

A similar crusade in 1945 by the Church, the nation's largest Protestant denomination, "did much to rally the support which prepared the way for the birth of the United Nations," a report adopted by the delegates declared.

The General Conference report suggested the fall of 1953 as the time the Methodist "crusade for world order" would begin. However, this decision is up to the Church's Council of Bishops, who are called on to lead the crusade with the support of other agencies in the denomination.

"An urgent responsibility rests upon the Church to bring the total power of its spiritual and educational resources to bear upon the task of establishing and maintaining peace with justice," the report declared.

"This is both basic to the Christian gospel and necessary to sur-MAY 15, 1952

vival in a time of increasing tempo in the threat of further conflict.

#### Methodists Permit Supply Pastors To Administer Holy Communion

San Francisco — Despite recommendations of the Council of Bishops and a special commission which opposed such action, the General Conference of The Methodist Church voted here to permit unordained supply pastors to administer the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The action was a victory for many "low church" Southern delegates, who said that members of their congregations have had to go without Holy Communion for months because their preachers are not fully ordained.

The rule which will now govern The Methodist Church during the next four years provides that an unordained supply pastor, while serving as a regularly-appointed pastor of a charge, may administer the sacraments if at the same time he keeps on a time schedule in his theological studies.

But the authority to administer the sacraments of Holy Communion and baptism (and the marriage ceremony also if state laws permit) is confined to the bounds of the supply pastor's pastoral charge.

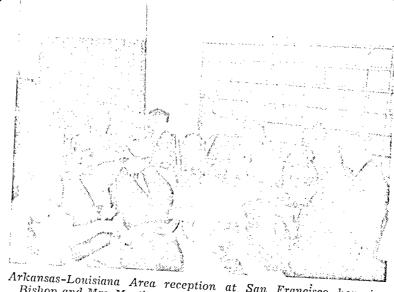
#### Methodists Set World Service Fund Goal

San Francisco — The General Conference of The Methodist Church voted here to set a goal of \$38,640,000 for the World Service Fund of the Church in the 1952-56 quadrennium.

The annual apportionment of \$9,660,000 for the fund compares with an annual figure of \$7,903,-379 for the 1948-52 quadrennium. Agencies supported by the fund had made annual askings totaling \$18,086,964. The fund is used for missions, education, theological training, pensions and other national and world programs of the Church

In asking for the increase, officials of the general commission on world service and finance explained that there has been a 10 per cent increase in the cost of living during the past quadrennium, that the active membership of the Church has increased about four per cent and that expansion of several of the Church's programs is contemplated.

The General Conference also adopted a complicated formula for determining how the fund would be apportioned to the Church's annual conferences. It is based on active membership, total non-building giving, previous world service giving and a



Arkansas-Louisiana Area reception at San Francisco honoring Bishop and Mrs. Martin, seated just in front of column in rear.

special adjustment on top of this so that no annual conference will have an increase of less than 10 per cent or more than 35 per cent above its apportionment during the 1948-52 quadrennium.

#### Bishop Moore Honored By Korea

San Francisco — Bishop Arthur J. Moore, Atlanta, Ga., president of the Board of Missions of The Methodist Church, was decorated by the Korean government here for his efforts in behalf of the people of Korea.

The national medal of Korea, a civilian cultural award of merit, was presented to him by Young Han Choo, consul general of the Republic of Korea in San Francisco, at a ceremony during sessions of the Church's General Conference here.

The citation, written in Korean script, said that Bishop Moore 'has had a nation-wide influence in uniting the hearts of America and Korea in building toward a true peace and a united world." "Through his efforts, many tons of relief goods and thousands of dollars have been secured for civilian relief in Korea," the citation added.

Bishop Moore lived in the Orient from 1934 to 1940 and spent four months in Korea immediately after the war helping resuscitate the Methodist Church following the Japanese occupation.

#### Methodists Permit Creation Of Two New Episcopal Areas

San Francisco — Legislation permitting the creation of two new episcopal areas in The Methodist Church was adopted by the Church's General Conference here. The action by the delegates was taken in amending the Church's Discipline to reduce the membership test figure for electing additional bishops in jurisdictions with far-flung areas.

The previous rule in the Discipline provided that "each jurisdiction having 500,000 church members or less shall be entitled to four bishops, and for each additional 500,000 church members or two-thirds thereof, shall be entitled to one additional bishop." The effect of the amendment was to reduce both membership figures to 400,000 for jurisdictions where the average episcopal area is more than 70,000 square miles.

At present, only the North Central and South Central Jurisdictions would qualify for the additional episcopal areas and they will decide at meetings this summer whether they will take advantage of the legislation. Both are expected to do so. A committee has been created in the South Central Jurisdiction to study re-aligning the episcopal areas to create a seventh.

#### Methodist Bishop Gets Millionth Copy Of Devotional Guide

San Francisco — The 1,000,-000th copy of the Pocket Prayer Book and Devotional Guide which he compiled in 1914 was presented to Bishop Ralph S. Cushman, head of the St. Paul area of The Methodist Church, at the Church's General Conference here.

'Several of the bishop's own poems are contained in the book. In making the presentation, Dr.

J. Manning Potts, Nashville, Tenn., editor of The Upper Room, publication of the Methodist Board of Evangelism, said copies of Bishop Cushman's book had "circled the globe" and "had contributed to the devotional life of millions.

"Our prayer as Bishop Cushman retires is that God may spare his influence for a long time," Dr. Potts said.

Bishop Cushman, chairman of the Methodist Board of Evangelism, will retire as bishop in July.

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#### CHILDREN'S PAGE THE

ANNIE WINBURNE, Editor



#### IN STORYLAND

#### HAVE YOU A LITTLE GARDEN?

I hope every little boy and girl has a garden—one he can call his very own. It doesn't need to be a big garden. Sometimes a small garden is much more fun than a large one, and there isn't nearly as much work either.

You will be surprised how many tomatoes you will be able to pick from just three little plants. A little package of radish seeds will give enough radishes to satisfy a whole family. And just think what fun it would be to grow a few pumpkins to use next Hallowe'en! Vegetable gardens can be fun, and very useful, too, even if they are small. They are also interesting. They all grow so differently. You have to pull up beets, carrots and radishes, because the part you eat grows under the ground. But pumpkins and cucumbers grow on vines and lie right on top of the brown soil, while beans and peas grow on little plants above the ground. It is strange how differently things grow. No matter how you try you cannot get carrots to grow on plants above the ground, or tomatoes underneath. Now if I planned the growing of things I'm sure I'd have them all grow the same way. It would be much easier, but it wouldn't be half as much fun, and it wouldn't be as interesting or attractive either.

A vegetable garden is interesting, but somehow I'd always want a flower garden some place even if I had to have one in a windowbox. The flowers in a flower garden are always so pretty and they bring so many visitors, and I always like visitors.

Birds, butterflies and bees are sure to enjoy a flower garden. So you will enjoy these little visitors



#### PICNIC TIME

What fun it is when it's picnic time And the whole family Rides away with a basket packed With lunch to spread under a tree.

Mother and Dad, brother and I Have a happy day. We think there's nothing much finer Than taking this time for play.

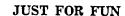
---A.E.W.

flowers seem to like you, too, because many, many flowers almost ask to be picked, because if you don't pick them they will just stop blooming, but if you pick them carefully they will blossom all summer for you.

Like vegetables, flowers grow in many different ways. Some are like children; they climb up trees and garages and front porches. Rambler roses, morning glories do. Some can hardly wait until spring arrives, and they burst into bloom

as well as your flowers. And before the leaves have time to grow. Pussy-willows and the forsythia do that. Others are so glad to be out of the ground, or so it seems, and they grow and grow and grow until it seems as if they are trying to reach the sky. Those are the big sunflowers.

> A garden is full of surprises. There seems to be a new surprise almost every day. So do have a garden. You will enjoy it. Your friends will enjoy it, too, as well as the birds, butterflies and bees. Margaret G. Wilson, in the United Church Observer.



A gangling young man went to the county clerk's office and asked for a marriage license.

"Where's the bride elect?" ask-

ed the clerk.

"What d'ya mean bride elect?" said the young man. "There was no election. She appointed herself." - Harvard Crimson.

A seasick couple lay stretched out in deck chairs—somewhere

#### IN THE WORLD OF BOYS AND GIRLS

#### **FUN AT HOME**

new book entitled, The Family Pleasure Chest, by Helen and Larry Eisenberg and published by the Parthenon Press, will be of interest to all members of the family, and particularly so to a mother looking for worthwhile activities for children of all ages.

A foreword gives the purpose of the book in these words: "This book is trying to 1. Show how a family can become a real family. 2. Show that the cost is low - except in effort. 3. Lead you to say, We could have been doing that all along!' and then get you to do those interesting things. 4. Stimulate your family to create some of its own fun. 5. Show how planned family fun is important. 6. Give you actual games, ideas for indoor and outdoor fun."

It is said that "the family who play together stays together." The book is full of suggestions of activities for the family. A family council is suggested at which time members of the family discuss fun, disicpline problems, sharing the work, etc. At this council a plan of recreation can be worked out, and a plan for having each member of the family share in the home duties.

A list of 100 things to be found around the house that are not ordinarily thought of as fun material is given which can be made into articles for games and hobbies. Some of these are paper bags, spools, tin cans, balls, old rubber heels, table glasses, light bulbs, etc., etc. You'll be surprised at the things that can be made from this list of 100 articles.

The book has 184 pages full of suggestions for fun, games of all kinds, plans for parties, camping trips for the family, handcrafts, indoor games, outdoor and activities for all ages.

Suggestions for Family Nights at the church are also given with plans for carrying out programs for the family.

The book is full of wholesome recreation for every member of the family and may be secured in paper cover for \$1.00 or cloth for \$1.50. —A. E. W.

between life and death. Meanwhile, their young son became more rowdy by the minute. Finally, the mother mustered voice enough to say:

"John, I wish you would speak to Willie."

The father, unable to lift his head, said feebly: "Hello Willie."

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MRS. EWING T. WAYLAND, Editor

#### PARAGOULD DISTRICT W. S. C. S. MEETS

The Woman's Societies of the Paragould District held a meeting at Walnut Ridge, April 23rd. Mrs. John Thiel district president, presided. The president of the local society, Mrs. C. W. Mickels, gave the welcome address. There were eighteen societies represented, with one hundred present.

The theme for the program of the day was, "Christ, The Answer". The devotional was given by Miss Fern Cook. Mrs. Ben Devoll, conference treasurer, reported on the highlights of the Jurisdiction meeting, and Mrs. R. E. Connell, gave a report of the Annual Conference held recently at North Little Rock. Mrs. A. W. Harris reported her work for the past two years, and presented the goals for the next four years.

Mrs. N. C. Harrington and Miss Mary Chaffin assisted by Miss Fern Cook presented the pledge service. The installation and communion service were conducted by Rev. O. E. Evonston, the pastor host. The following officers were installed: President, Mrs. A. L. Wright; Vice - president, Mrs. Mabel Pope, Piggott; Secretary, Mrs. John Bledsoe, Pocahontas; Treasurer, Mrs. John Richardson, Piggott; Secretary of Promotion, Mrs. A. W. Harris, Corning; Spiritual Life, Mrs. Oscar Evanson, Walnut Ridge; Missionary Education, Mrs. N. C. Harrington, Paragould; C. S. R., Mrs. Mattie Daugherty, Hardy; Children's Work, Mrs. A. N. Storey, Paragould: Youth Work, Mrs. W. O. Scroggin, Jr., Piggott; Student Work. Mrs. Fred Carter, Hardy; Supplies, Mrs. C. E. Cox, Pocahontas; Literature and Publications, Mrs. J. H. Holt, Paragould; Missionary Personnel, Miss Fern Cook, Marmaduke; Status of Women, Mrs. Orvil Hick, Corning. -Reporter

## DISTRICT WESLEYAN GUILDS MEETS

The Guilds of the Ft. Smith District met at Goddard Memorial Methodist Church May 4th., beginning at 12:30 in the dining room of the church. Miss Gertie Stiles, Conference Secretary of Wesleyan Guild, was in charge of the program. She gave a report on the Annual Week-End Conference held recently in North Little Bock.

Reports on local Guilds were given by Mrs. Helen Plunkett, Mrs. Dorothy Terry, Mrs. Clifford Goldstrap, Miss Irene Wells, Mrs. Leo Shoemaker, Mrs. J. P. Rea and Mrs. Randall Crow.

Mrs. Pattie Anderson of Mansfield, called the second session to-

#### HILLTOP AND VALLEY

Oh, I must go up to my hilltop again,
I've stayed in the valley too long,
I must hear again the whispers of peace,
The echoes of angels' song.

Yes, I know there is work in the valley to do,
One must live by the highway of life;
One must build his house near the pressing throng,
In a world that is weary with strife.

But I must go up to my hilltop.again, One can stay in the valley too long, It's so easy to lose the whispers of peace, And grow deaf to the angels' song.

So I must go up to my hilltop again, For a grasp of the Spirit-hand, If I am to live by the highway of life, And make it God's heavenly land.

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## DISTRICT MEETING AT WEST MEMPHIS

The Societies of the Forrest City District held their meeting at West Memphis April 24th. There were 102 present from 37 auxiliaries. The guest speakers for the day were Miss Edith Martin, missionary from Africa, and Miss Mary Chaffin, rural worker from Rector.

The group was entertained with several musical numbers. Rev. Alfred Knox, local pastor, installed the new district officers at the close of the meeting. They are as follows: President, Mrs. W. F. Mc-Cachren, of Round Pond; Vice President, Mrs. Homer Williamson, Wheatley; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Hugh Mixon, Marianna.

Secretaries of Lines of Work: Promotion Secretary, Mrs. J. W. Burrow, West Memphis; Missionary Education, Mrs. V. O. Turner, Forrest City; C. S. R., Mrs. T. M. Ellis, Wynne; Wesleyan Service Guild, Mrs. Virginia Hine, Forrest City; Literature and Publications, Mrs. K. L. Bratcher, Lexa; Children's Work, Mrs. Amos Walker, Marion; Youth Work,

gether in the sanctuary at 2 p. m. Rev. R.E. L. Bearden, local pastor, made the introductions, and gave the invocation. He spoke during the session on "The World Church."

The program was followed by a business session, after which a talk on "Prayer Groups" was given by Miss Margaret Montague, and a pledge service was conducted by Mrs. E. E. Sexton, district treasurer of the Woman's Society. — Reporter

## MONROE DISTRICT W. S. C. S. MEETS

The societies of the Monroe District met in session at Oak Grove Church April 30th with 235 present. The theme of the program was "Are You A Disciple?"

The meeting was convened by Mrs. H.M. Moak, and the devotional was given by Rev. R. L. Clayton. The theme and goals for the new Quadrennial were discussed by Mrs. W. A. Cotton, Mrs. M. L. DeFreese, Mrs. H. F. Boyd, Mrs. E. P. Cudd and Mrs. D. Alverson.

Highlights of the Annual Louisiana Conference were given by Mrs. E. N. Jackson. After special music by the Oak Grove Youth choir, Mrs. A. P. Smith led in a "Quiet Time," and the meeting adjourned for lunch.

Following the lunch and special music Mrs. A. Pomeroy had charge of the memorial service. District officers reported the work of their districts, and presented Life Memberships. Mrs. E. C. Gibson had charge of installing the new district officers who were elected at the morning session. Mrs. M. L. DeFreese is the promotion secretary of the Monroe District. — Reporter

Mrs. Fred Caplena, Brinkley; Student Work, Mrs. H. O. Jernberg, Vanndale; Spiritual Life, Mrs. G. D. Morris, Wynne; Supplies, Mrs. T. O. Topp, West Helena; Missionary Personnel, Mrs. T. H. Tucker, Hughes; Status of Women, Mrs. Fred Kinder, Marianna. — Reporter

#### ZONE NO. 1 ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT TO MEET WITH JENA

Zone No. 1 of Alexandria District WSCS will meet on Thursday at 10 a. m., May 22nd, with Jena WSCS as host. Program plans are for business session 10 to 11 a.m. during which time reports from all WSCS in the Zone will be heard and Mrs. John R. Galloway, Promotion Secretary, will give highlights on the "Quadrennial Goals 1952-1956". From 11 to 12 Officers Training will be given for each local WSCS Officer. Meeting will adjourn with lunch at 12:30. Mrs. E. L. Richardson of Many is Zone Leader and Mrs. Burton Weaver, Sr., of Flora, is secretary of this Zone. — Reporter

## LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT MEETS

First Church of Little Rock was hostess to the district societies on April 2nd. There were about 200 in attendance. Mrs. E. B. Matkin the retiring district president presided.

Mrs. Earl D. Cotton conference secretary of Christian Social Relations, was the guest speaker, using as her subject "Things that Belond To Peace." Mrs. R. H. Cole, of Magnolia, conference secretary of Literature and Publications, in her unique way presented the literature for the next quadrennium.

At the lunch hour Mrs. N. T. Hollis was in charge of a service called "Honoring One Another", at which time Life Memberships were presented by the societies to their members whom they wanted to honor.

During the afternoon the retiring officers gave instructions to the newly elected officers.

At the close of the program, Mrs. T. S. Lovett, the Conference president installed the following officers: President, Mrs. Joe L. Simpson, 107 Crystal, Little Rock; Vice-President, Mrs. J. H. Tole, 7308 Kingwood Rd., Little Rock; Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. E. Cooper, 221 East 22nd, Little Rock; Treasurer, Mrs. N. T. Hollis, 1817 No. Monroe, Little Rock; Promotion Secretary, Mrs. Dick Byars, 1909 So. Pierce, Little Rock; Missionary Education, Mrs. J. L. Vorhoeff, Lonoke: Christian Social Relations & Local Ch. Activities, Mrs. Truman Jennings, Carlisle; Spiritual Life, Mrs. J. Gordon Wilson, Bowman Rd., Little Rock; Youth Work, Mrs. Frank Shanks, 619 N. Main, Benton; Students Work, Mrs. Fred Arnold, 1011 McAlmont, Little Rock; Children's Work, Mrs. Clyde (Continued on page 15)

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## ARKANSAS

#### WYNNE TO BUY LOT FOR NEW CHURCH

meeting of the church held on Sunday morning, May 4th, the members of the First Methodist Church of Wynne voted to endorse the recommendation of the Steering Committee to purchase a lot on North State Street and start a building fund for a new church plant.

The developments leading up to this momenteous decision were begun in the spring of 1951 when the Board of Stewards asked the to invite H. M. King, pastor Church Architect with the Board of Church Extension, to come to Wynne and examine our plant and make recommendations for alterations and improvements. Mr. King came in July of last year and met with a number of our people. He made drastic recommendations for remodeling the Sanctuary which were generally approved, but stated it would be impossible to properly accomodate our Church School within the walls of the present building.

As we own no land on either side of the present building, our efforts were then turned in the direction of securing additional space. This was made very difficult by the fact that our church is in what is now the heart of the business section of the town. When these possibilities and limitations had been fully determined, a special committee was Lloyd M. Conyers, Pastor.

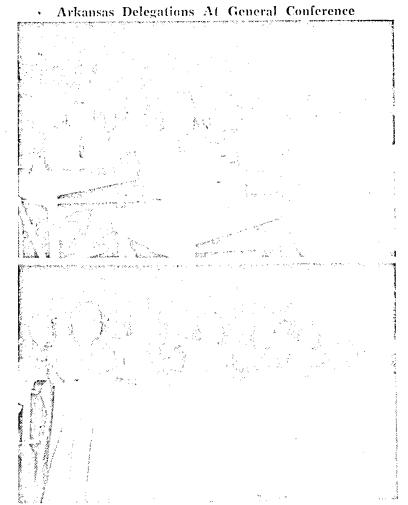
In a special congregational set up to study the situation and recommend a course of action for the church.

> The Committee composed of, Dave Block, chairman, C. W. Backs, H. K. Barwick, Benton Burnett, John Cook, W. C. Daniel, Jr., Mrs. G. G. Dorris, C. T. Gibbs, M. L. Gresham, M. L. Hampton, Billy Kernodle, and T. B. Murray, met on Monday afternoon, March 24th, and after considering all possibilities recommended that a new lot be purchased and a building fund started towards an entirely new church plant.

> Negotiations were then begun in this direction and on April 17th a 60 day option was secured from Mrs. Pearl Koonce for her property on North State Street.

> The new location, on U.S. Highway 64 and State Highway 1, is in the most rapidly growing residential section of the city and is within one block of the new High School Building and within one block of the new brick parsonage located on Forrest Avenue. It is a spacious lot comprising a full city block and a large number of beautiful shade trees makes especially attractive for beautiful Church plant.

> Temporary repairs and redecorations will be made to take care of the immediate needs in the present building and a fund will be started towards the larger program in the new location.



TOP—Second table back and left to right: Dr. W. Henry Goodloe, Rev. Ethan Dodgen, and Dr. A. W. Martin. First table, left to right: Dr. Matt L. Ellis, Joe Pierce, and Mrs. Johnnie McClure.

#### HEIGHTS CHURCH OPENING SERVICE IN VAN BUREN CITY

Compiled From Materials Furnished By The Pastor

a dream of many years when four hundred worshippers attended opening day Blevins as contractor. The form-

AN BUREN City Heights services in the new sanctuary on Methodist Church realized March 30. Work on the yellow brick structure was contracted for seven months ago with Miles er structure was dismantled and its lumber used for the frame of the parsonage which was finished December 1. Labor involved in constructing the parsonage was donated by members.

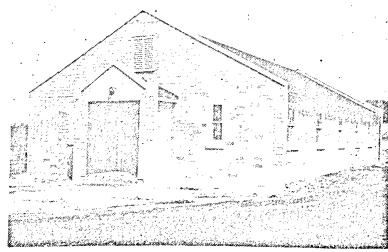
A fellowship center created by

the moving of an unused building five miles to its present location on the church grounds, fills a longfelt need in the community life of the parish, according to the pastor, Rev. Felix Holland.

The site of the church is one of the historic spots of pioneer Methodism west of the Mississippi. One hundred twenty years

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THE NEW CITY HEIGHTS CHURCH

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#### "Along A Country Road" The Town and Country Commission

The Methodist Church

The North Arkansas Conference Hendrix Station, Conway, Arkansas Paul E. Martin, Bishop Rev. Floyd G. Villines, President Mr. Lester Hutchins, Vice-President Rev. N. Lee Cate,

Rev. J. Albert Gatlin, Executive Secretary

#### THE GROUP MINISTRY AT WORK IN THE BEEBE AREA

By FLOYD VILLINES, JR.

The ministers of the Beebe Area, decided in the fall of 1950 to meet once a month for fellowship and for the purpose of planning their work together. This seemed to be the reasonable thing to do. Our needs and problems were similar, and our people had economic and cultural interests in common. Beebe was the center for the six churches surrounding it. This territory formed a natural area.

The ministers entering into this voluntary cooperative program were: Roy Moyers, Antioch Circuit; Gerald Hammet, McRae Circuit; and Floyd G. Villines, Jr., Beebe. These Charges consisted of seven churches.

In order to become better acquainted with the territory and its people, the ministers decided to exchange pulpits once a quarter. This spirit of cooperation made the people aware of the area and led them to become active participants in its program. The program developed as we tried to meet needs and to constructively follow the program of the Methodist Church.

In January, 1951, we were able to cooperate in the district-wide program of evangelism. Each evening selected laymen came to Beebe for dinner and instruction. and they returned to their local churches to work.

In the spring of 1951, a cooperative program was planned for the Week of Dedication. On Monday night the young people of the Area met at Beebe for a period of recreation and worship. Harold Spence, Jacksonville, spoke to the young people in a special service of consecration. Mrs. Wilma Fulbright, of Searcy, spoke to a large group of women on Thursday night. On Sunday laymen of the Area assigned to the various churches spoke and led in services of dedication.

Because the laymen were so successful and the people responded so heartily, we immediately planned more of this type of work. During May, 1951, every church in the Area had a worship service each Sunday morning. On the days the pastor, because of another appointment, could not be present, laymen spoke to the congregations. Nine laymen participated in this phase of the pro-



Rev. Floyd G. Villines

At the close of Annual Conference, 1951, some changes in appointments were made, and another man added to our Area. Gerald Hammet left for S. M. U. and Roy Moyers was moved from Antioch to take his place at Mc-Rae. Jack Johnson was sent to the Antioch-Stoney Point Charge, Floyd G. Villines, Jr., was returned to Beebe, and J. G. Greening was sent to a new charge consisting of Ward, Sixteenth Section, and Wilburn. The men of the Area met just after Conference and unanimously agreed to continue the cooperative program. The monthly meeting was set for the first Tuesday of each month. We planned to continue exchanging pulpits each quarter, and to give our laymen a more active part in the work. We planned to discover new ways and means of strengthening the program of Kingdom building in the Area.

The high point of this year's cooperative program was the Week of Dedication, March, 1952. This program was planned well in advance, and it was carried out with a great deal of zeal and enthusiasm. One hundred eight youth met at Beebe on Tuesday night for fellowship and worship. A Fellowship Team from Hendrix College directed the evening's activities. Rev. James S. Upton, spoke in the consecration service and administered the Sacrament

#### OPENING SERVICE IN VAN REPORT FROM DANVILLE BUREN CITY HEIGHTS CHURCH

(Continued from page 12) ago last Christmas day a missionary set out for the territory of Arkansas with his destination a little place by the name of Van Buren. He was to preach Christianity and attempt to convert the one or two settlers and a host of squatters, traders and Indians who inhabited the canebrakes and nearby environs along the river and into the hills. Because of him, the spot on which the new Methodist church is built in City Heights is eligible for a historical marker designated by the North Arkansas Conference for the spots in that part of the state to be thus memorialized. It is said that the site of the church is on the grounds of the old Rev. John Harrell home. Rev. John Harrell was the missionary who came to Arkansas from Tennessee in 1831 from which date he carried on an active ministry throughout Northwest Arkansas and with the Indians in Oklahoma territory. His home, well over 100 years old, still stands near the ground on which the new church is being erected.

The Historical Commission of the North Arkansas Conference of which Rev. Robert Bearden of Goddard Memorial Church, Fort Smith, is chairman, is considering the site for a historical marker.

of the Lord's Supper. On Wednesday night seventy laymen met at Antioch for a supper prepared by the women of the church, and they heard Joe Pierce, Searcy District Lay Leader, bring a great message. The men voted to continue this type of program once a quarter. Mrs. James S. Upton, Conway, spoke to a large group of women at McRae on Thursday night. On Sunday the ministers led their congregations in special services of dedication. The attendance and the offerings for this day set new records in nearly every church.

Another high point was the Area Training School held at Beebe in April. The following taught in this Four Unit School: Ira A. Brumley, Harold Spence, Boyd Johnson, and Floyd Villines. Jr. One hundred people were present for at least one night of the school. A similar school for the Area is already being planned for next Spring.

The laymen of the Area have been very active this year. They filled pulpits in the absence of the pastors in the "A" phase of the U. E. M. On Layman's Day men from the Area spoke in every church. Again this year lay speakers have been assigned to the various churches assuring the Area of a worship service every Sunday morning in each church in May.

Some of the lay speakers of the

We have had 12 additions on professions of faith this year, 21 by letter, and have dedicated 3

There have been improvements on the church and parsonage since last Conference to the amount of \$1,500.00. Our Sunday School has had a nice gain of 20 percent in attendance. The attendance at the morning services are gratifying, with an increase of 23 percent during the year.

The work of the W.S.C.S. and Wesleyan Service Guild have been very good, both having made nice gains.

All finances have been in the treasurer's hands since April 1.

At our last Board Meeting, May 6, the board sanctioned the employment of a student minister as associate minister for the summer. This is to be a permanent procedure. The associate is to work with our youth, as well as do missionary work in the rural areas around Danville.

We have had a good year with the people of Danville. They are most gracious and cooperative in the work of the church. — H. C. Minnis Pastor.

"We do not fulfill our function as a church unless we continually gain in the number of persons being reached with Christian teaching."—Walter Towner, General Board of Education

Area are: Beebe - Verlon White, Marcus Fecher, Orval Devore, Edgar Kirk, Boyd Johnson, Lee Hayes, W. E. Boyer, and John Mason; Antioch — O. Gilliland, and Jack Pruitt; McRae - Sergeant Lyon, Bill Leach, and John La Ferney.

While this program is in its infancy in this Area, there have been several things that have enabled it to grow rapidly. The ministers of the Area have shown a great spirit of cooperation. The sharing of problems and plans, and the fellowship of kindred hearts have enabled each man's faith to deepen and enabled him to face his task knowing that he is not alone! The growing interest of the laymen has meant strength and enthusiasm, and causes us to forecast a great future for this program. The joining of Christian hands as ministers and as people is meaning a better day for Christ and His Church in the Beebe Area!

There's no better exercise for strengthening the heart than reaching down and lifting people up.-Kalends of the Waverly Press

You must have long-range goals to keep you from being frustrated by short-range failures. — Chas. C. Noble, Forbes.

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## EVENING SERVICE

At the evening worship service of the First Methodist Church at Searcy at 7:30 on Sunday, April 27, the members of the Methodist Youth Fellowship had charge of the program. The theme for the night was "Christ's Way Our Way."

The following program was

given:

Prelude. Bobby Scott Fuller; Call to Worship, Larry Killough; hymn, "Fair of Our Fathers"; Covenant of the Methodist Youth Fellowship, the congregation; special music, Jolene Abboun and Jean Thomas; Litany of the Holy Spirit, led by Mildred Taylor; scripture reading, Jimmy Chandler; meditation, Sue Wiseman; offertory, Bobby Scott Fuller; hymn, "O Master, Let Me Walk hymn, "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee"; message — "Christ's Way Our Way", Jack Wiseman; "Our Way with Missions", Julianne Rand; "Our Way with Worship", Patsy Ruth Dacus; "Our Way in Fellowship", Marybeth Cook; closing prayer, Larry Killough; Methodist Youth Fellowship benediction, the congregation.

Ushers were Charles Boucher, Harold Gene Sullivan, Kenny Rand, Marvin Sowell, Johnny Matheny and Wendell Langford.

There is no cosmetic for beauty like happiness. — Countess of Blessington, Irish Digest, Dublin Local Church

#### M. Y. F. HAS CHARGE OF YOUTH ACTIVITIES WEEK

An increasing number of youth groups in The Methodist Church have found the setting aside of a special week sometime during the summer and early fall as a "Youth Activities Week" is a very fine way for rallying the young people of the church and community to the possibilities and program of the Methodist Youth Fellowship. It can be a time for special activities and meetings at least each evening of the week, if not also during the day, and provides a splendid background for planning and launching the youth program for the coming year.

Special materials to guide an MYF in preparing for such a week are given in the May 1952 issue of "Workshop for Youth Leaders," a special Youth Activities Week are given in the May 1952 vities Week number. General suggestions for planning the week, ideas on worship, recreation, publicity, service projects, schedule, and discussion groups, are given in the pages of this issue. Those groups which need an extra copy, or those who do not receive "Workship" regularly, may order a copy from the Youth Department, Box 871, Nashville 2, Ten-

Groups are urged to use the last two pages of this issue of "Workshop" to report their Youth Activities Week to the Youth Department of the General Board of Education. — Division of the

#### WITH THE SUB-DISTRICTS

The Ricebelt Intermediate Sub-District Meeting was held in the First Methodist Church, DeWitt, Tuesday, April 22. Members of the DeWitt MYF presented the worship service. Sherry Kennedy of Lodges Corner presided over the business meeting in the absence of the president, Dixie Hillman. Rev. A. J. Christie of Stuttgart led the discussion on the Methodist Camp Fund. Rev. O. E. Holmes of DeWitt showed the film, "Family Life" for the program. Units represented were, Lodges Corner; First Methodist Church, Stuttgart; Grand Avenue Methodist Church, Stuttgart; and DeWitt.

Crossett-Hamburg Sub-The District met on Monday evening, April 21, at the Jack Mayfield Memorial Church, Huttig, with 64 members present. Churches represented were Strong, Hamburg, Crossett and Huttig. Charles Farrar, vice-president, presided in the absence of Bill Norman Era Church on May 26.

president. Plans were made to elect Sub-District officers at the meeting to be held at Hamburg on May 26. Rev. Dan R. Robinson, District Youth Director, discussed the summer camps and workshops that are to be held throughout the state. Members of the Huttig M. Y. F. had charge of the worship program. The Youth Choir, accompanied by Mrs. E. R. Ford, furnished music for the program. Brother Robinson led group singing.

The Columbia County Sub-District met on Monday night, April 28, at the Jackson Street Church, Magnolia, with 120 present representing youth, adult counselors and pastors from Philadelphia, Jackson Street, New Era, Village, Christie's Chapel, Waldo, Magnolia First Church, Welcome and Taylor. A program was presented by Jackson Street Church and a film on "Community 'Service" was shown by the host church. The next meeting will be at New

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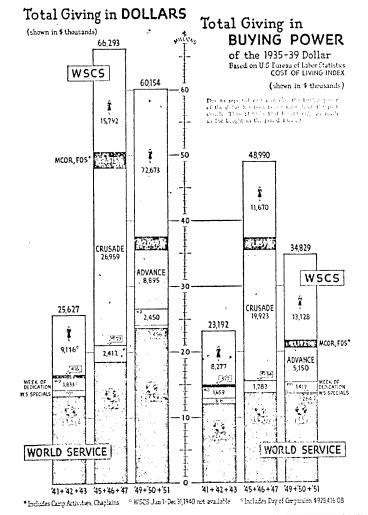
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#### SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL **STUDENTS**

Nashville, Tennessee - Choosing the Right is the title of a new elective unit for senior high school students recently issued by the Editorial Division of the General Board of Education and Abingdon-Cokesbury Press. Approved for production as a curriculum resource, the unit was written by Rev. Roy E. Burt, of Anoka State Hospital, Anoka, Minnesota. The unit considers standards by which we judge right and wrong, and indicates our basic reliance on the spirit and teachings of Jesus Christ. It deals with Christian principles for choosing the right in personal living and in social relations. The unit contains suggestions to counselors and leaders of groups using this study manual. It sells for 45 cents per copy and is available from The Methodist Publishing House.

#### METHODIST HOUR **SPEAKER**

(Continued on page 3) Methodism in America.

Because of these reasons he was chosen by the Joint Radio Committee to be the guest speaker on Rural Life Sunday and to lift up the work of the small church in at 10:30.

#### NEW ELECTIVE UNIT FOR RELIGIOUS MUSIC FIRST CHOICE

Boston, Mass.—Religious music was "No. 1 on the hit parade" of overseas U.S. Air Force men, according to singers of the Boston University glee club who returned April 1, from an 18-day trip to England, France, and Germany, entertaining USAF personnel and civilian audiences at special Lenten concerts. The concerts were arranged by the division of Air Force Chaplains.

"Our reception at all of the bases and at civilian concerts was wonderful, and the servicemen surprised us by demanding more and more religious music,' clared Mr. Fred Holmberg, president of the university men's glee club. He said that "The Hallelujah Chorus," and "Battle Hymn of the Republic," were the top favorites.

The traveling student troubadours were the first collegiate group to be selected for visits to Air Force bases overseas. Dr. James R. Houghton, director, and Mrs. Houghton accompanied the group.

the South.

This Rural Life Sunday worship service may be heard on radio station KLRA, Little Rock,

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#### CHRISTIAN PRINCIPLES RULE HER NEWSPAPER

A Methodist woman who edits Jesus, lover of my soul,—John and publishes a daily newspaper in keeping with her Christian ideals and makes a success of it, is described in the spring number of Glenn Clark's CLEAR HORI-ZONE magazine.

She is Miss Edna F. Bair of Philipsburg, Penna. Because she Hide me, O My Savior, hide-Ps. does not believe them to be in the public interest she turns down lucrative liquor and Sunday sports and entertaining advertis-

Her principles apply also to the news columns. "We have been particularly careful to omit the type of pictures and stories that might be harmful to our younger readers," she says. This includes, for example, publicity pictures of personalities shown at tables with champagne buckets.

Crime news is played down, local juvenile delinquents are not mentioned by name, few court cases are featured. On the other hand Miss Bair, differing from the national average of 11/2% of the editorial space for church news, devotes 10% to this cause.

The paper, as well as its operating principles, Miss Bair in-herited from her father, who was not only an editor but, in his spare time, a singing evangelist.

"Consequently Miss Bair's life has always centered around church activities," Miss Dorothy Rickard, author of the article, reports. In addition to attending all church gatherings, she has been a pianist in Trinity Methodist Sunday School and a choir member for more than forty

The success of her policy is revealed by her circulation figures. The census gives her town a popuation of 3,966. Her daily print order is for 3,775.

Someone has said that the "p" s silent in the word "luck," but t belongs there nevertheless. Inrestigation usually turns up the act that the lucky fellow is the lucky fellow who has been burnng midnight oil and taking defeat fter defeat with a smile. — J. B. lill, Memorial Salesman.

#### JESUS, LOVER OF MY SOUL

Let me to thy bosom fly!—John 13:23

While the nearer waters roll,-Ps. 46:2

While the tempest still is high! −Ps. 55:8

Till the storm of life is past.—

Isa. 26:4 Safe into the heaven guide.—Ps.

107:30 Oh, receive my soul at last!-

Acts 7:59 Other refuge have I none .- Ps.

46:1 Hangs my helpless soul on thee! -Prov. 10:3

Leave, O leave me not alone .-

Heb. 13:5 Still support and comfort me!-

Isa. 66:13 All my trust on thee is stayed-Isa. 26:3

All my help from thee I bring, -Isa. 41:10

Cover my defenseless head— Psalm 140:7

With the shadow of thy wing. —Ps. 57:1

Thou, O Christ, art all I want. Col. 3:11

More than all in thee I find;-Col. 2:9

Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,-Ps. 145:14 Heal the sick and lead the

blind;—Isa. 42:16 Just and holy is thy name,—Acts

I am all unrighteousness;—

Rom. 1:29 False and full of sin I am,—I John 1:8

Thou are full of truth and grace.—John 1:14

Plenteous grace with thee is found,—II Cor. 12:9

Grace to cover all my sins;-Rom. 5:20

Let the healing stream abound; -Isa. 46:4; Exek. 47:9

Make and keep me pure within, -Psalm 51:10

Thou of life the fountain art,-John 1:4

Freely let me take of thee;-Rev. 22:17

Spring thou up within my heart,

#### HONORS ANCESTOR



LONDON—Little Lucinda Buxton, great, great, great, greatgranddaughter of the Rev. Charles Wesley, is shown laying a wreath on his monument on the anniversary of his death, March 29, 1788.

A Garden of Rest in Marylebone High Street, in which the obelisk is the centerpiece, has recently been laid out, the city government and the Methodist Confernce cooperating in the cast.

Speakers at ceremonles marking the opening included the Rev. Dr. Eric Baker, secretary of the Conference, and the Rev. Dr. W. E. Sangster of Central Hall, Westminster.

-John 4:14 Rise to all eternity-John 4:14 -Western Recorder

#### LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT **MEETS**

(Continued on page 11) Arnold, 207 East 21st, Little Rock; Status of Women, Mrs. Earle E. Perkins, Carlisle; Supplies, Mrs. Hubert Blakely, W. Conway St., Benton; Missionary Personnel, Mrs. Milan Willis, R. 6, Box 438, Little Rock; Literature & Publications, Mrs. R. L. James, Rt. 7, Box 476, Little Rock; Wesleyan Guild, Mrs. E. W. Masters, 1404 Welch St., Little Rock.

#### RETIRED—HE WILL BUILD A HOSPITAL

(Continued from page 3) of Dedication offerings. Two new residences are on the list for future construction.

Mr. Conley, born in Clinton, Ind., was an industrial engineer in Newport, Ind., when he became a missionary in 1910. In India, he has served as principal of the Nadiad Industrial Institute, minister and district superintendent. Through the years he has made a notable contribution to the education of thousands of Indians in the mass movement areas. At the time of his retirement, he was business manager for the Methodist Hospital at Nadiad. They left by plane on April 20.

Life's greatest achievement is the continual remaking of yourself so that at last you know how to live.—Outdoor Indiana.



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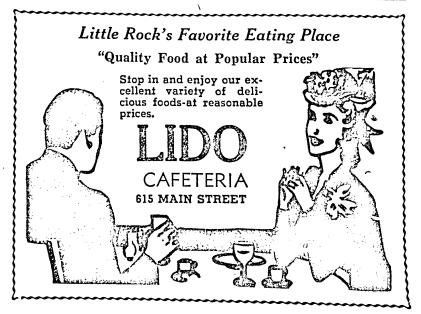
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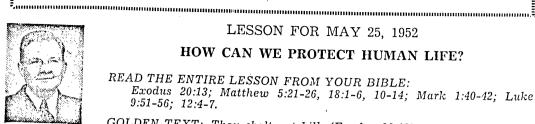
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## The Sunday School Lesson

By REV. H. C BOLIN

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LESSON FOR MAY 25, 1952

#### HOW CAN WE PROTECT HUMAN LIFE?

READ THE ENTIRE LESSON FROM YOUR BIBLE: Exodus 20:13; Matthew 5:21-26, 18:1-6, 10-14; Mark 1:40-42; Luke 9:51-56; 12:4-7.

GOLDEN TEXT: Thou shalt not kill. (Exodus 20:13)

We are now studying Unit II, "MORAL INTEGRITY AND CHRISTIAN ATTI-TUDES". This is the second of the seven sessions of the unit. Aim of unit: "To lead adults to consider the meaning of moral integrity for their own lives and to attempt to gain more of it for themselves and for society through Christian attitudes.'

#### Look At The Scriptures The Sixth Commandment

The first passage of the lesson is the sixth commandment — "Thou shalt not kill." This commandment shows the value that God places upon human life. All people have certain rights, until they are forfeited - The right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. The greatest crime that one person can commit against another is to intentionally take his life. God so identifies himself with men that this is also one of the greatest sins against him.

This commandment shows that God is at least potentially the Father of all people and that all are in the same sense brothers. The greatest privilege any human has is to recognize and practice these relationships the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of men. The Kingdom of God will have fully come to earth when these relationships are fully recognized and practiced.

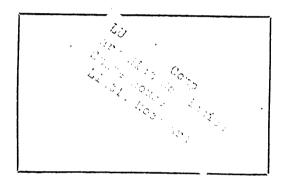
All killing is not murder. There are many killings which are accidental or unintentional. The Old Testament tells of certain cities of refuge to which such killers could flee for safety. In those days the next of kin, or the avenger as he was called, had the task of destroying the intentional murderer.

#### Christ Lifted The Standard

It will be remembered that all the Ten Commandments, except the one concerning the Sabbath, were brought over from the Old into the New Testament and reemphasized. Most of them were brought over by Christ in his Sermon on the Mount. Our next passage (Mat. 5:21-26) comes from that sermon. In this passage the Lord goes on to quote the sixth commandment. He then proceeded to lift the standard, as was the case in all the commandments with which he dealt. The scribes and Pharisees; the chief religious teachers of that day, were content if these commandments were obeyed outwardly. They never bothered about the wickedness that might be in people's hearts. They tried to use a little healing salve and cure the cancer of sin at the surface of the skin rather than cutting it out by the roots. Christ's method was to make the tree good and then the fruit would naturally be good.

The Lord condemned the would-be murderer. According to his teachings any

person who was so filled with anger as to take the life of another and was only waiting for an opportunity to do so was already guilty of murder before God in his heart. This was true whether or not the opportunity to kill ever presented itself. This position is not hard to understand. The Lord was demanding that people not only be free from the outward act of sin, but also free from the inward cause of sin. In this case it was useless anger. It will be noted that as all killing is not murder; all anger is not sinful. It is only that which leads to and harbors hatred that is here condemned. Many times



Christ himself was angry, though he never sinned. He loved all and hated none.

It will be noted that there are three degrees of anger mentioned in this passage. The first degree is anger unexpressed. One becomes angry but keeps the matter to himself. Even this, however, makes him subject to judgment; judgment before the bar of his own conscience and before God. Anger though unexpressed is at least known to the individual in question and to God. The second degree of anger is that in which one person insults another, as the King James Version of the Bible has it, by calling him Raca. This word "Raca" literally means "vain person" or "empty-headed". The third and last degree of anger is expressed by one calling another a fool. This term means both senseless and kicked and was pretty much of a fighting word in those days.

As there were three degrees of anger there were also three degrees of punishment. First the only punishment of a guilty conscience in one's own heart and before God. The second brought the individual before the council. In every community in which there were 150 or more citizens there was a council, or Sanhedrin. The Sanhedrin at Jerusalem consisted of 70 members plus the High Priest who was the chairman; making in all 71, but the council or Sanhedrin in smaller places consisted of 13 members. The second degree of punishment meant the coming before this council. The third meant the

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relegation to hell itself. This term "Thou fool" was so strong that it usually led to more serious sins; sometimes including murder itself.

The next (Matthew 18:5-6) like the two previous passages continues to emphasize the value of the individual. Christ taught his disciples a great lesson concerning children. They were not held in as high esteem then as they are now. The Lord was constantly teaching the importance of children and the place they occupy in society. He did more to elevate the status of women and children than all the other great teachers of the human race combined. He gave woman her rightful place by the side of man and placed the children in the midst. He insisted that adults must have the open minded, humble, trustful attitude of children before they could become members of the Kingdom of God. He warned adults against misleading children and causing them to sin. This warning not only included children in the matter of age but also the lowly and underpriviledged who had been deprived of many of the opportunities of life. There is also such a thing as an adult being a child spiritually. Many adults have just begun the Christian life and have not had time to grow in grace. The Lord warned against one causing them to sin.

#### The Lesson Applied

This is our quarterly temperance lesson. It would be hard to find a more suitable group of Scriptures for emphasizing the evil of alcohol. It is "enemy number one" of the human family. It has been the direct cause of more tragic deaths than any other single > evil. It has killed far more people than all the wars of human history. Even its friends admit its bad record along this line. They are constantly insisting that people not overdrink. They are failing to recognize the fact that with millions of people one drink calls for another and that these people never stop until they become hopeless alcoholics. Liquor is a narcotic, habit-forming drug that completely destroys the lives of millions of people. Then, too, our mechanized society makes liquor our most dangerous evil. Even small quantities of liquor makes a person less safe to himself and others as he attempts to fill his place in our mechanized order. We are in a fast-moving world; a situation in which the lives of people depend on split-second mental reaction. The best authorities on the subject insist that even small quantities of alcohol slows up this reaction. The newspapers of the nation tell of literally hundreds of thousands who are killed annually by accidents on our highways and otherwise as a direct result of alcohol, but they do not tell of the even greater number who lose their lives because of moderate drinking on the part of people who do not become intoxicated but who do drink enough to have their mental reaction slowed down to the extent that accidents occur. None of us want to go back to the tallow candle, coal oil lamp, and horse and buggy days, but if we continue our great tirade of drunkennes and drinking we would be far better off if we moved more slowly. This is true even from the standpoint of physical safety to say nothing about the spiritual values that are destroyed by alcohol.

Some years ago the writer knew a man who insisted that if one would let alcohol alone it wouldn't bother him. Later his only child was killed by a drunken driver and he saw the terrible falacy of the position he had assumed with regards to alcohol. As Christians, we must be against liquor.

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