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PATERNALISM AND PERSONAL GOVERNMENT

(An address delivered August 19, at a meeting of Church-related Colleges, at Asheville, N. C., by Dr. J. H. Reynolds, President of Hendrix College.)

The war and the economic collapse following it have thrown a tremendous strain on the organized agencies of society—government, economic structure, education and religion. This is necessitating the recasting of the basic social organs of society.

The Drift Towards Personal Government and Paternalism

The drift of the Nineteenth Century was definitely towards democracy and constitutional government. Since the World War, the tendency has been definitely away from democracy and constitutional government and towards personal rule and paternalism.

In Europe

Germany, Italy, Russia, and Austria have experienced a complete breakdown of constitutional government and now have no semblance of democracy, liberty, or constitutional government. All powers of government are centered in one person, the Dictator, and everything is regulated by him, including government, economic life, education and religion. Paternalism is complete.

In America

In America, there is a definite drift, since the depression, towards personal government and paternalism. Running through New Deal legislation are measures centering in the president, powers hitherto divided between State and Federal Government and between different departments of government. Concentrated in the hands of the President have been the power to make laws, to regulate the economic life of the people, to fix the value of money, and to expend, without limitation or regulation, several billions, and the President has sought the right to redistribute the powers of government between the departments, to pack the Supreme Court, and to wield powers hitherto exercised by the state governments alone.

New Deal measures have gone further towards paternalism and personal government than America ever approached since personal rule was overthrown in the American Revolution. Industrial, agricultural and social measures have attempted to regulate the details of the life of the people to a degree never before known in this country. The government has assumed responsibility for the economic and social welfare of the people hitherto left to individual initiative and voluntary action. The tendency of all these measures is to build into the people a disposition to lean on the government. The same tendency is inherent in state institutions providing free higher education. If continued, some New Deal measures would rob the people of their independence, self-reliance, and individual initiative, and substitute therefor a strong un-American spirit and attitude of paternalism.

Walter Lippman interprets the President as building up a powerful government on the ruins of constitutional government. For the first four years, President Roosevelt completely dominated Congress, and his Supreme Court proposal was designed to give him control of that body. This measure was his method of removing constitutional limitations without the slow process of constitutional amendment.

Happily, the drift will not go in America as far as it has gone in Europe. The habit of self-government, self-direction and private initiative in America, is so deeply rooted in the character of American people that they will stop any such current. America will have no

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* **IN ALL THE WAYS WHICH THE LORD** *
* **YOUR GOD HATH COMMANDED YOU,** *
* **THAT YE MAY LIVE, AND THAT IT** *
* **MAY BE WELL WITH YOU, AND THAT** *
* **YE MAY PROLONG YOUR DAYS IN** *
* **THE LAND WHICH YE SHALL POS-** *
* **SESS.—Deut. 5:32-33.** *

Hitler. These habits constitute the basis for a reaction. Indeed, the reaction has already set in. The Senate has defeated the President's plan to pack the Supreme Court and thus asserts the independence of Congress as a deliberative legislative body. The defeat of Lewis and the C. I. O. in recent months has indicated a reaction in the field of industry. The move towards a balanced budget has already set in.

States Powerless—Centralization Inevitable

The centralization of power in the Federal Government, transferring many powers from the States will continue. It has already been completed in most European states. There are irresistible forces making this necessary. Commerce, at the time of framing the federal constitution, was local. Now, thanks to the applications of science, commerce is largely national and international. Hence the states are powerless to regulate it. This will compel the expansion of the power of the Federal Government. The industrialization of the country is developing acute social problems beyond the capacity of States so that old age pensions, regulation of labor and capital, hours and conditions of employment, and relief are beyond the power of the individual States, and hence much of that responsibility must be shared with the Federal Government. Much of the social purposes of the President running through his legislation and proposed legislation will sooner or later be enacted into law. Flood control, reforestation, soil conservation, dust control, are great national problems which no state can solve.

Liberty and Initiative

Can these things be done and at the same time preserve private initiative, a sense of individual responsibility, and the basic elements of Americanism? Paternalism and personal government are dangerous and must be checked.

Private colleges, products of private initiative, have a high duty to perform in helping to train leaders to guide the nation aright in the years ahead. The American people are ready to listen to strong enlightening voices. College executives should speak out in no uncertain tone for genuine Americanism, showing appreciation for some features of the New Deal, but at the same time leading the people to preserve the rich heritage of the past in genuine Americanism. We must stand out for constitutional government, a balanced budget, democracy, personal liberty, freedom of the press and of speech. If the colleges represented by this group would lead out in a strong voice against paternalism, against personal government, against the destruction of our balanced system of constitutional government, the public will respond and will join in creating a sound, sane, well-guided public opinion.

Private Colleges Foster Americanism

The American people have all but forgotten some basic facts in their history. They should remember them at this critical period in our national life.

In the first place, an elementary review of our educational history will show that our pri-

vate colleges, church-related, chiefly were America's first higher educational institutions, that they interpreted and made permanent the genius and spirit of our American forefathers, that they developed a capable independent leadership unsurpassed in human history, and that they shaped and typed our institutions in harmony with American ideals.

In the second place, this review shows that these church-related colleges have been tested by fire. Some of them have had a continuous history of efficient service for 300 years. Indeed, they were old institutions—over 200 years old—when tax-supported or state higher education was born in America. They are truly the ancient American landmarks in the field of higher education, the embodiment of genuine Americanism. Yea, more, they are the creators, definers, and fosterers of true Americanism. They have stood for scholarship, freedom, and independence, private initiative, self-reliance, and sound religion. They have institutionalized these principles. Free from governmental control and support, they have been loyal supporters of the highest ideals of a free society and a free state. Without levying any burden whatever upon the taxpayer or upon the government, they have furnished society with capable leaders, independent of politics, who have preserved the American people and their government from the excesses of democracy and from the evils of Communism, Fascism, and other forms of tyranny. To the American college, society owes a debt which never can be repaid, a fact which is the glory of the college.

In the third place, in the face of paternalism, personal government and the menace of American ideals summarized above, may it not be a providential fact that history, through 300 years of testing and experimentation, has developed and perfected the American college to steer us through the present crisis back to the fundamental principles of Americanism enlightened by a deep and rich knowledge of social welfare? Is this not the church-related college's day of visitation? Will it lead us back to sound American practice? May it not only save American democracy and constitutional government, but also save tax-supported colleges now menaced by paternalism and personal government throughout the world? The typical American college, non-sectarian, but devoutly Christian in religion and free from politics, possessed of the wisdom of ages of experience, faces a task worthy of its glorious history.

In the fourth place, state universities and other tax-supported institutions are deeply interested in this educational program, because one of the first institutions to be seized and used by personal and paternalistic government for propaganda purposes, when it triumphs in America, will be state-supported educational institutions. The private American college true to its genius of loyalty to American ideals welcomes the state in higher education. The two classes of institutions are mutually helpful, and one of the distinctive services of the American college is its championing of freedom and independence alike for all higher education.

In the fifth place, the task of the church-related college is made more difficult by the weakness of Protestantism growing out of denominationalism. Indeed, denominationalism is threatening Protestantism. It has divided Protestantism into over 200 divisions, making impossible the impact of united Protestantism through a united church. Our church-related colleges, therefore, have the additional duty of setting an example of cooperation and non-sectarianism to Protestantism and its churches. They should use their full power in integrating divided Protestant churches into cooperative religious groups.

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Personal and Other Items

IN 1936 North Carolina revoked 1,059 motor licenses, all but two of them for driving while intoxicated; Virginia revoked 2,689 for the same reason.

REV. H. B. VAUGHT, our pastor at Arkadelphia, wishes all Methodist parents having children entering Henderson State Teachers College, to communicate with him so that he may get in touch with them.

MRS. JOHNSTON, wife of Rev. Boyd W. Johnston, pastor of Yellville Charge, has been in a hospital at Harrison the past week where she had an operation for appendicitis August 30. Her condition is much improved and it is expected that she will be able to return home soon.

REV. A. L. RIGGS, pastor of Perry Circuit, writes: "We have just closed a very successful meeting. Rev. Cecil R. Culver, pastor of Gardner Memorial Church, did the preaching. He delivered some stirring sermons. There were 17 conversions, 12 additions on profession of faith and one by letter. There was a fine co-operative spirit with all the Christians in the town."

THE ARKANSAS WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION will hold its annual convention at Jonesboro, Oct. 6-8. Our women who are interested in the destruction of the liquor traffic and the promotion of many worthy reforms, should join this great organization and help to maintain it. The good it has done in the past cannot be estimated. If properly supported, it may do even more in the future.

THE STORY OF THE CONSTITUTION, by Sol Bloom, published by the United States Constitution Sesquicentennial Commission, House Office Building, Washington, D. C., is a beautiful little book containing the Constitution and much historical information about the making of the Constitution and those who made it. It has been prepared under the direction of this Commission which was authorized by Congress

THE LABORER IS WORTHY OF HIS HIRE

Increased national income and rising prices make imperative a 20 per cent salary increase for the Nation's clergy. Church boards should provide for this at once if action has not already been taken.

This is the best fall since 1929 according to Babson reports which list the following facts:

1. Farmers will average \$24,000,000 more per week this year than last—a \$9,000,000,000 income. 15 per cent ahead of last year—best since 1929.
2. Factory workers will make \$50,000,000 more per week this year than last—a \$11,300,000,000 income—30 per cent ahead of last year—best since 1929.
3. Dividend checks will be about \$10,000,000 per week greater than last year—a \$4,400,000,000 income—13 per cent ahead of last year—best since 1931.—America Forward.

in order that the 150th anniversary of the completion of its work by the Constitutional Convention might be celebrated this month. The price is \$1.00. It may be purchased at bookstores, or by ordering from the Treasurer of the United States.

AL SMITH, after visiting in Italy, says there is no doubt the Italians are pleased with Fascism, but that no such form of government could obtain in the United States until, first, we have torn up the Declaration of Independence, and, second, thrown the Constitution in the ash can.—Portland Oregonian.

THE editors of "America Speaking," which will be published early in December, by the Pirates Press, 245 Fifth Ave., New York City, will read carefully all poetry submitted. It is the hope of the editors to make it a compilation of the best poetry being written today, whether by unknown or established poets. Poems of every type are wanted. For the best poems \$600 in prizes are offered. Those who submit poems must enclose a stamped self-addressed envelope.

THE WORLD OUTLOOK, which definitely represents the missionary interests of our Church, is always fine; but the September number is unusually interesting. In addition to many missionary articles, are two by Dr. W. G. Cram, General Secretary of the Board of Missions, in which he pays just tribute to the two editors, Dr. E. H. Rawlings and Miss Sara Estelle Haskin, and tells us what each does to make the magazine. Then there are many beautiful and illustrative pictures which throw light on the work of our great Publishing House. "How Women Became Citizens," and "Mahatma Gandhi as a Moral Genius" are two articles, which, as is often said, are worth the price of the magazine. One of the most remarkable facts in connection with the World Outlook is that, with all of its pictures and extra fine paper, it pays its way and requires no subsidy. For a church periodical that is marvelous.

CONDITIONS IN CHINA

PERHAPS some of our readers have been wondering why no comment has been made on the war situation in the far East. However, conditions have changed so rapidly from day to day that any news in a weekly paper might quickly be "ancient history" to our readers of the daily press and listeners over the radio. The situation is undoubtedly complicated and alarming; but we have assurance that our Board of Missions and our Government are doing all that can be done to meet the emergencies. We can do little but hope and earnestly pray that our participation in any war may be averted and that the missionaries of all the churches may be graciously protected and that their work may not be utterly destroyed. Naturally we are anxious and sad over conditions in the far East and in Europe. May our Heavenly Father so overrule that good may come out of these evil conditions.

SUNDAY AT HAVANA AND BELLEVILLE

DESIRING to ascend Magazine Mountain, the highest in Arkansas, I arranged with Rev. W. J. Wade, the pastor to spend Sunday on his charge. Going up Saturday with expectation of going to the top of the mountain, I was told that the new road to the summit had been so affected by the recent rains that it would not be prudent to make the ascent. Consequently I had to forego that trip and promise myself the pleasure when the road is in good condition. As this is one of the Government projects, a road has been graded and graveled from Havana, on the south side, clear across the mountain, to Paris, on the north side. Because of the marvelous scenery from the top, this will doubtless soon become a popular drive. When the Commission was locating the Western Methodist Assembly the members were much impressed with the cool nights and outlook from the top, 2,824 feet above sea level; but decided that the cost of roads and necessary equipment was prohibitive, and consequently located the Assembly on Mt. Sequoyah where all things needed were available. Now Mt. Magazine, with the Government behind it, will become a popular summer resort.

Sunday morning I addressed a fine adult class at Havana and preached to a large congregation. Going over on the hard-surface highway, I reached Belleville five miles east, and in spite of heavy rain and much mud had an appreciative group at preaching that night.

Havana and Belleville are two nice small towns with good country back of them. Suffering greatly from the drought of the last three years, they are now recovering and business seems fair. Loss of members has affected our churches, but our people are hoping for better days. Our building at Havana is a substantial frame, and at Belleville a fine brick with a large basement. There have been revivals at both places recently. Definite reports will be made later by the pastor, who, taking advantage of the vacation of a visiting preacher, was having a vacation by visiting his daughter in Kansas.

I was graciously entertained at Havana in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Davis, and carried to Belleville by Bro. Davis. At Belleville, I was delightfully entertained by Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Buckman, and learned much of the history of the community from them and Bro. J. D. C. Claud, father of our pastor at Hulbert and W. Memphis, Rev. I. L. Claud. Through these old citizens I got much information about pioneers.

As Rev. J. R. Ashmore, a worthy superannuate of North Arkansas Conference, lives in Belleville in one of the Conference Superannuate homes, I had an hour of pleasant companionship with him and his wife. Both have been in poor health for years, but are now rejoicing in greatly improved conditions. Bro. Ashmore has a good garden and serves as night watchman for a light charge. He feels that he is able to take a light charge, if one were convenient and willing to be served by a man of his age. While disappointed over failure to ascend Magazine Mountain, I, nevertheless, had an interesting visit in these two fine little towns, nestled almost in the shadow of the mountain.—A. C. M.

CIRCULATION REPORT

SINCE last report the following subscriptions have been received: Springdale, H. O. Bolin, 2; Bauxite, S. K. Burnett, 1; Gainesville Ct., Camp-ground Church, O. R. Findley, 8; Desha, L. R. Ruble, 1; Sheridan Station, B. F. Roebuck, last week, should have been 42 instead of 21, making a 100% list. Many pastors are busy in meetings and others are just catching up on their returns from their vacations, and consequently have had no time for the paper. We trust that during the coming weeks, when they are closing up the business for the year, they will remember the paper and secure many 100% lists and make the paper on arrears. It is important that our people have the paper during the coming year because of the many critical events in prospect. Pastors will render their people valuable service by getting the paper into the Methodist homes. The ARKANSAS METHODIST in Every Methodist Home in Arkansas is our objective. It will ultimately be reached. Why not this year?

Thoughts For the School Boy

As the Ozark public schools will soon open for another term, the Man About Town desires to ask his young friend, the school boy, to take these thoughts to school with him.

Great destinies lie hidden in the swiftly passing hours; great responsibilities will soon stand in your passages of everyday life; great dangers will be concealed in the by-paths of life's great highway. Uncertainty hangs over your future, and your success or failure hangs pivoted in the balance.

Every youth should decide between the ages of 12 and 20 what vocation in life he expects to fill. Very few are successful who wait until they have reached maturity to decide upon this important matter, and in this age it is almost impossible for one to be successful when he goes out into the busy world unless he has some education. Bear this in mind every day throughout the next term of school and take advantage of every moment to prepare yourself for life's battles. Wellington once said that the great battle of Waterloo was won many years before he appeared on the battlefield, meaning that his preparation crowned him with the success he won at that memorable battle.

Your Maker has given you existence, with power and opportunity to improve it and be happy, and you have equal power to despise the glorious gift and be wretched. Which will you do? Is the great problem to be solved by your choice and conduct. Every man and every woman owes duties to the busy, bustling world, and education should mean preparation for your duties. You are in the world to make it better, to lift it up to higher levels of enjoyment and progress, to make hearts and homes brighter and happier by devoting to your fellows your best thoughts, activities and influences.

Aside from book-learning, do not forget that your general conduct will have much to do with shaping your future. Many a boy misses a splendid opportunity because of his propensity for trying to appear too "smart." The young fellow who is impudent; who hasn't enough respect for himself to respect others; who does not consider that he is a responsible member of the great family of man, may find out when it is too late that his services are not in great demand by people who have lucrative positions to give out.

It does not require intelligence and refinement for one to be rude, but to the contrary the most coarse and densely ignorant person can

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be impolite and unkind without much effort. The youth who considers it an honor to be tough, should ask himself these questions:

Dosen't it lower me in the estimation of even my own associates? Instead of creating the impression that I am smart, am I not making a fool of myself?

Among the qualities of mind and heart which conduce to worldly success, there is no one the importance of which is more real than courtesy—that feeling of kindness, of love for others, which expresses itself in pleasing manners. With a wish to be useful, and ever respecting the rights and feelings of others, human life becomes a beautiful thing. Every youth should form at the outset of his career the noble purpose to make the most and the best of the powers which the Creator has given him. This purpose must carry with it the assent of the reason, the approval of the conscience and the sober judgment of the intellect.

A boy with gentlemanly manners, who is trusty and honest and does his very best every day, will gain the attention and confidence of all those around him, and is likely to be given a responsible and lucrative position as soon as he is old enough to hold it.

Boys like to have fun and a good time. It is right they should. They will be boys only once, but to have fun is not altogether what they are made for. Boys are of value chiefly to make men; to be useful in the world. The boy should ever remember that the most dependable asset he can have is a gentlemanly and spotless character, and it might be well to impress upon him that there is a difference between character and reputation. Character is within; reputation is without. Character is real; reputation may be false. Character is substantial and enduring; reputation may be vapory and fleeting. Character is at home; reputation is abroad.

Too many men are more anxious about their reputation than they are about their character. While every man should endeavor to maintain a good reputation, he should labor especially to possess a good character.

Not only is character of importance to its possessor as the means of conferring upon him true dignity and wealth, but it exerts an influence upon the lives of all within its pale, the importance of which can never be over-estimated. Books are useful only when they are read; sermons are influential only when they are listened to; but character keeps itself at all times before man's attention, and its weight is felt by every one who comes within its sphere.

Look well after your character, young man. Other agencies are intermittent, like the revolving star, which, after a time of brightness, goes out into a period of darkness, but character is continuous in its operations, and shines with the steady radiance of a star. This truth, sublime in its simplicity and powerful in its beauty, is the highest lesson of religion, the first that youth should learn, and the last that age should forget.

Philips Brooks once said that a man who lives right, and is right, has more power in his silence than another has by his words. Character is like bells which ring out sweet music and which, when touched, accidentally even, resound with sweet music.—The (Ozark) Democrat-Enterprise.

College for Agnes

By
Susie McKinnon Millar

CHAPTER II

"Buck up," Jimmy advised. "We'll find a way yet. College is ours. But we may have to wait for it."

"I'm no good at waiting," Agnes said honestly. "I want to get started on my college course this fall; and I don't want to marry the catch of the town."

"You'll go to college," promised Jimmy, "and I'll tell the world that Charles Mason, Jr., will have to grow up a lot before he's man enough to deserve my sister. We'll both go to college. When you graduate, if Charles has waked up and caught up in the march, it will be time enough for him to speak his speech."

"I'm blue. I don't see any way out. But I'm not ready to give up and marry a boy I don't love just for a lot of money. I like Charles, and I like money, but—"

"Don't think of it. You'd never be happy if you did," declared Jimmy emphatically.

Agnes laughed and said in a teasing voice, "So young and yet so wise. But you are right at that, and I know it. Aunt Martha says that I ought to marry and settle down to making a home, that I already have too much book-learning for my own good." She broke off abruptly as a car drew up to the gate. "There's Charles now. He's taking me out to join his gang as he calls it. We're dining at Riverside Inn tonight. Tell Aunt Martha I'm gone."

"Okay, Sis," agreed Jimmy, but he frowned and muttered to himself, "That bunch makes me tired! Think they are so smart. Try so hard to be tough. No telling what they'll try to do next. I wish Sis hadn't gone. But, goodnight! What can a fellow do?"

Hours later Jimmy was aroused from his sleep by the sound of voices at the gate.

Agnes was saying in an excited voice, "Don't try to stop me, I say. Goodnight, and you might call it goodbye for all I care."

"Oh, do wait a minute, Agnes," pleaded Charles. "You've got me all wrong. I didn't mean any harm. I didn't mean to insult you. I thought you could take a joke. I just thought it would be funny to make you drink that wine when the gang dared me to. Honest, it wouldn't hurt you to drink and smoke with the rest of us. You might be a little human now and then. It's fun."

"I am human. I'm more human than the rest of you. When you act like a bunch of crazy beasts, do you think that's human? Thank goodness, I know enough to know the harmful effects of alcohol and tobacco both to let them alone. And I'm still independent enough to refuse both whenever I please."

"Wait, Agnes, listen. It's not smart to act like that. Everybody drinks and smokes. You'll have to learn how or be left out."

"Then count me out, if that's all you know about science and manners. There's no more sense in expecting everybody to drink and like it than there is in expecting everybody to eat garlic and like it. I'm not willing to take alcohol and

make a fool out of myself. And I don't want to go anywhere with you ever again if you are going to drink and be rude and drive like a mad man. Goodnight, and it's good bye too."

"Wait, Agnes. Honest, I'll never touch another drop when we're out together. You know it's no fun to me without you along."

"And it's no fun with me, you said, because I won't drink or smoke. And I'm telling you I don't intend to try it to please you or anybody else. I'll never drink or smoke."

Agnes ran swiftly up the walk, turned and called, "Just count me out."

"You'll be sorry," threatened Charles impatiently.

"I'll try to survive," she laughed as she vanished into the house.

But it was a very worried Agnes who finally fell asleep wondering how she could help Charles and his gang if she walked out on them; or how she could help them if she compromised her standards. Oh, she simply must go to college and strengthen her ideals. She'd learn such a lot that they'd all want to follow her leadership. But where would she turn for a job?

"A job and college," she thought resolutely; "That's all that counts now. I wonder if Charles will really stop drinking? He'd better. He was too silly for words tonight. And was I scared the way he drove home? I'll miss Charles and his car, I wonder—" and she fell asleep wondering how it would all turn out.

(To be continued.)

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**Woman's
Missionary Department**

MRS. A. C. MILLAR, Editor

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SWEET HOME AUXILIARY

Mrs. Monday afternoon, August 30, Mrs. Rachel O. Jordan of Hope, Bro. and Mrs. J. T. Thompson and Mrs. Alena Smith of Blevins met with the ladies of Sweet Home Church, Blevins Charge, for the purpose of organizing a Missionary Society.

An inspiring devotional was given by Bro. Thompson from Acts 16. Mrs. Jordan then took charge of the organization. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Lee Huskey; Vice President, Mrs. C. A. Brown; Treasurer, Miss Hazel Spears; Assistant Treasurer, Mrs. Guy Lowe; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. E. Grimes; Recording Secretary, Mrs. W. T. Yarberry; Study Superintendent, Mrs. Jim Bostick.

This society was organized with a membership of six, but with the efforts of these we are sure the Society will grow in number as well as in other ways. May God's richest blessings be upon this Society and may it have a great part in spreading the Kingdom of God.—Reporter

LEOLA AUXILIARY

The Leola Society met with Mrs. L. D. Lea, Monday afternoon, August 30, in a social meeting. Miss Vera Atchley led a very interesting program from the Yearbook. Mrs. R. F. Livingston read the Scripture lesson, and Mrs. Irvin Weaver read a story, "Risen Indeed." There were 15 members and one visitor present. We added another new member. Miss Tessa Dial closed the meeting with prayer. We were then invited to the yard under the beautiful magnolia trees and served delicious sandwiches and punch by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. T. D. Spruce.

Our next meeting will be with Mrs. J. E. Cox.—Cor. Sec.

Christian Education

IF I WERE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT OF A CHURCH SCHOOL

By CLEM BAKER

If my Quarterly Conference had elected me General Superintendent of the Church School for the new Church School year, beginning October 1, I would:

1. Feel that my church had bestowed upon me the highest honor within its gift to a layman.

2. Recognize that this office is so important that it deserves every minute of the time I can give to it, even though, I had to leave off a number of other activities.

3. Determine to know more about the Church School work than any one else in my church.

4. In order to fit myself for my job I would order at once the following free pamphlets from Mr. A. L. Dietrich, Superintendent of the Service Department, General Board of Christian Education, 810 Board of Christian Education, 810 Nashville, Tennessee: No. 502-B; No. 183-B; No. 206-B; No. 401-B; No. 151-B; No. 59-B.

If my school was a small one-room type, in addition to the above I would order: No. 503-B; 504-B; 511-B; 518-B; 134-B; 400-B.

5. While waiting for these fine pamphlets to come I would turn to the September number of the Church School Magazine and read the following articles:

"Developing A Worker's Covenant" on page 478; "Answering Questions on Adult Work" on page 479; "How Do We Get Teachers" on page 489; "Questions for the Church Board of Christian Education" on page 490; "Selecting Teachers for Children's Classes in the Church School" page 498; "The September Meeting of the Church Board of Christian Education" page 492.

6. I would study carefully the literature put out by our Church for my type of school and would decide what literature each class, and what helps each teacher in my school should have.

7. In consultation with my pastor I would select the ones I wanted to nominate for officers and teachers.

8. I would spend a great deal of time selecting three capable people to be my assistant superintendents, one for the Children's Division, one for the Young People, and one for the Adult.

9. I would set the dates and have my recommendations for the observance of: Rally Day in September or October; Promotion Day, the last Sunday in September; Childhood and Youth Week the third week in October.

10. I would write to Mr. Dietrich at the address given above and send five cents for a copy of "The Installation Service for Church School Workers" No. 581-H.

11. After I had in my own mind the things I wanted to suggest I would urge my pastor to see that a meeting of the Board of Christian Education was held, at which time I would lay all my plans before this Board for approval or modification. I would then see that the Board met each month.

12. I would begin now to lay my plans for making the year 1937-1938 a period of Evangelistic emphasis in keeping with the second phase of the Bishops' Crusade.

LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE TO HAVE 21 COLLEGE AND SEMINARY PREACHERS THIS YEAR

From a group of less than a half dozen two or three years ago, the number of young men preparing for the ministry in the Little Rock Conference has grown until this fall we have a great band of at least twenty-one in College or Seminary preparing for their life's work.

They are as follows: In Hendrix College—Richard Perry, Carl Keightly, Robert McCammon, Moulton Mann, Jack Wilkes, Edward Dunlap, Roland Marsh, Jesse Johnson, Wilfred House, Robert Core, and Mark Vaught.

In Henderson State College—B. W. Dills, Vance Martin, Harold Scott, Joe Robinson.

In Magnolia A. & M.—Herman Ginther, Billy Stewart.

In S. M. U.—Frederick Schwendiman, John Mann, Earl Walker, with Paul Clanton planning to enter the second semester.

In addition to these whose arrangements have been made, the following are planning to enter College or Seminary: Ralph Clanton, Jr., V. D. Keeley, W. D. Golden.

Our churches and people throughout the Conference who have contributed to the Ministerial Education Fund have just cause for feeling proud of this group of young men, most of whom are receiving financial assistance through this fund.—Clem Baker.

THE OBSERVANCE OF CHILDHOOD AND YOUTH WEEK

Wide-awake pastors and superintendents throughout our Conference will welcome the opportunity for increased emphasis upon Church School work afforded by plans for the observance of Childhood and Youth Week, the third week in October. Those planning to do so will begin at once to gather material, appoint committees and get ready for this observance.

The September issue of the Church School periodicals are full of fine suggestive material that will be helpful to all planning this observance.

We call particular attention to the "Pageant" found on page 484 of the September issue of the Church School Magazine. We believe that many schools can put on this pageant and are convinced that it carries a vital message. Suppose we try it. This office will be glad to send suggestive material for observance of the week to any one sending us a request for it.—Clem Baker.

CHILDHOOD AND YOUTH WEEK

The emphasis for Childhood and Youth Week this year will be: The Church in the Life of the Child. With such topics as the following to be considered, no church should let the opportunity pass for a well planned program: How Can the Church Meet the Needs of the Children; Making the Church a Vital Experience for Children; The Church's Recognition of Youth; Religious Training in the Modern Home; Building Family Solidarity; How the Church Influences the Home; Trends of Our Day Which Affect Youth; The Attitude of Boys and Girls Toward the Church; The Church and the Child Life of the Community.

Begin now to include in your fall plans the observance of Childhood and Youth Week—the third week in October or as near thereto as possible is the preferred time.

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CHURCH NEWS

NORTH ARKANSAS CONFERENCE NOTICE

As the Annual Conference meets with us this year, Fort Smith Methodism wants to make adequate provision for all who come. We are extending a hearty invitation to the wives of all our preachers, and hope that they can attend. In order that we may care for them adequately, we ask that all who intend to come will please let us know before October 1. After that date we shall be making assignments, and when assignments are made it upsets things if changes must be made.—H. C. Henderson, Pastor First Methodist Church, Fort Smith.

FRIENDSHIP CIRCUIT

We have closed each of our meetings and are happy to report 15 additions to the circuit, eight on profession of faith. Rev. O. C. Robison, of Holly Springs Circuit did the preaching at Midway and Bro. Stanfield of Malvern did the preaching at Saginaw. We are coming to the close of the Conference year much encouraged. May God's richest blessings rest upon these people is our prayer.—B. W. Dills, Pastor.

ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE

So far as I know, nearly all of the brethren have returned from their vacations and are headed toward the successful consummation of the year's activities in their charges. I believe the Little Rock Conference will make one of the best reports it has ever made on financial lines and considerable progress in evangelical work.

I can't help but enter into all these anxieties with my brethren. I know what it means. Our good bishop and his cabinets in the two Conferences will have their hands full in stationing the preachers to the satisfaction of both preacher and church.

The Orphanage always feels the effect of victory on the part of the pastor. I believe that next year will be even a better year than this for us.

We are all well and doing the very best we can with the means placed in our hands.

With affectionate regards for all of my brethren of the ministry and the Church membership, I am, yours truly.—James Thomas, Executive Secretary.

ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE

Received in Home during August: Mrs. Fairchild, large boy's suit; Mello Cream Doughnut Co., North Little Rock, 27 dozen doughnuts; W. M. S. and friends of Cotton Plant, 36 quarts of canned goods, jellies and preserves; Mr. Charles Mellar, Chamber of Commerce, city, two gals. ice cream; Daily Vacation Bible School, Moorefield, three prs. pillow cases; Whitehall Church, a be-lated Christmas box of canned goods and jellies and preserves, a beautiful quilt, pieced by Mrs. Green, 84 years old (she is a foster grandmother to one of our girls); Sardis Daily Vacation Bible School, Sparkman Circuit, six pairs pillow cases, pan and pot holders, by Mary and Callie Jeffries; I. J. Steed and family, city, 85 library books; Vinetta Bettis S. S. class, Capitol View, box of gifts and toilet articles for Lena Mae; Young W. M. S., Atkins, a beautiful dress for Edith; Mrs. R. C. Bradford, Cabot, bushel of fine apples; Mrs. Laura Murph, city, \$2.00 cash for children's vacation; Mrs. Jack Holt, city, boys clothing; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Jackson, Bryant, bushel fine tomatoes; W. M. S., Paragould, six nice cutout books; Junior and Primary Departments, Paragould, box of nice gifts to be opened Christmas.

The children are all well and happy, and all will be ready for school.

For two weeks in August, while our Kitchen Matron was away on her vacation, our larger girls prepared our meals and they really did some fine cooking, and were happy in serving. This, with our other many accomplishments, completes a very delightful vacation. Sincere thanks to all who have given us a helping hand.—Mrs. S. J. Steed, Matron.

ARK. METHODIST ORPHANAGE

During the month of August we have received the following cash offerings for the Home:

By a "Friend"	\$5.00
Point View S. S.,	
Traskwood Circuit	1.20
Harmony W. M. S.,	
Texarkana Circuit	4.60

McDonnell-Streepy Class,	
Pulaski Heights, city	2.50
Inez Smith Class, Pulaski	
Heights, Church, city	4.00
Susanna Wesley Bible Class,	
Mena, Ark.	2.00
James Thomas, Supt.	

REPORT OF THE LITTLE ROCK CONFERENCE TREASURER

As Treasurer of the Little Rock Conference, I report the following remittances received on Conference Calms since the beginning of the new Conference year up through August 31:

Arkadelphia District	
Arkadelphia Station	\$ 300.00
Benton Station	150.00
Carthage-Tulip	124.00
Dalark Circuit	46.50
Friendship Circuit	25.00
Holly Springs Circuit	75.00
Hot Springs Circuit	74.35

Hot Springs, First Church	566.67
Oaklawn	115.00
Malvern Station	475.00
Princeton Circuit	30.25
Tigert-Pearcy	16.14
Traskwood Circuit	24.30
Total	\$2,022.21

Camden District	
Buckner Circuit	\$ 35.00
Camden	1,187.00
El Dorado Circuit	195.00
First Church, El Dorado	1,750.00
Wesley-Vantrease	47.00
Centennial Church, El Dorado	7.50
Fordyce	200.00
Kingsland	160.00
Louann	5.00
Magnolia Station	475.00
Magnolia Circuit	63.25
Strong Circuit	82.00
Taylor Circuit	98.00
Total	\$4,146.35
Little Rock District	
Bryant Circuit	\$ 69.99
Carlisle Station	137.25

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The Upper Room

OCTOBER-NOVEMBER-DECEMBER ISSUE

With summer past and vacations over, it is time to inaugurate a new Church year and a new program. In many instances a new organization must be set-up or at least replacements made. New Members must be drawn into closer fellowship and the spiritual life of the old members must be quickened. *For this period of cultivation the daily devotional life of the individual is most important to the success of the whole program.*

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Camden	55.94
Total	\$ 158.94
Grand Total	\$18,532.89
—C. E. HAYES, Conf. Treas.	

FAKES CHAPEL

On Sunday, September 5, we closed a great meeting at Fakes Chapel, where they have just finished a nice church. The church members did good work and were greatly revived. The pastor did the preaching and the people did the singing. We took 35 into the church on profession of faith. Some will come in by certificate. We also received one member on profession at DeView September 5. More will join at DeView.—R. A. Robertson, P. C.

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GAINESVILLE CIRCUIT

We have held three meetings on our circuit, with good results. Rev. J. H. Hoggard of Jonesboro did the preaching in our revival at Beech Grove, and did a good job of it. A number were received into the church and the church was greatly strengthened.

The pastor did the preaching at the other points. We are now engaged in a revival at Gainesville. I think this is our first word to the paper this year. We have a good circuit and have been happy in the work.—O. R. Findley, P. C.

A SUPERANNUATE'S BIRTHDAY

In reviewing my life work as a citizen for 83 years and as a preacher for 46 years, I find but little that seems worth while. Perhaps the result will average with others. I have been a preacher now for 46 years. I was on the effective list for 35 years and now for about eleven years on the superannuate list. I retired on my own request at 72. My presiding elder, Rev. J. L. Dedman, thought I should have kept on longer as effective. But there is little demand now for old preachers, or for old folks for any thing. They evidently are the Forgotten Man. He receives but little consideration nowadays. I am thankful to all who in any way have given myself or wife any helpful consideration at any time. I have done the best I could for the church for the last 46 years. September 19 is my 93rd birthday. Bring your dinner and come to see us.—Samuel Chase Dean, Hamburg.

GRIFFITHVILLE CIRCUIT

We have held our Fourth Quarterly Conference and reports were good with a few exceptions. Our Presiding Elder, Rev. E. H. Hook, says the Griffithville Church is the first church in the North Arkansas Conference to pay in full by August 8. This church has paid \$500 to the pastor, \$75.00 to the presiding elder, \$110.00 on Benevolences, and \$10.00 to District Fund. All this was paid in full by August 8.

The other churches are coming along fairly well with their part. Three of them have cotton patches that will help out in the final windup.

We have had some good meetings, and have plans for two other meetings and a training class for the Higginson church this year.

We are not going to forget the ARKANSAS METHODIST. Same is being looked after at this time and we will send in a good list within a few days.

Everything is moving toward the best year in the history of this charge. These are fine people to work with, and they believe in looking after their church as they do their other business.—R. B. Howerton, P. C.

SARDIS REVIVAL

We begun our meeting at Sardis August 15 and closed August 29. The P. C. did all the preaching and from the start the Spirit seemed to be with us and we had an old-fashion shouting meeting that reminded us of the old days of the camp-meetings.

Old Sardis church could not accommodate the crowds and each night members had to stand and look through the windows. On Sunday, August 29, we baptized and received 11 fine young people into the church and have several yet to come in on profession of faith.

Our church building is going for-

FOR THE CHILDREN

GO TO THE ANT

Billy sat down on the woodshed steps. His round, rosy face, where a smile could nearly always be seen, was sober. Worse than sober, it was almost cross.

"I don't see why Sally wants so many sticks for that old kitchen stove!" he grumbled. "Pretty near always she tells me the woodbox is empty, and will I please bring in a few sticks!"

A little way from where Billy was sitting, over by the end of the woodshed, was a sandy place. In the sand was a whole village of ant hills.

Billy could see the little black ants running around.

"Wonder what's going on over there! Must be a ball game or some kind of a holiday to make them so lively!" Billy forgot he was cross, and almost smiled at his thoughts.

He went nearer the ant-hill village and knelt on the ground, the better to watch the tiny creatures' movements.

"Why! they're working," he said to himself in surprise, after watching the busy activity in Antville. "Bringing up sand from the middle of that hill! Maybe one speck of sand is as heavy for them as a big rock would be for me! Mamma told me once they had little halls and runways down inside. How do they do it? Now, if I should make a little sandpile and try to keep such a tiny hole down through the center of it, I couldn't! the sand would run all together, and fill it up!"

Just then he caught sight of an ant outside the cluster of ant hills

ward and we hope to have it completed by or soon after conference this fall. We are going to have a slab of granite inset in the building, on one side of which we will have the names of all those in whose memory the donations are made and on the other side the names of the donors in order of their donation. Let all who wish the names of their loved ones send their donations to me at once, at Bauxite, Arkansas. If you do not it will be impossible to have their names on after the slab is placed.

This church building program and this meeting have put new life into the old historical church and community.

We are happy in our work at Bauxite. There are as fine people here as you will find any where in the Conference. Our congregations have held up wonderfully well through the summer months and we are expecting a fine report at Conference this fall.—S. K. Burnett, P. C.

EUDORA

On August 29 Mrs. Christie fell over a rug in one of our good homes where we were taking dinner, and dislocated her left hip and broke it. She has been in Lake Village under good doctors and nurses until yesterday. She was brought home in a cast and is resting as well as can be expected. The people have shown every kindness and are thoughtful and good to us. She has had many messages of sympathy from other parts of the country as well as here at home. I had intended to hold my meeting at this time, but could not. Will hold it later perhaps.—W. W. Christie, P. C.

carrying a load which seemed too much for his small size.

Billy couldn't exactly make out what it was—he would have needed a magnifying glass for that—but, at any rate, it was something the little black creature prized.

He grasped it with his tiny mouth and hurried toward an ant hill courageously, but it was too heavy for him to carry far without stopping. He laid it down, then ran all around it.

"Looking for a better way to get hold of it!" decided Billy.

Taking it by the other end, the ant staggered on once more. This time he reached the steep side of an ant hill before dropping his burden again.

Then, starting backward up the slope, dragging his prize by one end, he edged slowly upward, bit by bit, while Billy watched admiringly.

"He's a worker!" said Billy to himself. "I'd like to help him, but, of course, I'd scare him away, and maybe spoil the whole ant hill. He wouldn't thank me for that! Wonder what he wants of it, any way! Maybe it's something for the baby ants, down inside there, to eat!"

But the brave little worker was to have help, even though Billy could not give it.

Two other ants came scrambling out of the hole to the burden and helped him to drag it along.

"Now, did he call to them, or how did they know about it?" Billy wondered.

The three ants soon reached the opening at the top, and disappeared.

Billy jumped to his feet. "I'm not going to sit and dread that wood business any longer!" he declared manfully. "I can fill up that wood-box in no time if I go right about it, and I will, too! I'd be ashamed to let that little speck of an ant do better with his work than I!"—Lena B. Ellingwood in The Lutheran.

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Lesson for September 12

A NATION NEEDS RELIGIOUS HOMES

LESSON TEXT—Deuteronomy 6:4, 5; 11:18-25.

GOLDEN TEXT—Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it. Prov. 22:6.

Home! The very word stirs our hearts and quickens the most precious of memories. Toward its comforting threshold turns the one who has borne the heat and the labor of the day. Within its portals are those who gladly give themselves in sacrificial service that it may indeed be a haven of rest and comfort.

The inroads of modern life and of our so-called civilization are doing much to break down home life. All too frequently home has become the place to which one goes when there is nowhere else to go; a place to sleep, and sometimes to eat; an address for mail; a telephone number. How unfortunate it is that this should be so, but how often it is true.

Shall we then abandon the effort really to maintain a true home—one that is in touch with God, and therefore ready to serve man? No; for now as never before we need the influence of a home life empowered by the worship of the true God and guided by his Word. None of us, who are engaged in the determined effort to maintain such a home in the midst of the driving intensity of present day living, speaks too easily on this subject. We know the difficulties; we have heavy-heartedly tasted failure; but we also know the sweetness of victory. By God's grace we press on.

In his dealings with Israel God presents to us an example of what a godly home may be, and what it will accomplish for the community, and for the nation. Such a home—

I. Worships the True God (vv. 4, 5).

This is "the first and great commandment" of the law, according to our Lord Jesus. (Matt. 22:36, 37.) It is an important part of the Scripture repeated twice daily by all orthodox Jews. In its context, in Deuteronomy 6, it is clearly associated with the home. It is there that he who is the "one Lord" is to be loved, which means far more than that he is vaguely recognized or distantly respected. This then is the foundation for a real home—loving God "with all thy soul and with all thy might."

II. Honors God's Word (vv. 18, 19).

Loving God and his Word is not a matter for theological speculation or for sanctimonious discussion in some dark cloister. Thank God the Christian faith is at its best in the ordinary affairs of life. It finds its proper place in the tender relationship of parent and child. Its teachings are pure, de-

lightful, simple, and entirely appropriate to any occasion, whether one sits or rises, walks, or lies down. God's words are the words to be laid up in the heart and in the soul, to be taught to our children, to be the constant and normal subject of conversation.

III. Testifies to the Community (vv. 20, 21).

We may not, as did the pious Jew, fasten a little container bearing God's word on our doorstep, but we may make the home itself and the life of its inhabitants an effective testimony for God before our neighbors. It is obvious that the home either speaks for or against God. A profession of faith in him, an outward reputation for adherence to religious principles which

does not vitally touch our dealings with one another and with the community in which we live—these clearly testify not for God but against him. On the other hand, who can estimate the value of a sweet and orderly Christian home. Whether it be on a dusty city street, or on a quiet country lane, it is a light that cannot be hid.

IV. Serves the Nation (vv. 22-25).

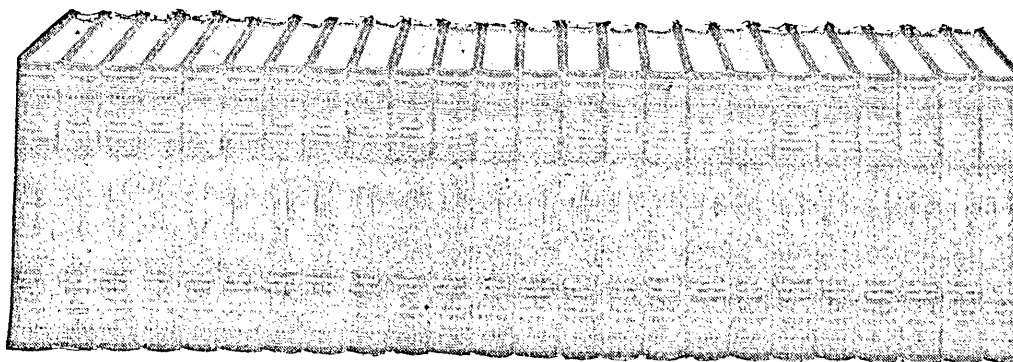
God promised that if Israel diligently kept his commandments, loved him and walked in his ways, they would be a nation that would overcome and dispossess their enemies, and prosper in every good purpose.

Statesmen clearly see that the home is the unit of society. It was established upon the earth before

the nation, in fact, before the church. No nation can ever really prosper without homes of the highest type. Governments therefore encourage the building of suitable houses, plan for pleasant surroundings, establish schools, and favor the building of churches.

But a house without God is not really a home, even though it stand in the midst of a garden. Neither the school teacher, nor the pastor of a church can take the place of a God-fearing father, and of a mother who not only knows God but who can tenderly lead the steps of trusting childhood in the paths of righteousness. Our lesson title is right; "A Nation Needs Religious Homes," or, better, "America Needs Christian Homes."

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Business Women To Meet Tuesday Evening

The Business Women's Circle will hold a dinner meeting at 6:30 Tuesday evening in Fellowship Hall. Miss Olive Smith, Chairman, who has been attending Scarritt College in Nashville, Tenn. during the summer, is back and will preside. Miss Minnie Buzbee will review "The Return To Religion" by Link. Plans for participation in the all-church Fellowship Week will occupy a part of the time.

All business women of the church are invited to attend.

CHOIR TO BE BACK NEXT SUNDAY

It is always a pleasure to have the choir back after their well deserved vacation. Mrs. Steed, director, is calling choir practice for Thursday evening. Miss Bossinger, organist, will also be back from her vacation.

All old members are urged to be present and others interested in choir work will please call Mrs. Steed, 4-6564.

CONGRATULATIONS

Thomas T. Ramsey, 412 W. 17th, made the highest grade among 17 persons in a civil service examination and has been appointed one of two new assistant bank examiners. He will begin his new position on Friday of this week. Mr. Ramsey is an usher, a Sunday School teacher and a member of our Board. He carries with him congratulations and best wishes of the entire membership.

NEW MEMBERS

We are glad to welcome into the fellowship of Winfield Church Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Eugene Holt and Mrs. Holt's mother, Mrs. Leila Hallman, of 701 South Maple who joined last Sunday.

OUR SYMPATHY

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Mr. Alonzo Dallas, and other members of the family, on the death of his mother, Mrs. A. L. Dallas of Vilonia, who died in Little Rock on Wednesday of last week. She was buried at Vilonia.

ABOUT OUR MEMBERS

Miss Flora Ferrill, who was in Trinity Hospital as the result of an automobile accident last Thursday, has been removed to her home, 2422 Gaines.

Mrs. E. D. Irvine, Misses Lois and Mabel, and Mary Vincent Terry returned last week from a summer spent at their cottage in New York on the St. Lawrence river.

Dr. and Mrs. Paul Day and family will return this week after a summer spent in Colorado.

Mrs. T. B. Wilson, 515 Arkansas-Missouri Highway, Park Hill, is in St. Vincent's Hospital, following an operation last Saturday.

Miss Janet Burroughs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Burroughs, and Kenneth Alexander McGee were married May 13. They are now living at 210 State.

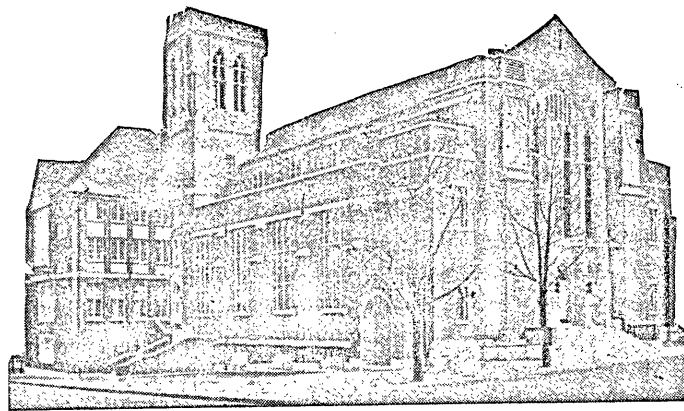
REMINDER TO FELLOWSHIP-WEEK WORKERS

All who have agreed to make calls next week are asked to remain after the morning service next Sunday and have lunch together in Fellowship Hall. Assignments will be made and workers will start out about 1:30 to make their calls.

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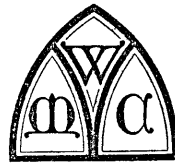
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Church School Attendance

Last Sunday	335
A year ago	396

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

	On	Pres.	Time	Cont.	St. Ch.
Y. P.	31	25	12	20	
Senior	28	19	13	18	
Jr. High	44	30	28	25	
Ashby	9				
Brothers	7			4	
Buzbee	29				
Bullington	15			9	
Carmichael	11				
Bowen	7				
Jenkins	17	16		10	
Hinton	31		25	27	

YOUNG PEOPLE TO HAVE FULL DAY SUNDAY

Members of the Young People's Department will devote the early part of Sunday afternoon to visiting among all young people of the church, as their part of the Fellowship Week program. At 5 o'clock the group will meet at the church to drive to Ferncliff where recreation, a supper, and a vesper service will be held.

MANY PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS FROM WINFIELD

As school opens this month about 40 of our Winfield people will assume their duties in the public schools, as clerk, teacher or principal. Winfield members also teach in the School for the Blind, the School for the Deaf and the Arkansas Medical School. Our congratulations and best wishes to this fine group.

SPECIAL MEETING WEDNESDAY EVENING

A supper meeting of all Fellowship Week visitors (those who have made all their calls as well as those who have not) will be held Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock in Fellowship Hall. Reports will be made and a special skit written for the occasion will be given by members of Winfield's Curtain Club.

PLEASE SEND WHAT YOU CAN NOW

If your pledge is not paid to date and you cannot send it all now, please send in what you can. We are starting in the last quarter before Conference and three-fourths of all pledges should be paid by this time. If you have not made a pledge, won't you send in as much as you can now? Let's put our church FIRST.

POEM FOR THE WEEK

"Let none hear you idly saying,
"There is nothing I can do,"
While the souls of men are dying,
And the Master calls for you;
Gladly take the task He gives you;
Let His work your pleasure be;
Answer quickly when He calleth,
'Here am I, send me, send me'."
—Samuel T. Senter.

LOOKING TOWARD HOME-COMING DAY

Sunday, Sept. 19th, will be home-coming day in Winfield—both in the services in the sanctuary and in the church school. More about it in next week's paper. In the meantime, keep the date in mind and plan to be present.

NEXT SUNDAY AT WINFIELD

- 10:00 A. M. Church School for all age groups
- 11:00 A. M. "What Must the Church Do To Be Saved?"—Gaston Foote
- 5:00 P. M. Members of Senior and Young People's League leave for vesper service to be held at Ferncliff

Next Week Is Fellowship Week In Winfield

Beginning next Sunday, September 12, and lasting until Homecoming Day, September 19, an effort will be made to call upon every resident member of Winfield Church, in an effort to know each other better and to create a greater interest in the entire program of the church.

How Many Do You Know?

How many of Winfield's 2100 members do you know? Probably only a comparatively small number. Yet there are many others whom you would like to know and who would like to know you. And even in a city church as large as Winfield it is possible for members to know each other when every one helps.

More than 160 members have agreed to make friendly calls upon other members. Workers will lunch together after the morning service next Sunday, and will start out about 1:30 to make their calls. It is hoped that those members who are not making the calls will remain at home. Calls that cannot be made on Sunday will be made during the week. If the church does not have your correct address, please 'phone it in right away.

At the first meeting of the Business Women's Circle last fall, in two instances members who had not known each other found that they lived in the same block. Another was heard to say after an introduction, "It is worthwhile coming just to get acquainted with my neighbors."

A friendly church, where members know each other and work together, can accomplish much. May Fellowship Week be so filled with friendliness and personal interest that its influence may long be felt in the spiritual life of the church.