

The Sunday School Survey.

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SLOGAN:

"Conservation of Childhood--the Patriotic Duty of the Hour."

AIM:

A Reconsecrated Home Life.
Increased Efficiency in the Sunday School.
Maximum Results from Religious Education.

THE WORK OF THE ORGANIZED CLASSES.

Conservation is the cry of the hour. Not only conservation in the way to saving every possible penny or scrap of bread or meat, but conservation of energy and the proper use of every potentiality. Wheat must be saved, meat must be used wisely, coal must not be wasted, money must be expended judiciously and wisely, energy must be directed to the highest point of efficiency.

Apropos of the above trite observations what are we as Bible classes going to make the world a better place in which to live? What are we doing to relieve the misery and suffering on all sides of us? What are we doing to furnish consolation in these times of sorrow? Are we doing anything? Are we harnessing our steam, directing our efforts, expending our energies wisely and well? If not, why not? These are the pertinent questions that arise and will not down. The institution or organization that does not justify its existence is one that will be ignored and forgotten and rightly so.

The Wesley Bible Class doubtless is not fulfilling the mission that it ought to fill. There are undeveloped resources that for lack of leadership, foresight, energy and grace, are being allowed to remain unused in a time that needs our best. Still there are many that are at work. The page is not all dark. Scores of letters lie on the Secretary's desk which reveal the fact that many of our class are at work and that theirs is no inconsiderable contribution to the sum total of the good that is being done in our Churches. We are giving a few of these classes below:

The Wesley Philathea class of Dunn, Mrs. T. L. H. Young, teacher, is making quite a remarkable record as a server of its day and generation. It in addition to the regular work of the class, is taking charge of the Home Department of that school, clothing an orphan, has a share in an evangelistic campaign in China, sends flowers to the sick, and is in charge of the Teacher Training Work. It furnishes regular teachers to the Sunday-school. What a force for good!

The Church Helpers of Sanford, Mrs. T. R. Moffit, teacher, clothes an orphan, gives money to the orphanage, attends to the sick and gave \$50.00 special to the Church last year.

The Win One Class of Jonesboro, Mrs. J. L. Carrington, teacher, in addition to regular work, is helping build extra Sunday-school rooms to the Church.

The Pathfinders of Calvary, Durham, Rev. L. D. Hayman, teacher, are helping to pay off the Church debt.

The Wesley Baraca of St. Paul's, Goldsboro, Mr. D. C. Cogdell, teacher, raised about \$200.00 last year and is keeping a tubercular soldier at Montrose.

The Junior Wesley of Front Street, Burlington, Mrs. W. F. Dailey, teacher, raised nearly \$100

last year for special purposes. They are engaged in definite work to arouse interest in the Sunday-school.

The Wesleyan Bible Class of Centenary, New Bern, Mrs. L. M. Hendren, teacher in addition to helping support an orphan, has furnished Bibles for the soldiers.

The Barnes Wesley Class of Smithfield, Mrs. T. M. Lassiter, teacher, is taking teacher training helping the Red Cross, orphanage, and paying Church debt.

The Wesley Class of Carthage, Mr. T. B. King, teacher, has raised \$100.00 and is engaged in work at the County Home.

The Philathea-Wesley of Raeford Mrs. R. Cockman teacher, has raised \$150.00 and is visiting the sick, holding cottage prayer meetings, and placing literature in homes that cannot attend Sunday-school.

The Pathfinders of Trinity Church, Camden Circuit, Mrs. Mattie Poole Burnham, teacher, has raised \$150.00 is paying for a new piano, and doing charity work.

The Willing Workers of Swensonville, Mrs. M. J. McFarland, teacher, is assisting in putting folding doors between the Sunday-school room and the main auditorium.

The Comrades Class of South Rocky Mount, Mrs. B. B. Slaughter, teacher, is assisting in painting the Church.

The Students Class of Chapel Hill Prof. Charles L. Raper, teacher, has raised \$200.00 for class rooms.

The Wesley Class of Dunn, Mr. D. H. Hood, teacher, has raised about \$200.00 this year and is constantly doing with their might whatever needs to be done.

The Earnest Workers of Cokesbury Church, Mrs. R. T. Spence, teacher, sends in the following unique report: "The men are farming trying to raise as much food stuff as they did before the boys went away. The women are raising vegetables, chickens, canning stuff, and sending boxes to the soldiers. Two members working for government."

Daughters of Wesley of Memorial, Durham, Miss Lillie Duke, teacher, has raised more than \$400.00, clothed one girl filled Christmas stockings, kept a loan closet for the sick from which were furnished sheets, pillow slips, towels, gowns, etc.

The Truth Seekers, Memorial, Durham, Mrs. W. W. Peele, teacher, takes collections for the poor, gives to the Salvation Army, sends Christmas boxes to Chinese children, and studies missions.

Scores of others report help for the orphanage. Surely this is applied religion. There are many hearts that are made happy by this strong working unit of the Church. We ought to thank God and take courage. Brother, sister, is your class at work? If not, then give it something to do. Only by doing can we ever learn. Only by practicing Christianity can we ever learn. Only by practicing Christianity can we ever become perfect.

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