YES WE'LL SAY THE GANG WAS ALL THERE

And There With Goods as Well as Eats When Students Wesley Bible Class of City Road Methodist Church Held Their Annual Banquet on Thursday Night

"Hail, Hail, the Gang's All Here,' sang the Students Wesley Bible Class of City Road Sunday school, as the doors of the banquet hall in the annex were thrown open for the guests to enter Thursday evening.

With such a welcome, formality was laid aside, and the fun began. It was the annual banquet of the class of which Mrs. N. H. O'Neal is president, and G. F. Seyffert is teacher. There is a membership of 68 and they are such workers that when the pastor or the Sunday school superintendent of City Road want a task accomplished they have got the habit of just telling Mrs. O'Neal, and presto, pretty soon it's done. Mrs. O'Neal told of some of the class's accomplishments in a brief after dinner speech, but between the applause of the entire crowd and the songs of the cheer committee she did not have a chance to tell it adequately. Mrs. Daniel Lane also spoke of the fine work the class is doing.

The pastor, Rev. Daniel Lane, was called upon to respond to the toast, "Our Ladies," and spoke so appreciatively that when Mrs. G. F. Seyffert whose subject was "Man" was called upon, she hadn't the heart to deliver her speech. However, it was very clever, if not altogether eulogistic, and here it is:

The mule he is a gentle beast,
So is man;
He's satisfied to be the least,
So is man.
Like man he may be taught some tricks,
He does his work from seven till six,
The mule when he gets mad he kicks;
So does man.

The mule is sometimes kind and good;
So is man.
He eats all kinds of breakfast food;
So does man.
Like man he does not yearn for style,
But wants contentment all the while,
The mule he has a lovely smile;
So does man.

The mule he has a load to pull;
So does man.
He's happiest when he is full;
So is man.
Like man he's glad when his day's work's done,
So he can skip and hop and run,
The mule he's often full of fun;
So is man.

The mule he has his faults 'tis true,
So does man;
He does some tricks he should not do,
So does man.
Like man he balks at gaudy dress,
And all out-landish foolishness,
The mule is accused of muleishness;
So is man.

Mrs. M. W. Davenport's theme was "Our Guests" and these she welcomed in a very happy way, and Mrs. James Davis spoke on "Where to Take Hold."

Songs and stunts were interspersed throughout the evening and the delicious turkey dinner with all its pleasing accompaniments stood no chance of not being digested with all that laughter and jollity.

W. S. Overman demonstrated the class motto, "In union there is strength," by trying to find a man in the crowd who could break a bundle of small sticks which he had securely tied together. Mrs. Brandon Davis demonstrated ten different kinds of smiles, Paul Thompson ten laughs, and Mrs. Casper Lamb ten kinds of handshakes. One of the most convulsing stunts of all was when Kennedy Davis and Miss Esther Woodley were blindfolded and told to feed each other with a spoon from a bowl of crackercrumbs.

The secretary, Mrs. James M. Hill, read a letter from Rev. H. E. Meyers, former pastor, expressing regret that he could not attend the banquet this year.

Dr. N. H. D. Wilson, pastor of the First Methodist Church, and Presiding Elder C. B. Culbreth were called upon and each spoke words of encouragement for the work of the class, the Sunday school and the church.

The ladies prepared and served the delicious feast, decorated the banquet hall with flowers, candles, flags, and made the pretty George Washington place cards, besides looking out for the entertainment and comfort of their guests and getting off the delightful program, and the guests were not surprised that such a fine spirit of work and co-operation had made a name for the Students Wesley Bible Class of City Road Church.

DAILY AUTOMOBILE SPECIAL FOR MOTOR CAR FREIGHT

Atlanta, Feb. 29.—(By The Consolidated Press) —Automobile shipments to Atlanta for Southeastern distribution have become so heavy that the Souhern railway has started a daily "Automobile Special," a through fast freight, from Cincinnati here. Special terminal facilities will be installed to handle the business.

Better Marketing Will Help

Statistician Finds That Manufacturing Is Going Into Agricultural Section of the Middle West

By ROGER W BABSON
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Babson Park, Fla., Feb. 29.—This is the fourth section of my report on general business conditions based upon my recent personal tour of investigation.

My finding for the north Mississippi states show Missouri leading with a gain of 16 per cent in crop value over last year; Nebraska coming next with a gain of 11 per cent; Minnesota third with a gain of 7 per cent; and South Dakota and Iowa each with a gain of 3 per cent. Kansas shows a loss of 6 per cent and North Dakota a loss of 36 per cent.

When in Minnesota recently I made a statistical analysis of each of the western central states, comparing sources of purchasing power and relative condition. It is generally understood that crops provide the major portion of the income of this section and that manufacturing plays a relatively small part. In general this is true but the increase in manufacturing has been very rapid recently and our old conceptions must be corrected if we are to think constructively regarding this section. In North Dakota I find that 95 per cent of its purchasing power comes from agriculture. At the other extreme Missouri secures 52 per cent of its purchasing power from this source. The other states rank as follows: South Dakota, 94 per cent; Nebraska, 82 per cent; Iowa, 79 per cent; Kansas, 70 per cent; and Minnesota, 57 per cent from agriculture. These figures indicate that there is more diversification of income in this section than was ordinarily supposed.

Analyzing the situation a bit further we uncover another mistaken impression. I find that business men in other parts of the country, at least, discuss this section as 'the wheat country' and talk as though they assumed that wheat was the most important crop if not the greatest source of income. From an agricultural standpoint the figures on the relative importance of this crop are decidedly interesting. In North Dakota and Kansas only do we find it as the most important crop. In South Dakota, Nebraska, Iowa and Missouri corn provides a greater income and is more important to the prosperity of a local community. Analyzing the situation in Minnesota I find that wheat represents but 17 per cent of farm products, while 23 per cent is derived from hay, 22 per cent from corn, 13 per cent from oats and 25 per cent from miscellaneous products.

Judged on the basis of live stock production these states of the West Central Group divide themselves into two clearly defined groups. The income of Minnesota and the Dakotas is almost wholly bound up with dairying interests. In Nebraska, Kansas, Iowa and Missouri, however, I find the principal live stock income derived from eggs and chickens. It is apparent that the agricultural interests of all of these states are already practicing diversified farming and it is high time that the

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Registered At Southern

Among those registered Thursday at the Southern Hotel were: J. H. McWilliams, Norfolk; F. A. Webb, Charlotte; W. G. Taylor Jr., Richmond; Fred Etheridge, Norfolk; Fred A. Moore, Durham; Jomes A. Russell, Greensboro; H. Wallace Carver, Richmond; C .H. Ward, Hertford; and C. H. Wood, Norfolk.

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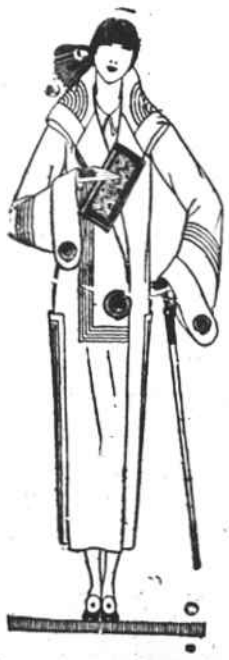

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