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## Hensley to Kansas City

William Hensley of Red Cloud, Nebraska, who has been working with the Kansas City churches on the regular radio broadcast, as well as aiding in meetings in that area, has been secured to continue that work throughout the entire year of 1946. It has been announced by the elders. Bro. Hensley will be available for assistance to weak churches in that area in development work and short meetings during the year. His present arrangement will conclude on April 1, after which he will carry out his regular schedule of meetings for the next eight months before returning to resume the Kansas City work. Brethren have not as yet made definite arrangement as the radio broadcasting speaker for the remainder of 1946 and may use various brethren from Kansas City and the nearby Missouri area.

## Western News Encouraging

News from the west coast area is especially encouraging these days to brethren who have an interest in the brotherhood as a whole. Excellent work is being done by Wilbur Storm, Lloyd Riggs, Walter Weekly, George Robinson, and others who are faithful to the book. Bro. Robinson is also doing a fine job of reporting accomplishments in the "News From The Western States." We feel that everyone would be benefitted by receiving, reading and studying this monthly paper. Your dollar sent to 5425 Shattuck Avenue, Oakland, 9, California will assure you good reading all through 1945!

**COMPLIMENTARY:** Mrs. E. F. Davis of Brookfield says, "I'm sending money for the Messenger for another year, for we like and enjoy it so much. We also received Brother Zerr's books and think they are grand, and Bro. Carl, we surely enjoy listening to your good sermons at Eureka, and hope to bear you again sometime" (Thanks a million, Sister Davis, WCK).

## AtTRACTive Tracts On Hand

We have the following tracts on hand at present. Some are in very limited quantity, as you will see. If you are especially interested in mission work during the coming year, we suggest you order now. There will be no reprints.

"Did You Know?" 500 copies  
"Five Reasons Why" 750 copies  
"Human Ostriches"  
"Dead Flies"

These are all three-color jobs, and folders. The price is \$5.50 per 500 - or \$10 per 1000 in any mixture.

## W.G.R. Birthday Celebration

A number of members and friends gathered in to help Bro. W. G. Roberts celebrate his 76th birthday, at Hammond, Ill. They brought lots of good things to eat, and in his characteristic manner, W. G. told them it was nice to bring the preacher and his wife lots of good eats, but rather mean of them to sit down and eat them all up before leaving. Since his favorite cake is angel food, Sister Patrick baked him a good one as she does every year. He informed her that she would only have to bake about 24 more. Bro. and Sister Roberts were feeling fairly well as the year drew to a close. We hope all will continue to remember these faithful ones in your prayers and in their need. Don't forget that faith without your works is dead!

## New Sermon Book

Shortly after February 1, the new booklet of radio sermons by W. Carl Ketcherside, will be ready for mailing. Thirteen sermons on the government and discipline of the body is the content of this new 55 page book, the title of which is "Clean Churches". The price is 35c per copy or three for one dollar. Order yours now and it will be mailed as soon as released.

## Harris In Bible Reading

The church in Springfield, Mo. has arranged a twelve weeks Bible Reading, starting February 4th. The study will be directed by Roy Harris of Brixey, Mo., and all who can are urged to attend this Biblical investigation under such a capable teacher. Board and room will be arranged among the members as much as possible. Present plans call for night sessions only with a development program each Sunday afternoon. The Messenger commends the church at Springfield for this forward-looking move and trusts that every other church in Missouri will follow their example. Those who would like to attend are asked to write: Edward Buttram, 1157 N. Rogers Ave., Springfield, Missouri.

## Ballenger Leaves Hospital

We received word that W. E. Ballenger who had been hospitalized for further observation in Kansas City, had been permitted to return to the home of his daughter in Independence. He is not at all well however, and it is conceded by Brother Ballenger that he will probably never be able to preach again. He has the assurance that he stood unflinchingly for the truth as it is in Christ while he could be active. Many in this brotherhood today have been immersed into Christ at his hands. Our sincere prayers are that God will bless him and his loved ones in the trying days that lie ahead.

## Just Think. . . .

A religion easy to hide is easy to lose.  
Doubt and worry dig more graves than disease.  
Be content with what you have rather than with what you are.  
It is easier to succeed than to explain why you failed.  
Being good only on Sunday is bad.  
Life makes some men bitter and others better.  
To really weather life's storms - stay calm!

## Saint Louis Bible Reading

The winter session of the Saint Louis Reading began promptly at nine o'clock on January 1. After enrollment, the general outline of the Bible was given, followed by a study of the text. Out-of-city students present included the following: MISSOURI, Lloyd Cochran, Summersville, Arvel Watts, Flat River; Otis and Earl Crandell, Salem, Hubert James, Almartha; Mary Beth Shepherd, Flat River; and Ruby Lee Landes, Kansas City. INDIANA, Robert Whalen, Anderson. IOWA, Darrell Foltz, Lamon, KANSAS, Clifford Delster and Beatrice Peary, Topeka. ILLINOIS, Kenneth Bundy, Cooksville. There were 36 present for the first day session. Public speaking classes are held each afternoon and interesting trips are being arranged for the class. A noon luncheon was served on Dec. 31st to all out-of-town visitors, by the Young Married Peoples' Class, after which a tour of Forest Park was made. Ladies of the churches will serve dinner each Thursday.

## Baldwin At Brixey

Through kindness of Jack Young and family, Bro. J. H. Baldwin of Lillian Avenue Church, Saint Louis, recently was taken to Brixey, Missouri for a short meeting with the small congregation at that place. Assemblies were held nightly in the schoolhouse, and the Bible was taught, and the gospel preached with force and power. Good reports of an enjoyable season of spiritual refreshing have reached us, and we congratulate Brixey on their ability to have with them this faithful teacher of the Book. Bro. Baldwin knows the Word of the Lord and delights to tell others about its contents.

**BRIDAL SHOWER:** Given by Sister Beulah Williams, St. Joseph, complimentary to Mary Ellen Terry and Acel Maples, on Dec. 12. The next morning Mary Ellen left for Oakland, Calif., as Acel is with the Navy, stationed at Shoemaker, Calif., having just returned from two years overseas service.

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Dedicated to the task of arousing churches in this state and elsewhere to a greater zeal in mission work, and assist in developing the talents of all to be used to the glory of God.

### MESSENGER NOW STREAMLINED

Following the modern style of journalism, the Missouri Mission Messenger, presents herewith the new streamlined edition which will be characteristic from henceforth. It will permit your easy grasp of events in the state, and enable us to give you a lot more news; there is a great deal taking place in Missouri just now, and lots more just around the corner. We are therefore cutting out a lot of happenings which are purely of local interest, and stepping up news that is of general and even worldwide interest, since the paper now goes to almost 100 service men each month in all parts of the globe. There will be a Servicemen's column and contrary to our past method of just reporting Missouri happenings, there will also be a column of "What's Doing In The Churches?" We hope to present helpful articles from time-to-time and use more pictures and illustrations as income permits. The paper has a small circulation but is self-supporting! We want to keep it that way. It is essentially a newspaper, and will not encroach on either the Macedonian Call or the News of Western Churches. As a matter of fact, if you can take only two papers, we prefer that you take the other two, for they give you helpful articles on Christian living! Our price is still one dollar per year.

"Whatever merit there is in anything that I have written is simply due to the fact that when I was a child my mother daily read me a part of the Bible and daily made me learn a part of it by heart".

- John Ruskin

### Service Until Midnight

The annual New Year's eve service was held at Manchester Avenue Church in Saint Louis, continuing until midnight. Featured were a sermon by W. Carl Ketcherside, talks by E. M. Smith, Robert Morrow, and Elmer Scott, representing the three Saint Louis churches, and also short addresses by local and visiting brethren. The motto of the meeting was "How To Keep The Church Alive in 1945." Special prayers were offered for all servicemen, and later for those whom the audience requested to be remembered. Bible Drills were conducted for the children and young people, and a Bible Quiz was furnished for edification of all in the audience. W. Carl Ketcherside acted as master of ceremonies, and more than 150 persons stayed for the entire service which closed with the singing of "Take Time To Be Holy" and a prayer as the New Year came in.

Kansas City churches also held service of like nature at 26th and Spruce Streets Church, but details were lacking as we went to press. Wilford Landes, delivered the major discourse there.

### Macedonian Call is Good

Perhaps the December issue of the Macedonian Call was one of the most significant that has ever been put out. Many brethren giving it a casual survey will miss the important trend that is chronicled. We urge you to go back and pick it up and read it again carefully. We predict that Brother Sommer will keep us informed as to the drift of the "college brethren"—some back home, others toward sectarianism. Why not subscribe now so you'll not miss an issue? Send to D. A. Sommer, 918 Congress, Indianapolis, Indiana.

### Children Will Tell

The minister, awaiting the appearance of the lady of the house spoke to the little girl standing nearby: "What is that, my little dear?"

"My apron," replied the little girl. "I'm goin' to put it in the wash. Mamma got it all dirty."

"She did?"

"Yee sir; she grabbed it up just now to dust off the Bible".

"It is impossible to enslave mentally or socially a Bible-reading people. The principles of the Bible are the groundwork of human freedom". - Horace Greeley

Lots of blunt words have sharp edges.

## OUR MEN IN SERVICE

### From Cecil Munger

(Des Moines)

"I have been receiving the Messenger lately, and reading through the last issue, saw an article by Alna Suddeth, so thought I would acknowledge my paper. By coincidence, Alna and I were home on leave at the same time. For the past few months I have been taking training at Oceanside, California in a Beach Battalion which is a non-combatant unit in the Amphibs. I have also received news of Wester Churches and The Service Tie as well as some sermons from the Kansas City broadcast. I've been meeting with the church at Long Beach and am encouraged at having this privilege, as it doesn't too often happen in our country's service. The Navy says we are going to sail soon, so my plans for a Christmas leave are cancelled, as I'll probably be overseas at the time." (Editor: Since receiving the above, notice has come to change your address! If you are on your way, God bless you, and hurry back Cecil! Let us hear from you again.)

### From Woodrow Ball

(Lillian Ave., St. Louis)

"I'll try to tell you something about this place, but can't say a lot. This island was formerly a coconut and rubber plantation, so in between meals we run out and pick up coconuts. Since this is a coral isle, the rocks are very sharp, but we manage to swim in the ocean occasionally. They really have beautiful fish and scenery here and there is a dense jungle about a quarter of a mile from us. Three other fellows and I went into it and got lost for about two hours, so never again. There is a lot of papaya which tastes like muskmelon, bananas, pineapples and other stuff. Also there are a number of natives here. We used to trade with them but cannot do so now. It is pretty cool here now, comparatively speaking, for the temperature dropped to 110 degrees last night. Really though there are times when we sleep under a blanket. Mosquitoes aren't bad but there are lots of coconut bugs, which are somewhat like small ants. Too, there are lizards galore and coral snakes.

This was a hot spot when we took over. They buried the Japs with a bulldozer in big piles. We

still run across lots of bones. Tell the folk at church to write. Letters are more important than anything else to us out here. I'm a feature writer on the A. R. O. W. paper now, besides my regular job. I have a pet, a flying fox. He's really a baby and cute; has a face like a dog with bright eyes and sharp teeth, otherwise is like a bat. He likes for us to scratch his neck and stomach, feed him milk (dehydrated) and apple. We also have trapped a couple of wild pigs, which we intend to barbecue for Christmas.

Guess I'd better close, but be sure and answer. Tell everyone hello at church, and tell Nell and Carl I get the paper from church regularly. We have church services here each Sunday under the palm trees. It is really beautiful.

(Editor: The above interesting notes are from a letter written to Jerry and Sharon Sue Ketcherside. We would appreciate additional descriptive matter for this Servicemen's Column!)

-V-

Sister Vada Carr has returned to St. Joseph after a visit with Bro. Carr on the west coast, while Sister Lucille (Terry) Nickerson has left the same city to be with her husband now stationed in the west coast area. Turn about is fair play, St. Joe!

-V-

Lt. Lynn R. Klunnamon, whom I baptized while he was at Washington University, St. Louis, in the air corps, sends greetings from Italy.

MELE KALIKIMAKA and HA-UOLI MAKAHIKI HOU! That is not a misprint as you first thought. It's just "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year" from Henry R. Johnson, stationed in Hawaii. Henry's home congregation is Sullivan, Illinois.

Herbert Cassell, who is stationed at Spokane, Wash., spent his furlough in the Kansas City area. He was accompanied by his wife.

### Mortgage Cancellation

We salute the church at 59th and Kenwood on their accomplishments in a financial way. They purchased the fine church building in which they now meet, fixed it up in nice shape both exterior and interior, and are now about to pay out on their entire obligation. The church first met in a private house remodeled, then in an abandoned school building. The brethren have made excellent progress in Kansas City, and we are rejoicing with them in the fact that their financial load is now about to be lifted.

**THE BIBLE**

"Born in the east and clothed in Oriental form and imagery, the Bible waiks the ways of all the world with familiar feet and enters land after land to find its own everywhere. It has learned to speak in hundreds of languages to the heart of man. Children listen to its stories with wonder and delight, and wise men ponder them as parables of life. The wicked and the proud tremble at its warnings, but to the wounded and penitent it has a mother's voice. It has woven itself into our dearest dreams; so that love, friendship, sympathy, devotion, memory, hope, put on the beautiful garments of its treasured speech. No man is poor or desolate who has this treasure for his own. When the landscape darkens, and the trembling pilgrim comes to the Valley named of the Shadow, he is not afraid to enter; he takes the Rod and Staff of Scripture in his hand; he says to friend and comrade, "Goodbye, we shall meet again," and confronted by that support, he goes toward the lonely pass as one who walks through darkness into light".

- Henry Van Dyke

**From Sunny California**

Here's the way Bob Sankey of Long Beach renews his subscription.

To the One who sent me this Dun:

Now why should I bother with the MMM? Don't we have good papers in California—where the sun always shines—almost; where the largest fish always get away; where the rain—we'll skip that! And besides all this, we have so many good Missourians we feel sorry for you folks back there. So I guess I'll change my mind and ask you to renew my sub.—ROBERT SANKEY.

(Editor: Thanks, Bob! A California dollar still passes for legal currency back here in the states. Glad to get one from you, but the address on your letter was quite blurred, where the rain hit it as you were taking it to the mailbox. Read the other day where four people drowned in the liquid sunshine for which California is famous. That's sad! Best wishes to all!)

Send us the names and addresses of soldiers who should receive books. We'll send them good reading material at once without cost or obligation. Stand behind our boys who stand for us!

**What's Doing in the Churches**

The WREN NEWS gave the Churches of Christ Broadcast a good writeup in their October 22 edition. It stated that the program had a personnel of 24, and until that time had printed 155,500 tracts for listeners and service men..... Winford Lee closed a fine meeting at Green Mound, in Kansas on Dec. 6, with five baptisms, four young men and the wife of one of them. Report says that church is awakening to more zeal and showing signs of real progress..... Kansas City brethren do not yet have their booklet in colors, "GOING HOME." It is expected off the press soon..... C. R. Turner preached in Chicago on December 24. with John Fleener to be there on January 14. That congregation sent substantial remembrances to Bros. Ballenger and W. G. Roberts at the holiday season. Others should do the same..... We extend sincere sympathy to relatives of Sister Laura Dunham of Jerseyville, Illinois. Funeral services were conducted for her by W. Carl Ketcherside, on December 26..... Bro. Harvey Carter says that the church at Charleston, Ill., needs a good meeting with an active brother to help stimulate their work..... Bro. Edgar Hoke, for years an elder at New Liberty church in Ill., has moved to Sullivan. He will be missed at his old home congregation, but Sullivan will be enriched by his attendance..... One added by membership transfer at Bicknell, Indiana on December 17, Bro. Bogle, my old Scotch friend was able to attend the service..... C. R. Turner closed at Hartford, Ill., on December 17. Four were added according to our latest report. Crowds were fair despite inclement weather..... Dale and Fave Anderson now live in Klamath Falls, Oregon. What a boost for that place. Dale was formerly manager of store department for the largest ranch in the world, at Thermopolis, Wyoming. Before that they lived in Chillicothe. They are true to the Book..... Shippenberg, Pennsylvania is corresponding with R. O. Webb about their work and Bro. C. J. Beidel wants to know if Johnny Rhodes is coming to that state since there is a rumor he may return to the preaching field with a year of labor in Pennsylvania. We hope that rumor is right..... Winford Lee is to labor with the faithful church at Vincennes, Indiana for

three months starting January 15. He will be assisted during the month of February by C. R. Turner..... The church at Bicknell, by F. A. Riley sends a check for \$100 to aid in the Vincennes mission effort. Bro. Ellis Crum also donated \$25 to that effort as did the church at Hartford, Ill..... W. Carl Ketcherside was in Topeka, Kansas on December 18 and 19, in business meetings and conferences with the brethren about their work for 1945. Wilford Landes goes there on February 1 to begin a work of nine months duration. All is planned and ready..... The church at Stull, Kansas is making preparations for appointment of elders and deacons soon. J. A. Freed has been assisting them as oversight in their work..... L. C. Roberts is moving to Jerseyville, Illinois on December 26. He will devote six months per year to mission work in that section..... Robert Brumback is conducting home Bible Readings, and using the radio in Bridgeport, Conn. He is doing a lot of personal work and orders tracts in color to assist in that type of endeavor..... The new address of the church at Nowata, Okla., is 136 Maple Ave. Approximately 35 brethren have been meeting in their homes for three years, but now have secured a good place as above. L. C. Roberts held a two weeks meeting and followed with a two weeks Bible Reading in Acts during November..... The meeting at Agra, Kansas was hindered by impassable roads the first week, but a good Bible drill with the young people was kept in progress just the same. L. C. Roberts also added in that meeting..... Hershel Ottwell recently closed a short period of development work with the church at Springfield, Ill. That church has a future, we predict..... J. Ed Uland (Indiana) sends for tracts to use in a meeting 11 miles out in the country at a mission point. He says he finds that they are very profitable to distribute, and useful in arousing interest..... Harold Shasteen has recently concluded a meeting at the church in Rippey, Iowa. He now resumes his program of labor in Des Moines..... Bill Hensley was with the church at Red Cloud, Nebraska over the holiday period.

"All human discoveries seem to be made only for the purpose of confirming more and more strongly the truths contained in the Sacred Scriptures".

- Sir William Herschel

**Harris Has Song Class**

The Manchester Avenue Church, Saint Louis, sponsored a one week course in vocal music taught by Roy Harris of Brixey, Mo. Three sessions were held daily starting December 25. Morning lessons were on rudiments of music, after noon classes on leadership development, while the night sessions concentrated on general instruction. Out-of-city students included Eulah Stanley, Glen Gonder and Donald Nolte of Carrollton, Mo., Norton Perry and Mary Hendron of Kansas City; Hubert James of Almartha, Mo.; Marlon Powell, Martinsville, Indiana, Ellis Crum, Linton, Indiana.; Norma Owens, Lyons, Ind., Jack Fleener, Amyth Fleener and Beverly Roberts, Decatur, Ill., and Ina Lee Smith of Brookport, Ill.

**New Testament Questions**

The present supply of this 434 page book, by E. M. Zerr, containing 16000 questions, is exhausted. The next books will come from the press on March 1, and be mailed out at that time! Since we want all of the congregations in this brotherhood to have advantage of this grand study course, we are asking each church to please announce that advance orders are now being taken for March delivery. We urge all who want to be sure of securing the largest book printed by this faithful brotherhood in years, to send immediately. If all orders for the church can be mailed to one brother for distribution, it will greatly help us in matters of wrapping, postage, etc. The extraordinarily low cost of \$2 per volume makes this a MUST in every library. Order TODAY!

**New Testament Questions**

The first thousand of Brother Zerr's books are coming from the bindery and are being placed in the mails as fast as orders are received. Work on the second thousand will begin after January 1. The first edition consists of two thousand books. These are real library volumes, containing 434 pages and 16,000 questions on the New Testament. It is our hope that brethren may get behind the move to put out books by faithful authors. The price on this book is amazingly low for a first edition, selling for only \$2 per copy. And that includes postage and shipping charges, which run into a tremendous figure on such a project as this. Order at once and your book will be mailed immediately.

# MISSOURI MISCELLANY

**RADIO DISCOVERY:** The St. Louis broadcast located a great aunt of W. Carl Ketcherside, who wrote to the station and got in touch with Carl, who never remembered having heard of her. She was originally Sophia Hansen (now Mrs. J. N. Hartsell) a sister of Larsen Peter Hansen, grandfather of Carl. She stated that she was a regular listener to the broadcast at her home in Dupon, Ill. The family all came from near Copenhagen, Denmark and are members of the German and Danish Lutheran faith, into which Carl was sprinkled when a baby!

**DEVELOPMENT WORK:** After a two weeks meeting at Lamine, Bernell Weems remained two months and taught a Bible Reading each Wednesday night and a development class each Friday night. Boys and young men were taught to read, pray, wait on the Lord's table, etc. Much improvement was noted, and the work of Bible teaching will be continued by Talmage Weekly. Although there were no additions during the meeting two young mothers have taken their stand with the church since. Pretty good for a country church, isn't it?

**DISCIPLINE:** O. C. Tee (lawyer of Hamilton) says, "There's much need for teaching on the subject 'Discipline In The Church' and I am glad to hear of the apparent progress of your series of radio sermons on that timely subject."

**TRACT CAMPAIGN:** A systematic campaign has been worked out by the church at Gallatin to thoroughly cover that town with tracts. They will use 2000 tracts (four different ones of 500 each) purchased from the Missouri Messenger. In connection with these printed announcements of the Kansas City broadcast will be put out. We call that mission work! Let'er go, Gallatin!

**FUNERAL SERVICES:** For Bro. Mark Claussen of Springfield, who passed from this life on Dec. 1, were conducted by Wilford Landes, at the Lohmeyer Funeral Home in Springfield.

**AMONG THE SICK:** Brethren are asked to remember in their prayers, the following, who are sick:

James Simpson, aged member at

Webster Groves, unable to attend services due to a stroke.

Claude Young, Manchester Ave., St. Louis, returned to Deaconess Hospital, after having been unable to walk for many months due to back injury.

Lieut. Henry Boren, wounded in action, now confined to a hospital in England. Lived at Springfield, Ill., after working in St. Louis for sometime.

Glenda Mann, small daughter of Bro. Orville Mann, Manchester Avenue, St. Louis, in Missouri Baptist Hospital, for appendectomy.

Dorothy Goodwin, Manchester Avenue, St. Louis, in Deaconess Hospital, for serious major operation.

Alice Chranford, aged member Lillian Avenue, St. Louis, unable to be with the church because of a partial amputation, and later complications.

**MEETINGS:** 26th and Spruce, Kansas City, conducted by Wm. Hensley, of Red Cloud, Nebraska. Closed Nov. 26, with 2 baptisms and 1 by membership.

Nevada, Missouri, conducted by Wilford Landes, three weeks, closing December 17. No visible results reported.

**DIED:** J. J. Hogan, Kansas City, Dec. 17, age 70. Funeral service at Newcomer's Chapel conducted by Glenn Ellis, and Wm. Hensley. Burial at Sedalla, Brother Hogan's former home.

**NEW FRANKLIN:** There's no church yet at this town near Boonville, but recently Bernell Weems (Manchester Ave., St. Louis) covered the place with tracts. Now, Talmage Weekly, of Lamine is promising to go over the territory again twice more, and if possible to get together a group of folk for a Bible Study once per week like the one Talmage is conducting with the Lamine church on Sunday nights. We call that real mission work! Keep it up!

**PREACHING:** William Hensley will be at 59th and Kenwood, Kansas City, on Dec. 31. Glenn Ellis spoke these both times on December 24. Bro. Hensley will be at Richmond, on January 21.

W. Carl Ketcherside spoke at 26th and Spruce, December 20, on the subject "Strangers and Pilgrims." The next night he was at 59th and Kenwood on the topic,

"Increase By Arithmetic."

Tom Booth and Sam Lawing of Kenwood Avenue Church were at Richmond on October 29. Glenn Ellis of Spruce street Church spoke there on November 26, on the subject, "The Trying Of Your Faith."

Brethren Gibson, Kepley, Sell, Williams and Terry have been commended for their edifying and well prepared talks at 20th and Highly, St. Joseph.

W. Carl Ketcherside was with Webster Groves on Dec. 24, in the morning service and at Flat River that night. He spoke at Manchester Avenue in St. Louis on December 31, in the morning on "Learning How To Hate" and at night on "Standing At The Crossroads."

L. C. Roberts was at St. Joseph for two services on December 2 and 3. He spoke at Flat River, morning of Dec. 24, on "The Pass-over."

Henry Mabery was at Festus, Dec. 24, for morning service. His topic, "That's A Fact."

Charles Simms preached at Flat River, on December 31.

Roy Harris was with the Manchester Ave. church in St. Louis, Dec. 24.

Wilford Landes spoke at 26th and Spruce Sts., Kansas City, on December 31. His morning topic was, "I Am Resolved."

James Truitt was with the Gallatin church on December 17. Harold Hays preached there on January 7.

**OWNS A TOWN:** Most persons would be happy to own a house but Ray Hunt, of Webster Groves congregation has bought the whole town of Dawt, Missouri. It contains a mill, store, post office and one dwelling. Ray will manage the affairs of the entire "city."

**WANTED:** Sister Anna Belle McDaniels of Summersville, Mo., wants to purchase three or four copies of the book "Ship of Zion." If you have any to sell, get in touch with her at once.

**BIBLE STUDIES:** Hershel Ottwell for two weeks at the church in Ellington. Closes January 7.

W. Carl Ketcherside, at Saint Louis, 7121 Manchester Avenue, starting January 1, continuing for six weeks. Sessions daily 9 a. m. to 2:30 p. m. with an hour of development work in the afternoon.

Three night services each week on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday.

**MARRIED:** Dorothy Booth and Billy Fenton, of Kansas City, December 15 at 59th and Kenwood Church. Ring service read by Bro. Fred Fenton, father of the groom. The couple will reside at Ottawa, Kansas.

Grace Rhoton and Randal Whanger, of St. Louis, at Lillian Avenue church, in candlelight service, with ring ceremony read by W. Carl Ketcherside. After a brief visit at their respective parents' homes they will go to California to live.

## GOD'S SUNSHINE

Never once since the world began  
Has the sun ever stopped his shining;  
His face very often could not see,  
And we grumbled at his inconsistency,  
But the clouds were really to blame,  
Not he,  
For behind them he was shining.  
And so behind life's darkest clouds  
God's love is always shining;  
We veil it at times with our faithless fears,  
And darken our sight with our foolish tears;  
But in time the atmosphere always clears,  
And his love is always shining.

—John Oxenham

## RADIO PROGRAMS

### THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST BROADCAST



Station WREN 0250  
Every Sun. 1:00 P. M.  
Hear the Gospel  
In Word and Song

The  
**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
HOUR  
WTMV—1490 on the Dial  
2:05 p. m.—Each Sunday  
W. Carl Ketcherside  
Speaker