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#### EDITORIAL.

The readers of the ADVOCATE now have the Minutes of General Synod in their hands, and should have them read and the contents carefully considered. Every page is of interest to every member and adherent of the Church.

Whatever may be said about other matters, the needs of the Boards of the Church stand paramount. At the top of page 178 you will find the following resolutions passed at Synod after a carefull examination of the facts.

"Resolved, In view of the fact that the Foreign Board of Missions needs at least \$5,000, and the Home Board of Missions \$3,500, and Cedarville College \$3,500, a total of \$12,000, for all purposes for the year for these Boards. First, that our pastors bring these needs before their Sessions, Boards of Trustees, congregations and organizations of the congregations at the ear. liest opportunity and in the most convincing manner.

Second. That the pastors and their co-workers are hereby urged to take the needs of these Boards to God in earnest pray er and to use all tactful and diligent efforts to raise the largest sums possible for these Boards.

Third, That while they do not require, we suggest that it will require at least a quota of \$6. a member throughout our church to meet the needs of our three Boards.

With faith in God. belief in our cause, and confidence in our congregations, we submit through our Synod to them these resolutions." READ! THINK!! ACT!!!

The summer is passing away very fast and soon the short days and long nights will come. The season has been a peculiar one, but life is so full of pressing duties that the year is all but too short to accomplish our work. We need to all be up and doing while it is day, for the night cometh when no man can Especially is this true in the work of the church. us hear from you what you are doing.

In this issue of the ADVOCATE, we are giving some news of the work done to relieve the distress among the Greeks who have been made homeless during the disastrous wars in their native land during the past few years. The work is illustrated by pictures that will help in the understanding of the work.

An organization known as the "American Friends of Greece" with headquarters in Washington, D. C., is carrying on the relief work, and is worthy of all the help that the people of this country can give them. The idea is to furnish these destitute people work that they may earn their living rather than simply feed them and leave them in idleness. Plenty to do and pay for it makes people happy, while food, clothing and idleness, makes them more dependent and dissatisfied.

#### A NOTICE

The Pittsburgh R. P. Presbytery will meet in the R. P. Church, Fairview, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, on the second Tuesday of September, the eighth day of the month, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Sessional records will be examined at the meeting. ALEXANDER SAVAGE: Clerk.

#### OUR COLLEGE

The thirty-first year of our college at Cedarville, Ohio, closed June 5, 1925. The thirty-second year will open September 9, 1925.

The year just ended had the largest attendance in the history of the college. The enrollment of students was two hundred and twenty-eight. Students began registering for the coming year in the early Fall of 1924. The attendance next year will be a record breaker. The following places were represented in our student body: Ohio, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Michigan, Indiana, and Illinois, and England. There were twenty-two professors and instructors in the faculty. At least one more will be added next year.

A class of fifteen graduated from Cedarville College this year. Ten received the degree of Bachelor of Arts, namely: Nellie Cornelia Boase, Cedarville; Edith Avanelle Brigner. Cedarville; Pauline Collins, Cedarville; Lois Marie Cummings, Cedarville; George La Clede Markle, New Castle, Pa.; Ruth Gladys McPherson, Dayton, O.; Dorothy Rose Oglesbee, Cedarville; Robert Walker Taylor, Xenia, O.; William Howard Arthur, Cedarville; Carl E. Smith, Xenia, O.

Three graduated from the Preparatory Department: W. H. Arthur, Cedarville; Anne Elizabeth Ord, McKeesport, Pa., and Rev. Edwin C. Walley, Spring Valley, Ohio.

Two graduated from the Department of Music: Rosezella Harner, Xenia, Ohio, and Dorothy Oglesbee, Cedarville, Ohio, post-graduate course.

John Orr Stewart, Jr., of the Class of 1911 and Director of the Department of Music in the State Normal College, Richmond, Ky., received the honorary degree of Master of Arts.

Tuesday evening, May 19, the Junior Class tendered a banquet to the Senior Class and the Faculty at the Gray Manor, Dayton, Ohio.

Sabbath evening, May 31, the president of the college preached the baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class in the R. P. Church. His text was John 10:10: "I came that they might have life and that they might have it more abundantly." "The Contribution of Christ to Humanity" was the theme.

- I. The Purpose of Christ's Coming.
- II. The Nature of His Contribution.
  - 1. A Conquering Life.
  - 2. A Conciliatory Life.

- 3. A Co-operative Life.
- 4. A Complete Life.

Monday evening, June 1, the graduating class gave their play in the opera house. It was entitled "The Whole Town Is Talking." It was one of the best plays ever given in Cedarville, and to a crowded house.

Tuesday evening, June 2, the Faculty gave their annual reception to the graduating class. The students and Board of Trustees and alumni and other friends of the college were invited. The Spring Valley Orchestra furnished the music.

Wednesday afternoon, June 3, was Cedar Day. About two thousand people were present to witness the gymnastic exercises, the May pole drill, and the crowning of the queen, Miss Lois Cummings. The college baseball team and the alumni played the annual baseball game. The score stood 7 to 5 in favor of the college.

At 7.30 in the evening Dr. Talcott and the students of the Department of Music gave the second recital of the semester in the R. P. Church. The music department has grown so large that it was necessary to give two recitals this year instead of one.

Thursday, June 4, morning and afternoon, the Board of Trustees held their annual meeting in college hall. Besides the regular routine of business, they elected Grace Dolby, a graduate of Manchester College, Indiana, and a teacher of several years' experience to succeed Annie M. Tinker, resigned, in the Department of French and English. They gave the president of the college authority to select a secretary for the office of the college for the coming year. Inasmuch as January 2, 1926, ends the five years' period when the pledges are all due to the Building and Endowment Fund of the college, the Board empowered the Executive Committee to select and put into the field to gather contributions for the endowment a financial secretary on or before the early spring of 1926.

In the evening of the day the Alumni banquet was held in the R. P. Church parlors and dining room. Over one hundred were present. The Alumni at this meeting appointed a committee to co-operate with the financial secretary of the college in raising funds for the endowment of the college. The college now has a productive endowment of \$160,000 and must add \$340,000 to that amount in order to meet the demands of the Ohio State Association of Colleges and hold its place as a collegiate institution.

The tuition of the college was increased twenty dollars a year in order to meet the increasing expenses of the college. Even with this increase it will amount to only fifty dollars a year or twenty-five dollars each semester. That is much lower than in most other colleges.

Friday morning, June 5, was Commencement day. The invocation was offered by Rev. Dr. Crist, the Superintendent of the Springfield District of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The address of the occasion was made by Bishop William F. McDowell, Washington, D. C., of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The graduates were presented by Dean B. E. Robison. The degrees were conferred and the farewell address was given by the president of the college. The music was furnished by Miss Hodapp, soloist of the Westminster Presbyterian Choir of Dayton,Ohio, and by Kester's Orchestra of Xenia, Ohio. The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. William Wallace Iliffe, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Erie, Pa., and of the Class of '00.

The Class of '00 held their twenty-fifth anniversary Thursday, June 4, 1925, at Snyder Park, Springfield, Ohio.

At the recent meeting of the General Synod in Darlington, Pa., the re ort of the president of the college was cordially received and it was unanimously agreed upon to raise a sum of not less than \$3000 throughout our church this year to meet the needs of the current expenses of our college. This will be about \$1000 more than our congregations raised last year for the college. Never in its history has our college been at such a vantage point as now to accomplish a great work. Never have we had such united and enthusiastic co-orderation of the pastors and the congregations for the college. The generosity and liberality of our church to the college are marked and commendable. The college is entering upon the thirty-second year

of its history depending upon the pastors and congregations to raise the \$3000 voted at our last meeting of General Synod. We fully believe that you are willing to do it and that you will so plan your income and outlay that you can and will do it. A minimum of a few dollars from each member will raise the amount. The work is worthy of our most liberal support. With trust in you and confidence in God, because it is His work, let us all go forward to make our college bigger and better from year to year.

Cedarville College, Cedarville, Ohio, is our only Church college. It was opened thirty-one years ago the 19th of next September. The thirty-second year opens September 10 in the Chapel of College Hall at 9.30 A. M. The Rev. Mr. Stanton, D. D., pastor of the First M. E. Church, will make the opening address.

The outlook for students is fine. We are confidently expecting the largest Freshman class the college has ever had.

Miss Yula P. Lieving, a graduate of Marietta College, has just been chosen Registrar and Secretary of the Faculty for the coming year. Miss Lieving will teach as well as perform the above-named duties. She has the A. B. degree and is a member of the Phi Beta Kappa National Scholarship Society. She is scholarly and speaks French fluently. She is an active Sabbath School and Church worker.

Our budget for the coming year calls for \$3000 from our churches. The college will need every dollar of this amount. Will you lay by in store as the Lord has prospered and does prosper you and remember as liberally as you possibly can Cedarville College in your contributions.

#### **OUR SEMINARY**

The 116th year of our seminary came to a close May 19, 1925, in the R. P. Church. Eight students were in attendance

last year. Four of them gave specimens of improvement. Rev. George LaClede Markle, of New Castle, Pa., completed the course. The Superintendents, Rev. Thomas Whyte, Third Church, Philadelphia; L. A. Benson, D. D., Clay Center, Kansas, and D. H. Hammond, Fairview, Pa., were in attendance at the close of the seminary and passed upon the work of the faculty and the students for the year. It was unanimously agreed to, both by the Superintendents and our General Synod, that in view of the dearth of students for the ministry in our own church, special prayers be offered and efforts put forth to encourage young men to attend our seminary and prepare for the ministry of the Gospel in our own church. Aid for ministerial students was increased from \$100 to \$150 a year. The next session of our seminary will open September 9, 1925.

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#### AMERICAN FRIENDS OF GREECE

An organization operating on practical Christian principles.

The American Friends of Greece, seeking constructive lines of help for the refugees in Greece, found a number who had skill in hand-weaving and embroidery. Shops were established and at once women and girls began to earn their own livelihood.

In the development and standardization of this work many quaint designs have been found and their symbolic forms traced back to ancient art and sculpture. These symbolic forms are being adapted to the modern product now employing many of the refugee women and children.

A collection of sixteen rare pieces of ancient embroidery ranging in age from one hundred to five hundred years has just been received at the Washington headquarters of the American Friends of Greece. These pieces were forwarded by Jane Gray Carter, Professor of Hunter College, now traveling and studying in Greece. Among these wonderfully beautiful and strangely embroidered articles possibly the most attractive is a Byzantine piece about five hundred years old. Where it was made is not certain but probably it came from the Island of Cephalonia. This piece is about one-quarter of the original which was used to cover the communion cup. Part of the Byzantine Cross remains in fragment shown in the tabbered blue and red embroidery as a center of the whole piece.

To the ordinary eye these embroideries are rare and beautiful—no more. The trained eye of the connoisseur reads in them fossil history of domestic and religious life and is able to establish dates and reconstruct whole periods. Five hundred years from now in studying ancient embroideries the connoisseur may be able to trace the influence of the refugees from Asia Minor upon the ancient forms of embroidery in the employment of Grecian Art and tell much of the story of the work done in behalf of these sufferers.

Before being placed in a museum, this rare collection of ancient embroideries will be exhibited in a number of leading colleges and churches throughout the United States.

Washington, D. C., July 6, 1925.—The Greek Government, recognizing the vital importance of the workshops promoted largely through the efforts of the American Friends of Greece for the rehabilitation of the refugee women by giving them



INTERIOR OF A TYPICAL WORKSHOP NEAR ATHENS.

employment and finding a market for their products, recently offered the organization a plot of land, formerly part of the Royal Palace Grounds in the center of Athens, on which to erect a building for a training school, special workshop, warehouse and salesroom.

Because of advantages enjoyed by the American Friends of Greece, such as the free services of Mr. W. S. Thompson, architect, volunteer labor, and building material at cost, it is estimated that this building can be erected in harmony with its surroundings at a cost of \$25,000 to \$30,000.

The establishment of such a plant will go far toward giving unity and permanence to the constructive service being carried on by the American Friends of Greece through workshops located in refugee centers.

It is regretted that no funds are in hand for the purpose. Effort is being made to secure funds that will justify the organization in accepting the proposal of the Greek Government.

Washington, D. C., July 6, 1925.—The last monthly report of the American Friends of Greece concering the progress of workshops established in Greece for the relief of suffering refugee women and children shows approximately one thousand women employed in workshops.

How vital these worshops are to the refugee women is shown in a story told by one of the workers of the American Friends of Greece as follows:

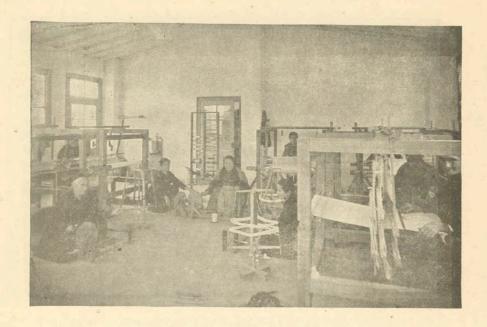
"In one of our workshops there is a woman working of about 40 years old. She asked me to go to her house with her one day. After the work was over we went to one of the mudhuts, which was used by her for a bedroom, kitchen and drawing room. Four small children were in that hut. Two of them were playing while the youngest ones, a small girl of 6 and a boy of 9, were lying on a comfortable mattress sick with fever. Though the hut was small and not furnished vet the place looked clean and cheerful. The children were clean and rather decently dressed. In one corner there was a small box. The woman opened that box and from there she took out a couple of sacks all in rags and something formed of old, dirty, small pieces of cloth patched together. 'These were all I had, my clothing, my mattress, my bed, the clothing of my children, my possessions along with fever and five hungry mouths. I was in despair and called for death to deliver me and my children. I heard the Americans were running a shop. I went there and here you are in a most comfortable hut. May God's blessings rest on those who help us so generously. But if the Americans close up the same rags, the same starvation, the same despair is in store for me and hundreds of women. Do beg them not to close up."

The American Friends of Greece has no idea of ceasing its efforts not only to continue but to extend this constructive workshop service. A market for the work of these women must be continually sought to keep them employed in increasing numbers. "Self help is the best help." The workshops enable the refugee women to maintain self-respect and establish themselves independently in economic life.



FROM THE "LITTLEST GIRLS" UP TO "ANY AGE WHERE THE WOMAN HAS EYES TO SEE."

The history of Turkish rule is everywhere a story of misrule. For four hundred years the Balkan Peninsular, including Greece, the land of classic glory, was subject to the dark night of the Turkish misrule. The beginning of the freedom of Europe from this curse was when Greece threw off the yoke in 1829. Then, inspired by the heroic example of Greece, other countries broke the Turk's power and but for international jealousies of one another the Turks would have been driven from Europe as early as the 1850's. Instead there came the Crimean War, in which Great Britain and France allied themselves with Turkey against Russia and through a treaty in 1856 "guaranteed the integrity of the Great Ottoman Empire." Thenceforward the Turks, realizing safety in the jealousies of the Western powers, almost continuously massacred the Christian minorities in Asia Minor and, following the rise of the Young Turk and the Nationalist Movement, sought the exter-



#### INTERIOR OF A WORKSHOP,

mination of all Christians from their territory. Reliable estimates give a total of 35,000,000 as slaughtered victims, 2,000,000 being the estimate since 1914.

Before entering the World War, President Wilson asked the Allies for a definite statement of war aims. Among many high aims stated in the reply was this: "The setting free of the populations subject to the bloody tyranny of the Turks, and the turning out of Europe of the Ottoman Empire as decidedly foreign to Western civilization." America joined the Allies for such aims and the timely aid of American soldiers on the western front saved the day there. Greece joined the Allies in the struggle about the same time that America took decisive stand and her 200,000 troops on the Macedonian front made possible the collapse of Austria and other central powers ending the war.

The close of the war saw Turkey driven from Europe beaten and broken. The Allied armies occupied Constantinople.

The French occupied Cilicia. The British occupied Jerusalem - (Palestine) and had a mandate over Mesopotamia. At the request of President Wilson and Lloyd George, Greek troops occupied Smyrna, 1919, and it appeared that the long horror of Turkish atrocity toward Christian minorities was over. But alas, international jealousies again worked havoc. The Greeks unsupported had victory turned to rout and with the expressed will of the Great Powers that Asia Minor be evacuated and Turkish power re-established in all Asia Minor, the rout became a debacle. The Greek troops fell back to Smyrna for escape to Greece, reaching there September 9, 1922, with the Turkish army at their heels. Five days later amid unparalleled horrors Smyrna was sacked and burned by the Turks. Women were outraged, children maimed, thousands were butchered and the wretched survivors driven to the water's edge stripped of every possession. Then within a year the Allies around the Council table restored the Turk to Constantinople and Eastern Thrace, whitewashed him, gave him all he asked and agreed to the clearing of Asia Minor of the Christian minorities.

The tortured survivors to the number of one million and a half found refuge in Greece. Their condition was pitiable beyond description. The Greek Government wrought miracles in behalf of the refugees. The Red Cross tided over the first emergency. The League of Nations Commission, and other organizations, saved hundreds of thousands from starvation and settled some two-thirds of the total on lands donated by the Greek Government. Almost immediately after the tragedy of Smyrna the American Friends of Greece was organized under the leadership of Dr. Edward Cappa, formerly Minister to Greece. This organization has been instrumental indirectly in forwarding relief through other agencies and has done much directly in saving the situation. There are still 500,000 of these refugees, a large per cent. being women and children who are in the direst need. The first wave of humanitarian feeling has passed but the need is not passed. The distressed refugees are too likely to be forgotten in the whirl of world affairs and the new tragedies of today. The American Friends of Greece are "carrying on" and will until the need is adequately met. It is

believed that four to six years will be required to do this. "Self help is the best help" is a motto of this organization. Pursuant to this, workshops have been established in which refugee women and children may be employed in making fancy and practical articles to be sold in America. The American Friends of Greece buy the raw material, pay the wages of the workers and seek to market the articles made, returning the proceeds for the continued and enlarged employment of the women and children. The aid of the Women's Missionary Societies of the American Churches and of Women's Clubs is sought in disposing of these goods. Consignments of these goods will be sent to these organizations upon approved application for sale. Another line of work pursued is that of foster adoption of fatherless children by the payment of \$5 monthly for the maintenance of the child with its mother. The organization seeks to secure the adoption of these children by individuals, churches, Sunday Schools, organized Bible classes, and other organizations. Individual memberships at \$5 each are sought to defray overhead expenses.

There can be no worthier appeal to the Christian people of America. There is no better way to discharge obligation to suffering mankind than is to be found in the lines of service here outlined. Such work is truly "Soul Salvage." St. Paul standing on the shores of Asia Minor responded to the call "Come over into Macedonia and help us." Today the remnant of the largely wiped out Christian minorities finding asylum in Greece cry to us in America, in Christ's name, for help. Who will respond! The headquarters of the American Friends of Greece are 1038 Investment Building, Washington, D. C. Rev. E. C. Watson, who for five years past has been Secretary of the Washington office of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, has been selected as General Secretary of the promotional work of the organization. Write to him for information. Call upon him if presentation of the cause of the refugees is desired before your church, Sunday School or other organization. Send him your name and \$5 or more for enrollment as a member of the American Friends of Greece.

May 13, 1925.

#### CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR TOPICS

August 9, 1925.

Topic: "The benefits of wholesome play." Mark 6:31,32: Luke 2:52.

#### BIBLE READINGS

Monday, Health. 1 Timothy 4, 8,9.
Tuesday, Self-control. 1 Con. 9: 19-37.
Wednesday, Team-work. I Col. 3: 1-9.
Thursday, Friendship. Prov. 18:24.
Friday, Joy Isa. 65: 17-25.
Saturday. Fellowship. I John I: I-10.

#### COMMENT

We need to separate ourselves from the business of this life that we may be refreshed. Play is rest, if it is not too strenuous, It changes the current or thought and action and makes for health. It is relief from the strain of toil. Play is part of God's plan for the making of strong bodies. Youth is the time in which to store up health and vigor for the later strain of life,

#### PERTINENT QUESTIONS

- I. What good has come to us by play?
- 2. What can our Society do to help play in our community?
- 3. How can we provide clean recreations for young people?

#### August 16, 1925.

Topic: "Rules for the Game of Life." 2 Tim. 2. 5, 15: I Cor. 9: 24-27.

#### BIBLE READINGS

Eccl. 9: 10. Monday Play hard. Exod. 23: 1-9, Tuesday Play fair. I Cor. 13: 1-8. Wednesday Be generous. Thursday Keep smiling. Phil 4: 4.9. Prov. 24: 17-29, Friday Be a good loser. Saturday Matt. 5: 1-I2. Jesus rules.

#### COMMENT

The law of justice or fair play rules the game of life, and we shall fail if we do not observe it. There is a prize for all who are faithful; our success in life need not mean that we defeat any one. The athlete is foolish who does the things that he knows will destroy him or limit his power. Consider what destroys the soul.

#### PERTINENT QUESTIONS

- 1. What rule of conduct have you found helpful?
- 2. What companions can help us most in the game of life?
- 3. What rules for the game of life does Christian Endeavor urge?

#### August 23, 1925,

Topic; "Perils of Anger, Envy, Hatred." Matt. 5: 21; 1 Jno 3. 11.

#### BIBLE READINGS

Monday Envy leads to doubt. Psa. 73: 1-28, Tuesday Envy and murder. Gen. 4: 4-8. James 1; 19. Wednesday Down anger. Thursday Stupid anger Esther 3; 1-6. Friday Secret hate. Prov. 26: 24. The test of hatred, Saturday I John 4: 20.

#### COMMENT

It is the same spirit that kills a man's reputation that kills his body. It violates thd law of love. Anger, contempt of people, the "Thou Fool" attitude, keeps a man in a state of bitterness that is like hell on earth. The difference between the worldling and the Christian is hate and love. We can test ourselves by this rule.

#### PERTINENT QUESTIONS

- 1, What effects of Envy have we observed in life?
- 2. What effects of Anger have we observed in life?
- 3. How can we overcome envy, anger, and hatred?

#### August 30, 1925.

Topic: "What is the Gospel? Why preach it?" 1 Cor. 15: I-I1; 9: 16-23.

Missionary meeting.

#### BIBLE READINGS

Monday
Tuesday
Good news about God. John 3; 14-2I.

Good news of the Kingdom, Acts 8, 5-12.

Wednesday
Good news about heaven. 1 Pet. 1: 1-9.

Thursday
Preach to a lost world. 1 John 5: 19.

Friday
Preach to saye men. Luke 4; 16-21.

Saturday
Preach because commanded. Matt, 28; 16-20.

#### COMMENT

The heart of the good news is that Christ died for our sins and that there is forgiveness for us with God. If there is no resurrection there is no gospel, no message of good tidings from God. If Jesus is risen, then eternal life is ours.

The heart of the gospel is grace. It is the love of the Father for all sinful wanderers.

#### PERTINENT QUESTIONS

- 1. What responsibilty has the Church for preaching the gospel?
- 2. How can we help to spread the gospel in our own community?
- 3. How can we help to send the gospel abroad?

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