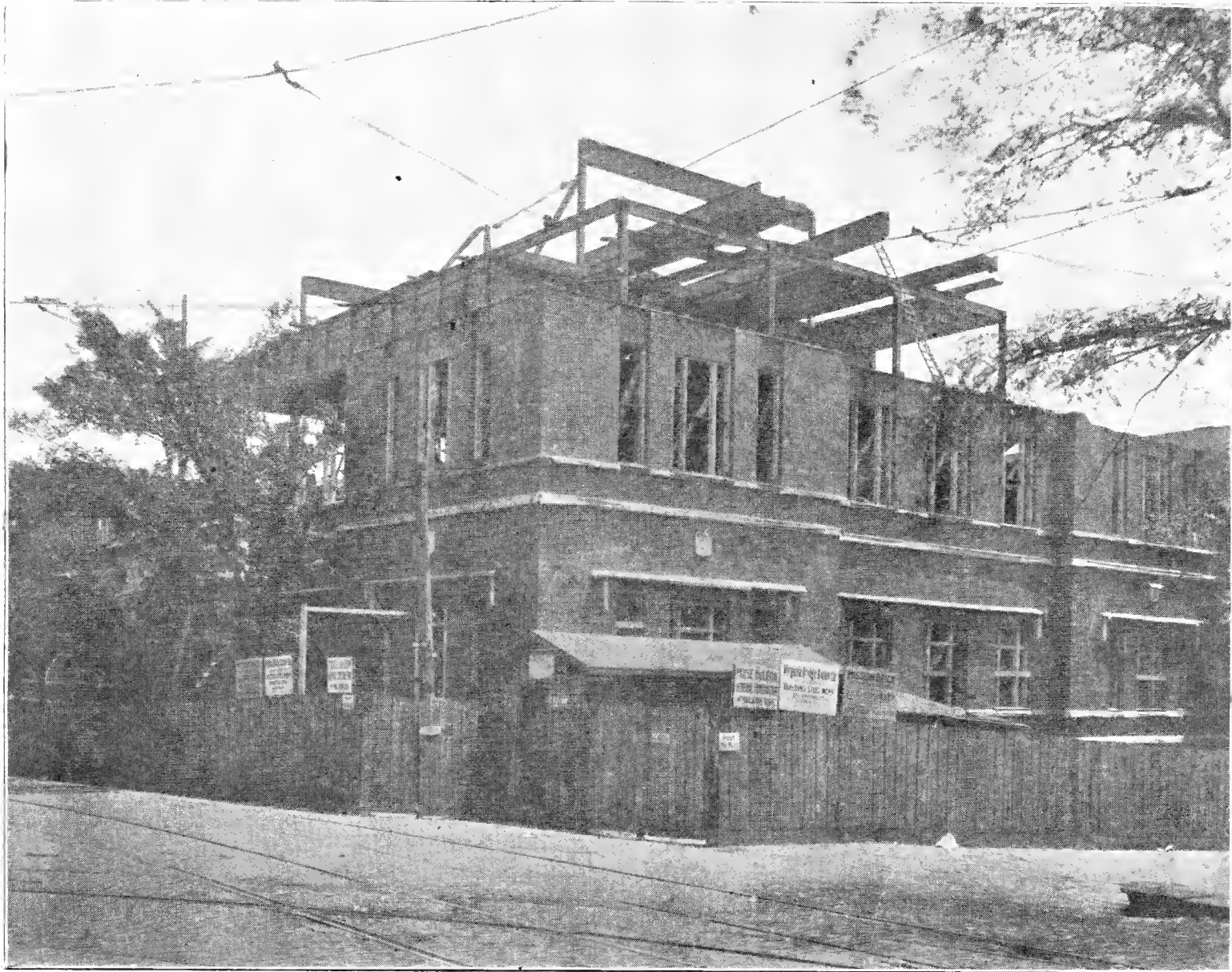


The Wesley Memorial Enterprises

Their Organization, Development
Scope and Mission



THE CHURCH BUILDING UNDER CONSTRUCTION.



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A FOREWORD

I am asked to write a foreword for this publication concerning the Wesley Memorial Enterprises, and I am able to do so with the greatest sincerity and earnestness. No work undertaken by the Methodists of Georgia within my memory has yielded better results for the investment made, and none promises better for the future.

The work is not local in its scope. Its fruits have been yielded for the benefit of every section of the State, and even beyond the limits of Georgia it has extended its blessed results.

Patients come to the Hospital from far and near. Healing to rich and poor alike has been found within its walls.

The Wesley Memorial Church has wrought the best results of spiritual life. By it sinners have been brought to Christ and believers have been built up in the faith. It has been especially useful to young men and women drawn to the city by commercial engagements and to the stranger within our gates. Situated, as it is, in the center of the city, it is extremely well placed for doing this great and urgent work of salvation.

Nothing in all the organization of the work should make more tender and moving appeal to good people everywhere than the proposed Home for homeless young women in the city. The methods of modern commerce have drawn many such to the city, and in their homelessness they are subjected to many hardships and difficulties, and often exposed to great perils. To supply a Christian home under the care of the church of God for all such is a most Christly work. It can not be made too large, too attractive, or too easy of access to those who need its help. If the Wesley Memorial movement proposed nothing more than this, it would be enough to commend it to the generous support of all good people.

But it contains far more, as the careful reading of this booklet will show.

It is to be hoped that all into whose hands this publication comes (especially the Methodists of Georgia) will give it a careful reading. After reading it, few will fail to give warm sympathy and generous aid to this great work.

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THE WESLEY MEMORIAL ENTERPRISES look to the erection by the Methodists of Georgia of a large institutional church in the center of Atlanta with separate buildings for a Hospital, a Girls' Home and such other institutions as may be required from time to time by the development of the work. The plan for the church building now being erected, includes an auditorium, large enough to accommodate great religious meetings; rooms for educational classes, to be used in the week for night-school and on Sunday for Sunday-school work; rooms for physical recreation, where needed exercise may be taken by the tired clerk or office-worker; an employment bureau, through which men and women seeking employment may be placed in positions; and a day nursery, for the care of children whose mothers are of necessity required to work.

Every one of these features is a necessity if the church is to fulfill its perfect mission and keep its hold upon our large commercial centers.

HOME FOR YOUNG WOMEN

The Girls' Home is an institution where the young women of our State who come into Atlanta without acquaintances and homes, may find a comfortable location under the best Christian influence; where their needs of body, mind, and spirit may be tenderly cared for. This imperative need in Atlanta is being forcibly realized daily, and the provision for its materialization is being vigorously planned. Any one familiar with the conditions surrounding life in average boarding houses of a city knows that the environments do not favor spiritual growth and development, and that in many cases they are dangerous for young women just entering urban life, ignorant, perhaps, of many allurements that tend to their destruction. In no way can the church be so helpful to them as by providing, at a price they can afford, a comfortable boarding place managed under the auspices of the church and offering Christian association. This is not for the Atlanta girl who has a home here, but for the girl who comes to Atlanta from other sections with a view to commercial engagements or other employment.



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HOSPITAL OPEN TO ALL

The Wesley Memorial Hospital opens its doors to the sick not only in Atlanta but throughout the South. No longer can the kindly hands of neighbors minister effectively to the sick,—present conditions make this almost impossible. Generally speaking, surgical operations to be safe should be performed in the hospital, private houses, as a rule, not offering the necessary operating facilities. The Hospital will be opened to those who are not able to pay for treatment, to those who can pay only in part, and to those who are able to pay in full. No one will be denied admission because of inability to pay. While ministering to the physical needs of the sick, we show more forcibly than by mere words, our interest in them. The church may by this means touch many lives that otherwise it would not reach.

STEPS TO REACH ALL STRANGERS

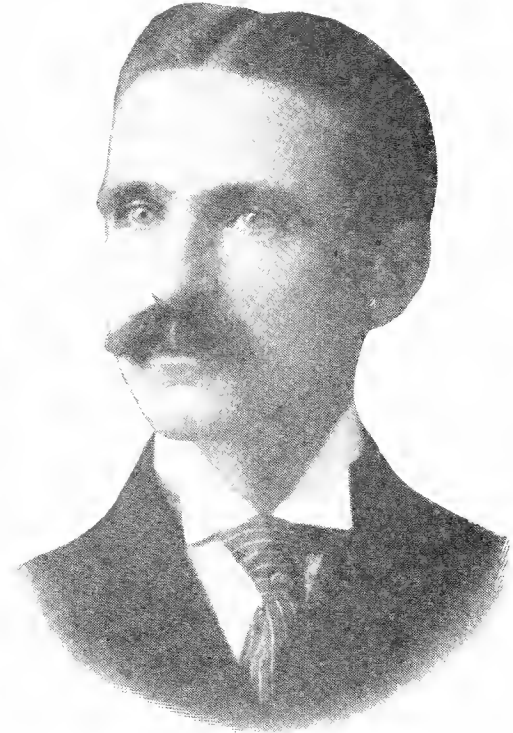
Atlanta is growing rapidly from a steady inflow of population, largely from the rural districts, and the Wesley Memorial Enterprises have for their great object the reaching and saving of its incoming population. Many young men and young women, and some who are o'der, are lost to God and to the church because Christian people do not take steps to reach them as soon as they come to the city, the church coming to them after their associates have been chosen outside the church. This ought not to be so, and it has been largely true because of lack of concerted effort on the part of the church. With a church belonging to all the Methodists of the State, this can be remedied. A word from the pastor or friend will mean that the pastor of Wesley Memorial Church, or some one else interested, will see that the church promptly offers its friendship and help to the newcomer, and that a congenial association is immediately offered him, at Wesley Memorial or at some other church, as he may choose. This church will be a clearing house for Georgia Methodists—becoming a church



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home to the thousands in the center of the city. It will be a place where leisure hours may be made profitable, by Christian companionship, reading, study, or recreation. It will be an attractive and homelike place for the young man or young woman away from home. The Methodists of Georgia have rallied to this great movement the purpose of which is to save from sin and its effects unto usefulness and righteousness their sons and daughters and the children of their neighbors.

PROGRESS OF THE MOVEMENT

In 1903 the movement to build a hospital and a church in the center of Atlanta, was started. A lot was purchased and a temporary structure for Wesley Memorial Church erected. A block from the church another lot with a building was purchased for the Wesley Memorial Hospital.

Although very inadequately equipped, the church, through its organizations, especially its young people's organizations, reached hundreds of young men and young women who have come to Atlanta from other places. These young people are now ready to carry forward the work and have contributed liberally to the Enterprises.

The Hospital has received hundreds of patients from every part of the South, and has given them skillful treatment and nursing. The need for the Hospital has been shown by the turning away of hundreds because of lack of room.

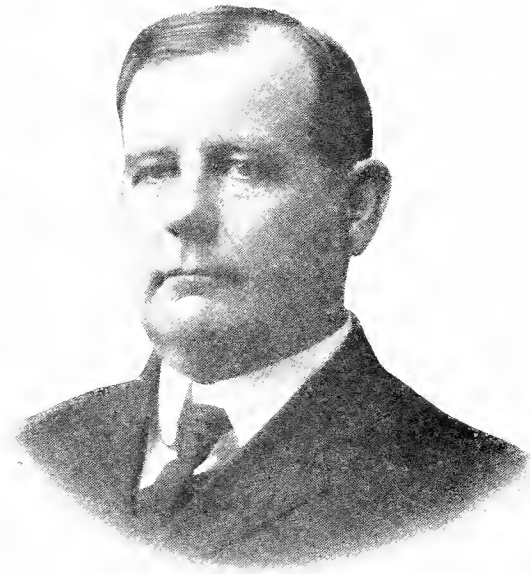
That the property is in line with the city's increase of population is shown by the fact that these lots have more than doubled in value since they were purchased. More than three thousand five hundred people occupy rooms within three blocks of the church, and this number will increase from year to year.



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WHY GEORGIA METHODISTS SHOULD CONTRIBUTE

There are many reasons why Methodists everywhere in Georgia should contribute generously to carry out this great work, a tribute to the memory of John Wesley in the only State in the Union in which he lived. The men and women, especially the young men and young women, who will feel the strengthening hand of the church and its institutions will not be natives of Atlanta, but in most cases will be those who come to Atlanta from other towns and cities or from the rural districts.

The Institutional church is so located that it is within the reach of the young men and young women living a boarding-house life in Atlanta. Not only will it offer them a religious home but it will offer them opportunities to form the right kind of friendships. It will endeavor to make better citizens of them and they will feel the sustaining power of the church in their hours of need. The Home for young women will offer to those drawing salaries that will not permit them to pay the prices required by first-class boarding-houses, an opportunity to secure a good, comfortable home at a price they can afford. The investment of sufficient funds to build the right kind of Home will result perhaps in saving from overpowering temptation many girls just beginning their career in the city.

The results of the efforts made in behalf of the Enterprises have been such as to bind Methodists together and through this movement to strengthen the church everywhere. God has wonderfully blessed our people, and in no better way can we show our gratitude for His loving favors than by giving our means to help spread His kingdom and to help men and women to better lives.

The opportunity has come for Georgia to take the lead in establishing institutional church work in the South, and other States will follow: they are already following. For the younger generations these Enterprises will mean that their fathers and mothers believed in Christianity and its power to save to usefulness lives which



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might otherwise go to waste. It will be a striking lesson to them. Like a lighthouse it will challenge the attention of those who need the mark by which to set their course.

While Atlanta draws heavily for population on the surrounding country, it sends out every year to other sections thousands of men and women. Shall these men and women go out to bless or to curse? Help to answer this by your subscription, remembering that your own community may be affected.

WILL RESULT IN UNITY

New conditions are making new and important demands upon the church. This is especially true in the South, where changes have been greater, perhaps, than elsewhere. For our Church to fail in meeting these demands is for her to fall short of her mission and to lose mightily in influence and power. Thus in these Enterprises comes an opportunity for great service to mankind and at the same time an opportunity to impress upon the world the power of the church in practical things.

But this movement, carried by the combined efforts of the mighty brotherhood to the glorious success designed for it, means still more. It means the uniting of the forces of Methodism. Future generations will be impressed with the value of harmonious work and of united effort. The power of united Methodism will be shown, and when this power is fully exerted, its value to humanity and to the cause of God is incalculable. It will be an example of what united prayer, united purpose, and united effort can accomplish, and with the knowledge of this power will come greater activity and more of the spirit of brotherhood. The Church has the power; as united effort will reveal.

MANY CONTRIBUTORS GIVE AID

Men, women, children, and religious organizations have contributed. Other denominations are represented, in many cases by substantial gifts, and men who are not members of any church gladly give. Perhaps there has never been a church enterprise with so many cheerful givers. Since June 16th, 1907, subscriptions have continued to come in from Atlanta and from points outside the city. United Methodism has discovered its power.

The completion of the list of the Atlanta District resulted in subscriptions of at least \$250,000 and now an opportunity is given Methodists in North and South Georgia to contribute to this cause. When its purpose and scope are fully understood, there can be no question but that the people of Georgia will gladly subscribe to this great work, and in justice to the movement as well as in justice to the people, they are given an opportunity to subscribe. In order that the friends of the movement may know what has been done, this folder is issued.

HOW TO MAKE SUBSCRIPTIONS

The Enterprises are being conducted on a thoroughly business basis. The Executive Committee meets every month, and the Central Committee from time to time, as necessary. Every precaution will be taken to see that the money subscribed is wisely expended. Your subscription can be made in five equal annual installments, being due October or November 1st, each year. You can indicate on the card the feature of the work to which you desire to direct your subscription. The subscription card can be returned to the Secretary, Mr. O. W. Stapleton, 322 Candler Building, Atlanta. All checks should be made payable to O. W. Stapleton, Secy. and Treas.

PERSONNEL OF THE ORGANIZATION

A further step in this movement was made in April, 1907, when representatives from all the Methodist Churches in the Atlanta District met and pledged their efforts to furthering the movement. An Executive Committee consisting of Messrs. R. J. Guinn, Chairman; T. K. Glenn, Vice-Chairman; J. G. Lester, Treasurer; Forrest Adair, Asa G. Candler, E. V. Carter, M. M. Davies, C. J. Haden, R. A. Hemphill, R. F. Maddox, Jas. L. Mayson, Dr. C. E. Murphey, J. A. McCord, H. Y. McCord, J. N. McEachern, the Presiding Elder Atlanta District ex-officio, the Pastor Wesley Memorial Church ex-officio, was appointed to take charge of the details of the work. This committee invited the Bishops of the church to visit Atlanta, and to preach in the interests of the Enterprises. On Sunday, June 16, 1907, Bishops Atkins, Candler, Galloway, Hendrix, Key, Morrison and Ward, together with D. J. C. Kilgo, of Trinity College, Durham, N. C., and Dr. J. E. Dickey, of Emory College, Oxford, Ga., occupied Atlanta pulpits in the interest of the Enterprises. The result of the morning meetings with additional subscriptions secured at a large mass meeting held on the afternoon of June 16 at Wesley Memorial Church, was over \$200,000. Thus the success of the Enterprises was made certain at the beginning.

As soon as possible after the minimum amount of \$200,000 was subscribed, a building committee was selected for the church and institutions. This committee, from several of the Methodist Churches, the resident Bishop, the Presiding Elder of the Atlanta District and the Pastor of the Wesley Memorial Church, consists of Messrs. Asa G. Candler, M. M. Davies, R. T. Dorsey, R. J. Guinn, J. G. Lester, H. Y. McCord, J. N. McEachern, W. D. Thompson, George Winship, J. A. McCord, Resident Bishop ex-officio, Presiding Elder Atlanta District ex-officio, Pastor Wesley Memorial Church ex-officio. After organization, the building committee appointed a sub-committee to report on the features needed by the church and its institutions. The work of getting plans and of beginning building operations was carried forward as far as possible and every detail of the plan was carefully studied and discussed before it was adopted.



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HOSPITAL WITH ANNEX IN BACKGROUND.

THE HOSPITAL

The Wesley Memorial Hospital was incorporated March 30, 1909. The names of the original corporators are Warren A. Candler, Geo. Winship, M. J. Cofer, H. Warner Hill, Floyd W. McRae, Geo. M. Napier, Henry S. Johnson, Asa G. Candler, J. N. McEachern, L. C. Fisher, Samuel B. Adams, W. C. Lovett, W. P. Wallis, Chas H. Goodrich and Robert T. Daniel. There are fifteen trustees of the institution, namely Warren A. Candler, George Winship, M. J. Cofer, Asa G. Candler, J. N. McEachern, M. M. Davies, H. Y. McCord and H. S. Johnson. Chas. G. Goodrich, Augusta; Hiram Warner Hill, Greenville; Geo. M. Napier, Atlanta; and Robt. T. Daniel, Griffin. W. C. Lovett, Atlanta; W. P. Wallis, Americus; E. F. Vickers, Tifton. The officers of the Board are Bishop W. A. Candler, D.D., LL.D, president; George Winship, vice-president; Rev. M. J. Cofer, secretary; Walker White, treasurer. The trustees hold their annual meetings the second Wednesday in November at 9 o'clock. The executive committee, consisting of W. A. Candler, Geo. Winship, Asa G. Candler, Rev. M. J. Cofer and Rev. W. C. Lovett, meets the tenth of each month in the afternoon at the Hospital.

During the year 1908, 686 cases were treated in the Hospital, 594 from Georgia, 1 from Massachusetts, 1 from Maryland, 21 from Alabama, 11 from South Carolina, 1 from North Carolina, 1 from West Virginia, 1 from Virginia, 3 from Mississippi, 3 from Ohio, 6 from New York, 7 from Tennessee and 1 from Oklahoma.

The Hospital knows no denominational lines: 3 of the above were Roman Catholics, 6 Christians or Campbellites, 316 Methodists, 6 Lutherans, 1 Congregationalists, 14 Jews, and 119 members of no church, 14 Episcopalians, 56 Presbyterians, 154 Baptists.

The cost of maintaining the institution during the past year was \$26,051.05 of which amount \$14,861.75 was expended in charity work. It is hoped that the charity work will come to be taken care of by the Christmas collections of the two Georgia Conferences which this past Christmas amounted to \$3,913.36. It is believed by some of the friends of the Hospital that the Sunday-schools of the Methodist Church throughout the State will agree to direct their fifth Sunday collections to the charity work of the Wesley Memorial Hospital.

The present estimated value of the plant is \$90,000. The Hospital is practically full all the time. Patients are frequently denied entrance for want of rooms. One of the imperative demands in the near future will be the doubling of the capacity of the institution. There is abundant room in the spacious lot facing Courtland Street for such enlargement well removed from the two street-car lines. Under the rules of the Hospital a donation of \$5,000 entitles the donor or heirs the right in perpetuity to nominate patients to a free bed. The donation of \$3,000 entitles the donor to nominate

patients to a free bed during his or her life-time. A donation of \$10,000 entitles the donor to nominate a patient for a private room. A contribution of \$300 will endow a free bed for one year.

In the petition to the court for a charter for the Wesley Memorial Hospital occur these words: "For the purpose of promoting the cause of Christian religion, education and charity, and particularly for the medical and surgical treatment of all diseases and infirmities whatsoever in compliance with the laws of the State governing the practice of medicine and treatment of diseases."

The members of the medical staff are elected at annual meeting of the Board of Trustees in November.

Patients desirous of being admitted to the Hospital should apply to the superintendent. The price of private rooms is \$15.00 to \$30.00 per week. Charity patients must present a certificate from their pastor and physician. Any patient occupying a bed other than in the charity ward, may select his own medical attendant, who is entitled to charge a fee. Patients in free wards must be treated by the attendant physician or surgeon. Patients suffering from severe accident or serious illness may be admitted to the Hospital at any hour of the day or night. At the discretion of the medical staff, some tuberculosis cases may be admitted, but contagious diseases are not to be admitted. Patients too poor to pay the surgeon or physician, but able to pay their board, will be admitted to the free wards on payment of the Nominal sum of \$7.00 a week. In wards (other than free wards) with two or more patients, the price is \$10 to \$15 a week. Indigent patients will be admitted to the wards of the Hospital free of charge.

THE TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES

The training school for nurses consists of a superintendent of nurses, one graduate nurse in charge and twenty-two pupils. These nurses receive a regular course of lectures by the visiting staff. They meet in class twice a week for instruction under the superintendent of nurses. One of the features of the school this year is a Bible lecture by the pastor of the Wesley Memorial Church. Applications may be made at any time, to the superintendent of nurses. Besides laundry and board, a compensation of \$8.00 a month is given pupil nurses for the first two years of their course, and \$9.00 per month for the third year.

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2. Department of Finance.
3. Department of Healing.
4. Department of Industry.
 - (a). Men's Business Bureau.
 - (b). Women's Business Bureau.
5. Department of Nursing.
6. Department of Recreation.
7. Girl's Home.
8. Department of Education.
 - (a). Bible-school.
 - (b). Night-school.
 - (c). Annual Bible Conference.
 - (d). Music-school.
 - (e). Lyceum Course.

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