

Report of Director of Religious Education
by Anna Ruth Scott

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Since June the First, we have had an evening meeting of both the intermediate fellowship and the MYF each Sunday night, with the members of both groups helping with the planning of their individual programs. Much is still to be desired long that line of self reliance for getting up good, effective worship services, but I think that that will come in time. To help with that planning we have secured several books that will and has helped us immensely, among which are found Christ in the Fine Arts, The world's Great Madonnas, The World's Religious Poetry, three Alice Bays books of worship and others. Already these books have meant a lot to the group and are the base for a library for the young people and intermediates.

In the last week of July, the intermediates had what was called a Stay-At-Home Camp which is the first one to be held in this conference as far as we know. It really accomplished the same things as a Daily Vacation Bible School would have for that age, but was put on a more attractive level for this group, which is so difficult to deal with. The Pastors' Aides Class give us \$25 to carry on this project and during the course of the week, we feed over 100 intermediates and workers supper, along with paying for the material to be used as study material for the camp. We hope to make this an annual affair, for it does meet a need that has heretofore been neglected. The last night of the Stay-At-Home Camp was held out at Gate I in the Duke Forest and there a consecration service was held in conjunction with a picnic to end the very profitable week.

On Sunday night September the seventh, the MYF and the WSCS entertained the students from Duke Memorial who are attending College this fall. A lovely supper of sandwiches and drinks and other little things were served and the students seemed to enjoy it very much. Previously, nothing had been done for the college students, so it is hoped that this will become an annual affair, also. On September 19 we are planning to have reception for a third of the new Methodist Duke Students who will want to know about the local church when they come to Durham. Trinity and Asbury are planning to have the other two-thirds. We hope that these students will thus learn to know the various Methodist churches in town and will thereby feel welcome to attend when they are not attending chapel on the campus.

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Since June the first, we have had an evening meeting of both the Intermediate Fellowship and the N.Y. each Sunday night, with the members of both groups helping with the training of their individual programs. Much is still to be desired long that time of self reliance for getting us good, effective worship services, but I think that that will come in time. To help with that training we have secured several books that will and has helped us immensely, among which are found Christ in the First World War, The World's, Religious Poetry, Anna Alice have books of verse in and of verse. All these books have meant a lot to the group and are the Director's library for the young people and Intermediate.

In the last week of July, the Intermediate had what was called a Betty-Home Camp which is the first one to be held in this country since as far as we know. It really accomplished the same thing as a Daily Vacation Bible School would have for that age, but was out on a more attractive level for this group, which is so difficult to deal with. The Pastor, Alice gives us 125 to serve on this project and during the course of the week, we had over 100 returned letters and worship papers, along with papers for the material to be used as study material for the camp. The hope to make this an annual affair, for it does seem a need that has heretofore been neglected. The last night of the Betty-Home Camp was held on the 1st of the Duke Forest and there a connection service was held in conjunction with a picnic to end the very profitable week.

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On August 20, Duke Memorial MYF entertained the New Bern District Fellowship team, which is a new thing in the conference this year. The team only stayed one day and night, and although they were very fine young people, we felt that the project needed a lot more planning before it was attempted again next year. At least Duke Memorial did their part in having the team, even though we felt that so much was to be desired.

During the week end of September the 20-21 the MYF is planning a Spiritual Life Retreat out at the Crabtree Park Area, for the purpose of program planning for the next year and also gain some spiritual food for the coming year. Among other things we hope to have swimming, a square dance, commission meetings of the MYF and two speakers that will bring Spiritual Inspiration to the group. Already meals have been planned and fundamental things done to make the retreat truly a spiritual life retreat for these young people who so need to be inspired.

During a week in October this conference hopes to have a Religious Vocations' Conference at Duke Memorial Church with Troy Barrett heading up the planning. This is to show the young men and women of your conference what is required of one going into full-time Christian work in various capacities, and is thought to be a very beneficial thing for the youth who are considering this type of work. Duke Memorial is asked to furnish 100 beds for that week end and I sincerely hope that this group will cooperate wholeheartedly for it is a worthwhile project.

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