

M. E. CHURCH IS SHOWING GAINS

Increase of Over A Million Members Noted Over Survey of Ten Years

CHICAGO, Sept. 12. — A net gain of 1,255,091 members has been made by all divisions of the Methodist church in the United States in the past ten years, despite great losses suffered by the denominations during the war.

according to statistics compiled for presentation to the decennial Ecumenical Methodist conference which opens in London next week. The figures, compiled by the Rev. Dr. H. K. Carroll of Plainfield, N. J., former director of the United States census, were made public here today.

Loss Is Offset
Methodist Sunday schools in the United States, however, the report says, show a net loss for the two years, 1918 and 1919, of 293,968, "an appalling figure," although 1920 returns indicate that "the lost ground is being regained." Notwithstanding that Sunday school pupils of the denomination in this country were 200,000 less in number in 1920 than in 1918, the enrollment throughout the world shows an increase of 1,289,036 Methodist pupils for the ten-year period. "It is a remarkably good show-

THE KING OF ENGLAND'S THREE SONS IN KILTS.



His Royal Highness, the Prince of Wales, and his two brothers had their photograph taken for the first time wearing the full regalia of the Royal Stuart Clan, while attending the "Braemar Gathering." Left to right: The Prince of Wales, the Earl of Athlone, the Duke of York and Prince Henry.

ing that American Methodism has to present to the Ecumenical conference," declared Dr. Carroll's statement. "Delegates representing nearly 27,000,000 Methodist members and adherents will be in attendance. We can never forget that the past decade includes the worst war in history and that, though our nation was an actual participant in its battles for only a year and a half, we suffered with our allies its terrible effects.

"The year 1919 was the hardest the churches of America have known, at least since the civil war. Methodism in most of its branches suffered with the other evangelical denominations, actual losses. The Methodist Episcopal church suffered most of all, losing 43,262 in 1918 and 59,987 in 1919—103,249 in two years—and the conditions were even worse if we leave out foreign missions fields, for the net loss in this country alone in 1919 was nearly 70,000. The Methodist Episcopal church, South, lost 16,404 in that year. In 1920 the tide turned for all evangelical churches, heavy gains succeeding the losses.

West Makes Good
"Considering the heavy losses in the previous two years it is remarkable that the total net increase in members and probationers of the Methodist bodies of the western section (United States) has been 1,255,091, exceeding the increase of the previous decade, 1900-1910, by nearly 282,000. The percentage of increase is also greater. For the decade ending in 1910 it was 15; for the past ten years, nearly 17."

Dr. Carroll, in commenting on the fact that the number of itinerant Methodist ministers, 48,405 represented a loss of 209 as compared with a gain of 6,531 in 1910 for the previous ten years, said: "Certainly, more ministers are needed instead of fewer for a growing Methodism. What is the trouble? Is the Methodist ministry less attractive than it used to be?"

In conclusion, Dr. Carroll says: "The net increase of Sunday school pupils for all Methodist bodies (in the world) for the ten years is 1,289,036. Of this handsome gain, the Methodist Episcopal church, the only body of any name, so far as I recall, which has more scholars in Sunday school than members in church, gets the lion's share—\$34,473. It also

participates in the total increase of officers and teachers of 55,705. When it is remembered what a great recruiting agency for church members the Sunday school has become, the significance of the gains in the number, equipment and scholars of this institution is a happy augury."

PEASANT WOMAN GIVEN WEALTH

Polish Youth's War Risk Insurance Given To Mother After Long Search

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 12.—An old peasant woman was made the richest woman in her village by a letter from the war risk insurance bureau of the American government. The incident is told by a member of the Friends' Reconciliation mission in Poland, who writes: "We were just driving into the town of Hrubieszow, in the ravaged district of Poland, when a peasant woman, clad in rags, and barefooted, came up to the wagon and presented a letter which she could not read. It proved to be from the war risk insurance bureau at Washington, stating that her son had died in the American army, and that his insurance would come to her for 20 years, at the rate of \$25 a month. Already there were \$900 waiting for her, which would be sent shortly by check.

"The woman's face was shadowed as she heard of her son's death, but it brightened with amazement when she heard of the money. The son had not been heard from for three years, and his death had been taken for granted. She had other children, and they had all been living in a dugout, with no wood for building a house and no implements to farm with, and only a diet of rye and potatoes.

"The \$900 in American money makes, at the present rate of exchange, over 1,500,000 Polish marks, and would make her the richest woman in the village and probably in the country.

"I consulted the postmaster for her, and he said that when she made her mark upon the check the local bank would pay her the money. Only, of course, no local bank would be able to cash so large a check without first getting the money from Warsaw.

"This is a fair example of the

VILLAGE LASS THINKS SHE'S REINCARNATION OF SAPHO.



Juanita Clivette, 14 years old, who during the last two months has written as many as 2,000 lyrics, frequently turning out twenty a day. When only six years of age she informed her mother that she had found herself and asked "Who or what was Sappho? Scientists have been greatly interested and even begin to wonder if she is not truly the incarnation of the Greek poetess of 2,500

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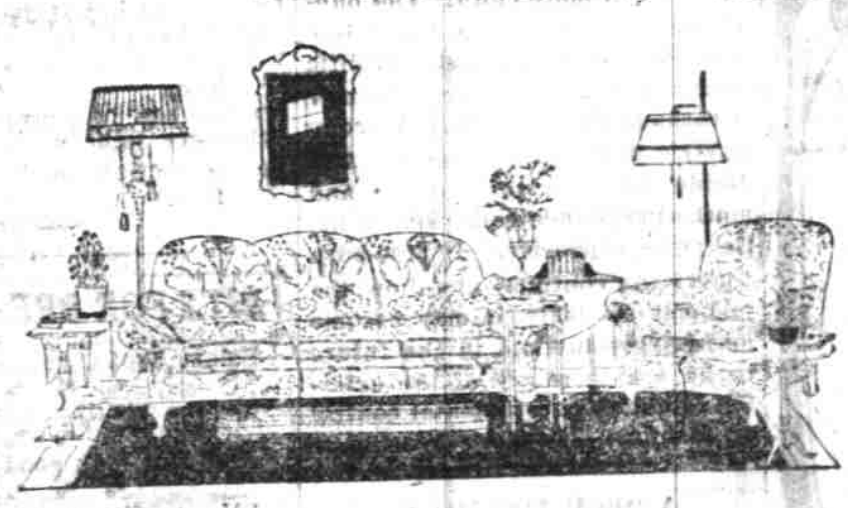
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