

Committee, headed by Marion L. Crist. It is the hope of this committee to usher Central into her next 50-year period free of financial obligations.

#### FERNCLIFF

Another of Central's children, by virtue of W. H. Williams' sponsorship as a Board member, is Ferncliff, rapidly becoming the Montreat of this area. The 1,500 acres of woods, streams and rugged hills, are being developed into a great conference center. For years its pool, buildings and other facilities have been used as a non-sectarian meeting-place for religious conference of young people. Mr. Williams was instrumental in securing the property and developing it.

#### THE AUXILIARY

The Ladies Auxiliary is an organization of the church in which all the women are assigned to Circles each year with each Circle holding week-day meetings, and engaging in more activities than the men ever thought of. They pledge, as a body, hundreds of dollars to the church for various purposes; and they have a hand and voice in all the important movements of the church. The head of the Auxiliary is president, and those having served in this capacity since Dr. Lawson's pastorate were: Mrs. Arnstred, Mrs. R. W. McLaughlin, Mrs. Ann Alexander, Mrs. George Wilson, Miss Anabel McLaughlin, Miss Dela McCorkle, Mrs. Clayton Hailey, Mrs. Ann Alexander (second time), Miss Palmer, Mrs. S. S. Skinner, Mrs. Ann Williams, Mrs. Frank Dove, Mrs. Gregg Petersen, Mrs. John J. Hale, Mrs. G. L. Alexander, and the current president, Mrs. W. A. Saunders. These names, in chronological order, are from the records of Central's Historian, Miss Anabel Mc-

Laughlin. Other facts in this brief sketch of Central's first 50 years came out of the valuable fund of information recorded by Miss Anabel over a long period of time. Her outstanding contribution to the church has been her kindly guidance of Central's babies from baptism through the toddling stage.

#### GEORGE MCKEE, FOREIGN MISSIONARY

Central calls Rev. McKee one of her own sons, although he entered the missionary field years ago and spent a big part of his life in the Congo. Mr. McKee's father was an elder in the young days of the church, and George was a member until his studies took him elsewhere. All the years that Rev. McKee was on foreign soil he kept in touch with the home church, and visited here on his infrequent leaves of absence. He came home as a result of the war, and is pastor of a church in Lonoke, Arkansas.

#### FRED PATTEE MEMORIAL

A small white building back of Central, facing Twentieth street, has this sign over the door, "Fred Pattee Men's Bible Class." It is a modest memorial to Fred Pattee, former elder and leader in church and gospel work. He wouldn't want anything fancy.

Mr. Pattee had an engaging personality and was a born booster. He exchanged banter with more people, it was said, than any other man in town. He applied this talent, not for personal gain in his business, but to true evangelism among the misguided youth in correctional institutions, and the forgotten people who had forgotten God.

One particular Sunday in the winter of 1930-1931 was heavily scheduled with his gospel work.