

Beautiful Chapel Goal of Bonny Oaks Appeal



C. Free Press 3-4-37 Architect's drawing of proposed Jonathan W. Bachman Memorial Chapel, at Bonny Oaks.

Just a Chance - 7
 Just a chance, is their plea,
 For each God-given faculty,
 'Tis no shame, nor is it blame,
 That no connects to their name.

Children of a cruel fate;
 But, mind you, 'tis not too late.
 Little men and women are they,
 Grown-ups of a future day.
 Diamonds in the rough, 'tis true;
 Polishing will bring out many a hue.

Erection of a beautiful stone chapel at Bonny Oaks to succeed the frame structure built 30 years ago is the goal of a solicitation to be started in a few days for \$18,000.

The old frame building was constructed through the efforts of the late John D. Bachman and his family, including a \$600 gift by Mrs. Hyde Rice, beloved Mother Rice,

missionary to the Hawaiian Islands and aunt of the husband of Mrs. Anne Bachman Hyde, Dr. Bachman's daughter. The chapel was erected as a memorial to Mrs. Rice's nephew, Scott Hyde.

The new chapel will be a memorial to Dr. John W. Bachman, who began to study the problem of care, correction and training of unfortunate children as early as 1883 and whose efforts were responsible for the Industrial School Bill of Tennessee in 1895, under which Bonny Oaks, the first school of its type south of the Ohio River, was launched.

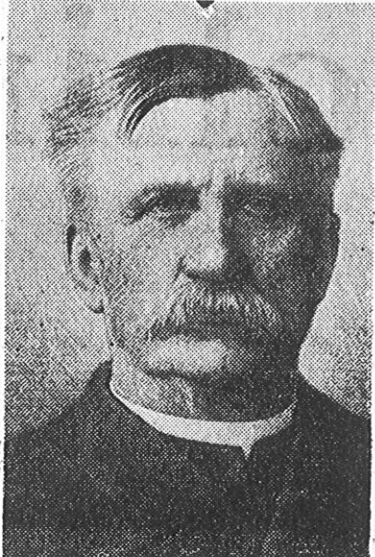
It was founded as a penal institution, but under the swing of the pendulum today the emphasis is protective rather than punitive, and many boys and girls are trained there who have no other fault than

that their home conditions are bad through crime or poverty of their parents.

In the training of these unfor-

tunate boys and girls, the religious influence is the one most powerful factor in removing the bitterness and sullenness introduced into their

characters by their former surroundings. The chapel is considered the center of the school's work and a place of quiet beauty and comfort would be a tremendous asset.



DR. JOHN W. BACHMAN.