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EDITORIAL.

Opportunity for Investment.

As Methodists we have ever been friends of education. We build, equip and maintain academies and colleges. But we are no less interested in public school education. As citizens we are interested in the great educational campaign now being conducted in Arkansas. The last General Assembly of Arkansas passed what is known as the McFerrin Amendment and the people are called upon at the September election to vote for or against this amendment. In brief it provides that the General Assembly may levy a three mill state school tax instead of the present two mill tax and that the people at their annual May school elections may vote as much as seven mills district tax instead of five, the limit under existing law. It will be noted that the amendment is permissive, not mandatory. It is democratic in that it leaves the question with the people as to what amount of local tax they will vote. If adopted the people may vote no tax or any amount up to seven mills.

Arkansas has long since exhausted her taxing power for school purposes; we have taxed ourselves to the limit, yet the revenue is notoriously inadequate. The school term is short, the houses are poor, and the teachers, as a class, though faithful, are poorly prepared. Arkansas in this respect is not keeping abreast with her sister states. In 1902-3 the average term in our State was 92 days, in Michigan 165, in Mississippi 123, in Louisiana 103, in California 176, in the United States at large 147. Our state expends less than one third as much per pupil as does Michigan, a state that came into the Union the same year. The per cent of illiterates among our adult males in 1902-3 was 10 per cent, in Michigan 2, in the United States at large 4.

We have been in the past offering our poverty as an excuse. This we can no longer do. While not a rich state we are rapidly accumulating wealth. Our people are in comfortable circumstances. Our barns are full. Shall our children fall heir to some of this increased prosperity? Nothing is too good for them. Their education is the highest duty of the State. Shall we be derelict in our duty?

But we can not afford not to educate. It is a common thing to urge the importance of education from ethical and cultural considerations. The largest expenditures can be defended upon these considerations alone.

In fact they are the highest grounds to stand upon. The intellectual and moral

welfare of our children should be our highest concern. But it is legitimate for us to think of their material well-being also. So much of man's time is taken up with the meat and bread side of life, that it is common sense, if not a Christian duty, for parents to consider the preparation of their children for working out the simple every day problem of physical existence. Therefore in deciding whether to vote for or against the McFerrin Amendment it should be remembered that education pays financially, that it is a wise investment, that it will come back in large financial dividends. Brain power is our greatest wealth producer. Increased educational expenditures not only increase the culture of our people, but multiply their wealth producing power. Statistics show that in those states of our Union where the average school is longest, there the wealth producing power of the people is greatest. It has been pointed out that this in part explains why the people of the West—Europe and America—produce so much more wealth than do the people of the East—China and India. The people of the West invest in brain.

This question should appeal with special force to the people of Arkansas at this time. This State in common with the whole South is on the eve of great things; our State is developing rapidly; our rich mineral wealth will soon be exploited; we will soon be a manufacturing state. The digging of the Panama Canal means millions for the South. The issue is therefore upon us. Will we rise to the occasion? As another has put it, "will Arkansas furnish the captains for her industries, the superintendents and the skilled labor for her factories, the horticulturist for her fruit region and the scientific farmers for her virgin soil? Will her sons and daughters furnish the trained brain and skilled hands for this development or will it be imported brain and imported skill? Or will they become the industrial serfs of the country, the hewers of wood and the drawers of water, while the educated Yankee comes and reaps the princely fortunes from directing this economic development?"

Our vote on the McFerrin Amendment will in part be our answer to these questions. Let us give our children a chance. Vote for progress.

Congress and Temperance.

The Congress which has just adjourned passed the denaturized alcohol bill which removes the tax from alcohol that has been chemically treated under government supervision to make it unfit for a beverage. Thus the industrial uses of alcohol are separ-

ated from the saloon traffic so that the latter may be attacked without injuring legitimate industries. The Oklahoma Statehood bill was passed. This carries absolute prohibition for Indian Territory and all Indian reservations. Proper provision is made for the sale of liquors for medical and scientific purposes. In the Indian appropriation bill the sum of \$25,000 is to be used for aid in suppressing the liquor traffic among the Indians, \$15,000 to be spent in Oklahoma. Credit for this appropriation is largely due to the efforts of Rev. E. M. Sweet, Jr. and E. C. Dinwiddie. A bill was passed requiring each revenue collector to keep conspicuously in his office for public inspection an alphabetical list of all persons who have paid special taxes within his district, and on application of any prosecuting officer furnish a certified copy of the record, charging \$1. for every one hundred words. This will be of great value in supplying evidence in certain cases. A favorable report was secured on the bill which is to prohibit the liquor traffic in government buildings, parks, reservations, and ships. This stands a fair chance to pass at the next session. These results mark gratifying progress, and Congress deserves hearty commendation for its good work.

A great nuisance in the new State of Oklahoma is the skating rink. It is a craze. Our preachers understand its baleful influence, and go on record against it. Any modest and self respecting person who desires can know the truth about the indecency of these devil-pens and can know what is their tendency. We pity a preacher who is too cowardly or too innocent of the ways of the world to take a stand against such a hurtful craze. We pity Methodist parents who have no better judgment than to permit their sons and daughters to participate in such a craze. Look out!

You have not time in the morning to have a quiet word with God before you begin the work of the day, cannot take time to consult his word, to becalm yourself before him in a few words of prayer. That depends entirely upon how much importance you attach to this matter; you take time to bathe your face, to eat your breakfast, maybe to glance over a morning paper. None of these mean so much to you as keeping right with God, which you are not likely to do on your plan.

If the great goodness of God does not appeal to you in the hour of temptation, so as to restrain your heart from evil, then remember that He is terrible in his holiness and awful in his majesty; if you cannot love him, then fear him, for he will surely visit upon you your sins.

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NOTES AND PERSONALS.

Methodist Calendar.

Batesville District Conf., Evening Shade.....July 18
S. McAlester District Conf., Kiowa.....July 18-22
Prescott District Conf., Nashville.....July 24
Muskogee District Conf., Stigler.....July 24
Choctaw District Conf., Sealey's Chapel.....July 25
Camden District Conf., Fordyce.....July 25
Holdenville District Conf., Newtown.....July 25
Pine Bluff District Conf., Hawley Memorial...July 26

Rev. A. T. Galloway reports a good meeting in progress at Wynne, Ark.

Bishop Morrison has changed the time of the New Mexico Conference from Sept. 13 to Oct. 18.

Dr. D. L. Rader, editor of the Pacific Christian Advocate, is in very poor health due to overwork and unusual care.

Dr. S. H. Wainwright, who is here from Japan on furlough, has been appointed to fill out the year at Centenary Church, St. Louis.

Rev. W. E. Sewell, well known in Arkansas and Kentucky, who has been in Cuba for several years, has been changed from Santa Clara to Cienfuegos.

Dr. H. G. Henderson, our pastor at Helena, will leave July 2 to join his family at Georgetown, Ky. They will spend August there and at Drennon Springs.

Bros. J. H. Glass, of Clarksville, and J. D. May, of Rison, Ark., spent last Tuesday in Little Rock, and were welcome visitors at our office.

July 15 Bishop Candler started via Seattle for the Orient to hold the Conferences in Japan, Korea, and China. He is expected to return in time to hold the Cuban Mission in January.

Dr. D. W. Carter, superintendent of our Cuban Mission, will soon exchange places with Rev. H. L. Gray, presiding elder of the San Antonio District. The condition of Dr. Carter's health makes this change necessary.

The General Conference for Christian Workers will be held at East Northfield, Mass., Aug. 3-19. It is largely in the interest of pastoral evangelism, and will be addressed by such men as Drs. G. Campbell Morgan and R. A. Torrey.

Many of the Arkansas secular papers have copied our editorial on "Good Roads without Cost." We trust that the plan proposed will be thoroughly tested. County judges should suggest the experiment to road overseers and report results.

Associate Justice Brewer, of the United States Supreme Court, at the meeting of Texas and Arkansas lawyers at Texarkana, made a great address. He admitted that the Federal government was more and more taking authority unto itself, and deprecated this tendency to centralization.

Our former colleague at Central College, Dr. J. B. Game, is in charge of the Latin Department of the Cape Girardeau (Mo.) State Normal School for the summer. He so distinguished himself at Yale last year that he has been appointed to a graduate fellowship in the Department of Classics and Comparative Philology at Yale for the coming year.

"The Methodist Training School for Christian Workers" described in another column is a great enterprise. Our church is to be congratulated on its establishment. It will mean much in the preparation of intelligent workers in every department of the church. Our young people should attend this school and our men of wealth should liberally endow it.

President Conger, who is also the financial agent of the Ouachita-Central System of Baptist Schools, for Arkansas, reports that he has collected more than \$6,000 in cash and taken \$15,000 in good notes since last fall. The entire debt of the Magazine Academy has been paid, and the academies at Bentonville, Magazine, Mountain Home, and Maynard are prospering.

In answer to the call of our Board of Missions for \$25,000 only about five hundred persons have responded, and the contributions amount to only \$11,000. In the whole church are some 6,000 pastoral charges and 14,000 Sunday Schools. If all had taken small collections the whole amount would easily have been raised.

Let every pastor, who has taken no collection, secure something from his people at once and forward to Dr. W. R. Lambuth, Nashville, Tenn.

The Western Conference.

By General Conference action the Western Conference, which embraces our work in Kansas and Nebraska, is merged into the Southwest Missouri Conference. This is wise, as preachers exactly adapted to this difficult field can be found without transferring, and they will have a strong Conference behind them for inspiration and support.

A Great Wrong Righted.

Captain Alfred Dreyfus, of the French army, a wealthy Hebrew, twelve years ago was arrested on the charge of communicating military secrets to a foreign power. He was tried, found guilty, and deported to Devil's Island. His friends believed in his innocence. Col. Picquart, chief of the intelligence department of the French army in 1895, investigated and decided that Capt. Dreyfus was innocent, and determined to see justice done. A tremendous contest ensued in which the very safety of the French Republic was threatened. The sentence against Dreyfus was affirmed and his defender Col. Picquart was degraded. Emile Zola, the novelist, who had bravely stood for right, was driven into exile. Forgeries were discovered. The forger was imprisoned and forced to suicide. The minister of

War resigned in disgrace. After a second trial Captain Dreyfus was again sentenced to ten years' imprisonment in France. Now after years of suffering and disgrace the Supreme Court has decided that Dreyfus is innocent and the French Chambers have restored him and Col. Picquart to the army with advanced rank. A great wrong has been righted. The people of France will idolize Dreyfus.

Paragould District Conference.

The fondness of the senior editor for the mountains, with their rocks and trees, blue streams and pure air is a fact which he has advertised more than once in his correspondence for this paper. The session of the Paragould District Conference at Mammoth Spring last week gave him a chance to get among these scenes. Dr. Z. T. Bennett moved business with clock-like precision, omitting no detail. It was his proudly to say to the editor: "When you find a district conference in Arkansas or Oklahoma with 70 present on the first day, write it up." The sessions were all profitable. Dr. Bennett is making a first class presiding elder. The preaching which we heard was good. Bro. L. C. Craig, who goes up for readmission, preached a notable sermon. Two were licensed to preach, and four were recommended for admission on trial—a fact of special significance. We note that the Morrilton District has just licensed four, and will take up several to the Arkansas Conference. We had delightful entertainment, the writer stopping with that fine layman, F. M. Daniel, whose family life is a constant joy. A beautiful spirit pervaded the conference and the community. The secretary will furnish the details. We were compelled to leave on Friday in order to reach another district conference.

Corning, Ark.

The senior editor has long desired to visit Corning, county seat of Clay county. It is the last large town in Arkansas as you go north on the Iron Mountain road, and does not lie in the track of the brethren as they go to and fro about the work of Methodism in Arkansas. The pastor becomes a little hungry for the fellowship of his brother pastors. He has a good people, but such is the nature of a Methodist preacher that he wants to see often his comrades in the itinerant ministry.

Bro. A. E. Holloway is the pastor. He believes in his work, has ever a budget of good things to say about his town and his church. He is in his third year and has had unusual success each year, having received about 160 members into the church since his ministry in the charge began.

They have a fine Sunday School, Bro. G. B. Oliver being the superintendent. Bro. Oliver seems to have solved the "big boy problem." His solution is simple enough—he insists that it is really the big man problem and that if the men are induced to attend Sunday School the boys will be there. He has the men of the church, and therefore has also the boys in his school. Here is a point for superintendents to meditate. Corning is soon to have a new brick church. All things move well. Many of the people

of the town are from the North. We trust that they will soon be able to consider themselves fully identified with all our Arkansas Methodist institutions. They are a part of us, and are all welcome to our fellowship.

Searcy District Conference

We did not get there till Friday evening, having spent two days at the Paragould District Conference. We found the brethren at Tuckerman with the major part of the business done. They had been having a good time. Their fellowship one with another was rich and sweet. Everybody was in a good humor. Dr. Sibert, the presiding elder, was guiding with gentleness and the brethren were pleased with his presidency. He had introduced a new feature in that he had called upon laymen to conduct all the devotional services. The plan worked well. It added much to the interest of the occasion. We heard a good strong sermon from Rev. S. L. Cochran.

The town of Tuckerman is growing rapidly, being situated in a fine agricultural region. Indeed the whole country between Newport and the Missouri line is growing up rapidly. The crops! the crops! we never saw them finer. They are great all over Arkansas and all over Oklahoma and Indian territories this year. If the month of August is favorable it will be difficult to gather the cotton that will be made this year. Let the readers of this paper be thankful, and let them not forget Him who giveth the increase.

All the signs indicate prosperity among the churches of the Searcy district. Bro. Sibert is much loved by the brethren. At Tuckerman Bro. T. J. Taylor is doing well. He always works and always deserves success.

New Medical College.

Last week the Maddox Seminary, the property of the Methodist Episcopal Church, (North) in Little Rock, was sold for about \$28,000 to a number of physicians who have incorporated and will establish the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Little Rock.

The incorporators are J. P. Runyan, W. P. Illing, D. C. Walt, A. E. Sweatland, C. C. Stephenson, J. P. Sheppard, B. W. Flinn, C. R. Shinault, S. P. Vaughter, E. Meek, T. E. Hodges, G. M. D. Cantrell, W. B. Hughes, W. B. Smith, E. N. Davis, C. P. Merriwether, D. R. Hardeman, and R. W. Lindsey. The object of the corporation is "the conducting of a school of medicine and surgery in all its branches; of pharmacy and dentistry; a training school for nurses and the maintenance and operation of a sanitarium and hospital." Dr. Runyan is dean and Dr. Illing is secretary. A complete faculty is announced. The school will open the first Monday in October.

This is valuable property and with slight changes may be admirably adapted to its new use. We congratulate the incorporators on securing such a bargain, and Little Rock upon the prospect of another strong school.

It is understood that Prof. Maddox will secure other buildings and continue his school for girls.

An Urgent Appeal.

Our University at Su-chow, China, has reached a point of development where another building, a student dormitory, is imperatively needed at once, and the Chinese (non-Christians) challenge the missionaries by an offer of \$5000, if they will secure as much from the home church. Not to meet their challenge would be something worse than the loss of the building; it would discredit us before them.

The Board of Missions has, therefore, laid upon me, during my brief stay in the homeland, the task of raising this amount. I wish to complete the matter in time to be present at the China Conference at Hu-chow on October 3rd, and lay the money down then. To accomplish this, I must get our \$5,000 within the next thirty days.

Now, my dear friends and brethren, please help me. Personally I have carried this great scheme of a University with correlated schools on my mind and heart since the year 1881, the date of its projection, a period of twenty-five years, and this present appeal is in behalf of the completion of the University, which will give us a permanent place among the great factors and forces now shaping the destinies of the new China.

Young J. Allen.

Death of Sister Walsh.

Mrs. Cepha Gaster Walsh, widow of our ascended brother, Rev. J. A. Walsh, died at the home of her father, Mr. James Gaster at Collins, Ark., at 2 o'clock a. m., Sunday, July 8, 1906.

Her death was caused by consumption, and for several weeks before the end came she had recognized the fact that there was no hope for recovery. It was my privilege to visit her just a few days before her death.

I found her resting quietly and sweetly on the "Everlasting Arms" and perfectly resigned to the Divine will. She talked calmly and yet triumphantly of the future and rejoiced in the hope of soon being with her Lord and with loved ones gone before.

She leaves two little boys, Gaster and James to the care of her father and sister, and the Little Rock Conference.

At her request her funeral service was conducted by the writer, assisted by Rev. M. B. Corrigan, and her remains were laid to rest by the side of her sainted husband in the cemetery at Monticello. J. A. Sage. Hamburg, Ark.

Indian Mission Notes.

Oklahoma has been blessed this week with splendid rains. Crops are fine. Threshing is in full blast. Soon the wheat will all be on the market. Oats are fine. Corn will make a large yield. Cotton was never better. Our country is full of promise, hope, and prospects. No reason why conference collections should not be in full. Let us pastors put forth energy and effort and reports will be good.

Rev. A. B. C. Debnam is making liberal arrangements for the great annual camp meeting at Pontotoc. We acknowledge an invitation to attend and assure him of our prayers, and if possible will spend a day with him. Rev. J. D. Salter of Roff is to preach the opening sermon.

At a meeting of the trustees of Spaulding

Female College recently held many of the details looking to the securing of the one hundred thousand dollars endowment were effected. This is quite an undertaking, but Pres. Brewer is hopeful, the board is composed of wise and successful men and we predict success.

Rev. J. F. Roberts of Sayre Station was in Oklahoma City on the 9th. He came for medical treatment. The writer had a word with him.

Rev. C. S. Walker of El Reno had four accessions to the church last Sunday. We held his third quarterly conference on Monday; reports good and congregation hopeful. They have given Walker a month's vacation.

Chancellor Bradford, and vice Chancellor Bynum, of Epworth University, are now in the East where they have the promise of help for the building of dormitories. This is an absolute necessity for the opening of next session.

Rev. H. K. Monroe of Stroud had the misfortune to lose by fire recently nearly all his family wearing apparel; J. B. McCance and family also lost heavily as they were visiting in the home of Bro. Monroe at the time of the fire.

Mrs. T. F. Brewer and daughter, Miss Bessie, are spending their vacation at Marlin, Texas. They report a most excellent time.

Rev. J. E. Disch, Secretary of the Epworth Assembly, showed himself a man of affairs in the management of the session recently held at Guthrie. Dr. W. B. Palmore, of St. Louis, spent several days at the Assembly and delivered a strong address on Prohibition.

Many of the pastors on the east side of the Conference are creating strong sentiment in favor of Prohibition Statehood in the coming constitutional Convention. Let the good fight go on. The liquor men never stop. Many of our strong men are on that side of our conference and when they take up arms against any thing there is something doing.

Rev. Lee Rippey will begin a meeting at Ada next Sunday with Oliver brothers at the helm. May they have a great meeting is our prayer.

The quarterly conference for Capitol Hill was held recently. Bro. Crumpton has a strong hold on the people of that growing part of our city and has organized a good class and prospects are encouraging.

Rev. Vada Davis is now in a meeting at Stella with Jesse Crumpton helping.

Rev. J. L. James of McLoud is to begin a meeting at New Salem on the 21st.

Many revivals are being held and we expect the reports at our coming Annual Conference to be in advance of any ever received by any Bishop before. W. J. S.

Send ten cents and get copy of Dr. Young J. Allen's "The Gospel Liberating China."

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Altitudes of Faith.

To faith's enlightened sight,
All the mountains flame with light;
Hell is nigh—but God is nigher,
'Circling us with hosts of fire.

The eye would suffer pain were it not that it looks upon one vast panorama. Vision is restful because of its ever-changing view. It is not one weary expanse. Heights and valleys, rolling prairies and wooded hills, barren wastes and fruitful fields, clouds big with refreshing showers and skies that look like brass,—all this mighty sweep of vision is saved from weariness by things near and different. Far-off horizons suddenly draw near. Monotony is an evil and a source of life's unrest. That which breaks the even tenor is always a blessing.

I shall never forget how once I was wearied by the ocean itself. Beneath me were its unfathomed depths. Above me a cloudless dome of blue, unbroken save when the stars stole out to keep their vigils. To my right and to my left, stretched a weary waste whose distant rim seemed to touch the sky. A dead calm is almost unbearable. Nothing is ever so grand as when the monotony is broken. In the grip of the tempest and storm it is boundless and sublime. It is a relief to watch the tides roll in fury one over the other. There's a charm in the wild witchery of the waves. The whispering winds tell their story. The pounding sea throbs on. We listen to its restless sighings. The ocean thrills us in its effort to break away from eternal confinement. Sometimes, in the distance, fringed heights lift their heads from depths below. It is rest—to mark the headlands that fret the tides as they come and go. Vision never tires of watching the white-crosted waves as they dance and gleam. We love to gaze on the thick-plumed squadrons of the sea. So it always is. At last, that which serves to break monotony is a blessing. It may be the tempest and the storm.

The life of faith has its long, level reaches. Because there are valleys, there are high and holy hills. Long distances are gone over in this earthly pilgrimage. These plains would be desolate were it not that here and there heights loom into view.

On one of the great Texas prairies the monotony is suddenly broken by old Pilot Knob. I remember that out in Arizona we would drive across a weary waste to ascend a mountain range. On reaching the summit there spread out before us a vast table-land on whose distant border verged another frightful ascent. Thus on and on—here a great plateau, there a mountain height—on and on, over the valley and up the mountain side, till at last we breathed the ozone and drank the tonic of the lofty range.

Faith's broad experience has its common stretches. There are plains that border along earth's low grounds. Here the air is laden with the deadly miasma that rises from bogs not far away. Thank God, beyond us are the hills! High altitudes where the air is pure and fragrant. These are not the common places.

Right in the midst of life's toilsome journey we come to heights amid whose fastnesses we may shut out the world's loud roar. The years of wandering in the desert are forgotten when we reach some radiant Nebo's crest. Sinai's wilderness is lost to view when we sit down on some Pisgah height. Into such experiences God sometimes lifts us. We shall not always abide in the valley. From these enrapturing summits we survey, with undimmed vision, our land of promise. The outlook cannot be had in the vales that are so long and deep. The very hills restrict our vision and we cannot see beyond. Only from the hill-tops comes the ever-expanding horizon. The higher the summits the more distant the horizon. Some day, thank God, we shall come to heights so lofty that there will be no horizon—

we shall find the undimmed vision. God invites us to sit down in faith's awful altitudes. Life's horizon fades away—the mountains flame with light. The very air is populous with the ransomed and blood washed through. Faith's sight surveys undreamed-of realms. We find ourselves in company with our loved and lost in the years gone by. The holy hush is broken by redemption's song. The very discords of life are gathered up into one vast symphony. And far down the borders of the river of God lies the land of richer inheritance.

Thank God for these heights! They do not lead back to valleys whence we came. They lead out upon high plateaus and bring us again to heights yet more lofty. In life's pilgrimage there are vast and tiresome stretches. Some sweet day we shall be lost amid the hills of God. Oh, yes, it is a pilgrimage—but from faith to faith, and from glory to glory. Some day the altitudes will be so high that the tumult of earth will not reach us. The jars and jargon of the earth will be swallowed up in the music of the spheres.—J. Marvin Nichols.

Asheville Conference Young People's Movement.

The Young People's Missionary Movement is an unique organization, providential in its place among the agencies which are operating in the interests of the evangelization of the world in this generation. A movement that is interdenominational and yet because of its broad Catholicity, enriching denominational life. Into this conference are brought together young men and young women from various sections of the South land, representing the various denominations. They are met by denominational specialists, such as Secretaries of the Mission Boards, returned missionaries, leading educators, prominent preachers, who lead these young people in a course of study and by mutual conference and exchange of thought contribute information and inspiration to the heart thoughts of this consecrated young life. The conference is intended as an annual council meeting, a clearing house of facts and ideas, a school of methods and a dynamo of inspiration, for both foreign and home mission workers where each labors for all and all serve each.

The attendance at the fourth annual conference of the Movement shows a decided increase over past years. About 250 delegates are enrolled; the Presbyterians leading, numbering about 115, the Methodists number about 100. These represent about 12 different states. An impressive sight it is to see this body of young people gathered together in the music room of Kenilworth Inn; each countenance bears testimony to the earnest thought and deep purposes which have brought these young people up to this high mount of privilege. They are choice spirits who have deep at heart the great work which lies before the Church. There is represented in this conference capacity for leadership which it is purposed to develop by means of these annual meetings. This is a summer training school.

Each day is a busy one. First comes the morning prayer service. It is called "family prayers," for we gather as a large family, children of the same Heavenly Father. Following this comes the Study Class. Members of the conference are divided into five classes, which meet in their respective places for the study of missions. The large and spacious parlors are used and afford comfortable and ideal surroundings for this occasion. These classes are in progress at the same time. One of these is led by the Rev. W. H. Means of Winchester, Mass., who is conducting a very interesting study on the subject of immigration; the other four classes are studying Bishop Thoburn's recent book on "The Christian Conquest of India."

The conference is enjoying the presence of two of the Secretaries of the Young People's Movement, namely Mr. C. F. Vickery and Mr. M. W. Elmes whose suggestions have been heard with responsive purpose and decision. Much of the successful management of this conference and dispatch of business is due to the indefatigable labors of Mr. J. W. Shackford, who for the past 4 years has been the Secretary of the young people's department of the Southern Methodist Church.

The Presbyterians are ably represented by Dr. A. L. Phillips, General Superintendent of the S. S. Board and Young People's Societies; Dr. D. Clay Lilly, pastor at Winston-Salem, N. C.; Rev. J. O. Reavis, Secretary of Foreign Missions; and Rev. H. F. Williams. The Christian Church is represented by the Rev. A. McLean, Secretary of the Foreign Board of Missions, and Dr. M. Collis, pastor of the First Church, Lexington, Ky. The Episcopalians by the Rev. Robert W. Patton, Secretary of Home Missions for the Southern States. The Methodists by Dr. W. R. Lambuth, Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, Dr. John H. Goucher, President of the Woman's College of Baltimore, Bishop E. R. Hendrix, Dr. F. S. Parker, assistant editor of the Epworth Era, Dr. Young J. Allen of China, Dr. S. H. Wainwright of Japan, and Rev. J. L. Kennedy, of Brazil.

The second hour of every morning is devoted to Institute work, at which time the subject of missions both in the Young People's Society and in the Sunday school is discussed. It is largely an interchange of experiences, the various features of missionary efforts are investigated and experiences of those who are associated or identified in such work is shared with the conference and in that way some who have labored under difficulties find suggestions that clear up the way.

The third hour of the morning is devoted to platform addresses. These have been instructive and inspiring. The broad vision and the deep fervor and manliness with which these men have from time to time delivered their messages, has contributed much to the intense devotional spirit which is so evident in all of the sessions of this conference. Large men with large hearts have brought to us visions that are world wide in their sweep and by their faith and genius have lifted up the young life into altitudes which have helped them to look farther away from themselves and to covet more of the unselfish ministry which was so beautifully exemplified in the life of our Lord.

One other feature of helpfulness has been the pastor's conference, where men sit side by side and share with each other their thoughts on these great subjects which must be solved by the church. The denominational meetings have also been a feature of interest. In these group meetings, the denominations take up their specific work and their lack in that work, and by conference are seeking to find out what plans would work most effectively to help them to realize the largest and best results for the kingdom. The afternoon is devoted to recreation. This is a fixed rule of the conference, it being deemed essential in order that each delegate may realize the largest good from the hours that are assigned for study and addresses.

Two classes for Bible study meet every night for one hour. These classes are conducted by Drs. A. L. Phillips and D. Clay Lilly. These studies are stimulating to the faith and devotional life of each delegate.

The last hour of each day is devoted to platform work. Some stirring appeals have been uttered. The conference is moving upward, higher is the thought and purpose of each heart. We look for a glorious climax to this deep yearning for guidance and for power to do the Master's will.

Wm. Court.

Greater Wofford.

"Greater Wofford" is the cry now. And with good reason, for we seem at last to be reaching a point where our dreams of what Wofford College should be, are within reach of realization. Never before in its history have the authorities of the college been able to make such a report as they made the present year. In the first place, there were 435 students on the campus,—248 in the college and 187 in the Fitting School. The freshman class went to the phenomenal number of 118,—perhaps the largest strictly academic freshman class entering any Southern college for the session of 1905-6. This represents a remarkable growth on the side of patronage, and shows unmistakably the high appreciation of the public for the kind of education furnished by Wofford.

The report of the financial situation and outlook was equally encouraging. Dr. R. A. Child, the able and efficient agent of the endowment movement, confidently sees his success by January, 1907; two legacies were received during the year, one from Miss Julia Smith of \$10,000, and one from Major Woodruff, a Baptist friend, of \$500; then there are the two large conditional gifts,—\$25,000 from the General Educational Board of New York and \$20,000 from Mr. Andrew Carnegie. All this represents an exceptional record for one year.—Southern Christian Advocate.

Personal Work.

With the coming of the summer months meetings will be held in many of our churches. To many pastors the vacation months are the busiest of the year, and churches in many places will feel the inspiration of new spiritual power. The preacher has many claims on his time and strength, especially during the season of revivals. To mention any additional duty that is incumbent upon the minister is almost like mockery yet, though many things are important, there is a relation of comparative imperativeness existing among important duties, and we must often choose which of the many pressing demands shall occupy our attention.

The preacher should be pre-eminently a personal worker. This duty is his because it is every Christian's. The obligation to make known the glad tidings is as wide as sin-bound humanity and the grace of God. A Christian who is not ever ready to speak a personal word for Christ and tell some one of the way of life is not living up to the name he bears. If this duty is a part of every converted man's life, surely the minister is even more obligated by the calling he follows to be a personal worker. Into our hands God has committed the priceless message of Jesus's life and death and the eternal truths he came to teach. He can work only through us.

There are two ways to hold a revival. One is simply to hold preaching services and exhort sinners to come to Christ and begin the new life. The other method is more comprehensive and provides for all that the first method includes and also for the element of personal work. And it is to this method that we wish to call the attention of the young preachers as they begin the summer campaign.

First of all let us as ministers rid ourselves of the conventionalism of the pulpit and learn to deal with men as man to man. It is easy to stand in the pulpit, fully protected by sentiment, and fire away at the sins of the people while the congregation listens and each man condemns his neighbors and forgets himself. It is quite different indeed to carry that same message to an individual in the quietness of a personal conversation. We have too long neglected this side of our work and been content

to strike at audiences of many rather than deal with one man. The preacher should be the example to his people in this work, and his tireless, unflagging, and consecrated efforts shall not go unrewarded.

But the minister is not to be the only worker. There should be in each Church a group of helpers willing to render assistance in personal work under the pastor's direction. This group should be organized and drilled by the pastor at least two weeks before the meeting and begin work with individuals at once. Then when the services begin, the field will be in readiness and from the very start the meetings should be fruitful. The pastor, by this method, will multiply himself many fold, and many of the Christians of his church will be strengthened by the outward expression of their loyalty to Christ.

Jesus is the supreme Exemplar of personal work. He spends hours with Nicodemus alone, and thinks a Samaritan Woman worthy of his best thought and love. How many times he must have spoken in private conversation an inspiring word to one or another of the Twelve! In doing personal work we are walking in his footsteps.

Opportunities are on every hand. Men are more accessible than we think. With a proper use of tact and love almost any one is open to a talk over the deeper things of life. Personal work should become the habit of our lives.

There are a number of good manuals prepared with such purposes in view, which will show how to organize for and carry on personal work for the unsaved. Two of the best of these are "Individual Work for Individuals," by H. Clay Trumbull, and "Personal Work," by S. M. Saxford, both of which can be obtained from Smith & Lamar, Nashville, Tenn., at seventy-five cents per copy.—P. B. K. in The Correspondent.

School for Christian Workers.

In May 1904, "The Missionary Training School" was inaugurated by the Board of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Two mid-winter terms have been conducted with an enrollment in both of one hundred and thirty-seven students. During the past year over fifty thousand missionary booklets were circulated. The General Conference at Birmingham endorsed the enterprise by authorizing the permanent establishment of the School under the auspices of the Board of Missions. In pursuance of this action the School has been re-organized as a connectional institution. The new name which has been adopted is "The Methodist Training School for Christian Workers."

The scope of the School as now organized is: First, to conduct annually a nine months' session for the purpose of training Christian Workers of both sexes; Second, to hold a Preachers' Institute each year for the benefit of pastors and missionary workers who are actively engaged in Christian service; and Third, to develop a Bureau of Missions for the purpose of collecting and disseminating information on social, religious, and missionary subjects, especially by developing a permanent Educational Missionary Exhibit, where ministers and other students may come from time to time for study and investigation.

The next session of the School will open September 19, 1906, and close June 19, 1907. The nine months session is divided into three terms which are approximately three months each, so that a student may take one, two or three terms a year and get credit for the work done. The School will aim to give thorough and practical training to missionaries and other Christian workers for definite sphere of service in the church. The constant object of the teachers

will be to develop skill in the performance of Christian service rather than to store the mind with book knowledge.

The doors of the School will be open to all missionaries, preachers, and other Christian workers of both sexes. Special advantages will be offered young women who desire training for city, home and foreign missions.

Further information can be secured by writing the Superintendent, Jas. E. McCulloch, 422 Sixth Ave., N., Nashville, Tenn.

Socialist Strength in Europe.

Socialism is to-day politically a minority party in every European country, yet what is it doing? In Austria it has brought the proud house of Hapsburg to bend the knee, and compels Francis Joseph to fight side by side with the Social Democrats to force universal suffrage from the Liberals. In Italy it has nationalized the railroads and written more than one progressive bill in the legislation of a new advanced Italy. In Switzerland it shapes the national policy and rules many cities. In Germany it has almost captured the empire, and is driving the Conservatives to a desperate effort to further limit a suffrage already unjust to the proletariat. In France it has elected 1,200 municipal councilors, compels 211 national Deputies to call themselves Socialists of some sort, and stalks its way into cabinets and gives them ministerial portfolios. In Belgium it has compelled the Conservatives to insure the unemployed and to enact some of the most advanced legislation in the world outside of Australia and New Zealand. In these two countries it is creating, in the first, a co-operative commonwealth, while in the latter it has almost done so. In Great Britain it enters Parliament, dominates municipal policy, makes of London, in some respects, the greatest Socialist city of the world, puts John Burns into the cabinet, and makes King Edward say: "We are all Socialists now." In the United States? Senator Hanna, just before his death, declared the future to lie between socialism and the Republican party. If the Democratic party wins for a while it will be by stealing the socialistic thunder.

In a wholly different line of advance, socialism is compelling capitalists to become philanthropists, and employers to purchase a temporary truce, by introducing industrial betterment. The Party of Evolution is the Party of Revolution, and evolutionary revolution rules the world to-day.—W. D. P. Bliss, in the American Monthly Reviews of Reviews for July.

"BY LOVE'S SWEET RULE" is the title of a book for girls which has just been published by the John C. Winston Company. The author, Gabrielle Jackson, has shown deep sympathy and understanding of girl nature in the drawing of her very engaging and attractive characters.

Margaret lost her mother when almost a baby, and has felt the restrictions of an unsympathetic aunt. At last a young woman is engaged to take the latter's place as housekeeper, and a transformation is wrought. How she gilds the dullness of Margaret's life with sweetness and brings mutual love and happiness into her home, form the main theme of the story. There is romance and adventure in the narrative to satisfy the most exacting

The book is brought out in a most attractive form, being a credit to the publishers as well as the author. It is bound in cloth, 320 pages, and cleverly illustrated. Price. \$1.00.

Blanks for Sermon Outlines, 10c a dozen.
Christian Worker's Bible, \$4.75.

Union in Japan.

The Joint Commission on Methodist union met in Washington, D. C., June 26. The commissioners of the Methodist Church in Canada were present and participated in the meeting. The statement given out for publication is as follows: "A meeting of the Commission of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Methodist Church of Canada was held on June 26 in the office of the American University at Washington, D. C., when the principal points of the proposed basis of union were carefully considered. Gratifying progress was made, and there is a strong probability of these three Churches uniting their forces under the name 'Nippon Methodist Kyokwai'—the Methodist Church of Japan. A further meeting of the Commission will take place during the present month, when it is hoped that conclusions satisfactory to all concerned will be reached." The committee meeting will be at Niagara on July 18. A subcommittee is in the meantime working on a basis of agreement. Let earnest prayer be made for this important Commission. —Nashville Christian Advocate.

Church Extension Notes.

Bishops W. A. Candler and E. E. Hoss were appointed by the College of Bishops, under instruction from the General Conference, as "Members of the Commission to build a representative church in Washington City."

Bishop Candler speaks as follows on this:

"An Enterprise of Connectional Importance.

"That was a generous gift of that noble layman, Murray Carleton of St. Louis, to the fund for the erection of a representative church in Washington City, and it was as wise as it was generous. His gift of \$5000 should be speedily followed by many more until the full amount of \$200,000 shall have been raised.

"Southern Methodism has long needed a church at the National Capitol. The necessity was recognized by General Conference action many years ago, and when the General Conference at Birmingham put forward the plan again, it was but calling upon us to resume a work which has been delayed but never abandoned. We cannot afford to delay the matter longer. Other denominations have by general collections erected such buildings in Washington, and our duty and interests are not less imperative and important. We owe it to ourselves and to the country to do this thing, and the circumstances which have explained, if not excused, our delay in the past no longer exist. We are well able to carry to speedy completion this urgently needed enterprise.

"It is not a matter of local importance. It affects the welfare of our church generally. Many of our people are in the public service at Washington, occupying places from the highest to the humblest grade. Unless we care for them many of them will be lost to us—lost, it may be, to any and all churches. Unaided they are not able to build the kind of house required by the needs of the situation. The whole church should unite in building that which will represent and serve the whole church. The building ought to

be worthy of the great denomination which it will visibly express at the capitol.

Let all our people give something to make such a structure as will honor and bless our cause at this great national center.

"W. A. Candler.

July 6, 1906."

Rev. J. D. Crooks reports the organization of two new Societies in the Spokane District, East Columbia Conference, and applies for application blanks. One of these Societies is located in a town of 650 people with no house of worship.

Rev. Clement C. Cary, Secretary of the Board of Church Extension of the North Georgia Conference, in a business letter to the Central Office, incidentally tells a good story, entitled "How \$50 Paid a Debt of \$300." The history of Church Extension might be written in just such stories as the one referred to.

Rev. John H. McLean, D. D., presiding elder of the Bonham District of the North Texas Conference, writes of a storm which badly wrecked our church valued at \$2000 at Petty, Texas. The congregation is greatly in need of \$250 or \$300 to assist in reconstruction. The presiding elder inquires if we have an emergency fund on hand. We have not. There should be one to adjust such cases as this. This is an opportunity for a use of the Lord's money. Who will respond?

The Corresponding Secretary responded to a call from the presiding elder, Rev. C. W. Hill, and the pastor, Rev. W. P. Buckner, Joplin, Mo, to assist in providing funds for the completion of a magnificent new \$40,000 stone church.

Rev. D. H. Tuttle, Chairman of the North Carolina Board of Church Extension, has a stirring note on the subject of "Church Extension" in a recent issue of the Raleigh Christian Advocate. The facts and figures given will challenge attention and do good. The Elizabeth City District should not stand alone in meeting the assessment this conference year.

The Union of Methodism in Japan.

Thinking the readers of the Advocate throughout the Church would like to hear about the very recent developments of the Methodist union movement in Japan, the writer will endeavor to state briefly the situation.

Within the last twelve months there has been a remarkable reawakening of interest in this question, so that many who were formerly rather lukewarm have become ardent advocates of union. Again, there has been awakened lately an almost unanimous sentiment among the Japanese (and many missionaries share the same conviction) that the union must include at least the three larger Methodist bodies—namely, the Methodist Episcopal, the Methodist Episcopal, South, and the Canadian Methodist Churches. Consequently when the news was received here that the commissioners of the three Mother Churches had failed to agree in their Conference in Baltimore, and that the two Methodist Episcopal bodies had adopted a basis of union for Japan, with the Canadian Church not included, there was disappointment and deep grief. Some of the leaders in Tokyo of the Methodist Episcopal Church went so far as to say that if the Canadians could not enter the union, then union with the Southern Methodists was not desirable, nor would such a union be of any special benefit. It was said, "Being so far away and occupying

so common territory, it would invest Japanese Methodism with no stronger or more united front than it had before the union.

Our own Southern Methodist people with few exceptions, Japanese and missionaries alike, were also disappointed over the result reached by the commissioners in the United States.

And so, as soon as letters and an official statement were received, giving hope that the action of the two Methodist Episcopal Commissions was not made absolutely final, active and earnest steps were taken to have an informal conference of some of the Japanese pastors and missionaries of the three Methodist bodies in Japan.

Meanwhile the Kiushiu Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church (hitherto lukewarm, if not opposed to union with the Canadians) met and passed a resolution favoring a basis that would enable them (the Canadians) to enter the union.

And meanwhile Drs. Carman and Sutherland, of Canada, and both members of the Canadian Commission that met in Baltimore had arrived in Japan.

And so the informal conference, numbering about fifty, was held in Tokyo May 4, and a frank interchange of opinion took place. Drs. Carman and Sutherland, Bishop Harris, and other representative men, missionary and Japanese, were present. Our Church was represented by three of our leading pastors and the writer. It was perfectly evident at the close of these conferences that a union of the three Methodisms was the only thing that would satisfy either missionaries or Japanese; that the union of the two Episcopal Methodisms only would be opposed by a large majority.

While no formal propositions were laid before that Tokyo conference, for it was purely an informal meeting, yet a compromise basis was submitted by Dr. Julius Soper, of the Methodist Episcopal Mission, privately to the leaders of the Canadians and to Bishop Harris, of the Methodist Episcopal Church. It read as follows:

"1. *The Kantoku* (Bishop or Overseer).—(a) The *kantoku* shall be elected by the General Conference by ballot, without nomination or debate, and shall exercise the functions of the office for a period of twelve years, unless sooner removed by the General Conference for cause. The *kantoku* shall not be eligible for re-election. (b) The *kantoku*, in consultation with the *bucho*, shall annually station all the ministers and probationers.

"2. *General Conference*.—The General Conference shall meet every four years.

"3. *District Conference*.—The chief officer of a district (*bu*) shall be called *bucho* (presiding elder or chairman of district.) The *bucho* shall be elected annually by the Annual Conference by ballot, without nomination or debate."

The week after the Tokyo informal conference, above mentioned, the Canadian Methodist Annual Conference met, and by a *unanimous vote* accepted and adopted the above basis prepared by Dr. Soper; and Drs. Carman and Sutherland, both being present, were requested by resolution to make effort upon their return to reopen negotiations with the two Episcopal Methodist Commissions in the United States of America, with the purpose, if possible, of securing the authority and approval from the Mother Churches for union in Japan of the three Methodisms.

Here, then, is the situation in Japan; and it is to be hoped that our own Commission may be able to consent to a reopening of negotiations with the other Commissions whereby the Canadians may become partners for the union. This writer would prefer a lifelong tenure for the bishop, but it does not seem to be practicable just now to demand it, or fair either.

One more fact must be stated, in the light of

which it will be seen that the union of the *three Methodist* bodies is very important. At a recent very large meeting of the Japan Evangelical Alliance, deputies being present from all the Protestant bodies and from all over the empire, action was taken and a large committee appointed which confessedly and openly has for its purpose nothing less than the *organic union* of all the Protestant Churches in the empire. This current is setting in strong, and we have come to see that unless Methodism can be in the near future set up with one solid front of organized union of the strongest bodies she is liable to be drawn into that nationalistic current. And this would be a calamity. It must be prevented. Methodism must be maintained intact in this land.

It is therefore very desirable that a basis may yet be adopted by the Commissions in America and Canada making this conserving and a cementing of Methodism possible. It is to be hoped that a deputation from our Church will come to us as soon as practicable.—Rev. J. C. C. Newton in Nashville Christian Advocate.

Mount Hermon School's 25th Anniversary.

No greater testimony was ever paid to D. L. Moody than the recent rally of former Hermon students at the twenty-fifth anniversary of the school, which was celebrated the early part of the month. For nearly two years the event had been planned, but the result far exceeded the expectation of those in charge. "Old boys" from far and near, numbering nearly one-fourth of the entire enrollment of the quarter century, representing every state this side of the Mississippi and many beyond, came back to pay their tribute to the school and to the memory of its founder. Graduates and non-graduates were welcomed and all joined hands in making the reunion the most important thing in the history of the Institution.

The celebration was unique and illustrated not only the character of the school but also the kind of men the place has helped. The commemoration address was delivered by a man who was taken from the mines of Pennsylvania and after working his way through Mount Hermon, graduated from Princeton and is now a well known preacher. The address to the Alumni was by a prominent Canadian clergyman, who was once a young Irish waif, converted through Mr. Moody in Dublin. The history of the school, written especially for the occasion, was by a stunted Pennsylvania boy brought to the school as a child.

Every class was represented from the beginning, and mingling with the former generations were the stalwart young college fellows, who entering Mount Hermon with a few hard-won dollars in their pockets, had never rested until the college diploma was theirs. Young business men with responsible positions were back to give homage to their Alma Mater. On all sides a spirit of rejoicing and expansion was felt with a result that two brothers, who had once been students, combined in giving the money for a much-needed Administration building and plans were suggested for a million dollar Alumni fund. In one evening enough was subscribed to pay the tuition for one hundred boys for one year. Most of this came from very young Alumni and it is the hope and plan of the corporation within a few years to have the school entirely supported by the Alumni. That the Christian ideals long ago set for the school were still maintained was seen on all sides by the huge numbers of men who returned, now in active Christian Work.

A Problem Solved.

When the Independent attacks editorially the negro question, the thinking world holds its breath. The things that editor does not know about the negro and the South would make a book—a big

book. Indeed, he has already written enough to make that book and printed it in his paper. In a recent issue, in spite of having so often solved the negro problem, he solves it again. The South, the negroes in the South especially, should be grateful. He says that the negroes will get the "equal privilege and right" which they are seeking because they are no longer slaves who can be dominated, but a threatening volcano which, if longer restrained, will burst forth in universal ruin. This is poppycock. The negro never did get anything and never will get anything by threatening the whites. The Independent should be more specific. What are the "equal privilege and right" which the negro seeks with such consuming longing? Is it the right to vote? He has that. Is it equality before the law? He has that, unless the jury happens to be prejudiced. But even white prisoners run the risk of facing prejudiced juries. Is it the right to sit at table, mingle at hotels, and intermarry with the whites? A few negro agitators earnestly long for this. They are, many of them, mulattoes, almost white, and with a greater instinct for affiliation with the whites than with the blacks. But they are dreaming an impossible dream. And if the Independent means to encourage them, it is holding before them a fool's paradise. The antipathy of race is even stronger in portions of the country where there are few negroes than in the South. In the South it is so deep-seated and so ineradicable that the man, white or black, who looks forward to its elimination, be the progress of the negro race what it may, is simply a fool. For such a man to lecture the South and indulge in vaticinations concerning the future is a spectacle for gods and men.—Nashville Christian Advocate.

The President and Dr. Young J. Allen.

Dr. Young J. Allen went to China as a missionary of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in 1859, and has given unbroken service down to the present day. In point both of service and experience he is the dean of Protestant missionaries in Asia. In an address delivered this spring at Ohio Wesleyan University Bishop Bashford bore high testimony to Doctor Young's superb personality and high standing, saying in effect, that he considered him the most experienced and able man in China. The recent Southern General Conference brought Doctor Young to this country, where he received many marks of honor and distinction. The highest honor bestowed on him was an interview with the President, made by special request of the latter, who recognized in the great missionary one who could speak with him informally and authoritatively on social and political conditions in China, and on the relations of China with the United States. It gives us pleasure to present here, in condensed form, the opinions uttered by Doctor Young in answer to the questions of the President.

The principal questions were four in number: What is the real cause of the disaffection in China, and its resentment toward this country? Is the government unable to deal with this enmity towards all foreigners? What is the present feeling of the Chinese government toward the United States? How can our government proceed toward bringing to an end the retaliatory spirit toward us? The form and content of these queries show a statesmanlike grasp of the situation, and a desire to work out the possible solution of a vexing problem.

Doctor Young's answers were equally those of a statesman. He said that in reality the anti-foreign movement in China is among the people, and is caused by the feeling that they are the butt of ridicule and discrimination at the hands of all foreigners. This feeling includes even the ruling government of China. For two centuries the enthroned dynasty has been Manchurian,

and is regarded by the true Chinese as foreign. The Chinese government lacks coherency, being a group of factions, and its ability to cope with the resentment of the people is seriously to be doubted. The present attitude of the government in China is very friendly to the United States. Chinese statesmen will never forget the honorable stand taken by Secretary Hay during the Boxer rebellion. They remember it with gratitude. It is this feeling of friendliness which leads so many young Chinese men of culture to seek admission to this country to get an American education. And much of the present strained relation follows the unjust treatment accorded them by our exclusion laws. Doctor Young suggests the appointment of inspectors to serve at Chinese ports, men of such high grade as to be above corrupt practices, and that by doing the sifting on that side of the Pacific the unpleasant and outrageous acts of inspectors at our own ports might be done away with.

In concluding the interview the President said that he had in mind a plan for returning to China the twenty million dollars of indemnity which was paid after the Boxer rebellion, with the suggestion that China use it for educating Chinese young men of good degree in this country. He also declared his purpose to see that every Chinaman shall receive just treatment at our doors. This interview is remarkable in its importance. The relations of China and the United States are far from proper and satisfying. Fanatic hatred on one side, and senseless prejudice on the other, have contrived to make a bad mess of matters. Good sense among the people of the two countries would remove the embarrassments. China does not object to our exclusion of ignorant coolies, but she is justified in feeling angry when her best young men are treated like dogs at our ports of entry. The President certainly wishes to do right, and Doctor Allen's interview with him can not but have a beneficial effect.—Pittsburg Christian Advocate.

Alleghany's Good Fortune.

At a meeting of the faculty and students of Alleghany College last week, President Crawford announced that Mrs. Sarah B. Cochran, of Dawson, Pa., had given \$50,000 to the College for the erection of a college commons for young men. It will contain a large dining-hall, together with some club features, and will be located opposite Ruter Hall, just above the gymnasium. Also, that Mr. Andrew Carnegie had given \$25,000 for the endowment of the library, and Mr. John F. Eberhart, of Chicago, of the class of '52, \$25,000 for the further endowment of a chair to which he had already given \$10,000. This news was received with enthusiastic cheers, as it well might be. We heartily congratulate Doctor Crawford and the College on this additional good fortune which has thus come to them from these noble givers.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

PREPARED BY REV. GEO. M. GLUMPHY, PH. D.

July 29. Jesus Dines with a Pharisee.

Luke 14:1-14. (Read Luke 11:37-54.)
Commit vs. 13, 14.

Golden Text: "He that humbleth himself shall be exalted," Luke. 14:11.

Locating the Lesson.

Time—A Sabbath, probably early in A. D. 30. Place—Perea, at the house of a leading Pharisee. Persons—Jesus; the host, a leader among the Pharisees; the man "which had the dropsy;" other Pharisees; "lawyers," students and teachers of the "Law;" the other guests. Connecting Links—Discourses against the Pharisees, Luke 11:14-54; Teachings Concerning Trust in God and Coming Judgment, Luke 12:1-59; Galileans S'ain by Pilate, Luke 13:1-9; The Woman Healed on a Sabbath, Luke 13:10-21; The Question Whether Few be Saved, Luke 13:22-30; Reply to the Warning against Herod, Luke 13:31-35.

Introduction.

Pharisaism Rebuked.

"Beware ye of the leaven (teaching) of the Pharisees," Luke 12:1.

1. The student should keep in mind that the central purpose of Jesus in this lesson is to expose and rebuke the teaching of the Pharisees. Here is the "key" to a proper understanding of the Master's "table talk."

2. Read carefully Luke 11:37-54 concerning another and earlier instance of Jesus' dining with a Pharisee. Compare this with our present lesson. I think that Jesus is invited for the express purpose of catching "something out of his mouth, that they might accuse him."

I. The Pharisaic Externalism of Obedience.

"The letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life," 2 Cor. 2:6.

1. The afflicted man was probably brought to the feast with the design to trap Jesus into an open violation of the Sabbath laws. The dropsical man may not have been a party to the plot. Our Lord instantly reading their crafty wicked hearts turned upon them with the direct question: "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath day?" In other words, "Ye who are bent on hurting, answer me this question, Is it lawful for me to heal?" Of course they were silent.

2. Thus by his direct question, by his kindly act of healing, and by an appeal to their own conduct he expressed and rebuked the mere externalism of their boasted obedience. "Now do ye Pharisees make clean the outside of the cup and the platter (the obedience of the letter of the Law); but your inward part is full of ravening and wickedness," Luke 11:39. They were thirsting for his blood right then.

II. Pharisaic Pride and Self-Assertion.

"Which . . . love . . . the chief rooms at the feasts," Luke 20:46.

1. The Pharisees and lawyers as they entered the room were very eager for the chief places.

They would separate themselves as far as possible from the common people in the lower seats, and especially from the beggars thronging the door. They, who counted

themselves "children of the kingdom of God," were the personification of pride and self-assertion.

2. The spirit of the "child of the kingdom" is that of the kingdom's Lord and Master: "I am meek and lowly in heart." More than once did Jesus rebuke this spirit of Pharisaism in the apostles themselves. Mark 9:33-37; Matt. 20:20-28; Luke 22:24-26.

III. Pharisaic Lovelessness.

"If ye love them that love you, what reward have ye?" Matt. 54:6.

1. The Pharisees were accustomed to give feasts with a great show of hospitality. To be known as much "given to hospitality" is to have very high honor in the Orient. But underneath all this great pretense were three selfish considerations: (1) They gave feasts "to be seen of men;" (2) They invited those whose very presence would give honor to the host; (3) They expected ample reward in being invited in return.

2. Jesus would teach that true hospitality, a cardinal virtue, is intrinsically unselfish in that it neither seeks nor expects any reward. The Lord is not condemning the making of feasts to which we invite our special friends, provided it be all done in the right spirit. He is condemning the utter want of love that the Pharisees, and not a few besides, showed.

Thoughts.

1. The Pharisees not only had cold food at their Sabbath feasts, but cold hearts.

2. "Is it lawful?" "By their traditions they could not say, yes; by common humanity they could not say, no" No wonder they were silent.

3. "Lowliness is the beginning of holiness." None but Jesus can profess holiness. We all may possess it.

4. God's children are a long while learning that the way down is the way up.

5. How many modern "functions" are blood kin to the Pharisees' feasts, given "to be seen of men!"

FIELD NOTES.

1. Prof. M. J. Russell, of Hendrix College, held a Sunday School Institute at the Harrison District Conference to the great delight of the brethren. He has kindly consented to devote a part of his summer vacation to assisting the Secretary in Institute work. All this, too, without any remuneration.

2. Sunday School Institutes will be held in connection with the Prescott, Pine Bluff, and Camden District Conferences. It is expected that our Sunday School workers will attend these Conferences.

3. Rev. W. M. Wilson, Chairman of the White River Conference Sunday School Board, is pushing the Sunday School interests of his Conference. Men like Brother Wilson are the great need of our Church.

4. Malvern Avenue Sunday School is growing very rapidly both in numbers and efficiency. It has the "Star System" in operation. All honor to Pastor Manville and Supt. Pittman.

5. The Secretary had the recent pleasure of the hospitality of the home of Brother and Sister Strong at Ashdown; also that of Brother and Sister Atchley of Dalark. These are very bright memories in his travels.

"A Proposal."

Brethren of the Indian Mission Conference:

In the interest of the future I propose that we do at our next session of the conference organize an association to gather and preserve such document, papers, sketches, pictures, relics, etc. as may be had relating to our past history. Unless this shall speedily be done, it will be impossible. But few now remain of that heroic company which in other days laid here the foundation of future greatness.

I suggest that each presiding elder appoint a man from his district to a committee which shall have power to formulate a plan for an historical association, prepare a tentative constitution and by-laws, and bring into the Conference a Report covering the matter in question.

If this suggestion be approved, let the names and addresses of committeemen be published in the Advocate, so that other members may communicate with them.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. F. Dunkle.

Vinita, I. T.

The following quotation, from a reputable medical journal, indicates the very radical change of opinion on the part of scientific men that is doing so much in the interests of temperance reform: "Within the last few years alcohol has become less and less popular as a drug in public hospitals, and where used has been chiefly for external applications. The theory that alcohol is useful as a tonic for worn-out elderly people is rapidly passing away. Nearly all the Old People's Homes and hospitals for the aged have abandoned the use of alcohol for this purpose. Although medical literature still contains reference to its value as a drug, its use is advised very timidly, and with so many qualifications as to leave much doubt concerning its real value."—Exchange.

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Wagoner, I. T.

Since our last note we have had the plans made for our new church at Wagoner. When furnished it will cost some \$10,000 and will be beautiful. We now have very good prospects here for a crop and it seems that things are on the up grade. Rev. W. U. Witt, our junior preacher, has won all our hearts. He is not only a fine preacher but a man of deep consecration, a good scholar and withal a splendid pastor. So, Mr. Editor, if you have any more such as he we can use them in this country.

Rev. J. D. Edwards has a very sick child with typhoid fever. Sister Edwards is also quite sick. Let us pray for them in this hour of distress. Rev. J. C. Fowler is closing out his fourth year on the Muskogee District. Church property has probably been our greatest gain, the district more than doubling its value in the last four years. It now ranks among our best districts. Much has been due to his untiring labor and the wisdom with which he has managed things. He has been faithful to his preachers and people. With a prayer for all the brethren and a successful year, I am yours in the work.

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At Dalark.

I am just home from the Arkadelphia District Conference held at Dalark, on the line between Dallas and Clark counties, from which it takes its name.

I believe there was a good representation of the pastoral charges in the district. The presiding elder, the Rev. B. A. Few, was certainly, and as I thought, most happily in evidence. In point of avoirdupoise, mental caliber and preaching ability, he was par excellence. Certainly the spiritual feature of that meeting received his most painstaking consideration, and his very kind attention to the deaf superannuate was, I trust, religiously appreciated. Dalark succeeds to old Manchester, a church organized away back in the thirties. Its charter members, seven in number, were Methodists, answering the definition of Methodism, "Christianity in earnest." I knew them all, the Hudsons, the Stronges, the Joneses, the Simses, and the Littlejohns, names worthy to be wreathed in immortelles. Here, I also commenced my humble ministry, and the fellowship of these noble men and women is embalmed in my warmest recollection.

The hospitality of Dalark on this occasion was of the good old sort, full, free and hearty, and, as for the want of hearing when the usual vote of thanks was taken I here and now tip my new hat and say thanks a hundred times.

Here I was privileged to meet a few of my dear old parishoners, and quite a host of the children, whose parents it was my privilege to serve in my effective days. Words fail me to tell how I enjoyed their sweet communion, and when some of them, with brimming eyes, wrote on my slate, "Bro. C., please write for our paper," tears answered tears as I said, "I will." Oh, I thought too, if fellowship with the dearly beloved people be so sweet now, what will it be when all barriers are removed, and in that fairer land than day we renew associations where there will be no evil! The children's meeting Sunday evening was a happy climax to this occasion, the presiding elder and preacher in charge had a nice way of hitching up the old "turned-out-to-grass," and working him for his own pleasure, if nothing else. My cup would have run over without any tilting could I have heard that hymn "Give Me Thy Heart" as nearly fifty little lambs knelt at that altar.

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My call for aid in putting in place the monument in memory of Dr. Hunter was responded to in a manner most gratifying to me. In the language of Judge Steele, I say, "It seems to me that every Methodist in Arkansas will want an interest in that Monument." Again Amen. Come brethren, let us all be appreciative in a substantial way of the long and faithful labors of this truly grand old hero of the cross, who now wears the victor's crown. Amen.

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A Good Example.

During the time of the Third Quarterly Conference on Cumberland circuit I spent a night together with the pastor, Rev. J. C. S. Baird in the home of Bro. Dave Wheeler. Bro. Wheeler was reared in Mo., and his wife M. J. Wheeler (nee Kittron) in Valley Springs, Ark. They have been in the Territory five or six miles east of Madill, I. T., for several years. Bro. Wheeler is a farmer in only moderate circumstances. He and his wife have 31 grand and 2 great grand children, all of whom live within a few miles of their home. Sister Wheeler has been afflicted for a long time, but as a Christian and a life long Methodist she has learned, "In the day or in the night in the dark or in the light" to trust in the grace of God in Christ Jesus. She requested me in this note to say that she loves the many good people in the community where she now lives and especially those of her former home in Valley Spring, Ark. She is looking forward to the day when she will meet them in the home above. Some time ago all of her grand children gave her 5cts each as a present. In thinking about what to do with it she concluded to turn it over to me and ask me to send it to Dr. Lambuth as a "Special" for Foreign Missions. This is a small sum in itself, but it is in addition to her regular contributions and is a sacred fund to her. I dare say that if all the member of our great church would give in the same proportion to the "Special" fund of the Board of Missions in addition to their regular contribution there would be no open doors that the Board would not enter. Sister Wheeler has for some time been a close reader of "Go Forward." This ought to suggest to every pastor in our church, especially in the Indian Mission Conference, the wisdom of placing this little paper as well as other church papers in every Methodist home. I pray the Lord's blessings upon Sister Wheeler and all her grand children and great grand children. May they all have the spirit of Missions. The Lord may lay his hand on some of them for the "Foreign Field."

W. T. Freeman.

Hampton, Ark.

I have just closed a good meeting at Somerville Church. Four conversions and four accessions to the Church. One baby baptized, and the membership of the Church revived. To God be all the glory.

Geo. W. Logan P. C.

W. F. M. S.**A Worthy Cause.**

The following letter was read at the recent session of the Arkansas Conference, W. F. M. Society, and requested published in the Western Christian Advocate, with the hope that some friend of Missions might be constrained to aid this young woman in completing her education.

Rebecca Tyjida, or Martha Fuga Tucker, as she is called by us in honor of our former Conference president, Mrs. O. H. Tucker, is a brilliant Mexican girl who has been supported by the Arkansas Conference, as a scholarship, for five years and whom we would continue to support during the next two years, were it not for the fact that we had arranged to support a second missionary before we knew that she would be sent to the States for a Post Graduate Course.

As it is, we shall pay \$40 of the \$250 necessary each year and perhaps more.

If there are those who would like to assist in the completing of Rebecca's education, please send your contribution to our Conference Treasurer, Mrs. W. E. Bennett, Ft. Smith, or directly to Miss Lelia Roberts, Principal of our Normal School at Saltillo, Mexico, and I assure you, your help will be very greatly appreciated by both Miss Roberts and Rebecca.

Mrs. H. Hanesworth,
Conf. Sec.

Saltillo, Coah., Mexico.

My dear Mrs. Hanesworth:

It always gives me peculiar pleasure to write you about Rebecca because she is a model girl in every respect. She is a lovely Christian character, devout, modest, active and faithful. There is no better as a student than she. In her last examinations she obtained a grade of 10 in every one of her studies. In fact, she is such an ideal girl that we have chosen her for a higher work than that of the average teacher. We want to send her next September to a Normal school of high grade in the United States for two years, that she may help us afterwards in our Normal work here. She finishes her studies with us the last of June.

For want of a sufficient number of Methodist professors we have been obliged to employ several teachers for special classes, who, though men of upright character, do not profess to be Christians. It is our earnest desire to put our own teachers in their places as soon as possible. To do so and at the same time

raise, instead of lowering, our standard of teaching, it will be necessary to send two of our brightest and best young ladies to the United States for a post-graduate course and Rebecca is one of the two we have selected. I have proposed to them that, if possible, we will secure scholarships and let them go two years on the condition that they will teach in our Normal Department at least five years, or for an indefinite period of time, after returning to their native land. They have gladly accepted the terms. I mentioned the subject to Bishop Candler and to Bishop Ward when they visited us some time since; they not only approved of the plan but said they would help us raise money for the scholarships. Do you know of any society or individual who would like to undertake this special work? The expense incurred will be about \$250 each a year. What would Rebecca's society like to do for her? In this way teachers of teachers can be prepared at comparatively little cost; and it is the only way of which we know to supply our Normal Department with competent teachers from our own church to the exclusion of all others. At present we have only three professors who are Methodists for this higher work; with two others we can carry it on without outside aid. I believe that so necessary a movement will not fail for want of funds.

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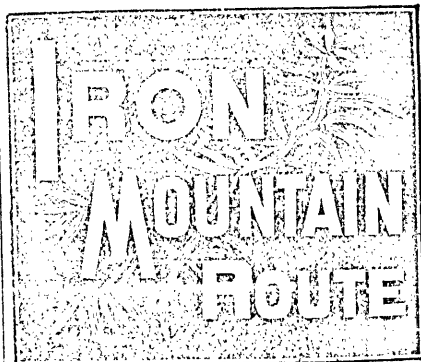
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Preach on Temperance

At the last Annual Conference the Committee on Temperance requested all our preachers to preach on Temperance during the month of August. Our report was adopted. Dear Brethren, let us carry out this request. The reason for this request at this designated time is obvious. Our election comes off in September and we want to bring the Temperance question prominently before our people. Let us make prohibition a State issue, and organize our forces and press the battle in every town, county and township and wipe whisky out of our State. Had we made it a State issue in the last election we would have won.

Wilson Moore.

Member of Committee.

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Grove, I. T.

Our third quarterly conference was held at Needmore July 1. Brother McDonald was with us and did his work well. He encouraged us by his lively talks, and rousing sermons. We report 40 additions this year. I am glad to see the Advocate speaking out against the Sunday base ball. We must protect our homes and children. We must do all in our power. I was called on the other day to preach the funeral of Claud Camp, a strong, promising young man who was killed by a base ball. The ball came with terrible force and struck him over the heart, killing him instantly. I remarked to his heart-broken father that I

was against base ball if this was the only case that was ever killed or hurt in all the wide world. The weeping father replied, "Yes; I am against it. It has taken the brightest jewel on earth from me." No trouble to get Mr. Camp on my side now. I am not only against Sunday base ball, but I am against base ball. So is Mr. Camp, and so is any other father who loves his boys and has gone through with such sad afflictions as this. I want to say amen to your "Open Letter to Boys." I wish all of our men and boys would read and heed this letter. I want to repeat one fact from your letter. "Many a boy is being ruined by it." Alas! poor Claud Camp is not the only case that has been hurt by it. He is only one of thousands. He was killed. Thousands are crippled. Hundreds of thousands are killed morally and religiously. Dead to father's entreaties, dead to mother's prayers; dead to family altar; dead to Sunday School; dead to church; dead to all the noble ambitions that once inspired him; twice dead—only a corpse of what he once was. May the Lord save us from the base ball craze, which is worse than prize fighting, because it reaches so many more people. People begin as a recreation, but soon become excited, talk loud, swear and gamble.

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The Muskogee District Conference will convene at Stigler, July 24. A prayer service will be held at 4 p. m. At night Rev. O. E. Goddard will preach. The editors of our church papers, the presidents of our schools, our conference Missionary Secretary and whosoever will come, are cordially invited.

Preachers and delegates will please to send in their names to Rev. J. W. Head. Stigler people want the conference and will be pleased to have us. The delegates, local preachers, and recording stewards should attend if it is possible.

Time will be given to any who are not on the program to represent their cause. The conference will have some live issues before it.

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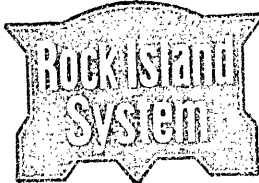
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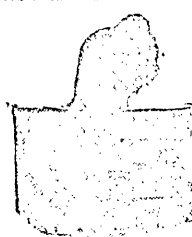
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Report of Arkadelphia District on Temperance and Sabbath Observance.

We fully recognize the fact that we are confronted by a foe vast in numbers and fearful in power. But we do know, too, that more is He that is for us than they that are against us, and we do know that every interest of humanity loudly calls and touchingly appeals to us to hold the ground we have, and, invoking divine help, go forward, and rest not until this enemy of God and home and native land is completely and forever routed. We therefore submit for your consideration and adoption the following resolutions:

First, That we are thankful for the very strong sentiment against the whisky traffic that has obtained, and we believe is growing in almost every business, profession and calling of life.

Second, That every friend of temperance, man or woman, use every laudable means to make the ballot box, at the general election a power for truth, and soberness, and against the whisky traffic in every phase.

Third, That while we gratefully acknowledge the aid of the various human organizations arrayed against this fearful enemy, and gladly give them our heartiest co-operation, we nevertheless feel that the church of God, which is the pillar and ground of the truth, should and absolutely must be clear of all complicity with and connivance at the whisky business, we must abhor it as a deadly evil, preach against it, pray always in the Holy Ghost against it, and then play the part of men, and vote as we pray.

Fourth, That we learn with deepest regret that horse-racing on a large scale, is to be a prominent feature of the "State Fair" to be held at Hot Springs, and we do hereby raise our voices with all possible emphasis against it, and beseech all lovers of mor-

ality and religion to use their influence to save our state from such disgrace, and our youth from such demoralizing and destructive results.

Fifth, That this Conference put itself on record as against every form of Sabbath desecration. Especially would we urge all Christian people to a strict and conscientious observance of the day the great Head of the Church has set apart for religious purposes.

J. E. Caldwell,
J. J. Colson,
W. A. Taylor,
R. C. Atchley.

From Texas.

Your excellent paper comes to my desk every week and I enjoy its content. The last number was par excellence. There are many hindrances to successful church work in Southwest Texas, that do not exist in Arkansas. However, Methodism is advancing and is the leading church in this part of Texas. This district paid its assessment in full for missions last year, and made large gains financially on all claims. The circuits are large—some of them more than a hundred miles long. This San Angelo district is one of "magnificent distances," and is therefore a fearful tax on brain and physical fiber. Your old friend, Rev. J. D. Scott, presiding elder, is a man of affairs and puts all his force into his work. It looks now like the conflict between "come-outism" and church organization will force a fight on that issue. You know there are cranks and cranks, but the truth will prevail. The West Texas Conference is composed of a fine body of men, kind and brotherly. They treat a transfer right. If there are cliques or rings among them I have not discovered it. There is no boasted "administration" class in this conference. Our church schools are doing well and indications point to fine openings this fall. "Push" is the word on all lines of church work in Southwest Texas. Some of our readers may be glad to learn that myself and family are in good health, and doing well. With greetings to my friends in Arkansas and a God bless you, I am cordially,
P. B. Summers.
Mason, Texas.

To Every Pastor in Indian Mission Conference.

A great battle is on, and momentous issues are at stake. We have but little time for the fray. We need to arouse ourselves to the importance of the occasion. I refer to the fight for prohibition in the State of Oklahoma. The



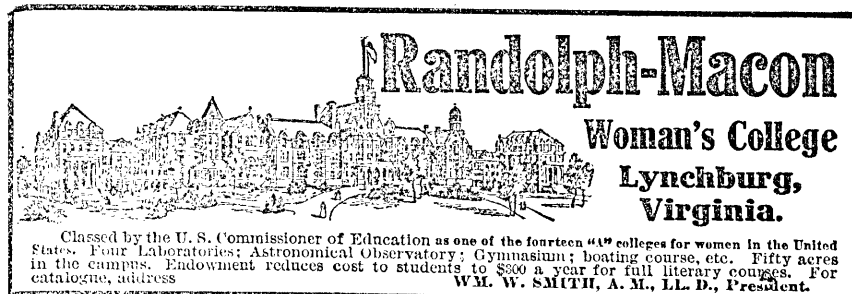
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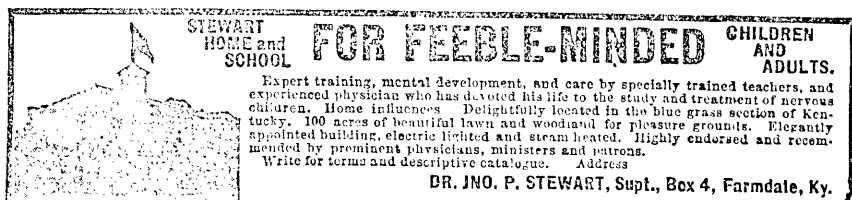
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knee deep with literature. We can accomplish more in the next six or twelve months, if we will only go at it, than we can in ten years afterward, if we sit by and allow saloons to be fastened on us. You will be asked to preach a special sermon on Aug. 19th on the subject of temperance and prohibition. Do it, brethren. Be getting your ammunition for the attack on that day, and let every pulpit be a power that day in defense of home and native land.

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W. H. M. SOCIETY.

Report of Treasurer of Little Rock Conference Woman's Home Mission Society for quarter ending June 1st.	
Amount received for:	
Dues.....	\$298.01
Baby Roll.....	7.75
Adult Mite Boxes.....	2.45
Baby Mite Boxes.....	10.02
McEachern Brigade.....	21.47
Conference Pledge.....	22.75
Free will offering.....	1.00
Dallas Rescue Home.....	5.00
New Building for Ruth Hargrove.....	140.25

Seminary at Keywest.....	46.00
Conference Expense.....	\$557.79
Total sent to Conference Treasurer.....	
This amount was raised by the several dis- tributions as follows:	
Arkadelphia.....	\$ 92.03
Canden.....	194.40
Little Rock.....	62.07
Monticello.....	45.75
Pine Bluff.....	46.27
Prescott.....	40.42
Texarkana.....	76.76

Total.....	\$ 557.79
The following amounts were reported for local work:	
Supplies sent off.....	\$ 60.00
Supplies given locally.....	145.30
Expended for needy.....	654.82
Expended for parsonage.....	369.25
Expended for churches.....	929.20
Expended for other local work.....	74.70

Total.....	\$2233.28
Miss Lizzie McKinnon, Conference Treasurer.	

STATEMENT: HUNTER MONUMENT.

June 8 Total on Deposit.....	\$315.23
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June 12 Dr. Hunter's children.....	25.00
June 21 "Sunshine Club" G. F. C.....	2.50
June 23 Benton Sta. Rev. W. R. Harrison.....	5.00
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OBITUARIES.

BUMBERS—Mrs. Sarah Ann Bumbers, nee Valentine, was born in Alabama, August 1, 1852. Some time in early life she was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, she was married to W. H. Bumbers, and became the mother of eight children, six sons and two daughters. All the family survive her, except one son, Charles, who died in young manhood's prime a little less than one year ago. After moving to this county, (near Quitman, Ark.), she lived very inconvenient to church (ill last year a neat church was built near her home in which she had a great interest, and was in her place at Sunday-school and church when able. She ruled her children with love. How great to possess that principle that will both command respect and obedience! She loved her preachers and took delight in having them in her home. Almost her last concern here was to have her pastor, Bro. Nobis, who was sick, looked after and cared for. She will be greatly missed, as she was a woman who was kindly disposed toward all. The family are in great sorrow, but take comfort in the thought that their loved ones, Charles and his mother, are safe in that beautiful land. She died suddenly on the morning of June 14, 1906, and was laid to rest the next day, after services by the writer, the whole community turning out as a token of the love they had for the deceased. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."—Geo. W. Williams.

BRADLEY—Mrs. Frances A. Bradley was born in March, 1835; was the devoted wife of Col. W. C. Bradley, and fell on sleep June 13, 1906. She was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, at Walnut Hill, a number of years ago. Was a devoted Christian, lived close to the Savior, was teacher of the Bible class in the Sunday school at Walnut Hill, was a regular attendant until her health gave way. We miss her at Sunday school. She always had a good word to say to me as her Sunday school superintendent and a kind word to her class. I am sure that knew Sister Bradley loved her. She was an exceptional Christian lady. Col. Bradley and she were married over fifty years ago and lived happily together; had no children, were the most devoted couple I ever saw. The writer visited her before her death and had a Christian talk. She did not expect to get well, but the Lord called her she was ready. She talked about my wife's death, and gave us good-byes. Sister Bradley enjoyed the conversation. She was the daughter of Governor James B. Conway. I had known her since she was a girl. She was a schoolmate of my sister. Our beloved preacher, Rev. W. C. Hill, had conducted her funeral services and her remains were laid away in the Conway and Bradley burying grounds at Walnut Hill. From her friend and Sunday school superintendent, Mrs. H. Hamblin.

WOODARD—Mrs. Victoria Adeline Woodard, daughter of Benjamin and Rebecca Whittenburg, was born in Lamar county, Texas, March 25, 1855. She was married to Rev. I. M. Woodard, September, 1872. The first protracted meeting

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that Brother Woodard held after their marriage. Sister Woodard was gloriously saved, and at once united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in which she lived a consistent Christian until her death. In the fall of 1881, Brother Woodard joined the North Texas Conference, where he remained until 1899, when he transferred to the Indian Mission Conference, where he has labored ever since, and has always answered to the calls of the church. In the fall of 1904 he took a supernumerary relation in order that he might give his wife the necessary attention and rest. For twenty-five years her body was racked with pain, but not until a few months before her death was she confined to her bed. For four months she suffered intensely, and during all her sickness she bore her affliction without a murmur, and with prayerful trust in God. On June 16, at ten o'clock in the morning when mortal flesh could endure no more, she quietly fell asleep in Jesus. Sister Woodard for twenty years was a faithful wife of an itinerant preacher and none but an itinerant preacher can fully understand the hardships and difficulties the wife has to undergo. She always had before her the interest of her Master's business. She was the mother of ten children. Three in infancy had preceded her to her Father's house. She leaves seven children, five boys, and two girls, one sister, and three brothers with her husband to mourn her loss. On June 17, 1906, amid a great crowd of friends and relatives, after religious services, conducted by the writer, her remains were laid quietly to rest in Oak Grove cemetery. The church has lost a faithful mem-

ber and her pastor a true friend.—C. P. Cox, Asher, Okla.

FAIR—Stephen T. Fair, one of the oldest and best members of our church at Centerton, Ark., passed to his heavenly reward on June 11, 1906. For thirty-five years he has been a member of the M. E. Church, South, and a consistent Christian, filling an official position in the church for more than thirty years. He was a good, true man in his relations in life. Loved by his family, respected and honored by his neighbors and fellows.

Benton county has lost one of its best citizens, and the church one of its most worthy and efficient members. The Sunday school of which he has been superintendent for about twelve years was a source of much blessing to the church. We buried him from the Methodist church at the grave, which was beautiful and affecting. We buried him from the Methodist church at Centerton, in the presence of a large congregation of friends and relatives. Truly a good man has fallen, but let us close up the ranks and move to the front.—T. A. Martin.

RAWLS—Died June 11, 1906, near Roe, Ark., little Gladys B. Rawls, the eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rawls. Gladys was a sweet, good little girl, loved much by all who knew her. But God in His wisdom saw fit to call her away. Our heart goes out in tender sympathy to the broken-hearted parents and others who are left to mourn their loss, and to them we will say while you cannot call her back, you may go to her.—Her pastor, Caldwell Green.

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The Model Home Mission Auxiliary.

My subject would imply that the auxiliary is familiar with the purpose and scope of the Society at large. In order that our members may have this knowledge we might have frequent readings along this line at our meetings. Knowing the plans of the society and the good that is being done we will of course very cheerfully pay not only our dues but any little extra amount that may be asked for by the "powers that be."

We will make our regular reports and also from time to time give account of such of our local work as may be of general interest.

Of what should this local work consist? It goes without saying that we should visit the sick and strangers in our midst and, as far as we may, relieve those who are in want, especially those "who are of the household of faith." These things our duty as Christians and our society regulations enjoin upon us. It is expected too, that we report all above mentioned cases to our pastor. If each woman will look after and report the cases that are in her immediate neighborhood a surprising amount of such work can be accomplished and with comparative ease.

It is expected that we look after the parsonage and see to it that our preacher's family is comfortably housed.

Keeping a sort of general oversight of the children of our Sunday School is not generally considered Home Mission work, but if we were watchful to speak kindly to them whenever we meet them and show them that we were their friends it would be greatly for the good of the church and immeasurably beneficial to the children themselves.

We now come to the mooted point. Shall we raise money for local purposes and, if so, how? Some means that are occasionally adopted for this end are rightly called "raising money." They are not much short of pocket-picking and are often gambling, pure and simple. Even in cases where "value received" is given objection is made that we interfere with some one's means

of livelihood. It is, moreover, true that in our suppers we often give three dollars in order to get back two, more indeed, if our time and labor are counted. Doubtless, if all church members gave as the Lord prospered them, whether it be a tenth or more, there would be no need to resort to any means, questionable or otherwise, for raising money for church purposes. This desirable state of affairs, alas! does not exist. Most of our women have no income separate from their husbands' and do not seem to realize that they have a right in the expenditure of money earned by husband or father beyond meeting actual physical necessities. These will gladly make a cake and work for a church enterprise, but will by no means give the value of a cake in money.

Again it is urged that the Church should provide entertainment for the young people. It is natural and right that young people should want to meet together socially and if such gatherings are provided by the church the theater and dance will not prove so enticing. But a small volume might be written pro and con on this subject.

How often shall an auxiliary meet? For business meetings once a month is prescribed. For social meetings or for sewing, if any is done, once a week does not seem too often. These frequent meetings keep up our interest in one another and in the church and are good to bring out some of our "stay at homes" and so get them out of the rut of their ever recurring home duties.

The model auxiliary is blessed with a good set of officers and with a capable leader who may not be the president. She should be a woman of sound sense who can wisely and ably execute and be able to direct the energies of others. Above all, she should be one who loves humanity and who counts above her chiefest joy the glory of God and the well being of his church.

Mrs. M. J. Ross,
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Harrison District Conference.

The Harrison District Conference was in session at Valley Springs from June 26 to July 2. In all respects it was an enjoyable occasion. Rev. J. J. Gallo-way proved an excellent presiding officer. The reports from all the charges were encouraging. Already there have been more than 100 conversions. The Conference claims are well in hand, nearly all the pastors reporting that they would pay in full. Every charge reported

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some improvement in church property, either in parsonage or in the house of worship. The committee on Church Literature reported that about one-third of our people take some church literature and expressed its approval of the consolidation policy of the Western Advocate.

The Sunday School work was especially well investigated, the first day being devoted to this work. Saturday afternoon Prof. M. J. Russell of Hendrix Academy was present and delivered two very able discussions on work pertaining to the Sunday School. On Sunday afternoon he delivered another talk to a crowded house. Prof. Russell is a very enthusiastic Sunday School worker and his work was highly appreciated by the conference. Perhaps the most important step undertaken by the conference was caused by the report of the Committee on Missions. The committee had prepared a map which showed that more than one half of the territory included in the bounds of the Harrison District is not reached by our church and much of it by no church. Stirred by this report the conference took steps toward raising \$1000 to pay a man to travel this territory next conference year and to organize it for our church. \$540 was subscribed in a few minutes. An executive committee was appointed to take charge of this work. The next Annual Conference will be asked to appoint a strong man to take charge of this mission field.

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