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EDITORIAL.

The Railroad Situation.

There is a state of open war between the railroads and the people of this country. It is a most unfortunate situation, and it is a situation which we can not endure.

We think the roads have provoked this war. We do not mean to say that all railroads are managed by evil men. We know well that such is not the case; some of the best Christian men of the country are interested in railway management. Yet we set down here as true several things: The great railway systems of the country have been and are in the hands for the most part, not of men who have gone into the transportation business as a legitimate and square-dealing business, satisfied to do a transportation business at fair rates, but into the hands of men who find in railroad finances their opportunity to play the modern game of "frenzied finance." These men have undoubtedly been playing this game against one another, against their fellow-stockholders and against the public till the good people have lost faith in their honesty. These same men have maintained lobbies at the State legislatures and at the National Congress which have been a source of terrible corruption in public life. When these lobbies have failed to defeat laws seeking to regulate the railroads the roads have followed these laws to the courts of last resort with lawyers of the first ability, seeking to get them overthrown in the courts. Meantime these roads have almost uniformly made the highest charges for the service that it has been possible to make. Beyond doubt these charges are often extortionate. In short, they have set about to get out of the people all it is possible to get, to do nothing in the way of relief which they have not been compelled to do, and now that their sins are about to overtake them in various efforts to reduce them to public servants, instead of tolerating them as masters of the public, they are raising a great cry that they are being hounded and that their credit is being destroyed.

Now the people ought to remember that the country greatly needs the railroads. We have as yet vast resources which are undeveloped, vast potential wealth which only transportation can render available. The public can afford to adopt a liberal policy to all men who desire to do a legitimate transportation business. The people must remember that when they lay any burdens of an unjust sort upon the roads, such as unjust legislation, unjust verdicts in the courts, damage inflicted in any way upon the property of the road, sooner or later and in one way or another, the public must suffer the weight of that unjust burden. The road concerned must make enough out of the people to enable it to bear the burden imposed, or it must go out of business and the public must do without transportation, and so be without the means of developing its resources.

The railroads ought to know that in a contest with the people, when once it has clearly come to that, the people are going to win.

They ought to quit their game of high finance, the railway managers ought, or get out of the railroad business and go to gambling in some other way, if gamble they must. They ought to cease their efforts to corrupt legislatures or they and their henchmen ought to be put in the penitentiaries. They ought to be content to do business upon fair dividends, upon actual stock, and not charge wherever they can extortionate rates upon watered stock. In short, why can not the roads come to simply a business basis, and be willing to do a legitimate business in a plain and straightforward way? Sooner or later they will have to do it. If they will not regulate themselves the people will find a way to regulate them. We acknowledge no kings in this country, not even kings by the might of railroads, and the managers of these great systems will find it out. We favor a system of supervision over the railroads by the State and National governments somewhat after the fashion of the supervision now exercised over the banking systems of the country. There is no reason why a railroad should not be compelled to make its doings as public as a bank must make its business. All the transactions of a national bank, for instance, are open to the inspection of proper officials of the government. This places the government in position to know whether the bank is making a fair dividend, or whether it is being overburdened by any of its circumstances which legislation may control. The honest railroad men of the country ought to welcome some such relation to the government. Meantime the people must be just and square with the roads.

Capital and Labor.

It is the business of an honest press to point out fearlessly the dangers that threaten the country. The doctrine of the freedom of the press rests upon the supposition that the press will be fearlessly honest. Its freedom from outward restraint is not worth preserving if it is too cowardly to speak its mind.

In these days of unionism it is somewhat dangerous to say that the unions are seriously threatening the peace and welfare of the country. But, to be honest, it must be said that such is the case.

We believe in the principle of trades-unions. So far as we can see there was no other way, in our modern industrial organization, for labor to protect itself against the deepest oppressions upon the part of capital. The only way industry has of getting on in these days, since steam and electricity furnish the motive power of the world, is to organize great enterprises, build great plants, great systems of transportation. These great enterprises require millions of aggregated money. Great aggregations of money represent vast power. Such power will always seek to protect itself. It will do more; it will always seek to enlarge itself. The very economic conditions of our modern industrial life, therefore, forced the aggregation of capital, and capital proceeded to take care of itself. Now, if capital had had due regard for the multiplied thou-

sands of men whom it employed there would have been little need for trades-unions. But everybody knows that capital did not respect the rights of labor; that it sought to secure the most work possible for the least money, the longest hours for the least pay. This is inherent in the competitive principle. The process went forward till labor was ground down almost to dust, and the end was not yet; for there was not only the natural antagonism of interest between capital and labor, but there was competition between capital and capital, forcing production at the lowest possible prices.

This is the situation that compelled the organization of unions. Labor could do nothing else than meet aggregations of capital by aggregations of labor. No sane and just man will say that it was not right for labor to organize.

Vast have been the benefits to labor. Organization has compelled a respect which labor could never otherwise have attained; it has invested labor with a sense of dignity in the public mind, till "labor day" is an honored holiday; it has brought a just compensation to the laborer, which has meant comfort and opportunity to his family.

But the labor unions ought not to forget that they are capable of abuse as grievous as the abuses on the part of capital, which they sought to correct. When all the men of a given occupation in a country have banded themselves together, the organization represents power; when all the leading occupations classed as labor have formed an alliance, the organization represents a power second to none in the country. Now, if the capitalists when they find themselves possessed of great power are in danger of abusing that power, by what rule of human nature shall we expect laborers when they find themselves similarly situated to be very scrupulous as to the use they make of power. The truth is neither capital nor labor have been very scrupulous. Capital has ways of taking care of itself. If it can do no otherwise, it can retire from business, and live on what it has already earned. Just now labor seems to be much in the saddle. There can be no doubt at all that in many instances its demands are unreasonable. The demands of the unions upon those who employ labor are often so vexatious and so exorbitant as to threaten the cessation of operations. It is a fact, at this very moment, that many capitalists, but for the widespread distress which such a thing would produce among people wholly innocent, would welcome a panic; nay, they would produce a panic. A panic would upturn labor as well as capital, and capital can stand to be upturned, especially when itself is doing the upturning, more easily than labor. But there are millions of people who belong neither to the ranks of capital nor to the ranks of industrial labor who would also get upturned. They are as good people as the country affords. They have rights which their fellowmen ought to respect. Neither capital nor labor, nor both together, should grind them between their con-

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METHODIST CALENDAR.

District Conferences.

Ardmore, Carter Avenue, June 26-30
Paragould, Walnut Ridge, June 27-30
Arkadelphia, at Hot Springs, ..June 27-30
Prescott, at Gurdou,June 27-30
McAlester, Atoka, I. T.,....2 p.m., July 4
Pine Bluff, at Rison,July 4-7
Beaver, Woodward, O. T.....July 10-14
Monticello, SnyderJuly 10, 11
Holdenville, Okmulgee, July 10-15
Camden, Stephens,July 10-14
Helena, Haynes July 17-21
Batesville, Calico Rock....9 a. m., July 18
Searey, BeebeJuly 17-20

Vanderbilt University has just received an additional gift of \$150,000 from Mr. William K. Vanderbilt.

Rev. Geo. R. Stewart, the evangelist, has received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Emory and Henry College.

Mr. C. F. Messer of Tokio, Ark., was a pleasant visitor at this office on Thursday of last week.

Capt. J. M. Jenkins, Rev. J. A. Castell and Mr. Jno. W. Hammock, all of Quitman, Ark., called at our office on Monday.

Dr. J. A. Kern, of Vanderbilt University, accompanied by his son, will spend ten weeks in a tour of Europe.

Dr. H. S. Bradley, pastor of St. John's Church, St. Louis, with Mrs. Bradley, will spend seventy days visiting England, Scotland, France and other European countries.

Rev. O. E. Goddard, Rev. J. B. McDonald, Rev. C. A. Burris and Rev. W. M. P. Rippey were in attendance at Oklahoma City District Conference. Bro. Rippey conducted the devotional services before each sitting, having been previously engaged by the presiding elder for that purpose.

Rev. W. J. Sims, presiding elder of the Oklahoma City district, was not able to be present at the opening of his District Conference, owing to the serious illness of his wife. Rev. W. J. Moore was elected president of the Con-

ference. Mrs. Sims' condition grew better during the session.

Mr. J. F. Bryson, a former Little Rock boy, will be assistant in the department of English in Vanderbilt University. He is one of our most scholarly young men. We congratulate him, and feel sure that he will render the University valuable service.

Our types made us say last week that Conway was captured by the address of "Prof. John H. Rodgers," when we wrote Prof. J. H. Reynolds. We may add that he starts soon to New York to spend his vacation in graduate study at Columbia University. We hope to have a letter from him.

Dr. D. Y. Thomas, sometime Professor of History in Hendrix College and more recently in the University of Florida, has been elected Associate Professor of History in the University of Arkansas. His many Arkansas friends give him a hearty welcome and congratulate the University on securing his services. Few men of his age possess higher scholarship or more teaching ability.

The post office of Rev. T. O. Owen, presiding elder of Texarkana district, will be Mena, Ark., for ten days. He reports a fine District Conference, closing with a revival in the church and six accessions on the last day. His laymen have called a Conference at De Queen, Aug 14-15. God is wonderfully moving their hearts.

May 26, at the home of the bride's parents near Brazil, Ark., Rev. J. F. Mitchell, pastor of Oak Hill circuit, Little Rock Conference, was married to Miss Irby Nethereutt. We wish these young people great joy and trust that this break in the ranks of the bachelor preachers of Little Rock district may be followed by the capitulation of every one of them.

It is announced in last week's Nashville Advocate that Rev. Henry Smith was to be married June 26 to Miss Beulah Vann at her home, Collinsville, Ala., and that they will be at home after August 1 in Mayari, Cuba. Bro. Smith is an old Hendrix boy and one of Arkansas' choicest sons. We wish these noble young people great joy and pray for their success in the mission field.

The visit of Bishop Ward to Little Rock last week and his presidency of the District Conference for one day gave very great satisfaction. His sermon at the Conference was strong and helpful. He is dignified, yet affable, firm, yet sweet and brotherly. No preacher or layman need fear to approach him on business of the church. He hopes to spend some days in Arkansas before the session of Little Rock Conference.

"To be strong in pain; not to desire what is unattainable or worthless; to be content with the day as it comes; to seek the good in everything, and to have joy in nature and in men, even as they are; for a thousand bitter hours to console oneself with one that is beautiful, and in doing and putting forth effort always to give one's best, even if it bring no thanks—he who learns that and can do that is a happy man, a free man, a proud man; his life will always be beautiful."

Bishop Ward stopped off at Little Rock on the 19th inst. on his way to Benton, to officiate at the laying of the corner stone of Asbury church. The services were very impressive and something like \$800 was raised in a few minutes to increase the subscription on the building. On Sunday afternoon another service was held under the tent by the pastor and others and the subscriptions were materially increased at that service. Sunday morning was rally day in the Sunday School and \$300 was raised then for the new building.

In last week's issue of the Central Methodist, the organ of the Kentucky and Louisville Conferences, it was announced that Mr. H. Wirgman, since 1902 the business manager, had retired, and Rev. W. Q. Vreeland, of the Kentucky Conference, has succeeded him as associate editor, owner and manager. Bro. Wirgman has done his part in making a good paper and has made personal sacrifices to do it. The respect and love of his readers follow him. We welcome Bro. Vreeland to the field of journalism and wish him great success.

The State Normal School.

The bids for the location of the State Normal were received and opened at Little Rock last Monday by the Board. They were as follows: Benton, \$50,000; Conway, \$51,723; Fort Smith, \$50,000; Quitman, the property of the Quitman College; Russellville, \$36,000. In addition each town offered the choice of several sites ranging from 20 to 100 acres. Large delegations were present and much enthusiasm was manifest. A finer body of men it would be difficult to find than these men who believe that the greatest prize a town can win is a good school. The Board is visiting the different towns to inspect the sites, and will probably announce its decision this week. Dr. Wycliffe Rose, agent of the Peabody Fund, is with the Board and is rendering valuable assistance. Better than any other man he knows our Southern needs and is anxious to assist us. His presence is highly appreciated. In spite of the strong rivalry between the towns the best of feeling exists. Each town concedes the merits of its rivals and hopes to win only on its own superior advantages.

A Sanitarium at Hot Springs.

A movement has begun at Hot Springs for the establishing there of a Methodist Sanitarium. Without committing themselves to any definite plan in advance of action by the Annual Conference, the Little Rock District Conference, in session at Benton last week, passed resolutions approving the movement. While a hospital should some day be opened by the Methodist Church at Little Rock, still the opportunity to establish a Sanitarium at Hot Springs, the great national health resort, should not be neglected. We trust that the movement will be crowned with complete success. All of our Arkansas Conferences will doubtless co-operate when a definite plan is submitted.

Bishop O. P. Fitzgerald received a telegram last Sunday evening from Bishop W. A. Candler which read: "Two hundred thousand dollars and over was secured. A great day in Georgia." Monday morning Bishops Galloway, Hendrix, Key, Ward and Atkins came to Nashville for the Vanderbilt commencement. They report that Atlanta Methodism is rejoicing greatly over the success of Sunday in behalf of the Wesley Memorial Institutional Church and Hospital. All the bishops preached in Atlanta on Sunday morning, as did Dr. J. C. Kilgo and Dr. J. E. Diekey, and took collections for the enterprise. Mr. Asa Candler added \$75,000 to the \$20,000 which he had already given. On Sunday morning the subscriptions amounted to \$104,000, and that was raised to \$120,000 in the afternoon. With what had been previously secured the total amount for the enterprise reached beyond \$200,000. The Church may well congratulate Atlanta and Georgia. Our bishops have shown what their help means in any great work of the Church. —Nashville Christian Advocate.

Capital and Labor.

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flicting forces. The simple rule of justice between men, the principle of equity taught by the Gospel would save us from such conflicts. We should rejoice to see an industrial system in which the competitive principle did not exist; in which the employer would equally with the employed for the laborer the shortest hours with the largest pay. We know that such a system is not impossible, though we may never live to see it. We are heartily tired of the insolence of organized capital and of the equal insolence of organized labor. We would that their time of war were over, and that the olive branch might become the symbol of industrialism. This is one of the victories peace must win.

An Honor Well Deserved.

While our colleague, Rev. A. C. Millar, is busy here and there, looking after his district, we take the opportunity of saying that at the recent commencement of Kentucky Wesleyan College, located at Winchester, Ky., the degree of D. D. was conferred upon him. Dr. Millar was surprised but we consider that the surprise to his many friends is that a man so eminently worthy should have remained without the degree so long. We are sure that the Wesleyan never conferred the degree upon a safer man.

Oklahoma City District Conference.

The Conference was in session when I arrived in Tecumseh, Okla., on the morning of June 20th. The presiding elder was detained at home by the serious illness of his wife, and Rev. W. J. Moore of Norman was in the chair. His presiding was eminently satisfactory. The presiding elder, Rev. W. J. Sims, came over for a brief while on the first day, and on the second day was able to resume his duties, remaining through the Conference. He is regarded by all his brethren as a true leader, and they gladly follow his counsels.

Oklahoma City district is one of the largest in the entire connection in point of number of pastoral charges embraced, the number being 28, only two short of the maximum allowed by law. It keeps a presiding elder on the move. He can really never see the end of things that ought to be done. Bro. Sims has worked to the breaking point more than once. But he is now in good mettle and looks for a great year.

Steady progress is being made along all lines of work in the district.

From the report of the committee on Spiritual State of the Church in Oklahoma City district we gather the following items of interest:

A forward movement in the utilization of the Auxiliaries of the church, with increased liberality among our people, a growing spirit of revival life and power, enlarged plans for the remaining months of the Conference year, 354 conversions and 660 additions thus far, and a clear prophecy of greater things for the remaining months indicated by the plans and purposes stimulated in the District Conference session just closed.

There are some very satisfactory and efficient men in Oklahoma City district, some very promising young men of fine spirit without a single exception. The fellowship of brotherly love at the Conference was very sweet.

Rev. W. M. P. Rippey laid the Conference under obligations by his excellent talks at the opening of each session, and the Conference publicly thanked him for the service. Rev. O. E. Goddard, the Annual Conference Secretary of Missions, was on hand and de-

livered a strong message. Rev. J. B. McDonald of Cherokee district also preached a good sermon. Other sermons heard I none, save one by Bro. Moore of Norman, a sermon that did good. A tussle with malaria kept me away from several services, or I might have heard more good preaching.

The Conference devised an efficient plan for making good its two hundred new subscribers to the Western Methodist for this year. This is sent off in advance of the Sunday services.

Here is my Hand, Bro. Sidney, out It Is My Left Hand.

"It is not time for the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to change its name." John Wesley said the biggest thing and the greatest thing that has ever been said and ever will be said as to the spread of Methodism, to-wit: "The world is my parish." Then he said the other greatest thing as to spiritual life when he said, "I felt my heart strangely warmed." These two statements in the heart and life of us as preachers and laymen, and we'll pull the old Methodist salvation ear the world over, with the suffix South, warming and shining like the sun, moon and stars all combined. No, sir. No change of name, if you please. And the name—"Catholic"—some people know what it means, but many do not. Why not say "The Methodist Universal Church." We have lost much of our illustrious and noble identity by changes already. The world is running today by machinery. There is power, 'tis true, to propel that machinery. Our church is trying to run on machinery today, with but little power. Better put all the power we get from God into the old mills and fix them so they will grind finer meal. Once more, which is the biggest expression as to territory, the one John Wesley or the modern "world-wide?" Width indicates length, so if we modern Methodists want to get in sight of John Wesley's rear guard as to going, we will have to say "world-wide and world-long Methodism." We have gone to the "sides" under the old regime; oil her up and we will go to the "ends" of the world. Wait till we old fellows die before you touch the "ark of God."

JAS. F. JERNIGAN.

Sulphur Rock, June 22, 1907.

The Art of Listening.

One of the busiest of the many busy women with whom I am acquainted is also a most charming woman with whom to converse. She is not a brilliant, perhaps hardly a clever talker, but one loves to talk with her. After mature and thoughtful consideration, I have come to the conclusion that her charm lies in the fact that she is an admirable listener. By her evident interest in and sympathetic attention to the matter of the conversation, she brings out all that is best in the one with whom she talks. Different people forget their shyness in her presence and leave her with the comfortable and novel conviction that they have, after all, acquitted themselves rather well. Few persons cultivate the art of being good listeners, and yet to listen well is perhaps even more desirable than for one to talk well. The good talker is often over eager to have his say, to utter his witticism, to tell his anecdote, and his conversation is often a monologue. The good listener inspires the talker by strict attention to all he says and, above all, by looking at him while he speaks.

There is nothing more trying than to find

that your putative listener is giving only partial heed to your utterances. It is strange that a well-bred person should be guilty of the gross rudeness of picking up a book or magazine and "looking through" it while pretending to pay heed to the talk of a friend. The assurance "I am only looking at the pictures in this magazine, not reading, and I hear every word you say," is no palliation of the offense. The speaker would be justified in declining to continue the conversation until the pictures have been properly studied. If a speech is worth hearing it is worthy of respectful and earnest attention.—Harper's Bazar.

A Proposed Remedy for Drinking.

Judge Mackenzie Cleland, who is one of the judges in the new municipal courts in Chicago, has discovered a cure for drunkenness. It is pure food. Not fancy eggs or fifty cents a pound butter, but just pure food. Judge Cleland seems to think a diet of "ham and," or pancakes without any variation has driven many a man to drink. After several weeks of psychological research, conducted upon practical lines, the judge has discovered that food served in indifferent style by more or less indifferent wives has more to do with sending the man of the house to the corner saloon than any other one thing. Experiments have shown that good food will force the most delinquent husband to forsake his evil ways and return to the path of rectitude. If good food, no matter how plain, will have any effect whatsoever on this most crying evil, then it behooves us to try it. A man who comes from the factory or shop to face a dinner neither appetizing nor wholesome, has a fairly good excuse—as he thinks—for drowning his troubles. We have never quite realized why so-called "free lunch" was such a permanent fixture in saloons. Probably it is for the benefit of the poor fellows whose wives prefer gadding about to making bread or meat pies. The experiment is as yet in its infancy, but it is cheering to know that, so far, the men who have put on probation to abstain from liquor provided they were properly fed, have kept their faith to a man. Judge Cleland is trying to do for the men of Chicago what Judge Lindsay is doing for the lads of Denver. At first the city stood aghast when wife-beaters were paroled to their wives and habitual drunkards to the saloon men they patronized. The proportion of failures has been so small that the experiment is pronounced by some as an unqualified success and the name of the good man whose idea it was blessed in many a humble home today. But we have little faith in this reform as a complete remedy. It may prove something of a help.—Western Christian Advocate.

Little Faults.

More of happiness and unhappiness in our lives depends on little things than we generally realize. As we think of how much depends upon them, we naturally ask whether they are really little. They are little in the sense of being easily acquired and easily corrected, but their results are often serious. Spurgeon used to illustrate his continual insistence on this fact by referring to a journey he took to Edinburg by rail. The train went at high speed within forty miles of its destination and then came to a stop. Making inquiry, he learned that a peculiar screw, not so large as a man's little finger, had been lost from the locomotive. It could not be found and its loss rendered one side of the engine useless.

Japan Missions.

(The following paper was prepared for and read before the Mid-Year Missionary Rally held at Chickasha, Ind. Ter., Mar. 5-7, 1907.)

In 1853 Commodore Perry of the United States navy entered the Bay of Yeddo in Japan, with the American flag at the mast-head of his ship, and while keen, malignant eyes looked upon his vessel and his men with scowls that would "make a holiday in hell," he opened the word of God, daughter of eternity and the Stars, and read and sang the one hundredth Psalm, "making a joyful noise unto the Lord," "for the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations."

We do not know if Perry fired his cannon shot that morning, but "not by might nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord," and in the "still small voice" is the thunder of a whisper that shakes the world, the thrill of "a sunny gleam" that "lies beautiful, aslant the ivied beacon."

But it was not till nineteen years after Perry brought the kiss of God to these degraded islands that Japan shook herself loose from the octopus of heathenism, like Hercules from Hydra, and grappled mightily with fate, and prevailed.

Her laws had forbidden all Christians to set foot in the kingdom on penalty of torture and death. To violate the law was to lose a head, and native Japanese who should accept Christ, or who should even be suspected of entertaining any friendly thought toward the new religion, of which they had vaguely heard, should be tortured and imprisoned or killed.

But this land where "gross darkness covered the people," God designed to bring from out of the "shadow of deaths" into the light of his deathless kingdom. God had said that "righteousness should cover the land as the waters cover the sea." And God, who can not lie, always keeps his promise and fulfills his promises. And Japan, "who has drunk the blood since then of thrice three hundred thousand men," should be redeemed and take her place among earth's nations "fair as the moon, bright as the sun and terrible as an army with banners."

In 1872 Japan first permitted public preaching. Then the islands were shaken by a mightier power than the earthquake dissonantly howling beneath her rocky surface. The reading of the Bible always educates people. Paul says, "Study to show thyself approved of God." Listening ears heard the voice of God calling home. Eyes of faith beheld all things ready and the fields white for the harvest. Progress beamed her face and the gospel began a death struggle with sin and hell and darkness.

Ray Palmer, who gave up such bright prospects to become a missionary, fancied he might come back to the earth 500 years hence and see Japan open to the gospel. But twelve years before God called that hero from earth's storms to rest at home, he beheld Japan open to the gospel, so quickly does the truth transform kingdoms and empires, and thousands of Japanese Christians sang his beautiful hymn, "My faith looks up to thee, Thou Lamb of Calvary, Saviour divine," and could shout the bright praise—

"Shine on, new Star; the earth redeemed

In dust has bid her idols fall,

And thousands whom thy radiance beamed

Have crowned the Savior Lord of all."

If Ethiopia "has stretched out her arms," if the islands of the sea have felt the hand of God, if India has been transformed, if China has broken her hermetic seal, Japan has sprung upon her feet at the glance of the Lord

in attestation of the transforming power of the gospel.

The change in Japan has been more wonderful in a short time under the gospel than in any other country in the whole world. From the deepest pagan darkness she has emerged into the marvelous light of the kingdom of God, which she sought, that all things else might be added unto her. From weakling she has developed the little giant who like David can gather the stone from the "stream that flows by the oracle of God" to crush the forehead of a Goliath of Gath, to take her place among earth's greatest nations. Truly the "people that sat in darkness have beheld a great light," and the waters of redemption have bathed many a seeking soul that else had not known the truth of its Maker. From the bleeding spectacle of nations at war, attesting the prowess of Nogi, the lion of the land, and Togo, the tiger of the sea, she has turned her eyes on heaven, where war and strife never come. An imitator of the great, she has copied and translated American text books until the schools of Japan are dominated by American ideas and American ideals. Following our example, she has erected churches, built colleges, endowed universities. The native Christians have among themselves real scholars, real sure enough doctors, educated in our American schools and in European schools. But the progress of the real Japanese schools is the marvel of the age. Bishop Chandler's monument will reach the sky and native constellations grow immortally bright because of the undying luster shining round themselves 1900 years before.

"The world was lost in darkness.

In the sky stars pierced the gloom and prophesied of day.

The folds lay quiet on the peaceful hills

And tender shepherds there kept watch and ward.

In the dark valley the city sleeping lay,

Lost in forgetfulness and sin, nor knew

That it was lost. Strangers filled its aims,

In a rude manger a gentle princess passed

The night in pain.

"When morning dawned

A baby nestled in her loving arms."

"The shepherds on the hills heard anthems sweet,

And looking up, saw heaven's host descend,

And the bright star that since that time has shed

Its light through all the world, dispelling gloom,

Stood motionless above the manger where

The baby sleeping lay.

"'Glory to God,' sang the angel hosts again,

For a Savior is born into the world."

Nineteen hundred years later the Star again guided wise men till it stood motionless above a nation of sin that knew not that it was wrapped in sin, till the star of love by the mandate of God should burst the web of darkness and dissolve the day of twilight. It is said of earth's greatest diamond that it is completely invisible in clear water. In the dearm of ages, the nation immersed in the light of that star will be seen in the added beauty from the touch of a hand that creates anew.

Eternity spreads before the eyes of Japan, and she sees life beautiful on earth, and enters the Godhead of power with full knowledge of her living forces to play her part upon the chess board of nations, with redemption's diadem blazing on her brow. Her streams were always as beautiful as now, but their waters had not cooled the lips of civilized man. Now they have mingled their music with the mel-

ody of a stream that flows on forever, making glad the city of God. Her hills were as grand, but they stood in heathen darkness. Now the sun of righteousness spreads over them a sheet of gold as ample as the glory of God brightening the city that needeth not the sun by day nor the moon by night. Her people loved their country, but it was a love born of superstitious fear. Now a courage grander than that of Godfrey and Bullion couching his spear makes heroes of her sons that puts to blush the boasted sporting, as clothed in armor of God and armed with the sword of his Spirit, she has sounded the battle cry that never knows retreat, raising the banner that waves triumphant in the orient. The Methodist missionary and the Methodist Christian are invincible in Japan, as indeed everywhere else. As Methodism outshines all other religions at home, so it will transcend all systems abroad, leading the forces of God in triumph yonder and every where.

J. S. RILEY.

Missionary Centenary Conference.

Dear Methodist Friends: I shall have to inflict a letter on you in order to fulfill my promise to the "press gang" of the Missionary Centenary Conference. In an unfortunate hour I promised to write a letter. I find myself altogether too busy with catching up with the work necessarily neglected during the Conference to give time to collecting matter.

I will start out with the safe statement that it was a great Conference. Shanghai has never seen such a gathering. Counting delegates and visitors there were more than a thousand in attendance. All missionaries who had been in China as long as twenty-five years were by that right counted as delegates. Then besides each mission was called upon to elect delegates according to number of workers. Then there was a large number of visitors from the various Mission Boards and churches. Of course all the missionaries who were not delegates and who could possibly do so, came. The meetings were held in what is known as "The Marthy's Memorial Hall," being a large assembly room of the new Y. M. C. A. building that is nearing completion. This hall was built out of the money raised several years ago in the hope of putting up a memorial hall of more pretentious

The Conference elected two chairmen, a character. The name is in memory of those who fell during the "Boxer Summer."

Quite a number of committees had been at work for months preparing the program. The papers prepared represented the work of large and representative committees. The subjects were thoroughly canvassed. The meeting sat for ten days, exclusive of two Sundays. To some subjects a whole day's discussion was given, and to some a half day. No papers were read. All the papers were prepared and were ready for distribution before the Conference met, and on the day for the discussion of the subject the chairman of the committee read a set of resolutions embodying more or less of the contents of the paper on the subject, and these resolutions were dealt with. There were many advantages in this method, and of course objections.

The Conference elected two chairmen, a British and an American. Dr. J. C. Gibson of the English Presbyterians represented the British and Dr. Arthur H. Smith of the American Board represented the Americans. They presided day about. Beside these there were elected several vice presidents.

Shanghai had to do somewhat to arrange for all these guests. Outside of the missionary

circles here it is not much of the custom of running the risk of entertaining angels unaware. But they were stored away somehow. We know how quite a number were housed. Mrs. Cline can give account of quite several. It made a very great tax on the strength and time especially of the missionaries residing in Shanghai, for many of us felt that while it was a great opportunity to be with the Conference, yet it was not fair to the work to drop out altogether. As for the household it meant the regular work at irregular hours as much as possible and the meetings also as much as possible.

The subjects discussed were: The Chinese Church, The Chinese Ministry, Education, Evangelistic Work, Woman's Work, Christian Literature, Ancestral Worship, Medical Work, The Holy Scriptures, Comity and Federation, The Missionary and Public Questions, Memorials. There was as full and free discussions as the time would allow. There were some features of the meeting that ought to be emphasized. Fraternity, fairness, forbearance, unity of purpose. There were several scores of denominations represented in China, and some of them we know very well are very far apart in points of doctrine and practice. One of the abiding lessons of the gathering was to see how men who are bent on the service of the same Lord can sink the points of differences and come together on the points of agreement. This discipline was worth the Conference. One day during a prolonged debate on a point that required much giving on all sides, and was in danger from some who felt they could not give way on a long cherished point, an archdeacon of the Church of England urged the Conference to sink the difference in agreement, and said it was the joke of the Conference that all could give up better than the Anglicans and the Southern Baptists, but that even they could give in here. I consider this point gained—I mean the lesson of yielding in the matter of things traditionally cherished, but not vital to our Christianity—by far the most valuable point gained in the Conference. The Conference had no power to legislate, and no kind of power to enforce what was agreed upon. So no value of the meeting, it appears to me, will be so great as the common understanding arrived at from frank discussions, mutual respect gained. No effort was made to discuss anything by a mere majority vote, but the great effort all the time was to meet each other so as to agree on something that would be very generally acceptable. While very far apart on some rather non-essentials, we are close together on the things that must be. It is generally believed that the American Episcopalians—who persist in calling themselves "The American Church" in China—are unyielding in matters of statement and practice, but it made a strong impression on me, when in the course of one of the long debates on the matter of the statement of doctrine for what it was hoped might form the basis of the Chinese Church that is to be, one of the Episcopal bishops stated that the Episcopal bishops and the Church of England bishops had, after much prayer and consultation, agreed to be willing to give up their ritual service and prayer book in the interest of unity, if by that means the future Chinese Church can be brought closer together. This was when our Southern Baptist brethren were endangering the agreement on any expression of faith by insisting on the omission of any reference to the word creed, apostolic or otherwise, in the statement. The force of the statement was that if the "church" people could go so far in meeting the views of the

brethren, surely something could be given on the other side. The effect was obvious, for the other brethren soon beautifully found a compromise. This was to me the great lesson of the Conference, and this lesson was learned the first day.

It was an inspiration to see all these people together. They came from all parts of the country. Many were there who were compelled to be two and even three months on the road from their stations in the far interior to Shanghai. Think what the meeting must have meant to them. To hear the body sing was an uplift. Some like to stand and pray, some to kneel, some read the prayers in their regular services, but there was one thing in common, and that was that they knew how to pray. When you stand face to face with a heathen world with its needs and the hindrances to the work, very many of the things that divide us at home approach the vanishing point. What do they, or should they, mean to a Chinaman saved by grace. By history and tradition they mean a great deal to us, and I am not such an advocate of union at home that would destroy all this, but very much of it must be left behind when we attempt to plant the Church here. Chinese Methodists and Baptists do not find any

from human observation, I baptized him in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost." He and his early co-workers almost apologized for expressing the extravagant hope that if the rate of increase kept up that the end of the first century would see 1000 Protestant Christians in China. Think of the faith that must have upheld the workers with such prospects as this! And too they were rejoicing in such an outlook. We have abundant reason to feel sure that the following statistics are an under estimate, for the compilers found it impossible to get the latest reports from some societies: "In 1907 the official statistics report 3445 missionaries of whom 1443 are married, 964 single men and 1038 single women. The Christians baptized are 178,261. The Roman Catholics report 1206 European priests, 550 native priests and 950,058 Christians." These ought to be facts for good missionary preaching and rejoicing. If we can have the faith and the spiritual insight that those early men had, what may not be done, not in the next hundred years, but in the next ten years! This Conference will be a new starting point for the work. By how much greater are the opportunities, so much greater and more subtle are the difficulties. One thought in the minds of many was that this was the last great missionary conference in China. The body is growing too large, but that does not matter so much. The next conference will be made up largely, or mostly, of Chinese. It will be a General Conference of the Churches more than of the Missions. Let this great gathering—in some respects the greatest in the history of the Christian Church—be a new call and challenge to the Christian Church. Let us go forward! Is it not God calling us to go forward!

I am mailing a copy of the reports gotten out by our leading daily in Shanghai. There are omissions and errors, but I trust it is in the main correct. It contains much that will be good to reflect upon.

With good wishes and good will for all,
Fraternally,

JNO. W. CLINE.

May 25.

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G. G. Smith.

There is one feature of our Lord which does not seem to me to have been as vividly brought out as it should have been. In a mere man, it would be called splendid courage, heroism, in the Lord it might be called majesty and Lordship. We are so fascinated with his tenderness, and gentleness, his perfect self-abnegation, his Divine wisdom, his power over nature as shown in his miracles, his approachableness, and his familiarity with those about him, that we fail to see how grandly he bore himself in the presence of caviling men. I have been reading in John's Gospel, the story of that encounter he had with his opponents in Jerusalem, after he had healed the man at the pool. He had on his previous visits aroused such enmity, that he quietly returned to despised Galilee, and worked there. His disciples had gone to the feast and perhaps alone he made the journey, and they saw him next in the temple. Before him was the bewildered, perplexed multitude, near him were those whom he was antagonizing on every point. He had given evidence of his right to teach by making a man every whit whole, and shown utter contempt for their traditions by doing it, on the Sabbath day. They were infuriated by the audacity of the Galilean. He was a stranger, he had been under the training of none of their severe Rabbis, he regarded none of their traditions and now he stood

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troubles getting along with each other or with their Presbyterian friends, and do not think very much of what divides them. For the most part they came to Christ under a certain denomination, and they are in that church. How much should the year or anything whether the Presbyterian Church or the Methodist Church to which they belong happened to come from north or south of the Mason and Dixon Line.

Of course much was said of Robert Morrison who came of the first Protestant missionary to China in 1807. Due mention was made in the part that America had in getting this Scotchman representing the London Missionary Society to China. Since it was almost impossible to get passage on an English vessel, owing to the hostility of the East India Company to all kinds of Missionary work in the countries in the East in their power there, he came by way of the United States. How great this small beginning has grown! In Morrison's diary is the following entry regarding the baptism of his first convert in 1814: "At a spring of water, issuing from the foot of a lofty hill, by the sea-side, away

desire to flee from the wrath to come and to be saved from their sins, and who do not show this desire by their fruits of holy living. A passion for the souls of others, born of this desire, as well as the desire to please Him who called us to be soldiers, will best prevent becoming entangled in the affairs of this life inconsistent with the discipline of holy living. With the battle lines drawn against the devil, the world and the flesh (the sworn and cruel foes of the soul), this is no time to relax our vigilance. "There is no surcease in that war."

Finally, brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day; and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; and your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God." Thus was our Lord equipped and armed in his temptations when he was tempted in all points as we are, yet without sin; for there is no sin that overtaketh you but that there is provided a way of escape. Satan ever desires to have us that he may sift us as wheat. Our hope, O Lord, is in thee, who dost ever pray for us that our faith fail not.

(Signed) Alphens W. Wilson, William W. Duncan, Charles B. Galloway, Eugene R. Hendrix, Joseph S. Key, Oscar P. Fitzgerald, Warren A. Candler, Henry C. Morrison, E. Embree Hoss, Seth Ward, James Atkins.

The One Shall Be Taken.

I sat among the daisies, dear,
Beneath the old well sweep
In daisy time of yester-year
Ere, love, you fell asleep.

'Twas home and love and life to me,
There in the daisy bloom,
The nearing clouds I could not see—
The shadows o'er your tomb.

We two had wandered hand in hand,
Through childhood's springtime years
Until we reached the summer land
Of love and smiles and tears.

Life's autumn found love unchanged,
So close our hearts had grown,
While other loves might be estranged
To us was change unknown.

Life's daisies now lie faded, dead,
Earth-hopes proved false, unkind,
You slumber in your quiet bed
While I am left behind.

I face life's winter time alone
Upon a Western plain
You wait me near our Father's throne—
We two shall meet again."

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LESSON BY REV. W. M. WILSON, DUNCAN, I. T.
FIELD NOTES BY REV. T. L. RIPPEY, ADA, I. T.

June 30—"The Fruit of Christian Missions as Seen in the Lives of Converts from Heathenism."

John 15:1-16.

This is called a Library Meeting, and such it must be. It affords an excellent opportunity for bringing to the attention of the membership of the League the many good articles which have appeared in our religious papers showing the faithfulness of the native Christian in the several mission fields. The suggestions of the Era may be followed with great profit in the program for the League meeting.

At this time pastors and young people should be arranging when it is possible to attend some of the Conferences where they may learn something more of the great work in which as Leaguers and Christians they are engaged. There are a number of League Encampments and Assemblies to be held in the near future, also Conference for the leaders of young people's work which will prove of great benefit to those who can attend. Do not fail to use any opportunity for increasing your equipment and efficiency as a workman in the cause of Christ.

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It is very much desired that the Leagues in the territory of this paper be helped by the department given to our work. That this may be, these columns are open to the Leaguers for reports of their work and plans; and for articles discussing any phase of the League. Report your League, your district or annual Conference, or other meeting which you have found helpful.

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Horatio, Ark.—We have a Junior League in our little town with about twenty-five members, and are doing some right good work. Our devotional meetings are pretty well attended, but not as well as we would like. Almost every one takes part in them except the boys. The following is the list of officers: Superintendent, Mrs. Clyde Greer; president, Ima Arms; first vice president, Bessie Brown; second vice president, Gladys Greer; third vice president, Jewel Everett; secretary, Ava Arms; treasurer, Carl Brown. JEWEL EVERETT.

Methodist Hospital.

Report of the Hospital Committee as adopted by the North Mississippi Conference Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in regular session at Corinth, Miss., Dec. 5-10, 1906:

"The committee to which was referred the matter of establishing a Methodist Hospital reported as follows and the report was adopted:

"We recommend the appointment of a commission consisting of one preacher and one layman to confer with a like commission from other Conferences interested as to the feasibility of establishing a Methodist hospital at Memphis or some other suitable point.

"We hereby request the bishop in charge of the Mississippi, the Memphis, the Tennessee, the North Alabama, the Arkansas, the Little Rock and the White River Conferences to appoint a commission as above indicated from each of these Conferences.

"In case the representatives of as many as three Conferences shall, upon consultation, agree that such an institution is necessary, they shall be empowered to formulate

plans, consider locations, and report to their respective Conferences for their approval or rejection.

"Signed, G. M. HULL, Chm."

Rev. R. A. Meek and Mr. J. H. Sherard were appointed on the above mentioned commission to represent this Conference.

Extract from the Journal for 1906.

Secretary.

In conformity to the above, the following members compose the board of commissioners:

Little Rock Conference—Capt. C. C. Henderson, Nashville, Ark.; Rev. A. O. Evans, Arkadelphia, Ark.

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Mississippi Conference—J. E. Watts, Meridian, Miss.; Rev. P. D. Hardin, Yazoo City, Miss.

By invitation of the Madison Heights Church we have been requested to hold our meetings at that church in Memphis, Tenn., and further requested that members of that church have the privilege of entertaining us while in Memphis. We have accepted the invitation and will hold our meeting at the Madison Heights Church, corner Claybrook and Monroe streets, at 3 p. m. on Tuesday, July 16th, 1907. At this meeting we will go over this matter in all its different phases.

All members and others interested are requested to be present, as this will be the only meeting before Conference; and the importance of the matter demands the attendance of all.

R. A. MEEK, Greenville, Miss.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

June 30. Temperance Lesson.

Golden Text.—It is good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor anything whereby my brother stumbleth. Rom. 14:21.

Time.—A. D. 57. This letter was written from Ephesus.

Lesson Text.—I Cor. 10:23-33.

Paul has under discussion in this chapter the question of the proper observance of the Lord's supper. Abuses had crept into the Corinthian Church and the Apostle is endeavoring to put them to rights. He brings out the fact that the eating of the flesh and the drinking of the blood of our Lord in that feast is the partaking of the sacrifice which Christ made, once offered of himself. He concludes that they that partake of the sacrifice are partakers of the altar that by eating and drinking the supper of the Lord we become partakers of God's altar or become worshipers and supporters of God's worship. This point having been made the point as to the meats offered to idols naturally comes up for consideration. Corinth was a heathen city and a great part of the meats offered in the markets, at least at certain times, was first offered upon the altars of idols. If partaking of Christ, the sacrifice makes us worshipers, or connects us with the altar of God what effect does it have on a person to eat the sacrifices offered to idols? This question became one of importance when the weakness and prejudice of the young Corinthian Christians was taken into consideration. It could be easily seen that there would be those who would contend that there was a real and vital connection between the sacrifice and the idol. The case is rather aggravated by the consideration that the offerings made by the Gentiles are offered to the devils. While the Corinthian member of the church might think that these offerings were made to naught as the idols were nothing but if behind the idol is the devil the matter would appear quite different. The lesson begins with the general observation that "All things are lawful." It might be better for us to understand this to mean that the eating of all meats was lawful in consideration of the fact that there was absolutely no law on the subject. The eating of all meats might not be expedient however as it might be known definitely that they had been offered to idols or to Satan. This knowledge certainly would not be edifying.

But the Apostle makes the point that all things belong to God and that the fact that the meat had been offered to the devil did not change its value as a diet to him. This is the truth. The devil does not own anything. All belongs to God and the offering of the substance to the devil did not change that great fact. Therefore the Apostle made it a rule to buy in the market place what was offered or eat what was set before him, asking no questions for conscience sake. However he admits that the matter is changed when the information was given that the meat had been offered to idols. His rule was invariable, he would not eat meat offered to idols knowingly, if it made his weak brother to err. He was undoubtedly right in this course as no one but himself could determine the question as to how he regarded such sacrifices. If he believed that there was an act of worship performed in the eating of these meats as there was in eating the eucharist he could not remain guiltless. So the writer felt himself bound to respect the consciences of those who believed that there was only one rule applicable in all cases. We are bound to take into

consideration the conscience of our brethren as well as our own.

There can be but little connection between this lesson and the subject of temperance. If it were a fact that the drinking of ardent spirits was a mere matter of conscience, or if it were a question as to whether the drinking of wine was an act of worship of Bacchus then we could see the connection. But no one takes wine as an act of worship. There can be no connection, ordinarily, between a dram and a wine god. The great question of temperance is the amount of actual injury and the prospective injury that is suffered in every drink of alcohol. Properly speaking alcohol is not a food. There may be food in many of the alcoholic drinks but that food does not depend upon alcohol for an existence and if taken as food apart from alcohol there could be no evil results. But when considered as a beverage alcohol is an evil and an evil continually. It may be possible that some persons can take a limited amount of alcohol without injury but it is certain that there are none who can continue for a very great length of time the drinking of ardent spirits without injury.

It should be remembered that the amount of alcohol in some wine may be so small that the injury is less perceptible than in other drinks and in some case of this kind it would be proper for a good man to abstain from it for fear that it might lead his less guarded brother on to a less discriminate use of that which is worse so the exhortation of the golden text is proper.

Candid Facts.

Editors Western Methodist: A great problem of ministerial supply, there are some things that we cannot much longer circumvent. Our zeal for Foreign missions is Christlike, and in truth we should expunge the term "Foreign" from all our literature upon missions, for it is a misnomer, yet the fact remains that the time has come, and we had as well recognize it now, when capable men, with families dependent upon them, are not going into our home missions, and circuits, that do not pay enough to support them, and with all the "soft soap of sentiment" to the contrary, notwithstanding, men with brains, and capabilities, to do the work, are growing fewer constantly, who will go to hard places in the home field, and be humiliated til they often have little to eat, and not even money to buy a postage stamp for weeks at a time. The Church had as well wake up and confront the true state of affairs, and begin to make provision to support the ministry in the home field with some measure of decency, before sending two thirds of her mission funds to foreign lands. There are hundreds of faithful, self-denying men who are serving works all over this land today almost at their own expense, and numbers have paid several thousand dollars each for the privilege of doing the work of the ministry for years past. Such are real heroes, men of iron, to whom God will say in the end, "Well done, thou good, and faithful servants," but the time has come when the supply of such men is about exhausted, and the spiritual life of the Church is not vigorous enough to bring forth such men any more, and henceforth capable men will have to be supported by the Church when sent to "Dryrun Circuit," which promises \$400, if the preacher suits them, or "Stave Factory Station," where a \$500 salary is contingent upon the caprices of one or two mill owners, who howl for union Churches into a nondescript combine on Sunday, this being their highest conception of the mission of the

Church. There should be several new circuits made in Little Rock Conference this year, but this "deponent knoweth" that the men who would be sent to them could not live and do the work on the salaries that would be forthcoming (if everything was favorable) and the strong men who ought to be sent to such places have more sense than to try to live on nothing and board themselves for the privilege of preaching the gospel, for they know that in a few years they will be overwhelmed with obligations that would eventually sink them into oblivion with the anathemas of the Church stamped upon them, for contracting obligations while serving the Church, on an allowance that the Church knew, could not support an honest, capable man. There is no use beating around the bush about this matter. The Church must wake up and provide a decent living for her preachers, or in another decade, she will have none except for the places that do support them decently. Out of a heart that bleeds over these questions, I am

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Sunday School Missionary Institute, July 10th, 1907:—

Wednesday, 9 a. m.—Devotional services by Rev. Thos. H. Ware.

9:30 a. m.—How to Organize Schools into Missionary Societies (demonstrated), by Prof. Womack of Stephens.

10 a. m.—The Pastor's Place and Part in Missionary Work in the Sunday School, by Rev. W. C. Hilliard.

10:30 a. m.—Proper Equipment for Mission Work in Our Sunday Schools, by Rev. J. C. Hooks.

11:30 a. m.—The Opportunity of the Church in the Children, by Rev. A. M. Shaw.

12 m.—Adjournment.

3:00 p. m.—Hindrances to Thorough Organization of this Work in Stations, by Rev. J. A. Sage.

3:30 p. m.—Hindrances to Thorough Organization of this Work on Circuits, by Rev. A. Turrentine.

4:00 p. m.—Address, A Recapitulation of the Work of the Day and How to Make it Practical, by Rev. B. A. Few.

5:00 p. m.—Adjournment.

Thursday July 11th, Epworth League Conference:—

9:00 a. m.—Devotional Exercises by Rev. Wilson Moore.

9:30 a. m.—What the League Contemplates Doing with and for our Young People, by Rev. A. M. Shaw.

10:00 a. m.—Is the Work thus Contemplated Practical? by Bro. Fred Morten of Fordyce.

11:00 a. m.—What Hinders the League in my Charge?—Free Discussion, five minutes to each. Let all prepare to enter this free discussion.

12:00 m.—Adjournment.

3:00.—Devotional services led by J. Z. Barleson.

3:30 p. m.—Should the Church Through the League Furnish Our Young People Harmless Amusements and thus prevent their Conformity to the World? by Rev. T. P. Clark.

4:00 p. m.—Appointment of committee on District Organization.

4:30 p. m.—Appeal to Leaguers to take up some special work in the departments of charity and help and for missions, by Rev. B. A. Few.

Friday, July 12th, the District Conference proper will convene at 9 a. m. An outline of the work of this body has been printed and furnished all the preachers. We have combined these meetings at Stephens so as not only to economize time, and expense of travel, but also to insure a good attendance at each meeting. The people of Stephens will give royal entertainment to all delegates and editors.

B. B. THOMAS, P. E.

The Wholesome Story of Mary Mahegan.

In a period when the sordid stories of the aimless rich come to public notice with disgusting frequency it is refreshing to find a woman who, through all the vicissitudes of fast increasing wealth and power, has kept the native beauty of character which first attracted attention to her.

It comes like a breeze from Elysian fields, or like the remembrance of fairyland. And because the instance is so rare it stands out conspicuously enough to excite comment.

Nearly forty years ago Mary Mahe-

gan, a pretty, modest, wholesome young Irish girl was waitress in the Old Merchants' Hotel in St. Paul. At the same time a number of young men, some of whom afterward became the very spirit of the Northwest, were patrons of the place, and because they were well paying, the services of the best waitress in the place—Mary Mahegan—was given them. Three years passed, but during the three years one of the young men had won the love of Mary, and one day she disappeared from the place, never to return.

So high a regard had she won with those whom she served that an instant demand was made on the proprietor to know what had become of her. He did not know, but later they found out that she was in a Milwaukee convent preparing to become the wife of James J. Hill.

The first home of the couple was a modest little frame structure, but since then Mary Mahegan, as the wife of James J. Hill, the railroad magnate, has had wealth and position, but never has she lost the original beauty of character that first attracted attention to her.

Today, the mistress of one of the finest mansions in the Northwest, she is as accessible to her poor relatives and friends as she was in the days long ago, when she "waited on table" in a pioneer town.

Never in all these years has she found it necessary to apologize for her race, her family connection or her previous position in life. There is hardly a man or woman in the Northwest, where Mr. Hill's friends and enemies are legion, who will not attest to the rare beauty of the wife's character.

Beautiful as her life as a woman has been, her character as a mother stands out even with richer hues. She has seen nine children—three sons and six daughters—grow up at her knee, and become useful men and women free from the taints that great wealth is apt to place upon the younger generation. Their heads were not allowed to become filled with the foolish notion that riches do not bring their obligations or that the measure of true womanhood and manhood is taken by the dollar sign.

When they were ready to go out into the world there was no idiotic scramble to secure titled or wealthy husbands for the daughters, but each was allowed to make her choice of a husband according to the dictates of her own heart. And so, too, when the oldest son selected a trained nurse for his bride, no objections were raised, but she was welcomed into the family circle, and measured at her value as a woman.

No one has yet heard of the children of Mary Mahegan being involved in scandal of any sort. That is hardly possible with the example set before them by their mother. The Hill boys and girls will always measure other men and women by the splendid standard of their mother's virtues, and that alone is worth striving for.

The story of Mary Mahegan's unspoiled life comes as a refreshing chapter in the world's history at a time when the newspapers are filled with the silly antics of the overburdened rich, and when gossip of club and drawing-room pivots on scandal in high life. The Thaw case has its place in human history as showing the corrupting evils of wealth in the hands of the thoughtless and vicious, but the story of Mrs. Hill's life brings out the beauty of a woman who has reared a large family

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Cast Your Nets Again.

"Did you ever notice," said an old lady, smiling into the troubled face before her, "that when the Lord told the discouraged fishermen to cast their nets again it was right in the same old place where they had been working all night and had caught nothing? If we could only go off to some new place every time we get discouraged, trying again would be an easier thing. If we could be somebody else, or go somewhere else, or do something else, it might not be hard to have fresh faith and courage; but it is the same old net in the same old pond for most of us. The old temptations are to be overcome, the old faults to be conquered, the old trials and discouragements before which we failed yesterday to be faced again today. We must win success where we are if we win at all, and it is the Master himself who, after all these toilsome, disheartening efforts that we call failures, bids us 'try again.' However, it seems to us, nothing can be really failure which is obedient to His command, and some bright morning 'the great draught' of reward will come."—Wellspring.

Morrilton Station.

We came to Morrilton early in December last. A cordial reception was given us. Many expressions of kindness have come to us during the months of our labor here. We had heard of the thoughtfulness and generosity of this people to their pastor, but the reality exceeds what we have heard. The work of the church is doing well.

of the regular services are largely attended. The Sunday School is growing, the prayer meeting is more interesting than any other I have been privileged to hold; the W. F. M. S. is doing good work, and the W. H. M. S. has a membership of 80.

Through the support of the members we have been able to improve greatly both the parsonage and the church. The parsonage lot has been filled up and made dry, and concrete walks have been laid around both church and parsonage.

Sunday night we closed a two weeks' meeting assisted by Joe M. Ramsey. His preaching and work were of high order. My people were delighted with him. The membership of the church was greatly helped and 47 were added to the roll. According to my way of thinking no better help have I ever seen given a pastor than that rendered by Bro. Ramsey. The pastor is fortunate who secures his help.

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From Thackerville.

Our third Quarterly Conference was held June 15th and 16th. Our efficient presiding elder, Bro. Freeman, was on hand looking after the interest of the church and preached two good spiritual sermons. We had a glorious service Sunday morning. Some said the presiding elder overjumped himself. Anyway, there was one conversion, one infant baptized and two received into the church. Some got so happy they could hold no longer and shouted God's praise in the good old fashioned way. The presiding elder also took his part in this. I tell you we have an ideal presiding elder—one who can preach against sin and when the sinner comes forward and "gets religion," can shout with him. Bro. Freeman left us to hold the fort Sunday night and the revival fire was still burning and a profitable service was the result. We baptized four more infants at the night service, preached a "big" sermon, gave an opportunity for all who wished to be saved to come forward, and quite a number responded. Signs are encouraging here along the revival line. Family altars are being established, backsliders coming to the front and as we are approaching the "good old summer time" when we will leave the church house and go to the brush arbor and preach and sweat, work and pray, shout and sing, we are expecting some grand things from the Lord. Everybody who wants to get religion and be revived, come this way.

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Notice—McAlester District.

We earnestly desire each Auxiliary of the H. M. Society to send a report and delegate to our District Meeting of the McAlester District, to be held at Atoka, beginning in the afternoon of July the 4th. The work of the H. M., also the P. M. will be held probably on Friday afternoon, in connection with the District Conference. I trust all will be earnestly praying for a Pentecostal blessing at the meeting, and all over our Conference.

By order of Mrs. M. E. Mackey,
District Secretary.
(By Mrs. G. B. Hester.)
Durant, I. T.

Notice.

We earnestly desire each Auxiliary of the H. M. Society of the McAlester District, to send a report and delegate to the district meeting to be held at Atoka, July 4th, 1907.

Notice to the Auxiliaries of the Foreign Missionary Society, Oklahoma Conference.

We regret to lose our Conference Treasurer, Mrs. John Quillian of Vinita. She was loved by all our workers and has done such capable and satisfactory service. But the state of her health and that of her good husband, compels her to send in her resignation, to take effect at once. The Treasurer of the P. M. Auxiliaries will please remit their dues and all monies on the pledge for the Foreign work to

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Mrs. Eslick is a capable and consecrated Christian worker and we are fortunate in securing her as treasurer on the resignation of Mrs. Quillian. We tender our sincere sympathy to our retiring treasurer in her sickness, and that of her husband. While we commend them to our heavenly Father, we tender thanks for their valuable lives and service in our conference.

MRS. G. B. HESTER,
Conf. Pres. F. M. Society.

Notice.

On Tuesday night, July 2nd, Rev. J. R. Dickerson, of Vanderbilt University, will give a Stereopticon Mission Lecture at the Methodist Church in Bison under the auspices of the Missionary and Sunday School Boards of the Little Rock Conference.

Let all the preachers to the District Conference, with the Epworth Leaguers come in Tuesday afternoon.

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Program for district meeting of M. M. S. of Holdenville district to be held at Okmulgee July 12 in connection with District Conference.

Devotional services:

Roll call and report of delegates.

Paper—Work accomplished by the H. M. S. in our Conference. Mrs. J. H. Ball.

Hems from the Annual Meeting. Mrs. G. B. Hester.

Paper—A Model H. M. Meeting. Mrs. Hamilton.

Discussion.

A Talk on Our Literature. Mrs. Lee Rippy.

Our Duty to District Parsonage. Mrs. E. L. Massey.

MRS. C. M. COPPEDGE.

Apportionment

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First Church, 25; Fairview, 12; College Hill, 10; Texarkana Ct., 10; Bright Star, 10; Ashdown, 12; Foreman, 12; Winthrop, 10; Horatio, 12; Ben Lomond, 8; Lockesburg, 10; Umpire, 8; Mt. Ida, 10; De Queen, 14; Gilam, 8; Jackson, 10; Mena, 20; Cherry Hill, 7.

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Our third Quarterly Conference convened at Fitzhughs the 15th inst and was one of the most spiritual this scribe ever witnessed. Our presiding elder, Dr. Sibert, was at his best and preached us four sermons with more

than his usual liberty. Our people at Fitzhughs, Snapps and Weldon will long remember those services. There were more than 40 penitents come forward for prayer and most all Christians pledged a more consecrated life. Our reports were all well received and showed progress along all lines. I have never served a charge with a better and more loyal membership than this. Our Sunday School interest is as good as the best. We have more than \$500 for all purposes. Our neat little framed church will soon be completed and ready for use. We are praying for a great revival all over the charge and have an abiding faith that it is coming. J. H. BARRENTINE, P. C.

Holdenville District Notice.

Opening sermon by Rev. C. W. Myatt, Tuesday, 8:15 p. m., July 9th.

Committee on License to Preach—J. E. Vick, J. E. Tiger and G. W. Martin.

Committee on Deacons and Elders orders—T. L. Rippey, E. L. Massey and J. H. Ball.

Thursday afternoon, Sunday School. Program by W. J. Moore.

Committee on admissions and Readmissions—J. H. Ball, C. W. Myatt, E. L. Massey.

Friday afternoon, Home and Foreign Missionary Societies. Program by ladies.

C. M. COPPEDGE, P. E.

Remembering Others.

Teach us, O Spirit of the Living God, to pray for others with a steadfast faith. Let the purpose of thy love be fulfilled in them, that they and we may rise together out of low desires to do thy will and share thy vision of the righteous world in which our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is Shepherd of the flock and leaders in the paths of peace. Come, heavenly teacher and inspirer of all gracious thoughts and high desires. Convince the world of sin. Let the desire of righteousness possess our souls. Be thou our guide and advocate. And let thy light shine through our lives for the world's help. Amen.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order of the Pulaski Probate Court I will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder at the east door of the Pulaski County court house on July 13, 1907, at 12 o'clock noon the following lands in said county: Northeast quarter of southwest quarter Sec. 33 Tp. 1 south range 12 west, on a credit of three months, purchaser to give a note with approved security bearing six per cent interest and a lien to be retained on the land for the purchase money. This June 15, 1907.

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Little Rock District Conference.

The 39th session of the Little Rock District Conference convened at Benton June 18th, 9 a. m., 1907; Dr. A. C. Millar, P. E., in the chair. W. A. Swift was elected Secretary. The first day was given to Epworth League work and a very fine program was carried out. George Buzbee was re-elected president; Miss Bertie Anderson, secretary.

The second day was devoted to Sunday School interests and much enthusiasm was manifested.

District Conference proper opened Thursday morning. Bishop Seth Ward presided during the first day.

H. A. Woods, a licensed exhorter and now in charge of Capitol Hill Mission was licensed to preach and recommended to the Annual Conference for admission into the traveling connection. Rev. W. Fred Long was recommended for deacon's orders.

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once were Bishop Ward, Jas. Thomas, Jas. M. Workman, H. M. Bruce, Prof. J. D. Clary, P. R. Eaglebarger, A. O. Evans, and Miss Perkins, one of our missionaries to Brazil. Also T. Y. Ramsey, of Pine Bluff, who addressed the Conference on Thursday night.

The following persons were elected to the Annual Conference as lay delegates: L. B. Leigh, J. W. Westbrooks, Lem Kirkpatrick, and T. S. Buzbee. The next District Conference will be held at Bryant. The whole program of the conference was very enthusiastic. All went away feeling that much good had been accomplished.

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Did He Deserve His Name?

By Leander S. Keyser

His real name was William Grant McPherson, though among his familiar friends he was commonly known as Billy. Afterward he received another name, one that was not different. It was not exactly a nickname, though. We will see whether he deserved this new name or not.

"See here, Billy." It was Mr. Douglass, standing in the doorway of his place of business, who was speaking to the boy. "Here are two dollars to pay you for the work you did for me a few days ago. I saw you passing and thought I might as well pay you now. It's two dollars I owe you, isn't it, Billy?"

"Yes, sir; even two dollars, if you are satisfied with the work," Billy responded.

"The work was done very well, Billy," the man declared heartily; "couldn't have done it better myself."

"I'm glad you're pleased, Mr. Douglass."

"I'm glad you're glad," Mr. Douglass laughed. "Did you tell me the other day that you'd like to have a steady job for the summer vacation? It seems to me I heard you say something to that effect."

"Yes, sir; I should very much like to be idle, and, more than that, I don't like to be idle. I'd rather work."

"Let me see," Mr. Douglass was meditating. "School will be out—"

"In two weeks," the boy prompted. "After that I would be ready to go right to work. Would you have something for me to do, Mr. Douglass?"

"Why, I can't say just now, Billy. I'll see, though; I'll see."

"I'd like to work for you, Mr. Douglass."

"Yes, we've always gotten along together very well, haven't we? Why do you want to work?"

"Well, as I said, I don't fancy being idle. Besides, we're not rich, and father has all he can do to support the family, with mother being sick a large part of the time. I think it wouldn't be more than right for me to earn something to help, and also to help myself in getting an education."

"A good idea, my boy, excellent. Well, we'll see. Maybe we'll be able to find a job for you. Here's your money—clean, crisp, one-dollar bills,

fresh from Uncle Sam's workshop. I'll see you later, Billy. Good-day."

He handed the bills to Billy, who his pocketbook. They were folded took them and put them at once into once across the middle, and he could see the large figure "1" on the outer bill, so that he did not think it necessary to unfold them; therefore he slipped them just as they were into his pocketbook, which he carried in his inside coat pocket.

"I'll go and put them in the savings bank right away," he said, as he started off.

"So you're keeping a savings account, are you? An excellent plan for a young boy." This from Mr. Douglass as the boy hurried up the street. "That boy has the right ideas of economy," the man added to himself. "I wonder whether he's as trusty as he's saving and industrious."

Billy walked rapidly up the street till he reached Main street, which he followed for two blocks. Presently he turned into a large, business-like looking room, on the large plate glass windows of which was printed in great capitals, "State Savings Bank."

He stepped up to one of the slant writing desks to fill out a deposit slip. Quickly he wrote his name and the date in the proper blanks; then opposite the word "currency" he carefully set down \$2.00, which sum he also entered at the bottom of the slip opposite the word "total." He knew that the money which Mr. Douglass had given him was all he had in his pocketbook, and therefore all he had to deposit at that time; for what silver change he carried with him was in a small purse in his trousers pocket.

The next thing to do was to draw out his pocketbook, take out the bills, count them, and lay them lengthwise under the deposit slip; then get out his little bank-book, after which he was ready to go to the receiver's window with everything "shipshape." You see, Billy was methodical, and always made the teller as little trouble as possible.

But he did not get very far in the process today. This is what happened: When he drew out the crisp new bills, "fresh from Uncle Sam's workshop," and unfolded them, lo and behold, there were four one dollar bills instead of two!

"Hello!" he thought. "What does this mean? Here are four dollars. Mr. Douglass thought he gave me only two. The bills must have stuck together, being so new. He made a mistake, I guess."

Now what was William Grant McPherson's next thought? That he was two dollars better off than he had supposed? That it was not his fault if Mr. Douglass, a business man, did not count his money correctly? That the two extra dollars added to his bank account would be greatly to his advantage? That it would help to keep the family and buy books for school? That Mr. Douglass did not know that a mistake had been made? That he—Billy—was the only one who knew about it and the only one who would ever know?

Well, if those thoughts entered his mind at all, they must have gone through it like a flash of lightning, for the next moment after his discovery, he murmured to himself:

"No, it wouldn't be right to keep the money and I won't keep it!"

So he turned on his heel, hurried out of the bank, greatly to the waiting

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teller's surprise, and in a few minutes stood in the doorway of Mr. Douglass' store. The proprietor was standing near as the boy entered.

"See here, Mr. Douglass," the boy began, "you gave me four dollars instead of two. They must have stuck together being so new and stiff, so you didn't notice there were four. See?"

"Why, sure enough!" the man exclaimed. "When did you find out the mistake?"

Billy told him.

"And you brought the money right back as soon as you discovered the error, did you?"

"Of course I did, sir," returned Billy, with a good deal of emphasis.

"Why didn't you keep the extra money?"

"Mr. Douglass, I'm no thief!" said Billy at the suggestion. "If I can't earn money honestly, I don't want it at all. Here are your two dollars. Good-by."

"Wait a minute, Billy," Mr. Douglass called quickly. "You look fine when you become indignant. That was a display of what our minister calls 'righteous indignation.' I think a great deal more of you for it, too, Billy. In fact, I admire you very much."

He stepped over to Billy and took both of the boy's hands in his, looking admiringly down into the honest blue eyes.

"I'm going to give you a new name, Billy," Mr. Douglass presently added.

"I'm going to make a knight of you. After this I shall call you Billy Upright."

"Well, Mr. Douglass, that's just what I want my real name, Billy McPherson, to stand for," the boy replied.

"Why, you're clever as well as honest," Mr. Douglass complimented. "Now see here, Billy Upright, I have a steady job for you, one that will last through the whole vacation. I want to employ you on the spot. Come over to my desk and we'll conclude the bargain. I think I can afford to pay a boy by the name of Billy Upright pretty fair wages."

It took only a few minutes to make a contract that was satisfactory to both parties.

"By the way, Billy Upright," said Mr. Douglass before they parted. "I knew I had given you four one-dollar bills instead of two."

"You did."

"Yes, Billy Upright. You must forgive me for giving you a little test. I knew you were willing to work, and that you would do your work well, but I also wanted to make sure that you were entirely honest. You may depend upon it, Billy Upright, if you hadn't stood the test, you wouldn't have secured a place in my store for the summer. You're not angry, are you, Billy Upright?"

"Not at all, Mr. Douglass. Thank you very much."

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Canal Dover, O.

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Origin of Infant Baptism.

I have just finished reading the very excellent little book by Dr. J. H. Riggan, bearing the above title. And I feel like saying that, among all the literature on the subject of baptism, that our church has produced, I have found nothing more worthy of a wide circulation and careful reading than this little book.

The plan and scope of the work are characteristic of the erudite and painstaking author. Beginning with the fact that the custom of baptizing young children is almost universally prevalent in the church of today, and assuming the obvious truth that if the practice was introduced into the church at any time subsequent to the apostolic age, some mention of the innovation,

and the opposition to it, would be found in the literature of the age; and, further, that by penetrating far enough into the past, a period ought to be found in which the literature contains no mention of infant baptism; the author traces the matter back step by step, from the nineteenth century to within less than 100 years of the apostolic age.

Quoting no authorities but the best; he shows that the writers of every single century covered by this period, not only mention infant baptism, but usually refer to it as the universal custom of the church. Touching the design and mode of the ordinance, sundry views have been held at different times, but concerning the scripturalness of infant baptism there was never any question until more than fourteen centuries after the apostolic age. That the custom could have been introduced between the death of St. John and the birth of Origen, 85 years later, is simply inconceivable. Yet it was universal in Origen's day, and thenceforward for 1,300 years.

This little book is, therefore, an argument settler on the subject of infant baptism. Let every preacher read it and circulate it among his people.

A. M. SHAW.

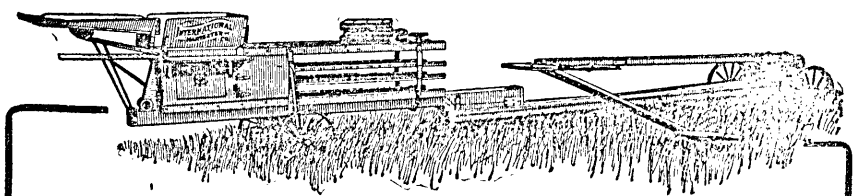
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Lawton, Oklahoma.

We are enjoying a large measure of prosperity in our work here in Lawton. We have been having conversions at our regular services from time to time, and have been receiving numbers by certificate and otherwise almost from the opening of the year's work. Our crowning victory came, however, in a meeting recently held in our church, led by Evangelist Lovie Pierce Law of Siloam Springs, Ark., with Prof. Victor Howell of Dallas, in charge of the singing. Bro. Law is an earnest, spiritual, gospel preacher, and withal a sunny-souled, sweet spirited, companionable man. The people were greatly pleased with his messages and were not only won to him personally but many through his efforts were won unto Christ. Prof. Howell also won the hearts of the people by his sunny disposition and his sweet, effective solos. Much of the success of the meeting was due to his efficient work as leader of the choir and as gospel soloist.

The meeting was conducted largely according to old-time methods. The old-fashioned gospel was preached and sinners came weeping to the altar. There were perhaps 75 professions at the meeting, and sixty-one joined our church. In view of the bitter, organized opposition from the outside, such as I have never before witnessed, this was indeed a signal victory. In view of a superficial card-signing method that had been used in a so-called "union" meeting, this was a decided triumph for the old-time Methodist way. God grant that the day may never come when Methodists are satisfied with a superficial way of doing the Lord's work. Furthermore, in view of the fact that this pastor had refused to go into saloons to solicit funds with which to run the so-called union meeting and had thereby aroused some of the bitter opposition above mentioned,



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We have had in all since Conference 193 accessions to our church, and seven letters have been written for, making a total of 200. We have secured two splendid lots near the center of town for a new church and parsonage location, and the building of the new parsonage is now in contemplation. We have opened up elegant club rooms and a gymnasium down town for young men. Our church is in a flourishing condition, and our faces are turned hopefully to the future.

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We came together again at 3 p. m. and had another sermon and exhortation and another hand-shake, and we all went home feeling good, and we do not hesitate to say that we have the best church, the prettiest church and in the best community in twenty miles of us, and if any of your many readers don't believe it, tell them to come over and we will show them.

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Notice.

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Yours fraternally,

T. Y. RAMSEY,

Pres. Board of Missions.

From Bro. Cline.

I am now engaged with Bro. F. G. Velines in a meeting at Omaha. We have here a town of about 200 people. The Missionary Baptists have been here for a long time and have a strong church. Our church is weak, having been without a pastor for four or five years previous to the building of the White River branch of the Mo. P. railroad. But prospects are bright for us now and we can truly say "the Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad." We have had 23 conversions to date and the work still goes on.

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W. F. M. S. Little Rock Conf. Edited by Conference Officers and District Secretaries. Mrs. J. F. Giles, Editor.

Ten missionaries and \$200,000 is the high aim of Woman's Board of Foreign Missions for 1907-08. In order to advance, a larger membership must be enlisted, more and better work done among the young people and juveniles, larger supplies of literature be distributed and a wider circulation of Woman's "Missionary Advocate" and "Little Worker" Missionary Bulletin. Let each one of us be in earnest about enlisting these indifferent ones in this work, that they may realize for themselves the joy of service—the joy of having a share in making the wilderness glad, and the desert blossom as the rose.

Reports from the Foreign fields are encouraging. Brazil never showed greater activity or finer results.

The "Isabella Hendrix" is now completed and occupied and its influence is already being felt. Romanism in Brazil is beginning to feel the influence of the open Bible.

Suitable property for the Eliza Bowman School, recently moved from Havana to Cienfuegos, Cuba, has been purchased at a cost of \$27,500. This was the gift of the South Georgia and North Texas Conferences.

Rev. Mr. Mitchell and wife have been elected to the principalship of Methvin Institute at Anadarko, Ind. Per. A title to the 160 acres of land connected with this school has been secured and now the buildings must be enlarged and improved.

Miss Holding, by authority of the Board, has purchased better and more suitable property for the Institute Colon, at Guadalajara, thus increasing the opportunities of this school, which has been greatly handicapped on account of crowded quarters. In this school, many mature men and women are seeking instruction. They come for English, but, often while learning this, they are brought into the true light and life.

The Texarkana District Secretary attended the District Conference this week at Lockesburg, and presented the work of W. F. M. S. in an able manner, and we hope, with good results. It is earnestly desired that the work be presented at every District Conference.

Don't fail to call attention in your Auxiliary meetings to our "Candidate Training Fund." This is included in your pledge, but must be in the treasury by August 15.

It is the plan of the executive committee that this column be edited by Conference officers and District Secretaries, in succession—one for each month. Mrs. Geo. Thornburgh will be editor during the month of July.

MRS. J. F. GILES, Corresponding Secretary.

Uncle Tom's Magic Rule.

"Well, well, well!" It was Uncle Tom's jovial voice. "Not conquered, I hope, by a pile of wood!" Don looked up dismally from his seat on the wheelbarrow. "But just see how much there is! I'll never get it all into the shed!" "Not if you attempt to wheel it all in on one load," laughed Uncle Tom. Then quickly, "If you'd use the magic rule 't would be—oh, so very easy!" "Magic—rule?" and Don looked up

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with a curious expression on his little sun-burnt face. "I—I don't know what that is; I never heard of that rule."

"That's a pity," replied Uncle Tom. "Let me explain. Here's a pile of wood which must be wheeled into the shed. It contains—let me see—twenty barrow loads, I should say—the size of the ones you take. Now, it looks hard as a whole; a good deal of a job!"

"And it is!" insisted Don, stoutly. "But let's see how it looks in parts. That end there contains one—two—three—four; I shall say a dozen sticks—enough for one good load. Now the magic rule says to you, 'Don, that's all there is to put in the shed—at one time.' And it means that you mustn't think of the rest of it, while you're wheeling this in. So, really, for the time being, you have only one load to do—and that isn't hard; not in the least."

"I—I see." "And when that's done—why, take another load—just one!"

"It—it looks easy—that way," and the worried expression on Don's little face scampered off in a jiffy.

"And it is," replied Uncle Tom, "if you apply the magic rule."

Don did; and the task wasn't half as hard as he thought it would be.—Ex.

A Probable Cause.

A large per cent of men are not going to church at all. Another large per cent attend church only occasionally. And a good round per cent of those who go don't take much interest in it.

Why is this? Much time and thought has been given to the discussion of this question. Many theories have been advanced as to why men are not more interested in church and religious affairs. There are more reasons than one. Some do not go to church for one reason and some for another.

We heard the following reason advanced by a man of the world: "The fault is with the preaching," he said. "I speak for myself and, I think, for many others. I have no special fault to find with the doctrine preached. I know almost nothing about the 'new theology' and care nothing about it. I have no itching ears for a new gospel. Nor do I want any sensational preaching, or preaching on current topics. It is the tameness, the insipidity of the average preacher that makes me tired. I have listened again and again to sermons that had in them no sparkle and no force, nothing to arouse interest and inspire thought. The sermons were juiceless and colorless. This is one thing that keeps some men away from church. And then there is another thing. The average preacher takes on mannerisms. He gets in the

way of being 'preachery' and unnatural. He don't preach as a man to men, and therefore does not appeal to men."

Now suppose we allow for shrinkage in this; is there not enough of truth left for serious consideration? Are there not many sermons preached that have almost nothing to them for man? Are men to be wholly blamed if they fail to be interested in some of the preaching to which they listen?

At least three things should characterize every sermon that would appeal to men. The sermon should ring clear and true as to its matter. The sermon should be God's message and delivered as such. And the preacher should be manifestly in earnest. He should be on fire with zeal. He should evidently be so earnest and sincere as to impress his hearers with sincerity. And then there must be in the preacher some virility of thought. There must be an intellectual grasp of things. There is little hope of reaching men without this.—Word and Work.

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Clovis, New Mexico.

We closed our meeting on the 16th. Our congregations were good. Methodism in the lead in Clovis. We have a good Sunday School with our old friend J. L. Haney, formerly of Marlow, I. T., in charge. We are worshipping at present in the Baptist tabernacle. We will begin our new church in about thirty days and when it is completed it will cost \$10,000. Rev. B. T. James is our presiding elder and his district is so large we expect to make two of it at the end of the year. He is the right man in the right place. Our W. H. M. Society was organized with 23 members and three more have been added. God bless this faithful band of women. Our first quarterly conference for this work, though during the third round in the district will be held July 5. We hope to have a good attendance. J. L. SOUTHWARD.

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OBITUARIES.

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CHILDREN'S PAGE.

(We will be glad to have the children contribute to this page. All letters must be written on one side only, and addressed to Box 284, Conway, Ark.)

Paragould, Ark., May 24, 1907.

Dear Western Methodist: I have just been reading some of the cousins' letters and I thought that I would write a letter. I hope the editor will print it. My papa takes the Methodist and I enjoy reading the children's letters. I am a little boy 10 years old. I have been going to school but the school is out now. I am in the third grade. My teacher's name is Miss Mattie Lytle. I liked her very much. I will close by answering Ethel Scott's question. She asked how much did Joseph's brothers sell him for. They sold him for 20 pieces of silver. Your little cousin,
WILLIE ANDERSON.

Dell, Ark., May 24, 1907.

Dear Methodist Cousins: This is my first attempt to write to the Methodist and I will not write a long letter. What's the matter with Ruth Carr. Wish she would write some more stories. I love to read them so well. Poor little Chock did have a very unpleasant time, didn't he? I am 9 years old and I am in the fifth grade. My Sunday School teacher is Mrs. Carter. I like her very well. Our school closed here about a month or two ago. Our teacher will be Miss Della Sheridan. I have two sisters and one brother. Laura, 13 years old; Ida Kate, 2 years old. Ida Kate knows her a b c's; I can count to 19. Laura is in the seventh grade. Stephen is my brother; he is 7 years old and is in the first grade. Papa is the superintendent here. Our pastor is Rev. T. N. Lott. We like him

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fine. Our presiding elder is Rev. M. M. Smith. He lives at Jonesboro, Ark. We are going to have a Children's Day here. I have a speech; it is the "Missionary Hen." I think it is right pretty. My oldest sister Laura also has a speech for Children's Day; it is "No Seats in Heaven" I think it will be a nice entertainment. We have honey-suckles blooming. We organized an Epworth League here. The Junior League meets one Sunday night and the Senior League the next Sunday night. I will ask a question and then close. Who wrestled with Jacob? Sincerely,
VIRGINIA T. BROWN.

Lorine, Ark., May 31, 1907.

Dear Methodist: I see that you have given the children a page, so I thought I would write. Papa takes the Methodist. Bro. Baty is our pastor. Bro. Farris is our presiding elder. I go to Sunday School nearly every Sunday. Mrs. Lula Reid is my teacher. I like her fine. We will have school here this summer. Miss Emma Poyner is my teacher. I am a girl 12 years old. I am in the fourth grade. For pets I have three calves. How many of the cousins like flowers? I do. As this is my first letter I will close.
SUSIE POE.

Mineral Springs, Ark.

Dear Methodist: I am a little girl 7 years old. I thought I would write a short letter to the Methodist. I am so glad you have given the children a page. Our preacher's name is Bro. Crowson. We like to hear him preach. I go to Sunday School. Miss Alma Crowson is my teacher. I think she is so sweet and good. I have four brothers. Their names are Tommie, Grover, Charley and Gay. I have three sisters—Bertha, Flora and Gertrude. One sweet little brother and sister are in heaven. They are going to have Children's Day at the Methodist church the first Sunday in June. I have a little recitation. I have no pets except Aunt Josie and Sister Bertha. They sure pet me sometimes.
FANNIE McCULLOUGH.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

Notice is hereby given, that in pursuance of the authority and directions contained in the decretal order of the Pulaski Chancery Court made and entered on the 13th day of May, A. D., 1907, in a certain cause (No. 10,449), then pending therein between Gordon N. Peay, as trustee, et al., complainants, and C. O. Kimball and Dilla Kimball, defendants, the undersigned, as Commissioner of said Court, will offer for sale at public outcry to the highest bidder, at the east door or entrance of the Pulaski County Court House, in which said Court is held, in the city of Little Rock, within the hours prescribed by law for judicial sales, on Saturday, the 20th day of July, A. D., 1907 the following described real estate, to-wit: Lot four (4) and the south sixteen feet of lot three (3) in block eighty-four (84) in the city of Little Rock, in Pulaski County, Arkansas.

Terms of Sale:—On a credit of three months, the purchaser being required to execute note with approved security, bearing interest at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum from date of sale until paid, and a lien being retained on the premises sold to secure the payment of the purchase money. Given under my hand this 26th day of June, A. D. 1907. **F. A. GARRETT,** Commissioner in Chancery.

Oklahoma City District Conference.

This body closed its session on the night of June 23. It was held in the town of Tecumseh. The attendance was good. All the pastor except two answered to roll call. Quite a number of local preachers and a good representation of lay delegates. Several visitors honored us with their presence. Rev. J. B. McDonald presiding elder of the Cherokee district, Rev. J. A. Anderson, editor of the Western Methodist, Rev. Moss Weaver of Wanett and Rev. C. A. Burns of Sulphur, Rev. O. E. Goddard, missionary secretary. Reports revealed that nine new churches are and will be built this year and one or two parsonages.

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by Rev. W. J. Moore was followed and proved to be one of special profit to the Sunday School interest, and we count ourselves fortunate in having the chairman in our district. The reports this fall will be very encouraging indeed on this line. The preaching in the main was good, and the spiritual phase was especially good. The discussions were helpful, the brethren entered into them with heart and soul, but not one word was said by any one that would wound a brother; in fact, it was the most harmonious and brotherly Conference I have attended.

Rev. W. M. P. Rippey, who was on the program, was on hand for the opening service, and his lectures and addresses met the high expectation of the Conference. The ministers will remember them for months to come. They had in them soul food. We feel better because we had him with us. The missionary sermon of Bro. Goddard was well prepared and met the expectation of the brethren, and we could have only wished that he might have remained with us longer.

The sermon of Bro. McDonald was one that presented the practical side of the preacher's and worker's life, and we enjoyed having him with us and will be glad when he can come again.

One splendid young man was recommended for admission on trial, and one for readmission. One was recommended for deacon's orders. The lay brethren elected a splendid delegation to represent them in the Annual Conference in the following: Reid Riggins, Dr. J. L. Heshel, Rev. J. S. McIntyre and F. L. Davis, with C. B. Ames and Geo. Kerfoot as alternates.

The next session will meet at MeLoud.

Bro. Anderson was in all the business sessions and rendered help and inspiration. He made a splendid address in the interest of the Western Methodist, and special provision was made to secure the number of new subscribers under the special for the district.

Pastor's salaries are in advance of last year, but the conference collections are not quite up to what they were last year.

Church extension was given prominence, and we as a District will look after this interest of the work.

Dr. E. T. Bynum of Epworth University was with us and represented the school, in a splendid address before a large audience. We were only sorry that other schools did not have representatives with us. In all the conference was pronounced a good one.
W. J. SIMS.

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QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

Oklahoma Conference.

CHEROKEE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Chapel June 29, 30. Pryor Creek June 30, July 1. Spavinaw July 6, 7. Chelsea July 13, 14. Bluejacket July 20, 21. Peggs July 27, 28. Tahlequah Station July 29, 30. Tahlequah Ct. Aug. 3, 4. Vinita Aug. 3, 4. Afton and Miami Aug. 3, 4. Clarendon Aug. 15. Grove Aug. 10, 11. Cherokee Aug. 10, 11. Centralia Aug. 17, 18. J. B. McDONALD, P. E.

WEATHERFORD DIST.—THIRD ROUND. Cheyenne June 29, 30. Doxey at Prairie View July 6, 7. Elk City July 7, 8. Wood at Hefner July 13, 14. Rocky at Combs July 14, 15. Cordell Station July 20, 21. Foss at East Boggy July 21, 22. Cloud Chief at Sappington July 27, 28. Gin at Shilo Aug. 3, 4. Burnham at Burnham Aug. 4, 5. Texmo at Trail Aug. 10, 11. Roll at Hamburg Aug. 14, 15. Hammon at Sandstone Aug. 17, 18. Sweet Water at Ramsey Aug. 17, 18. WM. D. MATTHEWS, P. E.

WYNEWOOD DIST.—THIRD ROUND. Lindsay Station, Lindsay July 29, 30. Davis Station, Oak Ridge July 6, 7. Dougherty Ct., Price's Chapel July 7, 8. Paula Valley Station, P. V. July 10, 11. Lexington Station, Willow View July 13, 14. Noble and Shilo, Noble July 14, 15. Blanchard Ct., Fairview July 20, 21. Purcell Station, Purcell July 21, 22. Alex Ct., Ireton July 27, 28. Moral Ct., Hills Chapel Aug. 3, 4. Wanett Ct., Gilbert Aug. 4, 5. Paoli Ct., Wayne Aug. 10, 11. Tussy Ct., Homer Aug. 14, 15. Mill Creek, Mill Creek Aug. 18, 19. Hickory, Flood Creek Aug. 19, 20. Byars Ct., Hart Aug. 24, 25. Roff Station, Roff Aug. 25, 26. Wynnewood Station, Wynnewood Aug. 30. J. S. LAMAR, P. E.

BEAVER DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Guymon, at Guymon June 30, 31. Beaver, at Sunset July 6, 7. Woodward, at Woodward July 9. Porsimmon July 16. Ioland July 18. Grand, at Allman July 20, 21. Ingersoll and Hazelton July 23, 24. Tyrone, at Nabisco July 27, 28. Carthage Aug. 3, 4. The District Conference will be held at Woodward, O. T., July 10-14, 1907. J. E. LOVETT, P. E.

HOLDENVILLE DIST.—3RD ROUND. Okmulgee Circuit at Cussetah June 29, 30. Henryetta and Dustin at Henryetta June 30, 31. Honey Creek at Blackjack July 6, 7. Wetumka Station July 7, 8. District Conference, Okmulgee July 10-15. Holdenville Circuit at Coston's July 13, 14. Holdenville Station July 14, 15. Seminole Circuit July 20, 21. Beardon Circuit July 21, 22. Wewoka at Thluvaka July 27, 28. Ada Station July 28, 29. Ada Circuit July 30, 31. Our motto is: A revival everywhere and collections in full. O. M. COPPEDGE, P. E.

OKLAHOMA CITY DIST.—3RD ROUND. St. Lukes June 29, 30. Epworth June 30, July 1. Piedmont July 6, 7. Capitol Hill & Wheatland July 13, 14. Maywood July 14, 15. El Beno July 20, 21. West End & Arcadia July 21, 22. Shawnee, 1st. Church July 27, 28. Shawnee, Trinity July 28, 29. Shawnee Circuit August 3, 4. McLeod August 4, 5. Asher August 10, 11. Konawa August 17, 18. Mand August 18, 19. The Oklahoma City District Conference will convene at Tecumseh June the 30th at 8:30 A. M. The opening sermon will be preached by P. E. Knickerbocker. Local preachers must report in writing. W. J. SIMS.

MANGUM DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Hollis and Dryden at Hollis June 29, 30. Hendrick at White's School House July 6, 7. Deer Creek at Deer Creek July 13, 14. Martha and Blair at Blair July 20, 21. Mangum Ct. at Gip Hill Aug. 3, 4. Mangum Station Aug. 4, 5. Kelly at Pleasant Hill Aug. 10, 11. Elmer at Francis Aug. 17, 18. Altus Station Aug. 18, 19. Duke at Victory Aug. 24, 25. Olustee and Eldorado at Olustee Aug. 25, 26. L. L. JOHNSON, P. E.

McALESTER DIST.—THIRD ROUND. Canadian at Indianola June 22, 23. Atoka Station June 29, 30. Tishomingo July 7, 8. Mowdy and Herbert July 8, 9. Wilburton Station July 11, 12. Caddo and Sterrett at Caddo July 13, 14. Bokchito at Freony July 14, 15. Wapanucka at Emmet July 20, 21. 12 Mile Prairie at Bee July 21, 22. Wilson Grove and Boggy July 27, 28. Durant Station July 27, 28. Stonewell Ct. at Jesse Aug. 4, 5. Coalgate Station Aug. 4, 5. Albany at Albany Aug. 10, 11. Colbert Aug. 11, 12. Pontotoc at Campground Aug. 18, 19. SAM G. THOMPSON, P. E.

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. In this quarter the General Rules must have been read, the sermons on Christian

Education been preached and a written report be made, a written report be made upon the condition of the church registers and records of church conferences by those appointed thereto. The canvass for new subscribers to the Western Methodist must have been completed. Stewards should pay in full the amount to date on pastor's salary, and pastors should have collected in full the assessments for missions, temperance and church extension and have the other well arranged for. Sunday Schools should observe Children's Day. Quarterly meetings as follows: Muldrow Ct. at Pawpaw 3 p. m., June 22. First Church, Muskogee 8 p. m., June 26. Poteau and Cameron at Cameron 8 p. m., June 30. Muldrow Station 8 p. m., July 6. Sallisaw Station 9 a. m., July 8. St. Paul, Muskogee 8 p. m., July 10. Spiro Station 8 p. m., July 13. Pocola Ct. 3 p. m., July 13. McCurtain Ct. at Starr 3 p. m., July 20. Wagoner Ct. at Fishers Bend, 3 p. m., July 27. Muskogee Ct. at Brushy Mt. 3 p. m., Aug. 3. W. F. DUNKLE, P. E.

CHOCTAW DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. District Conference, Kullituklo June 26-30. Chapple, Red Oak July 6, 7. Howe Ct. at Wister July 7, 8. Atoka Ct. at Salem July 13, 14. Kasoma Ct. at Farris July 14, 15. Sans Bois Ct. at Long Mountain July 20, 21. Owl Ct. at Salt Creek July 27, 28. Ft. Towson Ct. at Rufe Aug. 3, 4. Rufe Ct. at Rufe Aug. 3, 4. Antlers Ct. at Nelson Aug. 10, 11. Hugo Ct. at Hugo Aug. 11, 12. Chickasaw Ct. Aug. 17, 18. Kiamitia Ct. Aug. 24, 25. W. P. PIPKIN, P. E.

ARDMORE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Madill Station June 23, 24. Carter Avenue June 29, 30. Overbrook at Eastman July 6, 7. Leon at Cross Roads July 7, 8. Lebanon at Lebanon July 13, 14. McMillan at Enville July 14, 15. Cumberland at Aylesworth July 20, 21. Kingston at Kingston July 27, 28. Lone Grove at Lone Grove August 3, 4. Berwyn at Berwyn August 4, 5. Woodford at Sneed August 10, 11. Broadway August 18, 19. Ardmore Mission at Peland Ch. Aug. 17, 18. Ravis at Russett August 24, 25. District Conference will be held at Carter Avenue, Ardmore, June 26-30. W. T. FREEMAN, P. E.

JUNCAN DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Anadarko and Minco at Minco June 22, 23. Verden and Tuttle at Tuttle June 23, 24. Lawton Station June 29, 30. Chickasha Station July 6, 7. Terral and Ryan at Bonner July 13, 14. Marlow Station June 20, 21. Duncan Station July 27, 28. Temple Station July 27, 28. Bailey Circuit at Doyle August 3, 4. Chickasha Circuit Aug. 11, 12. Indian Work Aug. 12. The District Conference will be held at Marlow, I. T., May 30th, 1907. N. L. LINEBAUGH, P. E.

Arkansas Conference.

DARDANELLE DIST.—THIRD ROUND. Roseville and Webb City June 29, 30. Ozark Station June 30, July 1. Dardanelle Ct. at Oak Grove July 6, 7. Clarksville Ct. at Antioch July 9, 10. Coal Hill Ct. at Bethlehem July 13, 14. Clarksville Station July 14, 15. Belleville Ct. at Chickalah July 17, 18. Walnut Tree at New Prospect July 20, 21. Rover Ct. at Salem July 23, 24. Gravelly Ct. at Oak Ridge July 27, 28. Danville and Ola Aug. 3, 4. J. H. O'BRYANT, P. E.

FAYETTEVILLE DIST.—THIRD ROUND. Bentonville Ct. at Post Oak June 22, 23. Bentonville Station June 23, 24. Lincoln Ct. at Lincoln June 29, 30. Centerton Ct. at Centerton June 29, 30. Goshen Ct. at Son's Chapel July 6, 7. Springdale Station at Springdale July 13, 14. War Eagle Ct. at Key July 20, 21. Rogers Station July 21, 22. Fayetteville Station July 27, 28. Winslow and Parkdale at Winslow Aug. 3, 4. Gentry Station Aug. 10, 11. Siloam Springs Station Aug. 11, 12. Elm Springs Ct. at Thornberry Aug. 17, 18. Gravett Ct. at Aug. 24, 25. WM. SHERMAN, P. E.

MORRILLTON DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Quitman Ct. at McNew's Chapel June 29, 30. Clinton Ct. at Oak Grove July 6, 7. Springfield Ct. at Friendship July 13, 14. Quitman Station at Central July 20, 21. Adona Ct. at Pleasant Grove July 27, 28. Atkins Station Aug. 3, 4. Conway Station Aug. 5. Pottsville Ct. at Shady Grove Aug. 10, 11. Russellville Station Aug. 11, 12. Plumerville Ct. at Oak Grove Aug. 17, 18. Morrillton Station Aug. 18, 19. Bee Branch Ct. at Batesville Aug. 24, 25. JOHN H. GLASS, P. E.

FT. SMITH DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Waldron Ct. at White Church June 29, 30. Waldron Station June 30, July 1. Huntington July 6, 7. Magazine Ct. at Wesley Chapel July 13, 14. Rooneyville Station July 14, 15. Hartford July 16. Hackett Ct. at Bethel July 20, 21. Mulberry at Shiloh July 27, 28. Charleston at Grand Prairie July 27, 28. Branch at Low's Creek July 28, 29. Van Buren Station August 3, 4. East End August 4, 5. Greenwood Station August 10, 11. Abbott August 11, 12. Ft. Smith Ct. at Lavaca Aug. 17, 18. F. S. H. JOHNSON, P. E.

HARRISON DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Fair View at Piney July 6, 7. Eureka Springs July 13, 14.

Lead Hill at Proteum July 20, 21. Kingston at Cross Roads July 27, 28. Huntsville at Huntsville July 27, 28. Yellville Ct. at Ware's Chapel Aug. 4, 5. Yellville Station Aug. 5, 6. Harrison Station Aug. 10, 11. Marshal and Leslie at Marshal Aug. 13, 14. J. J. GALLOWAY, P. E.

Little Rock Conference.

ARKADELPHIA DIST.—THIRD ROUND. Social Hill Ct. at Midway July 6, 7. Amity at Power's Chapel July 10. Holly Springs at Lanna's Chapel July 13, 14. Dalark at Friendship July 16, 17. Princeton at Harmony July 20, 21. Lono at Leola July 21, 22. Essery at Mt. Tabor July 24. Hot Springs Ct. at Social Hill July 26. Tiger Memorial July 27, 28. Third St., Hot Springs July 28, 29. Park Avenue, Hot Springs Aug. 4, 5. Central Avenue, Hot Springs Aug. 4, 5. Malvern Station Aug. 11. Malvern Ct. Aug. 17, 18. Arkadelphia Station Aug. 18, 19. Arkadelphia Ct. Aug. 21. Malvern Avenue, Hot Springs Aug. 25, 26. Perla and Walco Aug. 25. H. M. BRUCE, P. E.

PINE BLUFF DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Swan Lake at Yuba June 29, 30. Douglass and Glad at Bethel June 30, July 1. Mason at Mason July 13, 14. Hawley Memorial July 14, 15. Sherrill at Tucker July 20, 21. Rowel at Wesley's Chapel July 27, 28. Lakeside July 28, 29. Roe at Hickory Grove Aug. 3, 4. Star City at Mountain Home Aug. 7. Stuttgart Ct. at Sunshine Aug. 10, 11. Stuttgart Station Aug. 11, 12. St. Charles Aug. 17, 18. De Witt Aug. 24, 25. Kingsland at Camp Springs Aug. 31, Sept. 1. Gillet at Camphead Sept. 3. Carr Memorial Sept. 7, 8. First Church Sept. 8, 9. Redfield Sept. 14, 15. Sheridan Sept. 21, 22. W. W. CHRISTIE, P. E.

Committees on Examination for Pine Bluff district Conference— For License to Preach—C. W. Drake, R. A. McClintock, J. J. Millard. Deacon's Orders—T. Y. Ramsey, M. O. Barnett, B. E. Scott. Elder's Orders—J. H. Bradford, W. F. Lassiter, W. J. Rogers. Admission of Trial and Readmission—W. M. Hayes, W. C. Watson, J. D. May. W. W. CHRISTIE, P. E.

MONTICELLO DIST.—THIRD ROUND. McTehee and Watson June 29, 30. Wilmot and Parkdale July 6, 7. Lake Village and Portland July 7, 8. Lacey Ct. July 13, 14. Tiller Ct. July 20, 21. Hamburg Ct. July 27, 28. Wilma Ct. Aug. 3, 4. Palestine Ct. Aug. 10, 11. New Edinburg Ct. Aug. 17, 18. Warren Station Aug. 18, 19. Collins Ct. Aug. 24, 25. Keener Campground Sept. 1. Eudora Ct. Sept. 7, 8. Hamburg Station Sept. 14, 15. Crossett Station Sept. 15, 16. J. W. HARRELL, P. E.

LITTLE ROCK DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. DeVal's Bluff June 29. Ashury July 7. Henderson Chapel July 7. Des Arc, at New Bethel July 14, 15. Lonoke July 17. Tomberlin July 20, 21. England July 21, 22. Bryant, at White Rock July 27, 28. Carlisle Ct. at Roger's Chapel Aug. 2, 3. Carlisle and Haren, at Carlisle Aug. 2, 3. Hickory Plains, Johnson's Chap. Aug. 10, 11. Oak Hill, at Walnut Grove Aug. 17, 18. Maumelle, at Ezra Aug. 24, 25. First Church, at Maumelle Sept. 1. Mabelvale & Primrose, Primrose Sept. 7, 8. Capitol Hill Sept. 15. Austin, at South Bend Sept. 21, 22. Winfield Memorial Sept. 29. Hunter Memorial Sept. 29. A. C. MILLAR, P. E.

TEXARKANA DIST.—THIRD ROUND. Mena Station June 29, 30. Ashdown Ct. at Wade's Chapel July 6, 7. Foreman Ct. at Wallace July 13, 14. Wilton Ct. at Cerro Gordo July 20, 21. DeQueen Station July 27, 28. Janssen Ct. at Pleasant Grove Aug. 3, 4. Tearkana Ct. at Mt. Pleasant Aug. 10, 11. Fairview Station Aug. 17, 18. First Church, at Fairview Aug. 17, 18. Gilham Ct. at Gilham Aug. 24, 25. Empire Ct. at Bethel Camp Ground Aug. 31, Sept. 1. Cherry Hill Ct. at Bethesda Camp Ground Sept. 7, 8. Ben Leonard Ct. at Bellville Sept. 14, 15. Lockesburg Station Sept. 15, 16. Mt. Ida Ct. at Joplin Sept. 21, 22. Horatio Ct. at Chapel Hill Sept. 28, 29. Bright Star Ct. at Concord Oct. 5, 6. T. O. OWEN, P. E.

PRESCOTT DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Spring Hill Ct. at Shiloh July 6, 7. Nathan Ct. at Sacred Home July 13, 14. Phoenix Ct. at Phoenix July 20, 21. Childer Ct. at Phoenix July 27, 28. Garden Ct. at Pleasant Hill Aug. 3, 4. Fulton and McNab Ct. at Liberty Aug. 10, 11. Hope Station Aug. 17, 18. Oklawaha at Tripp Aug. 24, 25. Center Point at Bethel Aug. 31, Sept. 1. Mineral Spring at Bethel Sept. 7, 8. Garden at Buckhorn Sept. 14, 15. Pine City Ct. Sept. 21, 22. Murfreesboro Ct. at St. Paul Sept. 28, 29. Clarksville Ct. at Clarksville Oct. 5, 6. Washington Ct. at St. Paul Oct. 12, 13. Nashville Station Oct. 19, 20. Emerald Ct. at Dickel's Chapel Oct. 26, 27. Prescott Station Oct. 26, 27. W. R. HARRISON, P. E.



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GARDEN DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Atlanta Ct. at Marysville July 6, 7. Bearden and Thornton, Temperance Hill July 20, 21. El Dorado Ct., Rhode's Chapel July 24. Olataska and E. Mills at E. Mills July 27, 28. Millville Ct. at Woodbury July 31. Lewisville Ct., Roadley Aug. 3, 4. Junction City at J. City Aug. 7, 8. El Dorado Station Aug. 11, 12. Hampton Ct. Aug. 15. Strong Ct. Aug. 17, 18. Stephens and Waldo at Mt. Prospect Aug. 20. Stamps Station Aug. 24, 25. Magnolia Station Aug. 26. Gadsden Station Aug. 28. Garden Ct., Silver Springs Aug. 29. Garden Station Aug. 30. Magnolia Ct. Aug. 31, Sept. 1. B. B. THOMAS, P. E.

White River Conference.

GAINESVILLE DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Sugar Rock Ct., Sulphur Rock June 29, 30. Cave City Ct. at Cave Creek July 6, 7. Stonebroke Ct. at Chapel Hill July 13, 14. Cave Rock Ct. at Cave Rock July 20, 21. Stonebroke Ct. at Shiloh July 27, 28. Jessup Mission at Roney's Chapel July 30. Geneva Shide Ct. at Hickory Flat Aug. 3, 4. Ash Flat Ct. at Agness Aug. 7. Salem Ct. at Salem Aug. 10, 11. Beaver Ct. at New Hope Aug. 13. Mt. View Ct. at Pleasant Hill Aug. 17, 18. Pleasant Plains Ct. at Aug. 24, 25. Orlan Ct. Aug. 31, Sept. 1. Betheda Ct. Sept. 7, 8. A. F. SKINNER, P. E.

PARAGOULD DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Gainesville Ct. at Oak Grove July 6, 7. Paragould Ct. at Hart's Chapel July 13, 14. Paragould East Side Church July 14, 15. Rector Ct. at Hurricane July 20, 21. Boydville Ct. at Boydsville July 23. Mt. St. Francis July 25. Corning Station July 28, 29. Leola Ct. at Peach Orchard July 30. Black Rock and Portia at Mt. Zion Aug. 3, 4. Walnut Ridge and Hoxis Aug. 4, 5. Alford Ct. at Albertha Aug. 8. Pochontas Ct. at Vernon Aug. 9. Pochontas Station Aug. 11, 12. Revere Ct. at Biggars Aug. 11, 12. Imboden Ct. at Ravendon Springs Aug. 17, 18. Mammoth Spring and Hardy at Willford Aug. 19. J. K. FARRIS, P. E.

JONESBORO DIST.—THIRD ROUND. Hamburg Ct. July 20, 21. Hamburg Station July 21, 22. Cravensville and Marion July 27, 28. Bay and Marked Tree Aug. 3, 4. Vandalia Ct. Aug. 6, 7. Jonesboro First Church Aug. 10, 11. Jonesboro, Second Church Aug. 11, 12. Wilson and Louise Aug. 17, 18. Loxa and Royell Aug. 20, 21. Okeola Station Aug. 24, 25. Shiloh Ct. Aug. 28, 29. Trinity Ct. Aug. 31, Sept. 1. Gnythsville Station Sept. 7, 8. Yalco and Dell Sept. 10, 11. Pruned Land Sept. 14, 15. Annette and Manila Sept. 21, 22. Lake City Ct. Aug. 24, 25. Canton Belt, Miss. Aug. 28, 29. M. M. SMITH, P. E.

PELENA DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Pelenia Ct. June 29, 30. Hog Grove and Maxwell at Turner July 6, 7. Centerton Station July 14, 15. District Conference at Haynes July 17-21. Maryanna Station July 21, 22. Hayes Ct. at Oak Forest July 27, 28. Spring Creek Ct. at Spring Creek Aug. 3, 4. Pine Station Aug. 11, 12. Kelly Ct. Aug. 17, 18. Maxwell and DeView Aug. 24, 25. Pelenia Ct. Aug. 29, 30. District Conference at Haynes opening at 8 p. m. July 17, by Rev. W. C. Johnson, D. D., Moderator, Rev. J. H. Johnson, Co. Moderator, A. C. Claves, J. O. Corbett, J. P. Barber, Jr., Organist and Admission. J. J. Smith, A. P. Gadsden, H. G. May, J. J. Galloway, L. T. Hamilton, H. O. Derham, J. P. Dunlap. Z. T. BENNETT, P. E.

MARCY DISTRICT—THIRD ROUND. Marcy Ct. at Fredonia July 6, 7. Marcy Ct. at Union July 13, 14. Marcy Ct. at Union July 15. Marcy Ct. at Union July 22, 23. Marcy Ct. at Union July 25. Marcy Ct. at Union July 27, 28. Marcy Ct. at Union Aug. 3, 4. Marcy Ct. at Union Aug. 10, 11. Marcy Ct. at Union Aug. 17, 18. Marcy Ct. at Union Aug. 19, 20. Marcy Ct. at Union Aug. 24, 25. Marcy Ct. at Union Aug. 25, 26. Marcy Ct. at Union Aug. 30, Sept. 1. Z. T. BENNETT, P. E.

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W. H. M. S. Report.

Report of Little Rock Conference Woman's Home Mission Society for the quarter ending June 1, 1907:

Dues, \$375.14; life member, \$25.00; baby roll, \$7.18; adult mite boxes, \$3.71; mite boxes, \$27.26; McEachern mite boxes, \$21.48; Conference pledges, \$69.22; Conference expense fund, \$66.98. Total, \$595.97.

At the meeting at Hot Springs \$100 was subscribed for an honorary life membership, but as part of it has not been paid in yet, the entire amount will be carried to next quarter.

The above amounts were contributed by the several districts as follows:

Arkadelphia, \$100.18; Camden, \$119.83; Little Rock, \$131.55; Monticello, \$52.20; Pine Bluff, \$76.88; Prescott, \$34.45; Texarkana, \$80.88. Total, \$595.97.

The following amounts have been reported for local work:

Supplies sent off, \$55.00; supplies given locally, \$399.36; assistance of needy, \$348.57; parsonages, \$614.53; churches, \$925.34; other locals, \$132.30. Total, \$2,475.10.

MISS LIZZIE McKINNON, Treas.
 June 18, 1907.

Young People's Missionary Conference of the Southwest.

I would like to call the attention of the preachers and the members of our church in Arkansas and Oklahoma to the great Young People's Missionary Conference of the Southwest to be held at Siloam Springs, Ark., Aug. 9-19 inclusive. This is to be a great occasion and our people of the M. E. Church, South, ought to take advantage of it and make it of the greatest possible benefit to ourselves. We did not get as much out of it last year as we should simply because we did not try—did not take the interest in it that we should.

We are well represented this year on the program and it is to be earnestly hoped that our people will come and take special interest in the work.

A committee on entertainment was appointed at the Fayetteville District Conference consisting of Prof. L. H. Eakes and Rev. J. M. Bull of Gentry, Ark., and Geo. E. Patchell, pastor of the M. E. Church, South, at Siloam Springs, Ark., whose duty and pleasure it shall be to provide for the cheapest rates of board that can be had. Any one wishing to attend the meeting can obtain information in regard to board, etc., by writing to either member of the committee. And the committee would like to be notified by those who intend to come and who desire the services of the committee, some time beforehand so that it shall have ample time to make provision for them. The committee shall cheerfully answer inquiries and our purpose is to secure first class entertainment at the most reasonable price.

We earnestly hope that many of our young people—Epworth League presidents, vice presidents, Sunday School teachers, leaders in missionary study class and many others engaged in other kinds of church work, who can at all

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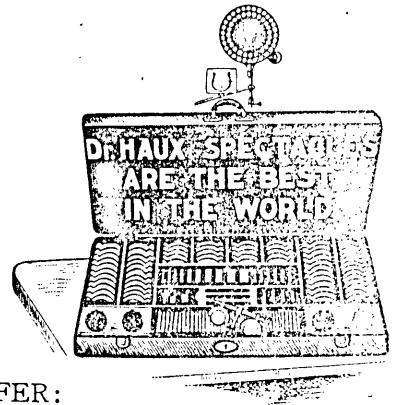
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reach this meeting will come.

The railroads gave reduced rates last year to this meeting and we presume they will this year where the two-cent rate is not in effect. However, we will know about that in ample time. And now let our people take notice and may many come. Yours cordially,

GEO. E. PATCHELL.

Siloam Springs, Ark., June 20, 1907.

Seminole, Ind. Ter.

We have just closed one of the greatest meetings of our life. Rev. Solomon Triek and wife, evangelists, did the preaching and singing.

The town of Seminole is only about six months old and there had never been a meeting held there before.

Bro. Triek won the people completely over to our way of "seeing" salvation.

The town was stirred from the very first service. The people were so aroused that the merchants, the bankers and all the business men of the town closed their places of business and came to the meeting.

There were between 20 and 25 saved or reclaimed; there were 12 accessions to our church.

We have the foundation of our new church house about completed. We think we will get it completed by fall. It will cost when completed between \$1,500 and \$2,000.

If any one wants a good preacher, send for Bro. Triek, Lamaseo, Tex. as

I. L. FLYNN, P. C.

Huntsville Circuit.

We had Children's Day here yesterday. Many said it was the best ever had here. Collections very good. Preached at Union Gap at 3:30 p. m.; good revival; two conversions and they gave their names for membership in our church.

We are repairing the parsonage now and want to get through by the fifth Sunday in June, as our revival meeting begins at that time. Our revival meetings will begin as follows: McConnell's Chapel, June 29; Hindsville, July 13; Huntsville, July 27; Alabama, August 10; Union Gap, August 24;

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Pleasant Hill, September 7; Cross Roads, September 21; Bro. A. L. Cline will help me at Huntsville. Will be glad to have any other help at any point on the circuit. We are praying for and expecting great things. Brethren, pray for us. The prayers of the righteous truly availeth much.
 Success to the Methodist. I have

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