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OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

Notes on the Laymen's Meeting.

This meeting was announced for the night of Nov. 12, at Durant the night preceding the convening of the Oklahoma Annual Conference. It was held according to the program: Dr. I. D. Hitchcock, Afton, presided, and Dr. R. J. Deets, of Duncan, led the prayer; Mr. W. G. Ditzler, of Ardmore read the scripture lesson. Dr. A. E. Bonnell, of Muskogee, read a paper on the meaning of the Laymen's Movement. The paper was bright, illuminating, and stimulating. Hon. D. H. Linebaugh, of Atoka, followed with an address on The Place of the Layman in Methodism. Mr. Linebaugh impressed the writer that he would make an excellent preacher, as he is an excellent lawyer. However, it is vigorous laymen we are now seeking. One suggestion of Mr. Linebaugh, we particularly commend to consideration, and that is that the church law perhaps should provide that a special steward should be assigned to the duty of raising the conference collections in each charge, setting the pastor entirely free from responsibility in this regard. We shall name this "The Linebaugh Plan," and we expect to revert to it again till the mind of the church shall have considered it. The last address was delivered by Hon. A. S. McKennon, who is known throughout Arkansas and Oklahoma. Capt. McKennon always talks out of his heart and to the hearts of his hearers, and for this, always gets an eager hearing. All three of these speakers showed vitality. They are not dead in mind or heart. The meeting on the whole betokens the power that is in the laymen of Oklahoma Conference. We trust the sentiment insisted upon by Dr. Bonnell, that it is better to put ten men to work than it is to do the work of ten men, will be specially realized in Oklahoma.

The laymen of this great Conference organized by electing Dr. A. E. Bonnell as their leader and Hon. D. H. Linebaugh as secretary.

Oklahoma Conference Journal.

First Day—Nov. 13.

The sixty-second session of the Oklahoma Conference, M. E. Church, South, met in the Methodist Church at Durant on Nov. 13, 1907, Bishop Joseph S. Key presiding.

The Bishop opened the conference with religious services, reading from the 15th of John and announcing the hymn "And are we yet alive?"

Rev. J. A. Parks, secretary of the last conference called the roll and a large per cent of the members answered to their names.

J. A. Parks was elected secretary, and on his nomination the following assistants were elected: E. M. Sweet, Jr., L. L. Thurston, Frank Naylor, J. W. Head, W. S. Lee, R. S. Satterfield.

The times of meeting and adjourning were fixed at 8:30 a. m. and 12 noon, respectively.

T. L. Rippey was elected conference teller, with E. E. Lewis and I. D. Hitchcock assistants.

According to the usual rule the presiding elders nominated the several committees, which the conference confirmed.

Under Question 6, regular order of business, the Bishop announced the following transfers:

J. D. Canaday, an elder, from the Memphis Conference; R. L. Reese, an elder, from Little Rock Conference; H. M. Pirtle, an elder, North Texas Conference; H. G. Summers, an elder, from Illinois Conference; W. D. Sasser, an elder, from North Carolina Conference; S. H. Blackwell, an elder, from Memphis Conference; S. H. Sartin, an elder, from Kentucky Conference; J. M. Cantrell, an elder from Arkansas Conference; J. R. Murray, an elder, from Montana Conference; J. B. Blackwell, an

exander, S. T. D., Book Editor and Editor of the Methodist Review; Rev. Jas. A. Anderson, L.L.D., Editor of the Western Methodist; Rev. W. B. Palmore, D.D., Editor St. Louis Christian Advocate; Rev. Jno. R. Nelson, Assistant Secretary of the Board of Missions; Rev. Jno. M. Moore, Ph. D., Managing Editor Christian Advocate; Rev. Jno. R. Stewart, Agent Superannuate Endowment Fund; Dr. Ferree, President Willie Halls College; Rev. O. B. Staples, President-elect Spaulding Female College; W. C. Everett, Manager Dallas Branch Publishing House; also the following brethren, recently received by transfer: W. M. Wilson, J. R. Houghton, J. M. Cantrell, O. C. Fontaine, P. R. Kniekerbocker, G. L. Crow, W. H. Duncan, A. L. Seales, T. O. Shanks and M. L. Butler.

Bishop Key presented, on behalf of the preachers of the Oklahoma City District, a gold-headed cane to Rev. C. W. Myatt. Communications from connectional boards were referred to the appropriate boards and committees in this conference.

Under Question 20 the characters of the following brethren were passed, and their names were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the superannuate relation: A. C. Briggs, J. W. Cowart, A. K. Miller, J. F. Thompson, R. H. Grinstead, A. J. Worley, Gibson Grayson, H. J. Brown, M. D. Long, Hal A. Burns, J. A. Rowan, P. T. McWhorter.

The characters of the following were passed and they were referred to the same committee for the supernumerary relation: W. A. Dieker, W. S. Derrick, N. B. Fizer, T. M. Wood, J. Rush Goodloe, M. W. Whelan.

The characters of the following brethren were passed: W. A. Randle, F. C. Maberry, C. W. Hall, Wm. Buck, J. L. Henson, J. J. Methvin, J. C. Seivally, and they were left effective.

Under Question 19, "What preachers have died during the past year?" the presiding elders reported the names of G. H. Ray, W. A. Duncan, J. S. Nicholson and they were referred to the Committee on Memoirs. N. B. Ainsworth reported that he had secured data of the death of Rev. J. H. Walker, whose death occurred in Texas.

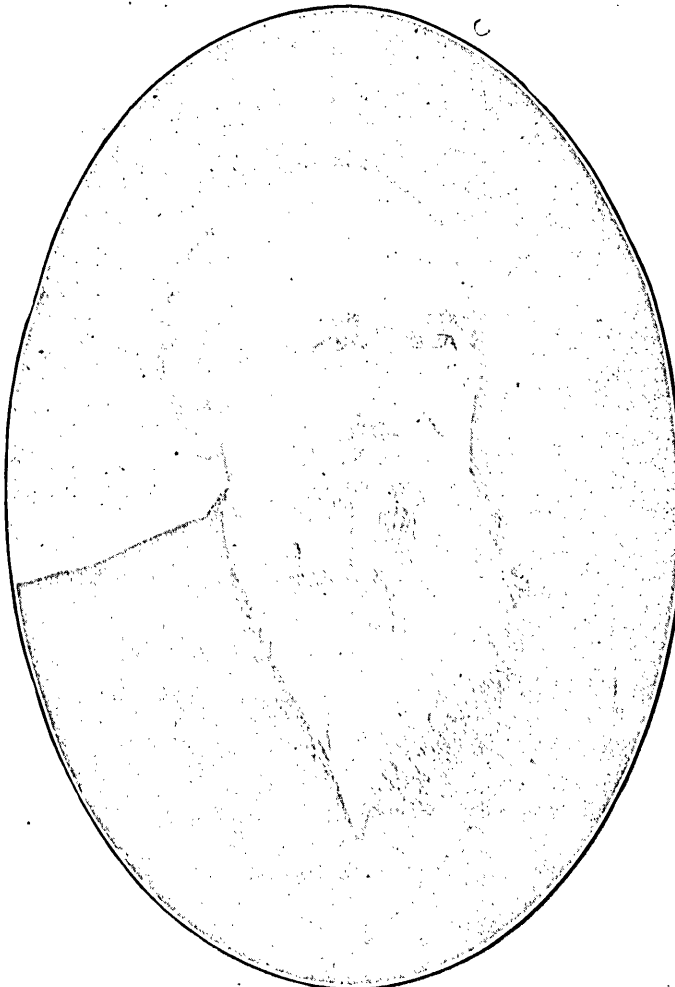
E. M. Sweet, Jr., was elected assistant editor of the conference minutes.

Report No. 1. Conference Board of Church Extension was submitted and adopted. Pending this report Dr. McMurry addressed the conference. This report provided for an assessment of \$8,000 for Church Extension.

Rev. Jno. R. Stewart, Secretary of the Superannuate Endowment Fund addressed the Conference.

The committee on Public Worship announced that Dr. Gross Alexander would preach at 3 p. m.; that the Board of Church Extension would hold its anniversary at 7:30.

Conference adjourned with the benediction of Dr. John M. Moore.



Bishop J. S. Key.

elder from Northwest Texas Conference; W. G. Whitehead, an elder, from West Texas Conference; W. J. Wright, an elder, from New Mexico Conference; G. E. Holley, an elder, from North Texas Conference; O. C. Fontaine, an elder, from St. Louis Conference; T. O. Shanks, an elder, from St. Louis Conference; H. G. Garrett, an elder, from Missouri Conference; M. L. Butler, an elder, from Los Angeles Conference; Jno. H. Rodgers, an elder, from Mississippi Conference; W. W. Williams, an elder, from Mississippi Conference; T. R. Houghton, an elder, from Western Virginia Conference.

The following brethren were introduced to the Conference: Rev. W. F. McMurry, D.D., Secretary of Church Extension; Rev. Gross Al-

Second Day.

Conference met at 8:30 o'clock a. m., Bishop Key in the chair, religious services being conducted by Rev. J. P. Lowery, of Texas.

The roll of the absentees was called, and two additional members answered to their names.

Reports from the Sunday School department, Epworth League Board and the Board of Missions were presented and properly referred.

The following brethren were introduced to the Conference:

Rev. J. R. Murray, transferred from the Montana Conference; Rev. G. C. Rankin, D.D., Editor of the Texas Christian Advocate; Rev. G. E. Holley, a transfer from the North Texas Conference; Rev. M. S. Hotchkiss, Missionary Evangelist of the Northwest Texas Conference; Rev. J. P. Lowery, of the North Texas Conference; Rev. Jacob Ditzler, D.D., of Kentucky.

On behalf of the preachers of Beaver District, Bishop Key presented a handsome Bible to Rev. J. E. Lovett.

Rev. C. M. Coppedge announced the presence of J. L. Adair, alternate lay delegate from the Holdenville District, in place of B. Nicholas.

S. G. Thompson announced the presence of T. C. Humphrey, lay delegate from the McAlister District, and L. L. Johnson announced the presence of T. S. DeArmond, a lay delegate from the Mangum District.

Question 20 was resumed, and the characters of the following brethren were passed: J. E. Lovett, J. D. Hunt, J. B. McDonald, L. R. Jones, W. C. Morris, J. D. Edwards, R. A. Crosby, H. B. Scruggs, A. M. Braum, G. L. Grove, W. U. Witt, J. A. Clarke, W. S. P. McCullough, G. B. Jackson, W. P. Pipkin, T. L. Mellen, A. H. Homer, A. S. Williams, J. T. Hall, I. M. Woodward, L. W. Cobb, J. B. Roberts, N. L. Linebaugh, Frank Naylor, M. T. Allen, C. H. McGhee, T. P. Turner, W. M. Wilson, M. A. Clark, A. L. Seales, B. F. Stegall, J. J. Shaw, J. T. Thornton, C. M. Coppedge, T. L. Rippey, J. M. Russell, C. W. Myatt, W. C. Driskill, R. C. Taylor, J. D. Massey, Orlando Shay, E. L. Massey, W. M. P. Rippey, J. O. Jewett, J. H. Denny, H. P. Lasley, J. H. Ball, J. E. Vick, P. R. Eaglebarger, L. L. Johnson, A. N. Averytt, J. W. Kizziar, C. F. Roberts, Robert Hodgson, J. C. Fowler, R. P. Witt, S. G. Thompson, W. W. Crymes, P. C. Atkins, W. H. Long, J. D. Rodgers, C. W. Clay, J. A. Parks, S. F. Goddard, J. R. Brooks, J. W. Head, F. E. Shanks, and T. J. Minnis.

The name of J. S. Nicholson being called, his presiding elder reported that he had died during the year, and his name was referred to the Committee on Memoirs.

J. W. Kizziar, at his own request, was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the superannuate relation.

E. A. Rippey was discontinued at his own request.

On nomination of the Conference teller, J. E. Disch was elected as assistant teller.

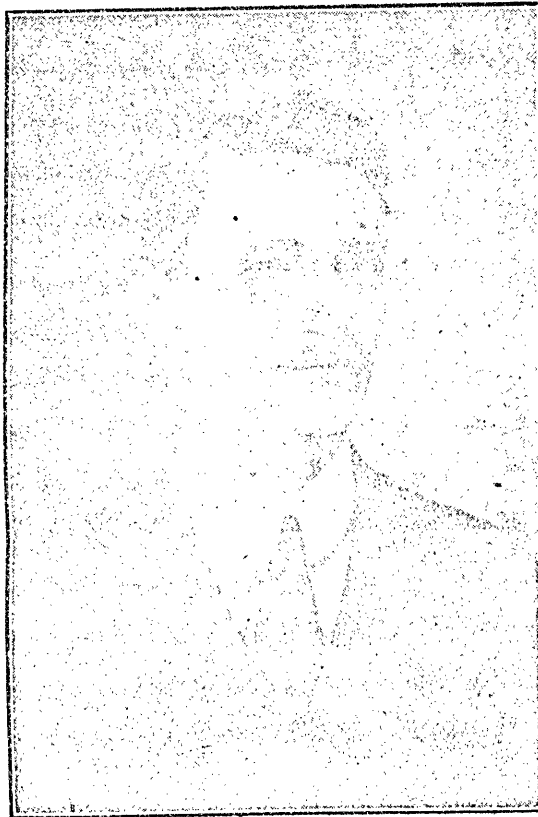
The following brethren were recognized as local elders: Benjamin R. Turner, formerly an elder in the Congregational church, being duly recommended by the Weatherford District Conference; L. D. Thornburgh, formerly an elder in the United Brethren church, being duly recommended by the Oklahoma City District Conference; E. C. Graff, formerly an elder in the Methodist Episcopal church, being duly recommended by the Oklahoma City District Conference.

The Bishop called Question 14, "What local preachers are elected elders?" The following brethren were elected local elders:

Thomas M. Lowrey, Ardmore District; John Franklin Gates, Choctaw District; Harrison H. Everett, Wynnewood District.

Question 12, "What traveling preachers are elected elders?" was called. Charles S. Walker, William A. Diekey, William C. Savage, George W. Martin, George W. Lewis, James V. Baird, William J. Wilson, and Herbert B. Vaught, having passed an approval examination, their characters were passed, and they were elected to elder's orders. James Lambert and R. C. Alexander, not having been before the Committee, their characters were passed, and they were continued in the class of the fourth year. George C. French, already an elder, not having appeared before the Committee, his character was passed, and he was continued in the class of the fourth year.

Question 10 was called, "What local preachers are elected deacons?" Wilmore Kendall, Ardmore District; Jefferson J. McElroy, Alexander Reid, Nelson Jacobs, Timothy J. Cephas, and John A. Chaney, Choctaw District;



Rev. J. A. Parks, Host of the Conference.

Thomas Long, John Davis, and Billie Adkins, Holdenville District; Era P. Eubanks, McAlister District; William J. Kiker, Oklahoma City District; William David Nichols, Weatherford District; John L. Duncan, Cherokee District; Coatesworth W. Hardin, Gainesville District, North Texas Conference.

Dr. Gross Alexander addressed the Conference briefly in the interest of The Methodist Review.

The Committee on Public Worship announced preaching at 3 p. m. by Rev. M. S. Hotchkiss, of the Northwest Texas Conference; and the anniversary of the Board of Missions at 7:30 p. m., including an address by Rev. John R. Nelson, Assistant Missionary Secretary.

Third Day.

The Conference met at the appointed hour, Bishop Key in the chair.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. B. F. Sharp.

The arrival of S. C. Carshall, lay delegate from the Choctaw District, and B. C. Clark, lay delegate from the Wynnewood District, was announced.

Leave of absence was granted to E. E. Lewis, lay delegate, Muskogee District.

The vote by which E. A. Rippey was discontinued was reconsidered, and he was reinstated in the class of the first year.

The name of E. L. Massey was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the superannuate relation. As an expression of their appreciation, the brethren took a collection and presented Bro. Massey with \$200.00 in cash, singing the hymn, "Blest be the tie that binds." On motion of W. F. Dunkle, this amount was passed through the Joint Board of Finance and appropriated to Brother Massey as a special fund.

The following brethren were introduced to the Conference: Rev. Dr. Geo. H. Bradford, Chancellor of Epworth University; Rev. Dr. Riley, Commissioner of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church for Epworth University; Rev. E. I. Hightower, of the Northwest Texas Conference; Rev. H. C. Garrett, a transfer from the Missouri Conference; Rev. Mr. Atchley, of the North Texas Conference; Rev. Mr. Rogers, of the West Texas Conference; Rev. C. H. McGhee, a recent transfer from the Virginia Conference; Rev. Mr. Blackwood, of the Tennessee Conference; Rev. T. S. Darnell, and Rev. John A. Williams pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Durant.

The Board of Education submitted its Reports Nos. 1 and 2, which were adopted. Report No. 1 declared the policy of only one male and one female college for the Conference, making Epworth University the male college. Chancellor Bradford addressed the Conference concerning Epworth University. Bishop Key announced that he would, as recommended in Report No. 2, appoint W. J. Sims as Commissioner of Education for the Conference, and upon call from the brethren Brother Sims addressed the Conference.

Question 20 was resumed, and the character of G. B. Winton was passed, and he addressed the Conference in the interest of the Christian Advocate. Dr. John M. Moore, Assistant Editor of the Christian Advocate, addressed the Conference.

Doctor Gross Alexander addressed the Conference in the interest of The Methodist Review.

Under Question 8, "What traveling preachers are elected deacons?" John L. James, William P. Meader, John E. Martin, Charles L. Canter, and M. Flannigan, being already deacons, their characters were passed, and they were advanced to the class of the third year. James N. Tinkle, George W. Hooper, George M. Byers, not having passed an approved examination, their characters were passed and they were continued in the class of the second year. Gus M. Dilbeck, William C. Fleetwood, John F. Roberts, Oscar W. Stewart, and William H. Duncan, having passed an approved examination, were elected deacons and advanced to the class of the third year. T. M. Wood, his character having already been passed, but not having passed an approved examination, was continued in the class of the second year. Joseph S. Riley, an elder, his character being passed, was advanced to the class of the third year. The names of David E. Hardin and William H. Long being called, the Bishop announced that they had been transferred from this Conference. Henry E. Carter was discontinued at his own request.

Question 4 was called, "Who are admitted into full connection?" John L. James, William P. Meader, Gus M. Dilbeck, William C. Fleetwood, John E. Martin, John F. Roberts, Charles L. Canter, Oscar W. Stewart, M. Flannigan, and William H. Duncan, having satisfactorily answered the disciplinary questions, after an address by the Bishop, were received into full connection.

A resolution by P. R. Knickerbocker, W. J. Sims, and others, was passed, fixing as the spe-

cial order of the day for Saturday, a celebration incident to the incoming of statehood for Oklahoma.

The Committee on Public Worship announced that Rev. M. S. Hotchkiss would preach at 3 o'clock p. m.

Fourth Day—Morning Session.

The Conference was called to order at the regular hour, Bishop Key in the chair.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. C. L. Ballard, of Sherman, Texas.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The following brethren were introduced to the Conference: Rev. L. S. Barton, Missionary Evangelist, North Texas Conference; Rev. H. A. Boaz, D.D., President Polytechnic College; Rev. O. F. Sensabaugh, of the Northwest Texas Conference.

The action fixing 11 o'clock today as the hour for exercises appropriate to our admission to statehood was reconsidered, and the hour was changed to 2 o'clock this afternoon.

The Bishop requested W. J. Sims, W. P. Pipkin and J. S. Lamar to come forward to the chancel, and presented them, respectively, with a traveling bag, a gold-headed cane, and a missionary quilt, these presents coming from the Districts which they respectively served, the quilt being made by the Woman's Home Mission Society among the full-bloods of Sans Bois Circuit.

Under Question 6 the Bishop announced the following transfers: all being elders except O. B. Staples:

R. L. Reese, Little Rock Conference; W. T. Sasser, North Carolina Conference; T. L. Darnell, Tennessee Conference; E. T. Sharp, Holston Conference; O. B. Staples, Northwest Texas Conference.

Under Question 20 P. B. Hicks and H. B. Scruggs were referred to the Committee on Conference relation. J. M. Hively and W. C. Driskill were referred for the supernumerary relation.

Under Question 16, "Who are located this year?" C. Q. Ray, Frank Naylor and W. R. Brock were located at their own request.

Question 1 was called, "Who are admitted on trial?" Jesse W. Fulton, Thomas H. Ward, Edgar C. Wallace from the Choctaw District; M. A. Cassidy, from the Holdenville District; Era P. Eubanks, from the McAlester District; Henry W. Vinson and Wilmore Kendall, from the Ardmore District; Joseph S. Russell, from the Georgetown District, Northwest Texas Conference; and James O. Crook, from the Fort Worth District, Northwest Texas Conference; W. F. Hendry, Choctaw District; each coming duly recommended and passing an approved examination, were admitted on trial.

The Bishop called N. L. Linebaugh to the chair.

The Committee on Conference Relations made its Report No. 1, and J. W. Cowart, A. K. Miller, J. E. Thompson, R. H. Grinstead, A. C. Briggs, A. J. Worley, Gibson Grayson, M. D. Long, H. A. Burns, J. A. Rowan, P. T. McWhorter and J. W. Kizzier were granted the superannuate relation—answering in part Question 18.

And the following for the supernumerary

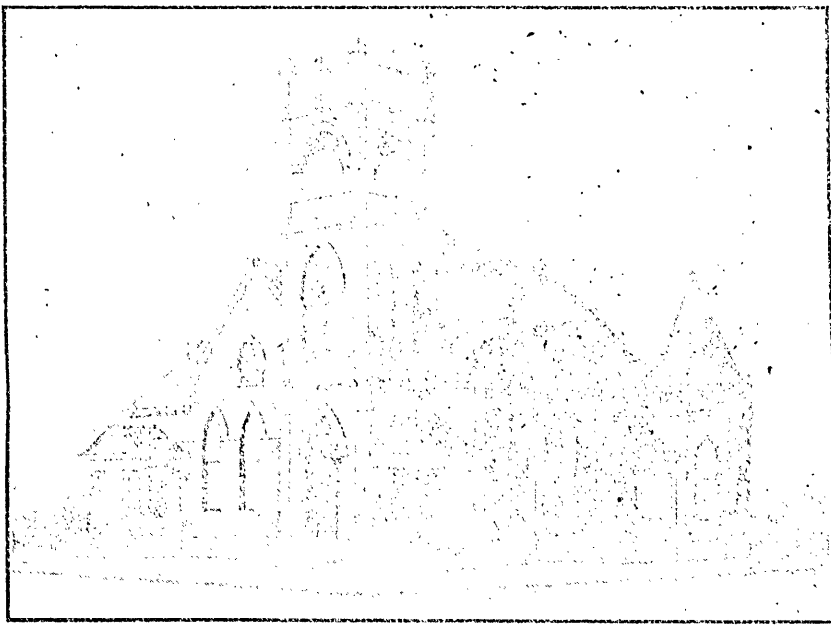
relation: W. A. Dickey, W. S. Derrick, N. B. Fizer, T. M. Wood, and J. R. Goodloe—answering in part Question 17.

The Committee declined to recommend M. W. Whelan for either relation. The report was adopted.

Question 45 was called, "Where shall the next Conference be held?" P. R. Knickerbocker put in nomination St. Luke's church, Oklahoma City, and by unanimous vote the Conference accepted the invitation.

Question 2 was called, "Who remain on trial?" J. Calvin Morris, Ernest C. Cain, Reuben C. Aubrey, Thomas A. Lisenby, Otis A. Morris, and William M. Spain, having passed approved examinations, their characters were passed and they were advanced to the class of the second year.

Bishop Key resumed the chair, and Question 2 was continued. Eugene W. Crump, Louis V. Colbert, Harrison H. Everett, Robert H. L. McVea, Charles H. Armstrong, Allen S. Cameron, Robert E. L. Morgan, Vada Davis, Charles A. Long, Frank G. Frazier, Herbert C. Gulletge, Elam McCurtain, Lincoln N. Ishcomer, Griggs Durant, Noah C. Gregory, Moody C. Hays and Otho B. Staples, having



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passed an approved examination, their characters were passed and they were passed to the class of the second year. William A. Nash, Norman A. Phillips, Johnson E. Tiger, E. H. Driskill, and James H. Denny, not having passed an approved examination, their characters were passed and they were continued in the class of the first year.

Rev. R. G. Waterhouse, D.D., President of Emory and Henry College, representing Rev. J. D. Hammond, D.D., Secretary of the General Board of Education, was introduced to the Conference.

Question 5 was called, "Who are readmitted?" William D. Sauls, recommended from the Ardmore District Conference; A. C. Pickens, Holdenville District; David A. Gregg, Oklahoma City District; and John W. Shoemaker, Guntersville District, Alabama Conference, a deacon in the class of the fourth year, were readmitted.

Johnson K. Rutledge, an elder, from the Methodist Protestant church, and Willis E. Jordan, an elder, from the Methodist Episcopal church, were received into the Conference, and the former was granted an honorable location at his own request.

The Bishop called Question 7, "Who are the deacons of one year?" Robert S. Satterfield,

James E. Savage, Eugene A. Sample, Thomas A. O'Bryant, Hermon E. Snodgrass, John D. Salter, Major C. Dobbs, Walter N. Vernon, and James Arvin, having passed an approved examination, their characters were passed and they were advanced to the class of the fourth year. George A. Lovett, Alex C. White, W. F. P. Munsey, Edgar L. Young and Evander M. Sweet, Jr., not having passed an approved examination, their characters were passed and they were continued in the class of the third year.

J. A. Clark was located at his own request.

Rev. John R. Nelson, Assistant Missionary Secretary, addressed the Conference in regard to Missionary evangelists and in the interest of "Go Forward."

The Committee on Public Worship announced the services for the Sabbath.

The Committee on Temperance submitted its Report No. 1, which was unanimously adopted, asking that the following telegram be sent to Hon. C. N. Haskell, Governor of Oklahoma:

"Honorable C. N. Haskell,

"Governor of Oklahoma,

"Guthrie, Oklahoma.

"The Oklahoma Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in sixty-second session assembled, congratulate you and the people of our new State upon your assuming the duties of your high office as first Governor of Oklahoma. We commend you for your stand in favor of State-wide prohibition, and also for your announcement since election that same shall be faithfully enforced. In this and all other moral issues we pledge you our faithful support. May Jehovah's blessings be upon you personally and upon your administration, making it a model in civic righteousness for the emulation of other states.

"By order of the Conference:

(Signed) "JOSEPH S. KEY, President,
"JAMES A. PARKS, Secretary."

Upon motion it was agreed that when the Conference adjourns, it adjourn to meet at 2 p. m.

The Conference adjourned with the benediction by Rev. Jas. A. Anderson.

Fourth Day—Afternoon Session.

Conference met at 2 p. m., pursuant to adjournment, W. A. Randle, acting chairman of the Committee on Temperance, presiding. After the singing of "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," the chairman read the forty-sixth Psalm as appropriate to the incoming of the Forty-sixth State. Bishop Key led in prayer, and the Conference sang, "America."

The addresses of the hour were delivered by Rev. G. C. Rankin and Hon. D. H. Linebaugh, followed by a brief address by Bishop Key, emphasizing our duty toward the Indians of Oklahoma.

The Committee on Temperance presented Report No. 2, which was adopted.

The Epworth League Board submitted Report No. 1, which adopted.

Report No. 3 of the Board of Education was submitted and adopted.

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A Letter From Hon. T. H. Yun.

By Bishop W. A. Candler.

The following very interesting letter has been received from our brother, Hon. T. H. Yun, the President of our school at Songdo, Korea:

"My Dear Bishop Candler: Our school was opened on the 12th inst, with more than a hundred boys. Up to date we have one hundred and twenty-five boys enrolled. We have already the best patronized school in Songdo. Our 'ginseng shed' is entirely too small. We built on the hill last June a temporary shed of the shape of a cross, roofed and walled with thatch. One of the boys, in making English sentences, said: 'Our school is very ragged.' My dear Bishop, if you were here today and saw the shed struggling to stand the wind and rain that are making the boys shiver with cold, you would certainly understand what a 'ragged' school means. I am not complaining, however. Nobody else does. Nay, we are all gay, because we know what we shall have soon on the spot where the ragged school stands now. Dr. Wilson Reed has started our buildings in stone. Two of them are nearing completion. Two of them are steadily growing.

"Dr. Wightman Reid, the son of Dr. C. F. Reid, who arrived here about a month ago, has started a dispensary. He shows the energy and cheerfulness of his dear father. It is very remarkable that the son has come to fulfill the promise of the father. (You remember that over ten years ago Dr. Reid promised the people of Songdo a hospital.)

"We are grateful that Mr. Thompson has come. His industrial instructions will be most heartily welcomed by the boys and the people. The mission is gradually regaining her 'face' here. As soon as Mr. Thompson comes to Songdo (he is detained in Seoul now on account of illness) we shall be able to draw up a plan for the school and send it to you. As the school grows we must encourage the country stations to send in their children. The country boys (mostly from Christian parents) will, and ought to make the backbone of the school. But as most of these boys are too poor to pay their board (about \$2 a month), we must devise some means for keeping them in school. Mr. Wasson suggests that we may have a students' labor fund, say a thousand yen a year, (or \$500), which shall support these boys in school without pauperizing them. When Mr. Thompson starts orchards and other farm work, along with industrial shops, these boys may produce articles, the income from which may slowly keep up the fund. But to start the fund we need a special appropriation for a few years. We shall be happy to know what you think of the plan or what you can do for it.

T. H. YUN."

The whole communication reveals the modesty, clear judgment, and unselfish spirit of the man. It is remarkable that he should be able to gather so soon one hundred and twenty-five students in school buildings so "ragged" and comfortless. His request for the small sum of \$500 to help needy students will not go unheeded by generous men and women in the Church. Deep is the poverty of the Korean people, and it is not their fault. Two dollars a month is a very large sum to these Korean youths. It will board one of them for a month with such food as will sustain them and satisfy them while they study at the feet of this noblest and wisest man of their nation. This strong, brave man, just recovered from an attack of pneumonia, teaching the youth of his country in an old thatch-roofed "ginseng shed" is a picture of high-souled heroism which the future historian will not lightly

pass over. There is nothing like it in any of our mission fields.

I trust that generous men and women will send me at once the \$500 which he asks. His plan is wise. This small sum, expended as he proposes, will do a vast amount of good.

October 28, 1907.

Across the Pacific.

Today, October 14th, we are about 3,500 miles from Seattle, and about 1,000 from Yokohama. We took passage on one of the Boston Steamship Company's boats, the "Shawmut," on the evening of the 28th, and sailed out at day-break the following morning. We were pleased to have a visit from Bishop and Mrs. Atkins and Dr. McMurry on board the steamer the evening before we sailed. The Bishop with Dr. Winton and Dr. Reid had been in Seattle for several days looking after important business concerning the establishment of our church in that very important and rapidly growing city of the Northwest. Dr. McMurry joined them later and I understood that desirable property would be bought without delay and a new church organized before the conclusion of their visit.

The sail through the Puget Sound was in day-light, but a heavy fog hid all things from our view for the greater part of the way. Our special pilot left us at Port Townsend. By this time the fog was lifting and we had a very good view of the town and the surrounding coast.

We have a number of people on board returning to the Philippine Islands after their furlough spent in the home land. Besides ourselves, we have six other missionaries, all of whom are bound for China. Several other first class passengers are going to the several ports of Japan or China. The first class cabins are all full, and at least two of the cabin passengers for want of room are using second class cabins.

Among the passengers for the Philippines, we have found Judge McCabe and Mrs. McCabe very enjoyable, as well as several others.

Though we have had many days of rough weather the past few days have been all that the voyager could reasonably ask, smooth sea, sunny days, and moonlight evenings, with the temperature of the air growing day by day milder as we turn toward Japan.

It is thought that with such weather we may confidently expect to reach Yokohama Thursday, the 17th of the month.

Oct. 17th.—At 6:30 this morning we passed the Imboe light-house and our steamer reported herself to those on shore by several blasts of her whistle so that for several hours before our arrival at Yokohama the agents at that port will have telegraphic information of our approach and know when to expect us.

Last night a very enjoyable concert was held, in which several of the passengers took part. There were speeches and songs and music. Miss Baker, a young lady missionary of the M. E. Church, going to China, delighted her audience with her singing of "When Our Ships Come Sailing Home."

At 2 o'clock this afternoon we passed the point of land where the "Dakota" struck and went down. There can still be seen about 20 feet of one of her masts, the only visible sign of what was one of the greatest ships in the world. It is impossible to understand why a navigator would take the risk of running so large a vessel so near the shore.

Ten hours later finds us in the Bay of Yokohama where the health officers come on board and having completed their inspection, our good ship is permitted to go in to her anchorage within the harbor. The mail is

brought on board from the agents on shore and we get as our share a handful of letters from special and dear friends.

A few people get ashore, but on account of the lateness of the hour the greater part of our passengers prefer to remain on board till morning. One day's sail more from here will bring us to Kobe and the end of our voyage.

CROWDER B. MOSELY.

Allen Memorial Chapel at Oxford, Ga.

By Bishop Seth Ward.

That Young J. Allen was one of the greatest contributions that Southern Methodism has made to the world is a statement that will hardly be challenged. His life belongs to the human race. His faith, his character, his service, enrich the world and honor the Church at whose altars he was reared and in whose name he went forth to serve. A gospel that can produce such type of manhood and inspire such measure of service needs not to search the records of the past to find the final credentials of its divinity. However, it is not my purpose now to pay tribute to that deceased Apostle of the East who is honored and mourned by at least three continents, but to commend most heartily the efforts that are being made to erect a suitable Hall on the Campus of Emory College as a memorial to Emory's distinguished son.

That we owe such action to the memory of Dr. Allen is perhaps the least of the reasons to be urged in support of this movement. We do not need to perpetuate his fame. The world will not forget him. No history of the awakening and regeneration of Asia will fail to tell of his work. When, in the years to come, the annals of this great missionary era are read, the story of Allen's endurance and achievements will stir the hearts of men and reflect luster on the age in which he lived.

But we do owe it to the young manhood of our church to express in no uncertain way the esteem in which we hold the life and work of such a man. When we pay high honor to the name of Young J. Allen we say to every son of our South-land that it is worth while to live a life like that. Life given for Christ's sake and the world's sake is far greater than a life saved for one's own sake. Great service rendered to mankind is better than great possession acquired for one's self. If ever we cease to stand for such ideals of life we shall cease to have a living message for the world. Let the Chapel be erected at Oxford worthily express our appreciation of that splendid life that scorned the allurements of ease and courted the privilege of sacrifice for the sake of Christ and His gospel.

And let it be clearly understood that our prime motive is to do honor to the memory of Dr. Allen. Emory College needs the Chapel, but a Chapel may be built at any time. It is not proposed to take advantage of this occasion merely for the purpose of raising needed funds. We are not attempting to make merchandise of the fame of that great Georgian and great Christian who sleeps yonder in China's soil, but in all sincerity we pay tribute to his worth and do honor to ourselves by expressing in permanent and useful form our gratitude for his life.

Of course every son of Emory will wish to have some part in this most worthy enterprise, and many besides, Methodists and others, will desire to join our Georgia brethren in doing honor to one who belonged to us all.

(Parties desiring to have a part in this Memorial will send cash or subscriptions to James E. Diekey, Oxford, Ga.)—Ed.

The most melancholy wrecks to be seen in the world are wrecked men and women.

On Being Born Poor.

"Do you know what is bothering me now?" said a man who has made himself rich and is fast getting richer. "It's wondering what is going to become of my boys.

"I have four sons, all young, and all whole-some, natural youngsters, but if I keep on making money the way I'm doing now I don't know what's going to happen to them when they grow up. There's nothing like being born poor to give a man a real start in life, with his feet firmly planted on the ground, where they ought to be, and be learning to rely on himself.

"I was born that way, and I've always been grateful for it. If I had been born rich I think I should have been more or less of no account. I had to get out and hustle and work to get along, and the habit of work has never left me since, as I hope it never will.

"But how is it going to be about my boys? They may come to think that they don't have to work, which would be the ruin of them, or would at least put them out of the running with self-reliant, able men.

"I'm sending them to the public school, of course, and there they learn a heap of things besides what they get out of their books. They learn for one valuable lesson that there are other people in the world besides themselves and that there may be plenty of people smarter than they are, and that they've got to work if they expect to keep their end up.

"Boys are democrats. You can't put on any lugs or airs if you expect to get along with the boys in public school; if you want friends you've got to be friendly. A good all-round start in life it is for boys to go to a public school, and I hope my boys will profit by it.

"But I suppose in time they'll go to a private school, and then if they want to they'll go to college, and there, what with their money, unless they should turn out to be hard-headed young men, they will come to train with other young men with money, and so get separated from the bulk of their fellow-students and begin to live by themselves; and I can't imagine anything happening to a young man worse than that, his getting away from the mass of his fellowmen.

"My boys have never known what it is to be poor. They have always had what they wanted, and unless I should fail or bust or something, which I don't expect to do, I don't see why they shouldn't always have things, because as long as I had anything I should be sure to keep them. That's human nature.

"And you see, there's the trouble. They've got somebody to lean on, and a man that doesn't have to isn't apt to put out his own strength. The only way in which a man can ever amount to anything is by hard work.

"The man that doesn't work dwindles and comes to be of no account. And I do hope my boys will want to work. I don't care what they do if they'll only work at it, and work hard and faithfully. I think they're handicapped as it is; honest Injun. I think it would have been better for them to have been born poor, but I hope they'll turn out to be men."—New York Sun.



The Dearth of Preachers.

In the discussion of this question it is taken for granted that we are confronted with a condition that is unprecedented. But I doubt if there has scarcely been a time in our history when the supply came as near meeting the demand. The General Minutes from 1858 to 1865 are before me. The three years just preceding the war are normal, and by reference to the minutes I find that in the year 1858, this

Conference had sixty appointments and had to use six supplies; 1859, sixty-four, and needed fourteen supplies; 1860, sixty-two, and needed seven. This year we have one hundred and forty-four appointments with thirteen supplies. Last year, one hundred and forty, with twenty-one supplies. The year before, one hundred and forty-five, with seventeen supplies. Any one can make the calculation and see that the per cent of supplies was greater then than now. I doubt not but the same is true of other conferences. In 1859 the Alabama had thirty-nine supplies, the Georgia, fourteen, the Virginia, thirteen, and so on. When we remember that nearly all of these conferences were smaller then than the Little Rock is now, we readily see that the dearth was greater then than now.

The demand being greater than the supply has never indicated decay, but life. It is what we would expect so long as the world remains largely unchristian. When the preaching of the gospel ceases to create a demand that taxes the church beyond its ability, it would indicate one of two things, that the conquest of the world is complete, or that the church has lost its power. Nothing indicates our success in foreign fields more than that the preaching of the gospel has opened more doors than we can possibly enter. It would be a weak gospel if it did not do that. The fact that the supply in the home land comes nearer meeting the demand now than ever before, shows that we are more Christian now than ever before. The foreign lands are less Christian than the home lands, therefore we will find there is a greater dearth there than here. If we had supplies to fill all the places there that call for us, we would doubtless have more supplies than members of the conference. A condition that could not exist here, and that will not exist there after we have worked there as long as here.

This is not a new question. The demand has always been greater than the supply, from the very beginning of our evangelistic effort. It was so in the days of our Lord on earth. When he was here to inaugurate plans for the conquest of the world, he said, the harvest is great, that is the world is ready for, even demanding this gospel, but the laborers are few, and it has ever been the case during all the years of effort. We will never be able to say the supply is equal to the demand, till this world is conquered for Christ. The great question with the church in every age has been to supply the demand for all classes of workers. Our Lord said the way to get these workers is to pray for them. Pray ye the Lord of the harvest that he send more laborers. If we would have more preachers we can get them by prayer, undoubtedly. This question of laborers of all kinds, both at home and abroad, should be made a subject of prayer; in secret, at the family altar, and in the public congregation. If we would do this I believe we would come nearer supplying the demand for workers in every department of Christian service. We would have more Sunday School teachers, more missionaries, more lay workers, more preachers. But prayer does not carry with it disregard for the laws of cause and effect. As I see it there are certain laws the church should regard if we are to have more preachers. We have seen that the majority of our preachers are country reared. Hence, I think it a mistake to feel that as a rule, because a young man is a college graduate, he deserves to be put into station work as soon as he enters the Conference. It is to deprive him of the opportunity of doing some of the best work for the world. I call any man to witness who first was given circuits, but now for some time has

been in station, if they have any preachers as the fruit of their ministry, I am sure they found them almost without exception on the circuits.

I think it is a mistake for a young man who desires to teach to aspire only to a place in our city public schools. If we compare the public schools of the town or city with the country school, as to results, the comparison is in favor of country schools. No better field for usefulness is afforded for a Christian teacher than the country. I think young men with all the equipment our Christian colleges can give, should go out and establish high schools in country places. No army can be inspired to the greatest service without music, and no church has ever done a great work without a hymnology that the people were taught to sing. Some may think me trivial, but I feel that I touch on a point that is vital here. The country people are not taught our songs. The singing as a rule is light with no power to inspire. And this is among the people from whom we have always gotten our preachers. But our colleges for men make no provision to teach our hymnology, or vocal music at all. They make provision for everything else, from football up, but not for sacred music. Here is a field for great usefulness and remuneration. There should be a man in every district teaching sacred music, using our hymnal.

But the greatest source of our ministerial supply is an adequately endowed Christian college. Hundreds of our young men feel the call to preach, but they know they are not equipped, and when they turn to the consideration of the matter of educating themselves, unless the church can help them, they are not likely to find any other way. Failing in the matter of education, they abandon the idea of preaching, and who can blame them, for they know that the sphere of the uneducated preacher is constantly becoming more narrow. But the church cannot help to educate them without endowed colleges. Pres. Hartzog, of Ouachita College, in a speech a few weeks ago, stated that on investigation he had found that where a denominational college was well endowed, there was no dearth of ministerial candidates in its student body. On the other hand, where there was no endowment, the ministerial students were few, for the reasons that such schools could afford no help to any. From these facts he said it was his conviction that well endowed church schools would always solve the problem of ministerial supply. It is no reflection on any one to say he must be helped to get an education. Educational work is largely charity work. In the very nature of the case, the student gets more out of it than he puts in, therefore, either in the form of taxes or by direct gift the people must educate the rising generation.

Any school that plans its work on the basis that all who attend it shall be able to pay for what they get, is of no account. They are for the few who don't desire much in the way of education, and having money to buy what they desire pay liberally for a certain kind of polish. They pay for all they get, but they don't get much. What all churches need to do is to endow the church schools so that they can afford aid to any boy or girl who is seeking an education. We should do for our church schools by direct gift, just what the State compels us to do for State schools by taxation. Each school has its sphere. Both should be supported. But the work most vital to the nation, is the work of the church school, yet we dare not ask for it to be supported by taxation. It should not be. Let it be done by direct gifts.

T. D. SCOTT.

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NOTES AND PERSONALS.

Our Conferences.

Little Rock, Bishop Ward, Malvern, Nov. 27.
White River, Bishop Hoss, Corning, Dec. 12.

Rev. H. H. Hunt, of Cabot, was in our office last Friday.

President Anderson, of Hendrix College, was in the city last Friday attending a meeting of the Y. M. C. A. State Convention.

Rev. J. B. and Mrs. Stevenson, of Conway, passed through our city last Friday on their way to Yell county.

At the session of the Grand Lodge of Masons held in Little Rock this week, Rev. F. N. Brewer, of Carlisle, was appointed Worthy Grand Chaplain for the session.

Rev. J. H. McKelvy, of Bryant Circuit, called Wednesday, and reported that his charge would overpay on salary and conference collections. He began early.

Wednesday we had calls from Dr. W. G. Holland, of Pangburn; Rev. J. R. Sanders, of Junction; Rev. J. A. Sage, of Fordyce; Rev. F. C. Sterling, of Bay; and Mr. R. B. F. Key, of Arkadelphia.

Our readers last week noted the large class admitted into the Arkansas Conference, fourteen. A large accession to the Oklahoma Conference is reported this week. The work goes on.

Rev. Dr. S. A. Steel gave his lecture, "The Methodist Circuit Rider," at the First Methodist church, Little Rock, Wednesday night. The lecture was greatly enjoyed by all who heard it. Dr. Steel's characterizations of the early preachers were very fine.

Alabama goes prohibition, effective Jan. 1, 1909. So says the legislature by an overwhelming majority. Glorious! We predict that the "antis" will try to shake this loose before the legislature adjourns. We also predict that they will fail.

Our Arkansas constituency may well feel proud of the Arkansas men in the Oklahoma Conference, six of them are presiding elders: W. D. Matthews, S. F. Goddard, J. B. McDonald, Orlando Shay, J. F. Lawliss, and C. F. Mitchell.

We are sorry not to be able to devote more of our space to the preachers and laymen of the Oklahoma Conference. We were compelled to set the appointments in small type in order to get them in the space at our command. We are compelled to leave out many notices of a personal nature that we should have been glad to have inserted.

The brethren of the Arkansas Conference and the brethren of the Oklahoma Conference did well in their settlements with this paper this year. Will our subscribers in Little Rock and White River conferences now be sure to pay their pastors what they owe us, and let them bring it to conference? We trust they will.

We record with sorrow the death of Mrs. Roxana Cole, of Conway, Ark. She was a remarkable woman. Though past eighty-five years of age she was remarkably young in spirit and was very fond of young people, receiving in turn their affection. She was a great doll maker; had received orders from across the seas for her work. A sunny and delightful spirit, she was loved by a large circle. We mourn her departure as a personal loss. She died last Monday of pneumonia.

To the courtesy of Rev. J. J. Hunt, secretary of the Baptist State Convention, held in our city Nov. 15-18, we are indebted for a copy of the "Proceedings," a neat pamphlet of eighty pages printed by H. G. Pugh & Co. As the Convention adjourned on Monday and the "Proceedings" was received on Wednesday, the promptness of publication is remarkable, and both secretary and the printer are to be congratulated on the achievement. We shall take time to study the "Proceedings" of this body of wide-awake, zealous Christians.

President J. J. Doyno.

At a meeting of the State Normal Board last Thursday State Superintendent of Public Instruction J. J. Doyno was elected president of the State Normal recently located at Conway. He is an experienced educator and a Christian gentleman. As he had done much to create sentiment in favor of the Normal, it was but natural that with his splendid qualifications he should become the first president. Both he and the State are to be congratulated.

Differences of Administration.

In the organization of the Methodist church in Japan it was left to the missionaries and their Boards to determine their relations to the new church. The Canadian missionaries chose simply to join the Japanese church. The Southern Methodist missionaries all decline to join, and have been transferred by Bishop Wilson to their home conferences, while they continue to labor in Japan. Of the Northern Methodist missionaries some join in Japan, and some are transferred home. Entire harmony prevails.

The Foolish Wicked.

A railroad conductor, as the editor went into Oklahoma the other day, was bemoaning the prospects of floods of "booze" in Oklahoma before the machinery of the new State could be put in motion. For sometime past the wholesale whisky men have crowded the papers with advertisements, looking for an inter-regnum of law and order. Wonder if they think Uncle Sam an old fool, who does not know how to bring in a new State in an orderly way. Wonder if they think our temperance men in that new State are a set of fools who did not know how to protect themselves. If they will read the new constitution, they will see that the constitutional convention passed a little direct legislation on the liquor question, providing extra law, definite penalties, and providing that these laws should "be immediately enforceable" in the courts of the country, without waiting for any legislative action to make them operative. What do "our friends the enemy" think of that?

Now, then, it is only a question whether the officers of the law in Oklahoma are willing to stand up and do from the very start their plain and their sworn duty. There is the law; there are the courts; shall the officers of any single county in Oklahoma confess their inability to uphold law and order? If they do, let these officers be relegated to the rear—forever. There can be no excuse; law, penalties, courts, officers and public sentiment—all these are on the ground. Let the "booze" dealers open up if they will; we predict that we shall speedily fill the jails with them.

Oklahoma Conference Personal Notes.

Bro. N. B. Ainsworth is responsible for the sentiment that a man who will break one of God's laws to make a dollar will break three of them to keep the dollar.

Dr. Gross Alexander remarked that the Oklahoma Conference looked like a General Conference and that it was like a General Conference in that its members have come from all parts of the church.

There was great jubilation all over Oklahoma last Saturday over the incoming of Statehood. The Oklahoma Conference took formal and appropriate recognition of the event.

The Oklahoma Conference sounded a clear note to the advancing hosts of temperance in that great State, calling for clear and definite laws from the legislature of that State.

We regret to learn that the wife of our good Brother Crosby, Chelsea, has had a long siege of typhoid fever, but we are glad to report that she is about recovered.

The church at Durant, which has been beautifully finished, proved to be the best place to hold a conference which the Oklahoma Conference has been permitted to occupy for a number of years. Rev. J. A. Parks and his people had everything in readiness, and all the points of a noble hospitality were observed.

It does not often happen as it happened on Saturday night of the Oklahoma Conference, that two finer looking men than Chancellor G. H. Bradford and President R. G. Waterhouse come before an audience on a single evening. Their speeches were in keeping with their personal presence.

Our fellow-editors, Dr. W. B. Palmore, of the St. Louis Christian Advocate, and Dr. G. C. Rankin, of the Texas Christian Advocate, were in attendance at the Oklahoma Conference. The editors of the Western Methodist bid them welcome within our territory at any time.

Dr. Gross Alexander, Book Editor and Editor of the Methodist Quarterly Review, was a welcome visitor to the Oklahoma Conference. We trust the brethren gave him a great list for the Review. If they knew their own interest, we know they did so. No finer issue than the October number of that periodical ever came from our presses.

The speech of Dr. John M. Moore, Managing Editor of the Christian Advocate, Nashville, before the Oklahoma Conference was one that we greatly approve. There is no conflict between the Advocate and the Western Methodist. They have a mission, each different from that of the other. No intelligent Methodist ought to be without the general organ or without the conference organ.

Bishop Key's presidency of the Oklahoma Conference gave general satisfaction. The interests to be handled were so many and so varied that universal satisfaction was scarcely to be expected. The Bishop knew this, and expressed himself as greatly burdened with the responsibility of the situation. Few men of seventy-nine years could have better borne up under the burden.

OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

(Continued from page three.)

Report No. 1 of the Joint Board of Finance was presented and adopted.

It was announced that Rev. M. S. Hotchkiss would preach at 3 p. m.

The Conference adjourned to meet tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock in memorial session.

Fifth Day—Memorial Session.

The Conference was called to order by Bishop Key after the ordination of elders at 3 o'clock p. m.

W. T. Freeman, for the Committee on Memoirs, read the memoir of J. S. Nicholson, and S. G. Thompson, A. N. Avery, W. T. Freeman and A. B. L. Hunkapillar paid tributes to his memory.

J. F. Thompson read the memoir of W. A. Duncan, and M. A. Clark, J. S. Lamar, J. F. Thompson and M. L. Butler spoke tenderly of his long and useful service.

W. M. P. Rippey read the memoir of G. H. Ray, to which he added words of appreciation, followed by J. M. Gross.

J. F. Thompson read the memoir of Mrs. G. A. Lovett.

Upon motion of C. H. McGhee, it was ordered that hereafter when the death of any preacher, or the wife of a preacher, occurs, the presiding elder of the district shall secure proper data concerning the life of the deceased and furnish the same to the Committee on Memoirs.

For lack of proper data concerning the life of Mrs. J. S. Nicholson, S. G. Thompson was requested to prepare the same and file with the secretary within ten days.

N. B. Ainsworth, who had prepared the memoir of J. H. Walker, not being present, upon motion he was requested to file same with the secretary.

The Conference adjourned to meet at 8 a. m. tomorrow; benediction by Dr. Palmore.

Sixth Day.

Conference was called to order at the appointed hour, the Bishop in the chair, Rev. M. A. Clark leading the prayer.

The minutes were read and approved.

Committee on Conference relations reported recommending J. M. Hively for the supernumerary relation; P. B. Hicks and H. B. Scruggs for the superannuated relation. The report was adopted.

Reports of Epworth League Board, Church Extension Board, Sunday School Board, Joint Board of Finance, Board of Education, Committee on Books and Periodicals were presented and adopted.

Pending report of Committee on Books and Periodicals, Jas. A. Anderson and P. R. Eaglebarger addressed the Conference.

Dr. R. G. Waterhouse, representing the General Board of Education, addressed the body.

The names of all remaining members of the Conference were called and their characters passed.

I. R. Haun was granted a location at his own request.

J. B. McCance submitted the Report of the Committee on Bible Cause, adopted.

Board of Missions made final report.

Orders of Alexander V. Harris, elder, Methodist Protestant Church were recognized.

The statistical report shows the following:

No. Local Preachers, 333.

No. Members, 42,449; an increase of 3,250.

Infants baptized, 960; adults, 3,450.

No. Leagues, Senior, 97; Junior, 54.

No. Sunday Schools, 379; officers and teachers, 2,847; scholars, 31,401.

Collected for Conference Claimants, \$3401.

Contributed for Foreign Missions, \$5,499.92

Contributed for Domestic Missions, \$5,638.42.

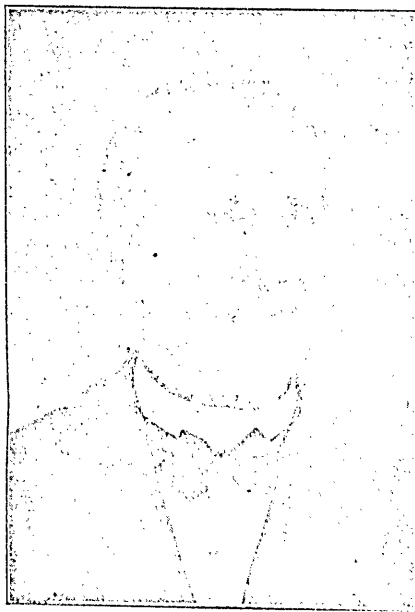
Contributed for American Bible Society, \$261.00.

The appointments were read as follows:

Ada District.

Presiding Elder, S. F. Goddard.
Ada Station, T. L. Rippey.
Ada, North Side, to be supplied.
Wewoka Station, C. B. Campbell.
Earlboro and Seminole, J. D. Kennedy.
Konawa Circuit, Brian Hensley, Supply.
Roff Station, J. E. Disch.
Sulphur; First Church, T. P. Turner.
Sulphur; Vinita Avenue, Moss Weaver.
Hickory Circuit, S. H. Berry, Supply.
Mill Creek and Ravia, W. P. Jordan.
Byars Circuit, E. M. Lemming and W. W. Marrs, Supplies.

Moral Circuit, A. G. White.
Wanette Circuit, J. W. Fulton.
Asher Station, D. A. Williams.
Maud Circuit, Vada Davis.
Coalgate and Wapauwaka, F. E. Shanks.
Stonewall Circuit, J. R. Brooks.
Pontotoc Circuit, C. A. Martin.
Tishomingo and Millburn, J. W. Head.
Twelve Mile Prairie Ct., E. M. Garrett, Supply.



Rev. C. F. Roberts, of Oklahoma Conference.

Ardmore District.

Presiding Elder, W. T. Freeman.
Ardmore; Broadway, J. W. Sims.
Ardmore; Carter Avenue, and Mannsville, T. L. Darnell.

Berwyn and Springer, E. C. Cain.
Cornish Circuit, H. M. Vinson.
Grady Circuit, W. G. Jones, Supply.
Cumberland Circuit, W. D. Sauls.
Lebanon Circuit, J. C. Morris.
Lone Grove Circuit, W. S. Lee.
Leon and Burneyville, to be supplied.
Kingston and Woodville, M. B. McKinney.
Madill Station, I. K. Waller; W. S. Derrick, supernumerary.

Marietta Station, J. G. Blackwood.
Overbrook Circuit, M. W. Whelan.
Thackerville Circuit, O. A. Morris.
Woodford Circuit, J. O. Summitt, Supply.
Dougherty Circuit, B. F. Taylor.
Davis Station, J. L. Gage.
Elmore Circuit, W. C. Fleetwood.
Tussy Circuit, W. L. Bean, Supply.
Wynnewood Station, G. C. French.
Province Circuit, Ed Brothers.
Pauls Valley Station, L. L. Thurston.
Paoli Circuit, P. A. Smith, Supply.
White Bend and Maysville, G. M. Dilbeck.
President Hargrove College, J. M. Gross.

Choctaw and Chickasaw Indian District.

Presiding Elder, C. M. Coppedge.
Atoka Circuit, L. H. Ishomer.
Bethel Circuit, A. S. Williams.
Chickasaw and Washita Circuit, A. H. Homer and L. V. Colbert.

Idabel Circuit, to be supplied.
Impson Valley Circuit, W. D. Philpott, Supply.
Kiamitia Circuit, J. J. McElroy, Supply.
Long Creek, C. B. Wade, Supply.
Kullituklo Circuit, Anderson Wilson.
Owl Circuit, J. T. Hall and J. G. Frazier.
Rufe Circuit, L. W. Cobb.
Sans Bois Circuit, Elum McCurtain.
Sugar Loaf Circuit, Griggs Durant.
District Interpreter, H. E. Nohio.

Creek and Cherokee Indian District.

Presiding Elder, Orlando Shay.
Broken Arrow Circuit, John Davis, Supply.
Red Rocket Circuit, to be supplied.
Sapulpa Circuit, M. L. Checotah.
Euclaw Circuit, N. G. Gregory, Maxey Sims, Sup.
Seminole Circuit, Wm. Hill, Supply.
Okmulgee Circuit, D. B. Berryhill, Supply.
Wewoka Circuit, J. E. Tiger.
District Interpreter, J. E. Tiger.

Duncan District.

Presiding Elder, C. H. McGee.
Minco and Tuttle, J. J. Shaw.
Alpestone Circuit, J. M. Johnson, Supply.
Bailey Circuit, J. J. Bailey, Supply.
Carnegie and Ft. Cobb, W. N. Vernon.
Cement Circuit, M. C. Dobbs.
Chickasha Station, M. L. Butler.
Comanche Station, M. T. Allen.
Duncan Station, W. M. Wilson.
Duncan Circuit, F. C. Mabery.
Eschiti, R. H. L. McVea.
Hastings, J. E. Martin.
Waurika, B. P. Stegall.
Lawton Station, W. J. Moore.
Marlow Station, H. E. Snodgrass.
Randlette, Geo. W. Hooper.
Rush Springs Circuit, W. C. Driskill.
Temple, W. J. Wilson.
Ryan and Terral, E. H. Driskill.
Verden and Anadarko, J. J. Methvin.
Walter Circuit, R. A. Baird.
Lindsay Station, W. T. Ready.
Alex Circuit, J. W. French, Supply.

Mangum District.

Presiding Elder, L. L. Johnson.
Mangum Station, J. S. Lamar.
Mangum Circuit, J. C. Seivally.
Willow Circuit, W. H. Davis, Supply.
Granite and Gatecho, W. D. Sasser.
Lone Wolf and Lugert, W. P. McNicklen.
Hobart Station, M. C. Hayes.
Mountain View Station, J. J. Crow.
Snyder Circuit, C. H. Armstrong.
Mountain Park Circuit, W. E. Lee, Supply.
Frederick Station, J. T. Thornton.
Frederick Circuit, G. B. Carter, Supply.
Davidson Circuit, to be supplied.
Hendrick Circuit, W. W. Roberson.
Altus Station, Robt. Hodgson.
Elmer Circuit, N. B. Taylor.
Oretee and Eldorado, O. W. Stewart.
Duke Circuit, W. O. Hiler, Supply.
Hells and Dryden, G. E. Holley.
Kelley Circuit, G. M. Moon, Supply.
Reed Circuit, to be supplied.
Martha and Blair, R. P. Witt.
Vinson and Deer Creek, R. L. Reese.

McAlester District.

Presiding Elder, S. G. Thompson.
Atoka Station, W. W. Crymes, B. E. Seivally, Sup.
Albany Circuit, to be supplied.
Bennington and Boswell, G. A. Lovett.
Bokehito and Freeny, R. C. Alexander.
Canadian Circuit, J. D. Massey.
Caddo and Sterrett, H. B. Vaught.
Colbert Station, J. D. Edwards.
Durant Station, J. A. Parks.
Hartshorne and Haileyville, C. W. Clay.
Wilburton Station, J. F. Roberts.
Kiowa Station, J. R. Smith, W. P. Donnell, Supply.
McAlester; Phillips Memorial, N. L. Linebaugh.
McAlester; Stonewall Ave., E. P. Eubanks.
Quinton Circuit, Jas. F. Russell.
Spiro and McCurtain, G. W. Damon.
Poteau and Cameron, W. L. Anderson.
Pecola Circuit, Miles Sturgeon.
Albion Circuit, J. F. Gates.
Antlers Circuit, C. P. Cox.
El. Towson Circuit, W. W. Williamson.
Grant Circuit, E. C. Wallace.
Hugo Station, W. P. Pipkin.
Tahlequah Circuit, T. F. Roberts.
Howe Circuit, James Hendry.
Wetumka Station, J. E. Vick.
Holdenville Station, T. L. Mellen.
Holdenville Circuit, to be supplied.
Calvin Circuit, S. M. Sartin.
Stuart Circuit, T. J. Minnis.

Muskogee District.

Presiding Elder, W. P. Dunkle.
Brushy Mountain Circuit, W. M. Grose, Supply.
Muskogee Circuit, Wiley Smith, Supply.
Muskogee; First Church, O. E. Goddard.
Muskogee; St. Pauls' W. H. Roper.
Sallisaw Circuit, J. H. Rodgers.
Warner Circuit, T. R. Houghton.
Ft. Gibson Circuit, W. M. Spain.
Muldrow Station, W. D. Neale.
Stilwell Circuit, J. W. Shoemaker.
Tablequah Station, J. H. Murray.
Tablequah Circuit, W. E. Patten, Supply.
Westville Circuit, A. M. Belcher.
Checotah Station, R. C. Taylor.
Choctaw Circuit, to be supplied.
Boyington and Morris, J. D. Rogers.
Stigler Station, A. B. L. Hunkapillar.
Whitefield Circuit, to be supplied.
Okmulgee Station, W. M. P. Rippey.
Wagoner Station, J. D. Salter.
Wagoner Circuit, A. W. Culver, Supply.

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THE EPWORTH LEAGUE.

C. W. LESTER..... Editor.

Lesson for Nov. 24: 1 Jno. 3:14-18.

Topic: Our Mission to the Cities.

The city presents the most perplexing problem both for the nation and the church. Our cities are at once our moral and political festering spots. Morally and politically they are rotten. Prof. Dyer of the chair of Sociology in Vanderbilt University says the American cities are the worst governed cities in the civilized world. To know how to save the city is to know how to solve the problem. To save the city politically is to save the nation politically. To save the city morally is to save the nation morally. The city is the key to the situation.

Some conditions that intensify the problem of the city: First, the cities are the center of population. The people live there. A few decades ago this was not so true. But we are rapidly changing from a rural to a city people. More than one-third of the people in the United States live in the city. More than one-thirtieth of this great nation is to be found in New York City alone. There are two streams of population constantly pouring into the city; one from our rural districts, the other more menacing, from foreign lands. These hordes coming annually to us from Europe and elsewhere stop in our cities very largely. Three-fourths of the population of New York City and two-thirds of Chicago, are foreign born or of foreign parentage. Second, the cities are centers of social evil. While there are many advantages in the city not to be found in the country, yet no place in our civilization subjects one to stronger temptation than the city. "Among the evils of city life are those of disease, infection, dirt, high death-rate, infant mortality, the fostering of daring criminals, overcrowding, lack of light and air, pure water, the nervous tension of the life, and the lack of provision for education and recreation, as well as the dangers of class antagonism." The city is also the center of temptation. The saloon, the house of prostitution, the centers of amusement, the attractions of the so-called high society life, the gildings of wealth, and other like evils—all or some of which bring an influence to bear upon the average man or woman that is well-nigh irresistible. The result is men are falling into the depths of all these vices in the city. Third, the cities are our unchurched, unevangelized centers. Great throngs in our cities never enter the church, could not enter if they wanted to because of the meagre seating capacity of the churches. Many of these people are densely ignorant of the church, while others are equally antagonistic to it. The church is at fault. Her spirit has been right but her methods inadequate. Hence the improved and more adequate methods of reaching these unchurched of the present day.

Our lesson reminds us that love for our fellows is the solution of the problem. If we love these submerged multitudes as we should we shall study the special problem which they create until they have reached its solution. Our church is seeking to know how to reach them through the institutional features of the down town city church, through the Wesley Houses or the religious settlement work, through other city mission work carried on by city missionaries, deaconesses and assistant pastors. But we have just begun our work in this special field.

Familiar Talks to Young People

Our Mission to the Cities.

Within the last quarter of a century, there has come to the church a wider conception of its mission to the world. It has today a deeper realization than ever before that the gospel was meant to cover the whole need of man, mental and physical, as well as spiritual; that this gospel is the heaven to be put into all phases of society, that in time it may leaven the whole.

While the church delayed in grasping this truth, there grew and developed what is, perhaps, the greatest problem of the age—the evangelization of the city. A problem that includes the indifference of the masses to any form of religious service or obligation, open desecration of the Sabbath, those absorbed in politics, personal gain, and worldly pleasure; the criminal class, and the slum element, with its poverty, vice and misery.

We read of the crowded conditions of the tenement houses of New York and other great cities. Often a large family lives in a single room and the sanitary conditions are the worst possible. The mothers are away at work all day, leaving the children no place to go but to the streets. The very surroundings of these pitiable poor lead to vice and degeneracy. But if we take time and pains to look into the matter, we will find that these same conditions exist, on a smaller scale, in our own Southern cities.

More than twenty thousand little children under twelve years of age are in our Southern cotton-mills, some twelve thousand boys are engaged in the coal and iron mines of the United States, and seven thousand five hundred little boys are at work in the glass factories. Since there is no compulsory educational law in the South, these children must grow into men and women with stunted bodies and illiterate minds.

The greatest hindrance to the amelioration of these conditions is the lack of appreciation on the part of the whole people of such necessity.

But there are redemptive agencies at work, in the churches and out of them. Our church, through its City Mission Boards, employs trained deaconesses and city missionaries who co-operate with the city authorities in the enforcement of all laws that tend to the betterment of conditions affecting the home, and assist in conducting such institutions as the juvenile court, public play-grounds, and recreation centers. Aside from this, they carry on many independent lines of work, among which are, settlement homes, day nurseries, kindergartens, night-schools, lunch and rest rooms, boy's clubs and schools of domestic science.

All branches of this work are greatly hindered by want of helpers. Pastors and City Mission Boards are compelled to postpone work on account of inability to secure leaders. It is out from the ranks of our young people that recruits are expected. The church is looking to this generation to produce men who will battle against a corrupt municipal government; who will help make and enforce righteous laws, tending toward better sanitary conditions and compulsory education, which precludes child labor.

It is looking to us for young women willing to become settlement workers, neighborhood visitors, teachers for all kinds of work, deaconesses, trained city missionaries and to enter the many doors of service waiting for them.

In the face of this great need and the claim that Jesus Christ has on each of us, how can any remain idle or ignorant or fritter away

time in useless, aimless living? Some one has said that a call consists in a need and the ability to meet that need. The need for workers in this white harvest field of our Lord is sore and the ability of our young people to meet this need is undoubted.

God grant that the study of this subject may result in the dedication of some young life to the Master in this service to humanity.

LUELLA R. SPENCER.



The State and the Sabbath.

This item appeared recently in the news columns of the Farmers' Weekly News Scimitar (Memphis, Tenn.) and the Arkansas Democrat: "The cotton gins which were so long on the road have been put into operation at the State convict farm, and are now performing their duties, says a message received at the State House. They were received at Vanner, on the Iron Mountain at a late hour Saturday night, and Governor Pindall who was on the farm instructed that they be hauled to the farm on Sunday and put up as soon as possible."

Is it possible that the great State of Arkansas is reduced to such straits that she must work her convicts on the Sabbath day thus depriving them not only of needed rest, but of the opportunity to attend divine worship? If Arkansas through her governor may violate at will the statute law of the State, forbidding Sabbath desecration, and the law of God as well, with what consistency can she punish these convicts for violating her laws?

Thus Arkansas is made to sin against God, and herself, through her chief executive officer, whose sworn duty it is to uphold and enforce all her laws. For Shame!

It is admitted that emergencies may arise when the working of the convicts on Sunday may be justified. But clearly this was not such a case.

E. L. BEARD.

Louoke, Ark.



A Layman on Dearth of Preachers.

Give a layman a word concerning the much discussed "dearth." The cause is not far to seek, nor the remedy. As a church, we are dying spiritually. We are producing but little preacher timber. But, considering the spiritual caliber of those set over us as leaders, there is no cause for wonder. We reflect the impressions received. Give us a ministry called of God, a ministry that refuses to insult the commission by stipulating for a "support"—whatever the term may connote—and the church will produce and nourish those who, in turn, will nourish her. Till then, let place and salary hunters go dig. We want none of them.

J. P. W.



How the Methodist Compares in Cost With Other Papers.

The following is a list of subscription prices of denominational papers:

Western Advocate, in advance....	\$2.00
Northwestern, in advance.....	2.00
Presbyterian Banner, in advance..	2.00
Congregationalist, in advance....	3.00
New York Observer, in advance...	3.00
New York Observer, otherwise ...	4.00
The Interior, in advance.....	2.65
The Interior, otherwise.....	3.00
Herald and Presbyterian, in advance.	2.65
The Presbyterian, in advance....	2.65

Most of the above have increased their rates within a year because of increased prices in material and labor.



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The Growth of Little Rock and Methodism.

Statistics compiled by Geo. Thornburgh and given by him to the Meeting of Bishop Ward, Dr. Nelson, and the Official Members of all the Southern Methodist Churches, in Little Rock, held at First M. E. Church, South, October 28, 1907.

The population figures do not include Argenta nor do the Church Statistics.

Three periods are given for more satisfactory information, to-wit:—1896, 1901, and 1906. The population figures are approximate. The population of Little Rock in 1896 was 26,000, in 1901, 37,000, and in 1906, 59,000. Increase first five years 42 per cent and second five years 60 per cent, making total increase for 10 years, by five year periods, 102 per cent.

The M. E. Church, South, had church houses valued as follows: (Hunter was established between 1896 and 1901 and hence does not appear in the Statistics for 1896.

	1896	1901	1906
First Church,	\$11,000	\$53,000	\$53,000
Winfield,	20,000	21,000	25,000
Asbury,	3,000	3,000	3,000
Hunter,		3,500	3,500
Totals,	\$34,000	\$80,500	\$84,500

The First Church had one parsonage valued at \$7,000 and Winfield one valued at \$5,500, during the entire time. There was a debt of \$9,000 on the First Church and one of \$5,000 on the Winfield Church, and a debt of \$3,500 on the Winfield parsonage.

For Church improvement there was raised in 1896, \$12,859; in 1901, \$14,846, and in 1906, \$1,823.

The Church membership was as follows:

	1896	1901	1906
First Church,	644	765	823
Winfield,	511	553	851
Asbury,	198	277	362
Hunter,		187	326
Totals,	1353	1782	2362

Increase from 1896 to 1901, 429—31½ per cent.

Increase from 1901 to 1906, 580—32½ per cent.

I estimate that there are 40,000 white people in the City of whom 20 per cent are members of the Christian churches. By a census taken two years ago by the Sunday School workers it was found that nearly 700 Methodists who had removed to the city from other points with church letters had not united with any church in the city.

Adult Baptisms:

	1896	1901	1906
First Church,	5	19	2
Winfield,	30	22	31
Asbury,	8	5	22
Hunter,		16	34
Totals,	43	62	89

Increase 1896 to 1901, 19—44 per cent.

Increase 1901 to 1906, 27—43½ per cent.

Infant Baptisms:

	1896	1901	1906
First Church,	14	24	2
Winfield,	37	59	8
Asbury,	4	13	
Hunter,		14	15
Totals,	55	110	25

Increase, 1896 to 1901, 55—100 per cent.

Decrease, 1901 to 1906, 85—77 per cent.

Salaries Presiding Elder and Pastor:

	1896	1901	1906
First Church, Pastor,	\$1800	\$2400	\$2400
Winfield, Pastor,	355	450	400
Asbury, Pastor,	1800	2000	2100
Hunter, Pastor,		425	350
Totals,	427	635	1000
First Church, P. E.,	90	143	167

	Hunter,	Pastor,	P. E.	573	1000
Totals,				103	167
Increase 1896 to 1901,	\$4772	\$6729	\$7584		
Increase 1901 to 1906,	\$1957.00				41 per cent.
The per capita for the three periods was	\$3.52 in 1896,	\$3.78 in 1901,	\$3.21 in 1906.		

Missions.

The Churches contributed for Foreign and Domestic Missions, (not including the work of the Women's Societies,) as follows:

	1896	1901	1906
First Church,	\$405.00	\$440.00	\$490.00
Winfield,	250.00	330.00	430.00
Asbury,	125.00	135.00	170.00
Hunter,		101.00	218.00
Totals,	\$780.00	\$1006.00	\$1308.00
Increase 1896 to 1901,	\$226.00		29 per cent.
Increase, 1901 to 1906,	\$302.00		30 per cent.
Total			59 per cent.

The per capita paid for Missions was 57 cents in 1896, the same in 1901, and 55 cents in 1906.

Woman's Home Mission Society.

There was no report at all of these in 1896. In 1901 the number of members was not reported. The membership in 1906 was, First Church, 131, Winfield, 59, Asbury 30, and Hunter 28, making 248.

Their contributions were:

	1901	1906
First Church,	\$1398.00	\$915.00
Winfield,	294.00	436.00
Asbury,	71.00	140.00
Hunter,	144.00	107.00
Totals,	\$1907.00	\$1598.00

A decrease of 21 1-2 per cent.

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

No reports for 1896. Membership not reported in 1901. The membership in 1906 was, First Church, 52, Winfield 53, Asbury 7, and Hunter 26, total 138.

Their contributions were:

	1901	1906
First Church,	\$100.00	\$225.00
Winfield,	212.00	505.00
Asbury,	64.00	5.00
Hunter,	16.00	68.00
Totals	\$392.00	\$803.00

Increase \$411.00, 105 per cent. The women of this society paid \$5.81 per capita.

Sunday School Membership.

	1896	1901	1906
First Church,	480	396	400
Winfield,	275	460	900
Asbury,	158	255	450
Hunter,		111	357
Totals,	913	1222	2107

Increase 1896 to 1901, 309, 34 per cent. Increase 1901 to 1906, 535, 72 per cent. Total, 106 per cent, which exceeded the city's growth.

Sunday School Collections.

	1896	1901	1906
First Church,	\$200.00	\$223.00	\$748.00
Winfield,	261.00	390.00	614.00
Asbury,	80.00	93.00	275.00
Hunter,		61.00	164.00
Totals,	\$541.00	\$767.00	\$1801.00

Increase 1896 to 1901, \$226.00, 42 per cent.

Increase 1901 to 1906, \$1034.00, 134 per cent.

Total, 176 per cent.

The Sunday Schools contributed for Missions as follows:

	1896	1901	1906
First Church,		\$69.00	
Winfield,	\$9.00	110.00	\$70.00
Asbury,		20.00	37.00
Hunter,		13.00	40.00
Totals,	\$9.00	\$212.00	\$147.00
Epworth Leagues—Membership:			
First Church,	35		148

	Winfield,	101	100	106
Asbury,	60	32	90	
Hunter,		60	49	
Totals,	196	192	393	

A decrease of 4 members the first five years but more than doubled the last five years.

The contributions from the Leagues were not given in 1896 nor in 1901, for 1906 they reported:

	Total
First Church for Missions,	\$105.00
Winfield for Missions,	\$285.00
Asbury for Missions,	35.00
Hunter for Missions	10.00
Totals,	\$330.00
1.96 per capita.	\$771.00

First International Missionary Convention Under the Direction of the Young People's Missionary Movement.

The first International Missionary Convention under the direction of the Young People's Missionary Movement, will be held at Pittsburg, Pa., March 10, 11, 12, 1908. As the Young People's Missionary Movement is the organized agency, for co-operative missionary education, of the Home and Foreign Mission Boards of North America, the success of the convention is assured.

At this early date the program cannot be announced in detail, but a few items may be published. The foremost speakers in America on missionary topics, leading missionaries, and influential native Christians will appear on the program. The music will be furnished by a male chorus of 200 voices. For the first time in North America, moving pictures representing foreign missions scenes will be presented. Every effort is being made by the leaders to make this the greatest missionary convention ever held on the American Continent.

Attendance at the Convention is limited to persons selected by the Home and Foreign Mission Boards of Canada and the United States. The delegates will be self-entertaining.

To those who are unfamiliar with the Young People's Missionary Movement, under whose leadership the convention is to be held, a few words of explanation are necessary. The Movement was organized July 19, 1902, in response to a definite need expressed by the mission boards for assistance in an educational campaign in the churches. The Board of Managers is made up of twenty secretaries of Home and Foreign Mission Boards, and nineteen laymen from the various churches. All the plans of the movement must be approved by the Board of Managers before they can be executed by the officers.

The aim of the Movement may be briefly stated as follows: To arouse an intelligent interest in Home and Foreign Missions among the younger laymen, members of the young people's societies, and the 14,000,000 members of the Sunday Schools of North America. The agencies for the realization of this aim are: first, the publication of suitable mission study text-books for the younger laymen and the members of the young people's societies; second, the publication of graded text-books and other missionary literature for use in the Sunday School. This literature is all distributed through the mission boards and societies of Canada and the United States.

Another method of educational work is that of holding summer conferences of about ten days' duration, for the training of leaders in missionary work in the churches. Another agency for training leaders is the metropolitan missionary institute, held for three days, during the fall and winter months, in the leading cities.

OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE.

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Bearden Circuit, J. W. Martin.
Henryetta and Dustin, G. W. Martin.
Welectka and Okemah, A. C. Pickens.
Okemah Circuit, to be supplied.
Cowlington Circuit, R. A. Cowan, Supply.
Vian Circuit, P. C. Atkins.
Spaulding Female College, O. B. Staples, President.
Conference Missionary Secretary, O. E. Goddard.

Oklahoma City District.

Presiding Elder, A. L. Scales.
Arcadia Circuit, J. E. Lane, Supply.
El Reno Station, H. C. Garrett.
Franklin Circuit, to be supplied.
Guthrie Station, T. F. Brewer.
McLoud Circuit, D. A. Gregg.
Morrison and Perry, E. H. Creasy.
Norman Station, R. E. L. Morgan.
Oklahoma City; Capitol Hill, C. S. Walker.
Oklahoma City; Epworth, R. S. Satterfield.
Oklahoma City; Oak Park, to be supplied.
Oklahoma City; St. Luke's, P. R. Knickerbocker.
Piedmont Station, James Arvin.
Shawnee Circuit, J. M. Tinkle.
Shawnee; First Church, O. C. Fontaine.
Shawnee; Trinity, G. W. Groce, Supply.
Sparks, J. B. McCance.
Stillwater and Pawnee, J. S. Riley.
Stroud and Davenport, Geo. W. Lewis.
Tecumseh, Jesse Crumpton.
Noble and Shuloh, J. K. Florence.
Lexington, H. H. Everett.
Lurell, C. F. Roberts.
Blanchard, E. D. Farrish.
M. A. Cassidy appointed to Y. M. C. A. work in Argenta, Ark.
Commissioner of Education, W. J. Sims.
Editor Christian Advocate, G. B. Winton.
Editor Western Methodist, P. R. Eaglebarger.

Tulsa District.

Presiding Elder, J. B. McDonald.
Adair Circuit, J. A. Grimes, Supply.
Afton Station, T. O. Shanks.
Blue Jacket and Centralia, J. B. Blackwell.
Chapel Circuit, J. K. Rutledge, Supply.
Chelsea Station, R. A. Crosby.
Claremore Station, to be supplied.
Choteau Station, A. S. Cameron.
Grove Circuit, G. L. Crow.
Inola and Talala, E. E. Lewis.
Spavinaw Circuit, W. M. Leatherwood, Supply.
Pryor Creek Station, W. U. Witt.
Peggs Circuit, W. E. Crook.
Broken Arrow Station, C. W. Myatt.
Tulsa; First Church, J. H. Ball.
Tulsa; Tigert Memorial, E. M. Sweet, Jr.
Sapulpa Station, J. E. Savage.
Bristow Station, T. A. O'Bryant.
Beggs and Mounds, J. M. Russell.
Vinita Station, J. M. Cantrell.
Vinita Circuit, L. R. Jones.
Coweta, W. C. Savage.
Miami and Wyandott, J. H. Denny.
Kansas Circuit, J. P. Evans, Supply.
Welch Circuit, E. L. Young.
Red Fork Circuit, Wm. Buck.
Haskell and Bixby, to be supplied.
Student in Vanderbilt, G. B. Jackson.
Conference Missionary Evangelist, A. M. Brannon.

Weatherford District.

Presiding Elder, W. D. Matthews.
Butler Circuit, H. K. Monroe.
Berlin Circuit, J. W. Nigh.
Cheyenne; W. J. Hale.
Clinton and Arapaho, C. A. Burns.
Cloud Chief Circuit, R. J. McDaniel.
Custer City, G. R. Wright.
Cordell Station, M. L. Roberts.
Cowden Circuit, I. W. Armstrong.
Dexey Circuit, James Lambert.
Elk City Station, W. A. Randle.
Erick and Texola, W. M. Taylor.
Foss Circuit, L. H. Fullingim.
Geary Station, W. A. Nash.
Gip Circuit, to be supplied.
Hammons Circuit, R. J. Hodges.
Pioneer Circuit, J. M. Hogue.
Rocky and Stilwell, H. L. Mauldin.
Roll Circuit, C. W. Hardin.
Savre Station, W. H. Duncan.
Texmo Circuit, H. C. Gullledge.
Weatherford Station, J. C. Fowler.
Wood Circuit, B. T. Sharp.

Guymon District.

Presiding Elder, J. F. Lawliss.
Beaver Circuit, W. A. Douthitt, Supply.
Boyd Circuit, J. D. Z. Munsey, Supply.
Carthage Circuit, C. C. Williams.
Gresham Circuit, W. J. Clark.
Grand Circuit, C. A. Long.
Grand Valley Circuit, R. C. Aubrey.
Guymon Station, A. N. Averytt.
Hooker Station, J. E. Lovett.
Island Circuit, F. C. Soper, Supply.
Midwell, W. P. Meador.
Lockwood Circuit, to be supplied.
Mutual Circuit, W. F. P. Munsey.
Postal Circuit, J. H. Rodgers, Supply.
Texhoma and Goodwell, J. O. Crook.

Tyrone Circuit, E. A. Sample.
Woodward Station, C. L. Canter.
Optima Circuit, H. D. Johnson, Supply.

Kiowa District.

Presiding Elder, C. F. Mitchell.
Ft. Sill, M. A. Clark, Kicking Bird, Supply, Clyde
Cocoa, Supply.
Mt. Scott, T. H. Ward.

Transferred.

E. W. Crump, H. P. Lasley, to the Memphis Conference; H. G. Summers to the Southwest Missouri Conference, and appointed to Montrose Circuit; M. L. Moody, T. A. Lisenby, J. W. R. Bachman, W. S. P. McCullough, J. L. James, to the Northwest Texas Conference; I. M. Woodward, A. B. C. Debnam, to the North Texas Conference; G. W. Hall to the North Alabama Conference; John L. Bray, to the Virginia Conference; J. D. Hunt to the Missouri Conference; W. C. Morris, W. H. Long, Edgar A. Rippey, to the Texas Conference; J. W. Oliver to the St. Louis Conference; G. O. Jewett to the Montana Conference; J. A. Trickey, W. J. Wright, J. M. Wooldridge, to the New Mexico Conference.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOTICES.

Places of Meeting of Boards and Committees, of the Little Rock Conference.

Examining Committees.

First Year—Pastor's Study, Presbyterian church.
Second Year—Auditorium, Presbyterian church.
Third Year—Auditorium, Baptist church.
Fourth Year—Woman's Club Room.
Admissions—Methodist church, second floor.

Boards.

Board of Missions—Auditorium, Presbyterian church.
Board of Church Extension—Pastor's Study, Presbyterian church.
Board of Education, Methodist church, second floor.
Sunday School Board, Baptist church.
Bible Society Board, Woman's Club Room.
Joint Board of Finance, Mrs. Agnes Long's Parlor.
Epworth League Board, Epworth League Room, Methodist church.

Important.

According to resolution at last Conference we will be at Malvern, Tuesday morning to receive statistical reports. Have your reports ready on leaving home and find us in rear of church at once on arriving. No reports received during morning session.

J. M. WORKMAN,
H. S. TRAYLOR,
Statistical Secretaries.

To Members, Delegates and Board Members of the Little Rock Conference.

Dear Brethren: I am mailing to every one of you, whose address I have been able to secure, a folder showing arrangement of Conference entertainment.

By reference to it you will not only ascertain where you will abide while with us, but also who will be with you in your home. Please read it carefully and abide its suggestions. You will please attribute any omissions or misfits, should any occur, to my utter lack of acquaintance with the personnel of the Conference. If you cannot attend the session of the Conference, please advise me of the fact immediately. For weeks I have been overwhelmed with requests.

In so far as I have been able, it has been my great pleasure to grant them. Some I could not comply with.

A hearty welcome awaits you all. If I can serve you in any wise, feel perfectly free to command me.

Yours faithfully,

THOS. J. NORSEWORTHY.

Malvern, Arkansas, November 18, 1907.

Little Rock Conference Notice.

The committee on admission, the class for admission and those who wish to represent any of the applicants, are called to meet at the Methodist church in Malvern, Tuesday, November, 26, at 2 p. m.

W. W. CHRISTIE, Chairman.

Important for Little Rock Conference.

Please say to the preachers of the Little Rock Conference to bring up their collections to Conference either in cash or St. Louis or New York exchange, instead of checks on their local banks as heretofore, as it will be next to impossible for me to handle the latter. I will be at First National Bank, Malvern from Tuesday evening, 26th, and all are urged to call and settle immediately on arrival. Fraternally,

W. K. RAMSEY,
Conference Treasurer.

Class of Third Year—Little Rock Conference.

The Class of the Third Year will meet for examination at the Methodist Church in Malvern, Nov. 26th, at 2:00 p. m. T. P. CLARK, Chairman.

To the Pastors and Epworth Leagues of the Little Rock Conference.

Some of the Leagues have paid their pledges to the Palmore Institute Fund. Let those that are behind on this fund please send it by their pastors to Conference, and I will receipt them.

W. W. CHRISTIE

4th Vice Pres. Little Rock Epworth League Conf.

Class of First Year—Little Rock Conference.

The Committee will meet the Class of the First Year at the Church in Malvern, Tuesday, Nov. 26th, at 2:00 p. m. Let the Class come prepared for written examination.

FORNEY HUTCHINSON.

H. M. BRUCE.

L. M. POWELL, Committee.

To P. E.'s of Little Rock Conference.

Dear Brethren: I request you to please make out and take to Conference for the Sunday School Board, a list of all the new Sunday School Superintendents in your respective districts. I have the lists you sent at the beginning of the year and only where a change was made or a new school established do I wish the name of the superintendent.

GEO. THORNBURGH.

Pres. S. S. Board.

Class of Second Year—Little Rock Conference.

The Class of the Second Year will meet the Committee in the Methodist Church in Malvern, Tuesday, Nov. 26th, at 10 o'clock, 1907.

J. J. COLSON, Chairman.

Class of Fourth Year—Little Rock Conference.

The Class of the Fourth Year will meet for examination at the Church in Malvern, Tuesday, 3 p. m.

J. E. GODBEY, Chairman.

Class for Admission, Little Rock Conference.

Applicants for admission on trial to the Little Rock Conference will meet the committee on examination at the Methodist church in Malvern, Tuesday, Nov. 26th, at ten o'clock in the morning. Most of the examination will be written.

J. H. CUMMINS,

J. D. HAMMONS,

C. J. GREENE,

Committee.

Class of the Second Year—White River Conference.

The Class of the Second Year will meet the Committee in the Methodist church at Corning, Wednesday, December 11th, at 10:15 a. m.

W. L. OLIVER, Chairman.

Class of First Year—White River Conference.

The Class of the First Year will meet the Committee at the Methodist church in Corning, Ark., Wednesday, Dec. 11th, at 10:30 a. m. Come prepared for written examination. Those who have taken the course in the Correspondence School, present your certificate with your written sermon.

W. F. WALKER,

C. H. NEWMAN,

W. E. HALL.

Class of Fourth Year—White River Conference.

The Class of the Fourth Year will please meet the examining committee in the M. E. Church, South, at Corning, Ark., Wednesday morning, December 11th, at 10:45 o'clock. H. G. HENDERSON, Chairman.

White River Conference Notice.

Our Conference opens at Corning, Thursday morning, Dec. 12th. The chairmen of the various committees on examination have agreed to call their committees and classes to meet Wednesday at 10:15 a. m., just after the arrival of train No. 22, from the South. This train gets here at 10:05 a. m. Other trains from the south that stop here are No. 24, which arrives at 6:58 p. m.; No. 8, at 10:42 p. m.; No. 26, at 3:09 a. m.; and No. 10, (from Paragould, Wynne, etc.) at 12:55 a. m. The committee will not meet trains that arrive after midnight. Hope all who can will come on day trains. Let every preacher who expects to bring his wife; any preacher, not serving a pastoral charge, who expects to come; and any layman, not a delegate or member of some Conference Board, expecting to come, please notify me by Dec. 1st, anyway, if not sooner.

A. E. HOLLOWAY, P. C.

Notice to the Preachers of White River Conference.

Dear Brethren: As Conference Treasurer, I want to urge every pastor to hand in his collections to me on the first day of the Conference, and if you can't be there on the first day, send in your money by the presiding elder. Put your Foreign and Domestic Mission money in one envelope, and write the amount for Foreign Missions, \$.....; Domestic Missions, \$....., and write the name of your charge, and district, and sign your name as P. C. Put all the money that goes to the Joint Board in one envelope, which is Bishop's fund, Conference Claimants, printing minutes and delegates to General Conference, carefully stating on the envelope the amount contributed for each fund, and the name of your charge and district. The Church Extension, Education and Children's Day collections put in separate envelopes, also moneys collected for the American Bible Society. Your treasurer will not receive your moneys, unless the above conditions are strictly complied with. I would suggest that the presiding elders get enough envelopes for every preacher in their districts and when necessary assist their preachers in making their reports.

S. L. COCHRAN, Conf. Treas.
Melbourne, Ark., Nov. 1, 1907.

Classified Advertisements.

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Never before in the history of the world was there so much danger on the one hand and blessed opportunity on the other in the possession of riches as now. While debating in their minds, halting, trifling with the problem, very many are called to give an account of their stewardship that ends unexpectedly. A few here and there are choosing the better way, and are thus getting ready to enter into the joy of their Lord.—Bishop O. P. Fitzgerald.

BETTER THAN SPANKING.

Spanking does not cure children of bed wetting. If it did there would be few children would do it. There is a constitutional cause for this. Mrs. M. Summers, Box 393, South Bend, Ind., will send her home treatment to any mother. She asks no money. Write her today if your children trouble you in this way. Don't blame the child. The chances are it can't help it.

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W. M. F. S. Arkansas Conf.

Mrs. P. H. Prince, Editor.

I have been urged by our Conference Secretary, Mrs. Haynesworth, to have the following letter of Miss M. L. Gibson's published in this week's Methodist, in order that it may be of help during our "Week of Prayer." This letter, written by the President of Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, to Mrs. Haynesworth will emphasize what Mrs. Trueheart has already said concerning our urgent needs, and is so important, and to the point, that further words from me could not make it stronger.

Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 7, 1907.

My dear Sister and Fellow Worker: The reports from the Corresponding Secretary in regard to the Treasury at Nashville have doubtless reached you and I am sure that the gravity of the situation has inspired you to effort; but as your President, I feel called of God to add my entreaties that you endeavor to secure so large an ingathering during the week of prayer and by personal and official appeals before December first that the burden that has rested so heavily on our officials at Nashville since the last annual session of the Board may be lifted.

Our missionaries in the field have been embarrassed by the slowness of our response to their needs. In one instance for lack of \$250 repairs necessary for the comfort of the pupils and the proper equipment of the school have been hindered. I feel sure that these embarrassments can be avoided and I have such confidence in you that I believe you will use your utmost effort to relieve the situation.

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May God richly bless you and your associates and make the week of prayer a season of great blessing and increase in numbers and finances. May we all have a joyful thanksgiving because we have proved ourselves to our trust.

Yours in faith and love,
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Dalark Circuit.

I am closing the pastoral limit at Dalark. It is due the work that I say a few things in conclusion.

We have had about 150 conversions during the term, about 125 accessions to the church. Our losses have been heavy. Quite a number of our best men and women have died, and several of our good people have gone to town to the schools. This is a splendid small charge of four churches. We have never had a more pleasant pastoral term than this. It is like breaking heart strings to be taken from these dear people. Happy the man who shall be so fortunate as to come to them in the pastoral office if he shall but come to them to love and serve them.

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which are all past, have been intensely interesting. Our new presiding elder Rev. H. M. Bruce, is a wise leader, and without exception where he came in touch with our people he has been able to inspire them to higher ideas of Christian effort and liberality.

The claims assessed by the Annual Conference are all paid in full for the first time in the history of the charge and the presiding elder and preacher have already received about 20 per cent more than the work paid last year.

We praise God and our good people for kindness and love and help.

Yours in Christ,
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We are going to Spaulding expecting to see it develop into a great woman's college. Why should it not be so? With the exception of one private school this is the only female college in this great new State. Shall we as a church not enter this open door, and make of this the leading woman's college of the great Southwest?

To accomplish this great result one thing only is needful; namely, that every pastor in our conference shall pray and talk and work for this school. Brethren, will you stand by and see our girls with their money and influence and sympathies go away to Texas, and Missouri and Arkansas and other places for their training? We have the material resources within our own borders; and we have the girls within the homes of our people. Let us all make a strong, long pull together, and build up an institution which shall be the pride not only of every Methodist, but of every loyal, patriotic, Oklahoman.

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El Dorado, Ark.

Editors Western Methodist: As the conference year draws to a close I rejoice to recount as some of the assets of the year: The pleasant association with and helpful co-operation of as good and loyal a congregation as can be found in the conference; the raising and paying out of about \$1200 on church and parsonage repairs and improvements and some small but long deferred church indebtedness; the reception of about 50 members into the church; and though the assessments for both the benevolent claims and the support of the ministry were increased 20 per cent over those of last year, everything will be paid in full.

We were delighted to have Dr. R. P. Wilson with us in a ten days' meeting the first part of October. His pulpit ministrations were of a high order, he preaches the old time doctrines of Methodism with great power, and my people were helped and delighted. And while we had no ingathering it was a time of gracious seed sowing and we confidently look for a harvest later on. His many friends and admirers here join others of his friends in the conference in wishing that he may decide to cast his lot with us in our State and conference.

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Laymen's Missionary Movement.

Representatives of the Laymen's Missionary Movement were on tour during October in the middle West, holding missionary meetings for men. In some cases they report surprising developments. One hundred of Topeka's prominent business men gathered by invitation for a dinner on the evening of October 19th. After addresses by Mr. J. Campbell White, General Secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, and Mr. William T. Ellis, of the editorial staff of the Philadelphia Press, the men present took up the subject of Topeka's relation to Foreign Missions. It was found that the churches have been contributing between \$7,000 and \$8,000 a year for foreign missions. A representative committee was appointed which proposed that this sum be increased three-fold or to \$25,000 within the coming year. A hundred men heartily ratified the proposition and have entered upon the campaign to raise the amount, if possible, within sixty days.

At St. Joseph, the meeting was even more remarkable. It was reported that the city, which has about 12,000 church members, gave last year \$127,000 for home expenses and work, and \$12,000 for foreign work. The committee appointed met at luncheon and recommended that this amount be increased about four-fold, raising \$50,000 within the year for the foreign field. The recommendation of the committee was very cordially endorsed by

a large audience of men representing all the churches. A committee of influential business men has undertaken to organize the canvass. It will be a new thing under the sun for a committee consisting of a Baptist and a Presbyterian, to go to a Methodist and solicit his larger support of the work of his own church. But this is the sort of thing which men of all denominations will experience in connection with this concerted effort.

One of the things about the Laymen's Movement that appeals most strongly to the men of all the churches, is that it does not ask for a dollar for itself. The working expenses of the Movement are met by a few men who thoroughly believe in it, and no general appeal for funds is ever made. The whole purpose of the movement is to enlist the men of all churches in the adequate support of their own denominational missionary work. Every dollar contributed is to be given through regular denominational channels. Following the custom of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, there were no pledges made or subscriptions taken at these meetings.

Similar Men's Interdenominational Meetings will be held in St. Louis, November 18th and 19th, Louisville, November 22nd, Nashville, November 23rd and 24th, Memphis November 25th and 26th, Knoxville, November 27th, Atlanta, November 29th to December 1st, Charlotte, December 3rd, Norfolk and Richmond, December 4th to 6th.

"Do the Next Thing."

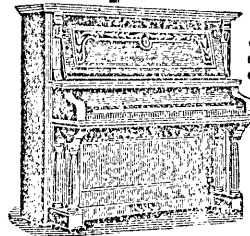
In a certain club, composed mostly of factory girls, there was one of a remarkably high order of intelligence who was, as a result, terribly dissatisfied with her work in the mill, and woefully unhappy because she had to stay there. She was a Christian, but had worried herself into a state where her religion didn't help her much, and where everything was twisted out of its right relations. Finally, in despair of ever being happy or at peace again, she told the trouble to a friend, one of the leaders of the club. Her friend said: "Possibly the reason God keeps you working in the mill is because he has something he wants you to do for him there. Be sure you don't lose any opportunities." A few days later the girl said: "Miss —, I've been thinking of what you said, and there is only one girl beside myself in my room in the mill who's a Christian." "Well," said her friend, "there's your chance. You will get happier by serving Christ than in any other way, and now he's shown you how to serve him right in the mill." Before six weeks had passed, that girl had talked of Christ to almost every girl in the room. One day she came to the leader with the light of heaven in her face, and told her that two of them had come to Christ. She loved her work now; there was no more lamenting over the dreariness of the mill. She had found perfect peace and happiness in telling the story of what Christ has done for her; and even as she told it, he was delivering her.—Mabel Dodge Holmes, in Sunday School Times.

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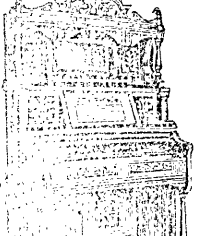
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expenditures \$689. According to this no preacher should receive less than \$751 a year, but F. M. Barton, publisher of the Expounder, estimates that one-third of the preachers in the country receive an average of less than \$400 a year from their churches. Thirteen trades in New York pay their workmen \$1,200 a year. Five of the thirteen Methodist preachers receive less than \$350. In Idaho, six of the twenty Congregational preachers receive less than \$400. Of the forty-four Methodist preachers in Idaho, twenty-three receive less than \$400. Mr. Barton says that "If people would spend as much on religion as they do either for tobacco, amusements or intoxicating liquors, no pastor would receive less than \$600, while another third (of the pastors) would receive \$1,200 a year, and the other third \$1,800 a year." But according to the amounts expended for various purposes, the average American cares several times as much for tobacco, amusements and liquor as he cares for religion. A pastor in Pennsylvania has been obliged to leave the pastorate owing to increased expenses of living.—North-Western Christian Advocate.

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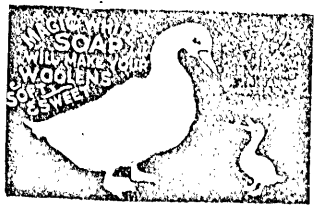
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Summary Twenty-Ninth Annual Report, Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, M. E. C. S., 1907

(Continued from last week.)

Death entered the ranks of our missionary force in China last year, and one of our best-beloved and most valuable missionaries, Miss June Nicholson, of South Carolina, was translated to her heavenly home in February, 1907. Miss Virginia Atkinson, after an absence of eight years in China, is now in the home land for rest. Miss Arrena Carroll, of Korea, is also home on furlough. So are Miss Ella Leveritt, of China; Miss Perkinson, Miss Stewart, and Miss Della Wright, of Brazil; and Miss Laura V. Wright, of Mexico. Miss Annie Churchill was transferred from Mexico City to Laredo, Tex. Miss Cessna, of Cuba, resigned because of ill health. Miss Willie Bowman of Brazil, married. So also did Miss Mary Knowles, of Korea.

Rev. Charles Mitchell and wife will have charge of Methvin Institute, and will superintend the farm connected therewith. This gives promise of a fair income to the school.

The Searitt Bible and Training School, in Kansas City, Mo., cannot be too highly recommended, not only for the valuable help given the students in Bible study but in special preparation in all branches of domestic and Church industry.

In the Woman's Medical College, in Philadelphia, Pa., Miss Carrie Weaver Smith, of North Georgia, is entering upon her second term, and Miss Love, of Virginia, expects to enter in September for preparation as a medical missionary also.

The forward movement as it is called, has found great favor among the societies, and a demand for missionaries as specials is greater than the supply. The "living link" brings an inspiration, an enthusiasm that tells powerfully upon the rapid growth as well as the spiritual life of the organization. A Conference Society cannot be indifferent to the comfort and support of a missionary who in some sense depends upon its care and liberality. The daily prayers of the membership, as well as the special petitions of the adopted missionary, bring the two into vital contact at a throne of grace. The following ladies have been recommended for appointment and will repair to their various stations during the months of August and September, 1907.

1. Miss Eunice Fletcher Andrew, of Nashville, Tenn., to Brazil.
2. Miss Linnie Barcroft, of Holly Springs, Miss., to the City of Mexico.
3. Miss Martha Ivie Batey, Murfreesboro, Tenn., to Korea.
4. Miss Nell Davis Drake, Port Gibson, Miss., to China.
5. Miss Alma Eusebia Jones, Webb City, Mo., to Mexico.
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8. Miss Augusta May Dye, Plano, Texas, to Brazil.

9. Miss May Agnes Ruff, Wallacerville, S. C., to Cuba.

10. Miss Ruby Kendrick, Plano, Tex., to Korea.

11. Mrs. Emily E. Runyon, M.D., of Richmond, Va., to China.

12. Mrs. S. S. Harris, Citra, Fla., missionary teacher to China.

These ladies will add much to the valuable corps of missionaries in the foreign field; and to equip and send them out, as well as to support them in their several stations, should be a labor of love cheerfully given.

The annual session of the Woman's Board opened with no debt resting upon it; and while much more work and greatly pressing and larger demands will come upon the societies the coming year, the divine help, direction, and protection are promised all who go forward in faith and cheerful service, so that the demands will be met and the next annual session be a time of rejoicing, as was the last.

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The Immoralities of the Theatre.

It is argued by theatre-goers that the plays enacted on the stage so vividly portray the consequences of wrongdoing and rewards of virtue as to entitle it to a place among the moral forces of the country. Devout people pay no attention to this arrogant assumption. The world and poor, backsliding church members may be deceived thereby, but the children of the light know darkness when they see it. William Winter, who for over forty years has been the dramatic critic of the New York Tribune, surely knows enough about the so-called morals of the plays to testify thereof. His statement is a severe arraignment of the theatre as a dispenser of morals. He says: "The process of teaching moral lessons by depicting the filthy minutiae of vice has done more harm than any single force that ever was let loose in the realms of literature and art. The specification of those celebrated 'wages of sin' has directed far more practical attention to the 'sin' than it ever did to the 'wages.' There never was a greater error of belief than the notion that the knowledge of evil will keep human beings from doing evil. Wrong is done every day and by nearly everybody,

with the full consciousness that it is wrong and that it ought not to be done. Plays that introduce an audience into the society of the disreputable serve only to familiarize the minds of that audience with disreputable persons and nasty themes. No thoughtful person ever carried away from such plays anything but a feeling of contempt for human nature and of humiliation in the consciousness of being a member of the human race. Many persons—particularly the young—carry away from them a mischievous curiosity about courtesans; a morbid interest in amatory intrigue, and the wild notion that has been the ruin of so many lives that 'love' is above law. That is the reason why those plays are immoral. The tag at the end of your filthy screed does not in the least modify or ameliorate the misleading, debasing, wicked influences, which your filthy screed diffuses. This has been said here, and said as explicitly and strongly as possible, and this is true and ought to be said; and the necessity for saying this has been forced by the multiplicity of rotten and pernicious plays—plays which diffuse a subtle contamination as deleterious as impure air, as insidious as smallpox, and as loathsome."—Selected.

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FROM OUR FIELD EDITOR.

Rev. D. J. Weems.

Just before Conference I took a flying trip, taking in Cabot, Beebe, Searcy, Des Are, DeVal's Bluff, Hazen, Carlisle, Asbury, Little Rock, and Gardner Memorial, Argenta.

At each place the preachers were busy getting ready for conference, but most of them took time to pilot the field editor, and thus contribute much to my success. Everywhere we secured several renewals, and in all fifty new subscribers to the Western Methodist. Many good people realize they cannot afford to do without their church organ if money matters are a little disturbed. Thirty years ago I heard Bishop Wightman advise the preachers never to listen to the cry of hard times when there was church work to be done. Go at it with faith and courage and success will follow. I have found it so.

Arkansas Conference.

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ment hearty and royal; the friendships cordial and brotherly. My home was with Dr. and Mrs. Wyatt. Bishop Hendrix's morning talks on friendship were a rich treat, and did much to direct the animus of the brethren. The Bishop himself was so spiritual, we felt it was good to be there. The preaching was well done.

The love feast Sunday morning conducted by Dr. Bull, was indeed a feast of love. Many of us will remember this as one of the most delightful conferences we ever attended.

After Conference.

Monday several of us went to Centerton, where Bishop Hendrix preached and dedicated the church. The church is a credit to the liberality of the community. The Bishop and several of us were treated to an elegant dinner at the home of Sister Fair. We are indebted to Bishop Hendrix for some complimentary remarks about the Western Methodist.

Fayetteville.

By the aid of that prince of preachers, P. C. Fletcher, though it was the coldest day of the season, we rushed through the city and did a land office business for the paper.

Tuesday night was spent with my friend, the Honorable A. F. Wolf, in the Arkansas World's Fair Building, which he purchased and moved to Fayetteville.

Passing through Van Buren, I ran in a few moments to see my dear Bro. Ferguson, and, Sister Dickson who, having passed three score and ten years are meekly waiting to hear the bell on the other shore. What a comfort our religion is in old age, and what a pleasure the hope of a joyous re-union.

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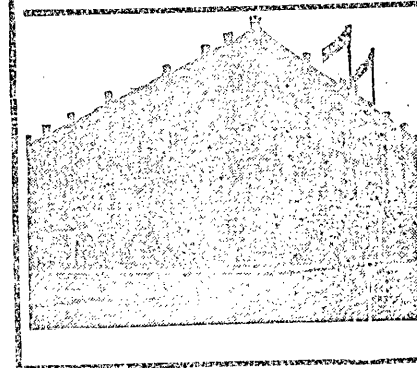
Newark, Ark.

By invitation of the pastor, Rev. S. L. Cochran, of Melbourne, one among the strongest doctrinal preachers we have in the State, came to us on the second Sunday in the month, and delivered five scriptural and historical discourses on the perpetuity of the church and infant baptism, on justification by faith, and the mode of baptism. He divided these into five sermons. He did his work well, and without giving offense to any other churchman who heard him. And many of the Baptist and Campbellite churches came. Eld. J. L. Brown, pastor of the Baptist church, heard him in three sermons, and, while he did not endorse the sermons, or the doctrine, he publicly commended Brother Cochran for his Christian spirit towards others of different views. The work done by Bro. Cochran has strengthened and established our young converts in the doctrines of Methodism. His old friends greeted him with a good welcome, he having served here as pastor for two terms, three years at one time, and two at another. He will take up a good report at our conference. Yes, we will all be heading that way soon. Some ready, and some not ready. Over here, the thing is about ready. The report from this aged work will have a snap about it that indicates life. This is what all these old charges up in these hills need, new life, by grace and consecration. The raw material is here by the loads, and men who want to glorify

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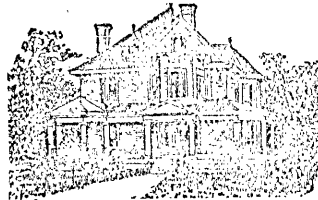
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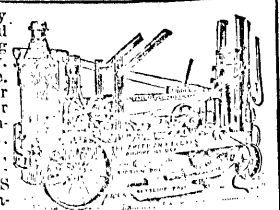
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Goodwin Circuit.....Nov. 23-24
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McCrory at DeVine.....Dec. 7-8
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JONESBORO DISTRICT—4TH ROUND.

Lake City.....Nov. 23-24
Bay and Market Tree.....Nov. 28
Cotton Belt.....Nov. 30-Dec. 1
Jonesboro, First Church.....Dec. 7-8
Jonesboro, Second Church.....Dec. 8-9
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SEARCY DISTRICT—FOURTH ROUND.

Gardner Memorial.....Nov. 23-24
Dye Memorial.....Nov. 24-25
Newport Station.....Nov. 30-Dec. 1
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Yellville Sta.,Dec. 1-2
Leslie Sta., 7 p. m.Dec. 4
Valley Springs ct., at V. S.Dec. 7-8
Fairview ct., at E. 7 p. m.Dec. 12
Kingston ct., at K.Dec. 13
Huntsville ct., at H.Dec. 14-15
Bellefonte & Marshall at B.Dec. 21-22
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Gravelly & Bluffton at B.Nov. 23-24
Rover ct., at Rover.....Nov. 24-25
Ola Mission at Ola.....Nov. 26
Danville ct., at D.Nov. 27
Belleville ct., at Belleville.....Nov. 28
Walnut Tree ct., at Camila ..Nov. 30-Dec. 1

Dardanelle ct., at Fields' Chapel ... Dec. 3
Dardanelle Station.....Dec. 4
Ozark ct., at Pleasant Grove.....Dec. 5
Ozark Station.....Dec. 6
Roseville & Webb City at Cecil ... Dec. 7-8
Altus and Denning at Altus.....Dec. 8-9
Coal Hill & Hartman at C. H.Dec. 10
Spadra Mission at S.Dec. 11-12
Prairie View ct., at P. V.Dec. 14-15
Clarksville Station.....Dec. 15-16
Clarksville ct., at Hays' Chapel.....Dec. 17
Lamar Station.....Dec. 18
London and Knoxville at L.Dec. 19
Dover ct. at Dover.....Dec. 21-22
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MORRILTON DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND.

Conway Ct., at Macedonia.....Nov. 23-24
Springfield Ct., at Shady Grove.....Nov. 30
Bee Branch Ct., at Damascus.....Dec. 1-2
Flat Rock Ct., at Flat Rock, 11 a. m. Dec. 3
Quitman Sta., 7 p. m.Dec. 3
Quitman Ct., at Beckett S. H., 11 a. m. Dec. 4
Holland Ct., at Pleasant Valley, 11 a. m. Dec. 5
Clinton Ct., at Scotland.....Dec. 7
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Plumerville Ct., at P.Dec. 21-22
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Mulberry Ct., at Shiloh.....Nov. 24-25
Van Buren Ct., at East End.....Nov. 27
Hackett Ct., at Hackett.....Nov. 28
Waldron Ct., at Square Rock.....Nov. 30
Waldron Station.....Dec. 1
Bates Ct., at Bates.....Dec. 2
Hartford Ct., at Hartford.....Dec. 4
Branch Ct., at Caulksville.....Dec. 7-8
Paris Station.....Dec. 8
Charleston Ct., at Charleston.....Dec. 9
Ft. Smith at Lavaca.....Dec. 10
Huntington and Mansfield.....Dec. 13
Abbott Ct., at Golden City.....Dec. 14
Booneville Station.....Dec. 15
Magazine Ct., at Magazine.....Dec. 16
Central Church.....Dec. 22
Washburn Ct., at Oak Grove.....Dec. 28
Greenwood Station.....Dec. 29
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The Next Step.

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A little waiting ensued. Then a brother in the rear of conference, not accustomed to speaking in business proceedings, addressed the chair in a shrill voice, startling to every one, and said: "Mr. President, I move that we now proceed to burn him!"

The effect was electrical. From the profoundest solemnity the conference was convulsed with laughter. The brother was called forward, explained his position, promised to avoid questionable speculations in the future, his character was passed, and his work was continued.

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Paint the face in ghastly hues.
Muscles and sinew
May not continue
To hold their wounded, haughty pride,
The while I through the system glide;
Slowly I my purpose wreak,
Slowly fades the blooming cheek.
Gloomy fancies I suggest,
Fill with tears the hardy breast.
The limbs then fail,
The lamp burns dim,
Life hears death's hail,
And answers him,
Heart and liver, lungs and brain,
All their powers lose again
And yield to me;
And I! and I!
Laugh and see
My victim die.

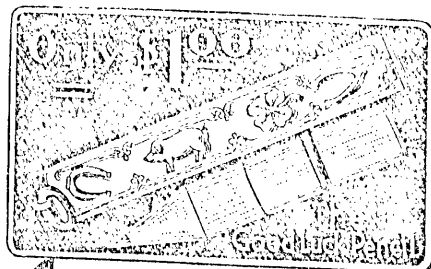
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"What does this mean, Bobbie?" asked his father.

"I was late to school," said Bobbie, who knew that his mother had seen him leave the house in good season each day. "The teacher rang the bell when I was just in the yard, but—but I couldn't run." Bobbie was near to tears, but he was winking manfully.

"Well, that is rather bad," said papa, gravely. "I don't want my son to grow up into a man who is always behind time. Now I am going to be very severe. I shall not tell you tonight what the punishment will be, but unless you can show me a good reason why you were late—" "I can show it!" cried Bobbie. "I can show it! You just wait."

He ran out of the room, and soon came running back, holding in his hands the smallest mite of a kitten. It was poor and scragly and forsaken in appearance. Its large, frightened eyes fixed themselves on Bobbie's papa as if pleading for him.

"This little cat was bound to follow me, and I tried to get away, and I kept putting him over the fence and running very, very hard, but he just jumped over and stuck his claws in my pants until I had to leave him with the lady in the candy shop until school was done, and then I brought him home. That was the reason," Bobbie finished, all out of breath.

Papa put on his glasses and looked at the kitten. Something in its forlorn, frightened face touched him. "Well, I think we shall have to forgive you this time," he said. "Now would better feed him on cream awhile!"

"Then I needn't have that punishment—that one that was too awful to think up?" asked Bobbie.

"No, that is all forgiven," said papa.—The Southern Presbyterian.

Why the Boy Leaves the Farm.

By One Who Knows.

First: The constant stream of talk about hard times and the yearly failure of the crops. Always and over after the last cent. If the barn is on the opposite side of the road to the house, the intervening space looking like a junk shop.

Yesterday I drove past such a scene of desolation. Old harrow, old wagon, two old plows, a broken-down roller, and through these had sprung up the finest crop of burdocks that you could imagine. The dooryard was full of weeds and when the lad said to the father: "I guess that I will slick up this old yard," the reply was, "Never mind it, there is no money in slicking up!" The lad knew how much money was placed in the bank that very year. This kind of disparaging talk, with a constantly increasing bank account, disgusts the lad, and he determines to

seek comfort and prosperity elsewhere.

Second: Everlasting drudgery. I was driving very early to a district conference. The morning stars had just deserted the top of the hill, and the king of day was fast taking his place, when I heard the bars being let down by a lad of about seventeen. Waiting to be let through was a most discouraged looking team. The shame of it all! Farmers' teams should be always fat and spirited; the farmers have everything at first cost. But all are of the same piece—the farmer and his wife, the hired man and the boy; the only happy thing on such a farm is the lamb before it has to grub for itself.

I said to this lad, "Where are you going so early in the morning?"

He replied, "Do you see that plow on the hillside yonder? Well, I'm going up there, and I shall plow until half-past eleven, and then I shall be at it again at two and work until dark. But I tell you one thing, just as soon as I can I shall leave the farm. I'm tired out all the time, and I haven't decent clothes and can't go anywhere. I won't stay when I'm my own boss."

I watched the discouraged boy and the discouraged team as they plodded their weary way up the hillside that fall morning. And I thought, no wonder the morning star withdrew from such a scene. I pitied the lad from my heart. No need of such conditions.

Third: Thoughtless dishonesty. Not many weeks since, this fact was tearfully related to me:

I said to the lad of fourteen, "Have you a colt of your own?"

"Not now. I had one last year. Father gave me a little colt, and said that if I would take care of it I might have it for myself. For two years and over we were great friends. He grew strong and beautiful. I taught him a few tricks, such as nodding his head for oats, shaking hands for water; we were great friends. But he was too fine, father said, for the farm, and one day a man came along and offered father ninety dollars for the colt, a great price. Father took it, and when he saw how badly I felt, he promised to make it all right with me. But I have never seen one dollar of that money. When the man led off the colt I went behind the barn and had a good cry, and when I came to the lane and looked over into the pasture where the colt used to be I said to myself: 'Well, I won't stay here forever. I'll go to the city where I can have my own money.'"

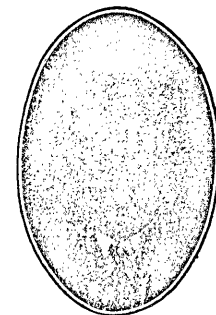
I comforted the lad as well as I could, but I found that the dew had settled upon the eyelashes of both of us.

Fourth: The desolate room. Just take a peep in from the door. You can take it all in at one glance. A rickety old bedstead, one wooden chair, no mirror, no picture, not one single attractive feature about it. The lad steals away to this desolate chamber as the hens go to roost at night, and is up with them in the morning. He pulls on his scant clothing and yawns away out to the hillsides for the cows, and at a quarter after five they are

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