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Malvern, Ark., Nov. 27th, 1907.

The Little Rock Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, convened in its 54th session in the Methodist church in Malvern, Ark., at 9 a. m., Nov. 27th, Bishop Seth Ward, presiding.

Hymn No. 560 was sung, Bishop led in prayer and read a selection from the 11th chapter First Corinthians; hymn No. 309 was sung and W. M. Hayes led in prayer.

J. H. Hinemon, the secretary of the last conference called the roll, and was again elected secretary; W. J. Pinson, assistant secretary; J. M. Workman, statistical secretary, with J. H. Cummins, H. A. Woods, and S. C. Dean as assistants; A. P. Few, recording secretary; and W. P. Whaley, railroad secretary.

The auditorium was fixed as the bar of the conference, and the time of the session was fixed from nine to twelve in the forenoon.

D. P. Forsythe took the place of Lem Kirkpatrick, lay delegate from Little Rock District, and R. A. Hanna took the place of J. L. DeLoney of Texarkana district.

Presiding elders nominated the standing committees and the conference confirmed the nominations.

Communications from the following were presented and referred to the proper committees and boards: Church Extension Department, Epworth League Department, Trustees of the M. E. Church, South, Publishing House, Sunday School Editor, Trustees Arkansas Methodist Orphanage.

Communication from the Missionary Secretaries read and referred to the conference board of missions.

On motion of R. W. McKay it was decided to appoint a committee to consider the practicability of establishing a Methodist hospital for Arkansas.

W. F. Evans made a motion that a committee be appointed to consider the advisability of appointing a history commission for the Little Rock Conference.

F. P. Doak was granted a leave of absence.

The following were introduced to conference: Rev. T. E. Sharp, D.D., transfer from the St. Louis Conference; Rev. J. D. Sibert, E. M. Pipkin and M. B. Umsted of the White River Conference; Rev. W. P. Gibson of the St. Louis Conference; Rev. R. P. Wilson, D.D., of the Pacific Conference; Rev. Jas. A. Anderson, LL.D., Editor of the Western Methodist.

Question 20, regular order of business was raised, "Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?"

The names of A. C. Millar, W. W. Christie, B. B. Thomas, J. W. Harrell, H. M. Bruce, W. R. Harrison and T. O. Owen were called, they made their reports and their characters passed.

The names of H. R. Withers, E. Garrett, J. M. Cline, R. J. Raiford, R. C. Atchley, J. M. D. Sturgis, E. N. Watson, H. Townsend, H. Jewell, W. J. Davis, J. W. Vantrease, E. L. Beard, J. E. Caldwell, J. C. Rhodes, F. C. Cannon, and O. H. Keadle were called, their characters passed and they were referred to

the Committee on Conference Relations for the superannuate relation.

The names of H. D. Kinnon and C. C. Godden were called and they were likewise referred for the same relation.

The name of C. D. McSwain was called and was referred to the same committee for the supernumerary relation.

Dr. Jas. A. Anderson addressed the conference in reference to his work.

Question 6 was called, "Who are received by transfer from other conferences?" Frank Barrett from White River and T. E. Sharp from the St. Louis conference.

Bishop Ward announced the following committees on the Arkansas Methodist hospital: L. B. Leigh, T. E. Sharp, T. S. Busbee, A. Curl, and W. F. Evans; and the following as a history commission of the Little Rock Conference, Horace Jewell, J. H. Riggin and H. H. Watson.

Rev. James Thomas was introduced to the conference and made a statement as to his work as commissioner of education.

The Committee on Public Worship announced that Bishop Ward would preach at the Methodist church tomorrow and Dr. Sharp at the Presbyterian church.

## Second Day.

Conference met at nine o'clock, Bishop Ward presiding.

Rev. J. D. Sibert of the White River Conference conducted the devotional exercises.

The roll of absentees was called, and by motion further calling of the roll was dispensed with.

Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved. A communication from the General Board of Education also a communication from Bishop E. Cottrell of C. M. E. Church were referred to the conference board of education.

Question first was raised "Who are admitted on trial?"

Henry F. Buhler, recommended from the Little Rock District; William T. Menard, John T. Rogers and Terry M. Armstrong, recommended from the Pine Bluff district; Harry L. Simpson, recommended from the Texarkana district, each having stood an approved examination were admitted on trial into the traveling connection.

Frank Hopkins from the Texarkana district and John Caleb Williams from the Camden district were likewise admitted.

A communication from the Anti-Saloon League of Arkansas was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Question 5 was called "Who are readmitted." Ans. None.

Question 2 was called "Who remain on trial?" John J. McKimmon, Don C. Holman, made their reports, their characters passed, their examinations being approved, they were advanced to the class of the second year. Ernest P. Sewell made his report, character passed, and he was continued in the class of the first year.

Question 7 being called, "Who are the deacons of one year?" J. C. Hooks, Leander W.

Evans, Claude Drear, Harry E. Van Camp, and Edward J. Slaughter, made their report, their characters passed, and having passed an approved examination, they were advanced to the class of the fourth year. Caldwell C. Green and Frank T. Heatley were called, their characters passed and they were continued in the class of the third year.

Question 8, "What traveling preachers are elected deacons?" All in this class being already deacons, Milton K. Irvin, local elder, W. A. Lewis and L. E. N. Hundley already deacons, their characters passed, they were advanced to the class of the third year. John E. Waddell, a local elder of this class, character passed, continued in the class of the second year.

Question 10, "What local preachers are elected deacons?" W. F. Long, from the Little Rock District; William T. Menard, from the Pine Bluff district; Cornelius R. Shelton from the Arkadelphia district, being duly recommended, were elected local deacons.

Question 14, "What local preachers are elected elders?" Ans. None.

Question 12, "What traveling preachers are elected elders?" The names of Hugh Reveley and John L. Cannon, elders, were called, their characters passed, their examinations being approved. Lee J. Riddling, character passed, examination approved, elected to elders orders.

Moffet J. Rhodes and Philip S. Hearon, characters passed, and they were continued in the class of the fourth year.

W. T. Menard was put in the place of J. H. Cummins on the auditing committee.

J. H. Hinemon was granted a leave of absence for tomorrow.

Conference adjourned for Thanksgiving service.

Bishop Ward preached the Thanksgiving sermon at the Methodist church to a crowded house. The sermon was a strong deliverance upon civic righteousness and was greatly enjoyed. Dr. T. E. Sharp delivered a fine sermon at the Presbyterian church, dwelling much on the mercies of God upon this nation as shown in the history of a great people. The deliverance was worthy of the man and of the occasion.

## Third Day.

Conference convened at 9 a. m., Bishop Ward presiding. A. O. Evans conducted religious exercises; minutes were read and approved.

Dr. W. F. McMurry, Secretary of the General Board of Church Extension was introduced and addressed the conference. A special collection amounting to about \$700.00 was taken for church building in Oklahoma.

J. W. Tucker was put on the committee on temperance, also on the committee on church finance in the place of W. T. Wooldridge.

George Thornburgh was elected editor and publisher of the minutes. Under question 6, the transfer of W. M. Hardin, an elder from the South Carolina Conference; G. W. Hively, a deacon of one year from the Louisiana Conference; and Stonewall Anderson, an elder

from the White River Conference, was announced; the last named was introduced to the conference.

Under question 20, the character of W. M. Crowson was passed and his name was referred to the committee on conference relations for the superannuate relation.

The characters of the following were passed: R. W. McKay, Forney Hutchinson, W. A. Swift, R. G. Rowland, Barnett Wright, J. H. McKelvey, J. D. Hammons, W. A. Lewis, F. N. Brewer, A. C. Galtam, J. F. Taylor, T. Y. Ramsey, W. C. Watson, J. D. May, R. A. McClintock, C. W. Drake, W. M. Hayes, J. H. Bradford, B. F. Scott, M. O. Barnett, W. J. Rogers, S. W. Rainey, J. J. Mellard, W. F. Lassiter, R. B. McSwain, T. E. Sharp, A. M. Shaw, T. H. Ware, B. A. Few, Wilson Moore, J. A. Sage, J. R. Sanders, W. C. Hilliard, J. H. Riggan, A. Turrentine, J. J. Menefee, E. P. Clark, J. J. Colson, C. J. Green, J. L. Johnston.

Rev. R. G. Waterhouse, D.D., president Emory and Henry College, representing the general board of education; P. R. Eaglebarger, one of the editors of the Western Methodist, and D. J. Weems; field editor; and Z. D. Lindsey, a transfer from the White River Conference, were introduced to the conference.

Committee on books and periodicals made report number 1 commendatory of the Western Methodist. After full discussion Dr. Jas. A. Anderson, editor, addressed the conference and the report was adopted.

The name of C. C. Green was called, under question 7, his character passed and he was advanced to the class of the fourth year.

Dr. T. E. Sharp took the place of W. F. Andrews on the Sunday School Board and W. P. Whaley was added to the board of education.

J. L. Johnston, R. G. Rowland and J. A. Baker were granted leave of absence.

Committee on public worship announced a temperance mass meeting for 3 p. m. and that the educational mass meeting would be held tonight.

Conference adjourned, benediction by Dr. Waterhouse.

#### Fourth Day.

Conference met at 9 o'clock, Bishop Ward presiding. Devotional exercises were conducted by Dr. J. E. Godbey. Minutes of the previous day's session were read and approved.

J. S. Hawkins, who was located at the last session of the conference for unacceptability, in his absence and without previous notification, asked for a rehearing of his case under paragraph 281 of the Discipline. The complaint of unacceptability was withdrawn and J. S. Hawkins was granted a location at his own request.

W. K. Ramsey, the Conference Treasurer, made his report, and on motion the conference gave a vote of thanks and appreciation of his services. J. H. McKelvey of Bryant made the banner financial report, J. A. Parker of Okolona, being a close second. Each had an excess over all claims. The Arkadelphia District led on the regular collections; but counting in special collection, the Little Rock District led.

Under question 17, C. D. McSwain was granted the supernumerary relation. All of those who had been referred for the superannuated relation, as shown in former report, were granted the superannuated relation, under question 18.

The credentials of Frank Hopkins, an elder from the Holiness church of Christ, and of J. W. Shinn, an elder from the Cumberland Presbyterian church, both being recommended from the Texarkana District Conference, were recognized.

Under question 3, "Who are discontinued?"

J. F. Mitchell was discontinued at his own request.

Dr. W. W. Pinson, one of the Missionary Secretaries, was introduced to the conference.

The committee on the Arkansas Methodist Hospital made its report, recommending that the Bishop appoint five commissioners on the part of the Little Rock Conference to act with like commissions from the other two conferences in this State. L. B. Leigh, T. E. Sharp, M. B. Corrigan, W. K. Ramsey, and E. W. Frost were appointed.

The committee on the American Bible Society made its report which was adopted.

Under question 4, Milton K. Irvin, Louis E. N. Hundley, and William A. Lewis, after a charge from the Bishop, were admitted into full connection in the conference.

The Undergraduates announced the selection of Rev. W. M. Hayes to preach their sermon at the next conference.

On motion of R. W. McKay it was decided to hold an afternoon session at 2:30 p. m.

Reports from the Joint Board of Finance, the Arkansas Methodist Orphanage and the Committee on Finance were read, the two first



Rev. Thomas J. Norsworthy, Host of the Conference.

were adopted, the last laid on the table subject to call.

J. H. Hinemon resigned as secretary, and W. J. Pinson was elected to take his place.

The committee on Public Worship announced that the missionary anniversary would be held tonight, and at the same hour, B. A. Few would preach at the Second Baptist church.

Conference adjourned with the benediction by Stonewall Anderson.

#### Afternoon Session.

Conference met pursuant to adjournment, Bishop Ward presiding, Dr. Sharp conducting the religious exercises and Rev. W. P. Gibson leading in prayer. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved. Joint Board of Finance made its report No. 2 which was adopted.

Question 45, "Where shall the next session of the conference be held?" After a spirited contest Winfield Memorial church, Little Rock, was chosen.

Question 20 was resumed and the characters of the following were passed: R. R. Moore, F. F. Harrell, David Bolls, W. F. Ev-

ans, M. K. Rogers, J. W. Keithly, C. O. Steele, J. W. White, H. H. Watson, F. P. Doak, W. C. Toombs, J. M. Workman, A. O. Evans, J. L. Leonard, G. W. Logan, M. B. Corrigan, J. H. Cummins, M. W. Mannville, J. R. Rushing, F. E. Dodson, Thomas J. Norsworthy, E. F. Wilson, J. D. Dunn, J. W. Berry, L. M. Powell, S. W. Rainey, J. E. Godbey, and D. D. Warlick.

Dr. Godbey and D. D. Warlick were given a leave of absence.

Z. T. McCann from St. Louis Conference, Bro. Harding from the South Carolina Conference and C. H. Gregory from the Arkansas Conference were introduced.

The report from the committee on Finance was taken from the table and adopted.

J. H. Hinemon was granted a leave of absence, and D. J. Mann was seated in his stead. Conference extended a vote of thanks to Bro. Hinemon for his services as secretary.

At the request of the Bishop W. F. Evans took the chair.

On motion of R. W. McKay 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon was set for memorial service; and on motion of J. H. Hinemon it was provided that a memorial to Major H. A. Butler, one of our honored laymen, should be presented at that service.

The committee on Public Worship made the following announcement for tomorrow:

Methodist church, 11 a. m. Bishop Ward; 3 p. m. Memorial service; 7 p. m. Dr. W. W. Pinson.

Presbyterian church, 11 a. m. Stonewall Anderson; 7 p. m. T. Y. Ramsey.

First Baptist church, 11 a. m. Dr. R. P. Wilson; 7 p. m. Forney Hutchinson.

Second Baptist church, 11 a. m. W. P. Whaley; 7 p. m. W. A. Swift.

Perla, 3 p. m. Thomas O. Owen.

Rockport, 11 a. m. J. F. Taylor.

Social Hill, 11 a. m. C. W. Drake.

Little Rock, Winfield Memorial, 11 a. m. A. O. Evans; Asbury, 7 p. m. A. O. Evans.

Hot Springs, Central Ave., J. D. Hammons.

Arkadelphia, A. M. Shaw.

After announcement the conference adjourned, with the benediction pronounced by Dr. Sharp.

#### Fifth Day—Memorial Services.

The Memorial Session was held Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, Dr. J. H. Riggan, presiding and Dr. J. E. Godbey conducting the religious exercises.

The committee on Memoirs read its report embracing memoirs of J. R. Harvey, William H. Browning, Major H. A. Butler, Mrs. Bettie Belle Keith, widow of one of the preachers, Mrs. C. C. Godden, and Mrs. Hattie L. May, wives of preachers. Tender tributes were paid to their memories, and the report of the committee was adopted.

#### Sixth Day.

Conference met at 9 a. m., T. H. Ware presiding and R. W. McKay conducting the religious exercises. Minutes of the two preceding sessions were read and approved.

Committee on the Spiritual State of the Church made its report, which was adopted.

Bishop Ward assumed the chair. Reports from the committee on Sabbath Observance, the Conference Board of Trustees, Board of Missions, the Board of Education and the Board of Church Extension were read and adopted.

The Bishop reported the ordination of the men elected deacons and elders.

Question 20 was resumed, and the characters of the following were passed: J. A. Parker, T. D. Scott, S. K. Burnett, A. P. Few, F. R. Canfield, W. A. Steele, Frank Barrett, S. C. Dean, A. D. Jenkins, W. W. Mills, W. P. Wha-

ley, T. H. Crowder, J. A. Henderson, A. M. Robertson, W. W. Nelson and J. B. Williams.

Dr. W. W. Pinson addressed the conference in the interest of Missions.

A communication from the Women's Home Mission Society was read to the conference.

President Stonewall Anderson addressed the conference in behalf of Hendrix College and Rev. James Thomas addressed the conference in the interest of larger liberality for education.

At the afternoon session, Bishop Ward presiding, and conducting the religious exercises, after the reading of the minutes, the conference was addressed by W. F. Evans in behalf of Henderson College; by President, J. M. Williams in behalf of Galloway College, and by Claude Orear in behalf of the Stuttgart Training School.

Reports were read from the Board of Missions, the Epworth League Board, the Sunday School Board, the Committee on Temperance and the Committee on Publishing Interests, all of which were adopted.

The conference ordered that hereafter all assessments be laid in even dollars so as to do away with the necessity of a column for cents in the statistical reports.

It was ordered that an afternoon session at 2 o'clock be held, and the conference adjourned with the benediction by Bro. J. C. Rhodes.

The statistical report shows: Members of the church, 37,202, an increase over last year of 1,925. Infants baptized, 743; Adults baptized, 1,958; Senior Epworth Leagues, 67; Junior Epworth Leagues, 29; Raised for Foreign Missions, \$6,983.95; Raised for Domestic Missions, \$4,588.43; Raised for Church Extension, \$2,591.29; Raised for Conference Claimants, \$7,323.12. This is the best showing the conference ever made.

Jessie J. Craig was elected Statistical Secretary for the remainder of this quadrennium.

A vote was extended by the conference to the people of Malvern for generous hospitality and numerous courtesies.

Before announcing the appointments the Bishop announced the transfer to this conference of S. H. Werlein, an elder from the Texas Conference.

#### Appointments.

Little Rock District, A. C. Millar, Presiding Elder.

Little Rock: First Church, T. E. Sharp;

Little Rock: Winfield Memorial, S. H. Werlein.

Little Rock: Hunter Memorial, Forney Hutchinson, H. F. Buhler, Junior Preacher.

Little Rock: Asbury, W. A. Swift.

Little Rock: Henderson and Highland Mission, R. G. Rowland.

Little Rock: Capitol Hill and Pulaski Heights, to be supplied.

Louoke Station, Barnett Wright.

Benton Station, J. L. Cannon.

Bryant Circuit, J. H. McKelvey.

Oak Hill Circuit, G. L. Galloway, supply.

Maumelle Mission, G. M. Gentry, supply.

England Station, M. K. Irvin.

Austin Circuit, W. A. Lewis.

Hickory Plains Circuit, H. H. McGuyre, supply.

Carlisle and Hazen, F. N. Brewer.

Carlisle Mission, D. P. Forsythe, supply.

DeValls Bluff and Des Arc, J. C. Hooks.

Tomberlin Circuit, to be supplied.

Mabelvale Circuit, J. M. Cannon.

President Hendrix College, Stonewall Anderson.

Chaplain Arkansas Penitentiary, J. F. Taylor.

Pine Bluff District, W. W. Christie, Presiding Elder.

Pine Bluff, First Church, T. Y. Ramsey.

Pine Bluff, Lakeside, T. O. Owen.

Pine Bluff, Hawley Memorial, J. D. May.

Pine Bluff, Carr Memorial, R. A. McClintock.

Altheimer, W. M. Hardin.

Swan Lake, T. M. Armstrong.

Stuttgart Station, W. R. Harrison.

DeWitt Station, W. W. Nelson.

DeWitt Circuit, to be supplied.

Roe and St. Charles, J. T. Rogers.

Gillette Circuit, W. F. Lassiter.

Sheridan Circuit, B. F. Scott.

Kingsland Circuit, C. W. Drake.

Rowell Circuit, J. E. Waddell.

Star City and Dumas, W. T. Menard.

Macon Circuit, M. O. Barnett.

Douglass and Grady, J. H. Bradford.

Wilmar Circuit, F. F. Harrell.

Lacey Circuit, J. J. Bearden, supply.

Warren Station, W. F. Evans.

New Edinburg Circuit, M. K. Rogers.

Hermitage Circuit, G. W. Hiveley.

Jersey Circuit, J. J. McKinnon.

Dermott and Arkansas City, J. W. Keithley.

Tillar Circuit, J. W. White.

Watson Circuit, H. A. Story, supply.

Lake Village and Portland, H. H. Watson.

Hamburg Circuit, to be supplied.

Eudora Circuit, A. C. Graham.

Hamburg Station, F. P. Doak.

Crossett Station and Mission, J. M. Workmann and J. D. Hammons.

Wilmot and Parkdale, W. C. Toombs.

Snyder Circuit, M. P. Timberlake, supply.

Warren Mission, to be supplied.

Selma Circuit, T. H. Crowder.

Student in Vanderbilt University, J. R. Dickerson.

Conference Secretary of Missions, W. F. Evans.

Prescott District, T. H. Ware, Presiding Elder.

Prescott Station, T. D. Scott.

Okolona Circuit, J. W. Berry.

Emmett Circuit, L. J. Riddling, C. D. McSwain, supernumerary.

Hope Station, W. P. Whaley.

Washington Station, Z. D. Lindsey.

Mineral Springs Circuit, H. E. Van Camp.

Center Point Circuit, L. E. N. Hundley.

Nashville Station, A. P. Few.

Bingen Circuit, A. D. Jenkins.

Blevins Circuit, J. J. Mellard.

Murfreesboro Circuit, P. S. Herron.

Chidester Circuit, J. I. Johnston.

Fulton and McNabb, to be supplied.

Spring Hill Circuit, F. R. Canfield.

Pike City Circuit, D. D. Warlick.

Gurdon Station, W. A. Steele.

Harmony Circuit, to be supplied.

Nathan Circuit, C. F. Messer, supply.

Professor in Hendrix College, J. E. Godbey.

Conference Secretary of Education, T. D. Scott.

Texarkana District, B. B. Thomas, Presiding Elder.

Texarkana, First Church, Frank Barrett.

Texarkana, Fairview, S. C. Dean.

Texarkana, College Hill, L. W. Evans.

Texarkana Circuit, Frank Hopkins.

Bright Star Circuit, H. L. Simpson.

Ashdown Circuit, A. M. Robertson.

Foreman Circuit, A. Turrentine.

Wilton Circuit, W. W. Mills.

Horatio Circuit, J. B. Williams.

DeQueen Station, T. P. Clark.

Lockesburg Circuit, J. A. Parker.

Dierks Circuit, Edgar Seay, supply.

Gillham Circuit, G. W. Forrest, supply.

Johnson Circuit, J. A. Baker, supply.

Mena Station, J. A. Henderson.

Cherry Hill Circuit, W. E. Justice, supply.

Mount Ida Circuit, Hugh Reveley.

Student in Hendrix College, E. P. Sewell.

Arkadelphia District, H. M. Bruce, Presiding Elder.

Arkadelphia Station, A. O. Evans.

Arkadelphia Circuit, S. W. Rainey.

Amity Circuit, J. L. Leonard.

Dalark Circuit, S. K. Burnett.

Hot Springs, Central Ave., M. B. Corrigan.

Hot Springs, Third Street, J. H. Cummins.

Hot Springs, Malvern Avenue, M. W. Mannville.

Hot Springs, Park Avenue, J. R. Rushing.

Hot Springs, Tigert Memorial, F. E. Dodson.

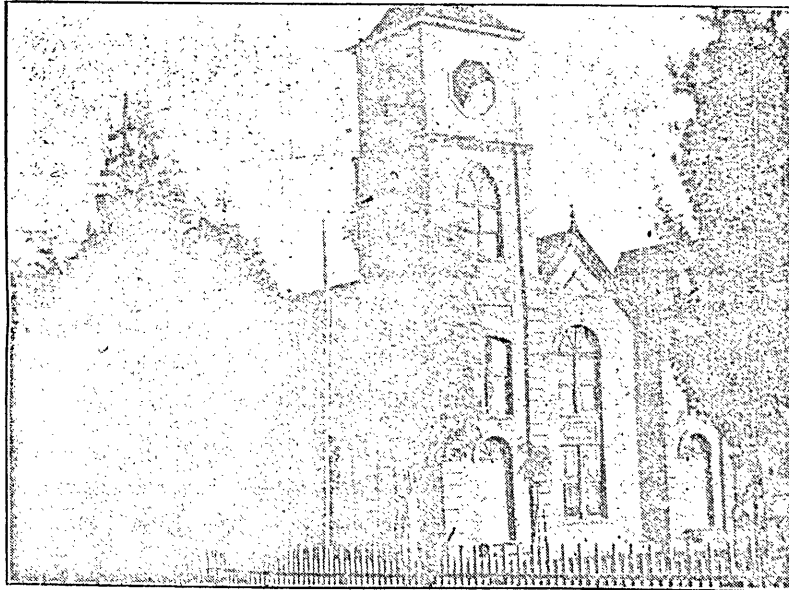
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M. E. Church, South, Malvern, Ark., where the Little Rock Conference met.

Sherrill Circuit, E. J. Slaughter.

Redfield Circuit, W. J. Rogers.

Rison Circuit, D. C. Holman.

Stuttgart Training School, Claude Orear, principal.

Camden District, R. W. McKay, Presiding Elder.

Camden Station, W. C. Watson.

Bearden Circuit, A. M. Shaw.

Camden Circuit, Wilson Moore.

Stamps Station, W. M. Hayes.

Lewisville Circuit, W. C. Hilliard.

Thornton Circuit, C. C. Green.

Hampton Circuit, J. C. Williams.

Junction City, J. R. Sanders.

El Dorado Station, B. A. Few.

El Dorado Circuit, J. J. Menefee.

Strong Circuit, F. W. Harvey, supply.

Magnolia Circuit, to be supplied.

Waldo Circuit, J. J. Colson.

Stephens Station, C. O. Steele.

Magnolia Station, J. H. Riffin.

Fordyce Station, J. A. Sage.

Atlanta Circuit, David Bolls.

Professor in Hendrix College, C. J. Green.

Monticello District, J. W. Harrell, Presiding Elder.

Monticello Station, R. R. Moore.

Collins Circuit, R. R. Rudder, supply.

**Preacher Problems.**

It has been said that some are staying out of the ministry because of the poor pay the church offers, which doubtless is true. It has also been said that those who let money considerations keep them out of the ministry are not needed by the church. With this proposition I cannot agree. About all that such young men need to make them useful preachers is to have the "Judas" (love of money) knocked out of them, and to feel more sensibly their dependence on God. I fear that there are too many of us who allow too much "Judas" to get into us at times. We spend much of our time lamenting over our hard lot, and talking about money, when we ought to be visiting those whose lot in life is much harder than our own. No longer than today I visited a brother who has been unable to work for three years, and who has just returned from a hospital where he underwent a painful operation which cost him \$86.00 which he was unable to pay. I am poor and hard run, serving "Hard Scramble" Circuit, but I felt able to give that brother a dollar. Brother, look about you; there are many who are much poorer than you. And it may be that God doesn't want us to live so far above our people. Christ dwelt among the lowly. And He has taught us to take a low seat, and that if we humble ourselves he will exalt us. But some brother will say this is all "sentiment." Yes it is, but it is a sentiment that has been endorsed by the life of Christ, the lives of the apostles and all who have amounted to anything in the world, and it is one we cannot afford to ignore.

How strange. One of our presiding elders says, "God will care for His servants." Another says, "Hush! that is rank Hardshellism, and your logic is no good." "If that is what you believe you had better quit now." "Of course God feeds the sparrow, but the sparrow must scratch for the worm." This is common old fireside logic which no one will dispute. But I must agree with "The Presiding Elder" that God cares for His servants even at the risk of being called a "Hardshell." If the doctrine of the providence of God doesn't run as a golden thread from Genesis to Revelations, then I am blind to the teaching of the Bible. If "The Presiding Elder" is "Hardshell" in theology, our much loved and highly valued hymnal is also. Read hymns under "Trust and Confidence," Providence and Grace," and see whose theology is approved by our great hymn writer.

God feeds the sparrow that labors.

He cares for those that serve Him. He makes the worm which is hid away somewhere. The sparrow, through instinct, comes down, seeks, labors, gets his reward and flies away.

A man is called to preach. He comes down from whatever position he may occupy in the world. He feels "woe is me if I preach not the gospel." He loves God and men. He takes up his cross (does the scratching). Fills his place as the sparrow does his, and what is the result? He is a success. He may never get the place he thinks he ought to have, or the easy living that we most all crave. He may never get higher than "Hard Scramble" circuit in this world, but he will sit with P. E.s, D.D.'s, Bishops, and the King of Kings in the Glory world.

To my mind a very pertinent question is, What will be the doom of those who are called to preach and never do it, because they are afraid to trust God and the church? Certainly no one would discourage them in the matter intentionally. Yet I am afraid the

general tone of some recent articles on the subject have a tendency to discourage rather than to encourage. Brethren, we should be careful not to magnify the hardships of the ministerial life, but rather the joys and blessings.

Perhaps no one will contend that the church is doing its duty toward its preachers. We all know it needs stirring to a point of action, and that at an early day. But in the meantime it is the duty of anyone who may chance to know a young man who is staying out of the ministry because the church offers poor pay, to impress him with the beauty and value of the work, and above all the promise of God and the Glory in the end. We should take our Bible in hand and endeavor to lead such persons into the ministry just as we would lead a seeking sinner into the way of life. We could do nothing better than set before them these words: "Trust in the Lord and do good \* \* \* and verily thou shalt be fed." Psa. 37:3.

JNO. E. WADDELL.

Rowell, Ark.

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In '64.

The recent death of Dr. J. R. Harvey, of the Little Rock Conference, recalls an incident of his early manhood. It was war times and our part of Arkansas was in a rather lawless condition. A division of cavalry had been camped in the neighborhood for a couple of weeks, and they had left in their rear squads of stragglers, who were little better than organized bands of horse thieves. On the particular occasion to which I refer, my mother and I had gone to attend the funeral of Mr. Littlejohn, a local preacher whose children and grandchildred still live in Arkadelphia and its vicinity. The neighbors and friends had come on horseback, and their horses were tied in front of the house. Bro. Harvey, who was our circuit rider that year, was preaching the funeral service. In the midst of the services some one came in and told my mother that a squad of soldiers were about to carry off her horses. She at once went out and remonstrated, representing that she was a widow with sons in the army, and needed the horses to make a crop, and further that she was five miles from home, old and unable to walk half that distance. They graciously agreed that we might ride our horses home and that they would send one of their number with us to bring on the horses while they foraged elsewhere. In the meantime Bro. Harvey had hurriedly brought his sermon to a close, and came out to try to reclaim his horse. The only concession he could gain was the permission to ride his horse as far as my mother's house. On our way our "guard" stopped at Dr. Cooper's to make some inquiries. The Doctor came out to the gate accompanied by his little daughter Kate. Bro. Harvey at once engaged the little girl in conversation some little way from the rest of us. In a few moments Kate returned to the house and coming out on the front porch called to Bro. Harvey that her mother wished to speak to him. So he opened the gate and rode around to the rear of the house. After a little bit our "guard" became impatient and had him called. After calling him a second time, word was sent out that Bro. Harvey was not there. Greatly enraged, our "guard" set out in hot pursuit, but never captured either Bro. Harvey or his horse. It seems the message was planned between him and the child and, that as soon as he passed behind the house, he set out at once, through the woods, back to Mr. Littlejohn's to his interrupted funeral service.

I may add that my mother now hoped that

her horses were safe, but before we reached home two "soldiers" overtook us and seized our horses as soon as we alighted. All the horses gathered up were disposed of to Marmaduke's cavalry division, which was then opposing Steele's march from Little Rock to Camden. In a few weeks the troops returned to our neighborhood and my mother, by applying to headquarters, recovered her horses.

MRS. M. J. ROSS.

McLoud, Okla.

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**Laymen's Missionary Movement.**

J. Campbell White.

The most significant action ever taken by a great city with reference to its missionary duty to the rest of the world, was taken on November 9th, by the city of Toronto. The representatives of all the churches in Toronto voted unanimously to attempt to increase the total offerings of their churches to missionary purposes, from \$141,000, last year to \$500,000 this year.

Toronto's population is about 300,000. Her communicant membership is about 60,000. Her contributions last year, through regular church channels were almost exactly one million dollars. In addition to this, a very large sum was expended by the Christian people of the city for hospitals, and other local benevolent institutions. Of this one million dollars contributed through regular church channels only \$141,000 were contributed to missionary purposes outside of Toronto and of this amount, not over \$40,000 was sent outside of Canada, to propagate the gospel in the non-Christian world. Something like this same proportion is given to foreign missions by the entire church of North America, viz., at least \$25 to religious and philanthropic work at home for every dollar we send abroad.

The gathering which considered Toronto's world-relationships was not a chance collection of irresponsible men. They were all specially selected and invited men. The Anglican Church was allowed twenty-five laymen, the Methodist, twenty-five, the Presbyterian, twenty-five, the Baptist, fifteen, and the Congregationalist, ten, this representation being based on the size of their local church membership. The meeting was therefore composed of the most representative Christian laymen of the city, together with perhaps a dozen leading ministers.

The meeting was called by the Canadian members of the General Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, Mr. N. W. Rowell presided and gave a brief history of this latest and greatest religious movement of modern times. He was followed by Mr. J. Campbell White, General Secretary of the Movement. The meeting then took up heartily the discussion of Toronto's religious responsibility to the Dominion and to the world. The first proposal was that the city should attempt to raise at least \$300,000 for missionary purposes this year. As the discussion proceeded, the amount was increased until \$500,000 was unanimously set as the least amount which the city should provide annually. When it is remembered that this is less than half the amount spent for similar purposes in Toronto itself, the extreme reasonableness of giving such a sum is clearly apparent. But if the other cities of Christendom will follow the magnificent example of Toronto in recognizing their duty to co-operate worthily in the effort to evangelize the world, it will not be twenty-five years until the message of God's love has been intelligently made known to every creature.

All the money to be raised is to be paid

through regular denominational channels, every man contributing to the enlargement of the work in his own church. Yet in arousing the men of a city to do their duty in this matter, it is of the greatest advantage to have them all act together in a common, concerted effort. A very large and influential Committee of laymen is being organized in Toronto to take charge of this canvass. The purpose is not only to get men to give much larger amounts than heretofore, but to organize such a thorough campaign of education and personal canvass that the number of subscribers to missionary work may be enormously increased.

Three other Canadian cities have taken action during this past week with reference to this same question, though none of them voted to attempt so great an increase as did Toronto. Brantford, with a population of 20,000, averaged \$2.30 per church member to missionary purposes last year. The laymen of the city voted to increase that amount to an average of \$5.00 per member this year. Hamilton, with a population of 100,000, averaged last year \$3.50 per church member to missionary objects. The men of Hamilton decided to attempt to double this average this year. London, Ont., with a population of 50,000, averaged last year \$2.70 per church member to missions. The men there recommended that this average be lifted this year to at least \$5 per member.

It will be remembered that the men of Topeka decided on Oct. 19th, to increase the annual foreign missionary offerings of the churches of that city from \$7,000 to \$25,000. St. Joseph, Mo., on Oct. 22nd, decided to increase their offerings to this object from \$12,000 to \$50,000. Already one congregation in St. Joseph has pledged itself to give \$10,000 of this total amount. The aggregate increase decided upon by these six cities during the past two weeks, totals up to over a half million dollars.

All these meetings of men have been charged with spiritual energy. Many men have declared that the meetings opened to them a new view of the real significance of life. The spirit of the meetings and the policies determined upon, cannot be explained apart from the mighty working of the Spirit of God. Prayer has been answered in so signal a manner as to be almost startling. God has done more than we asked or thought. To Him belongs the whole credit for the mighty work accomplished. Special prayer is asked by the Committees of laymen in all these cities that they may be wisely guided and empowered in their work. The Toronto Committee especially, if any distinction can be made, needs constant buttressing by prayer, as they have undertaken the greatest forward movement of unselfish helpfulness ever projected by the representative men of such a city.

Special prayer is also earnestly asked for great meetings to be held under the auspices of the Laymen's Missionary Movement in St. Louis, November 18th and 19th; Louisville, November 20th and 22nd; Nashville, November 23rd to 25th; Knoxville, November 27th and 28th; Atlanta, November 29th to Dec. 1st; Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 2nd and 3rd; Norfolk, Va., Dec. 4th; and Richmond, Dec. 5th and 6th. It is believed that the whole South is peculiarly prepared for a tremendous advance to keep pace with their moral material progress. The very salvation of the Church in North America depends on finding a larger outlet. Nothing but the need of the world is big enough to relieve the congestion.

## THE EPWORTH LEAGUE.

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

### Lesson for December 8. Luke 13:23-30.

Topic: The Straight Gate.

Jesus never misled anybody. He never intentionally led any man to believe that the Christian life has no difficult requirements. It is true men have essayed to follow Him, thinking there were no difficulties, no hardships, no severe tests, both in His own time and ever since. They saw only one side. The Christian life with its holy joys, its heavenly fellowship, its constant sweet peace, its triumphant death, and its eternal heavenly home appealed very strongly to them. These things are congenial to the flesh as well as the spirit. If these things are the sum total of religion then it must be easy, so the argument is made. But Jesus would correct any such error. With His doctrine of self-denial, of cross bearing, of persecution for His sake, of suffering, of probable martyrdom, He clearly sets forth the other side of the question. The Christian life is congenial to the spirit, but mighty hard on the flesh. There are some difficulties, some hardships, some fights, some unpopular stands to take, in the Christian life. Jesus wants no one ignorant of this side of the life to which He calls men.

Our lesson directs us to a teaching of the Savior on the difficulty of entering and living the Christian life. "Strive to enter in at the straight gate," etc. It is well understood, doubtless, that straight means narrow. What Christ said here was not that the gate was straight as opposed to crooked but narrow as opposed to broad. He said the entrance to the Christian life is a narrow entrance. "One reference text says, 'Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts.'" All known sin must be given up upon entering the Christian life. The little sin, the big sin, the besetting sin, all sin must be forsaken. This makes the entrance narrow and difficult to make. Our lesson also teaches that to enter the Christian life requires effort, struggle, a contest. The word translated strive means to enter into a contest, to contend in. It is the same word with which Paul exhorts Timothy, 1 Tim. 6:12, "Fight the good fight." It is the same word Paul uses again in writing to Timothy when he says, "I have fought a good fight." The idea is that of a contest, a struggle, a fight. Fight in order to get in. The lesson has also the thought in it of a continuous contest. This is the idea in the Greek tense used in the exhortation, and the definition we get here of Christianity is that idea so frequently found in St. Paul's writings that it is a continuous contest. Not only fight to enter, but continue to fight when you have entered.

Another prominent idea in the passage is that many shall fail really to enter who make some sort of effort to get in. The divided effort the partial surrendered life, succeed only in failing to repeat the Christ life. It takes the whole effort of the whole man to be a Christian. Were it not so tragic it would appear ridiculous for any man to make any attempt at living the Christian life with only a part of his effort laid out in that direction. And yet many persons persist in practically believing that the highest possible life can be had for the outlay of a fractional part of their time, purpose, and energy. The only result of such effort is failure.

Another thought in the lesson is that the door will at sometime be forever closed to those who have not entered. The gate is narrow to be sure and it is only with difficulty

that it can be entered but it can be entered for it is open. It is narrow but stands open. This will not always be. It will one day be closed forever to those who have failed to enter. On the outside will be misery and wretchedness because of lost opportunity and failure.

### Familiar Talks to Young People.

#### The Straight Gate.

Men have ever been slow of heart to understand, to realize the father-hood of God. In giving his son to die for us, he has tried to reveal himself, and yet how little we comprehend him.

Jesus in his desire to bring us to a knowledge of God and our relation to him; to show us his longing, to lavish upon us the richness of the things he has prepared for us, appeals to us through our strongest earthly loves. "If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father"—ah, we can understand that. How gladly a parent will go hungry that his child might be fed, or cold that he might be warmed. Neither would he count his life dear unto himself if the loss of it could secure for his child the best things of earth and heaven.

And yet the love of a parent is but a spark of the love of our Heavenly Father for his children. Even a mother may forget her child, but he will never forget us for he has loved us with an everlasting love. Through Jesus Christ he has given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness and has promised to supply all our needs, if we but ask, but be willing to receive. He will not force himself upon us, but how he yearns to be chosen!

Jesus follows this glimpse of the Father-heart by entreating us to enter in at the straight gate and warning us of the broad way that leads to destruction. It requires no effort to go this way, we have only to drift with the crowd. If we go too near it is hard to escape being crowded in by the throngs for "many there be that go in there at." It has its pleasures and its attractions but they are neither satisfying nor lasting. When position and youth and health are gone, our companions of this way are gone also and in the soul there is a longing that nothing can satisfy, a thirst that nothing earthly can quench.

There is plenty of room in this broad way for self. It is not a way of sacrifice but it affords no staff for the valley of death. Lives lived here furnish no material with which to build soul-mansions, but leaves us paupers toward God.

Queen Elizabeth after experiencing all pleasures and homage of this earthly way, reached the end, and catching a glimpse of the abyss into which it led her, cried, "My kingdom for a moment!" But alas, "Whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap."

The straight gate is narrow and the entrance fee is self. Many are seeking to enter therein, but are not willing to pay the price of admission. Mere seeking will not suffice. We are exhorted to be diligent, to labor, to "strive as in agony."

It is not easy to be different from others, to come out from among the gay throng and go quietly along with the few. It is a way of sacrifice, but

"Tis a beautiful way,

For the Savior walks beside me,

My companion all day."

And its pleasures are abiding, and wax not old. As youth and friends slip from us, heaven grows nearer and at last when we have "fallen upon sleep" we shall find entrance into the Celestial City and we shall go no more out.

"Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together" that we have found the way. Casting ourselves, our all, at his feet, may we cry from the depths of our heart, "Lord I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest." LUELLE R. SPENCER.

**Journal of the Little Rock Conference.**

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 Hot Springs Circuit, to be supplied.  
 Ussery Circuit, Isaac Webb, supply.  
 Holly Springs Circuit, J. D. Dunn.  
 Princeton Circuit, E. F. Wilson.  
 Malvern Circuit, G. W. Logan.  
 Social Hill Circuit, to be supplied.  
 Malvern Station, Thomas J. Norsworthy.  
 Lono Circuit, L. M. Powell.  
 Perla and Walco, to be supplied.  
 Field Agent, Western Methodist, J. C. Rhodes.  
 Student Vanderbilt University, Moffatt J. Rhodes.

The report of the Board of Education of the Little Rock Conference showed that there are students in the schools patronized by the conferences as follows: Hendrix College, 220; Galloway College, 225; Henderson College, 307; Clary Training School, 170. The total is 922. It will be remembered that this report does not take account of the number of students in Stuttgart Academy, in Little Rock Conference, nor of the students in Hendrix Imboden Academy, in the bounds of the White River Conference, nor of the students in Hendrix-Gentry Academy, in the bounds of the Arkansas Conference.

**The Case of Rev. J. S. Hawkins.**

We take it for granted that the secular papers are willing to publish correct reports of proceedings of our Conferences, but through the lack of familiarity with our terms and methods they often give very incorrect and misleading accounts of our sessions. This has been true of the news of the Little Rock Conference which met in Malvern. Under our law, if a traveling preacher be located in his absence, without having been previously notified of an intention thus to proceed against him, he may apply to the Conference at its next session, to be heard in his defense, and the case shall be reconsidered. Last Saturday Rev. J. S. Hawkins, who had been located a year ago for unacceptability, in his absence and without previous notification, asked for a rehearing of his case under paragraph 281 of the Discipline, quoted above, and his request was granted. He stated that, while he believed he had been right in the course pursued, he would not try to convince the Conference, but for the sake of his wife and children he would like to be permitted to retire voluntarily, and promised to ask for a location, if the complaint of unacceptability were withdrawn. With this assurance Rev. T. H. Ware, who had made the complaint last year, stated, that, if it would put an end to the whole matter, he was willing to withdraw the complaint. It was accordingly withdrawn and Rev. J. S. Hawkins was located at his own request.

**Laymen's Meeting.**

During the session of the Little Rock Conference at Malvern, there was held a Laymen's Meeting at which twenty-nine laymen were present.

J. I. Porter was elected Chairman and Geo. Thornburgh secretary. W. K. Ramsey, vice chairman and Carl Hollis assistant secretary.

It was voted to recommend that the Statistical Secretary of the Annual Conference be a layman chosen for a quadrennium, and Jesse

J. Craig was named for the remainder of the present quadrennium.

It was resolved to make the laymen's organization permanent and a committee composed of T. M. Mehaffy, Geo. Thornburgh, L. B. Leigh and T. S. Buzbee was appointed to draft a Constitution.

W. K. Ramsey was appointed to act with the Presiding Elders in arranging for a laymen's meeting during the year.

J. S. Steele was elected to be the Little Rock Conference member of the Central Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, of the M. E. Church, South.

The following was unanimously adopted: "Resolved that we will accept cheerfully whoever may be sent to us and give him our hearty support. And we will endeavor to do better the coming year than ever before."

In view of the reports circulated in one or more papers during the session of the Conference it might be proper for me to say that this meeting was the only one held by the laymen during the Conference and no other business was transacted by them.

GEO. THORNBURGH.

**Bishop Ward's Sermon at Malvern.**

The church must do her work under new social conditions. This is a day of almost universal intelligence. Thought circulates throughout the world like blood in the human body. Blow up the Maine today, and the world throbs tomorrow; let a bank break in New York today, and every bale of cotton in Arkansas is worth less tomorrow.

The advance of knowledge and changed conditions make it necessary that our apologies should be rewritten.

There are many questions about creeds, formulas, terms. - There is but one question for us—Can Jesus Christ save sinners and lift the world from its degradation?

The church ought to know the people with whom she deals as well as the politician knows the voters in his precincts, as well as the drummer knows the people whose trade he might secure. The world will have a contempt for us if we attempt to do business on the scale and by the methods of the past. One reason some of our laymen do not take a deeper interest lies just here.

"The good old days of the fathers!"—Yes, but we live in the days of the sons of such fathers, and it is ours to make our days an advance upon their days, and we can do it! The Apostles fitted their message to the conditions about them, all leaders have done so—they have gone to the heart of God's word for their message, and taken that message to the heart of their people. And if we will do this very thing, we have nothing to fear, nothing under the sun can resist the bared arm of God.

The greatest need of the church today is the gift of life upon the part of us all, not a life that talks of consecration, but a life that is given, as Christ gave his life. And this applies to us all in all the walks of life. If we will do it the church will arise and shine and the nations will flock unto us and to our Christ.

**Hendrix College Notes.**

The work of the college moves along very smoothly; students are busy getting ready for the first term examinations.

The following is the program for our monthly Y. M. C. A. Missionary Meeting for Sunday, Dec. 8:

1. Song by congregation. No. 653.
2. Prayer for missions in China.
3. Song, by Y. M. C. A. Quartette, No. 647.
4. Debate: Resolved that the Chinese are

better equipped for economic competition in the 20th century than the Anglo-Saxons. Affirmative, J. Lynn Wade. Negative, Denard M. Riggan.

5. Song No. 654 by quartette.

6. Importance of winning the Chinese for Christ, by R. H. Cannon.

The meeting will be thrown open to the public and an especial invitation given to the members of the local League and other young people's societies of the town. R. H. C.

We would be glad to figure with anyone having book or pamphlet printing to be done. We have the facilities for rapid work in any quantity. Anderson, Millar & Co

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To keep pace with the progressive spirit that confronts us, and furnish our Sunday schools with the very best literature—both in literary merit and mechanical make-up, our Publishing Committee has found it necessary to make several changes in the series now issued.

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The JUNIOR LESSONS will be changed to a quarterly publication of 32 pages, and is designed for children between the ages of nine and twelve. It will be illustrated, and will contain, besides the lessons, maps and other helps suitable to the class it serves.

The PRIMARY TEACHER, A 64-page quarterly, prepared by one of the leading primary teachers of America; beautifully illustrated and containing maps, children's songs, and suggestions for the teaching of each lesson. Primary workers will find this just what they want.

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## NOTES AND PERSONALS.

## Our Conferences.

White River, Bishop Hoss, Corning, Dec. 12.

Rev. S. F. Goddard, presiding elder of the Ada District, Oklahoma conference, writes that, since conference, five appointments have been added to his district and that he will live at Holdenville.

The Oklahoma Conference at its recent session, recognizing the great interest that the church at large is taking in church building within its borders, advanced its assessments for Church Extension from \$3,800 to \$8,000. We trust every dollar of it will be paid. Dr. McMurry raised a "special" of over \$700 at the Little Rock Conference, to be used in Oklahoma.

We made a diligent effort to obtain a cut of our good Bishop Ward, as president of the Little Rock Conference for this year, but we failed to do so. His genial face will live in the minds of those who saw him.

We want the business of all our Sunday Schools. Some of our schools are sending elsewhere for their literature. We feel that if we are to maintain a depot of supplies in Arkansas for Methodist publications, all our people should give us their business. We shall appreciate all orders for books and for literature.

Rev. J. H. McKelvy, of Bryant Station, carries first honors in the matter of the collections ordered by the annual conference, having brought up the best report in the Little Rock Conference. Rev. J. A. Parker, of Okolona, is a close second. Both had an excess on all claims.

Counting two special collections for Missions the Little Rock District led in conference collections, but the Arkadelphia District had the best report for this year on regular collections. We congratulate both Dr. Millar and Bro. Bruce, the presiding elders.

The Little Rock Conference, like the other two of our conferences already held, makes the best financial report in its history. There is not much in the "panic," if we will only go on with our work and quit talking panic.

We congratulate our young friend, Mr. W. K. Ramsey, Jr., of Camden, Ark., now in Washington and Lee University, upon the honor of having won recently a \$300 prize offered by a Chicago firm for the best essay upon "How to Prevent Money Panics." The contest was open to the students of the universities of the

country, and Mr. Ramsey's essay was written last May.

Dr. R. G. Waterhouse, the President of Emory and Henry College, represented the General Board of Education before the Little Rock Conference. He gave a most lucid statement of the educational history of our church; he made a most significant plea for the education of southern Negroes; and made a very able presentation of the work of the General Board. His plea for the Christian home, as a part of Christian education was both strong and beautiful.

We were glad to meet at the session of the Little Rock Conference, Rev. C. O. Steele, who is back from California. Our readers have enjoyed his letters from that fair land.

It was an affecting scene when at the session of the Little Rock Conference, Rev. H. D. McKinnon and Rev. C. C. Godden asked for the superannuated relation. Blessings on the gray hairs of these good men. Brother McKinnon has rounded out fifty years of service. Brother Godden got started later in life as a preacher, but has accomplished nearly forty years of service. Each of them goes on the "Old Guard" with a stainless name. If they are to be sympathized with that they are now come to be congratulated that they have fought so gloriously and so long in the ranks. Blessings on them, and blessings on the old brethren whom they join.

Bishop Ward came to the Little Rock Conference in the calm strength of that solid manhood that has always characterized the man. The stamp of sincerity is on him, manifested in all his movements. His is the judicial temperament, incapable of being warped into partisanship.

It seemed a pity that the brethren in gathering at Malvern could not behold the face of that noble and gracious layman Major Henry A. Butler, who for so many years was a conspicuous figure in the Little Rock Conference. But he was with the general assembly and church of the firstborn in heaven.

This editor enjoyed a gracious hospitality, while at Malvern, in the home of Mr. W. H. Cooper, one of the most prominent citizens of that good town and a staunch member of the Presbyterian Church.

A great number of the brethren enroute to the Little Rock Conference visited our offices and bookstore. They are always welcome.

## Snap Shots From Bishop Seth Ward.

There will be no spiritual power in our sermons or in our private ministrations unless there is spiritual power in our lives.

Logic is a good thing and argument is a good thing, but more people are won to Christ by the preacher as a witness than are won by the preacher as a logician.

Preachers usually come to see me about fitness; laymen frequently come to see me about unfitness.

If any brother knows anything against another brother and does not stand up and say what he knows at the proper time and place, he is particeps criminis; and if he tells what he does not know, he is criminis without the particeps.

A profession of perfect love, or that you are groaning after it, and unkind criticism of your brethren is utterly inconsistent.

There never was an age when so much was demanded of the ministry as is demanded today; never a day when the ministerial profession stood for less, nor when a true and faithful man in the ministry stood for more.

Dr. Tillett has said that the world spells church with a small C, preacher with a small

P; bishop with a small B, but Christ with a large C; I want to add that it spells man with a large M.

Unmixed devotion of the preacher will command the money of the wealthy for the uses of the church.

When you preach, be such sincere and honest men that you do not have to make out you are in earnest. And if you are going to teach, remember that you have to know something others do not know.

Know your Bible; know the book itself; but yet you will not know your Bible even tolerably well, unless you know a great deal about the Bible; so you must get light from all possible sources—know history, science, many books.

"But our Lord talked rough!" Yes, he did, and when you love people like our Lord-loved them, then you can afford to talk rough.

I find here a question about expecting to be made perfect in love, to be asked ministers after they have been two years on trial in our ministry. It would seem that the founders of our church assumed that the average man who has been a minister among us for two years is not yet made perfect in love. I make no argument, but call attention to the fact.

## ANNUAL CONFERENCE NOTICES.

## Admissions—White River Conference.

The committee on admission to the White River Conference will meet the committee on examination at the Methodist Church in Corning, Wednesday, Dec. 11th, at 10:15 a. m.

H. B. COX,  
S. F. BROWN,  
FRANK P. JERNIGAN,  
Committee.

## Admissions—White River Conference.

The committee on Admissions, composed of J. D. Sibert, Fred Little and the undersigned, desire to meet all candidates who are to come before us at the church in Corning, Dec. 11, at 1 p. m. Please be punctual.

M. M. SMITH.

## 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.

## The Secretary's Request.

As the next session of our Conference begins eight days later than usual, I earnestly request the chairmen of the several boards and committees to prepare their reports in duplicate as early as possible, that the editor of the minutes, when elected by the Conference, may place some copy in the hands of the printer at once, on a conditional contract I hope to have ready for such editor.

Fraternally,  
Z. T. BENNETT.

Forrest City, Nov. 30, 1907.

## Important Notice to Members of White River Conf.

The cashiers of our banks here request that all preachers who expect to do business with them while here bring St. Louis, Memphis or Little Rock exchange. All good exchange will be accepted at par, but on cashier's checks and checks on local banks charges will be made. I also request that any pastor in charge who sees that he can't come to Conference or any of those laymen who have written me that they were coming, if they see that it is impossible for them to come, that such notify me at once. I make this request because of the fact that our town is small and it will require all the homes available to give entertainment to all. An epidemic of measles is making it a little harder on us to secure ample entertainment. Yours,  
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## THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

### December 8. Ruth's Wise Choice.

Golden Text.—Thy people shall be my people and thy God my God. Ruth 1:16.

Lesson Text: Ruth 1:14-22.

The book of Ruth seems to have been written to present certain features of the life of the citizen in the times of the Judges. The book of Judges is almost wholly given to the presentation of the official life of the nation hence we read of wars and strife. Conflict of arms constitute the main feature. In the book of Ruth it is different. It is not known when this book was written. In the beginning of this chapter out of which the lesson is taken it is stated that the events occurred during the rule of the Judges. Then we know that Boaz was a son of Rahab who lived during the time of the entry of the Israelites into the promised land. Some of our Bible students place Boaz and Gideon as contemporaries. Little is known of the famine here spoken of. It is quite likely that it was not necessary for these people to have left Bethlehem as many remained and were fed.

The country of Moab lies east of the Dead Sea and toward its southern extremity. The Moabites were blessed with a rich and diversified soil and the country was well supplied with provisions at all times. These Moabites are supposed on good authority to have descended from Lot. They are mixed with other people, however, so that the influence of that great man's life must have been well nigh lost. It is a fact that there were those in the land who had a knowledge of the true God and refrained from idol worship. Balaam, though an unfaithful prophet was nevertheless a prophet of the true God and his utterances upon the occasion when he was called to curse Israel by the king, showed his insight into the matters of the divine mind. The people were idol worshippers, however, generally.

Elimelech, the father of the family that left Bethlehem and took up his abode in Moab was a member of the tribe of Ephraim and devout. How he came to leave the land of promise to sojourn in a strange country we are not able to comprehend. We are not certain that he intended to return to his own land at the close of the famine. It would seem that he had forsaken it altogether. He soon died, as some think, under the divine disapprobation. His sons also died in the land of Moab, and their wives were left disconsolate. In the loneliness that followed Naomi made up her mind to return to the land of her kindred. The beauty of the plains of Moab and her fertile valleys did not appeal to her now and she announced to her daughters-in-law that she would leave that country. Orpah was wedded to her country, her gods and her kindred, and when the parting admonitions were reached she took Naomi at her word and returned to her people. But Ruth, doubtless having learned the worship of the true God and having caught a glimpse of the glory of his worship clung to Naomi averring that she desired to journey with her, to worship her God and to make the land of Canaan her home and burying ground. Her words are beautiful as she answered Naomi.

Bethlehem, from which Elimelech and his family set out for the land of Moab, and the city to which Naomi and Ruth came on Naomi's return, is situated a short distance South of Jerusalem.

As our lesson pursues the history of this noble woman, Ruth, no further we will add that she became the grandmother of Israel's poet-king, David, thus being in the line which

became the progenitors of our Lord Jesus. From this we may see that even after the flesh the Gentiles had an interest in Him. The Israelitish economy contemplated the absorption of such Gentiles as were devout and God fearing and in Ruth and Rahab we have two notable examples.

### A Letter From Brazil.

By Rev. H. C. Tucker, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

It has been in our plan from the beginning to try the magic lantern in the presentation and study of Gospel Truth in this new movement among the masses of the common people and those from the slums of Rio. A few weeks ago we were able to borrow a lantern from the Y. M. C. A. with a fair collection of views from the lives of Joseph and Daniel. We made public announcement and sent out little hand-bills inviting the people to see the views and hear the story of Joseph in Egypt. Our hall with seats for nearly 300 was full at the hour announced on the evening of September 13th, and many more crowded in where there was standing room. I have never witnessed more respectful order and undivided attention in any preaching service than we have had at the Mission; and for nearly an hour all followed with eager interest the views thrown on the sheet and listened to the story and its lessons. The congregation joined heartily in singing the hymns so clearly presented before their eyes by the lantern. It was an occasion of unusual interest and of very great encouragement. A young English friend, who worked the slides for us, remarked that it would be impossible in the slums of Liverpool or London to have such perfect order and attention as was manifested by this crowd in Rio. An American friend said the same with reference to New York, Chicago and other great cities. We have had a number of interesting conversations with persons who were present that night, and have seen the good results in an increased attendance and interest at the other services held in the Mission.

On the night of the 27th, according to announcement, we gave them the story of Daniel and the lessons from his life. The attendance was larger than on the previous occasion and the interest and attention more intense and eager if possible. For almost an hour they followed the views and listened to the story and the truths it is intended to teach, and joined in the singing of the hymns.

The success attending these two efforts led us to believe that the magic lantern may prove to be a most effectual means in teaching the histories, lessons and Gospel messages contained in God's Book of Revealed Truth. Many of our people cannot read, and others read but poorly, and they have never been accustomed to hear sermons and to learn from public preaching; the magic lantern serves to fix the attention, awaken interest, and the necessary method of relating the story of the views and the lessons to be learned therefrom, seems eminently adapted to the ends we have in view, that of preaching the gospel, and of teaching the masses of this great city the Truth of God.

It is to be much regretted that we have not a magic lantern of our own, with a good collection of Bible views and others for entertainment and instruction. If some friend or church could just realize our need and the great opportunity that is now open to us surely we should soon have the necessary outfit for this work.

For sometime I have felt greatly concerned about the neglected condition of the young people's and children's teeth and have been talking to one of our American Christian dentists about the matter. He consented to give

practical instruction to the children in our day school, and finally came down a few days ago with a supply of brushes, tooth powder, etc. It is an interesting sight now to see the entire school drawn up in line with brushes, mugs, etc., all in action for a few minutes before the opening religious exercises. In this case cleanliness first then Godliness. The good heart of our dentist friend was much touched when he discovered the real condition of a number of little mouths, and he at once set an hour or two every Saturday for the free treatment of their teeth. A number have already obtained great relief, and decay of teeth is being arrested. This is another means of bringing home to many hearts and lives the fuller meaning of the gospel message and of Christ's love.

In our visitations among the poor and the sick we have often been deeply and sadly impressed with the lack of even the slightest knowledge of how to care for the sick. In conversation with our doctor, who gives his services free at the Dispensary, we found that he was quite willing to take a class in nurse training. He organized and made a beginning yesterday with eight promising young women who wish to study and prepare themselves to nurse the sick. We look upon this as one of the most helpful and important features yet started in connection with the Mission.

We are now at work on a plan to organize a class of young men in First Aid to the Wounded and the Sick; this we hope may take something of the form of Red Cross, or as in London, a Saint John's Ambulance Society which will call for recognition by the Municipal authorities.

The opportunities are opening up to us in this forward movement and Down Town Mission far faster than we can use them as they ought to be worked for the purposes of evangelizing and saving the masses. We are short of workers, but are trying to do our best in the line of securing voluntary help among our Christian friends in the city.

Brother Vann is hard at work with English-speaking elements and with the diligent study of Portuguese. We long to see him prepared and free to give his entire time to the work in the Mission.

Pray for us. Oh how we do daily need more of Divine help and guidance in this great emergency.

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Oct. 3, 1907.

### Infant Baptism.

Why do we, with nine-tenths of all Christian people, believe in infant baptism?

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2. That circumcision and baptism are alike, seals of the same covenant and signs of the same thing.

3. That the children of believers, as they were connected with the Abrahamic Church, are recognized in the New Testament as sustaining the same relation to the Christian Church.

4. That the whole Church received infant baptism—as several of the early fathers declare, and as the Church at large believed—from the apostles; and that the whole Church, together with all sects, practiced it, with not a man to raise his voice against its divine warrant for more than thirty generations after Christ. The baptism of the infant children of believing parents rests for its foundation upon no less a basis than the authority of God.—The Messenger.

CHILDREN'S PAGE.

(We will be glad to have the children contribute to this page. All letters must be addressed to Lillian Anderson, in care of the Western Methodist, Little Rock, Ark.)

Brazil, Ark., Nov. 21.

Dear Methodist: As I have not seen any letters from this part of the country, I thought I would write a few lines for the first time. I am a girl five years old. My papa takes the Methodist and I like to read the cousins' letters very much. I would enjoy reading another story from Ruth Carr. I live on a farm and like it very much. I belong to the Methodist Church. Bro. Mitchell was our pastor and we liked him fine. I go to Sunday School every Sunday I can. We are going to have a Christmas tree at the Baptist church. How many of the cousins ever read the Bible? I have seven brothers and one sister in heaven. I will close by asking a question. How did Joshua spend the last years of his life? If I see this in print I will write again. With best wishes to the cousins.

Your new cousin,  
RACHEL CHASTAIN.

King's Mill, Ark., Nov. 23, 1907.

Dear Methodist: I thought I would write for the first time. I am a boy 14 years old. I am in the fourth grade at school. My father takes the Methodist; I enjoy reading it. I have eight brothers and four sisters. I will answer Ruth Kelley's question, Who was Saul? Saul was a preacher. I will close.

Yours truly,  
ALBERT C. HOLT.

Brighton, Ark., Nov. 12, 1907.

Dear Western Methodist: As this is my second attempt to write to the Methodist I will try to do the best I can, being thankful that the Lord has spared me this far in life.

I was glad to read Fannie Copeland's letter. We lived close together eight years ago, when my papa was on the Boydsville circuit. I loved the people very much as well as I can remember. We are having a very good Sunday school at Brighton. Our Superintendent's name is Mr. T. A. Spillman. I like him very well. My teacher's name is Mr. Beaton. I like him just fine for a teacher. We have a Woman's Home Mission Society here, of which I am a member, but I am afraid it is going to lie down. We should do all in our power to keep it up, I think. Our winter school has not begun yet, but will begin in December. Our teacher's name is Miss Laura Gilbert. I have gone to school to her before and I like her fine. Our series of meeting has just closed. Bro. Carter held the meeting. We are looking for our presiding elder the twenty-sixth of November to hold his last quarterly conference with us. I would like to know how many of the cousins live on a farm? I do. I want to see another story in the Methodist from Ruth Carr for the last one she wrote was the sweetest story I ever read. I live about a half mile from the St. Francis

river; it is a very pretty river. It is raining tonight, but we should not murmur for we have had one of the most beautiful Falls that I ever saw. I think. My oldest brother is on a visit in Marston, Mo., and I hope he will have a nice time and hope he will return soon, for I want to see him. For fear my letter is too long, I will close. From a loving Cousin,  
EFFIE ROE.

Marten Springs, Ark., Nov. 20, 1907.

Dear Methodist: I am a little girl 13 years old. I love to read the Cousins' letters very much. I joined the Methodist Church a year ago last August. I have two sisters and three brothers and one brother in heaven. Well, I will tell my sister's and brothers' names. Here they are: Beulah and Minnie are my sisters' names and Virgal, Odat and Floyd are my brothers' names. Here they are: Beulah School. Papa is the superintendent. Well, I will close by asking a question; where was Bethlehem?

MEDIA DASHIER.

Egger, Ark., Nov. 18, 1907.

Dear Methodist: I am always glad when mama gets her paper. I always like to read the children's letters. Our superintendent's name is Mr. R. B. Harmon. Our pastor's name is Bro. W. E. Justice. Bro. Owens is our presiding elder. I like to go to Sunday school. I am a member of the Methodist Church. I will close by asking a question; which is the longest verse in the Bible and where is it? Which is the shortest verse in the New Testament and where is it? I remain

Your friend,  
BYRDIE E. LEE.

Richmond, Ark., Nov. 17, 1907.

Dear Methodist: I wrote you a letter in the summer but lost it before I sent it off, so I will try again. I was nine years old when I joined the church last summer. I have a dog named "Queen." My pony's name is "Jim;" I ride him bare-back all over the field.

Our pastor is Bro. Robertson; he is a fine preacher. It is raining today. I don't know if there is going to be Sunday school. I have not seen any letters from Richmond. We have three school teachers, Mr. McAdams, Mrs. McAdams and Miss Annye Jim Crowson. Miss Annye Jim is my teacher, and Mr. McAdams is sister's teacher. I have four pets, two cats, one dog and one pony.

I would like to see some more of Ruth Carr's pieces. My papa takes the Western Methodist. One of my Grandpas died and the other was 80 years old his last birthday. Both of my Grandmas are dead.

Your true friend,  
WINNIE DAVIS GARDNER.

Nettleton, Ark., Nov. 18, 1907.

Dear Methodist: I see you have a children's page. My mother takes the Methodist and I like to read it. I have one pet, that is my cat. I have a little sister. I have two brothers and a little sister dead. I go to school. My teacher's name is Miss Norma and I like her very much. I go to Sunday school every Sunday. Well I will close for this time.

RUSSELL WALDROP.

Van Buren, Ark., Nov. 17, 1907.

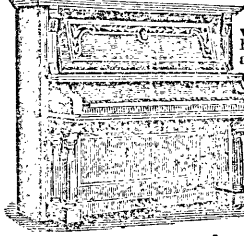
Dear Methodist: I have been reading the Methodist so I thought I would write. I am a little girl ten years old. Mrs. Bessie Shibley is my Sunday school teacher. I am in the fourth grade. I live two miles out in the country, but I attend Sunday school at Van Buren. Bro. F. M. Tolleson is our pastor. We think he is a good man. Mr. E. L. Matlock is our superintendent. I think we have fine music at our church. We have a fine organist and choir. Hoping this will escape the waste basket, I will close.

Yours truly,  
GRACE T. SHIPLEY.

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Argenta, Ark., Nov. 18, 1907.

Dear Methodist: I see the children have a page. I like to read the children's letters very much. My papa takes the Methodist. I go to Sunday school every Sunday. We have a fine school. My teacher's name is Miss Williams; I like her fine. Our superintendent's name is Brother J. E. Miller. I am in the fifth grade at school. I like to go to school. I will be 14 years old the 27th of November. I am going to give a birthday party. I will close for this time by asking a question; how many years were the Midianites in Canaan?

Your new Cousin,  
JOHN BRIDGES.

Franklin, Ark., Nov. 17, 1907.

Dear Methodist: I thought I would write to the paper as I have not seen a letter from here. My grandpa lives with us and has taken the Methodist ever since there has been a paper. I go to school and am in the sixth grade. I am twelve years old. We live in the country and I like country life. I like to help my papa on the farm. I have no brothers or sisters living but have a baby brother with Jesus. My mama went to Heaven two years ago. How many of the cousins like to hear old people tell of the war and how they did then? I surely do. Bro. S. L. Cochran is our pastor and Bro. Skinner is our presiding elder. I will close by answering Fred Roger's question. Caleb was of the tribe of Judah. Numbers 13:6. I will close.

MAUD MASON.

Alzheimer, Ark., Nov. 16, 1907.

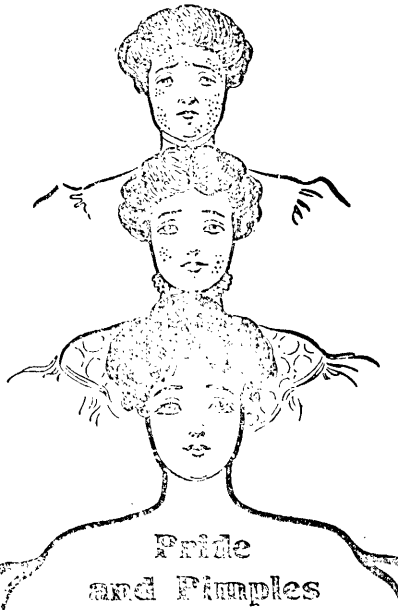
Dear Methodist: As I have not seen any letters from Alzheimer I will write one. I am an orphan girl and have a sister younger than I am. Her name is Myrtle. We both have good homes. Her home is with Rev. C. W. Drake and wife. They have the sweetest little grandson, living with them, you ever saw. His name is W. F. Drake; he is a little over two years old, and would you think it, he knows his letters and can count up to seven. I live with Mrs. Carrie Jarrell, Bro. and Sister Drake's daughter. I have been here about two months going to school with Myrtle. Conference is right on us but I do not know if we will move or not, but if we do, I hope we will go where there is a good school. Both my sister and I joined the church this summer during Bro. Drake's meeting. We went with him to Wabaska last Sunday and enjoyed the trip so much. Tomorrow will be Bro. Drake's last day at Alzheimer for this year. I close with love to all.

EMMA JARRELL.

Heaven More Than Locality.

What would a bad man do in Heaven, even if by stress of mercy God would admit him to his celestial abode? There would be nothing there akin to his character. He would be out of touch with everything about him. The wicked cannot enjoy the fellowship of the righteous on the earth, and what

would they do where all is pure and holy, and where even the weaknesses incident to our mortality are wanting? Neither on earth nor in Heaven will the prodigal, with his heart in the far country, find rest in his Father's house. There must be the penitent heart, the confession of sin, the Father's embrace and the kiss of love before the wayward soul can appreciate the beauty and the goodness of the celestial home. "There would be only misery in Heaven for the bad man. There would be nothing to his nature, nothing to harmonize to his vileness; and his nature could not appreciate the good, the true, the pure, the spiritually happy. To enjoy the celestial world we must be 'like Him.'" Heaven is more than a locality. A change of worlds will not make Heaven for any man.—Western Recorder.



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Clinton, S. C., Oct. 30, 1907.

Editor Lutheran Evangelist, Dayton, O.

Dear Sir: That part of your letter of the 19th inst., which refers to communication of Dr. Chas. Ehrenfeld, York, Pa., has been referred to me for reply. My brother, Mr. J. F. Jacobs, has requested me to write you because of the fact that, being a graduate physician myself, I would be better prepared to deal with the matter. I wish to explain that I was an honor graduate of the medical department of the University of Nashville, class of 1898, and held the chair of Professor of Physiology in that institution for six years, being Secretary of the Faculty. During that time I was also physician of College Dispensary and had charge of all patients coming to that Institution for treatment. I also had two years of work in the University of Chicago in General Biology, Physiology and Bacteriology. I state these facts so that you may understand to what extent I am competent to speak of medical advertising.

In regard to Dr. Ehrenfeld's letter, would say that in order to understand his position, several points must be taken into consideration. First, Physicians are opposed to advertising of any kind, at least many physicians are. It is true that in smaller towns, and to some extent in cities, physicians do use newspaper advertising; that is to say they pay for advertising space and fill it with their business cards, or with advertisements of their specialties, their sanitariums, etc. Other competent physicians go further and claim special knowledge and skill in their particular line of work. Advertising pays in medicine as it does in other business, and hence some of these physicians extend their advertising to other papers than those of their immediate locality. Of those physicians who do advertise, some are competent and honest; others competent and dishonest; and others incompetent and dishonest. So much for the physicians themselves.

But the greater part of medical advertising is not an exploitation of medical skill, but of the particular value of certain medical preparations or prescriptions. When a medical firm decides to put on the market a special preparation it naturally selects a pre-

scription of real value because of the fact that their advertising would fall flat if the preparation advertised had no virtue. As an example take the preparation for Malaria. There are probably forty or more of these preparations sold in the South, all of which depend upon the derivatives of cinchona bark for their value, in other words they are quinine and other alkaloids of cinchona dissolved in some solvent liquid with flavoring matter and other preparations which assist quinine and increase its efficiency. You will be interested to know that the large wholesale druggists who supply practically all of the drugs to druggists and physicians are the people who put these patent preparations on the market. As an example of this, take the leading wholesale druggist of Louisville, Ky. The Robinson-Pettet Company, prepares, advertises and markets Hughes Chill Tonic, which, in my estimation, is much more efficient in the treatment of malaria than quinine in capsules. The Arthur-Peter Co., also of Louisville, advertises Wintersmith's Tonic for malaria, which is the prescription of one of Louisville's most prominent physicians. The Peter-

eat-Richardson Co., also of Louisville, has a number of patent preparations which it advertises. All of these drug companies do a wholesale drug business, supply druggists and physicians both crude drugs and special preparations. Going to Memphis, Tenn., you will find the largest drug house in the State, the Van Vleet Mansfield Drug Company, advertising Plantation Chill Tonic and a number of other preparations. You will find other large, reliable drug firms in Nashville, Evansville, Atlanta, Birmingham, and in fact in every large city of America, both supplying physicians and druggists and advertising their own special patent preparations, which they believe to have special value in the treatment of those conditions for which they are recommended.

Most of these drug firms are competent, honest and reliable. They employ in many cases pharmaceutical chemists of more than ordinary skill. They have facilities for buying the best drugs on the market and avoid in many cases the use of stale and inert drugs. As a result their preparations are frequently better than a physician's prescription as compounded by the average small drug store, as the latter often use old drugs which have been on their shelves for a long time and lost their remedial qualities by deterioration. I do not mean to say that these patent preparations are always superior to a physician's prescription, for this is not the case. But I do mean to say that, in many cases, they are more efficient both as to the activity of their drugs as to the value of their combination. From an advertising experience covering a number of years, I am convinced that fully 85 per cent of the patent preparations now on the market owe their origin to the brains and skill of some first class physician who used the preparation in his practice with such satisfactory results that it attracted the attention of some druggist, or business man who believed there was a fortune in advertising it and selling it on an extensive scale.

So far as the honesty of medical advertising is concerned, I would say that preparations which claim to cure diseases which are known to be incurable in all cases, should not be allowed the privilege of the public press. Fortunately there are very few diseases which are incurable in all cases. Can-

## TO PRACTICAL FARMERS THE COLE PLANTERS

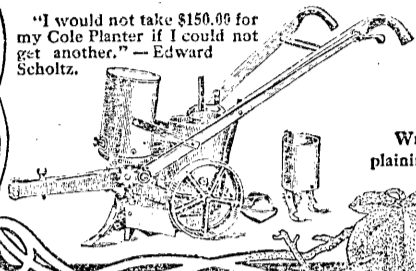
**HAVE PROVEN**  
That they are time and money savers.

**The Cole Universal Planter No. 7**

Distributes guano and drills cotton seed at the same time. Drops corn, one grain or more if wanted. Perfect pea planter; fine for peanuts, sorghum, beans, etc.

The guano is mixed with soil and is not in contact with seed. Grows better stands increases the yield, and saves labor. It is simple, practical and easy to run. Over 30,000 farmers are using Cole machines with satisfaction and profit. They will save you much time and money.

"I would not take \$150.00 for my Cole Planter if I could not get another."—Edward Scholtz.



Write to-day for illustrated catalogue explaining all about them.

**The COLE MANUFACTURING CO.**  
CHARLOTTE, N. C.

cer is one of the most difficult of all diseases; and yet any honest, competent physician can tell you that cancer of the skin, that is superficial cancer, is not only curable; but is being cured every day in every city of any size in the country. Cancer of the internal organs is a different matter entirely and is not amenable to local treatment owing to its location. Men who devote their time entirely to cancer are quite successful in the treatment of skin cancer except cases of long standing. Not only so; but the knife is not necessary in the treatment of surface cancer.

But to return more directly to Dr. Ehrenfeld's criticism on the enclosed letter, would say that the advertisement of Southern Chemical Co. does not claim to cure all cases of Bright's disease, and since many of these cases get well when left to themselves, their advertisement is certainly not even exaggerated. It certainly is not a lie. There are some cases of Bright's disease which are incurable; but none which cannot be benefitted by treatment at some stage. A good diuretic and tonic prescription will certainly cure many mild cases in their early stage, and will benefit even the most severe and advanced cases. The physician who would refuse to treat a case of Bright's disease because many cases die, would be a curiosity, and yet if Dr. Ehrenfeld's logic is carried to its conclusion, that is what every physician would be compelled to do. The leading text books on Bright's disease do not claim that all cases of Bright's disease prove fatal. If they did the population of the world would be immensely reduced.

As to Heiskell's Ointment, I believe it to be the best preparation on the market for skin troubles. I am not a skin specialist; and like 99-100 of the physicians of the country, am not thoroughly conversant with skin diseases, I do know, however, that the vast majority of cutaneous cases are Eczema, and yield to such remedies as Heiskell's Ointment. All inflammatory skin diseases are benefitted by a prescription containing drugs which are sedative, antiseptic and astringent. I have no hesitancy in saying that Johnston, Holloway & Company have, in all probability, a better remedy in Heiskell's Ointment than ninety-nine out of every one hundred physicians could pre-

## BUY DIRT

Buy  
**Little Rock Dirt**  
Buy  
**HILLGREST  
LOTS**

Little Rock Real Estate is the safest investment in Arkansas, because it is constantly increasing in value. Lots in Hillcrest are a safe investment because of their choice location and beauty. If you should move to Little Rock you will have a site for a home, if you buy a lot here. If you do not move, you have a site for somebody's home which will constantly grow in value.

### In Praise of Hillcrest.

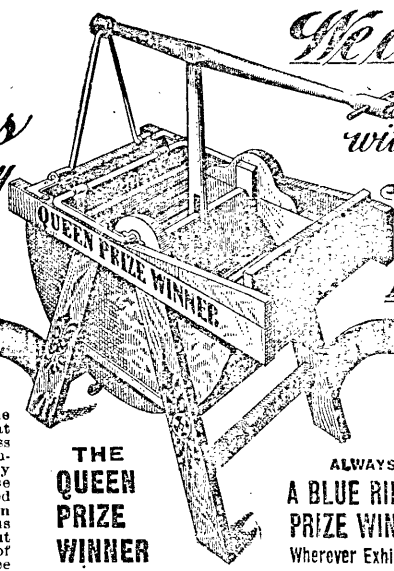
I have closely studied Little Rock and its suburbs and am tolerably familiar with the leading cities of the U. S., and I say without hesitation that it has the finest possibilities for suburban homes of any city in the whole Mississippi Valley. Hillcrest Addition, advertised above, offers unsurpassed locations for beautiful homes. In five years the finest residences in the State will be there. I have just bought a lot and borrowed the money to pay for it. I regard it as a safe investment, but above all, if I should later in life make Little Rock my permanent home, I want the choicest location for health and beauty. I advise my friends who think they may ever locate in the city to examine Hillcrest.

A. C. MILLAR,  
of Anderson, Millar & Co.

N. B.—We have no interest in the above advertisement, except the regular price paid for it, but we have agreed to receive all inquiries and turn them over to the agents. We invite correspondence. It will cost you nothing, and you may thank us for the opportunity.

ANDERSON, MILLAR & CO.  
122 E. 4th St., Little Rock.

**12,500**  
Washing Machines  
given away  
absolutely **FREE**



*We don't want one cent  
It is yours to keep for ever  
without any conditions of any kind.  
No contracts, Not even a  
simple promise is required.  
It is Yours Simply For The Asking.*

**A MOST LIBERAL OFFER.**

12,500 Queen Washing Machines absolutely free to the housekeepers of this great land. We know full well what this means to us as a matter of expense, but nevertheless we are going to place one or more of these famous Washing Machines in every village, town or city, absolutely free with such housekeepers as will help us to advertise these machines. We know if we have one satisfied woman in every community who is using our Queen Washing Machine every week, that she will do us more good by telling her neighbors and friends about the "Washer" than we could ever get by any amount of regular magazine advertising. So you can readily see why we want to give these machines away free—one in each community.

**WE OFFER YOU**

In the Queen Washing Machine a perfect Washer. It will wash dirty clothes clean, and will do it better, quicker and with less labor than any other Machine on the market. It will wash anything from a lace handkerchief to a carpet, never injuring the finest fabric or leaving a particle of dirt. The Queen Washing Machine is a perfect Washer, constructed on the Rubbing principle, the only scientific principle governing the work. The water is not forced through the clothes, the clothes are not spotted, or strained by being pounded or twisted. A perfect washing is accomplished by simply placing the clothes in the Machine, corrugated washboards and then by the simple movement of the rocker makes it possible to get the clothes perfectly clean with the least possible labor. A little child can do this work which shows how simple and easy it is to use this wonderful leverage pressure.

**ECONOMY MANUFACTURING CO.,**

**THE QUEEN PRIZE WINNER**

**ALWAYS A BLUE RIBBON PRIZE WINNER**  
Wherever Exhibited

**OUR FREE ADVERTISING OFFER**

The clothes by the movement of the rocker so arrange themselves that they rub over each other in such a way that every particle of dirt is removed; even the wristbands and collars of the dirtiest shirt come out clean as those washed by hand on the old style washboard.

Here are a Few of the Many Advantages of the **QUEEN WASHING MACHINE.**

A "Washer" that will wash anything clean from the finest fabric to the coarsest carpet without injury. So perfect in construction and materials that it will last a lifetime, and while very strong it is extremely light and easy to handle. The tub is made of the best galvanized iron and you are thus assured of freedom from rust. The wood parts are made from the best selected white maple and arranged so they are perfectly safe from the effects of heat or cold. All parts can be removed, leaving you a splendid galvanized tub that can be put to many uses between wash days.

**155 Main Street,**

The Arm and Standard are so placed that it is not necessary to stand over the washing and inhale the deadly steam, but the operator stands back of the machine and with short strokes rubs the clothes perfectly clean, quickly and practically with no labor. The rubber-roll can be removed, making it possible to keep the Washing Machine in a perfectly sanitary condition.

We will place one "Washer" in one home in each community absolutely free, without asking anything for it, we expect no return, or we expect you to make us any promise to pay for it at any time; we want to give you one of these famous Queen Washing Machines absolutely free, to be yours forever for what advertising it will do for us in your neighborhood. We will place these free machines with all persons who will accept our offer to help us do a little advertising in their neighborhoods. Write today, as only one person in each community can get our free advertising offer. Do it now, for it will be first come first served. When writing be sure and send full and complete shipping directions, as many people when answering our advertisement fail to give complete shipping directions, which causes many delays. An exceptional opportunity for agents under our special plan. Be sure and write today to the following address:

**IONIA, MICHIGAN**

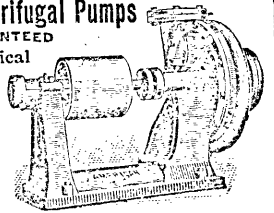
sions of regret were heard that this was to be his last visit to the charge. Our reports indicate advancement on many lines. We are closing up our third year here. This is a pleasant charge and the preacher who is read out for Gardner Memorial Station next year will find himself among true and loyal people. Success to the Methodist.

W. E. HALL, P. C.

This office is well equipped to do all kinds of printing. See us before going else

**American Centrifugal Pumps**  
GUARANTEED

Highest mechanical efficiency. Saves 25% of power over all other pumps. Give us your pump specifications.



Manufactured by **THE AMERICAN WELL WORKS**  
Aurora, Ill., U. S. A.

**Branch Offices:**

Chicago, Ill., First National Bank Building.  
New York, N. Y., 2-4 Stone St.  
San Francisco, Cal., 305 Market St.  
New Orleans, La., J. H. Menge & Co.  
Dallas, Texas. Joplin, Mo.

**POCKET S. S. COMMENTARY**



FOR 1908. SELF-PRONOUNCING Edition on Lessons and Text for the whole year, with right-to-the-point practical HELPS and Spiritual Explanations. Small in Size but Large in Suggestion and Fact. Daily Bible Readings for 1908, also Topics of Epworth League Society, with Pledge, etc. Red Cloth 25c. Morocco 35c. Interleaved for Notes 50c. postpaid. Stamps Taken. Agents Wanted. Address **GEO. W. NOBLE, Lakeside Bldg, Chicago**

scribe. I do not mean to say that their preparation is better than the prescription of skin specialists who devote their time entirely to skin diseases. I dare say that it is identical with the prescription of some eminent specialist.

Personally I believe that the medical profession, or at least some few physicians, carry their ideas on advertising to a ridiculous degree. I know some physicians who even object to medical colleges advertising in any publications except Medical Journals. It is perfectly except Medical Journals. It is perfectly petition with patent preparations should decry the latter; but it is not reasonable for him to maintain that they have no value, as thereby he argues his own prescription worthless. Except in the case of fraudulent medicine advertising, I do not believe that any successful physician of an evenly balanced mind can object to medical advertising. I personally believe that a great majority of preparations which have attained financial success and wide sale are valuable. The residents of cities could possibly get along without even the best of these remedies; but in the smaller towns and country they are required. If all physicians were as good as the best that we have there would possibly be no patent preparations on the market; but as long as the best prescriptions of the best physicians are better than the careless prescriptions or mediocre physicians, the patent medicine business will remain with us as a success.

So far as the loss of cranky subscribers is concerned you are better prepared to say whether that financial loss is greater than one-third of a paper's income. If the publisher excludes fraudulent medical copy, his conscience should be clear, and the policy as to the total exclusion of medical advertising then resolves itself into dollars and cents. We find the good and bad mingle in every field of advertising and of life. To refuse all because some are bad is a type logic which belongs rather to the madhouse than to the publisher's sanctum. We have two papers on our list that will not accept the most reliable jewelry house. Another

which will not accept advertisements of coffee and ham. People will have their own peculiar ideas, and you doubtless have subscribers who will object to any kind of medical advertising. It is up to you to decide whether all medicines are frauds, or whether some are good and some bad. For ourselves, we have years ago instructed our fourteen representatives never to solicit any account which they believe to be fraudulent.

The enactment of the Pure Food and Drug Law, which became effective Jan-1, 1907, protects the American public against fraudulent medical preparations. It would seem that this ought to satisfy the most exacting reformer. In addition, the postoffice department scrutinizes the methods of every mail order medical firm and has the authority to declare "fraudulent" any advertiser who takes undue advantage of the public, thus denying them the privilege of the U. S. mail. And the postoffice department is exercising this authority. In view of this double protection I think that the public is well protected against fraud, and that the attacks which are being made by such papers as Collier's Weekly and others are evidently prompted by business considerations only.

If this letter gives you any assistance, or light on the subject of medical advertising, I will not regret the time it has taken to write it. With best wishes I am,  
Very cordially,  
**J. D. JACOBS.**

**The First Superannuate Home in Oklahoma Conference.**

Dear Methodist: I am free to say I am as much interested in the Superannuate Home Movement, and the endowment fund, as any other single interest of the church. I believe that God will not bless us, and prosper our work, to the fullest measure, so long as we allow his aged servants to be practically cast upon the cold charities of the world, after they have given all the best years of their lives in unselfish service to him. Their gray heads are the glory of His church and their fidelity and service is the indubitable evidence

of a divinely appointed ministry, but our treatment of them is a reproach to our great church.

For nearly a year I have been planning and laying by a sum of money to be used in building a superannuate home here at Olustee, Okla. My brother will donate a block of land, containing two acres. The home will be located six or seven blocks from our church.

Our father was a lifelong member of the Holston Conference, and from active service was transferred to the mansions prepared above. We wish to perpetuate his memory in this western part of the church by having this home dedicated as the "James Wesley Dickey Memorial Home for Superannuates." I would like to have this the first home built for superannuates in the Oklahoma Conference, not so much for the name as for the comforts secured to an aged spiritual father of mine, and also for the effect I hope it will have on other communities in our great new State.

I have about one hundred dollars set apart for this work, and my plan to raise the balance is to tithe the lot sales I make of the lots in the college addition to the town of Olustee. We also have a proposition to establish a training school in this southwest part of the State.

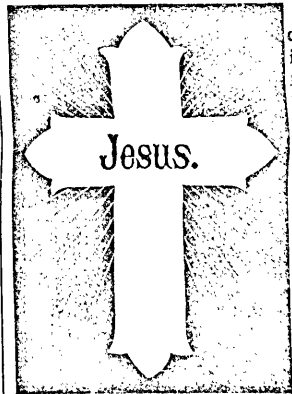
I wish to acknowledge the receipt of two dollars given by Bro. G. F. Deck, during the session of conference at Durant. Bro. Deck is a Christian lawyer of that city. Other brethren have expressed a desire to aid in the building of the first home in the Oklahoma Conference.

Acknowledgment will be made in the Methodist of all receipts for this purpose.  
Fraternally,

**W. A. DICKEY,**  
Olustee, Okla., Dec. 1, 1907.

**Gardner Memorial Station.**

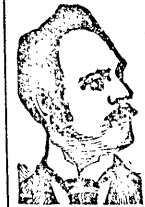
Our fourth quarterly conference was held last Saturday and Sunday. Dr. J. Sibert, our much esteemed P. E. was at his best. He is closing his fourth year on the district and many expres-



**The Wonderful Illuminated Cross**

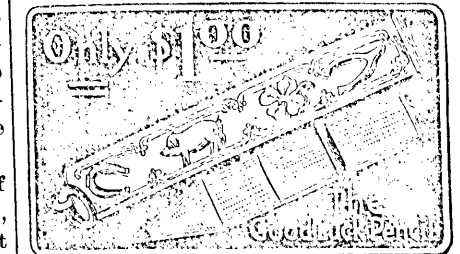
It illuminates in the dark, producing a beautiful effect. Should be in every Christian Home. Will illuminate practically a life time. Is particularly appropriate for gifts. Price 25 and 50c with any of the following inscriptions - which can be read in the dark: "I. H. N." "The Lord is my Shepherd." "Christ shall give thee light." "Jesus."

**ILLUMINATED NOVELTY CO.,**  
E. Providence, R.I.



**RHEUMATISM**

Cured by Dr. Shafer's New System of Treatment, based upon the Chemical Analysis of the Urine. No charge for consultation, analysis of urine and report. Mailing case for urine sent free. Dr. Shafer has the Largest Practice of any specialist in the world. Address **J. F. SHAFER, M. D.,**  
453 Penn. Ave., Pittsburg, Pa.



The above Sterling Silver Pencil is the neatest little novelty of the day. A pretty present for Birthday, Holiday, and any occasion upon which a neat and useful remembrance is appropriate. In rich relief is shown the Horse-shoe, Four-leaf Clover, Wishbone and the Lucky Pig with its kinky tail. French grey finish; only 3 1/2 inches long when closed. Sent prepaid to any address upon receipt of \$1. Any initial engraved free.  
Complete Catalog Free on Request.  
The latest in Sterling Silver Novelties, Watches of every variety, Diamonds and Jewelry. Don't buy until you see our catalog and prices. Everything guaranteed or money refunded.  
ESTABLISHED 1822.  
**Wm. Kendrick's Sons,**  
M. O. DEPT. 4.  
**LOUISVILLE, KY.**  
Oldest Jewelry House in the South.

### Suggestions to Pastors and Superintendents.

1. Be constantly on the search for recruits for the training class. The church and Sunday School is full of latent talents that need to be discovered and developed.
2. Speak often with the young people and explain to them the need of trained Sunday School workers.
3. Put on your paper list those whom you specially believe to be full of promise as Sunday School workers. Pray regularly, that God may guide them into the place he would have them occupy in his kingdom.
4. Provide a good Sunday School workers' library, and guide these young people in its use. Send or take them as delegates to Sunday School conventions where they may meet other Sunday School workers and leaders. In God's own good time many will hear his voice calling them into the Sunday School ministry.
5. When they have heard the call of God, they will be glad to join the training class, that they may secure a preparation for the work.
6. Secure the best possible place for this class to meet. A separate room is desirable, but not absolutely necessary.
7. Provide the best equipment you can afford. A blackboard, maps, and a reference library are essential to the best work.
8. Do much to encourage the members of this class. Much of the work is difficult and laborious. They need constant cheer from those who appreciate what their work means to the future of the church.
9. Help the members of this class to remember that they are making this preparation that they may become approved workmen, "rightly dividing the word of truth." They need this motive in their work. Permit them not to become discouraged.—Int. T. T. Leaflet, No. 1.

### TO DRIVE OUT MALARIA AND BUILD UP THE SYSTEM.

Take the Old Standard GROVES' TASTELESS CHILL TONIC. You know what you are taking. The formula is plainly printed on every bottle, showing it is simply Quinine and Iron in tasteless form, and the most effectual form. For grown people and children. 50¢

### A Skeptic Tested.

Some time since, a minister living in a community where skepticism and infidelity had led many astray gave a series of discourses on the evidences of Christianity. Of course, more or less of his opposers were present, and on the last night of the series a prominent infidel came in. At the close of a very impressive meeting the speaker said, in a spirit of tenderness:

"There may be, and doubtless are, some here tonight who do not accept the truth of the Bible. If there are any such, or if there is one willing to come forward and test this question of such vital interest to every soul, I invite him to the platform."

On the instant, the infidel referred to came forward and said:

"I do not believe your doctrines; I cannot accept them."

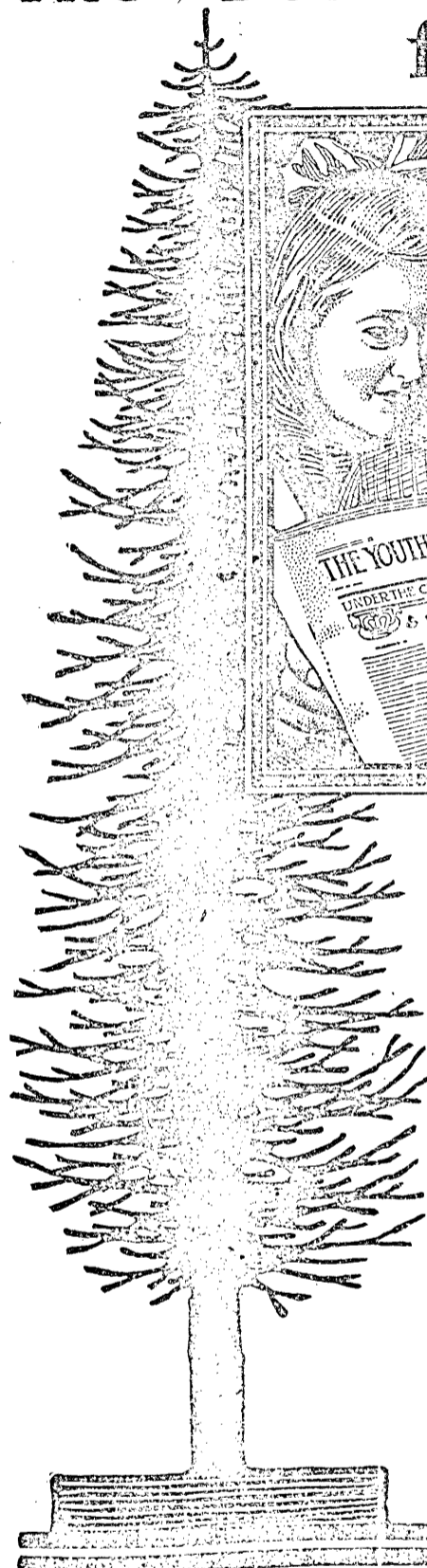
"But," said the clergyman, "you have denounced for years that which you have never tested. Are you willing that I, who have tried Christianity and felt its truths, shall be your teacher, and you will submit to my directions? You say that you are honest in your belief, and in an honest spirit you will meet me."

"I do thus meet you, and I will allow you to be my teacher."

# THE YOUTH'S COMPANION

For 1908

## The Best Christmas Present for \$1.75



### The Only Paper That Interests All The Family.

The fifty-two issues for 1908 will give as much reading for \$1.75 as twenty 400-page books of fiction, history, etc., ordinarily costing \$1.50 each.

250 Capital Stories; 350 Articles and Sketches; 2000 One-Minute Stories; Children's Page; Editorial Page; 1000 Notes on Nature and Science; Weekly Medical Article, etc.

### CHRISTMAS PRESENT COUPON.

Every New Subscriber who at once cuts out and sends this slip (or mentions this publication) with \$1.75 for the 52 issues of 1908 will receive

**GIFT 1.** All the issues of the paper for the remaining weeks of 1907, including the Beautiful Holiday Numbers.

**GIFT 2.** The Companion's 4-Leaf Hanging Calendar for 1908 in Full Color—exclusively for Companion subscribers.

Then The Companion for the 52 issues of 1908—a library in itself.

Send for Sample Copies of the Paper and Illustrated Announcement for 1908.

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION, BOSTON, MASS.

"Then," said the godly man "kneel by my side and repeat the simple words: 'God be merciful to me, a sinner.'"

"But," was the reply, "I do not believe in your teachings."

"Well, you say you will heed my directions."

The audience, in hushed expectation, heard the infidel as he sullenly knelt, utter the words desired, with sarcastic defiance.

"Again repeat those words," said his teacher, in tones of utmost gentleness; and again, still repeated, "God be merciful to me a sinner!"

Once more came the request to repeat the sentence, and before the audience, held by the power of the Holy Ghost,

that petition went up in a tone of almost tenderness, certainly far different from the bravado with which it was first repeated.

A fourth time came the request, "Repeat it again;" and, with his strong frame quivering with emotion, the poor man poured out his soul's need in the prayer of the publican.

At the fifth repetition the man before the large assembly offered up from his inmost soul the prayer which, when thus offered, meets with a forgiving Father's pardon.

We give the simple facts as told to us, and only ask the question of all unbelievers: "Why will you denounce a faith which you have never put to the test?"—The Armory.

### The Century in 1908.


Biographical features of more than usual interest, to appear in the Century, during 1908, will be reminiscences of President Andrew Johnson, by William H. Crook, for many years one of the White House staff, with Mrs. Margareta L. Gerry as collaborator; and extracts from hitherto unpublished family papers of Robert Fulton—papers rich in new material concerning the life and work of this famous man, who, as painter and inventor, doubly challenges the attention of his compatriots.

Dr. Thacher's Worm Syrup is absolutely non-alcoholic, and complies with the requirements of the Pure Food and Drugs Act without change of formula. The testimonials of Dr. A. J. Sheers, Zalma, Mo., found in this issue, is identical with all those who use this preparation.

**SAWS** (ANY WOOD IN ANY POSITION ON ANY GROUND & INTO 5 ft. Through)

1 Man with a Folding Machine 2 MEN with a Cross-cut Saw 5 to 9 cords daily is the usual average for one man.

**RUNS EASY** No Backache Weighs only 41 lbs. **SAWS DOWN TREES**



Use 1908 Model Machine cuts faster, runs easier and will last longer than ever. Adjusted in a minute to suit a 12 year-old boy or the strongest man. Send for catalogue showing latest improvements. First order gets agency. Folding Sawing Mach. Co., 158 E. Harrison St., Chicago, Ill.

W. F. M. S. Little Rock Conf.

Edited by Conference Officers and District Secretaries.

Mrs. W. P. Agee, Editor.

The Covenant.

Grateful that "I know that my Redeemer liveth."

Mindful that vast millions of women and girls can never hear "the tidings of great joy" unless a Christian woman be sent to them.

Remembering that Jesus made loving obedience the supreme test of discipleship, and that his last most solemn command was "Go teach all nations," I gladly enter into this covenant of obedience, that I will not cease to make offerings of prayer, time and money, to the end that the daughters of sorrow in heathen lands may know the love of Jesus.

Dear sisters of the Little Rock Conference, do we, as Christians, fully realize the meaning of this covenant? Are we praying and giving of our means to carry this blessed gospel to those who know it not? Verily Christ said: "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few."

At the Board meeting of the W. F. M. Society, our Conference delegate pledged three thousand five hundred (\$3,500) dollars for the support of four missionaries in foreign fields, and two scholarships at the Scarritt Bible and Training School.

The seven district secretaries of the Little Rock Conference pledged to collect her pro rata of the three thousand five hundred (\$3,500) dollars.

We are now at the end of our third quarter. Are we ready? We have entered into the covenant, and ours is a covenant keeping God who has made our vows a holy thing. Therefore, oh! my sisters! let this great work go forward. Let us come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty.

Remember our Christ sits over against the treasury, and whether we cast in mites or dollars, let his words be, "She hath done what she could."

Let us not leave too much to be done in the last quarter. Let every woman who claims membership in the Southern Methodist church bear her part of her burden, but a blessed privilege of helping in the Master's work.

During the eighteen months during which I have had the privilege of being your district secretary, I feel that the work has been a blessing untold to me. I can indeed say it has been a labor of love and not a burden, grievous to be borne. Therefore, you will pardon the little resume in hope that it may serve my appreciation of the ministers of the Prescott District, who have so nobly aided me in my every undertaking. Also to the women of the district who have given to my weakness strength, and have been to me indeed "the shadow of a great rock in a weary land." I have gone over a part of the district this quarter, organized two adult societies. We now have five adult societies with a membership of 105 and two Juvenile societies numbering 112.

Where the work is not organized I have asked the ladies to make a contribution to the work. The work of Bros. Burnett and Warlick deserve special mention. I found when I visited Center Point Bro. Burnett had prepared the way. We had a good meeting and organized with a membership of ten, which has since increased to fif-

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One young lady in Prescott District offered herself for work in foreign fields, and will be ready to enter the Training School in September. Ye who are at ease in Zion, awake, the call is to you, both spiritually and financially in this great work.

**A Regular Disturbance.**

This certifies that on Thanksgiving night at about 7:30 o'clock I was greatly disturbed by a crowd of War Eagle folks who under cover of darkness came and took possession of the parsonage, and such a pounding as we did get.

Everything that the heart could wish for, even to a yellow legged chicken. I assure you it will be a long time before we forget this Thanksgiving day. We had a most enjoyable time together until a late hour singing the songs of Zion, and when the time come to go home all felt that heaven was nearer and Jesus was more real to us because what had been given had been given in His name.

We had an excellent Thanksgiving service here at War Eagle at 11 o'clock with a good attendance and every one seemed to enjoy the presence of the meek and lowly Christ. We are looking forward to a great year; every thing is starting off well.

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Through the kindness of Rev. F. E. Taylor the Presiding Elder of Jonesboro District has a nice new suit of clothes. Brother Taylor wrote to a number of the good laymen and women of the district for small amounts, and they kindly and favorably responded. To all of whom I am profoundly grateful. Fifteen years of my ministerial life has been given to this bottom country. I am not expecting to ever be reappointed to this work. I am getting too old to get around again. Many tokens of kindness and appreciation have I received from these people. I have always felt unworthy of such favors. This last among all others I will ever remember with a grateful heart.

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## OBITUARIES.

(We find it impossible to publish manuscripts in this department containing more than 200 words. We therefore ask our contributors to limit their obituaries to that amount of space. Poetry is often very expressive but we find it necessary to ask that it be left out of all obituaries as we cannot publish it. A due regard for these suggestions will save our friends annoyance and the Editors much labor and trouble.)

**CRAVENS**—Sister Dolly Hammock was born near Centerville, Yell county, Arkansas, December 25, 1880. She professed conversion at 12 years of age and joined the Presbyterian church. Later she moved away from that church and was convenient to and joined the M. E. Church, South. She was married to Bro. Jerry Cravens, January 16, 1901, by Rev. R. N. Davis. To them were born three children, one is dead, two are living, Reese and Ora. Sunday night, November 17, she was taken with a severe pain in her head that grew worse until Thursday morning she died. She was one of the noblest Christians I ever met. Her walk was daily in the service of our Savior. She did great good in her home, church and neighborhood. She was a Christian daughter, wife and mother. This was her sphere. No doubt she is in her Eternal Home. Let us pray that the entire family will be united in Heaven. Bro. Limbird and I conducted the burial services and her mortal remains were laid to rest in Moore Hill graveyard.

EUGENE WOODRUFF.

**LONDON**—Mrs. Rebecca London was born in Lawrence county, Ark., Oct. 21, 1831, and died at her home near Brentwood, Ark., Nov. 24, 1907. A long life of service to her family and

of devotion to her Lord brought around her a host of friends and a peaceful death. She was an honored and faithful member of the Brentwood church. One brother, one sister and two sons mourn her death. May they too come to the end of life in peace. Her funeral was preached by the writer at the Brentwood church.

OWEN H. TUCKER.

**DILLS**—Mrs. Laura Jane Dills passed into the future life, from her home in East Newport, Ark., at 2 o'clock a. m., Nov. 25th, 1907. She was fifty-nine years old, and almost all her life a member of the M. E. Church, South. She suffered much for weeks before her demise, but patiently and perfectly resigned to the will of God. She passed over the river as calmly as a babe falling asleep on its mother's breast. She was a loving mother, a devoted Christian and true friend. The funeral took place from her home, Nov. 26th, 10 a. m., conducted by this writer, assisted by Dr. J. H. Dye, of Searey and Dr. R. B. Willis of the Presbyterian church, Newport, attended by a large concourse of relatives and friends. Dr. Dye, her old friend and former pastor, who officiated at her marriage, and baptized her children, will prepare an obituary which will appear in this paper.

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A very hearty reception has been accorded us in terms of a fine attendance upon the services; a magnificent pounding, and a raise of \$150.00 on pastor's salary.

The official board, superintendent of the Sunday School, choir leader, president of the leagues, and president of the W. H. M. S. is the most efficient class of leaders that I have ever known. The people of Berryville are very kind, and free from denominational bias. I have already been allowed to conduct services in three of the churches.

The healthfulness of the city is unsurpassed. Everything gives promise of a fine year. W. B. WOLF, P. C.

**News Service of the Woman's National Sabbath Alliance.** 156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

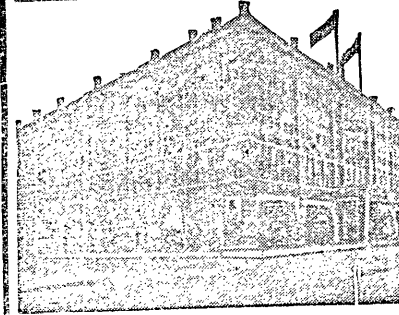
The thirteenth annual meeting of the Woman's National Sabbath Alliance of 156 Fifth Avenue, New York, was held November 25 at the Central Presbyterian Church. Many women prominent in Christian work in New York, Brooklyn and the Suburbs were present. The following officers were elected for 1907-8:

President, Mrs. Don O. Shelton; Recording Secretary, Mrs. James H. Schmelzel; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Catherine Murray; Treasurer, Mrs. Frank R. Van Nest. Vice Presidents representing evangelical denominations were also elected. The following are the honorary officers: Honorary President, Mrs. Darwin R. James; Honorary Vice Presidents, Mrs. Margaret E. Sang-

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The Alliance has issued three bulletins during the year; and also published 500,000 pages of literature, which has been circulated in the United States and Canada. Leaflets printed in Bohemian, Italian, Magyar, and Russian have been freely given to immigrants arriving in New York.

The resolution adopted by the English Lay Movement for a better observance of the Sabbath has been widely circulated, and has everywhere received cordial endorsement. The Alliance is anticipating the inauguration of a similar Lay Movement in America. Encouraging reports were given from the eleven Contributing Branches of the Alliance.

The Rev. T. T. Mutchler, President of the International Federation of Sunday Rest Associations of America, gave a stirring address, showing the wide scope of the work of the Federation. He stated that as it had been the means of closing the exposition gates at Jamestown, Va., so it would aim to close those at Seattle in 1909.

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QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

Arkansas Conference.

HARRISON DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND
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
Harrison Sta. Dec. 22-23
J. J. GALLOWAY, P. E.

FAYETTEVILLE DIST.—FIRST ROUND
Viney Grove Ct., at Rhea Dec. 7-8
Prairie Grove Station Dec. 8-9
Lincoln ct., at Lincoln Dec. 9
Siloam Springs Station Dec. 10-11
Farmington & W. Fayetteville at Farmington Dec. 14-15
Fayetteville, Central Dec. 15
Winslow & Parksdale at Winslow Dec. 16-17
Centeron ct., at Council Grove Dec. 21-22
Bentonville Station Dec. 22
Goshien ct., at Zion Dec. 23-29
Springdale Station Dec. 29-30
War Eagle Mis., at Rocky Branch Jan. 4-5
Pea Ridge Ct., at Brightwater Jan. 5-6
Elm Springs ct., at E. S. Jan. 11-12
WM. SHERMAN, P. E.

DARDANELLE DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND
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
J. H. O'BRYANT, P. E.

MOBILTON DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND
Clinton Ct., at Scotland Dec. 7
Appleton Ct., at Center Point Dec. 8-9
Houston & Perry Ct., at Perry Dec. 14-15
Adona Ct., at Adona Dec. 15-16
Plumerville Ct., at P. Dec. 21-22
Morrilton Station Dec. 22-23
Pottsville Ct., at P. Dec. 28-29
Russellville Station Dec. 29-30
Atkins Station, 7 p. m. Dec. 30
Conway Station, 7 p. m. Dec. 31
The District Steward meeting will be held at Morrilton, Tuesday, December, 10, at 1 o'clock p. m.
JOHN M. GLASS, P. E.

FT. SMITH DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND
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. 23
Greenwood Station Dec. 29
First Church, Dec. 29
The District Stewards will meet in First Church, Ft. Smith, Tuesday, Nov. 26, at 11 a. m.
F. S. H. JOHNSTON, P. E.

Oklahoma Conference.

CREEK & CHEROKEE DIST.—1ST ROUND
Broken Arrow Ct., at Springtown Dec. 7-8
Sapulpa Ct., at Buck's Chapel Dec. 14-15
Cherokee Ct., at Butler's Chapel Dec. 21-22
Seminole at Thlopeco Dec. 28-29
Okmulgee Ct., at Cussetah Jan. 4-5
Wewoka Ct., at Thlewahle Jan. 11-12
Illinois Ct., at Catchertown Jan. 18-19
The District stewards are called to meet at Okmulgee, December 11th, at 10 a. m.
ORLAND J. SHAY, P. E.

CHOCTAW & CHICKASAW DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND
Sugar Loaf Ct., at Higgins Dec. 7-8
Bethel Ct., at Konchito Dec. 14-15
Kullittukla Ct., at Living Land Dec. 21-22
Atoka Ct., at Pine Ridge Dec. 28-29
Owl Ct., at Black Jack Jan. 4-5
Chickasaw Ct., at Lewis Chapel Jan. 11-12
Rufe Ct., at Frazier's Chapel Jan. 18-19
Kiamitia Ct., at Big Lick Jan. 25-26
The District Stewards will please meet me at Hugo, Dec. 12th, 11 a. m.
C. M. COPPEDGE, P. E.

ADA DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND
Sulphur Springs, First Church, Dec. 7-8
Sulphur Springs, Vinita Avenue Dec. 8-9
Wanett Sta., Dec. 14-15
Moral Ct., Dec. 16-17
Konawa Ct., Dec. 21-22
Maud Dec. 22-23
Ada Station Dec. 28-29
Roff Station Dec. 29-30
Ada Ct., Dec. 30
Hickory Ct., Dec. 30
Mill Creek and Ravia Jan. 4-5
Tishomingo Jan. 5-6
Twelve Mile Prairie Jan. 7
Byars Ct., Jan. 11-12
Asher Ct., Jan. 12-13
Stonewall Ct., Jan. 18-19
Pontotoc Jan. 19-20
Wetumka Jan. 25-26
Woleetka & Okema Jan. 26-27
Okema Ct., Jan. 28
The District Stewards are called to meet at Ada, Oklahoma, December 10, at 2:30 p. m. All the pastors are asked to meet with the District stewards, and remain over for one day that we may discuss the various interests of the Church and that we may tarry at a throne of grace for special blessing to prepare us for the work before us.
S. F. GODDARD, P. E.

WEATHERFORD DIST.—FIRST ROUND
Gip at Liberty Dec. 7-8
Center at Center Dec. 8-9
Erick & Texola at Erick Dec. 11-12
Pioneer at Pioneer Dec. 14-15
Sayre Station Dec. 15-16
Berlin at Buena Vista Dec. 16-17
Doxey at Prairie View Dec. 21-22
Elk City Station Dec. 22-23
Weatherford Station Dec. 28-29
Clinton & Arapaho Jan. 1
Foss at Foss Jan. 4-5
Hammon at Sandtown Jan. 5-6
Cheyenne Jan. 11-12

Roll at Roll Jan. 14-15
Texmo at Shirley Jan. 18-19
Cowden at Pleasant View Jan. 25-26
Ward at Pleasant Grove Feb. 1-2
Rocky & Sentinel at Rocky Feb. 8-9
Cloud Chief at Bethel Feb. 15-16
Cordell Station Feb. 16-17
District Stewards and Preachers' Meeting at Clinton Dec. 31 and Jan. 1st. Program will be arranged and we hope every preacher and District Steward will make an effort to attend.
Wm. D. MATTHEWS, P. E.

GUYMON DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND
Guymon at Guymon Dec. 7-8
Tyrone at Tyrone Dec. 14-15
Hooker at Hooker Dec. 21-22
Grand Valley at Grand Valley Dec. 28-29
Boyd at Range Jan. 4-5
Postal at Postal Jan. 11-12
Carthage at Carthage Jan. 18-19
Midwell at Midwell Jan. 25-26
Gresham at Gresham Feb. 1-2
Beaver at Sunset Feb. 8-9
Grand at Allmon Feb. 15-16
Ioland at Camargo Feb. 22-23
Mutual at Mutual Feb. 24-25
Woodward at Woodward Feb. 26
Optama March 1-2
The District Stewards will please meet me in Hooker, Okla., on the 12th of Dec., 1907.
J. F. LAWLIS, P. E.

DUNCAN DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND
Waurika at Waurika Dec. 7, 8
Ryan at Ryan Dec. 8, 9
Walter Station Dec. 14, 15
Temple Station Dec. 15, 16
Hastings Dec. 16
Lawton Station Dec. 21, 22
Cement at Cement Dec. 22, 23
Duncan Station Dec. 24, 25
Marlow Station Dec. 28, 29
Rush Springs at Rush Springs Dec. 29, 30
Lindsay Station Dec. 30
Alex Circuit at Alex Jan. 4, 5
Chickasha Station Jan. 7
Comanche Station Jan. 11, 12
Mingo and Tuttle at Mingo Jan. 12, 13
Anadarko and Verden at Verden Jan. 14
Duncan Circuit at Hopewell Jan. 16
Eschitt, at Eschitt Jan. 18, 19
Roundlett Jan. 19, 20
Alpheaton, at Emerson Jan. 21, 22
Bailey Circuit, at Payne Jan. 25, 26
The District Stewards will meet in the Methodist Church at Duncan, Thursday, Dec. 12, at 8:30 p. m.
The pastors of the districts will meet at the same time and place for a pastors' conference.
C. H. MCGHEE, P. E.

Oklahoma Conference.

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND
Wagoner ct., at Prairie View, 2 p. m. Dec. 14
Wagoner sta., 9 a. m. Dec. 16
Checotah sta., 7:30 p. m. Dec. 18
Tahlequah ct., at Union, 7:30 p. m. Dec. 21
Tahlequah sta., 9 a. m. Dec. 23
Westville ct., at Westville, 7:30 p. m. Jan. 4
Stilwell ct., at Stilwell, 8:30 a. m. Jan. 6
Sallisaw sta., 7:30 p. m. Jan. 6
Brushy ct., at Hanson, 7:30 p. m. Jan. 7
Muldrow sta., 7:30 p. m. Jan. 8
Vian ct., at Vian, 7:30 p. m. Jan. 9
Ft. Gibson ct., at Ft. Gibson, 7:30 p. m. Jan. 10
Boynton and Morris, at Boynton, 7:30 p. m. Jan. 11
Okmulgee sta., 9 a. m. Jan. 13
Henryetta and Dustin, at Henryetta, 7:30 p. m. Jan. 13
St. Paul's, 7:30 p. m. Jan. 15
Cowlington ct., at Cowlington, 7:30 p. m. Jan. 16
Whitefield ct., at Whitefield, 7:30 p. m. Jan. 17
Stigler sta., 7:30 p. m. Jan. 18
Warner ct., at Borum, 9 a. m. Jan. 20
First Church, 7:30 p. m. Jan. 22
Eufaula ct., at Lenna, 2 p. m. Jan. 25
Eufaula sta., 9 a. m. Jan. 27
Checotah ct., at Middleton's chapel, 2:30 p. m. Jan. 29
Muskegee ct., at Brushy Mt., 2 p. m. Feb. 1
Haskell and Bixby, at Haskell, 7:30 p. m. Feb. 5
The District Stewards will please meet in St. Paul Church, Muskogee, Dec. 11, at 2 p. m. I trust each one will come; assessments are heavy; no charge should fail to be represented. At the same time and place I wish to meet all the pastors for a council upon the work of the year. I hope at this time we may perfect our revival campaign, our financial plans, our building enterprises, and also become acquainted with each other and with our work more fully.
W. F. DUNKLE, P. E.

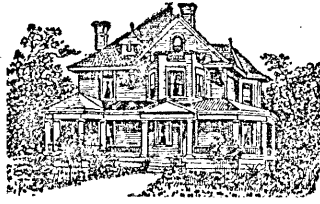
OKLAHOMA CITY DIST.—FIRST ROUND
Oklahoma City, Epworth Dec. 1
Oklahoma City, Capitol Hill Dec. 1
Shawnee, First Church Dec. 7-8
Shawnee, Trinity Dec. 8-9
Franklin ct., at Franklin Dec. 14-15
Norman sta., Dec. 15-16
Noble, at Noble Dec. 21-22
Purcell Sta., Dec. 22-23
Stillwater and Pawnee, at Pawnee Jan. 4-5
Morrison and Perry, at Morrison Jan. 5-6
Guthrie sta., Jan. 11-12
Oklahoma City, St. Luke's Jan. 12-13
Stroud and Davenport, at Davenport Jan. 18-19
Tecumseh sta., Jan. 19-20
Prague, at Prague Jan. 25-26
Sparks, at Sparks Jan. 26-27
Piedmont sta., Feb. 1-2
El Reno sta., Feb. 2-3
Blanchard ct., Feb. 8-9
Lexington Feb. 9-10
Shawnee ct., at Bethel Feb. 15-16
McLoud and Union Chapel, at McLoud, Feb. 16-17
Arcadia and Wheatland Feb. 22-23
Oak Park Feb. 26
The Pastors and District Stewards will please meet at Capitol Hill Church, Oklahoma City, Thursday, Dec. 12, at 2:30 p. m.
A. L. SCALES, P. E.

McALESTER DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND
McAlester, Phillip's Memorial Nov. 23-24
Hartshorne and Haileyville Nov. 24-25
Atoka sta., Nov. 30-Dec. 1
McAlester, Stonewall Ave. Dec. 1-2
Poteau and Cameron, at Poteau Dec. 7-8
Wilburton sta., Dec. 8-9
Hugo sta., Dec. 14-15

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Dec. 15-16 Bokehito and Freeny, at Bokehito Dec. 16-17
Albany ct., at Roberta Dec. 17-18
Calvin ct., at Calvin Dec. 21-22
Stuart ct., at Stuart Dec. 22-23
Caddo and Sterrett, at Caddo Dec. 27-28
Colbert ct., at Colbert Dec. 28-29
Durant sta., Dec. 29-30
Kiowa ct., at Kiowa Dec. 30-31
Talihina ct., at Tuskahoma Jan. 4-5
Albion ct., at Esta Jan. 5-6
Impson Valley ct., at Jumbo Jan. 10-11
Antlers ct., at Antlers Jan. 11-12
Grant, at Keit. Jan. 12-13
Ft. Towson ct., at Valliant Jan. 18-19
Idabell ct., at Idabell Jan. 19-20
Pocola ct., at Pocola Jan. 24-25
Spiro and McCurtain, at Spiro Jan. 25-26
Howe ct., at Howe Jan. 26-27
Quinton ct., at Quinton Feb. 1-2
Canadian ct., at Canadian Feb. 2-3
SAM G. THOMPSON, P. E.

McAlester District Swards' Meeting.
The McAlester District Swards will meet in Atoka, Okla., Wednesday, Dec. 11, at 11 o'clock a. m. It was difficult to find a place easy of access to all; so it was thought best to hold it at the regular place. All the pastors are invited to be present. It is of the utmost importance that every pastoral charge be represented.
SAM G. THOMPSON, P. E.

MANGUM DISTRICT—FIRST ROUND
Davidson and Sanford, at Davidson Dec. 7-8
Snyder, at Snyder Dec. 8-9
Headrick, at Navajo Dec. 14-15
Martha and Blair, at Martha Dec. 15-16
Duke, at Valley View Dec. 21-22
Mangum ct., at Marie Dec. 28-29
Vinson and Deer Creek, at Vinson Dec. 29-30
Lone Wolf and Lugert, at Lone Wolf Jan. 4-5
Hobart sta., Jan. 5-6
Elmer, at Elmer Jan. 11-12
Altus sta., Jan. 12-13
Kelly, at Bethany Jan. 18-19
Hollis and Dryden, at Hollis Jan. 19-20
Frederick ct., at Alpin Jan. 25-26
Frederick sta., Jan. 26-27
Olustee and Eldorado, at Eldorado Feb. 1-2
Mt. Park, at Mt. Park Feb. 2-3
Reed, at Union Chapel Feb. 8-9
Granite and Gotebo, at Granite Feb. 15-16
Mt. View, at Mt. View Feb. 16-17
Willow, at Headquarters Feb. 23-24
Mangum sta., Feb. 24-25
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Little Rock Conference.
LITTLE ROCK DIST.—FIRST ROUND
Hunter Memorial Dec. 8
Winfield Memorial Dec. 8
First Church Dec. 15
Capitol Hill Dec. 15
Lonoke Dec. 22
Tomberlin Dec. 28-29
England Dec. 29-30
Bryant, at Alexander Jan. 4-5
Benton Jan. 6
Oak Hill, at Oak Hill Jan. 7
Mabelvale, at Primrose Jan. 11-12
Asbury Jan. 15
Austin, at Mt. Zion Jan. 18-19
Hickory Plains, at Bethlehem Jan. 21
Carlisle and Hazen, at Carlisle Jan. 23
Mannelle Mission, at Ezra Jan. 25-26
Henderson and Highland Jan. 29
Carlisle Mission, at Rogers' Chapel Feb. 1-2
DeVall's Bluff and Des Arc, at Devall's Bluff Feb. 3
A. C. MILLAR, P. E.
Little Rock District Stewards' Meeting.
At 10 a. m., Dec. 17, at First Church, Little Rock, the District Stewards are called to meet to apportion the assessments and Presiding Elder's salary. As the Discipline makes it the duty of the laymen elected District Stewards to attend to this business, only the District Stewards are asked to meet. No one will be recognized except regularly elected District Stewards.
A. C. MILLAR, P. E.

Camden District Steward's Meeting.
The District Stewards of the Camden District will meet at Camden, Wednesday, Dec. 18, at 10 a. m. We will hold a preachers' meeting later, if we find it desirable, although we would be glad to have any of the pastors present who desire to come.
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Household Piety.
We heard, recently, a wise and experienced pastor say that, in his judgment, the great evil in our churches, the explanation of the spiritual dearth over which we mourn, is the decline of household piety. The family altar is neglected, no blessing is asked upon food, the religious education of the children is relegated to others than parental hands. This is no unfair characterization of many nominally Christian families.

We fear that this portraiture is a true one. But without troubling ourselves to decide whether it is true or not as concerns the community in general, we certainly can say how it is as regards our own family. "Is mine a pious household?" Each one can ask himself that question. If we must sadly confess that it is not, then let us see to it at once that the right change be made. If we can honestly say that it is, nevertheless there is much that may be done to increase its holiness. "As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."—The Safeguard.

Books Worth Reading.

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\*Robert Hardy's Seven Days.
The Miracle of Markham.
A Matter of Business. W. C. Stiles
To Pay the Price. Silas K. Hocking
Richard Bruce. C. M. SHELDON
The Twentieth Door.
John King's Question Class.
Edward Blake.
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A good man approaches a king on his feet and women on his knees. He curses and commands in prose, and grants and courts in poetry.

He wears a brake on his passions, and gears his love to the sun, the moon, and the stars.

A good man is always sorry for his own tininess and glad of the other fellow's bigness.

He measures his wants by his possessions and his friends' necessities; he knows no hunger or thirst, no happiness while his women-folks or his friends seek, and he insists that the obligation of his friend be written in chalk while he styluses his own in indelible ink.

A good man seldom has three eyes, and abominates double-decked sleeves. He never extracts rabbits from his neighbor's ears, but neither does he allow them to mix omelets in his head-gear. He knows two and two make four, not three or eleven. He deals from the top, gives the other fellow his cut, never wetches on the kitty, but he does insist on cheeks being redeemed at pot value.

No good man ever gets his gambling and his business money tangled, or his Bible and his card-case mixed, or even drops an unredeemed poker chip into the contribution box.

He is one who talks in the "I think" "You-know" language.

He writes i small and You large, yells "Them" and whispers "me."—From "What is a Good Man," in the December Everybody's.

**An English View of America in Politics.**

The Constitution vs. the Almighty Dollar.

America has never been successful in politics. It has made independent largely in spite of its own teeth by a declaration of sentiments which it did not share and principles which it barely grasped the narrow end of. Even today neither its ordinary security nor its liberty is up to the monarchical standard of Central Europe. The famous Constitution survives only because whenever any corner of it gets into the way of the accumulating dollar it is pettishly knocked off and thrown away. Every social development, however beneficial and inevitable from the public point of view, is met, not by an intelligent adaptation of the social structure to its novelties, but by a panic and a cry of Go Back. An unfortunate President struggling to get things looked at from the point of view of the collective interest of the United States, which is so huge a thing that it must be coordinated with the collective interest of all civilization if it is to be made workable, finds himself appreciated solely as the hero of a dime novel—Teddy the Rough Rider—and would enhance his popularity by punching a prize-fighter's head as surely as he would lose it by telling the American people what he must think of their political capacity.—G. Bernard Shaw, in the December Everybody's.

**Wealth of the South.**

The increase of wealth in the South is little less than startling. In his recent address before the Synod of Virginia, Dr. Morris stated that the cotton crop of the Southern States was worth more than the annual output of all the gold mines of the world. The Manufacturer's Record makes the statement that during 1906 the wealth of the South increased \$7,300,000 for every day of the year including Sundays. This means that our total increase of property values during the year was \$2,690,000,000. In commenting on this the Christian Register notes that the increase of wealth in Great Britain is only \$7,000,000 per week, and, that therefore, the wealth of the South is increasing seven times as rapidly as that of Great Britain. What immense and appalling responsibility these facts place upon our people! Will increasing prosperity make us purer, nobler, happier, or will it make us sordid and time-serving? Will the spiritual life and resourcefulness of our people increase in proportion to their material gains? We believe that temporal possessions are God's gifts. Will these be used in his service? With earnest importunity, we should plead that His sanctifying grace come into our hearts as with marvelous loving kindness. He blesses us in storehouse and barn.—Central Presbyterian.

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