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EDITORIAL

Arkansas Election Machinery.

In the State of Arkansas there is a State Board of Election Commissioners composed of the governor, the attorney general and the secretary of State. It is the duty of this board to appoint the election commissioners in each county, and it is the duty of the county commissioners to appoint the judges of election in each precinct. It is the plain duty of all concerned to do all in their power to secure honest elections. The plain and simple way to secure honest elections is to appoint honest men to hold them. It is the duty of the political party which is in the majority, in Arkansas the Democratic party, to see that honest election machinery is provided, to see that every citizen has a fair opportunity to vote and have his voce honestly counted. The State Democratic Committee and the Demoeratic Central Committee in each county are the party's proper representatives, the organs of the party, and are directly responsible for party conduct. Representing the majority party in Arkansas, they are responsible for honest elections. Since they are so responsible, they should be given a free hand in constituting the election machinery. We believe that it has been the usual custom until a few years back, when personal politics began in Arkansas, to allow the county central committees, if they desired to do so, to name to the State Board of Election Commissioners proper county commissioners in their proper counties. But whether this rule has been uniformly followed or not, the reasonableness of it must appear to all. Nobody knows better than the members of a county central comunittee what persons will make honest and competent county commissioners for their county; they know how to name in each ease men whose honesty and competency nobody will question, and who will, therefore, be satisfactory to everybody who simply wants honesty and competency.

Now, our present State Board of Election Commissioners is composed of Acting Governor X. O. Pindall, Attorney General W. F. Kirby and Secretary of State O. C. Ludwig. ing over the list, we felt that the County

mictees, treated the cause of temperance fairly, we announced openly that we would be perance forces who were asking for satisfied if the State Board would adopt the at all but for assurance that we sho flat rule of appointing the County Commissioners recommended by the County Central Commitee, only it must be understood that we did not intend by this to interfere with the in Craighead county and the contest repeal of the Republican party that they be Francis county were all decided by allowed to name their representatives. In many counties there was no contest.

From some counties there were no recommendations by the central committees. Some counties were hotly contested. In most of these the contest was between the men named by the Democratic County Central Committees and the men named by others whose object it was to protect the liquor interest. In every such contest the State Board of Election Commissioners decided in favor of the men favored by the liquor crowd rather than the Democratic Central Committees of the various counties. This is not saying that all the commissioners in every such case are liquor men; it is not saying that they will be found corrupt. It is not saying that they will carry out the will of the liquor men-we are making here no personal attack upon any county commissioner. It is saying that the men appointed in each contested case, with the possible exception of Mississippi county, are men acceptable to the liquor fellows; and it is saying that to appoint such men the state board was compelled to act contrary to the wishes of the Democratic party organization in every contested county. To indicate to our readers the spirit in which this thing was done we instance Quachita county. The writer had just been in Ouachita county and was thoroughly conversant with the situation there. No less than a dozen of the best citizens of that county had told him that the men recommended by the Central Committee of Ouachita county are square, honest men. They sent a deputation of a half dozen of their best citizens to present the facts at the public hearing before the state board. That deputation made it perfectly plain, not only that the men they wanted were recommended by their County Dimocratic Central Committee, but that they had a petition of 600 names be-They some time ago announced that they sides, made up of the best people in their would give a public hearing on the appoint- county, asking that these men be named as ment of commissioners for the several coun-commissioners. They further made it plain ties. That hearing was set for August 3. On that the counter petition which was being that day a large number of representative urged had been manipulated by two or three citizens of Arkansas appeared before the saloon men in Camden and was signed by four board and asked to be heard. With very few or five candidates who were under obligation exceptions they were asking that the recom- to these saloon men for their nomination at mendations of the several County Central the primaries. They further represented that Committees be upheld. The representatives of these same saloon men were fostering in Camtemperance were there in force. We could den a bawdy house, blocking the decent peohave improved, in our judgment, upon the ple of that town in thir efforts to suppress men named in a number of counties, but look- it, while they were furnishing it with quantities of liquor. In brief, the issue was stripped Central Committees had, on the whole been bare before the state board as an issue bevery fair to our cause. Knowing that we tween party regularity and party irregularimust look to the majority party for whatever ty; an issue between liquor and temperance; progress we are to make, and feeling that the an issue between decency and indecency. party had, both in its State Convention and These issues were pressed with great force. through its organs, the County Central Com- But the State Board, in the face of party reg-

ularity, in the face of the demand of an honest election; in the face of dec pointed the men asked for by the sal The contest in Garland county, the rule; the Democratic County Cents mittee in each was turned down. lips and Polk counties the liquor a vailed.

We very well understand the plo are put up by politicians. We un the plea about political gratitude friends and all that. Let every man his own mind about such matters. I we have intended to do here is to s whole proceeding out in the light of I We intend to point out plainly the was before these public servants, so people may judge for themselves they are keeping their trust. Methodist believes there must be a acas motive to induce men to betra terests of the Democratic party, to b cency-and we have certainly been

The temperance forces of this St not only secure votes enough to ho jority, they must also secure votes er head off rascality, votes enough to e stealing in the elections. We have nothing but the appointment of me very standing is a guaranty that th thing would be done. What motive man to resist such a request? And to be expected when these men are down in the interest of men named b loon men of Arkansas? And if the ance people have thus far trusted who have thus betrayed them, how sh trust them any further Henceforth, know them. We say to them with all plainness that the liquor bunch upo they are relying shall be scattered. to them and to all that whoever cour the liquor vote of this state as a poli set shall in a very short time find h political bankrupt. Liquor shall not a commonwealth nor run its elections.

It is said that nothing is ever reto memory. Once the record of a sound or a thought is made it remains as long as the mind lasts. It may be aside or overshadowed by somethin recent in point of order, but it is th whenever there is an occasion that w ciently stir the senses it will come to How careful then ought we store the sacred recesses of the min things of value and beauty and to de selves those impressions that are ess evil. The photographer allows an e of nothing before his camera but that d he wishes an image. Anything else w costly and useless.

If you were permitted to write God what would that letter contain?

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NOTES AND PERSONALS.

Rev. J. M. Thresher has just closed a great meeting at Pangburn, Ark. There were eighty conversions and fifty-five accessions.

Rev. J. W. Thomas, of Paragould, is sojourning at Heber, Ark., seeking some rest and recuperation.

Rev. T. Y. Ramsey and family of Pine Bluff, are at Heber. Some of the children have been sick, but all are doing well.

We are glad to note that Mrs. W. W. Robinson, wife of our pastor at Headrick, Okla., is recovering from a spell of typhoid fever.

Rev E. J. Slaughter, of the Sherrill circuit, was in the city Tuesday and did not forget to make the Methodist a call.

Rev. H. M. Harris, pastor of the DeWitt circuit, looked in on us Monday and gave a good account of his work.

Rev. J. J. Groves reports a successful revival meeting at Laflore, Okla., in which thirtyeight were converted and twenty-eight joined the church.

Rev. S. L. Cochran, assisted by Rev. Gordon Wimpey, is in a meeting at Melbourne, Ark. This editor regrets that a previous engagement prevents his going to them.

President Staples, of Spaulding College, is n Boulder, Colorado, till about Sept. 1st. Meantime his brother, Mr. S. J. Staples, will conduct the correspondence of his office.

The correspondents of Rev. S. F. Goddard, presiding elder of Ada district, Oklahoma Conference, will address him at Sulphur, Okla., instead of Holdenville.

and Physics at Hendrix College for many years, one of the finest electricians in the State, honored us with a call on Monday.

Now is the time for pastors to be active in securing the attendance of our young people at our own schools. Look over you charge, and send names to the presidents of our colleges and other schools.

The headquarters of Rev. S. F. Goddard for some weeks to come, perhaps till conference, will be at Sulphur, Okla. His health has not been good, and he is seeking by this change to better it.

Rev. Ira H. Russell, of Mammoth Spring, was to see us last Saturday. He is at present assisting Rev. M. B. Umsted, our Orphanage man. The call of these brethren ought to be heeded by all who love God and humanity.

The editor was pleased to meet at Heber, Ark., on a recent visit, Dr. T. G. Welch and family. Dr. Welch's health failed at North Jonesboro, and he was compelled to surrender that charge. We are glad to record that he is in much better condition.

On account of the failure of his wife's health, Rev. J. W. White has been compelled to move his family from Tillar. His address will be Tomberlin, Ark., until conference. We trust that Mrs. White's health may speedily

Rev. W. A. Lewis of Austin Circuit, was elected chaplain of the Farmers' Union State Convention, which met in our city last week. It is rumored that he will be a candidate for chaplain of the Arkansas House of Represenatives next winter.

Dr. McMurry has issued a Church Extension Handbook. It is a great credit to the department. Every preacher especially ought to have it. It is handsomely illustrated and contains about all that one could wish to know about church extension.

Hon. Geo. W. Donaghey, the Democratic nominee for governor of Arkansas, has given it out that he will advocate the submission of the question of State-wide prohibition to the people, in line with the platform adopted at the recent Democratic convention.

National Superintendent Baker, of the American Anti-Saloon League, has issued a Year Book which is the very best thesaurus of temperance facts of which we have any knowledge. Every temperance worker ought to have it. The best thing about it is its reliability.

We are sorry to Chroniele the death of Mrs. Lena Crump, which occurred at her home at Headrick, Okla., July 31. Sister Crump was the wife of Rev. W. G. H. Crump, had been a member of the church since childhood and was a good Christian. We extend sympathy to the bereaved.

Rev. W. K. Piner, D. D., pastor of Frst Church, Tampa, leaves this week for Oklahoma and other points where he may find rest from his laborious field. May this outing bring to him that renewal of strength and vigor so much needed n the climate .-- Florida Christian Advocate.

Rev. J. P. Lowry has recently assisted the pastors at Searcy and Bryant in good revival meetings. At Searcy there were a number of conversions and several joined the church. At Bryant there were twenty-seven conversions and twenty-two accessions. He is spending this week at home resting.

date for Attorney General of the State of Ar- Christian Observer.

Prof. G. H. Burr, professor of Chemistry kansas on the Republican ticket, has been for more than twenty years an official member of our First Church at Fort Smith. He is not only an able lawyer, but he is also a clean and honest man, worthy of any position.

> Captain J. M. Jenkins, who has done quite an amount of work for the Superanr.uate Endowment Fund of Arkansas, is at present in the Carolinas, where he is making speeches and taking collections in the same interest. He intends to be in Arkansas again about the middle of October, and will be present at the session of the Arkansas Conference.

> Prof. R. T. Bond, of Central College, Mo., his brother, Rev. Pope Bond, member of the Missouri Conference, who has been supplying a church at El Paso, Texas, and their sister, Mrs. McGee, have been visiting their brother, Dr. J. B. Bond, and other friends (among whom we count ourselves) in Little Rock. Their companionship is always appreciated.

Our Dr. Millar, who was some time ago appointed a special commissioner to examine into the conduct of the penitentiary affairs of Arkansas, has made his report. He found abuses that ought to be corrected and made recommendations accordingly. The Penitentiary Board was well pleased with his work, and promises to carry out the recommendations.

In his opening speech at Ozark last Saturday, Judge John I. Worthington, candidate for governor of Arkansas on the Republican ticket, pronounced flatly in favor of prohibition. The Western Methodist has nothing to do with partisan polities. But we might justly be considered partisan if we had no word of commendation for Judge Worthington on this occasion.

We desire to say once more that we cannot, except in great emergencies, publish appeals for aid in building churches and parsonages. It is contrary to the wishes of the Church Extension Department of the church. They tell us that such appeals interfere with the work they are set to do. Send your appeals to the Church Extension Board. If the case is worthy and if they can do it, they will help you. We must abide by the regular order of the church.

: A generous friend has sent Rev. O. E. Goddard at Muskogee, ten dollars to help the worthy young lady of whom President Staples wrote a week or two ago and who wants a chance to enter Spaulding College. No doubt others intended to help this splendid girl but they deferred it. It will be remembered that she wanted a chance to work for her board in the college, but all such places are already taken; that her sister is a stenographer, determined to secure for her younger sister and brother, all orphans, a better chance than she has had in the world. Remember this dear girl.

Of the eight newly elected bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, three are the sons of poor Methodist preachers, and not one born in a home of wealth or ease. Three are sons of farmers; one, the son of a weaver, and one, the son of a merchant who was compelled early in life to shift for for himself. Parents in humble positions and eallings in life should not lament over poverty for their children Often it develops the finer and sturdier traits of character better than affluency and social position. If children are dedicated to God, are attended with the prayers of parent, and have before them a godly example in the home, they will be used of God in his service Mr. Frank A. Youmans, who is the candito to the great joy of the father and mother.—

C. W. Lester

Sunday at Heber, Ark.

There are only three or four county sea: towns in Arkansas which I have never visited. Until last Saturday lieber, county seat of Cleburne county, was one of them. The railroad has recently gotten through to this county town, and the opportunity to visit it came through an invitation of Rev. F. P. Jernigan to spend Sunday with them, and to speak to the people on State-wide prohibition en Sunday nght. There was a house full of people on Sunday morning to listen to the proching of the word. The court house was jame dual night to listen to a prohibition st ch. We had good times.

Lin. Jernigan is having success in the work of the thurch. We put on foot a plan to build a larger and more commodious house of worship. Col. Max Frauenthall, a liberal Jew and a personal friend of the sirable lots. We predict that all our property interests at Heber will soon be put in shape. Meantime the church prospers. We have a number of faithful brethren there--Mitchell, Thompson, Hoskins, Jackson, Anderson, the Caseys, Hilger, Grisham, Sutherland and others. I had a good home with Mrs. House.

The town is growing, is destined to grow for several years. It is twice as large as it was twelve months ago. It will always be a good resting place for people in the lower lands, who will need the mountain air and the good water that Heber affords. We more than doubled our list of subscribers there.

JAS. A. A.

Send Your Cirls to Galloway.

Editors Methodist: I am very much pleased to know that the trustees of Galloway College have secured as Lady Principal, Miss Mattie L. Andrews. My wife and I were associated with Miss Andrews for two years and take pleasure in testifying to her rare merits and qualifications. She is eminently fitted in every way for the position, and no girl who comes in contact with her can fail to appreciate her worth. Without disparagement to others who have filled the position, we feel safe in saying that her superior has never filled the position of "Lady Principal" of Galloway College. Respectfully,

B. B. THOMAS. MRS. B. B. THOMAS.

A Friendly Letter to Rev. Forney Hutchinson.

Dear Bro .: -- I want to congratulate you, my dear brother, on your being the pastor of a church in the city of Little Rock, bearing the name and honoring the memory of Rev. Andrew Hunter, D. D., and upon your now being committed to the most worthy enterprise of creeting a building, that will, I trust, reflect more worthily the high esteem and veneration in which his name and memory are held by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Arkansas, than the one of which you are now pastor.

I utter it with all the fervent charity and grateful remembrance of which I am capable, "the headstone thereof brought forth with shoutings, crying. Grace, grace unto it." I knew Dr. Hunter perhaps longer and more intimately than any other preacher now living career a great success. Waves of Thought. in the State. From the day he gave me my license to preach, 4852, to the close of his 1902. I knew, loved and honored him, as I could no other man not related to me by

blood. I attempt no eulogy of my glorified father in the gospel, he needs none at my hand. Verily his record is on high, and the thousands whom, under God, he was instrumental in saving, will be a monument to his memory far more enduring than massive walls and statues of bronze and marble. Jesus Christ, whom he loved to preach, and did preach in power and in the Holy Ghost, and in much asurance" has honored him, and will honor him to all eternity. That tongue is so eloquent with his Savfor's praise on earth, now in a nobler, sweeter song sings his Savior's power to save. O, brachren, this is the man of God, who, after more than sixty years of faithful service, said almost with his dying breath, "I expect to get to heaven, not because I have been a preacher, but because Jesus Christ died for

A thousand times told, his is a name, and writer made us a very low price on most de- his life work a service well and truly deserving "everlasting remembrance." As one of his sons in the gospel I want a brick in that building. Let us, and I mean by that every Methodist in Arkansas and all who knew and loved Dr. Hunter, esteem it a privileged duty to help on this work to speedy and final com-

THE WESTERN METHODIST FOR FIFTY CENTS.

During the entire month of August all pastors are authorized to take subscriptions for the Western Methodist at the rate of fifty cents from date till January 1, 1909. Two conditions only will be required: 1st. The cash must accompany the order. 2nd. The subscriber must agree to notify us the last week in December to stop the paper, if that is desired; otherwise we shall continue to send it after January 1st.

This is not a "trial trip;" it is an effort to get the paper into homes where it is not going, in the belief that when once in these homes it will stay there.

To be of value, the proposition must be acted upon at once. May we not ask every one of our five hundred pastors to send in a list the very first week in August. Do us the favor also of attending to other business of the paper as you go among the people.

pletion. With all the emphasis and earnestness I can put into words, again I say, to all who may read this humble tribute of love, delay not to send your contribution, much or little, to Rev. Forney Hutchinson, 1108 Welch St., Little Rock, Ark. May God beautify this place of his sanctuary with the beauty of ho-JAMES E. CALDWELL. liness. Amen.

Tulip, Ark.

The Real Duty.

The greatest work of a married couple is not to be beautifully groomed, beautifully housed, splendidly fed and magnificently enefit the community of which they are a part. Parents who have succeeded in bringing up such sons and daughters can consider their

Baptism according to the Scriptures, 44 long, eventful and eminently useful life in pages, Rev. E. N. Watson, now ready, 15 ceats per copy, \$1.25 per dozen. Anderson, Millar & Co.

Scripture lesson for Aug. 16: Rom. 6:1-14; Gal. 2:19-21.

Topic: The Dying of Sin: The New Life.

I. Sin or Grace.

St. Paul is quite emphatic in excluding a middle ground. Either sin or grace reigns in every man's life. Either sin abounds or grace much more abounds. By the whole force of his inspired argument as well as by more specriic statement does he exclude a middle ground. There is no "golden mean" lying between a life dominated by sin and a life dominated by grace which one can stand upon. Either the "old man" rules the life or else, the old man having been crucified, the new man is raised up within us by the power of the Spirit, to reign over the life. In that matchless conclusion of the Sermon on the Mount Christ himself declares that life is built either upon rock or upon sand. Every builder must use one or the other material. He cannot use both. He must use one.

II. The Dying of Sin.

The power of sin in the life may be broken and the life may be liberated from the reign of sin. Sin's throne may be overthrown. "Sin shall not have dominion over you." Not by the law. "By the words of the law shall no flesh be justified." Gal. 2:16. The law was not designed to justify men. "The law tells us that sin is wrong and that sin has certain bitter consequences. But it does not tell us how to get rid of sin. Our penitentiaries are fairly successful as places of punishment but they are not famous as places of reformation. The law delivers no man from any sin. It is only through the unmerited grace or favor of God that divine help can come to sinful and sinning men. But through grace, divine help is offered to every man. God is willing through grace in Jesus Christ to forgive every man all his sins and to give him a new heart. He is willing both to forgive his sins and to give him victory over the once dominating power of sin in his life. This is conversion. This is the beginning of the new life. It is new because the old is forgiven and forsaken. It is new because there is a new power within that gives victory over the old desires and habits. It is new because there is new and genuine joy in the heart. There is forgiveness, there is victory, there is joy in the new life.

III. Crucified Living.

This is the thought in the Galatian reference. It is one of the Christian paradoxes. Paul had not only identified himself with Christ but even with his shameful death. It was the cross with all its shame and ignominy in which he gloried. It was in the cross that he found forgiveness of sins, peace with God and power over sin. It was in the cross that he saw God's love and man's sin. It was in the cross that he saw man's weakness and God's power. It was in the cross that he saw both death and life, and Paul was glad tertained by their relatives and friends, ly willing to identify himself with the cross may the God of all grace strengthen your. Their greatest work is to bring up their chil- with all its shame and scorn in order to get hands for this good work, until you shall have dren properly, that they can develop into the blessings of forgiveness, grace, power and the religiously proud satisfaction of seeing exemplary men and women, and thereby ben- life which comes from the cross. This is crucified living. It means the loss of nothing but that which is worthless. It means the gain of everything that is of real worth. To be thus crucified is to be dead only to the world but alive unto God for Christ lives

> Every hatred, if left to go unchecked, would dethrone God.

Request From New Zealand to Readers of This Paper.

To the Editor—Sir:

Would you kindly insert the following in your widely read journal:

American citizens are requested to send by return mail answers to the questions below, with any remarks, newspaper elippings or literature, on these subjects, for publication in New Zealand newspapers:

1. Was no-license or prohibition carried in

2. If so, has it benefitted the community morally and financially?

3. What American States have carried prohibition or liquor?

1. Is the Bible read in the common day schools of your State?

2. In what other States is the Bible read in the public schools?

3. What time daily is devoted to reading Scripture?

4. What is the population of your State? Postage to New Zealand is five cents. Please address replies, via Vancouver, to the Editor the Daily Times, Dunedin, New Zealand.

Electors wish to know how America has solved the above questions, as the trimar general election, and the local option von on the liquor question take place here in November next

The Bible is excluded from our State schools, which is a mistake; it must be replaced, and you will help by sending the experionce of your state. on are respectfully urged to write on either question or both.

The equilation of New Zealand is nearly one million, including 44,000 pure Maoris; 50,000 people are living under prohibition law and there are 1,600 State schools.

Be sure to address all matter for publication to the editor as above, and ask for a reply newspaper. Cut this letter out as a reminder. Letters may now be sent via Vancouver, which is twenty days steam from Auckland—the city which your fleet is visiting. (Signed) I am yours truly,

JOHN G. W. AITKIN,

Member of Parliament in New Zealand. P. S.—To ensure your experience reaching all electors in New Zealand replies can also be sent to the editors of the following newspapers:

Evening Post, Wellington, New Zealand; Lyttleton Times, Christchurch, New Zealand: Dominion, Wellington, New Zealand; Herald, Auckland, New Zealand.

Missouri Letter.

The present season has been a very unfavorable one for this section. The apple crop is almost a complete failure and the peach erop is very light. A late frost was disastrous to strawberries. The yield of wheat is the smallest for years and the stand of corn is poor. The hay crop is very fine, but it is about the only crop that is up to the average. Following a wet and backward spring the rain for July has been only about half the them. But the man who thinks our church normal rainfall. In some parts of the conference the heavy rains continued so late as to be very destructive, and the agricultural eutlook joined to the general financial depression is affecting church finances seriously. The fact that our conference meets earlier than it has ever met increases the difficulty of the pastors in raising their collections. will have my collections full, but I had the larger part pledged before the financial panic came last fall. Conference meets September 2 at Warrensburg, a full month too early for a conference session in this latitude.

Springfield is quite a market for Arkansas peaches. Your growers still make the mistake of picking their peaches before they are mature. I have hardly seen a basket of Arkansas peachs in good condition. True they sell but they would sell in much greater quantities and at better prices if better judgment was shown in picking them. We have been getting watermelons from Oklahoma-large, fine looking. I bought two and found the rind very thick and the quality poor. It is a variety raised because it will stand shipping, but the trouble is it is not worth shipping. I know the kind now and will buy no more while the world standeth. It will pay your growers in Arkansas and Oklahoma to raise the best and see that it goes to market in the best possible condition.

Our people in Webb City are building a church which is costing them \$45,000, without the furniture. Three or four subscriptions covered the most of this amount and they are likely to get through without the debts which have hampered some of our church building enterprises in recent years.

But one of our presiding elders will be moved by the time limit this year-W. C. Hill of Carthage district. This district includes the great lead and zinc district of Southwest Missouri, and there has been considerable development in this district in recent years. Our church has made decided gains in the four years and the young presiding elder has evidently been an important factor in this prosperity.

The statement put forth by the bishops of the M. E. Church in the Episcopal address at Baltimore touching Methodist union, "wo ought not to be separated by bulk, geography or color," was a frank manly statement of their position as a church, but it is not our position and our church will never meet them on that platform. And yet men who ought to know better are still writing in our church papers that organic union is invitable. union which these correspondents want, however, is a federated union such as Drs. Me-Anally and Searritt advocated more than a quarter of a century ago. I have read the New York Methodist or the New York Advocate since 1872 and if in these thirty-six years there has ever appeared in these papers a single favorable opinion of such a plan from preacher or layman of the M E. Church it has escaped my notice.

Why do writers waste their strength in arguing for a federated union with our people who are already in favor of it. Let them first win an influential minority in the M. E. Church in favor of their plan and then it will be early enough to prophecy that it is inevitable. I have been a close observer of the M. E. Church in these thirty-eight years that I have worked on the border. Their idea of union is to make a big church bigger still. It will unite with the M. E. Church on the basis as the Cumberland Presbyterian Church united with the Presbyterian-by a surrender to will unitew ith the M. E. Church on the basis of one General Conference absolute in its con- his personality and kingly authority into the trol, with the negro as prominent in it as he reformation. He cleansed the temple, burget is in the M. E. General Conference, does not the vessels which were made for Baal 19 know our people. The man who thinks that the M. E. Church will soon set apart their colored membership for the sake of union with us does not know that churen. "We ought not to be separated by bulk, geography or color" was an honest statement of the deep convictions of the great body of the Methodist Episcopal Church. C. II. BRIGGS.

St. Paul Church, Springfield, Mo, July 29.

The Reformation Under Josial

In many localities reformation is only The popular mind is revolting againstn which have long retarded the best & d of State and Church. Many reform the ments have been ill advised, spasmodist t radic. Even great reformations while a have added to the common good neverelrs have been disappointing in permanen; to reformation national in its scope and prio nent in its character is a disideratum, ilver necessity. At such a time as this it meho well to study some of the great reform qe: ments of the past and in that class is the st ormation in Judah under Josiah.

When Josiah, the eight year old solar murdered Amon, came to the throne the cial and religious conditions of Judah In very bad. The reformation started by kiah did no last. The reactionary reig Manasseh routed the reformers and three h whole nation into the corruption, idolte and sin of former wicked kings. Many shiped the sun, moon and stars. The plu of Baal found eager supporters. Some fieed their first born to Molech. were erected to Ashtoreth, Chemosh and ha fereign divinities. Near almost every ah high places were erected. The templot been polluted and the worship of Jel abandoned. It was hard to find a man kel Jerusalem who was just and true. The ol dition was grave.

But there was much to encourage reple There was a distinct reform party in Ju. composed of the wisest and best men. III h -the priest, several of Josiah's mini. Zephaniah, Nahum and Jeremiah-the pth. ets were the leaders. The young king th the influence of these men developd infor strong and righteous ruler, who feared ag and entered vigorously and effectively the reform movement. Assyria's power waning, Isaiah's prophesy of her dowll was about to be realized. Therefore A baneful influence upon Judea was declif d

The prophets could speak freely and pr preached telling sermons throughout the tl tion. About this time the news came to estine that the Seythians, who had althou conquered strong nations and shaken re foundations of Assyria, were at their This awakened Judea from her sluman Zephaniah seized the opportuity to boldly 1: nounce their sins. The reform party gain strength. The reformation was on.

The first step was to repair the tenhin While doing this Hilkiah discovered the let of the law, gave it to Shapan the scribe, 13 read it to the king. The king being delt moved commanded Hilkiah and others tot quire of the Lord concerning the word * the book. They, strangely enough, inquite of Huldah the prophetess, who declared ** book to be genuine and that all the evil the in predicted would be brought upon Julyn but that Josiah because of his tender by humble heart should be gathered to his ha ers in peace.

Then the king threw the whole weight a scattered their ashes; put down idolators priests; brake down the houses of the &n omites; defiled the high places and Tophita beat down the altars, brake in pieces theis ages and ent down the groves; took a the horses and burned the chariots to the stry put away wizards, familiar spirits, ima idols and all aboninations; slew the prind of all the high places, and even took

out of the sepulchres in the mount and d them upon the altars to pollute them. a great passover surpassing any since ays of the judges was held.

success of the movement was largely o the wisdom, strength and godliness of , but with him were some wise counand back of them all were the prophets d. For his great work Josiah was greatnored both by his own and succeeding

immediate benefits of the reformation the aversion of external and internal ers, the revival of the pure worship of ah, and thirteen years of peace and erity wherein the law of God could be ssed upon the popular heart. The far ng effect was two fold. Heathenism ed a blow from which it never recovand Hebrew literature, which to this lesses the world, was revived. Parts of ronomy, some of the Psalms and Provnd the Prophesy of Jeremiah are the ets of this period.

annot be said however, that the Refor-

t was permanent. Nor did it result in tabe king and the reform party hoped. 's sons "did that which was evil in the of the Lord,'' Judah lapsed into wickand was taken into captivity by Nebiezzar. The cause of this failure was d. First, wiekedness had gained deep Judah as in Israel. The heart of the was corrupt. They had "added sir." And because of all the angers with they had provoked the Lord he would urn from the flerceness of his great ? Second, "The Book of the Law determined the character of the reforwas inadequate. It was "a yoke of te which neither our fathers nor we ble to bear." It had long been laid y Judah and almost forgotten.

long hold in the old wine skins. id seem from the great good, peace osperity that followed the reformation te long looked for Messianic era was here. But no sooner had the firm us hand of Josiah withered in death, bellious Judah plunged into sin, and a optivity which tried even the fathful d deferred the birthday of hope.

not be expected that the new wine

e some good is derived from all reform ents even though misguided, yet let us oer that permanent reformation is the e only of regeneration. The forcing of er of the law has always and will ale a failure.

we are not come unto the mount that be touched, and that burned with fire. * But unto Mount Zion and unto the the living God the heavenly Jerusa-* * * And to Jesus —the mediator New Covenant. The only permanent tion is the new heart which comes by n contact with Christ.

part should ministers take in reform ents? They should be the voice of God the people, warning both rulers and of sin and pointing out clearly the way True prophets have always and ^{atw}ays so consider their calling and as idors of God should know and make his will. Rulers and people will do hearken - unto that preacher who vith a message from God.

SIDNEY II. BABCOCK.

ville. Mo.

Letter From Gilderoy.

I have not had a chat with the readers of the Western Methodist in a long while. Years ago I had a good many lively rounds in print with Dr. A. R. Winfield. He came to the sessions of our conference, the North Mississippi, occasionally and we used him freely. We was a very gifted man on his feet before an audience. He wielded a forcible and eloquent pen. He was well known and I was unknown. I had seen and heard him frequently and he had never seen or heard me only as I was one of a vast audience before him. We had a pretty tight fight in the Memphis, Arkansas, and Ochita Christian Advocate and Dr. Winfield called his articles "Random Shots" and I named mine "Center Shots." After the battle was over we met on the campus of Vanderbilt University. When I was introduced to the doctor he asked, "Is this Gilderoy with whom I have just had such a hot fight?" "I am the guilty party, docior," I replied. With that the doctor took me in his arms and pressed me to his bosom and said, "I thought you were a big, fat Dutchman and lo! you are a little wad of a man that I could swallow and not have more than half enough." "Yes, Doctor, I am little but a fine center shot," I retorted. With that we took a long stroll and talked about many things. Men of sense and grace can

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discuss questions about which they differ and keep in a good humor. I have a preacher friend here, a brother beloved, who has a wonderfully loud strong voice. Once we were in a district conference during a very hot spell of weather. The presiding elder was in the chair and I at the secretary's table. The interest lagged, the people drifted out to the shade of the trees. The presiding elder whispered to me, "Could you not do something to stir up interest in this meeting?" "Yes." 4 replied, ''I can stir up Thames and he will wake up the town." "Do it." he said. I wrote a resolution that no district conference would think of passing, offered it and made a brief speech on it. With that Thames was on his feet and made a fiery and furious speech. I replied in kind. This stirred Bro. Thames to the highest pitch and he reard, vanted, vociferated and beat the floor with his cane. The house was soon full. I withdrew the resolution and the business proceeded, title of superintendent. But there is a signifi-When we adjourned Thames and I were arm in arm on our way to the same place for din- logical sequence destined to work itself out ner. We met some ladies who asked, "Are in future than one which finds place in the you two friendly? We thought you would never speak again." Somehow a discussion stitutional Methodism that the presiding eldor fight of any kind always excites interest. Newspaper discussions are extensively read. Strong arguments in soft words exert won- exist without it. The Methodist episcopacy derful power. I once had a bosom friend, a is not so much an office as an idea, certainly

whose pen name was "Guzman." Over this pen name he wrote an article for the St. Louis Advocate and one "Nehemiah" replied to him and Guzman and Nehemiah had it up and down for some time. I thought Nehemiah was getting the better of my friend Guzman and so I put in an article to help him out. A card from Guzman said, "You fool you, keep out of this fight. I am both Guzman and Nehemiah. I thought this question ought to be discussed and so I am discussing it." And he did discuss it. Sometimes Guzman was on top and next time Nehemiah was on top. Dr. Adams knew that a discussion would attract attention and excite interest as nothing else would. Adams was a poet, a philosopher and a great preacher and teacher. He was waiting for a train in the depot in Jackson, Miss., and when his wife came in to join him she found him dead. He was on his way to his last appointment, Oxford, Miss., but God took him home to glory. I have had scores, if not hundreds of discussions in the papers and if I ever had a tinge of feeling or rise of temperature in any one of them I do not now recall it. I have had many a good laugh over penning my antagonist up in a close corner of the argument. I will not discuss any question with any man who cannot keep in a good humor. I will not quarrel with anyone-not even with my wife. Love and tenderness go out when quarreling begins. Quarreling does not tend to promote piety. It soon comes to be a habit. It makes every person uncomfortable who is close enough to hear. A quarreling husband, wife, father, mother, teacher or boss soon come to be dreaded, if not hated, by all with whom they have to do. A quarreling preacher and pastor is hard to endure. The more one quarrels the more there appears to be to quarrel about. Some people are so quarrelsome that they quarrel with themselves when there is no one else to quarrel at. If you have contracted this ugly habit, quit it, quit it if it kills you. Bite blood-blisters on your lips in an effort to quit it.

GILDEROY.

Strong, Miss., Aug. 7, 1908.

District Superintendents.

A variety of opinions have been expressed as to the extent and tendency of the change made by the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the office of presiding elder. So far as the record is understood by us, the only important change was in the name, the long-used term "presiding elder" being supplanted by that of "district superintendent." This substitution is a reversion to the original Methodist name for the bishop's assistant, and cannot therefore be considered a novelty or a sign of revolution. Mr. Wesley designated his responsible assistants by the title "superintendent." "General superintendent" occurred to him in consequence to be a proper title for the office of bishop, a designation which was also consonant with the New Testament idea of an episcopos.

So much for the genealogy of the renewal cance in the action which is rather that of a record. It is clear to every student of conership is essentially a part of our episcopal scheme. Our notion of the bishopric cannot us your orders for Bibles, Tests. Elerary man, anthor of "Aunt Peggy" and it does not inhere in a personal incumbent, "Enscotidian," Rev. T. A. S. Adams, D.D., but in an episcopal body, of which the pre-

siding eldership is an integral part. When the presiding eldership is abrogated, the episcopacy will fall into desuetude; when the presiding eldership is weakened, the episcopacy is correspondingly impaired. We have before observed, and now reiterate the doctrine, that the remedy for the confusion that threatens the episcopacy is not in a degradation of that office, but in the elevation of the presiding eldership to its moral logical status. It is not in order to particularize on this point at present. The presentation of the simple fact is sufficient. The proper settling of the presiding eldership means also a corresponding drawing up of her other orders, clerical and lay. There should be no bridgeless hiatus between the episcopacy and the "other clergy," and certainly none between the clergy and the laity. Here is the field for wisdom's careful survey. The old-new title "district superintendent," if not a reactionary subterfuge (and we cannot for a moment regard it as er (cf. ch. 14:52). In our day in times of such) looks toward a more perfect alignment war, men rise rapidly from obscurity to a of the two divisions of the episcopacy as it exists in Methodism. We have not poken idly in describing the presiding eldership as the "episcopacy."-Epworth Era.

The Local Preacher in America.

I am now able to see how difficult it is to maintain the order of lay preacher in America. There is no connectional Methodism as we know it in England. Each church is on its own footing. Really it is Congregationalism or Presbyterianism. They have their own pastor in small as well as large centers; therefore local preachers have no status or distinet sphere, many of them never conducting a public service or preaching a sermon. Local Preachers of the Methodist Episcopal Church of America are much the same as lay preachers in connection with the Baptist and Congregational Churches of England, doing much the same kind of work in the same way; and if American local preachers are to be eugaged, it can only be done by organizing themselves into an evangelizing agency, and making an attack on the citadel of darkness, independent of their churches. That there is great need for it a casual visitor with his eyes open will soon see. The proportion of people attendinw public worship is infinitesmally small, compared with the millions of people who never can be reached by existing religious agencies. In the East there is great scope for organizing and developing additional agencies, without involving large additional costs, so that the people may have the gospel preached to them by men whose hearts have been fired, who "believe and therefore speak" of the things God has done for them. and for the service expect no fee. I do not hesitate to say that to the average American this would be a new feature, and, I believe, would produce a new effect. When I told them that five sevenths of the preaching in Wesleyan Methodism in England was done by unpaid agency, they were amazed, and naively told me that, in America, if there were no dollars there would be little preaching. I do not believe that. But the fact remains that all the preaching in the United States is done by paid pastors; hence it follows that millions never do and never can hear the sound same story in all its essential features has of the gospel. The work of local preachers is practically confined to taking occasional services, as supply for the pastors, or conducting open-air camp meetings in the summer time and taking services at the union workhouses and penitentiaries.-Mr. H. Emmerson, in the "Local Preachers" (English Wesleyan) Magazine."

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

August 16-Saul Tries to Kill David. Golden Text.—"The Lord is a sun and shield." Ps. 84:11.

Lesson Text.—Samuel 18:6-16.

Tme.—1063 B. C.

Place—Gibeah.

David's great achievement raised him at once to a high position in the estimation of Saul, and in the army. But it did not turn David's head. He acted with remarkable modesty. He was perfectly obedient to all Saul's orders though he knew that he had been himself divinely appointed to the chief leadership in Israel. He conducted himself with great wisdom. He patiently awaited God's time. Saul himself was at first disposed to put David forward (v. 5). He was commander in ehief over the rude and undisciplined army which Saul had gathered togethplace of great prominence by some act of great courage and prowess. Much more would this be true of such primitive warfare. that none dreamed of disputing his superioriand songs of victory and praise as they returned from the battle (Ex. 15:20; Ju. 11:34; Lu. 4:30; 10:39). Ps. 68:25). Nothing is dearer to the average soldier's heart than the admiration and praise of the fair women of the land. David was naturally the idol of the honr. He was the nation's savior. Moreover he had performed a deed of unparallelled bravery. It is no wonder that the women went wild with enthusiasm. Their comparison was just enough, but not wise. Saul was king and it was natural he should be stung to the quick by having one who had just come to the front thus highly exalted above himself. Furthermore it was only a short time since Saul himself had been the idol of the people (ch 11:11, 12). It is hard to give up a place like that to another without a pang of jealousy. Even among Christians, jealousy is not altogether unknown. But jealousy is a noxious and rank-growing weed, and it should be torn up at its first appearance. The man who lets it grow in his heart is lost. The song of praise to David was taken up far and wide and became known even among other peoples (cf. ch. 21:11; 29:5). It was the popular air of the day. Probably Saul was not to blame. Doubtless be would rather that the women had not thus sung. But greatness, no matter how humble it is, is very maddening to mediocrity. The small man can not forgive the great man for being great. Saul whimpered like a spoiled child. He had not even sense enough to keep his chagrin to himself. God had told Saul that he had chosen a better man to be king in his place (ch. 15:28; 13:14). His jealous heart jumped at once to the conclusion that this was the better man of whom God had spoken (cf. ch. 20:31). He was filled with rage to see the kingdom slipping from his hands. In the better days he had not desired the kingdom for himself (ch. 10:21,22). Now he would not give it up. In the story of Saul we see the tragedy of a soul. The been repeated again and again. From that day on there was no more peace nor joy for Saul. David was the ghost of his existence. Saul "from that day" never looked at David without a feeling of envy and hate. It is awful to be constantly meeting one who stirs up bitterness in you every time you see him. "The evil spirit" was a demon (cf. Acts 16:

16-18; Mark 1:23-26). It is said this evil spirit was "from God." He was a messenger of Satan but permitted by God for Saul's discipline (ef. 2 Cor. 12:7). As far as God's permission was concerned he was intended to torment Saul and thus to bring him to repentance. In this aspect of mercy he was 'an evil spirit from God.'' Even the evil spirits and the devil himself do God's work (cf. Matt. 4:1), though unwittingly to themselves. The further truth is hinted at here that if men will not have the truth and the good Spirit, then God gives them over to terror and evil spirits (2 Thess. 2:10-12). This is a solemn thought, but it is taught by both scripture and experience. Under the influence of this evil spirit Saul "prophesied," i. e., he went into an eestatic state where he was under control of the evil spirit (cf. Acts 16:16-18; 1 K. 18:29; 22:12, 20-23). We see the same thing in some forms of modern clairvoyance and "inspirational speaking." There is but a step from envy to murder (cf. Matt. 27:18). Saul took that step. In murderous hate he hurled his javelin at him. Nowadays the envious man easts his javelin not at the His deed was so splendid in the eyes of all body but at the reputation of the man he envies. Saul missed his mark, but he was no ty. It was the custom of the women of Israel less a murderer at heart. God was taking to greet their conquering armies with dances care of David, and no Saul can hurt the one that God protects. (Ps. 37:32, 33; Isa. 54:17;

Saul's formenting hate now becomes coupled with formenting fear. David's conduct commended him to God and "the Lord was with David" (cf. ch. 16:18). He had been with Saul in the past (ch. 10:7), but he was now "departed from" him. There is no more miserable man than the man who once knew the presence and power of God and has now lost it. The man who hasn't the presence of God fears the man who has. But David was still recognized as leader (Nu. 27:16, 17; 2 Sam. 5:2). David confinued to conduct himself with great discretion. There is no greater agony to an envious heart than to see the object of that envy going on from success to success. Saul read his own doom in each new triumph of David. While Saul envied and hated and feared, the hear's of the people became more and more completely David's (ef. 19:48; 20:19.)—Torrey,

Sunday School Notes.

By W. J. Moore, Chairman. When our church adopts a plan or a policy, it is the duty of loyal Methodists to chime right in and help and not hinder. You may not exactly agree with the policy; but for the sake of the cause, do not throw any obstacles in the way and discourage those who are trying to do what the church has directed them to do.

The study of missions affords greater opportunities, opens more doors to gain knowledge than any other study. You must study the geography of the country, its history, its peoples, their customs, their religions. If the above statement is true may not our mission study classes be made a source of wide information? Would not a consideration of his kind justify you in organizing a class—even if there were no religion in it? We think so.

It is almost a universal sentiment in our conference that the missionary funds raised in the Sunday school should not be applied on "conference assessments." Of course brother it Of course, brother, it means you will have to wear out a little more sole leather to get your collections, but it will be in the interest of soul winlections, but it was no ining, and you will feel a sight you get to conference.

Not too late to have the Children's Day service. No pasior can report "collections in full' who does not observe the day.

Quite a number of pastors have reported good Children's Day services in union Sunday schools. That's good—good for the s. hool—good for the pastors—good for the cause. You can observe the day even if you have no Sunday school.

The Church's Largest Asset. This, without question, is its children. From its earliest days the Roman Catholic Church has been wise enough to believe this and has carefully guarded the theological training of its youth; but we Protestants have been slow to form anything like that estimate, and hence our unpardonable neglect

of the religious life of our children.

It is not simply that the youth of one decade are to be adults of the next, though that in itself gives sobering gravity to the question; but the chief consideration is this: that, with but rare exceptions, one's religious ideas, impressions, and inclinations, are all received before manhood or womanhood reached. If, therefore, the church would maintain her hold upon the country, if she would advance as the population multiplies, if she would insure the future evangelization of the nation, she must do her full duty to the rising generation. What lid that petition mean which only yesterday was presented to a Southern judge, asking elemency for a murderer because he was brought up in a godless community? This: that a boy sent forth into life without a religions training is at a disadvantage, and is not so much to be blamed for his subsequent career as the community rearing him.

So sound and basic is this principle, that the problem of the church's successful conquest of America resolves itself into one single factor—its Christianization of the present youth of the land. If we gave our boys and girls the spiritual care they need, and we are capable of affording them, the work of conservation and confirmation would constitute the major part of our task a quarter of a century from

now.

What does the church's duty to the children involve? What is incumbent upon her if she would meet her full responsibility at this point?

1. Placing the primary accent in all her life and work upon the religious nurture of the young. In most churches, this has not now even the secondary or tertiary accent. It is usually treated as of only the least importance. The minister puts the sermon, or the parochial round, first, administrative duties next, and, last of all, the Sunday school and the catechetical class; whereas, at the very top of his program, as of primal importance, should be the work to be done by the church, of which he is pastor, for the children. Ministers make a grave mistake—in the sight of God, I believe it will prove well nigh an unpar boundble mistake—in neglecting their Sanday schools as some of them do.

2. Suitable financial provision, before all else, for the church's work for the children. As it is, the minister's salary, the music, repairs, the janitor, the coal and light, and various sundries precede the Sunday school on the budget, and in most rural churches it gets no place whatever in the estimate of expenses. By good rights, the Sunday school should come first, and all other expenses follow. If what some churches spend on choirs, to the exclusion of other necessary items, could be given to our Sunday schools, what a strong and irresistable hold we

schools, what a strong and irresistable would get upon the coming generation!

3. A fuller, better-articulated program, on the part of our Sessions (Official Boards) for work among children." A Sunday school and Junior Christian Endeavor poeiety (Epworth League) are not enough. Most churches haven't that much. Catechetical classes are needed; and there must be systematic visitation of the children, children's services, and various other agencies, if we are to exercise anything like an adequate ministry to the young. How many Sessions (Official Boards) have a committee on child nurture? How many divide up the child members for personal visitation? Is there one out of a thousand that keeps a list before it, and has a systematic, well-digested plan—for—winning and training each child in the charge?

4. A definite and continuous campaign to bring every child of the community under the influence of the church. This calls for more than an occasional, spasmodic canvass, or the offering of a prize for new scholars. It means advertising, personal scarch, increasing the church's attractiveness to children, sessional provision for the proper welcoming and training of the little ones when they have been induced to come; and, above all, a wise, prayerful, and loving system of personal work to win them to an open con-

fessed Christian life.

O m. n and women of the church, here is the greatest mine we own, and yet we are working it as if it were the least productive.—Westminister Teacher,

The men of the land are denominated the "unused asset" of the church. Probably so; but are not the children at once the unused, the unappreciated, the untrained, and the largest asset of the church? We think so. Read the article in this paper on the last suggestion, and then double your diligence in behalf of the children of the land. "He that saves a child confers a double blessing—he saves a life and a life-time."

We are asked lots of questions. Some we can answer; some we cannot. We are asked, "Who should be put in charge of a class of boys, a man or a woman?" On general principles I would put a man in charge of a class of boys from ten years old to sixteen, for the reason that boys take a man as their ideal just as girls take a woman as their model. There are other reasons; but this is sufficient.

Another question: "Why don't you send us the

money and let us buy our own literature, and not have so much red tape about it?" Just for the reason that we have no money to send. We buy all our supplies from our House on time. Again, we want to know that the money goes for literature—Methodist literature at that.

Every pastor can have a Sunday school in his charge if he wants one, and will put forth some effort. He can have two classes—the Cradle Roll and the Home Study. These are the beginning and the ending of the Sunday school.

We hear of some communities where our people furn'sh the superintendent, most of the teachers and pupils, and in a few cases a church building, for a so-called union Sunday school. In such places, if nowhere else, we ought to have our schools and literature

The placing of two excellent Sunday school books in the course of study for undergraduates in the conference has met with universal approval. Our bishops did a wise thing in so doing, and took a step toward meeting a long-felt want and necessity. That pastors should be sent out to "shepherd the flock" with no knowledge, or very little, of the greatest institution of the church seems preposterous. These two books are Lawrance's "How to Conduct a Sunday School," and Bishop Atkins "Kingdom in the Cradle," and ought to be taken by every pastor, young and old, and studied thoroughly. We hope the next change in the course will put "How to Conduct a Sunday School" in the first year, "The Kingdom in the Cradle" in the second year, and

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If we need in the Oklahema Conference anything worse than we need well trained, efficient Sunday school teachers it is certainly well trained, efficient, up to date Sunday school pastors. More depends on the pastor than any one else. He therefore ought to be the best Sunday school man be can be.

Coming to the Front.

Some one recently said that one thing is certain: The Sanday school pastor is coming to the front, and he is in strong demand by the churches. Bishop Janes said years ago that he saw the time coming when two sermons would be preached to children and youth when there would be one preached to adults. Happy, hepeful day! let it soon come.

Lawton, Okla.

General Secretary Laymen's Movement.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, held at Monteagle, July 18-20, it was felt that the time had come in the development of the work for the election of a General Secretary who could give his whole time to the organization and direction of the movement. In this connection all minds seemed to turn to Mr. W. B. Stubbs, of Savannah, Ga. - After much thought and prayer he was unanimously elected, and, we are glad to say, has accepted the office. Mr. Stubbs is a lawyer who gives up a large practice and surrenders what has hitherto appeared to be his life work at the call of the church, believing that he should

work where the providence of God indicates he should. He is a man eminently fitted for this position. He is a consecrated man, who knows and loves men, who by his character and ability has achieved a place of leadership both in Christian work and other lines of life in the city where he has lived. He has the gift of utterance, deep and clear convictions, intense faith and a contagious enthusiasm. He has the faculty of putting his whole soul into whatever he undertakes. We congratulate the Movement on the election of Mr. Stubbs, and "eel sure that his work will amply justify the wisdom of the committee in their selection. By the time this reaches our readers he will be installed in his office which will be in Nashville. He will visit such of the Annual Conferences as he can reach.

Mrs. Mary F. Rorie.

Dear Methodist: I have felt ever since the death of Sister Rorie that some one should write something more definite of this noble character. I contribute the following to her sacred memory:

Mrs. Mary F. Rorie was the wife of Rev. Thomas O. Rorie and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. and Nora Brooks. She was born in Oglethorpe county, Ga., Dec. 19, 1864. In 1881 she dedicated her life to God and joined the Methodist Church. On August 23, 1882, she was married to Rev. Thos. O. Rorie, member of the North Georgia Conference. To them three sons and two daughters were born, all of whom, with the husband and father, remain in sorrow since the departure of the wife and mother, which sad event took place at Brinkley, Ark., May 25, 1908, after months of suffering.

The remains were carried to Arkadelphia, their former home, where the funeral was conducted in the Methodist Church by Rev. A. O. Evans, the pastor, assisted by the writer. Revs. J. A. Sage, A. Turrentine and C. J. Green offered appropriate remarks on the life and character of the departed saint; after which the sacred dust was laid to rest in Rose Hill cemetery, Arkadelphia, Arkansas.

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She bore a countenance of cheer and sunshine through her protracted illness and met death with a conquering faith and a submissive spirit and passed to her unending reward. We feel our loss and in sadness we wait the reunion above.

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Ill men by these presents, that whereklahoma Annual Conference of the Episcopal Church, South, sitting in ssion in Durant, Oklahoma, on the ays of November, 1907, did adopt to become a part of the official recfollowing report and recommenda-

eas the time seems to us auspicious rative for our conference to enterer things for the educational inter-Church, therefore we recommend hat in harmony with the policy of al Board of Education this conferow adopt the policy of having one d one woman's college;

we recommend that a Board of be appointed by the conference y, and their successors in office shall over, receive, and hold in trust for ma Annual Conference of the Methcopal Church, South, any property now in possession of, or which may be acquired by said conference for se of a woman's college; and that consist of the following:

mar, S. F. Goddard, W. H. Roper, baugh, A. S. McKennon, A. E. Bon-Ames, and W. G. Ditzler.

re recommend that this conference n Educational Commission consistfollowing:

Junkle, P. R. Knickerbocker, Geo. W. L. Anderson, C. B. Smith, and ssioner of Education an Ex-officio Said Commission shall hold office quadrennium and until their sucill have been chosen this conferir duties shall be as follows: To nd locate a woman's college for ance, to regulate and correlate the Epworth University."

ereas the aforesaid Educational cacting under the authority thus the conference met on the 27th day r, 1907, and by proper action on its lly adopted the school heretofore Spaulding Female College as the llege of the Oklahoma Conference; reas, the Board of Missions of the Episcopal Church, South, sitting in ion at St. Joseph, Mo., on the 11th 7, 1908, agreed to transfer to the nnual Conference the said Spauld-College property on the following

the Board of Trustees elected by ma Annual Conference shall beorated under the laws of the State

the charter thus secured shall rey that the said Spaulding Female perty, or its equivalent in value, er be held and continued as a lege of high grade under the ausntrol of the Oklahoma Conference dist Episcopal Church, South;

the incorporators or Trustees and their successors shall always of the Methodist Episcopal

d by virtue of the authority theresed, we, the said J. S. Lamar, bddard, William H. Roper, N. Lee Arch S. McKennon, and A. E. lens of the State of Oklahoma and the Methodist Episcopal Church, reby associate ourselves together use of forming a corporation for

State of Oklahoma; and to that end do declare and certify as follows:

First, the name of this corporation shall be "Oklahoma Woman's College of the Oklahoma Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South."

Second, The purpose for which this corporation is formed is to establish, maintain, and conduct an institution of learning to be owned, controlled, and directed by the Oklahoma Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for the exclusive use of girls and young women, in exact accord with the preamble hereto, and in accordance with the authority hereinbefore recited; and to promote therein the higher education of girls and young women under Christian auspices; and said college when so established shall have the following powers:

(a) To grant diplomas or certificates of graduation in such form as the Trustees thereof, and faculty concurring may provide;

(b) To grant and confer such honors, degrees, and titles, as are granted by any college under such regulations and in such form as the Trustees may determine in harmony with the policy of the General Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South;

(e) To take and hold by gift, grant, devise or purchase all real and personal property necesary for its support and use, and to dispose of the same for the college, provided that said college shall never have the power to divert the proceeds derived from the property now known as Spanlding Female College to any other purpose than the use and benefit of said Oklahoma Woman's College.

Third, That the place where its principal business is to be transacted is Muskogee, Oklahoma, or any other place the college may be located, provided, however, that the Oklahoma Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, shall have the power, if it so desires at any time, to change the location of said college to any other place in the State of Oklahoma.

Fourth. The term for which this corporation shall exist shall be perpetual

Fifth. There shall be six trustees of this corporation; and at an election held at Muskogee, Oklahoma, on the 21st day of July, 1908, the following named trustees were elected to serve until their successors were chosen, to-wit: J. S. Lamar, Mangum, Okla.; Wm. II. Roper, Muskogee, Okla.; Samuel F. Goddard, Holdenville, Okla.; N. Lee Linebaugh, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Arch S. Mc-Kennon, McAlester, Okla.; A. E. Bonnell, Muskogee, Okla.

Provided that the said conference may increase the said board to any number not to exceed fifty.

The trustees of this corporation shall be subject to the following:

(a) No person shall be eligible to hold the office of trustee in this corporation who is not a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at the time of his election and a resident of this State, and ceasing to be a member of said church or a resident of the State shall in either case vacate his office.

(b) Trustees of this corporation shall be efore, in consideration of the subject to all such duties and liabilities as are applicable to trustees of colleges under the ; and in discharge of the trust discipline and usage of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and shall be amenable to the Annual Conference of said Church, which said conference shall have power to remove any and all of said trustees, and to fill all vacancies from nominations by the Board of Edneation as hereinafter provided.

(c) The trustees named herein shall be in

educational purposes under the laws of the the first trustees, and they may until the adoption of by-laws determine for themselves their times of meeting and the number necessary for a quorum, and adopt their own rules of procedure; provided, however, that no rear estate shall be bought or sold and no president or professor of said college be appointed or removed except by a majority vote of the trustees duly assembled.

> (d) The Board of Education of the Oklahoma Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, shall determine and publish the date when the term of office of each of the trustees herein named expires; and the succession of trustees shall be kept up and all vacancies filled by the Board of Education nominating and the said Oklahoma Annual Conference electing.

> In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals at Muskogee, Okla., this the 21st day of July, 1908.

> > J. S. LAMAR, WM. H. ROPER, SAMUEL F. GODDARD, N. LEE LINEBAUGH. ARCH S. McKENNON. A. E. BONNELL.

State of Oklahoma, Muskogee County:

Before me, Chas. T. Difendafer, a notary public in and for said county and State on this the 21st day of July, 1908, personally appeared J. S. Lamar, Wm. II. Roper, Samuel F. Goddard, N. Lee Linebaugh, Arch S. Mc-Kennon, A. E. Bonnell to me well known to be the parties who executed the within and foregoing instrument, and each for himself separately and severally acknowledged to me that he executed the same as his free and voluntary act and deed for the purposes and uses therein set forth.

In testimony whereof I have set my hand and seal of office in Muskogee, Oklahoma, on the day last above written.

CHAS. T. DIFENDAFER,

Notary Public. My commission expires January 24th, 1910. We the undersigned constituting the officers who conducted the election of trustees as above set forth, do hereby certify that the trustees named in the above and foregoing articles of incorporation were duly elected at the time and place stated therein.

A. E. BONNELL, Chairman. SAMUEL F. GODDARD, Secretary.

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CHILDREN'S PAGE.

will be glad to have the children con-lo hispeagendfo do Yffl...nla to this page. All letters must be ad-to Lillian Anderson, in care of the Methodist, Little Rock, Ark.)

Why Rodney Went Back.

By Ruth Carr.

CHAPTER 2.

hext morning as Bernardo went the street, he heard a familiar behind him; "Wello there, Kid, for a fellow—I've something to u; where is Rodney?"

lanno, I saw him last night just

lark; why did you ask?'? ny sister, and he was the only to had a chance to get it, so I be is the thief."

hat proof have you that he got

y all the proof we want, and icer is after him this morning, can't be found; I guess he's e country for good, and it is the ing he can do, for if he stays we will not try to prosecute him. er Lucy sets a store by him, and ed to make something out of ut I guess it's all off now."

hat kind of a watch was it you

small gold watch with a dia-in the centre—it cost \$80; it ny sister's monogram on the

es your sister think he got it?" turned red as Bernardo asked pestion, and begun marking on

ound with his umbrella. Ly she—er—yes—she does now, first she would not, for you see s tried so hard to make some-of the rascal, but it seems that a failure.

ell; but that is no proof that got the watch; tell me how it pened."

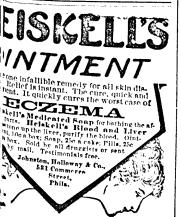
il, it was this way; sister Lucy e up to her room to get some out of her purse to pay Rodney uming the orchard, and he askto lend him a book, so she told go with me to her room and get t he liked, for she had a caller ildn't go just then; when we the room the watch was lying table, for I saw it, and I turned to get the money and forgot all sked me if I knew where it

youldn't have thought it of the ff, but it looks as if he got it, mehow I don't believe he did; t a thief, for I tried to get him with into to steal some melons ght and he said he wouldn't go e had a dime to pay for them." might have done that to throw the scent."

I don't believe he did, but been something the matter with or some time, for he ain't the he used to be, an' it 'pears to t there's somethin' on his mind, s been there for a good spell." that's it—he took that watch was trying to think of some get rid of it, and turn it into

e he did, but 1 can't think it thap, for he told me last night wouldn't steal the melons behad promised Miss—I asked liss' was, but he wouldn't tell

hast have been my sister, for k him up when he had no



friends and helped him in lots of ways, and hoped he would some day make something of himself, but he is now like the snake that is almost frozen and a man warms in his bosom, and the snake fugs and bites him for his

"Things look dark agin the kid, but I won't believe he is guilty till it is proved on him."

Jeff wince, under Bernardo's keen black eyes that seemed to look through "Well you can believe it or not as

you like, but it's true."

"Are you sure you didn't get it yourself," said Bernardo, as he showed his white teeth in a wicked grin.

"What do you mean, you low down Spaniard, do you mean to accuse me

of stealing?" as he doubled up his fist to strike Bernardo.

"Hit me if you dare," as he stooped to pick up a stone, "I don't believe Rodney got that watch, and I'm going

to tell the officers so."
"Well you d better tend to your own business, for it is proof enough that Rodney can't be found this morning. and some one saw him get on a boat

last night."

"It's all a lie, Jeff Houston, and you know it."

"I don't wish to have any words

with you, for you are too far beneath me, so I will leave you, before I soil

my hands by whipping you."
"You are a coward, if your skin is whiter than mine, and your heart is too black to beat in any other than a coward's breast," as his keen Spanish eves shot fire.

Jeff turned and walked rapidly down the street, stopping at the corner long enough to harl a stone at the dark figure, that started in hot pursuit, for Jeff ran into his father's office, and shook his fist at Bernardo as he closed

the office door.

"I've half a notion to go up and tell his sister that Rod didn't get that watch, but what proof have I, she wouldn't believe me; I'll just go down under the hill and ask old man Vespuchi where Rodney is."
"No." said the old man a little la-

"No." said the old man a little later, "I ain't seen him since yesterday, for he didn't come home last night. Mike Skinner 'lowed he seen him git on the 'Bonnie Jean' last night arter dark, as she stopped to take coal at the shed. If I git him, I'll make his back blacker, 'n it has ever been yit.' "
""Do you know that Jeff Honston is telling it all over town, that Bodyen.

telling it all over town that Rodney a watch from his sister that cost

"Well if I find out that Rodney did do that, and not give the watch to me, I'll bet he'll be sorry when I git my hands on him."

"But I don't believe Rod done it, for he has quit stealin', least he told me he had.'

"Well, how on the earth do he expect to live if he don't steal?" said

the wicked man.
"Why he means to go to work like an honest man, for he promised Miss that he wouldn't steal any more."
"'Miss' who?"

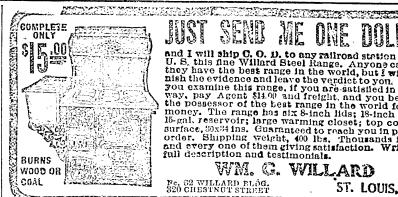
"I don't know, but I think it was

Miss Lucy Houston."
"What has she got to do with him?" "I can't tell you sir, but she seems to have a terrible hold on him some way, and it may be she has got him to leave town."

"1'll go see her about that right now, an' if she did, there'll be trou-ble."

(To be continued.)

Calico Rock, Ark., July 25, 1908. Dear Western Methodist: Will you admit a girl of seventeen summers into your happy band. I have often thought I would write but have never written cading the pi much. My father is a Methodist preacher, pastor of the Calico Rock and Mt. View circuit. How many of you cousins are members of the church? I am for one. I joined about seven years ago. I will tell you some things about our church work and our town also. We have prayer meeting on Welmesday night and Sunday School every Sunday. We have just organized an Epworth League about a month ago and I enjoy attending Epworth League meetings. D. H. H. Smith is president; Mr. H. H. Matthews is first vice president, and



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NAOMI MeCLURE.

Forrest City, Ark., July 12, 1908. [darf, W. H. Roper, W. F. Dunkle, Hon. Dear Cousins: Will you admit a life of J. J. Moore, afterney at law, Muskogee, the Arkansas girlio into your happy Okla. J. M. HIVELY. My mama has been taking the Tethodist for about twenty-two years. Lam a little girl fourteen years of age, weigh 121, am about five feet, four and a half inches high, have light hair, blue eyes and a sallow complexion. I go to Sunday School every Sunday I can. I have three brothers and two sisters living and one sister and four brothers send. Papa, mama, all three brothers, one sister and in self belong to the Methodist church. My ofacr sister is three years old. I will close and it I see this in print I will write again. cood-bye. Love to all the cousins and Miss Lillian, I remain your new consin, JJŹZIE WeBEE.

Ashdown, Arl., July 19, 1908.
Dear Methodist: This is my first letter to the Methodist. I enjoy reading the letters fine, and hope Kuth Carr will write another story. Bro. Rober son is our pastor, and Mr. Philips my teacher at Sunday School. I will answer Willie Mobley's question. swer Willie Mobley's question, "Joshua was the son of whom?" Joshua was the son of Nun, last chap ter and ninth verse of Denteronomy. will close by asking a question. Who was Moses' father? If I see this in print I will come again.

Your new consin. ARTIE RHODES.

Portotos, Oklai, July 13, 1998. Pear Western Methodist: This is my first letter to the children's page, though I have often thought of we ting. I go to Surday chool every funday that I can. Papa is superinteneous. We sure have a good Sanday School at Pontotic. But, Martin is our partoc. I like him five the is a good treacher. I have a rice littly pany for a pet which i upa got me about a menticago. I rode that to Sanday School vester lay. I love a menticago had not provide so analy I can't that I can. Papa is superintendent. three so it my wind is so notice I can't have a p. I like Ruth Can't letters; I wish she would write again. I go to School is the winter and spring. I ride

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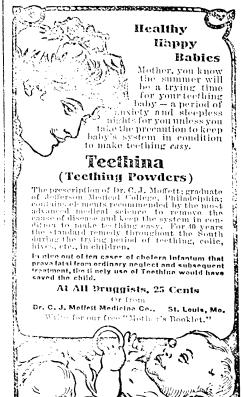
I shall be glad to help anyone in revivals who needs my assistance. My address is 613 So. B street, Muskogee, Okla. I refer you to Revs. O. E. Godfdark, W. H. Roper, W. F. Dunkle, Hon. J. M. HIVELY.

McAlester District Conference.

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Caddo, Okla., Aug. 7.



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Mrs. Jas. Thomas, Editor.

Mr. Taft, Republican nominee for President and former Secretary of War, said on his return from his trip around the world: "I know a great many people opposed to foreign missions, in fact who religiously, if you can use the word, refuse to contribute to them. I confess that there was a time when I was enjoying a smug provincialism and had some of these feelings, but these left me when I went to the Orient. . I never realized the immense importance of foreign missions until that time."

I wish more of our people could go to the Orient and see for themselves.

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I find the following directions for making missionary maps most practicable and very helpful, especially for use in the young people and juvenile societies: "A map should be used in the study of every country. Your missionary committee could make a good map by taking a yard of muslin, outlining the country, then stitching a contrasting braid over the outline, and placing bright colored stickers opposite the mission points. The map could be tacked on a window shade roller and a rod placed on the lower hem so it may be out of the way when not needed. The names of the stations and missionaries should be written plainly on the map as they are learned. In beginning the study ask each person to bring his school geography; then with your mission, then with your mission map help place the countries and stations in their relative positions to the: rest of the world."-Exchange,

Lady managers, the time for rallying your children is almost here. Begin now to arrange your pragrams for the coming fall and winter. Map out your work, then carry out your plans, -don't depend on the inspiration of the moment to run your meetings; if you do, "Tchabod" is already written over your efforts. Begin with a genuine rally service; make it a point to have every member of the society present at this service. Let them know what is expected of them during the fall and winter. Don't give them too much to do, for, remember they will have school duties. Give every one some specific work. Make a poster and hang in the vestibule of the Sunday School room or church auditorium, showing name of society, time of meetings, pledges of the Society including the number of new members as well as the money obligations that you are pledged to secure. This will aid you much in advertising your meetings. Then, when you are going to have some social function in your society, place another poster near this, with a statement of what it is to be when it is to be, and where it is to be, with the invitation. Use modern methods to further your missionary work.

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God made the world for women too; Its singing birds, its fragrant flow-

Its lofty peaks and skies of blue, Our Father made, and they are ours.

The Saviour died for women too. About the cross in every land They gather with their sin and woe And lay them in his pierced hand.

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9:30. The world's need of Christ, ('hrist's need of the church. Geo. Thornburgh and W. T. Woolridge.

10:15. The Laymen's Missionary Movement. Why needed. Its object, its methods. D. H. Abernathy of Pits burgh, Tex.

11:00. What can money do in the evangelization of the world and in the solution of our church problems. A. Trieschmann and M. W. Greeson. Discussion.

3 p. m. Devotional exercises.

The Little Rock Conference. Our field, our needs? What part shall the layman take in meeting these needs. This discussion will be led by W. J. Pinson, L. B. Leigh, Judge A. Curl and Judge J. S. Steel. Let there be a full and free discussion of this subject by

4:30. The report of the committee on constitution and bylaws. The perfeeting of our organization and the election of officers.

8 p. m. W. B. Stubbs, our Field Secretary has been invited and is expected to deliver this address.

Sunday. The laymen will conduct services at such places as are desired by the pastors. Bishop Hendrix is expected to remain over Sunday. We have invited several of our leading

week some important additions to this program,

We want 500 of our laymen present. The cause deserves your presence. You need the inspiration you will get. This being our first conference meeting we should make it a good one.

For the Committee,

W. K. BAMSEY.

Social Hill Circuit.

Dear Brethren: Our third quarterly conference met at Social Hill July 11-1t. On Sunday at 11 o'clock we had an old fashionel Methodist love deast which all Christians seemed to enjoy very much. Several good sisters were walking the floor and shouting God's praises, while the congregation continued to sing, "When I can read my title clear." The Spirit of the Lord was with us. Our P. E., Bro. Bruce, began preaching at 11 o'clock. As he almost always does, he preached a most interesting and effective sermon. As had been announced a month previous to this, we began our protracted meeting on Sunday night, under the leadership of Rev. T. J. Norsworthy, pastor at Malvern. We found Bro. Norsworthy to be a power in God's hands, and while there were only about ten or twelve who professed religion and three united with the church, we believe there was more permanent good done than has been done at Social Hill for a number of years. Bro. C. V. Holiman, of that place, has surrendered to God, and will be at our next annual conference for license to preach. Other young men say that they feel the call to the ministry, but have not surrendered yet. Brethren pray that God will call more young men into His vineyard to preach the gospel. Sincerely,

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District Conference Notice.

The McAlester District Conference will convene in Caddo August 18th. Rev. W. W. Crymes will preach the opening sermon at 11 a. m. The Epworth League will hold its district conference Tuesday evening. The missionary rally Wednesday evening. The laymen's meeting. Thursday evening. Dr. Moore will conduct a Sunday School Institute Thursday offernoon. Rev. W. J. Sims will speak on educational interests of the church and Rev. N. L. Linebaugh on church extension. These brothron will speak at times that will suit their convenience. A representative of the Western Metholist will be given opportunity to represent the paper. A large attendance is expected.

S. G. THOMPSON, P. E. Laymen's Meeting-Ardmore District.

The Ardmore District Conference at its recent session decided to hold a inceting in Broadway Church, Ardmore, Sept. 7, 8, in the interest of the "Lay men's Missionary Movement." this meeting a District Leader will be elected. Let each paster make his arrangements to attend this meeting, and see that five or six of his choice lavmen attend this meeting. This is the greatest movement of the age-the enlistment of our laymen in more active W. T. FREEMAN, P. E.

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Our meeting at Viola was a success. The sermon on Saturday at 11 by Bro. Greathouse will be long remembered. Being the time of our third Quarterly Conference for this charge, our faithful presiding elder, Bro. A. F. Spinner, was id his post. He preached at night and Sunday at 11 two most excellent and appreciated sermons. Sun lay night Bro. Gordon Wimpy took charge of the

We had a good service at every coming together. Methodists, Baptists, Cumberland Presbyterians and Campbellites rejoiced fogether. Bre. Wimpy preached some excellent sermons and is a great revivalist and don't shun to condemn sin in all its forms. His labors here will long be remembered. We needed him so much another week at Viola. We hope the conference will secure his labors for another year. We had seven conversions and three to join our church. A number were reclaimed. F. E. HALL.

Pioneer Circuit.

Pioneer circuit is moving up by degrees. We now have an arbor valued at one hundred dollars and a beautiful two aere lot to which we have the promise of a deed. So at our next Quarterly Conference we can report some property for Delhi. We have just closed a sixteen lays meeting at Delhi, under the most unfavorable eircumstances. Three thrashers worked in sight of the meeting place from begin-

ning to close, and it rained almost all the time and the Baptists preached two Sundays of the three in 200 yards of our place. But still the people came to church. We had nineteen conversions in the old fashioned way. Seventeen joined the church, five by vows. Five by baptism, seven by certificate. We baptized one infant and the church was greatly strengthened and built up. Rev. J. M. Maloy, LL. D., of Mangum, did most of the preaching and he did it well. My people love Bro. Maloy. Our fourth Quarterly Conference will be held at the arbor at Delhi the first ever held at Delhi in property of our own. We don't propose to always be orphans, without a home. Our next meetings begins at Heatley, on the night of the 7th. Let everybody pray J. M. HOLT, P. C.

A Meeting of the Advisory Board of the Methodist Orphanage at the Masonic Temple in Little Rock, October 1st, 1908.

The Advisory Board of the Methodist Orphanage is called to meet at the Maronic Temple in Little Rock, Oct. 1st, 1908.

I am sending out notices to this committee with the request that they notify me of their coming. This will be a layman's meeting in the interest of our orphans' home. They will have some very important business before them. Every one that receives notice of their appointment should gladly come as this is so important to the growth of our church in the State.

We expect one of our bishops to be present and take part in planning for the future interest of the home. We also expect the board of trustees to meet with us.

We are looking for a great meeting. Let every one interested in our Orphans' Home pray for this meeting.

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Kiowa, Okla.

We have just closed a ten days cooperative meeting. The preaching was of the highest class-true gospel sermons-and was done by Rev. M. M. Smith, a cousin of the pastor. Bro. Smith has made many friends during his short stay with us and many friends bade him God-speed in his work.

There were several conversions and five accessions to the Methodist church. There are others to join us later.

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We seemed our assessments on conference collections, in subscriptions, in full. Our three meetings have been good. About sixty conversions: thirty three additions to the church. Evrything is in better condition. We are some behind on salary but hope to seed everything by conference.

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Aug. 4, 1938.

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The August Century will be the Midsummer Holiday Number with ten short stories, besides new chapters, of increasingly intense interest, of Dr. S. Weir Mitchell's "The Red City." Among the contributors to this short story issue will be David Gray, the "Gallops" man, Irving Bachellor, Charles D. Stewart, and Jack London.

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Rev. D. J. Weems. ncan District Conference.

onference convened at Ryan, ly 27th and closed on the 30th. time was given to look into partment of church work, and was given an opportunity ent his cause. The presiding v. C. H. McGhee, was courtel, and from his helpful talks e was familiar with his diswas faithfully looking after est of the same. The brethren him as an eloquent and strong Each session of the conferopened with a half, hour devovice, which was much enjoy-Frank Naylor, J. M. Porter. Butler preached excellent Brother Naylor and Porter mmended for re-admission.

J. Moore, of Lawton, pre-Sunday School cause in a esting and helpful way.

F. Duncle and Rev. W. J. e excellent addresses on the eational subject. They showklahoma was alive to the ducation.

L. Linebaugh represented extension cause in a most nanner, and secured \$115.00 ild churches.

A. O'Bryant, by request of ing Elder, showed the imporchurch conferences and how em. He is a brilliant young n. is succeeding.

W. Sims of Ardmore precause of missions, and showw is the opportune time for of Oklahoma to do their best. man's Home Mission were afternoon. They were well and showed great enthusir noble work.

most beautiful town in the fertile prairie, well supplied stores, two banks, and four They are a very moral peopeful competitors for the The conference was held t house, and though there delegation of preachers, ladies all were well cared ome was in the delightful J. W. Watson. I have not ppier or more religious famwife and daughter. They their religion. My stay in will ever be a sweet mem-

H. Driskill deserves the all for his faithful service ing the conference. Some ninent members are, J. R. . Watson, Mrs. Hester, W. Mrs. N. W. Ray, M. M. W. A. Allen, W. L. Terry, rson, and Mrs. J. H. Whiteders of Western Methodist. Terral, Okla.

e last town on the Rock Iscrossing the Red River into is a water melon country. for 300 cars, but was cut by the heavy rains. With J. W. Colbern and J. W. ther of Dr. DuBose, I did oy a fine large melon. A as spent in the Christian ther and sister Stewart. I . W. F. Rodgers and Dr. nerly of Arkansas. J. M. Boyd, and W. C. Malone t members of our church. lovely country and delight-We have a nice church.

Comanche.

were crowded with country people on Saturday, and business was lively. The business street shows up well. They have four churches, two banks, and an extra fine two-story brick Academy. We had delightful service in our new church. Rev. W. T. Allen deserves great praise for his untiring labors in the building of so substantial a church. It will be a beauty when finished. He and wife, three fine boys and beautiful daughter were real kind to me. We added thirteen new subscribers and collected well on the old. Brother Allen is a deserving man, and is in loving favor with his people.

Duncan.

Sunday was divided between Hopewell, six miles out on the prairie, and Duncan. Brother Maybery was protracting his meeting. I preached for him Saturday night; one bright profession and fine service Sunday morning under a large gospel tent. Every indication was for a gracious meeting. Duncan is a fine town of about four or five thousand. We have an elegant parsonage and good brick church, and a splendid membership.

Rev. W. M. Wilson, formerly of the White River Conference, is in his second year. His health has much improved. He is a small man physically, but a big preacher. He is in demand. His consecrated wife has a fine Juvenile Epworth League. Their three boys are full of energy and very promising. The Sunday School, as it is almost everywhere, is one of the live interests of the church. We had a good service Sunday night. The gospel is still the power of God unto salvation.

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Weatherford District Notes.

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Bro. Cecil is rendering valuable assistance in helping three or four of our pastors in their protracted meetings during his stay with us. There has been 230 additions during the third quarter. Eight new Sunday Schools organized. Bro. Dowell at Cordell leads in the number of additions and Bro. Gulledge on the Texmo circuit is sec-

Quarterage is in advance of third quarter last year. Bro. W. H. Duncan of Sayre Station, who is one of our most excellent young pastors and who has done a fine work in that coming town of Western Oklahoma, is in very poor health. He is now away for his health, and will be compelled to leave us this fall for a change of climate. The crop prospects out this way have improved wonderfully. Western Oklahoma has the finest corn crop I have ever seen anywhere. Wheat has been injured in the shock by continual rins. The hriving town. The streets | cotton crop is very late but the hot |

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Well, dealy beloved, this is a good year for me. The Lord is so good to blank book. me. We have a good church at Cecil; it is made of the very best material torial at all, and I am sure I am imthat the Lord ever put in man and wo- pelled by none but the best motives, man. Well, bless the Lord, we don't and an earnest desire for the welfare expect to kill the devil, but we are put- of each preacher and for their charges ting him out of business. May the and for our beloved church, at large. good Lord bless every one that reads these lines. O let us press the battle beloved, and defeat the devil through the blood of Christ.

W. D. DESHAN.

Aug. 1, 1908.

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4th round in about six weeks. I am right;" "His decision is law; it is not sure you will suffer a word of admoni- subjected to any restriction." The tion such as I would be glad to receive public school system of England is no-

our best. Let each of us be exceeding- some influence in the country that ly diligent; never unemployed, never makes its citizens the most law-abiding triflingly unemployed; doing something people in the world, and it is not all the time, pressing for every possi- the public school. There are cogent ble dollar of the assessments upon our reasons for believing that it is above charges by the conference. Yet let us all things due to English family life. each be sure to make reports that will Conversely, it is reasonable to suppose bear scrutiny. Report NO claim PAJD that the high criminality of this coun-IN FULL that is not ACTUALLY try is largely owing to lax parental au-PAID IN FULL. To do so is to mis- thority. It is notorious that American represent the facts and work a hardship children are on the whole the most ill-

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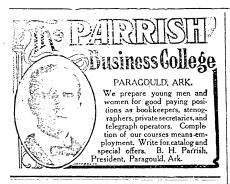
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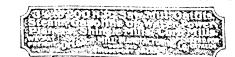
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There are serious and practical things, too. Doctor Hale talks helpfully about "Sleep and Re-Creation." "The Garden in August," many recipes for summer salads, meats and substitutes for meats by Fannie Merritt Farmer and Christine Terhune Herrick, the Summer Fashions by Grace Margare Gould, Sam Loyd's Own Puzzle Page, are a few of the things that will interest most every woman who reads the August Woman's Home Companion.

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seven feet high. It weighed e dred tons. Eight hundred ton nite went to its making, and a shoulders its breadth is, or v twenty-two feet.

But one does not think of ments as one looks upon it. pendous. Nor does one thin finish, of its beautiful, rich any of its details. One thinks a tremendous personage laid to mightiest of the mighty falle. thinks of it as the dead Rames glory still looms over Egypt li den cloud that will not dispe thinks of it as the soul that ed, and, lo! there rose up a sands, at the foot of the Thebes, the exultant Ramesser

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Our meeting closed at Pont night, August 2. Bro. Disch did the preaching from Monday urday and he did it well, to th of every one that heard him. alone will reveal the good he d there was deep work done in t of the people. There were thi ditions to the church and amic ny good things that Bro. Dise the pastor happy with a twei suit of clothes, and ever sine and praying for a great time schools at Pontotoe to its ag eight months old and we l on roll and the regular attend:

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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 objuvaries 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).

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HOLLAND.-Rev. John W. Holland was born in Meggs county, Tennessee, Feb. 25, 1863. He came West with his parents to Texas when about fifteen years old. He made a public profes-sion of faith in Christ and united with son of faith in Christ and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at the age of twelve. He was licensed to preach at Antioch, on the St. Joe charge, Montague county, Texas, April, 1886. Rev. II. P. Shroder, pastor, and Rev. M. C. Blackburn, presiding elder. Bro. Holland joines the Indian Mis-sion Conference at Atoka in 1889. He

sorved the following charges in the order named, each of them in Ardmore district: Mud Creek, one year; Dixie circuit, two years; Overbrook, one year; Leon and Burneyville, two years; Thackerville and Mahota, two years; Lebanon and Oakland, one year. He was located at his own request after ten years of success in the itineracy. He invariably brough up his conference collections, had revivals, built churches and parsonages, and advanced the Master's kingdom wherever he went. He hall served some charges as a supply prior to his admission into the conference. He has been a true, faithful and efficient local preacher for about nine years. He kept up some appointments almost all the while, and was always ready to help his pastor. He came of preaching stock. His father, Rev. Richard Holland, was a local preacher of great native ability in North Texas Conference. He leaves an older brother, Rev. J. R. Holland, a local preacher and business man at Norman, Okla. Brother Holland was a good preacher, an orator, a man of rare gifts, towering above the ordinary. He was in demand and loved to preach. He not only preached well, but live? well, and numbered his friends by the circle of his acquaintance. He was married August 1, 1886, to Eliza B. Winningham. He, in company with a nephew was bathing in a large deep lake five miles west of Norman Laborate when he was man, July 22, 1908, when he was drewned from cramping. He leaves a wife and four children, a large family of brothers and a host of friends to mourn his departure. A drief funeral service was conducted in Norman by the writer. Many were the tokens of

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appreciation of the deceased by the vast throng present.

We then took him 100 miles south to Marietta, his former home and in the church where he had often preached, and there, assiste? by the pastor, Bro. Blackwood, the writer conducted the final service. We do not think of him as lost, but just gone on before. Many preasant and profitable hours have we pent to gether. We expect to strike hands and renew acquaintance over en the other shore.
C. F. ROBERTS.

Sister Lena Crump (nee Finley) was born Nov. 22, 11854, in Alabama, professed faith in Christ at the age of thirteen. At this early, age she gave her life to Christ's cause and east her lot with the M. E. Cliurch, South, in which she lived acceptably for more than forty years. When the last summons came on July 31, 1908, she was ready to fall into the arms of him who doeth all thing well. Her death like her life was a triumphant victory. She had not been conscious for several hours when leath claimed her but her life was such that no doubt was entertained as to her destiny. It was a pleasure for which we are thankful to hold conversation with this consecrated child of God when life's burdens were heavy just to go into her room and hear her speak the hopes of immortality was a benediction.

Sister Crump leaves seven children and her husband to mourn for her but they mourn not as those who have no

Funeral services were conducted by her pastor assisted by the Rev. Robt. Hodgson after which her remains were short life is over they may hear the poyous welcome, well done good and faithful, enter in where parting is not known nor farewells spoken.
W. W. ROBINSON.

GUINN.-William F., son of John II. and Laura L. Guinn, was born Aug-19th, 1892, and departed this life June 18th, 1908. A few months before death be gave his heart to God and joined our

church in Earlsboro.

Brother Frank was somewhat timid, had but little to say, but a truer Christand integrity of character in his long tian and purer bay I never knew. The and laborious life. I talked with men, old people, the young people and the children always spoke of him as one of our boys.

It is not always easy for us to see now hold official positions gest why the Lord calls such true, pure, church. From this church in my fathnot ours be done.

Frank was sick only a few days. Tender, loving hands of parents and aved ones, and medical skill did what they could but all in vain. God had faith, in that densely populated councalled and no man could heal him. try. The old Presbyterian church house

Physically he suffered intense pains, built mainly by my father a long time but bore it all with great Christian fortitude. He gained the victory and detailed in a beautiful grove about one hundred parted in full assurance of his acceptance with God.

He is gone. He cannot come back to us, but we can go to him. God would have you live and some day you will go and live with him in that mansion that God has prepared for the true and faithful.

His pastor,

J. D. CANADAY.

Back to the Old Home.

In Kentucky where I was born, and where more than sixty years ago 1 threw the home-made rope over the old mare called Snip, a thorough bred Archy, an all purpose animal, splendid under the saddle as a single-footer, fine as a trotter in shafts, and good for service anywhere and anyhow. Old Snip was about twelve years old and the boy between the plow handles taking his first lessons in plowing was about eight. I remember well that old Snip knew more about plowing in some respects than the boy behind her. When the boy jerked the line, (which was a rope) slapped or spoke in a loud rough tone to old Sinp, she stopped at once, shook her head, threw her ears back, raised one hind foot and kicked the earth as much as to say you must be kind and gentle or I will not serve you. She had good horse sense. She had broken in several boys to the plow before this one came along. The soil was a heavy clay and had been in cultivation at that date till all stumps and roots had decomposed and contributed their mite to enrich the soil. The dial plate of time has now marked about sixty five years since that time, and old laid to test in Altus cemetery. We snip with her primal owner has gone a monish those who survive her to live to dust. The soil over which we tramped as she has lived so that after this remains increased in productiveness almost a hundred way and the soil over which we can be a soi to dust. The soil over which we tramped most a hundred per cent since that, never to be forgotten epoch, in life's carly experiences.

The church organized a little more than eighty-five years ago (Presbyterian) of which my father was an official member, from its incipiency, and a promoter of it by his faithful and unceasing good works and liberal contributions, holding official telations for sixty five years in the same, is still prosperous. The people say that its perpetuity and efficiency was depend end largely on his unswerving fidelity now past three score and ten mile post who in young manhood were converted hrough his instrumentality, and who we are sure that he doeth all things, and the membership increased, four well. Therefore we say his will and other churches in nearby communities, developed by the swarming and settling process, until now large congregations of Presbyterians worship by the thousand under that branch of Christian

yards from the old residence, has been , succeeded by two new buildings on the same spot, each enlarged to meet demands. More than fifty years ago I stood in the pulpit of that house and went through the maneuvering process of an effort to preach a sermon. ty-five years later I stood in the same pulpit at the 11 o'clock service and preached. Then still twenty-five years after I repeated the effort. Three years subsequent to the last on the first Suntain in August 1998. In stock in the day in August, 1908, I stood in the same pulpit and preached again. Thus you see that when you make a mathematical summay of dates fifty-three years have passed.

Dealing in a little pleasantry after my seemon on the first twenty-five years the Presbyterian minister and pastor put this question to me, viz: Well, Bro. Gregory, why did you depart from the faith once delivered to the saints and from your early training, fall from grace and become a Methodist. I answered, Well Brother, I do-not know unless it was decreed from before the foundation of the world that I should do just that thing. If so I had to do it.

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| Let all the pastors be ready to nominate |
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| the new boards. Let all the boards of trus |
| ters be ready to answer Question 29. Let |
| our women answer for a full year of their |

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Choctaw and Chickasaw District Conference.

Choctaw and Chickasaw District Conference has passed into history. The Choetaws secured a large tabernacle from Kansas City for the occasion. The entertainment was good and on a large scale; 1,365 people, by actual count, were fed at the twelve camps on Sunday, to say nothing of many visitors who brought their own lunches. This was the first distinctly Indian District Conference ever held in this conference, and much solicitude was therefore felt in regard to the outcome of it. The Choctaws displayed great wisdom both in their plans and in conducting the business of the District Conference, which was done through committees. The reports showed the spiritual condition of the district to be good. The collections ordered by the Annual Conference nearly all paid. The stringency in money matters has himdered our stewards greatly; but they plan and aim to pay in full this year. We have built six churches and two parsonages and have plans on foot for six more churches. Our plans contemplate a church building everywhere we have an organized class and a parsonage for every circuit; also a training school to be established at some central point where our young men preparing for the ministry may have special training under positive Christian influences, for their life work. Buch a school would meet the immediate demants for all of our Indian districts. Have not these 100,000 Indians a claim upon our church that can not be ignored?] think so. Of this I shall write again. Our district arranged to put a district missionary in the field to look after the Mississippi Choctaws who have settled in our bounds and other neglected communities of Indians. For this purpose and for church extension we secured about \$600 to be paid in monthly installments. Hon. N. B. Ainsworth is treasurer of this fund; postoffice address, Atoka, Okla. Several men were granted license to preach and three were recommended to the Annual Conference for admission on trial into the traveling connection. There is no shortage of preachers among our Indians, except possibly, the Cherokees. Our next district conference goes to Arboha Falaya, near Valiant, Okla. More than fifty persons were converted during the conference. The best of all is, "God is with us."

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Mr. Editor: As you know in the early summer I had a serious sickness and my physician advised a vacation. My official board were kind enough to offer it to me and made it possible for me to have a month's outing or more if needed. I left home on the 26th day of June and spent a few days in Little Rock with my daughter and then went out to Hot Springs, where I had a delightful stay with some friends. Joining my wife at Little Rock, we made a visit to her parents at Ardmore, Oklahoma, my former charge. I met many of my old friends there where I have had sweet fellowship. I found the city much improved.

It was my pleasure and privilege to preach at old Broadway last Sunday. It stirred my soul to look into the faces of so many of those to whom I ministered while pastor there. Sunday afternoon my wife and I were invited out to the home of Dr. J. S. Hill to baptize their baby. It was a precious service. I found the pastor, Bro. Sims, in favor with the Broadway people. Dr.

Gross was busy looking after the college. We had a delightful day with him and his good wife, whom I knew when we were younger than we are now.

Feeling that I had fully recovered from my sickness, I am now at home with my people at Lake Village and Portland. A kinder and more appreciative people can not be found. We are in love with each other and hope to do the Master's work and have a full report at conference. The membership has been greatly increased this year. Come to see us and you shall have a warm welcome just now, and you will not regret coming. Yours cordially,

II. II. WATSON.

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Prague, Okla.

Dear Methodist: I am here with B.o. Dowell in a revival meeting. We haven't had any conversions yet, but we have had some very, fine services. The house is full every night mostly with Christians. There is a tent show going on every night on the streets and that is taking the worldly church members and sinners away from our ser-

While we have had no conversions up to date (Thursday) we have had one young lady to consecrate herself to do missionary work. Although she is in the Baptist church, she says that she has always been a Methodist. She had me to come to her home this afternoon to talk with her and her people about the matter. I did not get to see her father, but her mother said that it was alright if she wanted to go into the work with them. She is the best work. er in any of the churches here.

She is twenty-two years old and has a very good education, but she wants to go to school some more yet, so if any of our school men know of any one that wants a nice girl to stay with them for her board and go to school, here is the girl for you. She is a poor girl and will have to have some help. She is a large, strong girl and is not afraid of work. She has the name of being the most religious girl in town.

My work at Stroud is getting along nicely; will soon have our \$900 parsonage paid for.

Our third Quarterly Conference is over and Bro. Scales, our presiding elder, preached at Daveuport. I did not get to hear him, but the people over there say that he preached them one of the best sermons that they ever heard. GEO. W. LEWIS.

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This is fast becoming one of the most as his stewards. The congrega important towns in this country. I be- are good-made up of intelligent lieve there have been forty or fifty houses built in the past two months, and yet there is a great ery for homes.

This is a town of churches, all sorts, and none of them very strong.

Our church has been at a disadvantage here on account of having no parsonage, but that time is passed. We are building one of the best houses in the town. We are building a concrete ! house which, with our splendid stone church, gives us much the best property in the town. We expect to get into the parsonage early in September. Our church here has had a hard struggle, but now, with the growth of the town and a fine parsouage for the preacher to live in, there is every prospect that Miami will in a short time be a splendid appointment.

We have had a hard pull, but by the help of the good people we expect by the time we complete our house to be in shape to pay every dollar.

The Woman's Home Mission Society expects to furnish the parsonage. They have bought part of the furniture now. I think if one of the editors of the Methodist will come over we shall be able to do some business for the paper. J. R. DICKERSON, P. C.

August 5.

Stamps Station.

Mr. Editor: Allow a short note from the Stamps charge. This is one of the most pleasant pastorates in the conference. be found anywhere. They are liberal liams of Money, La., and Miss Mi and honest. They pull together and cooperate with the pastor in all his labor for the advancement of the church, No pastor need fear that his salary will che, Okla., on July 28, '08, Mr. J. not be paid. They are honest men. Gox and Miss Ella Webb, both of G Every pastor knows what a reliefe it anche, Okla. Rev. W. T. Allen offiis to have such a noble body of men ing.

ple from nearly all parts of the It is a delight to preach to them. just closed one of the best meet, have seen in years at Buckner. old time power was on the proand among the people.

Bro. McKay was with us last \$ day and Sunday. He is greatly b ed and is making us a fine presidir, der. He is in high favor throughou district. The conference collection being taken and will be paid in We have added to the roll ne seventy-most of them on profession faith.

The ladies have been exceedi kind to the pastor and his far They are religious and cultured an not know how to do otherwise. Sta by the way, is a much larger town I thought it was, claiming a popula of 3,500. I thank God that I fallen into the hands of such ele and religious people.

W. M. HAY

August 7, 1908.

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At the Methodist Church in Con