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## Leonainie.

Leonainie—angels named her,  
And they took the light  
Of the laughing stars and framed her  
In a smile of white;  
And they made her hair of gloomy  
Midnight, and her eyes of bloomy  
Moonshine, and they brought her to me  
In a solemn night.

In a solemn night of summer  
When my heart of gloom  
Blossomed up to meet the comer  
Like a rose in bloom.  
All forebodings that distressed me  
I forgot, as joy caressed me:  
Lying Joy, that caught and pressed me  
In the arms of doom.

Only spoke the little lisper  
In an angel tongue:  
Yet I, listening, heard her whisper  
"Songs are only sung  
Here below that they may grieve you.  
Tales are told you to deceive you,  
So must Leonainie leave you,  
While her love is young."

Then God smiled, and it was morning,  
Matchless and supreme.  
Heaven's glory seemed adorning  
Earth with its esteem.  
Every heart but mine seemed gifted  
With the voice of prayer; and lifted  
Where my Leonainie drifted  
From me, like a dream.

## A Lost Poem of Edgar Allan Poe.

Mr. Fay Hempstead, who deserves to rank as the Poet Laureate of Arkansas, is responsible for the judgment that the poem given above is by Edgar Allan Poe. It was published about twenty-five years ago, with the statement that it was found written on the fly-leaf of one of his school books, presumably a text book he used at the University of Virginia. It was not signed, but was in his handwriting. It is not to be found in any of his published collections. We quite agree that the poem itself has the earmarks of Poe. They are so distinct that we think there can be no mistaking its authorship. For it must be remembered that Poe was marked by a peculiar wizardry of poetic art that made him absolutely unique in the whole world of literature. No man has ever been able to imitate him, though the effort has been made. The range of his thought was never great; his poems are not numerous; even his imagination may be said to have done its best only in a limited field, that field of the tense-weird, if it may be so named, in which nearly all his poetic work was done. But for all that, it must be said that he was a master in that field, and that he established an undoubted right to fame. He is one of the few Americans who has the credit of enriching the literature of the world with the genuine product of an original genius.

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## Notes and Personals

Rev. W. F. Evans, of Henderson College, was in to see us last Monday. He was looking quite hale.

Mr. Adam Clark, veteran editor of the Southern Standard, of Arkadelphia, Ark., has been elected clerk of the State Penitentiary.

Our Sunday School at Leola, Ark., mourns the death of its good superintendent, Bro. A. W. Butler. A good man has gone to his reward.

Rev. J. A. Sage, of Benton, spent Monday in Little Rock. He is pleased with his charge and the people are pleased with his ministrations.

News comes by way of the Christian Advocate, Nashville, that Rev. N. L. Linebaugh has been sick and is not yet able to take up his work.

Rev. A. C. Graham, of the Little Rock Conference, has been elected chaplain of the Arkansas State Penitentiary for the next term, beginning April 1.

Rev. J. S. Lamar reports to the church extension office that his people, at Mangum, Okla., have paid \$5,000 for one of the best lots in the city and propose to erect thereon a \$25,000 church.

Rev. A. P. Few, of Carlisle and Hazen charge, calls attention to the fact that his postoffice is Carlisle. Much to his inconvenience the bulk of his mail is going to Hazen. Let correspondents take notice.

Mr. Horace Rogers has a rather remarkable class in the Sunday School of Central Church, Ft. Smith, organized on a plan of his own, somewhat after the Baraca plan, and numbering seventy-five or eighty pupils.

The Cole Lectures for this year, at the Vanderbilt University, will be delivered by Dr. C. M. Bishop, of the Missouri Conference. Next year they will be delivered by Dr. Fitchett, of Australia, author of Wesley and his Century.

Governor Donaghey deserves great credit for preventing the glove contests at Little Rock and Hot Springs, which are simply prize fighters under another name. He declares that he will enforce the law and these brutal sports must cease.

Bishop E. E. Hoss has earned the gratitude of the people of Tennessee by the masterful work he did in the recent battle for prohibition in that State. This editor was in Tennessee a week or two ago, and the echoes of his voice were all in the air.

We learn with sincere regret of the death of Miss May McKenzie, our deaconess at Crossett. She was the only deaconess in Arkansas and was doing a fine work. The intelligence of her death comes late, but an extended notice may be found in another column.

Rev. W. B. Wolf, the pastor, reports a great meeting at Yelville. The Sunday School has doubled in attendance which is an unfailing sign of good to come. Bro. Wolf proposes to place the Methodist squarely before his people and we are sure that will result in some more good.

Prof. Simmons, of Hendrix College, recently delivered an illustrated lecture on "A Trip to Rome" in the college auditorium. It was very interesting and especially helpful to the Latin students. The proceeds are to be used for further equipment of the Latin department.

A reliable commercial traveler tells us that Birmingham under prohibition was the third city in the land in its building progress last year, and in this respect is advancing while Memphis with saloons has fallen back, and yet Memphis whiskeyites argue that their city will be ruined under prohibition.

We are unable to insert obituary notices promptly just now on account of the crowded condition of our columns. We have quite a number on hand and expected, up to the time of going to press, to publish them but find that our space is too limited. They will appear just as soon as we can find room for them.

Through Dr. J. W. Sorrels of Mansfield, Ark., we have received notice of the death of his older brother, Samuel D. Sorrels, Feb. 8, after a short illness. He was one of our pioneers, a good man in his seventy-eighth year, and had lived in the same house fifty-six years. The surviving relatives have our sympathy.

While in Ft. Smith last Sunday we caught not much more than a glimpse of Rev. C. W. Lester, of Dodson Ave., Ft. Smith, our Epworth League editor. But we had good report of his work. We saw but little more of Dr. Johnston, the presiding elder, who seems to live "On the jump." He is just about always doing well.

About three months ago Mr. Edwin Chase, a man forty-three years of age, weighing 180 pounds, blue eyes and brown hair, left St. Louis for Oklahoma, and his wife, who lives at 1117 N. 14th St., St. Louis, has not since heard from him. If any of the readers of this paper know anything of him it would be a great kindness to a good woman to write Mrs. Chase.

While in Ft. Smith last Sunday this editor spent a most pleasant hour or two with Rev. Wm. Sherman and his family, for the first time in many years, so it has happened, an hour or two much enjoyed. Bro. Sherman is "making good" at First Church, and there is every prospect that he will succeed there. We warrant that he will put industry, good sense and good preaching into the problem.

We will tell the Hendrix boys a secret: We met Rev. Jas. A. Reynolds the other day on his way to get married. He was inquiring whether or not Shawnee, Okla., is a county seat, a place where a marriage license can be procured. We greatly congratulate the young couple. If the young lady is as good as the bridegroom in this case—and they are generally better than the men they marry—it is a fine couple.

Dr. T. E. Sharp is rejoicing over a most profitable service at First Church, Little Rock, last Sunday morning. He preached on the home with liberty and unction. His people were greatly stirred. The results seem to be far-reaching. On Monday night at the Men's Club Prof. Junius Jordan, of Pine Bluff, delivered a beautiful and masterly lecture on "Our Neighbor." It has elicited many sincere compliments.

At his first quarterly meeting at DeVall's Bluff last Saturday and Monday it developed that Rev. A. M. Robertson is making a fine impression and a good start at both DeVall's Bluff and Des Arc. The people are well pleased and the pastor speaks in highest terms of his people. The salary is the same as last year, but a better report was made on finances than was made a year ago. Congregations are large and appreciative.

This editor had the pleasure of preaching last Sabbath for Rev. E. R. Steel, at Central Church, Ft. Smith. There were old friends in front of the preacher; there was a new pipe organ of most excellent tone; there was sensible singing by a sensible choir; and there was a warm and generous hearted pastor; there was a large and appreciative congregation; there was a warm and generous heart in the pastor. If the sermon was not good it ought to have been.

Mr. E. P. Cooper, the Mayor pro tem of Anniston, Ala., a city of 20,000 people, sends us the following telling figures regarding the effects of prohibition: Arrests in 1907, 3,864; in 1908, 1,283—a decrease of 2,581. Arrests for drunkenness in 1907, 1,261; in 1908, 165—decrease, 1,086. A decrease of eight hundred per cent in lawlessness is a mighty strong argument for prohibition, and it is the kind of argument that is convincing the people as fast as Legislatures can be elected.—Christian Advocate.

The old building in which Hendrix College was organized, known then as Central College Institute, at Altus, Ark., was burned during a fierce electrical storm on the morning of the 5th. This removes what had really become a landmark. The building was constructed by Rev. I. L. Burrow, who sold it to the church when the conference agreed to organize a male college. Into the enterprise had gone the sweat and toil of a good man, who had for several years previous conducted a useful school there. It has for several years been public school property.

Governor Donaghey in declining to grant certain pardons for which application had been made has by this time pretty clearly indicated the principles which will govern his course in such matters. He holds that where a man has had a fair trial in a court, and has been condemned by twelve men, who had all the material circumstances before them, it is the duty of the chief executive of the State to allow the law to take its course. Nothing but civic blindness, or something worse, ever put it into anybody's head that any other course could be right. We are devoutly thankful that Arkansas once more has a governor who has respect for law.

Dr. Z. T. Bennett, than whom this paper never had a better manager, writes us that our introductory club rate of \$1.00 is a "winner." He declares that we ought to get several thousand new subscribers before the end of March on that proposition, and that he will see to it that Helena district furnishes its share of the two thousand. This is the sort of talk we like to hear. Helena district car-

ried off the banner in our last special campaign. Dr. Bennett will gracefully surrender the flag to any presiding elder that will beat him this time. We shall see. Remember that it is a strictly introductory rate of a dollar for a year, the first year only, and that ten people must be secured and the cash sent in before the end of March, in order to secure this rate.

The Anti-Saloon League has had the services of Rev. Geo. R. Stuart, D.D., for several days in Arkansas. They sent this editor to Ft. Smith, as his advance agent, to arrange for last Sunday. We had the efficient co-operation of Rev. E. R. Steel and the other preachers and of the local League. The First Christian Church was put at our disposal. We had a good crowd of men only for the afternoon and a packed house for the night service. On Monday night we were in Little Rock where Dr. Stuart spoke to a great throng of men at the Capital theatre. On Tuesday night he spoke to a vast audience at the First Methodist Church. This is written just before starting with him for Jonesboro for an engagement on Wednesday night. We have heard no man between the seas deliver more telling blows upon the liquor traffic than Dr. Stuart has delivered in these speeches. Any man who will listen to him and then either sell whisky or vote for the sale of it is an incorrigible. And any man who listens to him an hour and does not feel like he ought to pay the Anti-Saloon League a dollar for the fun he has had must leave the place feeling like a deadbeat.

#### Our Special Clubbing Proposition for March.

We call special attention to our clubbing proposition for March. This is the best opportunity for our pastors to get the Methodist into every home in the several charges of our patronizing territory that has been offered in recent years. It is only an introduction of fer. We cannot publish the Methodist at \$1 and we only propose to do it in this case in order to introduce it into the homes that now do not receive our church literature. We hope all of our pastors and friends will take the trouble to make a thorough canvass and report results as soon as the time arrives to get the reduction. Remember that all clubs must contain ten or more names and be accompanied with the cash. The rate is \$1 for a year's subscription. The names must be those of new subscribers.

#### At Morrilton, Ark.

It was my great pleasure to spend the last Sunday but one in the good town of Morrilton. It is one of my old charges. On every hand there were tokens of kindness and brotherly remembrance. It is good to go into a community and be embarrassed by the number of invitations to dine or to spend the night. It was so here. But a night with the Holecombs, a dinner with the Mitchells and a night with the Burrows, with several meals with the pastor, Rev. M. N. Waldrip, with several calls upon others, specially upon Mrs. H. W. Garland, widow of my old friend, was all that time allowed.

Preaching to my old congregation was a means of grace to the speaker, at least. The night service was devoted to State-wide prohibition. We had a good meeting.

The people are delighted with Bro. Waldrip, and he is pleased with his charge. We would defy any man with any sort of literary taste to go about him and not be interested. We talked of many books, about many men and things. We look for a prosperous pastorate there under his administration.

#### Educational Commission and the College Boards—A Call.

The plan of correlation prepared by the Commission was presented to the three Annual Conferences at their recent sessions and was approved by all. The action of each is given below:

Arkansas Conference.—“With reference to the system here outlined, we recognize that two other Conferences are yet to be consulted. Whether they will suggest any modifications of the plans we have no means of knowing. We of this Conference give our adherence to this plan just as it stands, and make provision herein for the execution of it. But in event of alteration of the plan by either of the other two Conferences, it will be necessary that the Commission be continued as an instrument of action. We therefore recommend the continuance of the present Commission with John H. Reynolds representing this Conference, and we hereby empower said Commission to conclude final arrangements as to the whole matter. In pursuance of this plan the Arkansas Conference names trustees: W. W. Martin, Geo. W. Donaghey, F. S. H. Johnston, H. F. Rogers, E. R. Steel, J. M. Hughey, Jas. A. Anderson, whose terms of office shall expire, one each year, in inverse order in which they are here named. We recommend further that all trustees shall be at all times members of the M. E. Church, South, and residents of Arkansas.”

Little Rock Conference.—“Resolved that we endorse the plan here outlined for the correlation of our schools, amending section 5 so as to read as follows: (5) That Hendrix College be co-educational in the Junior and Senior years, and abolish the academy classes one each year, beginning September, 1909; and that Henderson and Galloway become Junior Colleges, correlated with Hendrix, conferring diplomas, but no literary degrees after June, 1910, unless recognized as colleges by the General Board of Education.

“Resolved further, that we continue the Commission, appointing as our representative A. C. Millar; and that we authorize the Commission to call together the Board of twenty-four trustees provided for in the report of the Commission, for the purpose of conferring with the Commission and with the boards of trustees of the three institutions named, and effecting needed modifications before the transfers of titles are made.

“Resolved, also, that this Board of twenty-four shall endeavor to effect a correlation of Galloway and Henderson Colleges on a basis satisfactory to the boards of trustees of the two schools, and with the approval of our General Board of Education.

We do not wish to coerce, but we lovingly and earnestly urge the boards of the respective institutions to make such modifications as will make ours a great system in perfect harmony with the policy of our own church, and that will be in agreement with the truest educational ideals.

“We nominate for our eight representatives on the proposed Board of Twenty-four the following: A. O. Evans, T. M. Mehaffey, T. E. Sharp, R. B. F. Key, T. D. Scott, L. B. Leigh, C. C. Henderson and J. A. Buchanan. The full terms of office for a trustee shall be eight years; but, of these first trustees, the term of the first shall be one year, the term of the second shall be two years, and so on; so that the term of the last named shall be eight years. The Conference shall keep the Board full by the election of one member each year. The members of the Board shall be residents of Arkansas, and members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Nominations for this Board shall be made by the Conference Board of Education.

“Resolved, finally, that so far as this Conference is concerned, we authorize the Educational Commission, the Board of Twenty-four, and the three boards of trustees of the institutions concerned to consummate plans agreed upon by a two-thirds majority of the respec-

tive bodies between this and next Annual Conference.”

White River Conference.—“We recommend the endorsement of the plan of correlation for the educational institutions of our church in Arkansas as outlined by the Commission appointed a year ago by the three Conferences of the State; Provided, that the plan of correlation be accepted by a two-thirds majority of the members of each of the present Boards of Trustees of the three institutions concerned, and of the members of the proposed new Board of Twenty-four (provided that this include a three-fourths majority of our representatives on the proposed new Board of Twenty-four); and of the members of the Commission. We recommend the continuance of the Commission; that Rev. R. B. McSwain be continued as the representative of our Conference on the Commission; and that the Commission be urged to call together the several Boards of Trustees at an early date for the further consideration of the matters involved; and that R. R. James, Rev. R. C. Morehead, F. M. Daniel, Rev. Fred Little, R. A. Dowdy, Rev. A. E. Holloway, L. E. Moore and Rev. W. C. Davidson be made the representatives of our Conference on the proposed new Board of Twenty-four. The Conference Board of Education shall keep the Board full by the nomination of two new members each year, taking them in the order in which they appear above.”

As may be seen above the plan in its general scope was approved, but certain minor adjustments were left to be worked out by the Commission and the respective Boards, and the Commission was urged to meet and call together the Boards at an early day. After conferring with members of the Commission it was decided, in order to save expense and the time of members who are connected with more than one body, to call the Commission for one day and the Boards for the next. An effort was made to agree on Feb. 22-23, but it was found that all members of the Commission could not be present then; hence the following agreement was reached: The Commission is called to meet at 2 p. m., March 15, at the Hotel Marion, Little Rock, and the members of the Commission call the Board of Twenty-four, the Hendrix College Board, the Galloway College Board and the Henderson College Board to meet at 9 a. m., March 16, in the Sunday School room of our First Church, Little Rock. The officers of each College Board are requested to issue formal calls so that the meetings of the several Boards may be legal and all necessary business pertaining to the plan of correlation may be legally transacted. They are further requested to bring their charters and be prepared to make a complete exhibit of their legal and financial standing so that with perfect frankness a satisfactory understanding may be reached. In view of the arrangements which each institution must soon make for the coming scholastic year it is desirable that a final agreement be secured, hence each member is urged to come prepared to remain until all matters are fully adjusted. As the future of our educational work depends largely upon the action of these bodies, let us come together with but one aim, the highest good of all involved, and let us pray that all may be Spirit-led. Let the whole church in Arkansas unite in prayer that the best results may be reached.

A. C. MILLAR.

Chairman of the Educational Commission.

Every teacher in the beginners' class ought to have the book entitled “The Beginners' Department.” And every teacher in the primary department should have the book entitled “The Primary Department.” You will find those books a great help. They are vital and they are full of helps and hints. The price is only fifty cents, with five cents additional for postage.



### Gypsy Smith in St. Louis.

Rev. P. C. Fletcher.

One of the most remarkable religious campaigns in the history of American Christianity has just come to a close in this city. The night services were held in the new Coliseum, on Washington, Jefferson and Locust streets. It is one of the largest and most perfectly constructed assembly buildings in the United States, and seats over 15,000 persons. At times the crowds which sought entrance were so vast that thousands had to be turned away.

The plans of organization for the meetings were gigantic and approached perfection. \$10,000 had to be paid for the Coliseum alone. Every Protestant church in St. Louis united, except the Episcopalians. It was indeed an inspiring sight to behold brethren of varying beliefs "dwelling together in unity." The singing was under the leadership of a great chorus of 3,000 voices. At the noon hour a service was held each day at the Garriek Theatre for the benefit of business men and shop women. Standing room was always at a premium. A hundred or more ministers occupied the platform at the great Coliseum each night. Such men as Ex-Gov. J. W. Folk, Ex-Gov. D. R. Francis, Judge S. P. Spencer, Murry Carleton, and Hanford Crawford would occupy seats near the speaker.

The campaign was under the leadership of Gypsy Smith, the remarkable man who was converted when a lad living in his father's Gypsy tent in England. From the humble and despised walks of a wandering Romany, God has led him to the first place among the evangelists of the world. He is a worthy successor of Wesley, Whitefield and Moody. Well may the Methodist Church thank God for such a man. He is the product of Methodist doctrine, consecration and divine enthusiasm.

Gypsy Smith is forty-eight years old. He was born under a Gypsy tent near Epping Forest, Leytonstone, England. When a little wild, ignorant lad, Mr. Sankey, during his first great campaign in England, visited a Gypsy camp, and laying his hand upon the boy's head said, "The Lord make a preacher of you, my boy." The lad never forgot those words and many years afterward, when he had become a great evangelist, reminded the great revival singer of the incident.

Gypsy Smith's remarkable personality contributes not a little to his success. He is short, wiry, thick-set, with an elastic, springy step. His head is well rounded and finely formed. He has a heavy, dark moustache, black hair, a clear countenance, and a smiling expression. His voice is rich and has remarkable carrying qualities. The romance associated with his name and race appeals to the public.

As I heard him from day to day and night to night I tried to locate the real secret of his success. All that he said has been said by hundreds of other preachers, and in a more learned and eloquent way. First of all he impresses you with the fact that he is "a man sent from God." Then too, he knows how to persuade men. He does not deal in invective. He is full of sanctified common sense. He does not appeal to fear, but to love. His message of love is unsoiled by a single touch of hatred. He talks from his heart to the hearts of his hearers. He has a message for the oppressed, the weary, and the poor. He tells men that they are condemned, but that Christ holds in his hands a pardon for them. He is sincere. He resorts to no catch methods. He does not trifle with his audience. He knows the value of pure humor. He possesses a remarkable power of pathetic appeal. He has a clear insight to human nature. His sermons

are simple. He eliminates all mooted questions from his discourses, and deals with the plain facts of God's word. He believes that the only unpardonable sin is the sin which refuses to be pardoned.

For thirty-two years Gypsy Smith has been thus calling men and women to righteousness. This is his seventh American visit and campaign. He is sent out by the Free-Church Council of London. He has preached around the globe, and has stirred the religious life of four continents. He counts people as converted when they evince the fact by joining some church and going to work for the Master.

As to results here. Hundreds crowded the inquiry-rooms from night to night, as high as 500 persons confessing conversion at a single service. Each pastor was furnished with the entire list of penitents, their names, addresses, and church preference. Many of the churches will continue the work of grace in their own parish. It is believed that a great permanent blessing has been conferred upon all St. Louis by the great awakening. It eclipses anything witnessed during the meetings held in this city by Moody and Sankey and Jones and Small. The largest hall then could not accommodate a quarter as many people as the magnificent Coliseum. Who says the day of God's power among men has passed? I believe we are living in the best age religiously that this old sin-cursed world has ever seen. Today more people hear the gospel than ever before, and no age of the world ever heard a purer, more powerful gospel than is now being preached.

1221 Glasgow Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

### Letter From Jamaica.

Dr. C. C. Godden.

From Santiago, Cuba to Kingston, Jamaica we had a rough passage. Our ship rolled badly. Sometimes it seemed as if it would go over. But I suppose there was no real danger. Most of the passengers were sea-sick. Not a single one reported for supper. They were engaged otherwise. They seemed to have more supper than they wanted. The meaning of the word Jamaica is "Flowing water." The island is in the middle of the Caribbean Sea, the Mediterranean of America, and is in direct line between Europe, the United States, and the Isthmus of Panama. The island is very mountainous, hence it is regarded the healthiest of all the West Indies. There is on the island at this time, 488,624 negroes, 121,574 of mixed blood, while the pure white blood only numbers 14,692—most of the latter are from England. The English language is generally spoken on the island, and is governed by the English crown. There is but little difference between the temperature of winter and summer. The average maximum temperature here at Kingston for the last ten years was 87.8 fer. and the minimum was 70.

Jamaica is a very fertile country, the soil is very rich and very little of the island unfit for cultivation. Nearly all tropical fruits and plants grow here. Coffee, sugar, tobacco, bananas, oranges, limes, grape-fruit, plantains, mangoes, cocoanuts, pine apples, etc.

Kingston is the largest city in Jamaica and since 1872 has been the seat of government. The city has a good water supply and is lighted with gas and electricity, has also a fine street car system. The entrance to Kingston is protected by strong forts. The harbor which is one of the finest in the world covers a part of the famous city of Port Royal which was destroyed by an earthquake in 1692, when the city sunk out of sight. The present city of Kingston suffered by a fearful earthquake in

January, 1907, when more than 2,000 persons lost their lives, and multiplied millions of property was destroyed. And now as you go along the streets you see evidences of this fearful destruction of property everywhere. Not a single brick building but what was wrecked, and but few frame buildings escaped. The people are now and have been for months removing the rubbish and rebuilding their homes and business houses. All the churches suffered but they are rebuilding them also, and even during this month there has been earthquake shocks felt here.

The following churches are represented here: The Church of England, Wesleyans, The Free Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterian, Congregational, Moravians, Campbellites, and Roman Catholic. Last Sunday I worshipped morning and evening with the Wesleyans at the Wesleyan Church. There was a large number present probably four or five hundred, most of them colored. The minister was a cultivated Englishman. At night there were more present. House full, and the president of the Jamaica Conference preached a good strong sermon. He also was an Englishman. They had a good pipe organ, and a good choir. The music was good, and to me the day was a profitable one, and from all I can see and hear the churches are doing good solid work for the Master, and lifting this population to higher intellectual and spiritual levels. They have here on the island many good schools and they seem to be well patronized.

The island was discovered by Christopher Columbus, and was taken charge of by the Spanish Crown, May 3rd, 1494. A short time after a colony of Spaniards commenced work here in about 1509. They enslaved the Indians and by their cruel and brutal treatment they destroyed more than 60,000 of these poor people in fifty years. It is a notorious fact that wherever the Spaniards have had power the original population have been destroyed. Their rule has been a blight and a curse wherever their flag has floated. Thank God they have been driven from this Western world and the Islands of the Seas. In 1655 the Island was conquered by the English, and the Spaniards were driven out. Since then it has been governed by the English people.

You can hardly conceive the conditions here. When I left Arkansas winter was on, more or less ice and cold weather, etc. Here it is warm as it is with us in summer. Many of the lower classes go bare-footed and in their shirt sleeves. Windows and doors open, no fires to warm their houses needed, birds singing, flowers blooming, fresh fruits and vegetables in abundance. In fact it is a regular winter paradise.

Jamaica, January 26th, 1909.

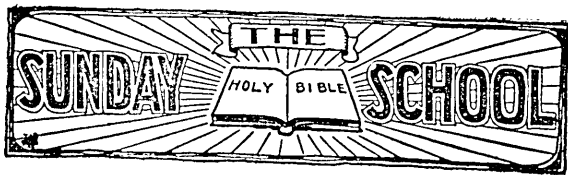
### Dr. Moore Commended.

Rev. W. J. Moore, Chairman of the Sunday School Board of the Oklahoma Conference, has just completed his round of Sunday School Institutes for Lawton District, his work is practical and to the point, the man and the hour have met. I look for a great revival in Sunday School methods and a forward movement in the work of training the church this year. I do not hesitate to say that Brother Moore has the whitest field in the church today, and that he will prove equal to his task.

Were I to begin my ministry today I would begin with the children and work up, instead of beginning with the fathers and mothers and work down and fail as many have done. The pastor who looks after the children is in demand today.

C. F. MITCHELL.

Feb. 3.



Prepared by Rev. George McGlumphy, Ph. D.

February 21. Stephen the First Christian Martyr. Acts 6:1 to 8:3.

Golden Text—"They stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Acts 7:59.

#### Locating the Lesson.

Time—Some date between A. D. 33 to 36.

Place—Jerusalem.

Persons—Stephen, the brilliant and consecrated "helper" of the apostles; the Hellenistic Jews, who opposed Stephen in the synagogue and were defeated in the debate; false witnesses who garbled the preacher's words; the Sanhedrin, the Jewish supreme council and court; Saul, a young man from Tarsus.

Parallel Passage—None.

#### Introduction.

The Appointment of the Seven. 6:1-7.

1. The rapid growth of the church and its policy of communism eventuated in administrative difficulties. Some of the widows, especially of the Grecians—semi-foreigners—had been overlooked by the apostles in the stress of their double work of preaching and temporal oversight. It may have been that many unworthy cases were demanding charity and that these started the cry of favoritism and neglect. How like human nature of today!

2. The apostles were wise enough to perceive their limitations of administrative ability; that the thing had grown too large for them. They further recognized the danger of sacrificing the greater for the lesser. They saw clearly that the chief business of the church was not with the bodies of men but with their souls. There is danger today that mere philanthropy supersede "witnessing." "Man, who made me \* \* \* a divider over you?"

3. The three qualifications demanded of the "seven" to be chosen are of first importance: (1) "Honest report," i. e., of good reputation among their fellows. A "good name" is second only to a "good character." (2) "Full of the Holy Ghost," i. e., thoroughly religious. (3) "Full of wisdom," i. e., men of that rather rare article "common sense." Surely all three of these graces are needed by those whose business is the dispensing of charity.

II. Stephen's Activity and Arrest. 6:8-15.

The remarkable thing about Stephen was that after attending to his appointed work in a most thorough going manner (it seems that there were no more complaints) that he had a large margin left for the higher work of preaching the gospel. Soon he became the most famous and popular preacher in Jerusalem. Today we never think of Stephen in the regular work of his brief life, but it is his "marginal service" that is telling throughout the ages.

2. The success of the new apostle—for aught that we know the winning of "the great company of the priests" (Acts 6:7) was largely due to Stephen—speedily aroused opposition. A "war of words" ensued. "Unable to resist the wisdom and spirit by which he spake, the Jews were publicly discomfited, and converts, doubtless, gained by the hundreds. His enemies fly for their old time weapons, suborned perjury.

3. Again we find the Sanhedrin assembled—the church is keeping its enemies busy—and a new prisoner is at the bar. The charge is

blasphemy. The witnesses are called and examined in punctilious regard to the form of law. The "state rests," and the high priest turns to the prisoner and demands what he says in answer to the very strong(?) case that has been made against him.

III. Stephen's Defense. 7:1-54.

1. This speech is too long to discuss by verse in the class, but it should be studied very carefully in order that the student may understand Stephen's argument and appreciate the reason of the fierce anger of the Sanhedrin. It is true that there are some difficult things in this speech that throw them aside as "bones" and content yourself with the main drift which is clear.

2. "His speech is a formal reply to the charges of irreverence towards (1) the temple and its worship, (2) Mosaism as a system of usages of divine institution. The specific form of irreverence alleged was the suggestion of the temporary character of each in the counsels of God, as being but a method of worship which might give place to something more adequate to the spirituality of Israel's God and of the worship desired by him. Stephen's reply is virtually an appeal to the history of Israel's religion, both the facts of its development and the ideal interpretation of it given by the voice of prophecy." (Bartlett).

3. He closed his defense with charging his hearers with being true children of their infamous fathers in stubbornly resisting God in the person of the Holy Spirit; and more in breaking the every law that they so proudly claimed to have been given to them through Moses by the hands of God's angels. At this their rising anger flamed forth "and they gnashed on him with their teeth."

IV. Stephen's Martyrdom. 7:54-60.

1. Gloriously honoring his apostles—I use the word advisedly—brave witness with an open vision of the "spirit world," God makes true the prophetic words of Jesus, "Hereafter ye shall see the Son of Man sitting on the right hand of power." Matt. 26:24). In ecstasy Stephen describes the vision that is breaking in upon his soul. The light of heaven shines full in his face. This is God's way of saying, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

2. This last word of testimony spoken, and in an instant the storm breaks. The solemn court is a mob, yea rather a pack of blood-thirsty wolves leaping in fury on their prey. Out of the city! He is not fit to die within the walls. Witnesses, quick with the first stone; we all want to hurl at him. Here Saul of Tarsus, hold our clothes for us! Yes, it is over. But didn't he act queerly? Did you hear that prayer? Yes, but I wish I hadn't.

3. Asleep in Jesus! O how sweet.

To be for such a slumber meet!

With holy confidence to sing

That death hath lost his venomous sting.

Asleep in Jesus! peaceful rest,

Whose waking is supremely blest!

No fear, no woe, shall dim that hour

That manifests the Savior's power.

V. The Scattered Church. 8:1-3.

The Sanhedrin thought they had killed Stephen and the "devout men," his true brave friends, supposed they buried him. No such a soul cannot be killed. No, again, for in the scattered preaching church Stephen was still witnessing for his Lord and Christ. And the end is not yet.

#### Sunday School Notes.

By W. J. Moore, Chairman.

#### An Interesting Letter.

The following letter from Dr. Lambuth is quite interesting and inspiring. Every pastor, superintendent, teacher, Christian who

reads it ought to renew his energy along the line of missionary effort. We are specially anxious that our Sunday School people do not relax their energies in the least until the Sunday Schools of each district are supporting a missionary in the foreign field.

But here is the letter:

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 21, 1909.

Rev. W. J. Moore, Chairman Sunday School Board, Oklahoma Conference.

My Dear Brother: Permit me to express in behalf of the Board of Missions, our appreciation of the splendid work the Sunday Schools in the Oklahoma Conference are doing for the great missionary enterprise of the church. This is a day of wonderful opportunity. Doors are open on every side. The fields were never so white for the harvest. Some of them are dead ripe. We need only to thrust in the sickle.

In Japan, so rapid and vigorous is the advance of Christianity that we have stirred the Buddhists to the very core. They are organizing against us in Hiroshima. They have raised \$50,000 to fight our girls school. This is no hindrance, but a gain, as it strengthens our determination, and is an indication at the same time that heathenism is fighting its last battle. They have organized Sunday Schools in Buddhist temples and are studying the New Testament in order to fight our missionaries. What can this lead to but to cut the ground from under their feet!

In Korea the Spirit of God broods upon that nation as it brooded in the beginning upon the great deep. The very foundations of human life and effort are opened up, and thousands of people are turning to Christianity as their only hope. Now is the time to put forth tremendous effort in behalf of the extension of the Kingdom of our Lord and Master.

I beg the privilege of sending loving messages from the Mission Rooms to the Sunday Schools of the Oklahoma Conference, and do most earnestly pray that they will redouble their efforts for the redemption of the millions beyond the sea.

Cordially your brother,

(Signed)

W. R. LAMBUTH.

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#### Pictures of Our Missionaries.

The Mission Rooms, through Dr. Lambuth, have furnished us the photos of our three missionaries in the foreign field. They are Miss Bonnell, who represents the Sunday School, First Church, Muskogee; Dr. W. O. Reid, representative of the Sunday Schools of Mangum District; and Dr. Hardie, the schools of the Ada District. We shall distribute their pictures at the Institute which we hold in the districts which each represents. We are sure that it will be a positive joy to our Sunday School people to look into the faces of those who are their "living links." We pray that it may prove another inspiration for zealous missionary effort.

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Yes, it takes flesh and blood and life and soul to make the Sunday school go. Who is willing to rise up in the majesty of a consecrated spirit and make the sacrifice and pay the price?

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Let a revival of Bible study—yes, Bible study—now begin in all our Sunday schools. Is it not a lamentable sight to see a whole school assembled with the professed purpose of studying the Word of God, and yet not a Bible in the hand of any teacher or pupil?

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#### A Lame Place.

At a meeting of the presiding elders, the pastors and laymen of three districts in Dal-

las, Texas, recently, Dr. J. M. Peterson, the P. E. of the Dallas District, gave a statement in the course of his address which indicates a lame place. It is not a lame place because of the plan or policy of our church, but because our pastors make it so. It is not fair, right or just, for our pastors to use the funds raised by our Sunday Schools and apply them on "conference claims." It is not so contemplated in the economy of our church. The number of pastors in the Oklahoma Conference who allow this sort of thing to be done is growing beautifully less. Let none do so this year of grace 1909. We append the brief statement of Dr. Peterson, with which we most heartily agree:

"A lame place is that pastors have used the missionary collections of the Sunday School to supplement their conference collections," said Rev. J. M. Peterson, presiding elder of Dallas. He said that the conference collections should be separate from the Sunday School offerings for missions, and that pastors used the Sunday School Missionary offerings as a part of their conference collection, "in order to save themselves trouble and shoe leather."

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Pastors, superintendents, teachers, see that you and your pupils have Bibles in hand at the recitation. A Bible school with no Bible is a misnomer.

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#### Our State Sunday School Convention.

The Chairman has recently met the Texas committee with the object in view of arranging for speakers and program for the "Second State Methodist Sunday School Convention" to be held about the middle of April. We are planning to co-operate with the Texas S. S. forces, as we did last year. We can secure good speakers and experts in the S. S. work at a greatly reduced expense. If we make this arrangement with our Texas brethren, we are likely to have with us four or five of our Bishops, Drs. Chappell, Cook, Hamill, French, Mrs. Hamill, Dr. Pepper, Miss Frazier, etc. With such an array of talent as we have in prospect, with the great inspiration that the great cause could give, we certainly expect that nearly all our pastors, would arrange to be present. More definite statements will appear in these columns from time to time.

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#### The Pastor in the Sunday School.

That is exactly where he ought to be. If he is pastor of the church, and if the Sunday School is the church studying the word of God, then by right of position and appointment he is the pastor and leader of the Sunday School. He ought to lead and rule by right of competency rather by sovereignty of position. The pastor ought to be the best Sunday School man in the community. If he be not the best, how can he lead all the people. He ought to be able to take hold of a teacher-training class, or direct the lesson in a teachers' meeting, to conduct the Sunday School, to see that the records are properly kept. Not that we believe that he ought to have to do all these things or any of them; but he ought to qualify himself to do these things. Pastors, do supply yourselves with some helpful up-to-date Sunday School books, and do some heroic study. The field is "white unto the harvest." Sharpen your sickle and thrust it in.

#### Appeal to Laymen of Oklahoma City District.

To do what our church ought to do on this district this year we very much need a district tabernacle. There are scores of places where I could go and stretch a tabernacle and

stay two weeks and have from twenty-five to fifty Methodists if we had it to work under during the summer. If the laymen of the district will furnish the tabernacle and let it be the property of the district under the control of the presiding elder and the district missionary I will furnish my own wagon and team to haul the tent and a good stock of books. I have already made a satisfactory arrangement with publishers to furnish the books on good terms. I feel confident that if the laymen who have means will give us this tent we will reap one thousand conversions in our district by the annual conference. The tabernacle to meet our needs will cost at least \$200.00. It does seem to me there surely are ten men in the district, who if they see our chance for field work will put \$10.00 each, and twenty other men who will put \$5.00 each in this enterprise. But if you can't put that much, won't you put at least a dollar into it? I believe you will and I believe we shall have this district tent. If my brethren could go with me one month and just see what we could do if we had it, I know they would help us do the thing. Brethren, I have not been with your conference long, but I believe in you. I am here to stay. Let's have this thickly settled country for God and by the Methodist route. Let the pastors call the attention of their laymen to this move and let every one who will send any amount they will to the Presiding Elder, Rev. A. L. Seales, Oklahoma City, or to myself at McLoud, to be applied on this fund. We ought to let the contract for the making of the tent in the next thirty days. The Lord is doing great things for us in our District work, but brethren the district missionary movement in our district will be hampered considerably without this tabernacle. In the interest of souls I beg you give it to us. I will furnish by far the largest end of the expense in the team and wagon. The rest of you fellows "come across."

D. A. GREGG,

Evangelist for Oklahoma City District.

#### Holiness Sin.

Outside of the editorials in the Western Methodist, which are always impressive, I have read nothing recently that has so impressed me as did the article in the Jan. 21 number by Bro. J. C. Williams, the title of which was "Holiness-Sin." He speaks of the folly of ignorant men endeavoring to teach holiness, and makes a plea for men of reason and a sound mind to "cry aloud and spare not" against these incorrigible teachers. That holiness is a doctrine of the Bible no Methodist preacher will deny. They above all others should propagate the doctrine from a biblical standpoint; because it is the doctrine of Methodism. There are two extremes that invite discord and unbelief of the doctrine, namely: "Cultured and uncultured Holiness." Real spiritual people are becoming more and more awake to the fact that a great tidal wave of unbelief of this Methodist doctrine is sweeping over Christendom, not the kind of unbelief that was voiced by Tom Paine and Ingersoll, but the cultured kind represented in the scholarship of our day, which makes the danger more insidious. One may have an intellectual idea of holiness of life and so cultivate his habits and speech as to appear to the world all that holiness should be, and yet be devoid of that inward purity that is wrought in the heart by the Holy Ghost. On the other hand, one may be in possession of real heart purity, and yet be so ignorant as to present to the world "his experience" as a standard by which other lives are to be shaped. He

lays down a code of morals and habits of life for all people; specifies terms and conditions upon which the blessing is obtained and all who do not get it "their way" are consigned to a life of sin in this world and a devil's hell in the world to come. There is a happy medium between the two extremes, which brings real peace to the man of God and he does all in his power to stem the tide of unbelief and lift up the Lord's "standard for the people."

If we understand holiness it simply means this: "We cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh." As Sam Jones says, "We quit our meanness." "The Holy Ghost cleanses our disposition." Thus we have two facts: Objective holiness obtained by ourselves and subjective holiness by the Holy Ghost inwrought in the soul.

W. D. MITCHELL.

Hendersons' Chapel, Little Rock, Ark.

#### What Oklahoma Intended.

Dear Methodist: I have just noticed in Bro. Weems' article from Dardanelle, a complaint against Oklahoma that in trying to do something to draw attention to herself this last year, her first as a State, she turned her floods loose on Arkansas, causing the old Arkansas river to overflow her banks four times. It must be apparent to all fair minded people that Oklahoma, baby though she is, in age would not injure her older sister just because she is on the up stream side, that by so doing she might draw attention (and curses on her baby head) by a wanton drenching of sister Arkansas. It is to give to Bro. Weems,—who honored us with his presence a few weeks ago—and the people of Arkansas at large, the real cause of our grievance against that State, avowed by four floods in a single year, that this article is written.

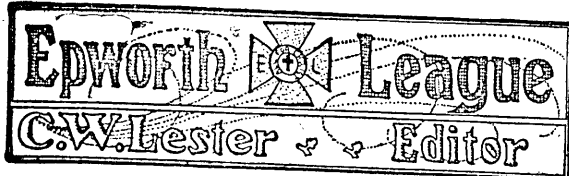
Oklahoma is constitutionally committed to prohibition, yet Arkansas is maintaining, right on our door step, in the city of Ft. Smith, an influence that by pouring barrels of the forbidden into our midst, is making a mockery of our laws; Arkansas keeps on our border an engine that is dealing death to every effort put forth by the earnest for the moral uplift of Eastern Oklahoma; a damning influence, that is degrading the quality of our present, and stifling the character of our future citizenship; bringing woe to our homes; misery to our people and death to our hopes for a sober commonwealth. Then is it any wonder, Oklahoma now in deadly combat with the insidious foe, seeing her enemy, from the lap of her sister State, pouring reinforcements into this her most vulnerable part, should attempt his destruction? Aye; we would send ten floods, if we thought by so doing we could dislodge our foe from his fortified position on the banks of the Arkansas. But we will promise not to send any floods this year, if you will put a stop to the cause of our grief by answering our prayers for its removal.

It is the saddest of sights to see the jugs, kegs and bottles being piled off the cars, to go out thence and destroy every effort of the Christian influence. Our prayers, our sympathies, go out to the prohibition forces of Arkansas, and for the "Methodist" in its fearless battle. For the sake of our laws, for the sake of our morals, for the sake of citizenship, and for the sake of our God, whisky must be driven from Ft. Smith. This for Oklahoma. God only knows HER suffering from this center; and Arkansas shares it.

ALONZO MILLER.

Principal Vian Schools, and Supt. M. E. Sunday School.





Scripture Lesson for Feb. 14: Isa. 56:1-8;  
Luke 4:16-21.

Topic: Sabbath Keeping and the House of Prayer.

The keeping of the Sabbath was considered of such primary importance as to be made the subject of one of the ten great laws first given to man by Jehovah. It was made to stand along side of the law against idolatry, the profanation of God's name, adultery, theft, murder, etc. This ought to be conclusive evidence of the place Sabbath keeping holds in the thought and plans of God. And it would also seem clear that any one who should dare put it lower in the scale of importance than where God himself has put it, dares cross authority with God. One of the great sins of the Jews was failure to keep holy the Sabbath. And the keeping of this law of the Sabbath by them had connected with it the special blessing of the Lord their God. (Isa. 58:13, 14.) The Jewish Rabbis used to say: "Jerusalem had never been destroyed, had not the Sabbath been profaned in it."

1. The ever-recurring Sabbath is a constant reminder of our relation and obligation to God. Were it not for the Sabbath we may believe that soon men would lapse into a complete forgetfulness of God. Many men have done this very thing right here in our Christian land where one can hardly get out of the hearing of a church bell on the Sabbath. One of the very greatest helps we have to remind us of the high and sacred relationships is this oft recurring day set apart for rest and worship.

2. The Christian Sabbath is indispensable to our highest life. Some one has truthfully said that without the Christian Sabbath there could be no Christian morality. But Christian morality is the very soil in which alone can be produced and safeguarded those institutions that can measure up to our highest need. Therefore the Christian Sabbath, underlying as it does Christian morality, also underlies everything good in our Christian civilization.

3. The custom of going to the house of God for worship on the Sabbath is indeed beautiful and is indispensable to the Christian life. This was the custom of the Master. "As his custom was." Not to go because we personally like the preacher nor to be entertained an hour by the music and the preaching, nor to enjoy the social side of the hour simply, but to spend an hour in worshipping God, in rendering praise to, in making petition to, in holding communion with God our heavenly Father. What an uplift the soul of the devout Christian gets for the hour so spent! How everything good within him is re-enforced! How he is prepared for fighting other battles and winning other victories! What a contrast between spending the Sabbath in this way and the custom of some to use it for worldly pleasure and business. This last use is but to prostitute the Sabbath. For the individual or for the family there is hardly a more vital habit to be formed than this one. And it should be added that true worship brings the highest delight. "I . . . will make them joyful in my house of prayer." The highest act of which man is capable is the act of worshipping God. And we are not surprised to find the sweetest delights connected with this act when prompted by love and performed sincerely. The Sabbath spent thus becomes in the highest sense profitable and delightful.

Program of the Laymen's Meeting and Preacher's Institute, for Morrilton District, to be Held at Conway, Feb. 23-24, 1909.

Tuesday, Feb. 23—

10 a. m. Devotional service, thirty minutes, A. E. Goode.

10:30 a. m. The Preacher as a man, G. G. Davidson.

10:45 a. m. The relation of the pastor to the children, J. H. Glass.

11 a. m. The pastor as a leader in Missionary Education, O. E. Goddard.

11:30 a. m. The Sunday School and Missions: (1) The Missionary Atmosphere in the Sunday School, G. G. Davidson. (2) Missionary Education in the Sunday School, L. C. Holman.

2 p. m. Devotional service, fifteen minutes, J. C. Floyd.

2:15 p. m. The devotional side of a preacher's life, R. B. McSwain.

2:35 p. m. Literary study of the Bible, Dr. J. E. Godbey.

3 p. m. The Preacher in his study, Jas. A. Anderson.

3:30 p. m. The preacher in the homes of his people, R. W. Holland, S. S. Waters. Followed by general discussion.

7:30 p. m. The Laymen's Movement, P. W. Furry.

8 p. m. How the Laymen can solve our Home Mission Problems, O. E. Goddard.

Wednesday, Feb. 24—

9:30 a. m. Devotional service, W. W. Albright.

9:45 a. m. The work of the Church Leader, John W. Hammock.

10 a. m. The possibilities of our undeveloped Laymen, J. B. O'Neal.

10:15 a. m. The Laymen's Movement and the Pastor's opportunity, G. M. Barton.

10:30 a. m. The District Leader and his opportunity, S. S. Waters.

10:45 a. m. How can we secure the Pastor's salary in full? W. C. Hogan, J. F. Munday, John W. Hammock, S. S. Waters, J. B. O'Neal, A. M. Gibson.

11:30 a. m. The Pastor and our Educational work, Pres. S. Anderson.

2 p. m. Devotional service, A. J. Cullum.

2:15 p. m. The demands of our home field, J. H. O'Bryant.

2:30 p. m. How to meet the demands of our Home Field, J. M. Workman.

2:45 p. m. The necessity of full collections, M. N. Waldrip.

3 p. m. How we can secure our collections in full, H. W. Wallace. Followed by general discussion.

3:45 p. m. Doctrinal study of the Bible, Dr. J. E. Godbey.

7:30 p. m. The Church's opportunity, J. H. O'Bryant.

8 p. m. The Missionary Motive, M. N. Waldrip.

Arranged by Committee.

Conway will give entertainment to all who will come. We urge all the church leaders of the Laymen's Movement, the pastors, and the superintendents to come. Get here by Monday night and enjoy the Joint Session of the two literary societies of Hendrix College.

JOHN H. GLASS, P. E.

#### Worth Remembering.

It is worth remembering that where we are told that "The Lord will withhold no good thing from those that walk uprightly," the blessing is promised not to infallibility of judgment, but sincerity of intention.

O. P. FITZGERALD.

Seabreeze, Florida.

Annual Meeting of the Board of Church Extension.

The annual meeting of the Board of Church Extension will be held in Memphis, Tenn., April 29th-May 2nd.

The meeting of the Conference Board representatives, which was provided for at the last annual meeting of the General Board, will be held in the same city on April 27-28. Entertainment for the members of the Board and for the Conference Board Representatives will be provided by the Methodists of Memphis.

W. F. McMURRY,  
Corresponding Secretary.

#### Miss Mae McKenzie, Deaconess.

Miss Mae McKenzie, our deaconess, is dead. This message will be read by everybody who knows her with sorrow; for to know her was to love her. Not only because of her sweet personality but because of her entire consecration to the work of her Lord whose she was and whom she served. Hers was no untoward service but the expression of a burning love for God and humanity, which was at all times her greatest delight to render. She has left the impress of her character upon many, not only in Crossett, where she will be so sorely missed; but all over our Conference wherever she has been. In the Night School, in her Baraca class, in the Woman's work and in the logging camps at Crossett, who will take her place? The poor outcast has lost a personal friend and the sorrow burdened a real sympathizer; but ours is the loss and hers the gain. Only a few weeks since in a Sunday School teachers' meeting, she spoke of the joy of the Christian's death, and said there was to her nothing but sweet anticipations of the glories awaiting.

She had a frail body; but a great soul, and her works will follow her. She was to us in the year she spent in our home, a great comfort in our hour of trial and a joy at all times, never thinking of self she spent her all for others and she has gone to her reward.

MRS. J. M. WORKMAN.

Mr. S. L. Joseph, a Jew, merchant of Paragould, Ark., died recently in St. Louis, having gone there to get medical treatment. In his will he gave one hundred dollars to each of the churches in Paragould. This was a noble deed and worthy example. It was not my pleasure to know Mr. Joseph, but every one speaks of him as a good man, honest, honorable and charitable. His death is regarded as a great loss to the city and community at large.

M. M. SMITH.

Dr. H. M. Hamill of our Sunday School Training Department has just prepared a 16-page booklet, handsomely printed, with paper cover, and in convenient pocket form from our Publishing House press containing twenty-five crisp, bright Bible Drills on the book of Acts, from which will be taken all Sunday school lessons of 1909. The drills can be used by any pastor, superintendent or teacher on briefest notice, and are very simple and helpful. The price per copy is five cents postpaid. Order of Anderson, Millar & Co., Little Rock, Arkansas.

Every teacher in the beginners' class ought to have the book entitled "The Beginners' Department." And every teacher in the primary department should have the book entitled "The Primary Department." You will find those books a great help. They are vital and they are full of helps and hints. The price is only fifty cents, with five cents additional for postage.

"Christ's Table Talks," by Bishop Hendrix now in stock. Anderson, Millar & Co., Little

## Indian Mission Conference—Fifth Session.

The fifth session of the Indian Mission Annual Conference met at Muddy Springs in the Cherokee Nation on Wednesday morning, 9 o'clock, Nov. 1st, 1848.

Bishop Andrew being present, opened the Conference by singing and prayer. W. L. McAlester was nominated and appointed secretary.

The presiding elder of the district and the preacher in charge were appointed a committee to superintend the pulpit exercises.

Conference agreed to meet at 9 o'clock a. m. and adjourn at 12:30 o'clock p. m. L. B. Stateler and Thomas Johnson were appointed a committee on memoirs.

E. B. Duncan and M. A. Cobb were appointed a committee on Books and Periodicals.

W. A. Cobb, E. B. Duncan and C. Couch were appointed an auditing committee.

On motion the Conference requires a simple majority in the election of the standing committee and on balloting the following were announced by the bishop as being duly elected. W. Browning, Thos. Johnson, Thos. Hurlbert, D. B. Cummings and W. L. McAlester.

The first question was taken up—Who are admitted on trial? The presiding elders not being ready to respond the question was laid over.

The character of the preachers of one year's standing was taken up. Jesse S. McAlister passed, and R. M. Parrett was discontinued.

The second question was taken up—Who are admitted into full connection? The name of Paschal Fish was called under this question and he was discontinued.

The examinations of the characters of deacons of one year's standing was taken up, and J. H. Carr, though an elder, was called under this head, and passed.

Mackinaw Boachman was reported as having died the past year—of whose death the presiding elder gave a short but interesting account. Isaac Chueknubbee passed in examination and was elected to the office of elder. W. A. Duncan and Dixon W. Lewis passed in examination.

W. D. Collins passed and was elected to the office of elder.

The examination of the characters of elders was taken up, and the following brethren—L. B. Stateler, Thos. Johnson, Tyson Dines, Nathan T. Shaler, Thomas Hurlbert, S. G. Patterson, D. B. Cummings, James Essex, Wm. McIntosh and John T. Peery—were passed.

E. T. Peery passed and requested a location through his presiding elder, which was granted.

Thomas Burtholf's case was called; upon which some remarks were being made. On motion Conference adjourned with the benediction by the bishop.

Thursday morning, 9 o'clock, Conference met according to adjournment. Bishop Andrew in the chair; and was opened by singing and prayer by Bro. Johnson. Thomas Hurlbert was nominated and appointed assistant secretary.

Thomas Burtholf's case was resumed and as some doubts were entertained by the Conference whether he had not solemnized the rites of matrimony between certain parties contrary to the word of God. Certain resolutions were read bearing on the case, and after being partially debated were withdrawn. And on motion the Conference ordered a committee to consist of five (requesting the bishop to appoint it) to examine and report upon the subject of matrimony, and the better course to pursue within the bounds generally.

The examination of the character of elders was resumed, and the following brethren—T. B. Ruble, W. A. Cobb, N. A. Talbott, W. L. McAlester, Wesley Browning, J. H. Carr, E. B. Duncan, John Page and E. Couch,—passed the examination.

The first question was resumed—Who are admitted on trial? Toosamantite was duly recommended from the Cherokee district. The case however was laid over in view of a probability of having a full supply for the work.

Benj. H. Russell was duly recommended from the Kansas district and was readmitted.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, that the bishop be and he is hereby respectfully requested to appoint a committee consisting of five, whose duty it shall be to investigate (as far as practicable) the past history, present conditions and future prospects of our Indian Mission Schools, and that said committee report to the present Conference as far as they may be able.

Thomas Hurlbert.  
W. L. McAlester.

An exhibit from the editors of the Nashville Advocate of its resources and liabilities was presented to the Conference by the bishop, with a communication authorizing the Conference to draw upon the concern for \$75.00, and on motion the Conference voted to draw upon the editors for said amount.

A resolution was read by James Essex and seconded by T. Bertholf bearing upon what they considered an unequal distribution of means of support among the missionaries (which was not placed upon the secretary's table) but argued with considerable ability and length both for and against. The time for adjournment being announced, Conference was closed with the benediction by the bishop.

Friday morning 9 o'clock Conference met. Bishop Andrew in the chair. The Conference was opened with the usual religious exercises by Bro. Harrel.

The second question was taken up—Who are admitted on trial? Walter Cary and Daniel Asbury were examined before the Conference by the Bishop and Daniel Asbury passed and was admitted into full connection, being previously ordained deacon.

Walter Cary's case was laid over. Bro. John Boston, a superannuate, was passed and left effective.

The bishop called for the numbers in society, etc., and the following is the report:

	Indians	Local Preachers	Whites	Colored	Money
Ind. M. L. School .....	11	1	17	5	\$ 86 55
Shawnee .....	127	1	...	...	31 05
Delaware .....	56	2	1	...	20 00
Kickapoo .....	39	...	...	...	...
Wyandott .....	165	...	...	...	...
Pottawatomie .....	4	...	...	...	...
Chipawa, Wea and Sock .....	...	...	...	...	...
Kansas .....	...	...	...	...	...
Roberts M. L. School .....	...	...	3	1	6 71
Seneca and U. Cherokee .....	290	4	8	10	33 52
Saline .....	314	6	2	7	20 30
Tahlequah .....	127	...	14	41	110 00
Barren Fork .....	347	5	16	29	33 17
Lower Cherokee and W. Falls .....	331	1	21	16	36 15
Asbury M. L. School .....	30	1	24	...	6 75
Creek Agency .....	271	...	2	18	10 00
North Fork and Little River .....	223	...	2	21	4 25
Fort C. and New Hope .....	57	1	7	3	27 85
McKendree M. L. School .....	...	...	...	...	21 50
Doaksville .....	510	8	4	79	62 10
Meshulatubbee .....	145	...	4	29	1 00
Kiamichee and Boggy .....	296	1	4	19	...
Brushy .....	26	...	...	8	...
Chickasaw .....	11	...	14	36	45 25

The committee on memoirs reported.

The following communication was received from the Wyandotte brethren. (See communication). And on motion the Conference ordered its publication in the N. C. Advocate with any other documents the secretary may think proper.

Bro. Browning's report of the commencement and progress of the building operations of the McKendree M. L. School was read and adopted.

A communication with accounts was presented to the conference from the Book Agents at New York, which was handed over to the committee on accounts.

The bishop appointed the following committees:

Committee on the marriage question—W. Browning, T. B. Ruble, T. Hurlbert, L. B. Stateler, N. Talbot.

Committee on education—T. Hurlbert, W. Browning, T. Johnson, W. L. McAlester, T. B. Ruble.

Saturday morning, 9 o'clock, Conference met according to adjournment. Bishop Andrew in the chair, and was opened with the usual religious exercises.

The bishop called for reports and the auditing committee, read their report, which, on motion, was accepted.

The committee on book accounts and periodicals read their report which, on motion, was accepted.

Bros. Johnson, Dines and Stateler, appointed at the last Conference to audit the accounts of W. Patton, reported verbally in favor of the correctness of the accounts.

The committee on education presented and read their report, which was, on motion, recommitted.

S. G. Patterson submitted and read the report of the Roberts M. L. School showing the success of the institution, which was accepted.

The case of Walker Cary was resumed, his character passed and he was admitted into full connection, and elected to the office of deacon.

A communication was received from the secretary of the Missionary Board at Louisville setting forth the action of the Board, with regard to the orphan funds, for school purposes among the Cherokees, and on motion the following brethren—T. B. Ruble, Thomas Hurlbert and Thomas Bertholf—were appointed a committee to confer with a committee which may be appointed by the Cherokee Council on that subject.

The committee on the marriage question, presented and read their report, which was taken up resolution by resolution and acted upon, after which the whole report, preamble and resolutions, was adopted.

The character of Thomas Bertholf on motion passed.

A communication from the Warriors and House of Kings of the Creek Nation was read before the Conference by the bishop, and on motion the following brethren—Thomas B. Ruble and Thomas Mitchell—were appointed a committee to confer with the chiefs upon the subject of certain school funds alluded to in the communication.

The following brethren—N. M. Talbott, W. Browning and E. Couch—were appointed a committee to confer with the Chickasaw Council in reference to school funds for educational purposes among the people.

The resolution read the other day on the inequality of means of support distributed among the preachers, on motion was laid on the table.

Riley's Chapel, Cherokee Nation, and Indian M. L. School were nominated as the site of our Conference next ensuing. Riley's Chapel having the highest number of votes announced as the place selected.

Conference closed with the benediction by the bishop.

Monday morning, 9 o'clock, Conference met. Bishop Andrew in the chair, and opened with the usual religious exercises.

The bishop called for reports of committees. The committee on education reported as follows, which on motion, was unanimously adopted:

Your committee on education have had the condition and prospects of the Chickasaw Academy under consideration, and would recommend to the Conference the adoption of the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, the Chickasaw Academy, if located at a considerable distance from navigation, and must necessarily involve heavy expenses in its support, and whereas, the Chickasaws have ample means provided by treaty stipulations which they are willing to apply to educational purposes, therefore,



Resolved, by the Indian Mission Conference in conference assembled, that the Honorable Commissioner of Indian Affairs be and is hereby respectfully requested to modify and change the existing contract between the Indian Department and the Missionary Society of the M. E. Church, South, as to place it on the same terms with the Ft. Coffee Academy in the Choctaw Nation, which we understand was the intention of the Chickasaw Council in the law they passed on this subject. Second—

Resolved, that the Rev. E. Stevenson, secretary of missions of the M. E. Church, South, be, and is hereby requested to lay this subject before the Honorable Commissioner with necessary explanations.

T. Hurlbert, Chr. Committee.

The committee on education presented their general report, and, on motion, it was adopted, authorizing the secretary to the wording of the report, wherein considered objectionable by the Conference.

Geo. E. Webber, from the Arkansas Conference, was presented by Rev. I. Harrel of the same Conference. Bro. Webber comes from the P. Methodist Church in elder's orders, and the bishop, on motion, was requested to give him a certificate of his having taken the ordination vows.

The missionary committee presented and read their report, which, on motion, was accepted.

The following vote of thanks passed unanimously:

Resolved, by the members of the Indian Mission Conference, that the very cordial thanks of the members of this Conference be given to the members of the church and citizens in this neighborhood for their hospitality and kindness during the session of our Conference.

2. Resolved that the editor of the Cherokee Advocate be respectfully requested to give the above resolution an insertion in his paper.

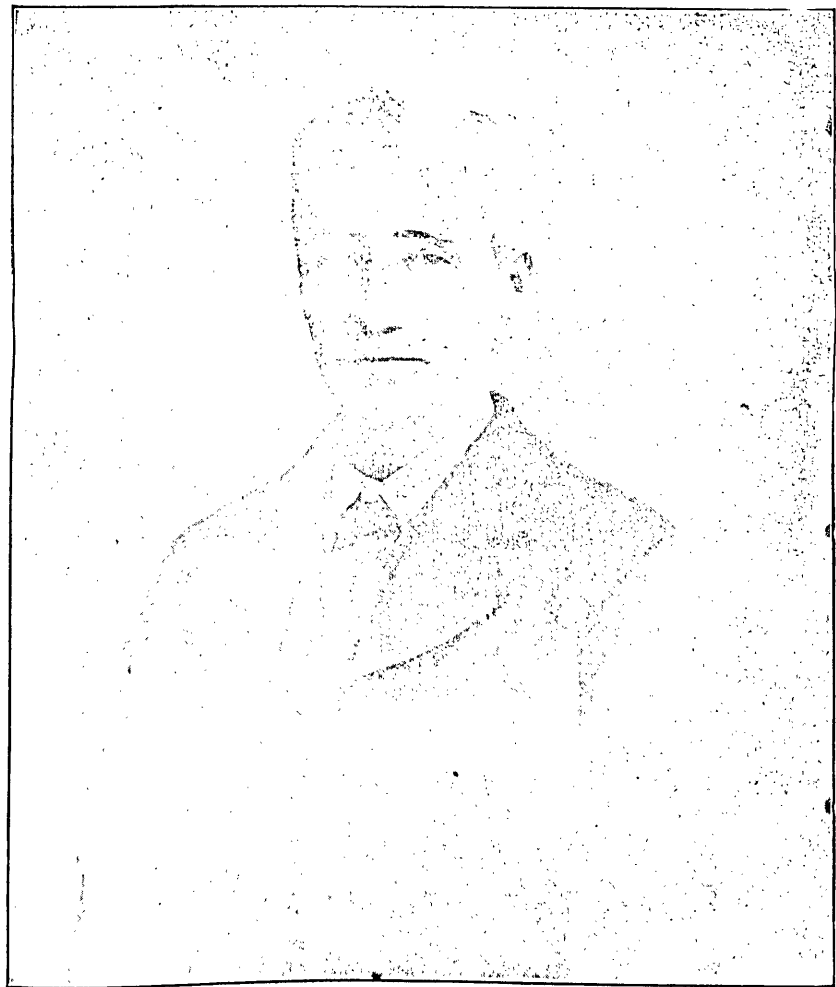
W. Browning,  
E. B. Duncan.

The bishop proceeded to sing and pray, after which he delivered an impressive lecture to the Conference. Then reading the appointments, the Conference closed with the apostolic benediction by the bishop.

JAS. OSGOOD ANDREW.

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Boydsville. We did not find any prayer meeting or Sunday School on the work, all having gone into winter quarters.

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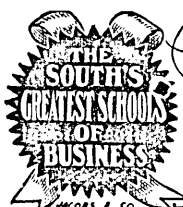
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him to be a Democrat you would get him Democratic literature. So it is, father, if you want your boys and girls to be Christians you must furnish them Christian literature. I know some of my members who are taking as many as eight or ten papers, some of them not fit to put before their children. These trashy papers are ruining our boys and girls. God help the fathers and mothers to see this soon and put pure literature in the hands of their children. JOHN E. KEMPER.

(We fear that those who most need this exhortation will not see it as they do not read the Methodist.—Editors.)

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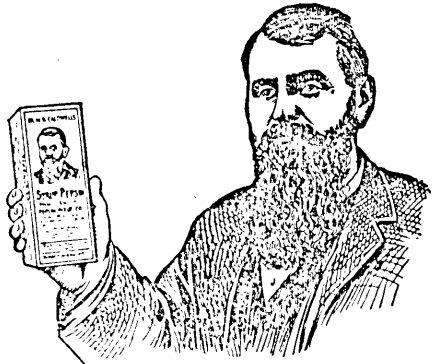
Some reasons why every presiding elder in the Oklahoma Conference should attend.

1. There must of necessity be a perfect understanding between the presiding elder and the conference board. At the annual conference both the board and the presiding elder are too busy for a quiet detailed conference as to the needs of the district. The mid-year meeting is called that there may be time for just such a conference as is needed between the presiding elder and the board.

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2. The board needs the advice of the presiding elders as to which missions should be made self sustaining, which should have an increased appropriation and which could stand a diminution of appropriation. The board needs to get information as to the need for new missions. The presiding elder will need the co-operation of the board in projecting the new mission.

3. The place of the presiding elder in the missionary enterprises of the church is one of supreme importance. At the conference of missionary secretaries and leaders recently held in Nashville one of the greatest speeches was made by Dr. Rawlins of the Virginia Conference on "The Responsibility of the Presiding Elder in the Missionary Enterprises of the Church." Dr. Lambuth invited the presiding elders to meet with the missionary secretaries because he well knows that the relationship between the presiding elder and the General Board of Missions is a vital one. It is equally so between the Conference Board and the presiding elder. We most earnestly desire the presence and help of every presiding elder in the Oklahoma Conference in our mid-year meeting in Tulsa.

4. Soon all the funds used among our white folks will be disbursed by the conference board. Many of those in high position in the church think the time is near when Oklahoma Conference must cease to be a pensioner on the General Board. It is the opinion of this writer that in all those conferences where foreign missionary money is used that it ought to be disbursed by the conference board. It was suggested in the last meeting of the conference missionary secretaries that we ask the General Conference to define more fully the relationship of the two boards in conferences where both foreign and domestic missionary money is used. A competent conference board could disburse the foreign funds more equitably and economically than the General Board and the bishop can. But it is not my purpose to discuss that.

Let all the presiding elders come to this meeting in Tulsa ready to give information, advice and do all in their power to make the administration of the conference board as effective as possible.

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7:30 p. m.—Devotional half hour, Rev. R. W. McKay.

8:00—Address, Rev. T. Y. Ramsey, president of the Board.

Wednesday.

8:30 a. m.—Devotional half hour, Rev. J. R. Rushing.

9:00—Camden district, Rev. M. K. Irvin, ten minutes.

Round table talks, thirty minutes.

9:45—Texarkana district, Rev. L. W. Evans, ten minutes. Round table talks, forty minutes.

10:35—Prescott district, Rev. J. L.

Johnston, ten minutes. Round table talks, twenty minutes.

Arkadelphia district, S. W. Rainey, ten minutes. Round table talks, forty minutes.

12—Noon.

2 p. m.—Devotional half hour, Rev. J. W. Berry.

2:30—Little Rock district, Rev. W. D. Mitchell, ten minutes. Round table talks, forty minutes.

Pine Bluff district, Rev. M. W. Manville, ten minutes. Round table talks and open discussion for all.

7:30—Devotional fifteen minutes, Rev. J. R. Dickerson. Address, Foreign Missions, thirty minutes, Rev. W. F. Evans. Address, The Layman's Work in the Little Rock Conference, Hon. J. O. A. Bush.

Endowment of Power and Benediction, Rev. W. C. Hilliard.

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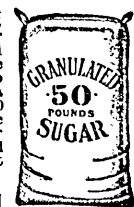
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colds, so that you will not be con-  
stantly blowing your nose and spit-  
ting.

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ser's discovery, and want to make a  
test of it without cost, send your ad-  
dress to Dr. J. W. Blosser, 204 Wal-  
ton street, Atlanta, Ga., and he will  
send you entirely free enough to sat-  
isfy you that it is a real, genuine  
remedy for catarrh, scratchy throat,  
stopped-up feeling in the nose and  
throat, catarrhal headaches, catarrhal  
deafness, etc. He will also send you  
free an illustrated booklet, which will  
show you how you can treat yourself  
privately at home. Write him imme-  
diately.

Mangum Station 1st Quarterly Report.

Western Methodist: Bro. Johnson  
held the 1st quarterly meeting for Man-  
gum Station last night, and I submit  
herewith a brief report for first quarter  
of the conference year:

Members received.....	28
Members dismissed.....	8
Net gain.....	20
Active Leagues.....	2
Sunday School Enrollment.....	283
Average attendance.....	250
No. General Organ taken.....	9
No. Conference Organ taken.....	50
No. Go Forward taken.....	45

Financial Statement.

Paid P. C. (for two months)...	\$266.70
P. E. (for two months).....	38.10
Domestic Missions.....	125.00
Foreign Missions.....	80.00
Conference Collections.....	53.00
Church Extension.....	94.00
Education .....	48.00
Bishops .....	13.00
Bible Cause.....	5.00
D. G. C.....	2.00
League Assessment.....	12.00
Sup. Endowment Fund.....	16.00
S. S. Seety. Salary.....	18.00
On District Parsonage.....	12.80
On Salary of Dist. Missionary..	135.00
On Sam Jones Monument.....	10.80
For the Poor by Church.....	50.75
For the Poor by Sunday School.	70.36
Church Furnishings.....	9.00
Methodist Training School.....	10.00
On S. S. Library.....	22.30
Special for Missions by S. S....	23.62
For S. S. Supplies.....	75.23
For Incidental Expenses.....	102.29

Total .....

The church now buys the literature  
and supplies for the Sunday School,  
and all the collections raised by the  
Sunday School goes to some special  
missionary or charitable work.

I hold receipts from our Conference  
Teller for all the assessments ordered  
by Annual Conference paid in full, a  
month ago.

The architect is now at work on the  
plans for our new \$20,000 church build-  
ing. We have bought at a cost of \$5,-  
000.00, a splendid lot for our new  
church, the finest location in the city  
for a church, without question. We  
hope to begin work on the building by  
June 1st. J. S. LAMAR, P. C.  
Mangum, Okla., Feb. 4, 1909.

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tacles are being given away free to gen-  
uine bonafide spectacle-wearers as an  
advertisement, by the Dr. Haux Specta-  
cle Co., of St. Louis, Mo. Every one  
of our spectacle-wearing readers (no  
children) should write them at once for  
particulars.

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District.

Rev. H. B. Vaught has just closed a  
great meeting in Spiro Station. More  
than 100 conversions. Seventy-four ac-  
cessions to our church. Other churches  
received about twenty. This is said to  
be the greatest revival in Spiro's his-  
tory. The entire town was reached and  
influenced. Rev. J. J. Clark of Texas  
assisted the pastor.

This is Bro. Vaught's first year at  
Spiro. He has been well received. Sal-  
ary overpaid for first quarter. The  
church is in a flourishing condition.  
Any church is fortunate that has  
Vaught for its pastor.

During the Christmas week a great  
meeting was held at Poecola by Rev. J.  
W. Davis, the pastor. The whole com-  
munity was stirred. Some sixty or sev-  
enty conversions, with about forty ac-  
cessions to the church. Bro Davis lacks  
one year of having reached his "three  
score and ten years." There is not to  
be found a more active worker. The  
church has a glorious heritage in the  
saintly lives and consecrated activity

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engorge and inflame the organs.

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all other means have failed. Many of its cures seem almost miraculous and  
cause the people to marvel and discuss its wonderful merits. Thousands of hope-  
less cases have been cured by it in every part of the country. People of all  
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thing that Disagrees with the stomach, Causing Distress, a Dose or Two Corrects  
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symptoms Alarming, a Dose repeated in half-hour will Quiet the patient and Re-  
duce the fever. Where the Directions are Followed, a few days' use of the  
remedy Controls and Terminates the fever and leaves no bad After Effects.

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"Yours truly,  
"K. F. ANTHONY."

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ry of how he suffered for years with-  
out relief and was speedily cured by  
the use of King's Royal Germetuer.  
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ence. He says: "I have suffered from  
rheumatism for the past 30 years. Had  
occasional attacks of intense pain, re-  
curring at short intervals, until I had  
an attack that put me in bed for four  
months, during which time I suffered  
untold agonies. This attack left me  
stiff and crippled up, and for the past  
six or seven years I have been unable  
to do manual labor. Much of the time  
I was in distressing pain and unable to  
find relief. During these years of suf-  
fering I have tried Hot Springs with  
no benefit, and got but little benefit  
from any remedy and no improvement  
from any source until on the 14th of  
January this year, I was handed a book  
descriptive of King's Royal Germetuer.  
It contained accounts of such wonderful  
cures, and finding one almost identical  
with my own case I decided to give the  
remedy a trial, and bought a bottle and  
began its use at once.

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soon felt better, and in a week's time  
the pain and soreness was gone. I am  
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W. Damon.

Wilburton Station has had a great re-  
vival and a large number of accessions  
to the church. Bro Ballard assisted  
Rev. G. A. Lovett, the pastor. The  
church complimented the pastor with  
an increase in salary of \$200. There is  
mutual delight on the part of pastor  
and people over his appointment to that  
important station.

Kiowa Station has just closed a re-  
vival that swept over the entire town.  
Some of the most desperately wicked  
men in the town were saved. What  
other kind of meeting could one expect  
with such a team as Rev. J. R. Smith,  
the pastor, and Rev. J. D. Edwards, the

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great revival are some of the results of  
the pastor's wise administration.  
SAM G. THOMPSON.

Eleven Lincoln Portraits.

The Washington and Lincoln day  
number of The Youth's Companion  
will contain eleven portraits of Lincoln,  
some depicting him in the period of the  
Lincoln-Douglas debates; others at va-  
rious times during the civil war. One  
reproduces the life mask, made in 1860.  
These, with some well chosen Lincoln  
anecdotes, make it an issue of extraor-  
dinary importance and interest to the  
generation that has come up since Lin-



## CHILDREN'S PAGE.

(We shall be glad to have all the children contribute to this page. Let them address letters to Miss Lillian Anderson, Conway, Ark.)

Capps, Ark., Jan. 16, 1909.

Dear Western Methodist and Cousins: I will write for my second time. I don't go to school now, four our school is out. I enjoy reading the children's letters. For pets I have a little cat. One of the cousins asked how many times grandmother was found in the Bible. It is found one time in Second Timothy, first chapter and fifth verse. I live on a farm in the country. I like to live on a farm. How many of the cousins like to live on a farm? I would be glad to exchange post cards with any of you cousins. I will write again if I see this in print. Goodnight.

Your cousin,  
HATTIE YOUNG.

Christie, Okla., Jan. 16, 1909.

Dear Methodist: As I saw my letter in print I thought I would write again. I have started to school again since the holidays. I enjoy so much reading the children's page. I would like to exchange post cards with any of the cousins. I think we are a happy band of cousins. I enjoy the band very much. Our Sunday School is discontinued for a while, on account of bad weather. We don't have any preaching here. The harvest is indeed white, but the laborers are few. Mama belongs to the church, but papa does not. I am going to guess the girl's age now that signed her name Evelyn, of Tulsa, Okla. I guess her age to be sixteen years old. Is that right Miss Evelyn? Hoping this will escape the waste basket, I am

Your cousin,  
LUCY J. CHRISTIE.

Christie, Okla.

Milburn, Okla., Jan. 18, 1909.

Western Methodist and Cousins: This is my second letter to the Methodist. I started back to school again last week after a vacation of three weeks. I am in the sixth grade at school and my teacher's name is Prof. Holloway. Say boys! we're not going to let the girls write more letters to the "children's page" than we do, are we? Let's don't let the advertisements get our page. That girl that wrote a letter to the children's page, and signed her name "Evelyn," and said for us to guess at her age, well I guess she's "sweet sixteen." If I guessed right she can just send that collection of postals to

HARVEY DOBSON.

Milburn, Okla.

This is a fine letter. Not a mistake.

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McCrory, Ark., Jan. 16, 1909.

Dear Methodists and Cousins: I have been reading the letters from the cousins and I thought I would write too. Papa has been taking the dear old Methodist quite awhile. I go to school; I am in the first grade. My schoolmates are Lizzie Johnson and Deller Jeffers. My teacher's name is Miss Townsend. Just like her fine. I am nine years old; I will be ten on Feb. 22nd. Well I will ask for a post card party the 22nd of February. All

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cards will be answered if possible. My mama is dead. She died the 4th of April, 1907. You cousins don't know how bad I miss her. I hope I will meet her some sweet day, by and by, where there will be no more parting. I have two sisters older than myself. The oldest one is sixteen and the other is twelve. I help them keep house. We are done picking cotton and I sure was glad when we got done. I did not pick very much; I went to school.

My papa is sixty years old, and you see he is getting very old. How many of you cousins have flowers. We do. We have nothing but roses but I think they are very sweet. Why don't more of you dear cousins write? Let us fill up the page. What did you cousins do on Xmas and New Year? I had a nice time, I will tell you all about what old Santa Claus brought me: A doll stove, a doll buggy, and set of doll chairs and table. You see I have a big time when I am not at school. For pets I have three dolls and a pig. Come again Rezzie Stephens; your letter was fine. I guess I had better close. Goodbye. Love to all the cousins. Your cousin,  
BLANCHE LEE.

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Blair, Okla., Jan. 17, 1909.

Dear Cousins: I have been reading the cousins' letters and enjoy them very much, and my papa is pastor of the M. E. Church, South. I have three pets: two bantams and a little dog; his name is Tip. I am going to school and am in the fifth grade and I haven't missed any since I started. I am eleven years old the 22nd of February. I like to go to school. My teacher's name is Mr. Fletcher and I like him fine; he is a good teacher.

I am writing to surprise my papa. I go to Sunday school and Junior League every Sunday. I have a brother and a sister dead. If this misses the waste basket I will come again.

Your new cousin,  
FRANK HUGHES HAWKINS.

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Tampico, Old Mex., Jan. 17, 1909.

My Dear Cousins: I thought I would write you a few lines. I am a little girl eleven years old. I go to school and am in the fourth grade. I live in Fort Smith. I have three brothers and one sister in Fort Smith. I am in Mexico now. It is Sunday and I went to church today. I live three miles from Tampico. We have three orange trees in our own yard. The oranges are yellow that are in the yard. I joined the church when I was nine years old. I hope to meet you cousins. I am a Methodist. I will close. If this misses the waste basket I will come again. I hope this letter will find some of my friends. If so write in the letters. Goodbye. Your new cousin,  
ALINA STUMPF.

Tampico, Old Mexico.

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Tuckerman, Ark., Jan. 15, 1909.

Dear Methodist: I am a little girl twelve years old. I go to school. I am in the higher seventh grade. I have a sister thirteen years old; she is in the lower ninth grade. My teacher's name is Mr. B. J. McBride; I like him fine.

This is my second letter to the Western Methodist. I like to read the children's page. We have been taking the Western Methodist about a year. I will close by answering Rhea Hall's question. Jesus wept, is the shortest verse in the Bible.

SYLLA HARVEY.

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Foss, Okla., Jan. 9, 1909.

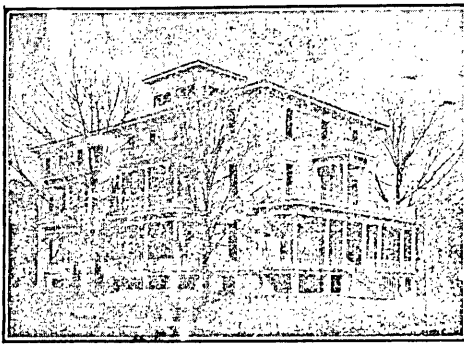
Dear Methodist: I have been reading the letters on the children's page and thought I would write one. I am eleven years old and in the fifth grade and never have missed a day of school yet. I go to Sunday School every Sunday; my teacher's name is Mrs. Lawson and she is a fine teacher. Our pastor's name is Rev. Kenney. They have the sweetest baby. I have a teddy bear and a big doll as big as a little baby. This letter is so poor that I am afraid it will not get over that big waste basket unless it is fat before it gets there.

Your new cousin,  
HAZEL O'HARA.

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Shawnee, Okla., Jan. 26, 1909.

Dear Methodist: Will you please accept another letter from a Western girl? We live in the beautiful city of Shawnee in the State of Oklahoma.



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Shawnee has the Rock Island and Santa Fe shops where many men are employed. We have an electric car line which connects Shawnee with Tecumseh. Tecumseh is the county seat of Pottawatomie county. About half way between Tecumseh and Shawnee we have the Benson Park, which is a very nice place, where most the Sunday Schools have their picnics.

Oklahoma is a great farming country, cotton, corn, potatoes, alfalfa, and wheat, are the chief products and is noted especially for its fruits.

Shawnee is a great school town. It has six schools besides the Washington Inness College. I go to the Washington school. Miss Hardin is my teacher. I am in the sixth grade and I am thirteen years old. This is my second time to write. The other time I wrote my letter was seen in print. I hope this letter will fly so high that Mr. Wastebasket will not see him. Goodbye.

MABEL HARMON.

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Beebe, Ark., Jan. 18, 1909.

Dear Western Methodist: I thought I would write as it is my first attempt. I am twelve years old and I am in the fifth grade at school. I haven't gone much on account of my eyes. Well did you cousins have a nice time Christmas? I sure did. For pets I have five cats. I go to Sunday School every Sunday that I can. We have a new preacher; his name is Bro. Barrentine. I like him fine. Have any of you cousins my birthday the 17th of August? Well I went to a party during Christmas and surely enjoyed myself. Oh! it snowed here last week and we had a fine time throwing snow balls. I got my face washed four or five times. Well I guess I had better close. I would like to exchange post cards with you.

Your new cousin,  
THELMA COCHRAN.

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# W. M. F. S. Arkansas Conf.

Mrs. P. H. Prince, Editor.

Dear Sisters: A letter, just received from Mrs. H. Hanesworth brings the sad news of the death of her mother. Mrs. Hanesworth regrets that she is not well enough to write her annual final letter, and requests me to write you a "stressing" one instead. I doubt if I am a good "stresser," but I know something of the importance of the work we have undertaken and of our proneness to put off talking of God and the work for His kingdom and paying our dues, specials, etc., until the last day.

Some think they give so little it would not be missed and neglect to give. Perhaps our Woman's Board would not miss it, but the Master would. Remember the only giver that Jesus praised that morning in the temple was the widow who cast in her two mites. The size of the contribution is not what God regards, it is the love that prompts the willing gift He values.

Did you ever have a vision of God "high and lifted up," and hear the cry holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts, the whole earth is full of his glory? Miss Rogers and Miss Churchill had their visions and to God's question "Who will go for us?" answered "Here am I, send me." Whether we women of the Arkansas Conference had a vision or not we took upon ourselves the expense of their going and God will hold us responsible for their staying. For it is His message we are sending; it is His love we are telling; it is to His way to everlasting life we are directing those in the darkness and despair of sin and idolatry. Have you ever thought over the bright, beautiful, comforting, gladdening, strengthening promises our God has made to us? Of the tenderness and love His word teaches concerning our treatment of children and the aged? Our God is a "very present help in trouble." He promises to guide, to guard, to shield, to strengthen, to uplift, to chasten, to prosper, to love us freely, to never leave or forsake us and finally to receive us in Heaven.

The keynote of the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ is love. No heathen god is a god of love, nor are the offerings made to them for love's sake; the keynote of heathenism is fear and it is a "fear that has torment."

When we have relieved a sick friend, or comforted one in distress, or fed the hungry or clothed the ragged, how light hearted and good we have felt. How the looks or the words of gratitude have gladdened us! Think how much greater the pleasure will be when a redeemed soul thanks us for having given it a chance to know Christ, the God who is love. An old Chinaman when bidding the missionary who had led him to Christ good-bye, said: "When I get to Heaven I shall first praise God for the gift of His Son, and then I shall thank Him for sending you to tell me of Jesus." Then I am sure God will remember those who made it possible for that missionary to go and to tell the gospel of Jesus Christ as they shared in the burden and work, so shall they share in the glory and reward. It is claimed that there are 500,000,000 people in Japan, Corea, China and Siam. According to Dr. Gracey, if

these people were to pass before you 2,000 every twenty-four hours, it would require 500 years for them to pass by, and in that procession you would find one-third of the widows and one-third of the orphans of the world. Thousands of these people are begging to be taught "the Jesus way," seeking the "man who forgives sin," Miss Rogers labors in that multitude and her work means much to them and to us. We must be true to our trust.

Our opportunity is only equaled by our responsibility, will we measure up to it?

So often Christian women say they don't care about the heathen. Christ didn't ask his Jewish disciples if they loved the Gentiles, he simply commanded them to preach the gospel to the uttermost part of the earth. Foreign missions are not matters of sentiment, they are the result of the risen Christ's commands. I think we ought to talk more of what God is doing in foreign fields, of the burdens, trials and overwork of our faithful messengers, of the influences at work, and of the success that is attending the work. Many of us don't know enough of our work to keep up our own enthusiasm much less fan a flame into an indifferent soul.

Let us talk more of the Master and his kingdom. Let us not clothe ourselves so richly that we will leave others without the robes of righteousness; or fare so sumptuously every day that we will have naught to send the bread of life to hungry, starving souls.

Can God depend upon us for what we have promised? I pray not one may fail to do her best.

LILA G. ROLLSTON,  
Conference President.

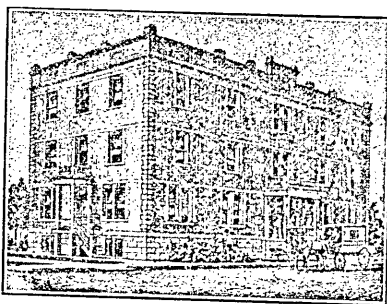
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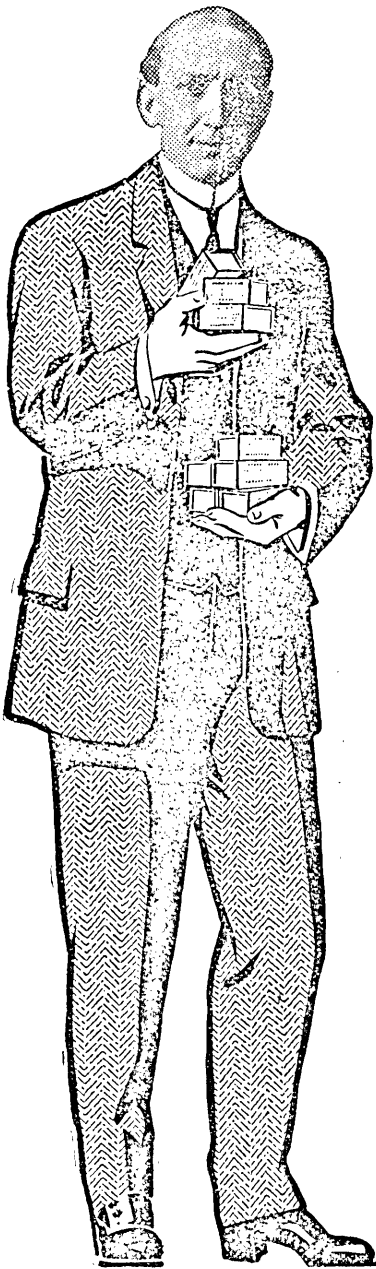
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### Dryden Circuit.

This is our first charge in the Oklahoma Conference, having transferred to this conference last fall from the North Texas, but we are becoming accustomed to Oklahoma and feel very much at home by now.

Our first quarterly conference was held last Saturday and Sunday by our presiding elder, Rev. L. L. Johnson, who preached two very able and helpful sermons, and presided at the conference with a dignity and wisdom that would do credit to a bishop.

The stewards made a good report for the finances of the quarter, and made a very liberal assessment for the salary of the P. C. and P. E. The salary of P. C. being fixed at \$720.00, one-fourth of which was paid in at this quarter.

We have been kindly received at all points on the work and kindnesses too numerous to mention, have been our lot since coming on this charge. Among some of the more important are the following: A good, comfortable six-room house was bought, and well furnished, for a parsonage; a nice pounding was brought to the parsonage by the good people of Dryden; the people of Red Hill bought a nice quilt, for which they paid \$10.00 and gave it to us for a Christmas present, and many other tokens of appreciation have been shown.

In order to come to this conference it was necessary for us to sever many ties that were very dear to us, but we feel that the hand of God was in the move, and are hopeful of a great year on the Dryden Circuit.

This is a very beautiful and productive country, and is thickly settled and school houses and churches are springing up everywhere. The citizenship are a thrifty, enterprising and contented people, and this is destined to be a great country densely populated in the very near future, and if we are wise as a church we will keep step with the march of progress in other lines, and establish Methodism here for all the future generations to hear the gospel in Methodist churches.

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ing to build that some one else may reap the benefit of our labors. "Brethren my heart's desire and prayer to God, for Israel that they might be saved." May God bless our great Conference, and crown the labors of every faithful minister of our connection, with the greatest of success, and may the borders of Zion be enlarged. Brethren pray for us.

W. R. ROSSER, P. C.

The National Mutual Church Insurance Company of Chicago, which insures church, parsonage, church school and pastor's property, besides furnishing sound protection, has paid its policy holders dividends at an average rate of eight per cent. Dividend in that sum has just been declared for the year just closed, which year showed a substantial increase in business. If the money paid it in premiums had been deposited in savings banks, it would not have earned exceeding one-half the amount paid by this company and the church would not have had protection. The same money paid to stock companies for insurance would have simply brought the insurance without earning anything. The company offers advantageous rates and convenient payments. The constant increase in its business is in itself sufficient evidence that it presents a strong and desirable plan of insurance.

### Granite and Gotebo, Okla.

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Rev. M. J. Allen of Texas did most of the preaching and he did it in good shape. I feel the charge is going forward. Home and foreign missions paid in full. M. T. ALLEN.

### Church Extension, Oklahoma Conference.

The executive committee of the Board of Church Extension of the Oklahoma Conference will meet at St. Luke's Church, Oklahoma City, March 16th, at 2 o'clock p. m.

Let all applications to the Parent Board be in the hands of Rev. C. F. Mitchell, secretary, Lawton, Okla., by this date.

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## QUARTERLY CONFERENCES.

## Oklahoma Conference.

## DURANT DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

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Durant Ct.	Feb. 16-22
Roberta	Feb. 23-28
Antlers	Mar. 6-8
Tuskahoma	Mar. 9-15
Talihina	Mar. 16-22
Soper	Mar. 23-29
Durant	Mar. 31
Hugo	April 1-5
Millerton	April 6-12
Idabel	April 13-19
Sterrett	April 20-26
Caddo	April 26-28
Bennington	May 1-5
Kemp	May 7-10
Aylesworth	May 14-16
Madill	May 16-18

J. A. PARKS, P. E.

## CHICKASHA DIST.—SECOND ROUND.

Paoli at Wayne	Feb. 13, 14
Pauls Valley	Feb. 14, 15
Ninnekah, Preach 11 a. m.	Feb. 21
Marlow	Feb. 21, 22
Minco and Verden at V.	Feb. 28, Mar. 1
Maysville and Randolph at Erin Spr.	Mar. 6, 7
Lindsay, preach 7:30 p. m.	Mar. 7
Whitehead and Florence at F.	Mar. 13, 14
Wood Reserve at Oak Lawn	Mar. 20, 21
Terral, preach 7:30 p. m.	Mar. 21
Duncan Ct., Corum	Mar. 27, 28
Oak College, preach 3 p. m.	Mar. 28
Comanche	Mar. 28, 29
Tuttle and Amber at A.	Apr. 3, 4
Terral and Banner at Sugden	Apr. 4, 5
Rush Springs and Bailey at B.	Apr. 10, 11
Bishop's, preach 3 p. m.	Apr. 11
Alex, preach 7:30 p. m.	Apr. 11
Minco, preach 11 a. m.	Apr. 18
Duncan Station	Apr. 18, 19
Lindsay Station	Apr. 24, 25
Alex, preach 7:30 p. m.	Apr. 25
Alex and Ninnekah at Bradley	May 1, 2
Chickasha	May 9, 10

C. H. MCGHEE, P. E.

## McALESTER DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND

Mowdy and Wardville at Wardville	
Kiowa Station	Feb. 13, 14
Philipp Memorial	Feb. 14, 15
Hartshorne	Feb. 20, 21
Atoka Station	Feb. 21, 22
Alison Ct.	Feb. 27, 28
Canadian Ct. at Crowder	Feb. 28, Mar. 1
Eufaula Station	March 6, 7
Eufaula Ct.	March 13, 14
	March 14, 15

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Poteau	April 10, 11
Wilburton Sta.	April 17, 18
Conser Ct.	April 18, 19
Spiro Station	April 24, 25
Pocola Ct. at Bearden	April 25, 26
Howe Ct. at Heaven	May 2, 3

S. G. THOMPSON, P. E.

ADA DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.	
Stonewall and Tupelo	Feb. 13, 14
Konowa	Feb. 20, 21
Ada, First Church	Feb. 27, 28
Wetumka	Feb. 28-March 1
Byars and Stratford at Johnson	March 6, 7
Vanoss Ct. at Chism	Mar. 7, 8
Calvin Ct. at Newburg	March 13, 14
North Ada at Fitzhugh	March 20, 21
Sosakwa and Yeager at Sosakwa	Mar. 21, 22
Wanett Ct. at Mt. Zion	March 27, 28
Moral Ct. at McComb	March 28, 29
St. Louis Ct. at Rock Springs	April 3, 4
Maud and Asher at Maud	April 4, 5
Earlsborough	April 10, 11
Wewoka	April 11, 12
Roff	April 14, 15
Pontotoc Ct. at Pontotoc	April 17, 18
Sulphur, Vinita Ave.	April 20
Sulphur, First Church	April 21
Hickory Ct. at Flood Creek	April 24, 25
Mill Creek and Hickory	April 25, 26
Holdenville Station	May 1, 2

S. F. GODDARD, P. C.

MUSKOGEE DISTRICT—SECOND ROUND.	
Stillwell Ct.	Feb. 17
Stillwell and Westville	Feb. 20, 21
Tahlequah	Feb. 24
Tahlequah Ct. at Eureka, 2 p. m.	Feb. 27
Hurlbert Ct. at Hurlbert, 2 p. m.	Feb. 28
Brushy Ct. at Hale's, 2 p. m.	March 6
Muskogee Ct. at Brushy	March 13
Muskogee, First Church	March 14
Muldrow	March 21
Fort Gibson and Braggs at Braggs	March 21
Chicotah	March 28
Oktaha Ct. at Oktaha, 2 p. m.	March 31
Muskogee, St. Paul's	April 4
Vian Ct. at Tamaha, 2 p. m.	April 10
Stigler	April 12
District Conference at Sallisaw	April 14, 16
Bokoshe Ct. at Panama	April 17
Cowlington Ct. at Keota, 7:30 p. m.	April 18
Whitefield Ct. at Enterprise, 2 p. m.	April 24
Haskell Ct. at Bixby	May 2
Warner Ct. at Warner, 2 p. m.	May 9
Natura Ct.	May 15
Boynton and Morris	May 23
Sallisaw	May 30

It is to our discredit that the end of the first quarter has come with pastors' salaries so badly behind in some of the charges, and that all the pastors raised for all the Conference claims only \$46.00. Shall we not strive to do better this quarter?

Let all observe the date of District Conference and make no date in conflict; have delegates elected, one for each fifty members or major fraction, and at least one from each organized Society. District Stewards, Trustees, Recording Stewards and Sunday School Superintendents will be members ex-officio. Let all local preachers and lay leaders be present. W. F. DUNKLE, P. E.

## Arkansas Conference.

FT. SMITH DIST.—SECOND ROUND.	
Midland Heights	Feb. 13, 14
Mansfield and Midland at Midl.	Feb. 20, 21
Prairie Creek Ct. at P. C., 3 p. m.	Feb. 21
Hartford Station, 7 p. m.	Feb. 21
Huntington Station	Feb. 27, 28
Booneville Station	Mar. 6, 7
Magazine	Mar. 8
Van Buren Station	Mar. 13, 14
Central Church	Mar. 14
Abbott Ct. at Washburn	Mar. 20, 21
Greenwood Station	Mar. 21, 22
Waldron Station	Mar. 26
Bates Ct. at Square Rock	Mar. 27, 28
Van Buren Ct. at Cauthron	Mar. 28, 29
Alma and Prairie Grove at P. G.	Apr. 1, 2
Mulberry Ct. at M.	Apr. 4, 5
Paris Station	Apr. 10, 11
First Church	Apr. 17, 18
Hackett Ct. at Bonanza	Apr. 18, 19
Branch Ct. at Low's Creek	Apr. 24, 25
Charleston Ct. at Vesta	May 1, 2
Ft. Smith Ct.	May 2, 3
Van Buren Mission at Logtown	May 8, 9
Dodson Avenue	May 9

F. S. H. JOHNSTON, P. E.

FAYETTEVILLE DIST.—SECOND ROUND.	
Bentonville	Feb. 14
Siloam Springs	Feb. 20, 21
Gravette and Gentry at Gentry	Feb. 21
Centerton at Council Grove	Feb. 27, 28
Goshen at Zion's Chapel	March 6, 7
Springdale	March 7
Lincoln at New Hope	Mar. 13
Prairie Grove	Mar. 14, 15
Viney at Viney Grove	Mar. 20, 21
Elm Springs at Grand View	Mar. 27, 28
Fayetteville Mission at W. Fayetteville	Mar. 28
Pea Ridge at Pea Ridge	Mar. 28
Fayetteville	April 3, 4
Winslow at Brentwood	April 10, 11
War Eagle	April 11
Falling Springs at F. S.	April 17, 18
Springtown at Decatur	April 24, 25
The district conference will convene at Centerton at 11 a. m., Tuesday, April 27 and close on Thursday. Let every pastor endeavor to have his missionary assessments paid in full by district conference, and also have the Wesson fund in hand. See that your quarterly conference records are at district conference. J. M. HUGHEY, P. E.	

Forrest City, Feb. 9, 1909.

Please say the first quarterly conference for Turner and Shiloh circuit will be held at Monroe instead of Shiloh and on Friday night, March 5, instead of Feb. 20. So change notice in my first round. Rev. L. B. Thurmond of Wilmore, Ky., has been engaged to supply Turner and Shiloh charge. Sincerely, Z. T. BENNETT.

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Allow me as a Home Mission woman a little space in your columns. I have read what others have said and how well pleased all the preachers are with their charges, and it seems like it is going to be a great year for all institutions of Methodism. And I want to put my shoulder to the wheel and help give it a turn. The Home Mission Society have become a strong body. Each year it grows in grace. Yet in some instances we "fail." Some of our small auxiliaries become discouraged, their members decrease instead of increasing. To the officers of the Auxiliary they seem to be just drifting, liable to strand on any shore. They feel that they have done all that they can. They do what we are taught not to do, they become weary in well doing. But this year we must not get discouraged. We must find the faults within ourselves. We must train ourselves, get within touch of the great human chord that vibrates from one to another the invisible link that draws us nearer to one another. Adapt ourselves to circumstances and all classes with the view to uplifting. Let us go out upon the highways and bring them in. Let's go over here in the western part of the city or down here in the southern part; there are Methodist families. Let's ask them to join our H. M. S. Let's insist and show them that they are one of us. And don't go away and leave the impression that we are merely asking for politeness sake. Let us have the soul saving grace about us. Not this wishawashie powder on the face kind.

This little thing Self, this little thing of notoriety. They have become such besetting sins. They have crowded out the Christian spirit in many. Let us work for Christ's approval, not man. This is the beginning of a new year, let us do a greater, nobler work. There are none so perfect but that we may become better. Let us consecrate all the good there is in us. Pray that we may be more charitable one to another. That we may have a far reaching sympathy for our fellow beings. Reach out our hands, and lift them up. Their morals may be corrupt; let's help them to become pure. Let's make the world better by being in it. Revive in us the true Christian spirit that causes pity for the wayward and not scorn. Let us veil our reproaches in a manner that will influence them in the right way. And in the summing up; let us be all for Christ. Yours faithfully,  
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Rev. J. H. Baird.

"The memory of the just is blessed," and "the righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance" are passages

of scripture that find a happy illustration in the case of our dear brother whose name I have written above. Converted in the prime of young manhood, assuming his baptismal and church vow with him meant the consecration of all he had and was to the service of God and the church, and right well did he maintain this high standard of piety, a good man and true. At a quarterly meeting held at Princeton about the close of the war he was licensed to preach. As a preacher he spoke readily, clearly, and loved to tell the story of redeeming grace and undying love; he was popular, too, in the right sense of that word, honored and loved by all who knew him. I think he was employed by presiding elders as a supply on pastoral charges, everywhere and at all times he showed himself a man of God, faithful minister of Christ; he ever had every interest of the church and souls at heart, was in his right element when assisting his pastor in protracted meetings, was one of the sweet singers in Israel, in a word, Brother Baird was a most efficient local preacher in the Methodist church. He was ordained deacon at Warren in 1868 by Bishop Pierce, and four years later he was ordained elder by Bishop Kavanaugh.

The church, in all the region where he was known mourns the loss of a faithful servant. The writer knew him intimately for fifty years, and loved him for his sterling piety and great aid in the good cause. Well says his pastor, "In his death I have lost one of my best helpers," so no doubt many pastors in the Little Rock Conference would say. But his work is done, and he has heard the words, "Well done, good and faithful servant." May we all follow him as he followed his Savior.

Brother Baird was born in Conway county, Ark., April 6, 1833, and died near Thornton in Colhoun county, Ark., Jan. 25, 1909.

JAMES E. CALDWELL

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We are just completing a census of the town for the benefit of the Sunday school interest.

We have a genuine prayer meeting. One that lives and breathes, and if the preacher is necessarily absent a night, it moves right along in the good old fashioned way.

Bro. McDonald, our big warm-hearted and enthusiastic sub-bishop, came over the eighteenth and held our first quarterly conference. Everything was reported in good shape and up-to-now, with bright prospects for the future. We are all highly pleased with our presiding elder.

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C. H. HARDON, Pastor.

Jan. 26.

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Maud, Okla.

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